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MARGINE
NATION

ISSUE #4

100% lesbos

Religious

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Party

100% homos

Outrage and loves don't last the et

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Back in Iraq,

To "clear the way for world wide democracy" - The U.S.A. is setting the example for world-wide democracy - Scary.

SLOPE

South

East

West

North

MY VISION TWO: MY VISION TOO.

Well, Kiddo's, time to hide out in the dream chambers for: the second fragment of an Imagined Nation.

We just finished the first one yesterday, and already I am inspired to continue my goal: for each of us to live in our own imagined nations.

(A nation of one?? A nation of a patriotic million??)

Whatever your dream is, I want this to be the encouragement to strive for it.

I would like to see more spice in this issue - more excitement. I think it's time for me to re-focus my energy and use all of it positively... then I'll be too tired to be negative, right??

I would also like to make one short statement here, before anything else is said:

One of my most-prided characteristics is that I am ultimately open-minded. I respect every person's opinions and beliefs, whether I agree with them or not. This respect stems from the fact if a person has enough self-worth to form their own opinions, I can acknowledge that that person has also formed an individual personality. - cuz dammit, I think that's really cool.

I am a passive, non-racial, non-homophobic, non-sexist, non-sense; - as you may well have guessed. And my beliefs are very stable ones, but I don't think any opinion should be free of opposition. So I want to hear all sides, whether you consider yourself "Communist," "Egalitarian," "Neet," "Feminist," "Anarchist," "Punk," whatever. I want to hear any opinions and reasoning you are willing to share.

I don't believe in all of those labels; I believe in individuals, and to me no one is anything but human.

So contribute, and express your self.

We may not be able to use all contributions within the composition of the zine, as this is our personal composition, and we choose topics that are of interest to us, but just because we don't discuss "the freedoms humanity has stolen from Jell-O Pudding," doesn't mean we wouldn't find it of interest for personal stimulation.

The whole concept is an unbiased one, with the intention of offering a range of perspectives to stimulate you to think for yourself, and not just spit our opinions at you... So that every person can discover it's imagined nation, and through consideration, and unity, every individual can survive with the rest of them.

Sounds like a dream - a far-fetched fantasy - Well it is - it's my imagined nation - live with it.

P.S. If you're like me, and your opinions are boring - Please feel free to send artistic expressions. Please... Art... Please.

on Education:

He always wanted to explain things.
But no one cared
so he drew
sometimes he would draw,
and it wasn't anything.
He wanted to carve it in stone,
or write it in the sky,
and it would be only he and the sky
and the things inside needed saying.
It was after that that he drew the picture
It was a beautiful picture
he kept it under his pillow
and would let no one see it.
He would look at it every night and think about it.
When it was dark and his eyes were closed
he could still see it

When he started school
he brought it with him
not to show it to any one
just to have along like a friend
It was funny about school
he sat at a square, brown desk,
like all the other square brown desks
he thought it should be red
and his room was a square, brown room
like all the other rooms.
It was tight and close and stiff
He hated to hold the pencil and chalk
his arms stiff, his feet flat on the floor,
still.

The teacher watching and watching
The teacher came and spoke to him
She told him to wear a tie like all the other boys
He said he didn't like them
She said it didn't matter
After that, they all drew.
He drew all yellow
It was the way he felt about morning
and it was beautiful
The teacher came and smiled at him.
"what's this?" she said. "why don't you draw
something like Ken's drawing?"
Isn't that beautiful?
After that, his mother bought him a tie,
and he always drew airplanes and rocket ships
like everyone else
And he threw the old picture away.
And when he lay alone looking at the sky
It was big and blue and all of everything,
but he wasn't anymore.
He was square inside and brown
and his hands were stiff
He was like everyone else
The things inside that needed saying
didn't need it anymore
it had stopped pushing
It was crushed.
Stiff.
Like everything else.

Author Unknown

It's "right" to graduate from high school, and go to college, and get a good full-time nine-to-five job for about 50 years- Living by the same schedule "24/7/365" year after year... Work harder, make more money, spend more, and be even happier.

Drive to work every day down the same stretch of highway, seeing the same old thing every day... Eventually over-looking all the same old things every day- ignoring all the thoughts that can't be easily understood by everyone else..because they are useless anyway... That's what we're taught from birth. Conditioned not to express. So you drive there and back every day, always looking forward to that one "vacation" you take every year to the same place. So used to seeing all these same things over and over until you see nothing... observe nothing at all.

I journey down that road you travel every day. I may see it only once, but I see all of those things you miss every day. And I think about them, and write about them and draw about them, and they mean something, and I express it. In fact, in my observation, I might see you, and your routine, and it means something to me.

What does it mean to you?

Get a job, lazy bum. I hear it from fellow "punkers" all the time. Is it really that difficult to understand that i have a job..a living that i make simply by living. Expressing, observing, and doing what pleases me.

And if I cannot get by living my way then I will just fade away like everybody else; but I will fade away with a content smile, knowing I've done what I wanted to do... Doing what makes me feel valuable... Valuable to me... And not the

society... The STATE.

The only way of life, is life the way you want it.

Sometimes you have to go against their grain, to go with yours.

Home is Where you Hang your Sage:

The Pillsbury Asylum: It was the home of a very rich couple back in the early 1900's. In 1948, the guy died, leaving his wife and their driver to live here.

Eventually some drunk qualified for a loan and turned it into a hole with three separate dwellings. As you may (or may not) know from Issue #1, he doesn't make any payments on the place and soon the house will belong to TCF.

Now-a-days, rumor has it that the place is haunted. We had heard some stories prior to moving in; and I actually liked the prospect of renting it more, knowing of these possibilities.

