



# Unbroken Chain

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Hi folks - just a few late-breaking items of interest. From a friend in San Rafael came the news of the Tunji Benefit, a concert by many prominent percussionists and a few others, including Bobby Vega, Carlos Santana and Jerry Garcia. Although mostly drum-oriented, the show did include a version of "Fire On the Mountain". The Jerry Garcia Band show at the Marin Civic Center February 20 saw a few new covers - set list as follows: How Sweet It Is - Forever Young - Stop That Train - Run for the Roses - Stoned Me - Brothers and Sisters - Deal; Set 2: Harder They Come - I Shall Be Released - Just In Case We Both Were Wrong - Evangeline - Gomorrah - Lucky Old Sun - Tangled Up In Blue; Thanks Rudy! Closer to Home, Tickets for the March 22-24 Hampton Shows went on sale Friday, Feb. 20 and sold out 3 hours later. Rumors fly-The Ticketron computer broke down, they're holding back tickets for later sale, there will be tickets available at the door, scalpers got most of the tickets, etc. The result, unfortunately, is that quite a few Virginia Dead heads do not have tickets for their "home state" shows. The safest bet, as always, is do the mail order, which means keep in touch with the Hotline! Look for our next issue on the Spring Tour - as always it will be packed full of interesting items - Mardi Gras set lists, rumored '87 tour dates (alas, we couldn't fit them in this issue!), and more...Wes





TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1987

# CHAIN REACTION

## SET LISTS & REVIEW

### CHINESE NEW YEAR'S SHOWS

San Francisco Civic Center, January 28, 29, 30, 1987

1-28-87

- Shakedown Street
- Get Back!
- Peggy-O
- Walkin' Blues
- Must've Been the Roses
- Its All Over Now
- Row Jimmy
- Brother Esau
- Birdsong
- Jackstraw
- When Push Comes to Shove
- Sampson and Delilah
- Black Muddy River
- He's Gone ->
- Spoonful ->
- Drums into
- Eyes ->
- Black Peter ->
- Around and Around ->
- Sugar Mag/SS DD
- U.S. Blues

1-29-87

- Finiculi Finicula
- Hell in a Bucket
- Sugaree
- El Paso
- Loser
- Little Red Rooster
- Brown Eyed Women
- Cassidy
- Don't Ease Me In
- Scarlet Begonias ->
- Fire on the Mountain
- Looks Like Rain
- Terrapin Station ->
- Drums/Dragon ->
- I Need a Miracle ->
- Stella Blue ->
- GOTRFB ->
- Johnny B. Goode
- Baby Blue

1-30-87

- Touch of Grey
- Mingelwood Blues
- Candyman
- Me & My Uncle ->
- Mexicali Blues
- When Push Comes to Shove
- Beat It on Down the Line ->
- Promised Land
- China Cat Sunflower ->
- I Know Your Rider
- Iko Iko ->
- Women Are Smarter
- Ship of Fools
- Estimated Prophet ->
- Truckin' ->
- D/S ->
- The Other One ->
- Wharf Rat ->
- Throwing Stones ->
- Not Fade Away...
- Brokedown

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**Robert McLane Petersen**  
 1-15-87  
 Robert McLane Petersen, a poet and songwriter whose songs were recorded by the Grateful Dead, died at Providence Hospital in Burlington Monday. He was 50.  
 An spokesman for the rock band said Mr. Petersen had collapsed at San Francisco International Airport Monday, waiting to take a plane to Oregon, and died that night. The cause of death has not been determined.

Mr. Petersen was a student at College of Santa Maria in the 1960s with the Dead's bass player, Phil Lesh, and was involved in the early music of the group.  
 His song "New Potato Cabbage" was part of a 1968 Grateful Dead album, and the songs "Unbroken Chain" and "Pride of Cucumbers" were included in a 1974 album.  
 He also published a book of poetry, and was proud to have been part of the movement in the 1960s to legalize the use of marijuana, a friend said.  
 Mr. Petersen pleaded innocent to marijuana possession before a Santa Cruz judge in 1966 and argued that it was a necessary part of his religion. He was found guilty anyway.  
 A native of Oregon, he grew up in Sacramento. He never has much of in that city and a son, Derrick Petersen, in Fairfax. No funeral services have been announced.



**DEAD HEAD FLAVOR:** Ben & Jerry's Homemade Inc. gave Grateful Dead fans their just desserts Monday. By request, the Vermont ice cream company introduced Cherry Garcia, a new flavor named for Grateful Dead guitarist Jerry Garcia. The vanilla ice cream with Bing cherries and chocolate flakes is Ben & Jerry's feature flavor at supermarkets in 25 USA cities and at their 80 East Coast ice cream shops.

