

1983 YEAR END

AS REQUESTED, READERS OF MIKEL SENT IN THEIR SENTIMENTS ABOUT VARIOUS TOPICS. ON THIS PAGE, OCCUPATIONS AND AGE BREAKDOWN IS PRESENTED. ON THE NEXT PAGE THE BEST SHOWS OF THE YEAR, on PAGE 3 BEST NEW SONG, SITE, AND SONG TO BE REVIVED, and on PAGE 4, BEST EXPERIENCE OF THE YEAR.

Endless manipulation of the demographics is possible. For the record, 111 DEADHEADS responded, though not all answered all categories.

DAY JOB

THE MOST COMMON DEADHEAD DAY JOBS were three:

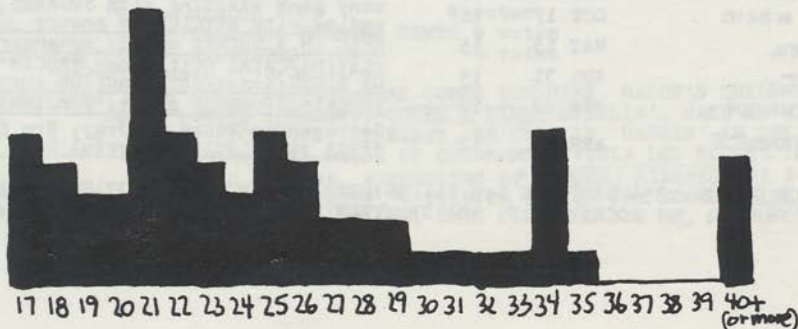
STUDENT, TEACHER, (MMM... wonder if there's any connection there) and PUBLISHER

OTHER DAY JOBS INCLUDED (in no particular order):

Warehouse manager, Florist, Mountaneer, Artist, Proofreader, Space Systems Analyst (non-military, he added), Juvenile Delinquent Counselor, Work at Foodstore, Boeing Engineer, Lawyer, Bartender, Silkscreener, Loan Examiner, Investment Analyst, Wildlife Biologist, Nutritionist, Ski Instructor, Ice Skater (Retired), Salesman, Trucker, Chef, Mechanic, Shipwright, Mechanical Engineer, Programmer, Postal Clerk, UPS Clerk, Federal Gvt Employee, Makes Hip Bones, Plumber, Roofer, Geological Engineer, Housewife/Mother (many) and the ULTIMATE DAY JOB GOES TO CHARLES F in LANCASTER PA, Funeral Director (I don't know whether the dead he deals with daytime are grateful, but he seems to have a cosmic continuity in vocation/avocation...)

AGE

Youngest to reply was some 17 year olds; oldest was 57 yr old homemaker...



2) MERRIWETHER 6/20/83
3) SPECTRUM 4/25/83

The Eleven

	Date	Points	Comments
1 GARDEN	OCT 11	155	① St. Stephen / Orgasmic pandemonium!! Phil sings!!
2 MARIN	OCT 31	60	St. Stephen & Revolution together
3 GREEK	MAY 15	55	1st set SAILOR/SAINT; Wang Dang into
4 SARATOGA	JUN 18	48	Esau opener; massive DEAL; Airtobill
5 MEADOWLANDS	APR 17	42	Mickey acoustic stage front jam
6 GARDEN	OCT 12	40	③ extra personell
7 WATSONVILLE	SEP 24	37	④ Electrical storm; emotional DEW
8 HARTFORD	OCT 15	37	Longest 2 set show; 2nd set HELP/SLIP
9 VENTURA	JUL 30	34	TOWER/MAN SMART/PLAYING I/DRUMS/LOVE
10 GREEK	MAY 14	33	⑤ ONE YOU'RE WITH (Stephen Stills)/
11 STANFORD	AUG 20	33	PLAYING II/STONES/NFA
12 ROCKS	SEP 6	33	⑥ COLD RAIN & PHIL; REVOLUTION debut
13 SANTA FE	SEP 10	33	⑦ Deep Elem Day Job returns; Uncle John
14 HARRISBURG	JUN 22	30	⑧ Playing & St Stephen
15 HAMPTON	APR 9	29	⑨ Set-ending MUSIC NEVER STOP; Chinadol
16 MERRIWETHER	JUN 21	22	⑩ Shakedown/Playing I/China Doll/Drums
17 WORCESTER	OCT 21	22	Wheel/Playing II/DEW II
18 BINGHAMTON	APR 12	20	⑪ Jerry returns; BIRD SONG BLACK PETER
19 GRASS VALLEY	SEP 18	20	exceptional EYES OF WORLD
20 NY (ETTA JAMES)	JAN 1	18	So many highlights; Fennario/Hell/
21 MORGANTOWN	APR 10	18	Duprees...HELP/SLIP/TOWER/PLAYING I/
22 BOISE	SEP 2	18	Drums/Uncle John (magic!!)/PLAYING II
23 LAS VEGAS	MAR 26	17	CUMBERLAND's 2nd set RAINBOW; PHIL!!!
24 WARFIELD	MAR 29	17	Island; rain ends moon
25 ROCKS	SEP 8	17	HELP/SLIP/TOWER/TRUCIN' (Fredrums!)
26 SYRACUSE	OCT 22	17	Satisfaction encore
27 STANFORD	AUG 21	17	TERRAPIN; weeks of MUD & RAIN stories
28 PORTLAND	AUG 26	16	MUSIC NEVER STOPPED opener; TRAIN to
29 LAKE MACIO	OCT 17	16	the JET; SCARLET/FIRE/UNCLE JOHN/PLAY
30 GREEK	MAY 13	15	HELP/SLIP/TOWER/SAILOR/SAINT/TERRAP
31 HULT	AUG 31	15	DRUMS/OTHER ONE/WHARF RAT/NFA/BABYb
32 NEW HAVEN	APR 22	13	THEY LOVE EACH OTHER; TERRAPIN
33 PROVIDENCE	APR 20	12	LOVELIGHT/TELL MAMA/BABY WHAT YOU
			WANT ME TO DO HARD TO HANDLE/MIDNITE
			UNCLE JOHN/PLAYING I/Drums, WHEEL/
			PLAYING II/CHINA DOLL!!
			WANG DANG/JACKSTRAW opener