I have personally not witnessed any strange occurrences here, but others have; for instance, the nice young lady on the second floor thought blood was seeping out of her bathroom walls. We inspected this, and discovered that it was nothing more than tree-sap. She also claims that water in her bathroom gets turned on and off by itself... that has yet to be explained.

A guy on the first floor was up here one night claiming that his room is heavily infested with something. People either disputed him, or had curiosities regarding the whole thing; ~~so~~ so a gaggle of kids trampled away to go visit the ENTITY...

They entered the room; one of them carrying a lighter. The thermostat was at 80°, but it was frieezing.

The lighter suddenly became a torch - the flame reached about a foot in height. I know it could all be coincidental, but it still was pretty fucking weird.

One night my friend Sonja was sleeping in my room; when she woke up, she said she was startled because she felt someone laying on top of her... she had been the only person in the

room for hours.

I admit. I had gotten a little freaked out about the whole thing. As far as physical things go, all I have ever noticed is the lights flickering, but that happens almost anywhere. Emotionally, though; things started seeming really strange around here. People were running really ragged with each other for no apparent reason. And I just generally felt like shit.

I decided to blame it on the 'spirits' simply because I just wanted to forget about all the strange tension here; and I had a hunch that if we just forgot about it, it will fade.

So I typed up a bitch-letter to the ghost of the old rich dude that used to live here and tacked it up on my wall. It worked... maybe it was just because I found that to be my way of venting stupid frustrations - but what the hell ??!! It did work...

My great-grandma died today - I never knew her 'cause she was senile before I was old enough to understand people. (of course, she was family - I probably wouldn't have understood her anyway, for that very reason). Any way, my grandmother called me up to ask if I'd be a pall-bearer, and I would like to oblige, but I'm not sure I want to go to my hometown to bury a relative again.

Every time I go back there, it's 'cause somebody died... As if the place isn't bad enough.

Litchfield, MN - really just like any other small town: a few "cool" people (I don't know any of them, but I've seen 'em running around.), and

a lot of kids that get off on 'running around' in a pick-up truck; at the same time getting plastered off a case of Old Milwaukee each, (in cans), and then beating up all those "cool" people because they are scared as hell that someone may catch this terrible disease called: CULTURE. AHH!! YET!!!

The only difference between this small town and any other is that my family gives there - I mean no one else would notice it, 'cuz they're not too freaky (like myself, to them), but I notice it because I know they're insane - and I have to deal with it when I'm there.

Do all grandma's have one of those "omni-funeral" dresses - the one that they wear to any occasion that involves a dead person??

→ Here's a bit of the dialogue from the phone-conversation I had with my Grand-ma-ma tonight:

Gr: "Well lemme call ya back in a minute... I'll see if I haven't outgrown the dress I wore for yer dad's funeral."

(actually it was my grandpa's funeral - but she has referred to him as my dad for the past few months... I just play along...)

Me: "O.K."

— Click....

— Ring!

Me: "Yeah?"

Gr: "Still fits."

ME: "O.K."

Gr: "Th' fact th't she was 91 years old makes it... purdye" (that's 'pretty') "hard t'find pall bearers - 'cuz all her friends are dead."

me: "Yeah; well, I'd do it; but remember, I'm bald = people might not think that it's very respectful for a freak like me to be carrying around somebody on their last day in the sun - ever. Remember - this is Litchfield, gramma."

Gr: "Yeah, I'd thought about that..."

* Nobody wants to be a pall-bearer,

'cuz it's so depressing."

ME: "Well, it doesn't really depress me..."

Gr: "It doesn't"

ME: "No... I mean we all have to go sometime, right? I'm just glad I'm not the one in the box!"

Gr: "That's a good out-look.... hmm..."

(And so on)

I think that made her feel kind of good about life... at least for a while... a minute...

So I have to decide whether or not I want to bother going to this death-party... If I do, I will only be doing it to be sure my grandma doesn't feel hurt... God, I don't know.

It's 7:00 AM and it's too late to be thinking about such things anyway.

Our plan for the day is to go get some free paint so we can spice up the pad a bit; thing is that it's not so easy to dumpster-dive paint as it's illegal to throw it away.

(Of course I'm sure there's a great number of people disregard that law.)

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Beansprout is (again) engaging in his habit of writing zines, and then proof-reading by reading aloud - This is usually cool, sometimes distracting - but then I just pay no attention - because I know he's just "proofing."

Any way he is writing a piece about his childhood memories, and one of his stories reminded me of the time when one of my relatives went to the doctor for some sort of problem... He was prescribed three weeks worth of suppositories. When he went back in for his recheck, he told the doctor that he was really pissed because he couldn't understand why such huge pills weren't doing any good... That's my family...

AFTER THE SHOW



I AM SURROUNDED BY CLEAN FREAKS. THIS MORNING AT ABOUT SEVEN O' CLOCK I WAS AWAKEN BY SOMEONE PARTICULAR SCREAMING "O MY GOD" - ANDE. PARTIALLY ASLEEP, I FELL FULLY ASLEEP. I AWOKE AGAIN TO SOMEONE PULLING MY SOCKS OFF. THIS PERSON WAS WEARING RUBBER GLOVES. THEN HE STARTED SCRUBBING ^{MY FEET} WITH A SPONGE. I HAD WENT TO BED AFTER THE SHOW ~~BE~~ WHEN I GOT HOME. IT WAS AN HOUR DRIVE HOME. I HAD LITTLE SLEEP THE PREVIOUS AFTERNOON. IT'S VERY DANGEROUS DRIVING IN THESE CONDITIONS. I DO IT TOO MUCH. I FEEL BAD ABOUT PREACHING AT DRUNK DRIVERS BECAUSE I'M NO BETTER. EVERYONE IN THE CAR WAS SLEEPING. I THINK LEO1 WAS IN THE SLEEP/REALITY CONDITION - (THIS IS WHEN YOUR SO TIRED YOUR DREAM LIFE MIXES WITH YOUR REALITY LIFE AND ~~ME~~ YOU SEE THINGS). YOU WOULDN'T NORMALLY SEE AND YOU DON'T KNOW WHEN YOUR ^{AWAKE} ASLEEP AND WHEN YOUR ~~SLEEP~~). I WAS IN THIS SIMILAR CONDITION. WE STARTED LISTENING TO BEASTIE BOYS. WHEN YOU SING YOUR CHANCES OF FALLING ASLEEP LESSEN. LEO1 AND I SANG OUR WAY HOME. THIS STILL DOESN'T MAKE IT SAFE BUT IT'S BETTER THAN THE SLEEP/REALITY CONDITION. BACK TO MY TOPIC OF CLEAN FREAKS. WHEN YOU THINK OF CLEAN YOU USUALLY THINK OF...

