

Asleep at the Wheel will be in Longview Saturday night

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Asleep at the Wheel will be rolling through East Texas Saturday night.

They're going to be at the S.E. Belcher Jr. Chapel and Performance Center for a one-night stand.

For 40 years "Big" Ray Benson and his fellow Western Swingers have been entertaining audiences around the world. For the past couple of years, the group's roster has stabilized ... and their chemistry is obvious. Fiddle player Jason Roberts has really come into his own. Elizabeth McQueen, the girl singer, is my favorite, adding such light and joy to every performance. And, to my ears, there is no better steel player than Eddie Rivers.

The group released "It's A Good Day," with Texas Playboy Leon Rausch in July. Not a bad cut on the entire record.

Watch the *News-Telegram* for an interview with Big Ray and Rausch.

In the meantime, get yourself to Longview Saturday night and enjoy a great show.

For ticket information, log on to www.belchercenter.com.

Here's a clip of The Wheel and Rausch doing "Route 66" at the CD launch party.

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