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**CONFIRMED TOUR DATES**  
 MARCH:  
 1,2,3 Kaiser - Oakland, VA  
 22,23,24 Hampton, VA  
 26,27 Hartford, CT  
 29,20,31 Philly Spectrum, PA  
 APRIL:  
 2,3,4 Worcester Spectrum, MA  
 6,7 Meadowlands, NJ  
 9,10,11 Chicago Pavilion, IL  
 17,18 Irvine Meadows, CA  
 MAY 24, Golden Gate Park, SF, CA

## Dylan and Dead Jam

BY JOEL SELVIN S.F. Chronicle 2-1-87  
 Pop Music Critic



**Dylan and the Dead's Garcia: Blues in San Rafael**  
 Rehearsing last week with the Grateful Dead in San Rafael was Bob Dylan. Two days of jamming on blues tunes, old Beatles songs like "Nowhere Man" and Dylan classics such as "Maggie's Farm" reportedly left the group and Dylan more than satisfied. The Dead, meanwhile, completed recording eight basic tracks in two weeks of recording sessions early in January at the Marin Veterans Memorial Auditorium and the first new Dead studio album in six years could be finished as soon as next month.

Thought you might be interested in this short piece on Bobby Petersen that a friend sent me from the bay area. Sad reality of the impermanents of life. But his life lives on by his works.  
 Steve Brown, Tacs, NM

Everytime I receive an issue of Unbroken Chain it makes my day. As soon as it comes in the mail I drop whatever I'm doing and read the whole thing about three times. When I finish reading it I get so psyched, not even a mellow Dead tune can calm me down. Thanks a bunch for the Grateful vibes and keep it up!  
 Alix Shannon, Chevy Chase, MD

I went out to Oakland for New Years. First time to California and I was very pleased with the whole trip. Everyone greets you with a smile and that's reassuring. We didn't have a place to stay or a tent and this guy named Berry just let us use his tent for three nights. Beautiful, man. It was really nice!  
 Rich Dennis, York, ME

I saw this napkin at a restaurant in a train station in London and I thought you might get a kick out of it (see Casey Jones Burgers). I am studying abroad in England for the spring semester. I normally go to University of Richmond where I became acquainted with your newsletter. Not too many Heads in the U.K. Since being here I've been a howlin' "Wewolves of London" while walking around Grosvenor Square! Also, something really odd happened to me; In London I met a wealthy merchant named Jack-A-Roe, so far he's the only head I have seen. Gratefully,  
 Ken Vostal, Oxford, England

Today I received my mail and what a rush, it was the new UC. I immediately opened it up to investigate the set lists from New Years, as I ran across the classifieds I once again thought of the lack of cash that was preventing me from placing an ad that I had thought of, then right before my eyes is an excerpt from my last letter to you guys concerning my need for lyrics and music to Grateful Dead songs. I felt...GREAT, what else. It reminded me of the free ticket I received at the Star Lite Theatre in K.C., July 2, 84, when people were having a hard time getting in. That night I was rewarded with a killer Scarlet-Touch-Pire. I can't thank you guys enough, you're really great people. Hope everyone else on the receiving end of the U.C. appreciates it as much as I do cause you guys are doing a great thing for alot of people. Have a great one! Phil Dyer, #N52533, East Moline Correctional Center, 100 Hillcrest Road, East Moline, IL 61244.

I want to pass along to your readers that there is a great Dead cover band in St. Louis, MO called Jake's Leg. Although we are overjoyed about the April shows in Chicago, Dead shows in the midwest are few and far between. Jake's Leg has warmed up my winter. They play every Thursday and Friday at a bar in midtown St. Louis called Twenty North Vandeventer which is also the address. Pass on the word, Jake's Leg is great!  
 Howard Park, Madison, WI

For New York City area Heads every Friday morning from 3:30 a.m. to 6:00 a.m. is a Grateful Dead radio show on WBAI - 99.5 fm. They play almost all live Dead (sometimes whole sets & shows) and also an assortment of Tuna and Airplane related music. For more info you can call the station at 279-3400.