SHOWERS

WASHED MY FEET

I HAD ~~SHOWERED~~ THE NIGHT BEFORE THAT'S WHY I THOUGHT THAT IT WAS SORT OF ODD MY FEET SMELLED SO BAD. I HAVE BEEN WEARING MY SOCKS FOR A WHILE. MABE THAT'S WHY. NOW ON TO MY TOPIC "SHOWERS". SHOWERS ARE A VERY UNUSUAL THING FOR ME. I'D RATHER FEEL REALLY RAUNCHY THAN SOAKY CLEAN. EXCEPT FOR MY FACE. I HAVE A VERY

BAD COMPLEXION AND I LOOK IN THE MIRROR AND SAY "MY GOD",
"IS IT AS DIRTY AND SHITTY AS IT LOOKS". MY FEET - I NEVER
WORRY ABOUT. BACK TO THE TOPIC - I GOT IN THE SHOWER.
I WAS COLD BEFORE THAT MOMENT AND THE HOT WATER
DID FEEL QUITE NICE. I HAVE NO HAIR ON MY HEAD SO
SHAMPOO IS NO PROBLEM. I DID USE MY PUBIC HAIR
TO LATHER UP MY BAR OF SOAP. THIS WORKS WELL.
MY FRIEND ANNA ADVISED THIS TO ME AND IT DOES
IN FACT WORK WELL. I STOOD THERE FOR ABOUT FIVE
MORE MINUTES JUST TO KEEP WARM AND TO FONDLE
MYSELF. THIS WHOLE EXPERIENCE WAS A WASTE
OF FIFTEEN MINUTES OF MY LIFE. I'D RATHER
BE FILTHY AND HAPPY. I LIKE MY SMELL.
AND YOU SHOULD LIKE YOUR OWN TOO BECAUSE
IT'S YOURS AND IT'S ONE OF THE ONLY
THINGS IN THIS WORLD THAT MOST PEOPLE CAN CALL
"THEIR OWN". I GIVE THE WHOLE EXPERIENCE A BIG
MISTER YUK. BUT IN ITSELF IT WAS AN EXPERIENCE.

© ANDE



IF YOU HAVE NEVER HAD ONE OF THESE
I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO TELL YOU. AFTER
EATING ONE I THINK YOU'LL REALIZE THAT YOUR LIFE DOES
HAVE MEANING. I WOULD SIMPLY DIE IF I DIDN'T HAVE
ACCESS TO THIS PRODUCT. YOU'LL NEVER EAT DEAD CAUS
AGAIN. IT HAS STUFF THAT'S EVEN GOOD FOR YOU IN IT:
DEHYDRATED POTATO. TOMATO. ONION. GARLIC. RED AND
GREEN BELL PEPPER. GREEN ONIONS. MUSHROOMS.
BROWN RICE. OATS. BARLEY. WHEAT. YELLOW PEAS. PARMESIAN
CHEESE. GREEN PEAS. DRIED YEAST. SALT. POWDERED SOY SAUCE.
SOY BEANS AND RICE. BELIEVE IT OR NOT IT BEATS
STOVE TOP. CALL MOM, AND SAY "FUCK YOU, I'M EATING

AT ANDE'S HAUS TONITE AND I'VE HEARD THE SCAM
FACTOR ON THEM IS GOOD. BEANSPROUT SAID HE
GOT A BIG BOX OFF SHIT THEM ^{OFF} THAT'S A PLUS IN MY
BOOK. YOU CAN FIND IT IN THE HEALTH FOOD WITH
THE NUTS AND TWIGS. AND TWO DOLLARS ^{IS} NOTHING
COMPARED TO A BIG MAC. SAVE A COW, BUY NATURE
BURGER. I LIKE 'EM. HAPPY EATING.

ENJOY & ANDE

• deep thoughts •

I WANT TO BRING TO MY ATTENTION AND YOUR ATTENTION
THAT I WRITE MY THOUGHTS. WHAT YOU SEE IS RIGHT
OUT OF MY HEAD. I AM NOT USUALLY GRAMATICALLY
CORRECT AND I'M NOT A VERY GOOD SPELLER. BEING
CO-EDITOR I USUALLY DON'T EDIT. SO IF SOMETHING
DOESN'T SOUND RIGHT, I MIGHT HAVE WRITTEN IN THE
WRONG TENSE OR SOMETHING. I TEND TO USE MANY
FRAGMENTS. NOT SENTENCES USUALLY. I THINK I'VE
SORT OF ^{WRITTEN} ~~MADE~~ MY OWN RULES TO THE GRAMMAR BOOK.

dePENDENCY.

