

Here's \$5 for the next six issues THANX. It's worth \$5 million to me! MIKE W Cherry Hill NJ
 Got your care package Day before Saratoga. Just what I needed to start the weekend. The parking lot was really happening. The show was wet but worth it - Dancing in the Mud! HOLLIE Middlefield CT
 Red Rocks last week... reunited with my soul sister Kaci West coast friends, Mass and Florida turned my house into the Mars Hotel Alan M Boulder CO
 The sky changes at Red Rocks were indredible; the lightning during the Wheel, Full Moon during Ship of Fools. The closer I get to 40 the more the DEAD makes me feel 20. PUTNEY HEBER UTAH

Never seen the DEAD so relaxed at Toronto - just having fun. Phil was funny, when Jerry went into Fire he clearly expected Touch of Gray. Can't believe all the new songs they are ripping out. BARRY R Painted Post NY
 Had handed out most of your stickers at Pine Knob, when we were surrounded by security with walkie talkies, "Yes, they're handing out some kind of stickers." After top level decision they confiscated the rest, a dozen or so, complete with evil stares. It was like they were waiting for us to get violent! Anyway turned 18 that day & got turned on to a few other things as well! RUPERT C ANNARBOR MI
 Really like the DEAD to come to FLA, nothing in the world like a sunshine daydream. Appreciate what you're doing helps me make it thru until the next show. ROBERT W BOWMANO BEACH FL

I Had to join the National Guard this summer to pay for school, so I won't be seeing anymore summer shows. Keep me in touch. DENISE M FT DIX NEW JERSEY
 Here are some more envelopes to keep me going just a little while longer. Any DEAD head living out here should tune into Q96 FM I took my young DJ friend to his first DEAD show and now the whole valley wakes up to the boys. YVONNE T JOSHUA TREE CA

Thanx for putting out such a great source of news & rumors You've become a staple, "Garcia, Kesey and Mikel" got a ring to it don't it? Anyway keep on putting out such a great grapevine. JOE S WEATOGUE CT

Red Rocks are a pleasant memory. Our house was a zoo since Tuesday. Sleeping bags & bodies everywhere. I wanted to thank you for the opportunity to pass out the stickers. Made many friends and spread good will. People get so excited when they see the roll of stickers Bless their hearts. SCOTT S LITTLETON CO

I am a DEAD head of the nth degree JEFF R Bridgewater NJ
 What happened to SSDD at Sacramento? JEFF R SF CA
 We just got back for Saratoga and didn't even notice the rain. Drove home through New Hampshire & Vermont and there were DEAD heads wherever we stopped. FRED KILLIAN BATH ME

Thanks, you make it possible for me living a hippie lifestyle to keep up to date on the latest news on the DEAD head scene. DAN K Annandale VA

It's not my lot to catch shows so your cheery newsletter with its show's contents, the nifty stickers are a welcome consolation prize. Here's wishing you a maximum of roses and a minimum of throuns JOHN F JAX FL

Here I sit in Alaska at midnight, the sun just setting, Scarlet Begonias comes over the radio & we want so much to be part of that space. Thanx for the Mikels & your help head eat again after Labor Day. PINE KNOB JULY, TOM & ANN McKinley Park AK

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 ROOSTER BIG RIVER
 BROWNED TENNESSEE JED

HELL NIGHT AS WELL

CHINACAT/RIDER
 SAMSON
 NEWS GONE - DRUMS

CHINADOLL
 MIRACLE
 BEATHA
 SUGAR MAG ISSOD BABY BLUE



This month's mailbag brought a package from RELIX. Now there's something you should understand about RELIX: it provokes violent reactions from oldtimers who consider themselves sold out around 1975 when the zine shifted to Judas Priest, Ozzy Osborne Ramones etc etc. Trying to sell RELIX at that time was like pushing Scientology to those who had it. But it is now the 80's, whole new generations of DEAD heads oblivious of all that want down have come along, and RELIX HAS CHANGED. for the better! Much of the June issue they sent me is DEAD oriented, and recommended reading. The price \$2/issue is in the ballpark with other glossy zines, and they do offer tee-shirts, ads you can place & other services so try it out. TELL EM MIKEL SENT YOU! Besides, like MIKEL they originally come from Brooklyn, so they can't be all that bad. One piece of advice: try to do all your dealings with Tom Brown, Managing Ed., who says things like "If you keep on smiling so will we". Avoid Leslie Kippel, Publisher, who rarely scrawls more than a sentence fragment at a time & never signs his name more than "Les" *****

The New issue of Over the Border is out. \$5 subscription will get you Canadian orientated DEAD news (though were all one following...) Suggest you write them: OVER THE BORDER #5 - 3118 Alberta Street Vancouver BC V5Y 3M2 and don't forget to tell em MIKEL sent you. *****

Sometimes you see the light in the strangest places department:

At the Hult shows, I arrived the night before and went out looking, as is my wont, for a fairly renowned place to eat dinner. Drivving miles through the verdant countryside, I came across Coburg's, where even with the Oregonian individuality, I was a little too DEAD oriented in my dress, inspiring reluctance from the host who runs the place with an iron hand. A table near the kitchen, I suggested, I wouldn't disrupt too much... Escorted there, he handed me the menu announcing, "your waitresses' name is Cassidy" everything else was just fine...

Coming back from Toronto, running out of gas south of Rochester at 3 AM I suddenly saw a Holiday Inn at Geneseo, miles off the road it was tough & go getting there without running on empty. As I walking in the lobby, I heard Throwing Stones segueing into Not Fade Away, and realized the Toronto broadcast was on delay here. Got into my room in time to hear the wonderful triad of encores again!

DENNIS LYLE

Feb 18 '50

Jun 13 '84

Thirteen never was our lucky number - so it seemed almost appropriate Dennis dies June 13. We believed in numerology; my birthday Oct 9, was that of John Lennon's, his Feb 18, was Yoko Ono's. From 1970 - 1975 for 6 years we lived together, often not knowing where our next meal or fix would come from. But somehow it worked - we survived into middle age, leaving our hippie trappings & life style submerged, but always conjurable up with a mutual glance and a do you remember.... In 77 we moved on to different scenes, Dennis staying in NYC and becoming a professional in a computer type-setting company. I was off to the promised land and a luxury I never dreamed of in the 70's. But as we drifted apart we were part of each other still. Seeing each other several times a year we grasped at the seeming unchanged things, smiled at the seemingly positive changes, and tried to ignore the others. Now for Dennis there are no more changes. This Aquarian flower child and native of Woodstock (his first DEAD show was at Bethel NY, the last SF New Years) outgrew changes, and now lies six feet in the ground. From his chosen name Rainbow, I read from Ecclesiasticus 43 11-2 a tribute at his funeral June 20. "Behold the rainbow! Then bless its Maker for majestic indeed is its splendor. It vaults the heavens with its glory - this bow begot by the hands of God."

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