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HEY NOW!

IRVINE IHO

APRIL 7 41st ANNIVERSARY
 DISCOVERY OF LSD

FEEL LIKE A STRANGER

WEST LA FADEAWAY
MET MY UNCLE
MEXICALI BLUES

ALTHEA
CC RIDER
BIG RR BLUES
BRO ESAU
TOUCH OF GRAY

IHO
PLAYING IN THE BAND
UNCLE JOHN'S BAND

JAM -
-DRUMS-

OTHER ONE
WHARF RAT
THROWING STONES
NFA

ONE MORE SAT NITE

APR 6 LASVEGAS

BERTHA
REAREST STORY
HEY LOVE EACH OTHER
IT'S ALL OVER NOW
DOWN EYED WOMEN
RED GRENADINE
HELL IN A BUCKET
RAMBLE ON ROSIE
MUSIC NEVER STOPPED
MIGHT AS WELL

CHINACAT
SUNFLOWER
I KNOW YU RIDER
LOST SAILOR
SAIN'T OF CIRCUMSTANCE
-DRUMS-
EYES OF WORLD
TRUCKIN'
BLACK PETER
SUGAR MAGNOLIASSDD
US BLUES

Fortified by the studio time spent on their possible album, the DEAD came roaring out of the gate at season's start. Powerful playing, additional arrangements, surprising song selections, synthesized space - you name it the DEAD sparkled in their West Coast shows. Matched against the fervor of the craziest fans anywhere - East Coasters - this Spring Tour figures to be amazing!

MAR 29 MARIN

WALKING THE DOG	SHAKEDOWN ST
BERTHA	ESTIMATED/
PROMISED LAND	EYES
ROSES	- DRUMS -
RED ROOSTER	OTHER ONE
BIRD SONG	WHARF RAT
BRO ESAU	SUGAR MAGNOLIASSDD
<u>MIGHT AS WELL</u>	<u>TOUCH OF GRAY</u>

MARCH 31 MARIN

ALABAMA GETAWAY	SCARLET/
FEEL LIKE A STRANGER	FIRE
DUPREES & BLUES	MAN SMART
MINGLEWOOD	HE'S GONE
DIRE WOLF	- DRUMS -
HELL IN A BUCKET	THROWING STONES
ALTHEA	<u>NFA</u>
<u>LOOKS LIKE RAIN</u>	<u>BABY BLUE</u>
<u>REAL</u>	

APRIL 1 MARIN

JACKSTRAN	HELP ON THE WAY
FRIEND OF DEVIL	SLIPKNOT
MET MY UNCLE	FRANKLIN'S TOWER
MEXICALI	SAMSON + DELILAH
BIG RR BLUES	TERRAPIN STATION
CASSIDY	-DRUMS-
TENNESSEE JED	MORNING DEW
BRO ESAU	INEED A MIRACLE
DONT ERSE ME IN	GOIN DOWN ROAD
	<u>GOOD LOVIN</u>
	<u>TOUCH OF GRAY</u>

We Get Letters...

Happy new year! Sorry we missed you at the shows - we saw evidence of you all around! We were in the first row New Years Eve. When they started with Jack Straw and Peggy-O we knew we were in for a time! Drive back to LA directly, and had the boys with us all the way via tapes. Got home safely; picked up our son, 2 dogs & tried to come down to life in suburbia. My doctor informed me I was pregnant today - lucky child has already been to four shows! CATHEE & JOHN SIMI VALLEY CA

Spring tour finally here! Can't wait to get on the road to follow the boys. Had a good time partying out with you, listening to tapes while you were in San Antonio. By the way I went to NY last week & caught Robert Hunter at the Bottom Line. PETE B SAN ANTONIO TX