TWIXT RECENTLY GOT HIMSELF IN A DEPENDENCY ON
FRIEND TYPE SITUATION ~~THAT~~ SOMEONE PUT HIM
ON THE SPOT TO DO WHAT THEY NEEDED DONE.
I'LL EXPLAIN THE SITUATION BEFORE I SAW WHAT
I NEED TO SAY. (NEXT PAGE)

PERSON 1 • X PERSON 2 • TWIXT • PERSON 3 • MESELF
IN MINNEAPOLIS
ON TO MY STORY. IT WAS A SUNDAY AFTERNOON - I THINK IT
WAS NOV. 16TH - PERSON X HAD COME DOWN THE PREVIOUS
NIGHT WITH TEN DOLLARS FOR GAS. THAT NIGHT TWIXT WAS
PLANNING TO GO TO MANKATO WITH ME AND SOME OTHERS.
THE CAR WAS FULL. HERE WAS PERSON X. PERSON X WANTED
TO GO TOO. PERSON X ASKED TWIXT TO DRIVE IN EXCHANGE
FOR GAS MONEY HE AGREED. NEXT DAY - SUNDAY AFTERNOON -
PERSON X WANTS A RIDE HOME, NO MONEY, SOB. TWIXT
WANTS TO SELL RECORDS TO HELP PAY. I SAY NO I'LL DRIVE - MY
CAR GETS BETTER MILEAGE - I BORROW MONEY - DEMANDING
MONEY ARRIVE
~~WHEN WE WALKED~~ BUT PERSON X DOESN'T HAVE
MONEY AT HOME EITHER. I THINK PERSON X WANTS TO DIE.
I THINK I'M THE ONE FOR THE JOB. ~~IF YOU LIKE~~
FRIEND AND LIKE TO KEEP THEM ~~WHEN~~ DON'T DO THIS
TO THEM. YOU'LL FIND YOURSELF, WITHOUT FRIENDS.
HAPPY FRIENDSHIP ABUSE

O ANDERS

PREJUDGE

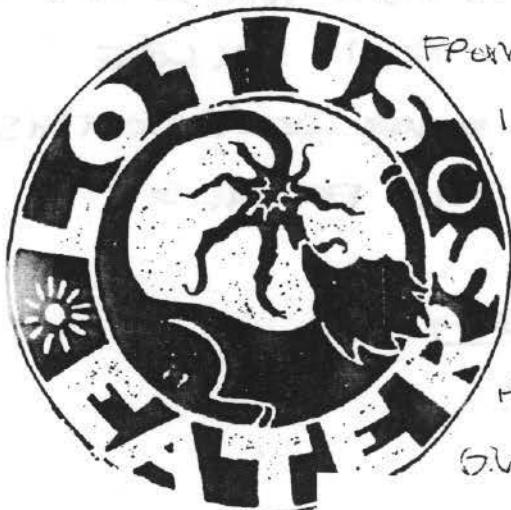
I RECENTLY EXCHANGED ZINES WITH A GIRL I GO TO SCHOOL
WITH. NUMBER 1 OF A FIGMENT OF AN IMAGINED NATION FOR
A COMIC BOOK DONE BY A GUY IN ST. PAUL. WHEN WE
EXCHANGED SHE COMMENTED THAT MY ZINE WASN'T
WORTH EXCHANGING FOR A COMETBUS. I RESPECT AARON
A LOT AND I ALSO ENJOY READING COMETBUS EVERY TIME

A NEW ONE COMES OUT. I DIDN'T THINK IT WAS RIGHT OF THIS GIRL TO PUT AARON ON A PEDASTOL OVER ME OR TWIXT. WE HAVE EXPERIENCES WE SHARE THEM. MAYBE YOU SHOULD READ OUR ZINE BEFORE THROWING IT AWAY. MISS IGNORANCE. I THINK AARON WOULD AGREE IF SOMEONE SUCH AS OURSELVE PUT ENOUGH TIME AND EFFORT TO DO SOMETHING WE BELIEVE IN SUCH AS THE IMAGINED NATION WE DESERVE AT LEAST THE TIME OF DAY!

R.E.S.P.E.C.T.

WHAT IT
MEANS
TO ME.

AFTER FINISHING THE LAST ISSUE I WANTED TO POINT OUT TO THE READERS THAT IF I SLAM THEM DOESN'T MEAN I DENT LOOK UP TO THEM FOR WHAT THEIR DOING. MY FRIEND RYAN - FROM LOTUS EATERS - RECENTLY BOUGHT A ZINE



FROM ME BUT I KIND OF FELT BAD THAT I GAVE THEM A BAD REVIEW. I'M NOT GOING TO LIE. BUT I JUST WANTED HIM TO KNOW I DO GIVE HIM A LOT OF RESPECT FOR WHAT HE DOES AND HE HEROES IT. THEY ARE A GOOD BAND THEN GIVE 'EM A CHANCE. I DID.

-I'm not
an "int school"
student!



I AM!

* This is the page that was left out of issue one (not chronological):

Back in Minneapolis, I dropped off the crew and strapped myself in for another ride to Mankato...

This time a show is scheduled there. (no cheesebread, coffee, or fellowship... well... fellowship I'm sure will be plentiful... and coffee is very likely)

Anyway...the bill:

- AD
- REACH
- MY FRIEND STU
- BILLY GOATS GRUFF
- BENEDICT FLU
- (I missed the opener--again)

BENEDICT FLU:

Holy shit!! The latest comes to the Mankato music scene; they can't be over fifteen...not a one of 'em! Incredible. Good old rock and roll... even a NIRVANA cover(fortunately not, off NEVERMIND). Cool!

They have a demo out, which sounds good except for the fact that the vocals are twice as loud as they should be (a lot of demo's are like that--I wonder why...).

Write 'em!!

BENEDICT FLU
c/o Jeremy
20 University Ct.
Mankato, MN
56001

*Demo is two dollars + a little friendly postage.

BILLY GOATS GRUFF:

Kato vett's played their usual cool tiffs. Heavy, energetic foursome. All I can say is that they sounded great for not practicing since their tour a month ago.

