



Backstage with the Band: TopHouse



TopHouse is one of the hottest up and coming bands in the South. They started only a few years ago and already they have a huge following.

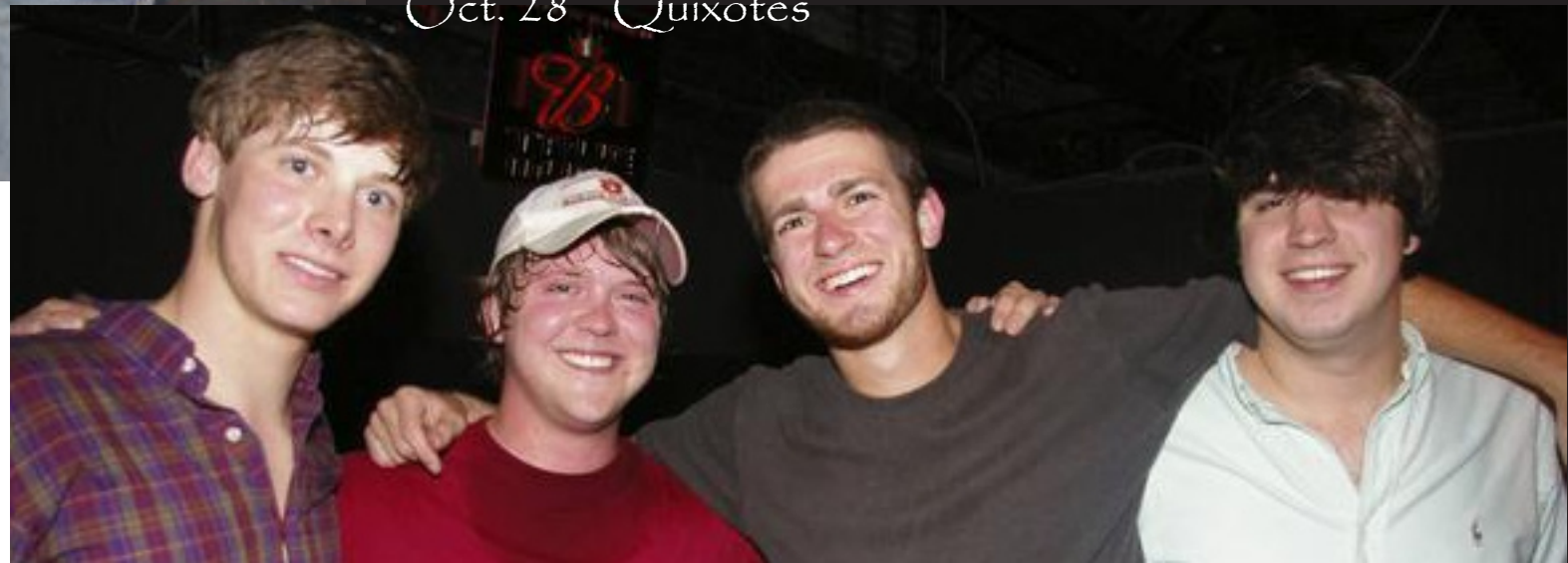
Behind the Band

TopHouse was formed 5 months ago after Auburn students, Sam Rutledge and Alex Cannon decided to enter a battle of the bands contest. They would always play for fun, so they decided why not compete. They asked their friend Brian Harris to play drums for them for the contest. They did not win, but they were determined to keep practicing and score a gig. After rotating bass players in and out, they finally found Paul Bruens. Top House knew they had made it big, when they played in the back bar of Skybar to a packed house.



Upcoming Shows

Sept. 5 Theta Chi: Auburn University
Oct. 28 Quixotes



"I wish I could explain the feeling I get when we perform on stage. With all of the bright lights and the fans, it is like nothing I have ever experienced."

- Sam Rutledge



"Every once in a while I can take pleasure in watching a band perform covers of songs I used to hear on TRL when I was younger. If a band can pull it off with the right kind of smiling gravitas, then more power to them. Last Thursday, TopHouse made their Skybar debut, pounding out a set list full of old standards while proving they had what it takes to take control in a town of cover bands. As one of the newest things to grace an Auburn stage, the group known as TopHouse formed right here in Auburn. For their first Skybar gig, the group assembled a pretty solid list of crowd pleasers, including songs by Matchbox 20, The Beatles and Hootie and the Blowfish. During the show, the group passed around their tambourine to rhythmically challenged females in the audience, pulling a few on stage to add a little eye candy to the show. The group played for a few hours, never losing an ounce of their energy. TopHouse definitely has what it takes."

-Andrew R. Jones of "The Corner Magazine"

