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Boy band heats up its fans' hearts to '98 degrees'

Debelah Morgan, Dream and Baha Men completed the night of entertainment.

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Brvce Jordan Center as the members of this boy band sang and gyrated to the delight of thousands of screaming fans.

The group has been heating things up across the United States to support their latest album Revelation and were joined by show openers Debelah Morgan, Dream and the Baha Men.

The striking young performers of 98 degrees made a grand entrance through a curtain of spraying flames, loud bursts of bright orange fire and a deafening drum beat as the 5,000 plus in attendance, consisting of men and women of all ages, stared in wonderment.

"It's a pleasure to be back here in State College," said Nick Lachey, the most desired member of the boy band.

'98 degrees rules. Nick's my favorite awestruck fans.

because he's hot," said 11-year-old Samantha Martinez of Tyrone, who came with her mother, Deb Martinez, 34.

Mary McGregor, 41, of Tyrone brought her 11-year-old son Ian to see his very first concert.

"They're very cute," she said of the boy band. "We know all the words (to their songs)."

The young studs were clad in dazzling out-It was a sizzling 98 degrees inside the fits of white for one of their more popular singles "I Do (Cherish You)," from their debut album 98 degrees And Rising. They also serenaded the audience with a few of the songs from their new album including "Stay The Night.'

The boys then switched into coordinating outfits of red and black leather as they performed "Because Of You," from their first album and then sung the long awaited "Give Me Just One Night (Una Noche)," their latest single from the Revelation album.

Debelah Morgan, who kicked off the concert, pranced around the stage in sparkling camouflage showing off her tremendous vocal range and singing "Dance With Me," her single heard recently on the radio.

"Believe in yourself, you can do anything with your life," she announced to her

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> Linzee Morrill senior-iournalism

Next came the latest girl band on the music scene, Dream.

These young heartbreakers sang and danced to their well-known single "He Loves U Not" and excitedly performed their latest song "This Is Me."

"I love the way they sing and dance. I wish I was up there with them," said 10-year-old Melissa Kelly of Lewistown.

The last of the openers were the Baha Men who didn't put too much effort into impressing the audience. The fans were excited and seemed to only want to hear the groups addictive song "Who Let the Dogs Out?

After four dull songs the Baha Men finally performed the song that made them famous. The crowd roared and joined in on every 'Woof, Woof."



Nick Lachey of 98 degrees belts out a song at the Bryce Jordan Center.

The group added a little surprise by whooping "Who Let the Cats Out?" as the crowd screamed "Meow, Meow, Meow, Meow.

All in all, the performers were entertaining, especially the boys from 98 degrees.

"This was my first time seeing them. Their voices were great. I just wished they danced more," said Linzee Morrill (senior-journalism).

The groups will be continuing this tour across the U.S. until the end of this month.

Band battle picks groups for Movin' On festival

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ming and rock. So pleased with the audionce response, singer and guitarist Adam Meyer (junior-mechanical engineering) invited the crowd back to his house after the show. Later in the evening, he was thankful tor the positive response and was just pleased to be given the opportunity to per-10 m

"We just like to play." Meyer said. "We'll play for two people or 2.000 - we really don't care.

Even after receiving the esteem of winning the contest, trombone player Matt Weirauch (junior-computer science) of Slick Olde Bishops was still in awe of Movin' On and the big performers. "This is like the greatest moment of my life, knowing that Run DMC will be in the same 10 miles as me.

The local stage will feature three bands from the area: Midnight Special, Figures of Speech and Axum. More updates about Movin' On can be found at www.movinon.org.

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Academy apologizes for Myers' sound off

LOS ANGELES (AP) - The president of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences has offered a written apology to the group's sound branch over comments by actor Mike Myers during last month's Oscars ceremony, the Los Angeles Times reported.

During the March 25 telecast, Myers presented the winners for best sound and sound editing while belittling the importance of the two categories.

The next day, one of the governors of the academy's sound branch wrote president Robert Rehme to complain, calling Myers' comments an insult, according to the newspaper.

Academy guidelines prohibit presenters from being dismissive of any of the categories for which Oscars are presented.

'The Producers' brings joy to producer Brooks

NEW YORK — It's springtime for Mel Brooks.

The writer and director of the classic Hollywood comedy "The Producers" says he's

delighted the show is on Broadway, and theatergoers appear to share in his pleasure. "I haven't been this happy since I did my

first sketch on (television's) 'Your Show of tells Newsweek in its April 16 issue

Shows' with Sid Caesar," said Brooks. "I'm back doing what I was born to do.

And I love it," Brooks tells *Time* magazine in editions appearing on newsstands today. Brooks is producing the musical stage version of "The Producers," a comedy about group of people who put on a musical

called "Springtime for Hitler." The show sold \$13 million worth of tickets Family says goodbye to

even before it opened. Star Matthew Broderick says Brooks has famous houseguests

been very hands-on during the project. "He's totally attentive, watching like a

hawk," he says, adding that Brooks arrived at one rehearsal yelling "No, no, you're ruining my masterpiece!"

Zellweger finally able to rely on acting career

NEW YORK — Actress Renee Zellweger kept an eye on her day job until very recent-

The star of *Bridget Jones' Diary* says that even after a string of movies including Jerry Maguire. Me. Myself & Irene and The Bachelor, she lacked confidence in her acting ability.

Zellweger says she wasn't sure she was going to be able to make a living as an actress until she won a Golden Globes award in January for her role as a deluded soap-opera fan in Nurse Betty.

"It was a very profound moment," she

"It made me realize that I had a reason to be there that night, that I wasn't crashing the party and about to be found out and shown the door.'

Bridget Jones' Diary, adapted from the best-selling comic novel, opens this week.

COLUMBUS, Ga. — The bad news for Mamie and Garry Pound: They had to say goodbye to their house guests — Mel Gib-son, Greg Kinnear, Keri Russell, Chris Klein and Madeleine Stowe.

The good news: For the first time in a month, the Pounds can take showers in their own home.

The Pounds and their two children moved out while the cast of We Were Soldiers Once And Young filmed in Columbus and

stayed in the family's bed and breakfast. "We bathed the kids in a sink and showered at the Y," Garry Pound said.

"But we'd do it all over again. Every one of our rooms was booked for a month. That doesn't happen very often."

Rumors flew during the shooting that the stars were in town, but the Pounds' lips were sealed.

"We had to lie," said Mary Dana Knight, who helps Mamie Pound prepare meals. We'd receive telephone calls all the time asking if Mel was staying here. We'd have to sav no.



On the Brink performs at the Battle of the Bands competition at the HUB