Write for info at:

B.G.C.
195 Briargate # 138
Mankato, MN
56001

MY FRIEND STU:

I hadn't heard these fall's since GRAMMA JAM (Sept 26). Leon was finally healed from breaking bricks

with his ass and was ready for some more fucking self-destruction.

Excellent old-school hardcore relating to (of course) girls. The

show was astoundingly--I actually made out a lot of the words.

NY FRIEND STU
2700 Pillsbury Ave #3
55408

REACH:
NY FRIEND STU
2700 Pillsbury Ave #3
55408

As usual, took forever to take the stage, but when they did, they blew a hole through everyone's heads. Even with the technical difficulties, they played their usual ten song set and raged like a fat bitch at an all you can eat buffet! Word.

(Leoi)

REACH
800 3rd Ave. SE
Waseca, MN
56093

...Four pages, and four days... and that weekend marked the poly-fusion of Twixt, ANDE, Beansprout, and Leoi. Soon thereafter spawned the collective now known as the PILLSBURY ASYLUM.

-Twixt



Television is so unbelievable - and unrealistic - An Actor or Actress can't show believable emotions - Take sex scenes for instance, These people aren't making love, their acting. Use your mind, and imagination to create a realistic form of entertainment - Read a book - hell - write one.

Turn off the fuckin' T.V.

Turn on your mind
(and you don't even need to get up to find the remote control.)

Fuck yeah, Twixt.

@~~EMMA~~ CENTER
3451 BLOOMINGTON AVE S.
MPLS, MN..

Every Tues^{Night} of every month of
every year at Emma is
Queer Space. [Sun is Wimmins-Only Space,
By the Way]

The 1st Tues^{Night [7-?]} of every
month is the hiphappin'
CABARET + Disco ball ya'll!

Supportive straights (self-identified)
are asked to stay home for
these occasions. This is a totally
Queer Safe Space for all-ages, providing
a non-alcohol alternative to Gay bar scenes.
The CABARET encompasses spoken word,
performance + acoustic musick from local
talent. After that, itz time to boogie-down!

Various political discussions + planning
meetings fill out the rest of the schedule.

Itz all Anarchist-oriented, but not limited
to that scope of personal politics/interactions.

Lotza hard-to-find Queer literature can also
be located there. So if you consider
yourself ~~a straight~~ a gay, lesbian, bi or just plain
Queer, then call or come to find out more. Watch for the black
triangle flies. A

HHHK KODI IT DAMN IT Sassy

What's missing here?
by Jennifer Waits, 23, San Francisco, CA

In case you haven't already guessed, the horoscopes are absent from the issue of *Sassy*. It ain't because we don't like them. In fact, we feel them pretty ridiculous—gutty pressure, burns among the personal ads or hoaxes in the backs of magazines. We don't discuss them with friends, no matter how religiously we peruse those pages, or measure them for scientific proof or for anything other than entertainment. And yet they are totally compelling. Is that just because we so many things that don't work in everyday life. We can't always seem to escape some or other control, except our Ames have to submit to it. For besides people will do whatever they want to recognition on the 12th. And horoscopes provide that.

But like any astrologer, horoscopes can provide an emotional crash. A friend of mine fell into this trap. She continued to clutch a horoscope 1937 from her dormitory for first year of college, and a cancer became an obsessive source for relationship advice. A warning is not even considered Cancerous. Don't let yourself climb more than one rung on the zodiac. Although you may have picked up some extra clout on the 17th, it'll be long gone by then. Only after the \$100 sheen all arrived did my friend recognize that real answers are never that basic.

For me, on the other hand, horoscopes are more a search for the decisions: karma or wisdom. Aquarius may also be an expert at this. It's time to look at nothing outside; you can't get information on the 22nd. When I do find a relevant piece of advice, it's just for future reference. As a result, there are shapes of horoscopes appearing in all corners throughout my room. Shapes of zodiac. Cancer me, won't be seen, home in the 19th to the core of darkness in zodiac because the shadows of doom in your room. Others are based in my dreams, because they reflect my mood or describe issues



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that I'm trying to deal with.

Actually, I have most of us are drawn to horoscopes in our endless search for philosopher and/or spiritual guidance. Humans have endlessly quested for enlightenment of this kind, but in the '90s there are fewer sources. And because horoscopes provide very targeted messages of guidance for everyone, they make us feel special and sometimes adored. For example, I AM A TAURUS. Watch me be selfless and stubborn! By the way, Taurus, according to my sources, the moon will be full of affection for you! We can also make celestial bodies our scapegoats for inexplicable

20th, and don't let yourself be controlled by their demands.

We also like horoscopes because they provide instant gratification. The time it takes to read them is nothing compared with the expenditure required to take in most other sources of wisdom, such as books or conversational therapy. Of course, horoscopes are not the only "quickie" coping mechanism. Some spirituality-seekers might look to fortune cookies. Tarot cards or psychics. Seeing if you're psychic. You Gemini will probably never stop looking for ways to prove your worth in the 19th, as don't let anyone else prove their day.

Like horoscopes, there are more contradictions than we sometimes realize.

They encourage us to confront ourselves because too often we look on external things or other people's problems to avoid our own. The best star for you lies in your heart, so make sources of happiness, see how happy you're feeling on the 4th when you do a favor for a friend. I do this at the same time I have my success, compensation we have to leave the furniture in our rooms the night before a huge exam.