As you know the spring tour is approaching, and I'm sure you're familiar with the drug "Ecstasy". Beware of a few sister drugs especially one called "E.V.E." It looks just like X and the high is the same but it's slightly different chemically. This stuff is bad news, you can end up with a protein deficiency, severe back pains and rashes, and spinal complications. Be Careful!  
 Edward Rapp, Holmdel, NJ



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Once again the boys started off the year with a bang, celebrating with the third annual set of Chinese New Years shows. Opinions varied greatly as to which shows were above or below par, but no one could deny that despite Bobby's recurring lyric amnesia, the band was very tight. Opening the first night with a swinging "Shakedown Street" into the Beatle's "Get Back" were just a few of this 85 minute first set's highlights. It also featured a reoccurrence of "Walkin' Blues" and an amazingly hot "Birdsong -> Jack Straw" set ender to leave us dazzled. The second set featured the already well known "When Push Comes to Shove" and "Black Muddy River", along with a sparking "Eyes of the World" straight out of Drums. Many people seemed let down by the second night's show, possibly due to rumors that Bob Dylan was supposed to show up. Although the song selection was rather typical, the show definitely had it's highlights, including a sizzling "Scarlet -> Fire" and a festive Dragon dance during Drums. On the third night we were treated with an excellent version of "Candyman" along with an unusually hot version of "China Cat -> Rider" to close the first set. The second set featured such unusual combinations as "Aiko -> Man Smarter, Women Smarter" and "Estimated -> Truckin'", not to mention being the only show of the three to have a Space.

Despite a few rusty parts and some lost lyrics, the shows were a healthy dive into what appears to be a year to look forward to. Nothing left to do but let out a good hearty WAHOO and count the days until Mardi Gras...Take Care, Dan (Orb Man Variety) THANKS DAN!!!



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RELIX MAGAZINE announces "The Relix Hotline" 718-692-1986. Effective immediately, Relix has a hotline to keep their readers up to date on the latest tour information on artists that are of interest to Relix readers. The 24-hour hotline will also include additional information such as news flashes, events, announcements and other items of interest.

And from the West Coast, as many of you already know, there will be a free concert staged in The Golden Gate Park on May 24, to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Golden Gate Bridge. Musicians are said to include The Grateful Dead, Huey Lewis, Tony Bennett, Jack Murphy Jazz Band and the S.F. Symphony. Also planned is a huge fireworks display-said to rival that of the celebration for Miss Liberty!

## TOURING WITH THE GRATEFUL DEAD

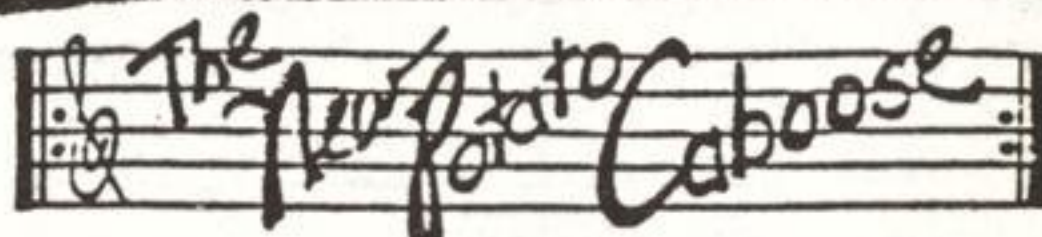
By Richard Grossman  
of Richmond, VA

It's summer time, the Dead's on tour  
What could be better, who could ask for more?  
Town to town and show to show  
We follow the Dead, wherever they go.

Tye-dyes, blue jeans, we're all packed  
We have enough stuff until we get back  
With all of our friends we drive away  
All psyched to see the Dead the next day.

Sleeping in parking lots, meeting all sorts of "Heads"  
We're not all that different since we all love the Dead  
The show has started, the music is great  
We're all having fun, that's no mistake.

After Bob stops singing and Jerry needs a rest  
We tell them goodnight and wish them the best  
We are not sad to hear the last song  
Because we will see them all summer long!



