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Holy cow! It's frickin' November already. I feel like there was a horrible pandemic that was killing hundreds of thousands of people, we didn't know much about it and before we knew it, it was on us - people were dropping at an alarming rate, friends were dying, people were hoarding supplies, they were fighting, there were horrible racial deaths and issues that sparked protest and then violence, and it was shit show. I went into hiding for eight months and missed the entire year. Wow, what a horrible dream, oh wait - was it really a dream or a nightmare? Remember, nightmares are dreams too. Well, we're in it and we have to be responsible, not just for ourselves, it's about looking out for and protecting others, those that might be more vulnerable than ourselves. It is not ME, ME, ME, it is about caring for others. I try and remind myself everyday, it is the UNITED STATES not the DIVIDED STATES. Don't be led down this dark path by bullshit politicians on both sides of the aisle. We the people are the UNITED STATES. We can and should have different opinions, and we can and should be able to express them without being condemned and attacked. We the people have to be respectful of each other, listen to each other and be willing to compromise and solve our differences, no matter the color of our skin, the language we speak or the religion of our choice. Don't be led astray, pitted against your fellow Americans. ... stand united not divided

A handwritten signature in cursive, likely Glenn Alexander's, written in black ink.

BLUE AMERICANA: In addition to doin' our weekly live Quarantunes every Friday night, Blue Americana continued to have several outdoor shows throughout October. Once again, we played for all of the outdoor diners at the various restaurants on Quimby Street in downtown Westfield, as well as the wonderful **Pickett's Village Bar** in Maplewood - they have this great set-up where folks are hanging out, eating and drinking under a large awning to protect them from the elements. Sadly, as we get deeper into fall, there's nothing in place at either



Shadowland will return to Quarantunes November 6th

of these spots that include a heater, so the outdoor gigs will be drying up. While you may not be able to see Blue Americana in person for a while, you're in luck - we'll be still be appearing every Friday LIVE on Facebook doing our thang. If you have tuned in recently, you may be aware we have been having MASSIVE WiFi issues (thank you Comcast - you suck). So to remedy that, we've moved the whole operation from the downstairs studio to the kitchen. Not only are we closer to the modem, but it has opened up all kinds of possibilities - cooking, baking and other hijinks - so you don't want to miss it! We've also recently become interactive and answering questions and responding to comments in real time. So, please check out our brand new **website**, **Twitter** and **Facebook** pages and follow and like us! ... One of the only good things about being housebound during the pandemic is that Oria and I have been able to work on music together a lot more, not only writing a bunch of original new songs and started recording, but we've been exploring some really cool cover tunes that we are working into our repertoire ... Speaking of recording, we recently finished recording a cover of the Halsey song "Gasoline" and Oria's vocal is stunning. Van Romaine is on drums and the song is killin' - can't wait for y'all to hear it



Blue Americana says: wear a mask!

SHADOWLAND: Shadowland played the first Quarantunes of October and will play the first Quarantunes of November, as well! Yup, the band is getting together again for one of our multi-camera extravaganzas. John Isley is a technical wizard and sets up this whole complicated system for us. He will once again be ably assisted by Zack Sandler and Harry Rachel, it wouldn't happen without those cats! So, be sure to tune in - we'll once again be interactive, taking questions and responding to comments

THE JUKES: The Jukes had two great drive-in shows last month - the first was the **Rockaway Townsquare Mall** in New Jersey, presented by **Mayo Performing Arts Center**, and was a blast, the perfect combination of a beautiful night and a great crowd. The other show was local and limited to folks who live in Union County, New Jersey, but it was also great fun, with the exception of guitar equipment failures. I clearly have a negative electromagnetic field that seems to wreak havoc on electrical devices. With the weather getting colder and colder, I'm not sure there will be any more drive-in shows for The Jukes this year, but you never know, so please keep checking The Jukes **website** for updates

UPCOMING LIVE DATES

Friday, November 6th — with Glenn Alexander & Shadowland

Quarantunes LIVE on Facebook — www.facebook.com/glennalexandermusic

Friday, November 13th — with Blue Americana

Quarantunes LIVE on Facebook — www.facebook.com/glennalexandermusic

Friday, November 20th — with Blue Americana

Quarantunes LIVE on Facebook — www.facebook.com/glennalexandermusic

Friday, November 27th — with Blue Americana

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