Now that I've expounded on the great potential of horoscopes, you may be asking yourself why I don't just shut up and make myself popular by getting someone to write them. Oh yeah, in the '90s, you're really going to give the most you've got of yourself, especially in marketing culture. I'm talking about stars here. I understand may have already alienated others and I know. My horizon was limited to help you confront your behaviors, which has a problem for you. Virgin and the moon will be one of illumination. But if you get in touch with your true self and be excited by the peaked cool and who you are. But if you need this to do the answers from the stars or because you wanted to escape, then you probably feel less down and less dogged. Although you already get September zodiacs, it will be too uncomfortable for your skin. I mean exaggerated treatment of the moon because you are changing and experiencing. It's one experience since the moon will be one for young energy, health and burning independence. Hopefully it hasn't been you screaming to a 100 number. None of us can afford that.

© DECEMBER SASSY

TO TELL ME "WHAT'S MISSING HERE?" I THINK AUTUMN'S ART WORK LOOK A LITTLE DIFFERENT DON'T YOU. IT WAS NICE OF YOU TO GIVE HER RECOGNITION IN THE FRONT TOO.

I DONT LIKE SASSY IN THE FIRST PLACE, BUT I WANT THEM TO NEVER REALLY PISSED ME OFF UNTIL THEY DECIDED TO FUCK WITH ONE OF MY FRIENDS. I WANT TO GIVE JESSICA THE RECOGNITION THAT

SASSY DIDN'T . . .
• SASSY ART BY . . .

JESSICA DICKINSON

I WANT RECOGNIZED:
MISS JESSICA DICKINSON

THE REASON I'M WRITING ABOUT SASSY IS TO BRING A LITTLE RECOGNITION TO MY FRIEND JESSICA THAT WAS RECENTLY EXPLOITED BY THIS WONDERFUL (SASSY) EXAMPLE OF AMERICAN TEEN CULTURE. JESSICA AGREED TO DO SOME WORK FOR SASSY - SHE DID A LOT OF STUFF. WELL THE MANAGED TO PRINT HER PICTURE • NOW SASSY I WANT YOU

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zine of the month



No Duh has the coolest graphics, but the editor, Geoff, is adamant that he does the zine the old-school, cut-paste-and-Xerox way. "We don't need no stinkin' computers," says a note at the back. Issue #2 is filled with short fiction, reportage, poems, a "We Wear It"-type page with reviews of various high-tops, Geoff's introspective diary about getting tested for AIDS, tons of suggestions for great pranks, zine reviews, transcri-

tions of prank calls—the list is endless. No Duh is really fun to read, and there's very little info on the underground music scene, which is nice for a change. To get your very own copy, send \$1 or your zine to No Duh, 2 Aldie St., #1, Allston, MA 02134. Geoff's also accepting contributions for issue #3 at the same address. Another way to get it: When you order from Simple Machines (see opposite page), add 50 cents to your order and ask for No Duh.

Zine of the Month Scandal

I have received several letters from readers complaining THAT they were ripped off by past "zines of the month." The patrons of the underground press sent in their pre-paid orders and never received zines. I have figured out how this happens: Editors send in their zine to be reviewed, on a whim, and are just not prepared to fill the 300 to 1,000 orders they get after appearing in "What Now." So from now on, do not send in your zine unless you can deal with a huge response. And to you zinesters who haven't done right by the trusting Sassy readers: Get off it, because you're making us look bad and threatening the future of the "zine of the month" column.

AN ELEMENT ABOUT SASSY THAT REALLY PISSES ME OFF IS THE FACT THAT THEY FEED OFF THE UNDERGROUND TO BUILD THEIR EMPIRE OF MINDLESS TEEN AGERS. SOMEHOW THEY SEEM TO BE ACCOMPLISHING THIS. EVEN MY LITTLE SISTER HAS A SUBSCRIPTION. THE ZINE OF THE MONTH COLUMN IS A GOOD EXAMPLE OF EXPLOITATION OF THE UNDERGROUND. I GUESS IF YOUR DUMB ENOUGH TO SEND YOUR ZINE - YOUR PARTLY RESPONSIBLE TOO. AS FAR AS THE ZINE OF THE MONTH SCANDAL, MANY OF THE ZINESTERS ARE KIDS LOOKING FOR RESPONSE, NOT TO BE LIKE "SASSY," AND TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OUR CREATIVE YOUTH. SO "SASSY" GET OFF IT YOUR MAKING

THE INDEPENDENT ZINES LOOK BAD AND YOUR THREATENING THE FUTURE OF OUR CREATIVE YOUTH THAT CAN STILL THINK FOR THEMSELVES. SUCH A WASTE SEEING A COLUMN

BECAUSE OF A LACK OF GRATITUDE ON THE PART OF SOME FORMER ZINES OF THE MONTH (PULP, ETC.), THE ZINE OF THE MONTH FEATURE HAS BEEN CANCELED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

LOSE IT'S PLACE BUT NEXT TIME SHOW SOME CONCERN FOR THE "ZINE GEEKS" INSTEAD OF CRITICISM.

INDIE ROCK MEMOIRS: RESURFACING THE ACNE YEARS

NATION OF ULYSSES

13-point program to destroy america

Respect is due to the Nation of Ulysses. I believe this is the most important band to come along in many moons, and their debut album is simply incredible. It was produced by Ian MacKaye of Fugazi and it's a nonstop punk classic. Lead singer Ian Svennous is the original Sassest Boy in America, and listening to this record, I can see why. This is the sound of Young America. From the insane thrash of "Spectro-Sonic Sound" to the sultry, spine-tingling "Love Is a Bull Market," every one of the 13 tracks totally shreds. The

NATION OF ULYSSES

13-Point Program to Destroy America



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So people in underground bands were rumored to have died drug-related deaths within a few weeks of each other. Charles Ondras, the drummer in the NY band the Unsane, and Stephanie Sargeant, the guitar player in Seven Year Bitch, both died after doing heroin. It's just incredibly sad and a real waste. I wish people didn't think heroin was hip, especially people in bands. Kids imitate their idols.

