



"I've been reading Nikki Sixx's book "The Heroin Diaries" lately and it's a pretty good read. Some of my favorite books have been "tell all" books about cool rock bands, so I figure MY next book needs to be a rock'n'roll band tell all book. It will be titled "My Life as a Space Cretin" and be a humorous vanity book about my punk/glam band the SPACE CRETINS. Believe me, I've got some tales to tell, and I don't mind exaggerating to make the book more exciting. That's how it's done, folks. On the flip side, I may have to un-exaggerate certain tales in order not to embarrass myself. Ha!" (posted by Paul Diamond Blow in 2014 on an obscure web site.)

The birth of the SPACE CRETINS?

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My Life as a Space Cretin

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- 1. Hailing from the aptly named "Jet City" Seattle WA, the Space Cretins bring a heavy dose of super-cyber punk'rock'n'roll with a neon kick for the good times, with a sound that owes as much to KISS, the Misfits, and the Ramones as it does to the original Space Commanders Ziggy Stardust & the Spiders from Mars. A sound that takes the energy of punk, the snottiness of glam, and the groove of '80's L.A. sleaze rock, which when combined gives you... spaced out, mega-freakin', high-octane, righteous ROCK, baby yeah!! Source: Informant #32561789
- 2. According to the Space Cretins charter, there are four requirements to becoming a band member: 1) Must be attractive to the ladies 2) must love big, dumb Rock 3) must be a great performer 4) must be attractive to the ladies... The SPACE CRETINS members include veterans of the Seattle punk/grunge wars—PAUL ACE DIAMOND BLOW (guitar, vocals: exsuffocated, Berserkers, Paul Diamond Blow & the Ace Diamond Bimbos); MARKASS STARKISS KARKASS (Bass: ex-Berserkers, Pissdrunks. Undisputed Heavyweights); DANGER DAYNE BAM BAM (drums: ex-Ace Diamond Bimbos, Northwest Breeders); and OTIS P. OTIS (guitar: ex Willard, F-holes)
- 3. UNEXPLAINED FACTORS: Sick and tired of the negativity and depressing nature of the bi-polar Seattle music scene, and inspired by a chance encounter with William Shatner in a Hong Kong kareoke bar, (in which Shatner convinced Blow to start a "super-cyber" rock band) Paul Diamond Blow hooked up with his old band-mates Danger Dayne and Markass Karkass to put the FUN back in today's Rock. The Space Cretins aren't trying to stimulate brain cells or impress with fancified riffage, no, just putting the party, attitude and swagger (AND good songs!) back in the rock'n'roll leather pants. "It's a spritual thing," says Blow. "But we're much more than just another 3-chord Rock band. We're a 3-chord band with a Plan..."

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"We don't play punk rock, we don't play heavy metal. We play FREAK rock." -PDB



This version of the SUPERFREAK HIGHWAY cover was shot down by the record executives for looking "too freaky."

The SPACE CRETINS action figures sold well in Japan.

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THE WILLIAM SHATNER CONNECTION...

First off, this is a 100% true story that actually happened, you probably read only the short version on the internet. There I was, in Hong Kong on business--don't ask what kind!--back in the Fall of 2002. I was partying down one night at a karaoke bar, just maxin' and relaxin', having a good time--I think it was a place called the Blue Flaming Dragon--ally did an awesome karaoke version of "Blue Velvet", spoken word style of course, and I did a somewhat lame version of "November Rain." Anyway, Bill and I got to talking. He actually approached me telling me he too was an Axl Rose fan, and he also said I had a "Spock" haircut. I guess back then I kind of did, only shaggier. So Bill and I talked all night over drinks about spoken word, literature, philosophy, and music. Bill convinced me that the time was right for a "super-cyber rock-n-roll band", as he put it. Something like David Bowie used to do with Ziggy Stardust, but updated with some sleaze rock and punk rock influences, such as the Ramones, and done totally loud and bangin'! The loud and bangin' part was my idea. I wrote the

bangin' part was my idea. I wrote the whole thing down on a napkin, stuffed it in my pocket, and completely forgot about it the next day when I sobered up. A month later while doing laundry I found the napkin and it all came back to me. I immediately bought some brand new Les Paul guitars and proceeded to write and record a batch of high-octane "super-cyber" rock songs which later became the basis for the Space Cretins as a band. The rest is history. -- PAUL DIAMOND BLOW



TBS: So was Shatner a big revolution for you guys, or did it just add to the already craziness of the band's attitude?