Saw New Years - Jerry's first song of '84 was Touch of Gray. Then there was AIKO-my Christmas wish come true! So much joy & happiness being with the DEAD. We left Oakland airport on Jan 1 late at nite, lots of heads on the plane-some great people dosed us with skulls & roses; we flew all the way home! Here in New England we have something to hold us over, Max Creek. I believe they are capable of putting out as much energy as the DEAD themselves. While the DEAD are in Hampton, the CREEK will be celebrating their 13th anniversary in Worcester. We'll help the CREEK celebrate & then it's off to Rochester & Niagara. I love seeing the two bands just days apart, and it would be great to see them in the same show. Thanx for printing my mom's letter (Vol 2 #9) She's almost as psyched as me for the spring tour. She's cooking for the heads who stay at the house. When I slept out for New Haven tix, she asked me to get her a ticket - no prompting from me either! I'm glad. HOLLIE, Muffins East

Thanx for letting me know I ran out of SASE's & also for taking the time to put together a newsletter that keeps non-DEAD parts of the country well informed. Help me open the door I'm dying to get on the bus! MIKE F MPLS MN

Counting the days till Hampton: Friday the 13th. Just heard about Saratoga, Merriwether & City Island. Harrisburg was beautiful last year, sun going down behind the band, while the moon came up behind us! Sun went down in honey, moon came up in wine! LYNNE & CHRIS PHILA PA

Got a new vehicle- the ship of fools is no more. It had excellent days on 82-3 summer tours. Looking forward to Kansas City Starlight- such a perfect time in Aug '82- the almost full moon hanging between the two ivy covered towers that flanked the stage. You're invited to have fresh organic carrot juice at Hampton. COSMICLINT

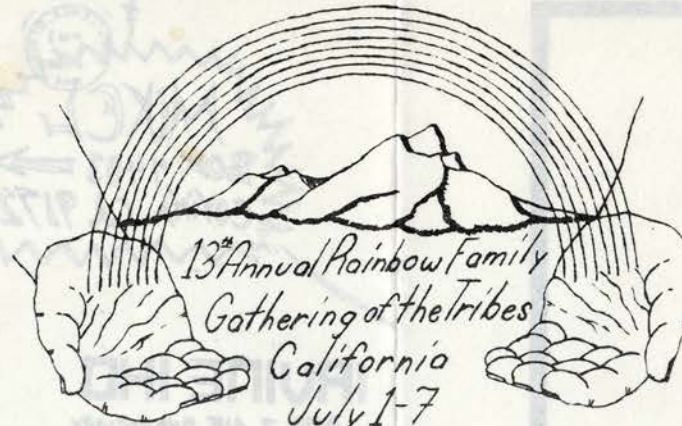
Making a DEAD tape today for my father-in-law. Looking forward to another year of DEAD shows and MIKELS. TOM ENCINITAS CA

Frank Lloyd Wright must have had the DEAD in mind when he designed the Marin Civic. ROBIN B of Berkeley & Boston

It's about time we got some more shows in the Midwest! ELLEN P CHICAGO ILL

Thanx for your newsletter & stickers. I've been on this crazy busride since 1974 when I was 13. I don't ever want to get off! the love keeps growing stronger. KATHLEEN M CHICO CA

Slept out for New Haven tix. It was the coldest 24 hours of the winter. WATTS NAUGATUCK CT



Howdy folks!

All beings are invited to share in the Spirit of Peace, Love and Truth to be manifested in the mountains of Northern California July 1-7, 1984.

The Gathering will be held in a remote area so bring what you need and some to share... if you can: Food, outdoor clothing, shelter, etc... Keeping in mind the nights could be cold and the weather damp.

Our greatest joy is working and loving together to fulfill our dreams and needs. To do this we need large quantities of food and volunteers in order to create a healthy, happy experience for all. Please bring bulk non-perishable food as well as fresh. Shovels, saws and other hand tools will be needed. Extra rope and waterproof coverings will be useful for our healing centers, kitchens, kid city, etc...

Green Energy is needed NOW for Howdy folks printing and postage and pre-gathering expenses. All contributions will be used in a cooperative manner.

To receive a Howdy folks or contact the Scouting crew, write:

Rainbow Family Tribal Council
P.O. Box 2156
Chico, California 95922

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In other news: Former Pittsburgh Pirates pitcher Dock Ellis, treated four years ago for drug dependency, says he was under the influence of LSD when he pitched a 1970 no-hitter against the San Diego Padres.