ALTERNATIVE ROCK CASUALTIES

ZINE AREN'T THE ONLY ASPECT OF THE UNDERGROUND THAT "SASSY" FEEDS OFF THERE IS ALSO THE MUSIC ASPECT. THE BINDING OF THE MOST RECENT SASSY SAYS "CORPORATE ZINE"—YOU HIT THE NAIL RIGHT ON HEAD THERE. LET'S SEE WHAT WE CAN EXPLOIT NEXT. HMM— LET'S GO INTERVIEW SOME INDIE ARTIST ON CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCE—YOU KNOW THEY ARE PEOPLE JUST LIKE PAULA ABDUL. OR ARE THEY. OR ARE WE. I THINK JELLO BIAFRA WILL BACK ME UP ON THE POINT I'M TRYING TO MAKE. HE SPILLED IT OUT WHEN THEY INTERVIEWED HIM IN THE READER PRODUCED ISSUE. IT WAS NICE OF YOU GUYS TO PRY INTO THE UNDERGROUND WHEN LOOKING FOR AN EXAMPLE OF DRUG ABUSE AND ROLE MODELS. I THINK THAT TODAY'S YOUTH ARE NOT A BUNCH OF MINDLESS ZOMBIES AND CAN USUALLY DECIDE IF DRUGS IS FOR THEM OR NOT.

LAST BUT NOT LEAST BY ANY MEANS THANKS FOR GIVING A DEFINITION FOR MY NAME. ITS

NICE TO BE KNOWN AS A LESS EQUAL PERSON.

sassy glossary: definition # 41

Andy: Noun. The person in a band who is such a zero that no one gives a care about him.

Origin: Andy Taylor of Duran Duran. **Usage:** "Danny Wood is the Andy of New Kids on the Block. Adam Clayton is the Andy of U2. Mick Mars is the Andy of Motley Crüe."

J. WENNER

The Garbage Problem
And
The Sensible Solution
For Your Community

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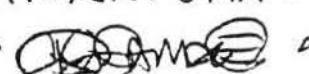
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FOR THE RAZOR
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KNOW I TURN
18 ON THE 29TH
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IDEA IS NICE
IT MADE ME
FEEL SPECIAL

UNTIL I SAW MY NUMBER ON THE BOX. IF ANYONE
WANTS TO KNOW MORE ABOUT MY LIFE THAN I'M WILLING TO
GIVE MY NUMBER IS •0000 448367 • THANK AGAIN
GILLETTE I'LL USE IT WHEN I GET FACIAL HAIR



**MONKEY**

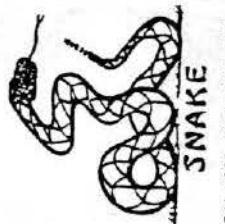
1939, 1951, 1963, 1975, 1987, 1999
Lucky of all signs. You are also talented and articulate. Affectionate, yet shy. You seek peace throughout your life. Marry a Sheep or Boar. Your opposite is the Cock.

**SHEEP**

1943, 1955, 1967, 1979, 1991
Elegant and creative, you are timid and prayerful. You are most compatible with Boars and Rabbits but never the Ox.

**HORSE**

1942, 1954, 1966, 1978, 1990
Popular and attractive to the opposite sex. You are often ostentatious and impatient. You need people. Marry a Tiger or a Dog early, but never a Rat.

**SNAKE**

1941, 1953, 1965, 1977, 1989
Wise and intense with a tendency towards physical beauty. Vain and high tempered. The Boar is your enemy. The Cock or Ox are your best signs. Avoid the Monkey or Rat late in life. Avoid the Dog.

**DRAGON**

1940, 1952, 1964, 1976, 1988, 2000
You are eccentric and your life complex. You have a very passionate nature and abundant health. Marry a Monkey or Rat late in life. Avoid the Dog.

**RABBIT**

1939, 1951, 1963, 1975, 1987, 1999
Lucky of all signs. You are also talented and articulate. Affectionate, yet shy. You seek peace or Boar. Your opposite is the Cock.

**COCK**

1944, 1956, 1968, 1980, 1992
You are very intelligent and able to influence people. An enthusiastic achiever, you are basically discouraged and connived. Avoid Tigers. Seek a Dragon or a Rat.

**DOG**

1945, 1957, 1969, 1981, 1993
A pioneer in spirit, you are devoted to work and quest after knowledge. You are selfish and eccentric. Rabbits are trouble. Snakes and Oxen are fine.

**BOAR**

1947, 1959, 1971, 1983, 1995
Nobis and chivalrous. Your friends will be life-long, yet you are prone to mortal strife. Avoid other Boars. Marry a Rabbit or a Sheep.

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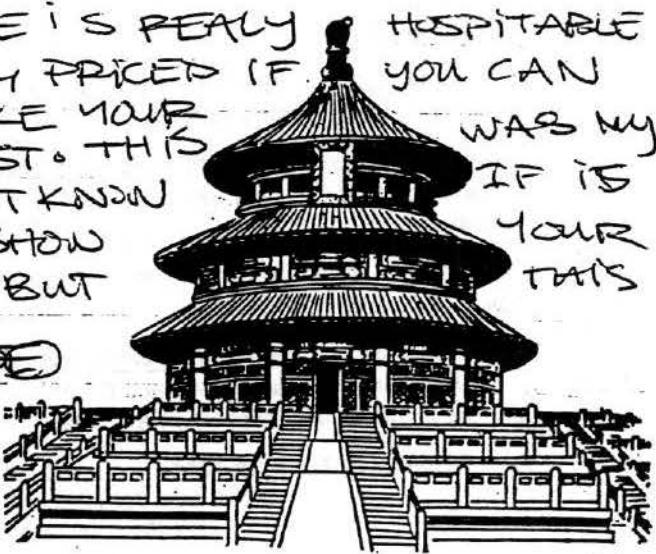
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NEXT TO BEST BUY