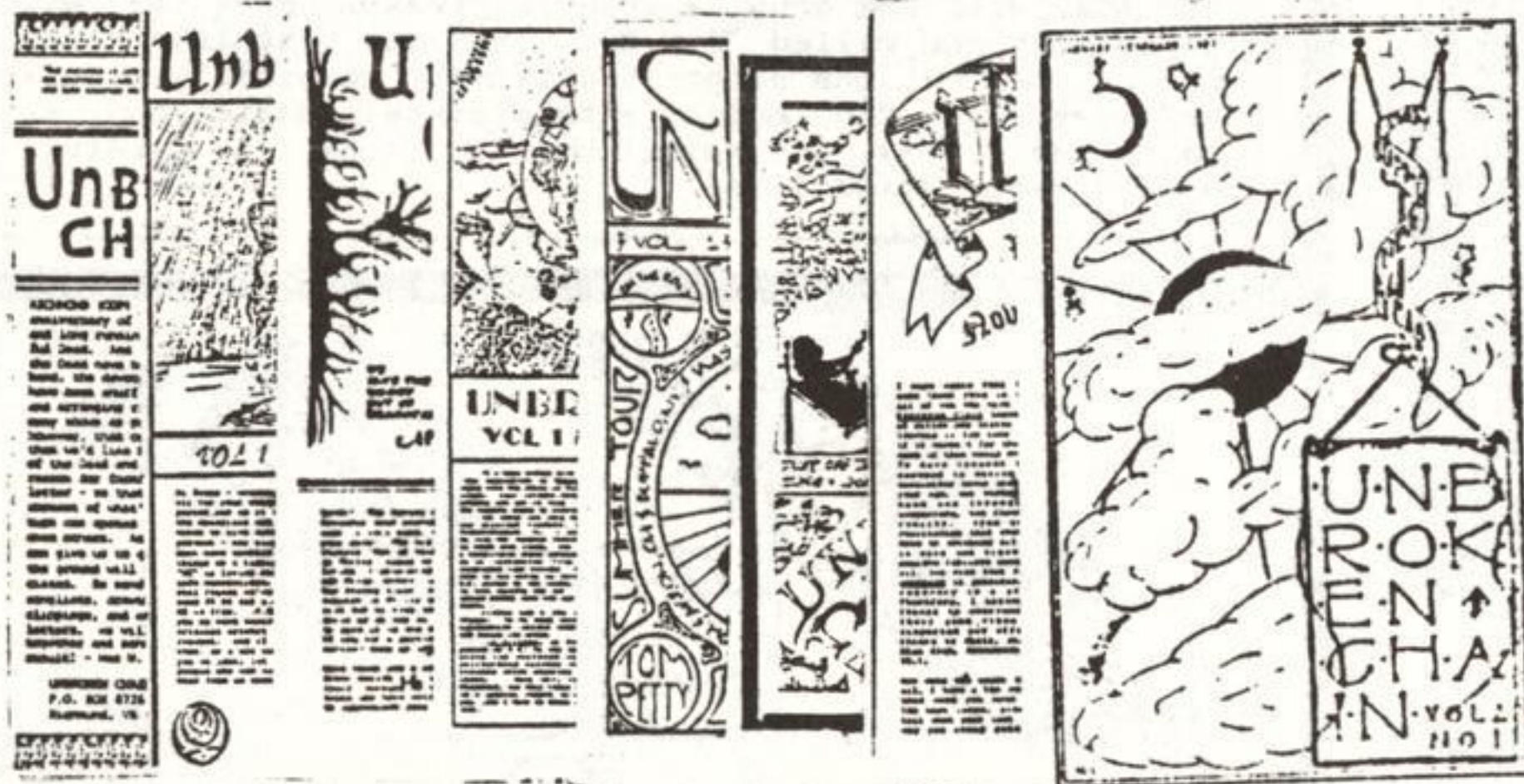
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15	16	17	18 The Cops Springfield, Va.	19 The Galaxy Baltimore, MD	20 Grinnell's Lair Philadelphia, PA	21 Backstreets Towson, MD
22	23	24	25	26 The Bayou Washington, DC	27 New Horizon Richmond, VA	28 The Mineshaft Charlottesville, VA
1	2	3	4 Washington & Lee Univ. Lexington, VA	5 Mystic Dan Harrisonburg, VA	6 Lucky's Radford, VA	7 Kidnapper's Charlotte, NC
8	9	10	11	12 The Galaxy Baltimore, MD	13 Club 715 Alexandria, VA	14 Ambler Cabaret Ambler, PA
15	16	17	18	19 The Bayou Washington, DC	20 New Horizon Richmond, VA	21 The Boathouse w/ Irdisation Norfolk, VA

Hello! We are very happy to inform you that our hotline is now fully operational. Call (301) 937-3837 for updated NPC schedules and information... We are going to be at BIAS studios in the upcoming weeks to record 4 songs with Bob Dement Productions... In this issue of our mailing flyer we are proud to announce a very special event. On March 21 The New Potato Caboose will be appearing with Irdisation at the Boathouse in Norfolk, VA. This event will coincide with the festivities surrounding March 22nd with the Grateful Dead in Hampton, VA. The Boathouse is a large place with room for lots of people - so come one, come all! This event is open to all ages!! Beer will be served with proper ID. See you there!

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