34) MADISON Jun 24; 35) SANTA FE Sep 11; 36) MERRIWETHER JUN 20; 37) HULT Aug 30;
38) TEMPE Mar 25; 39) ROCKS SEP 7; 40) SPECTRUM Apr 25; 41) PARK WEST Sep 4;

NEW SONG

*Run for the roses, leave Lil' queen alone
Throw stones*

MANY FOLKS HAD TROUBLE WITH WHAT EXACTLY WAS ELIGIBLE FOR THIS CATEGORY. I ORIGINALLY CALLED IT BEST NEW SONG OF 83, BUT THAT DIDN'T STOP FOLKS FROM CHOOSING SONGS FROM '82:

WINNERS (TIE) HELL IN A BUCKET and THROWING STONES, both with 29 votes

3 TOUCH OF GRAY 19 votes

4 REVOLUTION 9 votes

5 WANG DANG DOODLE 8 votes

also rans: BRO ESAU, DAY JOB, WEST LA FADEAWAY, MAN SMART, WOMAN SMARTER

SITE

ALMOST 1/3 OF THE VOTES CAST WERE FOR TWO SITES:

WINNER 1 RED ROCKS 17 votes

MUSIC MTN, N.Y. 2 VENTURA 14 votes

u of VA 3 FROST (Stanford) 8 votes

4 GREEK (Berkeley) 7 votes

5 SANTA FE 7 votes

6 GRASS VALLEY 6 votes

7 SARATOGA 6 votes

8 HARRISBURG 5 votes

9 MERRIWETHER 4 votes

10 CUMBERLAND ARENA (Portland, Maine) 3 votes

also rans: MARIN, NEW HAVEN, POPLAR CREEK, PARK WEST, DEL MAR, HAMPTON, HULT, ENGLISH TOWN, SPECTRUM, BINGHAMTON, MORGANTOWN, WATSONVILLE, LEHIGH U, STABLER ARENA, OAKLAND AUD, WARFIELD, WORCESTER, VEGAS

REVIVAL

AGAIN TWO SONGS DOMINATED, 1/4 OF THE VOTES BEING CAST FOR THEM:

WINNER 1 COSMIC CHARLIE 15 votes

2 BOX OF RAIN 12 votes

3 BLACK THROATED WIND 8 votes

4 THE ELEVEN 8 votes

5 DARK STAR 8 votes

6 GOLDEN ROAD 5 votes

7 UNBROKEN CHAIN 4 votes

8 MTS OF MOON 4 votes

At A SIDDING 9 → TILL THE MORNING COMES 4 votes

10 ALLIGATOR 4 votes

also rans: HIGH TIME, RIPPLE, HERE COMES SUNSHINE, MASON'S CHILDREN.

→ NEW BOOGIE SPEEDWAY, COMES A TIME, STEALIN', WAKE UP LITTLE SUSIE, WHAT'S BECOME OF THE BABY?, MR CHARLIE, DANCIN' IN THE STREETS, HARD TO HANDLE, PRIDE OF CUCAMONGA, VIOLA LEE BLUES, IF I HAD THE WORLD TO GIVE, WEREWOLVES OF LONDON, MISSISSIPPI 1/2 STEP, WEATHER REPORT SUITE, SITTING ON TOP OF THE WORLD, SING ME BACK HOME, LOOSE LUCY, DARK HOLLOW, NEXT TIME YOU SEE ME, CONFUSION PRINCE (1)

AH I REMEMBER IT WELL...