PDB: William Shatner is one of my idols. It's his whole cheesy personality that does it for me. I mean, he does not take himself seriously at all, he knows how to have fun with his image. I totally love his acting style, his spoken word stuff, his whole vibe really. It's all about the cheese. I also love the cheesy stuff and I don't take myself too seriously at all! Bill made an appearance in our Space Cretins TV cartoon show, which aired on the public access TV stations last year; that was a real treat.

(From an interview with Kim Acrylic for the BATTERED SUITCASE.)





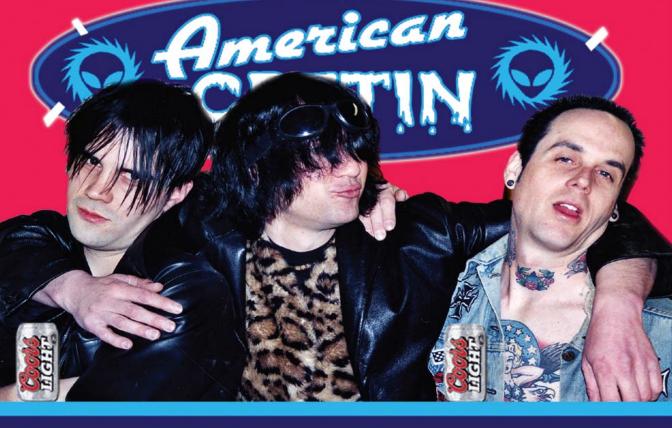


The SPACE CRETINS were at our zenith between 2006-2007... we were playing sold-out shows constantly, we were in demand. We were in magazines, we did interviews, we were on the radio, we were in movies, we had our own cable TV show, we even made the cover of PLAYGIRL MAGAZINE. Life was good as a SPACE CRETIN. Of course, the success may have gone to our heads (or at least my own cabeza), and being a band of egotists friction soon developed, as happens when too many egotists are in one band. There's only really room for one... ha ha.... so eventually, after a crazy tour down the West Coast which amost broke up the band more than once (the details are too sordid to print in this book, sorry), on return we had to part ways with Otis P. Otis and carry on again as a 3-piece. I told Otis, "We Photoshopped you into this band, we can Photoshop you out..." He said, "Do it."

We continued playing as a 3-piece for another year or so, until eventually Markass Karkass decided it was time for him to leave the band. His decision came, unfortunately, right in the middle of a song during a live show at the Sunset Tavern when he threw his bass gear off the stage, yelled obscenities into the microphone, and disappeared into the night....

At that point it was just Danger Dayne and I, the two original SPACE CRETINS. The task still remained at hand to finish our second CD which hadn't even been mixed yet. At that point, the future of the SPACE CRETINS was uncertain at best, so I plowed myself into the only passions I had left... womanizing, kung fu, and writing poetry.





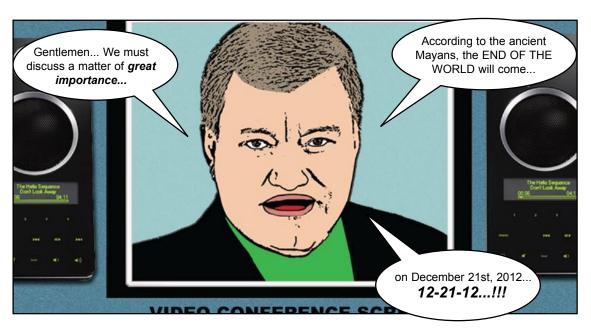
The SPACE CRETINS had a TV show broadcast on Seattle's public access cable station, one episode every season. The episode that featured the animated cartoon was a smash hit. In 2012 we even made a comic book to promote a reunion gig... reproduced here in full on the following pages, complete with bonus "epilogue" pages that were not included in the actual comic book.





SPACE GRETINS









"They were instructed by **ancient aliens** to write a calendar. This calendar correctly predicts the **END OF THE WORLD.**"