Ellis, 39, said he didn't know until six hours before his June 12, 1970, no-hitter that he was going to pitch.

ALAN PELTZMAN 1959-84

I first met Alan at the Meadowlands last spring, he had gotten tickets for me. There was a gentle strength and goodness emanating from him, and we soon became friends. We drove to New Haven together and met at the Spectrum. At Red Rocks, out of thousands, I immediately ran into him, dancing to Cold Rain & Snow. After the Oct 11 Madison Square Garden show, Alan, driving by in his car, found me on 7th avenue, and though late for work spent time out of concern for me. If you got stickers and MIKELS at Syracuse, it was from Alan. It was his last show. He entered Sloan Kettering Hospital. After chemo-therapy on Jan 4, he went into a coma and three days later passed away. He was 24. His father wrote me, "he was born on Fathers Day in 1959 and died on my birthday, 1984" He is buried at Montefiore Cemetery, New Pinelawn NY (Southern State Pkwy to Exit 35, New Pinelawn Cemetery, Section 3 Block 7, Maimonides Road, Second Ave N). I will be visiting him April 30, second Nassau show, early afternoon, and will take riders as space permits from entrance to Nassau Coliseum Paking lot 12 NOON April 30.

It's all a dream we dreamed one afternoon long ago
Walk into splintered sunlight, inch your way through dead dreams to another land
Maybe you're tired & broken, your tongue is twisted with words half-spoken & thoughts unclear
What do you want me to do for you to see you through?
A box of rain will ease the pain and love will see you through

TOUR PACKETS

The DEAD Ducats Crew inaugurated a revolutionary plan wherein DEADheads could purchase one ticket to each of the East Coast Spring Tour shows. It was a success - 607 tour packets were sold. Similar ventures are planned for the future. Remember announcements are made over the hotline: CA 415-457-6388 NJ 201-777-8653

BACKPAGE

This month's featured artwork is from Brooklyn, NY, by a frequent contributor to MIKEL, Brian Cullen. I asked Brian for an April Fool's page, suggesting he combine the Tarot Card, the FOOL, with the new Bobby song, HELL IN A BUCKET. Brian wrote, "Hell in a Bucket was a labor of love. Thanks for the input-See you on tour"