sent my daughter Tracy to the Bay Area (boarding school), one day when I
icked her up coming back home, she ran up to me & said "Hurry Mom, I have
tape you have to hear, it reminds me of you" The song was Sugar Magnolia
I cried, so proud that those lyrics were how Tracey felt about me. The US
estival was our first DEAD show together, we camped out, and agreed to meet
t stage right. Well, no Tracy. I sat down with Montana DEADHEADS who became
stant friends & joined me in my search for Tracey. I went to the other side
o simple task too many people to take the direct route, checking out groups
f dancing DEADHEADS for Tracey. Changing direction-really bummed out now I
eaded back up the hill eyes on the ground - when I finally looked up there
he was- in the middle of the path all by herself barefooted, blonde hair
lowing, lavender skirt twirling, my child she looked so beautiful! I'm 42
y license plate is SGR MAG & I go to concerts to dance with my child-how
any parents are so blessed? YVONNE T Joshua Tree CA

nroute from Richmond to Greensboro, my car went straight while the road
idn't & put my radiator out of commission (at 3 AM!). Made it to Greensboro
n bubble gum, radiator stop leak & water. Fixed the radiator in the Coliseum
arking lot with solder! GARY H Carrollton VA

ound myself at Philly, no tix no money, when a young couple asked "what's up?"
hey had a friend working at the Spectrum gates. Then they steered me to an
ld train depot that was chilly, but a real palace that night. All out of the
indness of their hearts & to top it off they even found me a ride back home!
nly at a DEAD show right? WAYNE C Rochester NY

n Ventura, the sun's reflections on the "Beast" turned into synaptic patterns
ulsating as Mickey hit the drum face. Intense! MARTI SEATTLE WA

assed out stickers for you in Richmond. I had a great time meeting people,
hey gave me beers, roses got me high. It was like being Candyman & Prophet
n one. BRIAN A College Park MD

ill Graham handed me a trash bag 5 AM night of 30th-31st. I said I would,
e walked off with a wink of the eye, leaving me with the trash bags & comp
ew Year's Tickets! THANKX BILL!!! I'll be 18 on Dec 30! DAVE H NORFOLK CT

he DEAD came into Poplar creek on helicopters, landing right next to the
arking lot. I got this card, wrote "please play AIKO" which a lot of people
ad signed & tried to get to Jerry as he walked to his limo, but was stopped
y security. Jerry came over, took the card, which also said, "hope your day
nds on a happy note". Well Jerry had a tremendous smile on his face, like
he Cheshire Cat when they played Aiko as an encore! KEITH

n Binghamton, me & 3 friends scored tix early aft, so retreated to a bar,
Gondorf's. 15 min & a few drinks later, the bartender unplugs the jukebox,
alks behind the bar, unveils a mega sound system, pops in a tape out comes,
t Stephen/Not Fade Away/St Stephen!!! Terripan Tom WESTMONT NJ

I'm a navy intelligence specialist on board USS Coral Sea. While in Malaysia,
listening to some DEAD tapes on a black-sand beach, a local came up & started
anging jungle percussion sounds. I tell you Mickey would have been proud,
his guy could jam! Once in a while you get shown the light in the strangest
laces!! RILES, another lost sailor too long at sea

rrived at 7PM for A JGB show, within 15 min we had sold our doses & locked
our keys in the car! After the show, while we were howling at the full moon,
he guy parked next to us got into our car just as the boys in blue were
clearing the lot, saying "get out now or be busted on Yarmouth St" BOB S Framinghae

scrawled AIKO on 2 foot long inflatable shark. When Jerry & boys landed in
helicopters, we rushed the car and pressed it against the window. Jerry smiled.
CHRISTOPHER (the shark) R Pond du Lac WI

arden shows were last two I caught before starting Air Force Basic Training
at Lackland AFB Texas. St Stephen blew us away- we joked, "we can go home now,
we've seen it all" NEXT night, Phil sang cold rain & snow & I knew we were in
for it! HE'S GONE- my friends told me "nothing's gonna bring him back-except
next spring's East Coast tour!" Right before the encore, my friend turns to me
& says, "OK here's the last song for you as a civilian" =AAAHHG!! Revolution##

fter the show all the DEADHEADS were walking around with demented smiles not
being able to say much more than WOW. JOHN S ALC LACKLAND AFB TX

I made aguitar like Jerry's, met you in Providence. Inside, one minute I was
feeling stupid I'd brought it while I stood near the soundboard. Dan saw it &
5 minutes later I was standing in back of Jerry's amp while the crew admired
my guitar. I was allowed to eat with the band after the show & Bob gave me a
backstage pass to next show New Haven. DAVID F WOONSOCKET RI

At Morgantown, my friend fell off the roof of the coliseum & broke his foot.
BILL F ROCKFORD MI

At Harrisburg, stayed at Dave & John Leopold's parent's house. They had 20
DEADHEADS. We all took showers & they fed us all! JOE C Philadelphia PA

My best DEAD related experience is all of my DEAD related experiences!
DOUG S Canoga Park CA