SONGLIST

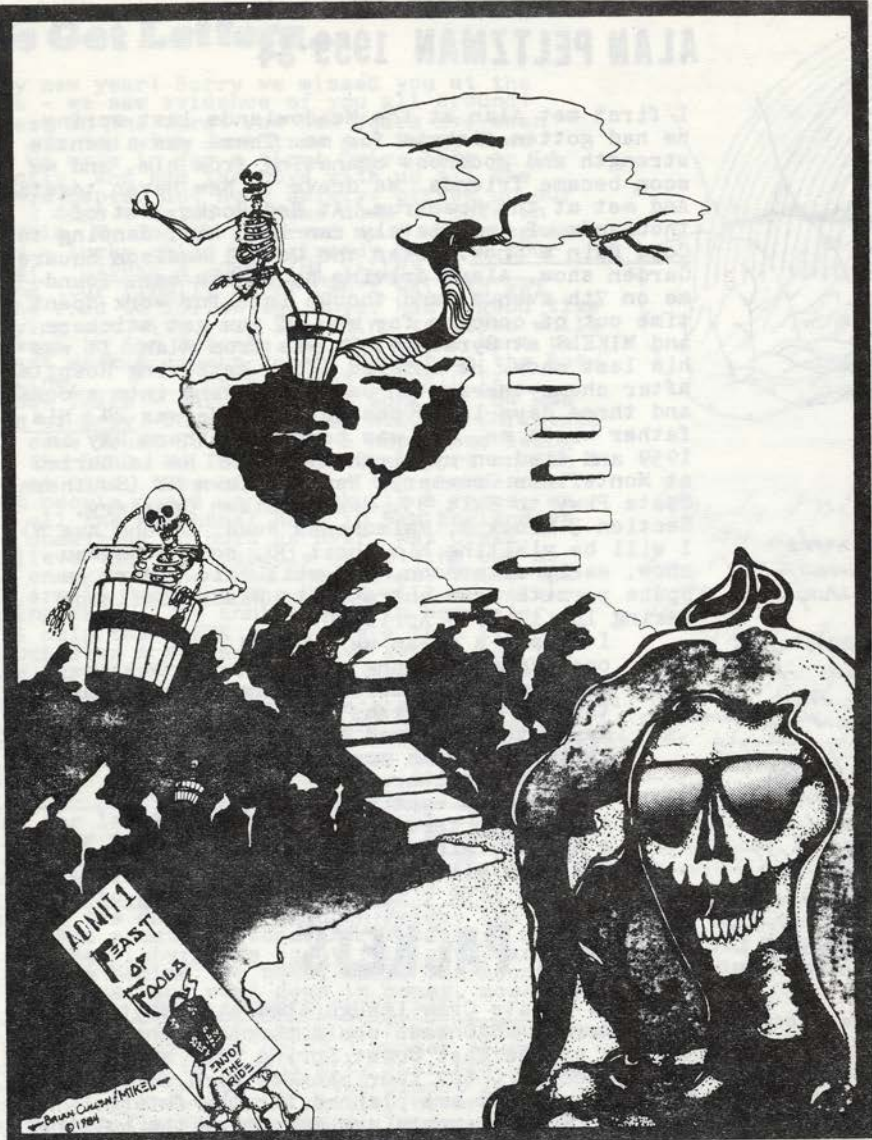
The definitive 1983 Songlist is Out! From Printknot 3600 Green Street Harrisburg PA 17110. Cost \$1.

SONG BOOKS, VOL 1 - \$12.95; Vol 3 - \$16.95 (Anth)
Vol 4 - \$5.95 (Garcia); Vol 5 - \$4.95 (EZ Guitar);
Official Book of Deadheads: Hardcover \$25; Soft
\$12.45; Blair Jackson's The Music Never Stopped
\$2.25; Cal rec 944 844; All 44; Cal 82 book shippin
\$2; Calendars \$3; 84 Calendars \$2

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STICKERS

This year features a new design for the MIKEL stickers, a skeleton and roses replacing the rose of '83). The artist, Jim McDonald is from Philadelphia. Ethan stickers are still available: Alko/NewYear; Irvine/Warfield/Temps/Las Vegas/Binghamton/Providence/New Haven/Rochester/Greek/Spectrum/Madison/Harrisburg/Chicago/St. Paul/Venturi/Stanford/Portland Or/Seattle/Eugene/Boise/Red Rocks/Salt Lake/Austin/Santa Fe/Watsonville/Grass Valley/Greensboro/MSG/Hartford/Worcester/Portland, Me/Marin/Lake Placid/Syracuse/NewYear; (out of print-Saratoga, Columbia, Richmond) '84 Stickers now available: Marin, Las Vegas, Irvine, Hampton, Rochester, Niagara Falls, Philadelphia, New Haven, Providence, Nassau Col.

Stickers are free at concerts. By mail 50¢ each/ 12 for \$5 30 for \$10.

TOUR NEWS

The DEAD apparently will tour every month this year except August, and for the first time since 1977, plan to play Toronto. Rumored dates include:

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| MAY 6-8 EUGENE ORE.. | JUN 29 INDIANAPOLIS IN |
| | JUN 30 DETROIT MI |
| | JUL 1 OHIO (?) |
| JUN 8 RENO NEV | JUL 3 KANSAS CITY |
| JUN 9 SACTO CA | JUL 4 IOWA |
| JUN 11-3 RED ROCKS | JULY 6 PEORIA ILL |
| JUN 21 TORONTO CANADA | JUL 7-8 ALPINE VAL |
| JUN 22 SARATOGA NY | JUL 13-5 GREEK |
| JUN 24 HARRISBURG PA | JUL 21-2 VENTURA |
| JUN 26-7 COLUMBIA MD | |