I'M A BIG FAN OF FRIED RICE SO THAT'S WHAT I HAD. I COULDN'T REALLY GIVE AN ACCURATE JUDGE ON WHAT I HAD BECAUSE I LOVE ANY FRIED RICE. THEY HAVE A VEGETARIAN FOOD MENU IF YOU DON'T EAT MEAT. IF YOUR IN ROCHESTER GIVE THIS PLACE A CHANCE, I DID AND LIKED IT. THE ATMOSPHERE IS REALLY AND REASONABLY PRICED IF YOU KEEP A JOB. TAKE YOUR ROMANTIC INTEREST. THIS FORTUNE. I DON'T KNOW BAD KARMA TO SHOW FORTUNE OR NOT BUT IS IT. ENJOY CHINADE

THIS WAS MY CUP OF TEA. I HAD EGG DROP SOUP AND REALLY GOOD TEA.

HOSPITABLE
you can
WAS MY
IF IS
YOUR DAY'S



Your actions reveal your thoughts more than you realize.

**TIGER**

1938, 1950, 1962, 1974, 1986, 1998
Tiger people are aggressive, courageous, candid and sensitive. Look to the Horse and Dog for happiness. Beware of the Monkey.

**OX**

1937, 1949, 1961, 1973, 1985, 1997
Bright, patient and inspiring to others. You can be happy by yourself, yet make an outstanding parent. Marry a Snake or Cock. The Sheep will bring trouble.

**RAT**

1936, 1948, 1960, 1972, 1984, 1996
You are ambitious yet honest. Prone to spend freely. Seldom make lasting friendships. Most compatible with Dragons and Monkeys. Least compatible with Horses.

For economic reasons, I generally eat at home - (or simply don't eat at all - I mean it's such a waste of time.)

But over the past few months I have eaten out a couple of pretty keen little establishments; the first of which is the New Riverside Cafe, a collective/cooperative set-up that is located on the corner of Riverside and Cedar on the West Bank (Minneapolis).

At first the prices may seem a bit steep, but considering it's all natural and delicious as well, it's worth the cost.

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And my other big find was Little Tijuana which is a cozy little joint that offers excellent mexican dishes.

- good portions
- good prices

* Try the Nachos
they fry them up right there while you wait.

I guess I wish I was the one he wrote about...
he doesn't write.
I guess

I don't know what
and I don't want to

I just want to make you feel good
making me feel good

I just want to taste the difference
and the beauty looks so delicious

I want you to try
so you know
how it tastes...
how I taste
how I taste it

and the embrace of your self in my warm slovenly hand
causing you to spill your lust all over me
and I catch your height of pleasure
a drop upon my tongue

and you let me eat your smooth tongue
and you swallow my smooth tongue

and likeness we share in nothing Land meaning
that even lovers can't fuck this way
and feel good

and I will feel good
and I will make you feel good

and your beauty will break my fever
and I may drown in your sweat
and embrace you hot in unconscious fantasy

to break the silence with my scream of pleasure
that reality now has new meaning
that even lovers cannot feel
because it's more than fuck
it's beautiful
fuck

and a pair of cigarettes burn in unison

to kill a crush.

Everything I SAY TO YOU I REGRET SAYING. I FEEL SO foolish
I CURSE MYSELF FOR opening MY mouth. IT IS SO HARD TO
speak, and YET IT IS so hard TO STOP MYSELF FROM SPEAKING

BUT I cannot say THE THINGS I WANT TO SAY. I CAN'T SAY
MY real FEELINGS. I AM inarticulate. I MEAN TO SAY THAT
I love you (BUT I KNOW THAT I DON'T really LOVE you, AND
I never could). IT'S JUST THE WORD I USE WHEN I CAN'T
SAY THAT I respect you, BUT IT ALWAYS comes OUT SOUNDING
SO AWKWARD. I MEAN TO give you A PART OF
myself, but I AM AFRAID TO MAKE THIS sacrifice TO ANYONE.
I AM hiding inside MY HEAD RIGHT NOW. I AM averting MY

EYES AND BITING my tongue. I AM breathing BECAUSE I
have to AND THERE IS nothing MORE I CAN DO WHEN YOU
ARE here. I AM STARING AT anything but you. ARE YOU DOING
this TO ME OR AM I DOING IT TO MYSELF? I FEEL SO
sick, AND I FEEL SO good. I feel THAT IT WOULD BE SAFER
TO JUST sit here and not say a word. BUT I DO NOT DO THIS,
IT WOULD MAKE ME SO lonely. I AVOID you, ONLY BECAUSE

I am afraid OF MYSELF. MY LIPS bleed WHERE I HAVE CUT
THEM WITH MY teeth. Don't say it, I WHISPER. SAY IT, I
scream INSIDE my skull. I AM CAUGHT INBETWEEN.
I hate you BECAUSE LOVING you IS so MUCH MORE painful.
I LOVE you BECAUSE I HAVE no other choice. I'M STUCK HERE
AND I CAN'T ESCAPE.

GET THE fuck OUT OF MY head.

MAYBE NONE OF THIS IS REAL ANYWAY

It will leave if you don't show ease
but it's not too late yet
if angst persisted, you'd never know it

Once again the mind races
ahead of the heart...
and I'd feel like me again,

I let things go, and they come to me.
I stand beside it and it flees,
as it always is
and will never be.

It will never be
It will never be
again.

And I'll never travel this path again.
It's an infinite sight
a constant circle, go.

Stray like you're supposed to
like you want to
like you need...

Rusted rails without heads of tails
I hold it as I walk around.
Blood red stains they leave on my fingers
the smell of myself from my last sojourn lingers.

I vow
now
to pour my own slab
to leave this attitude so callow
and build my own road
and let you follow.

...In hopes that our two separate paths may once ajoin.

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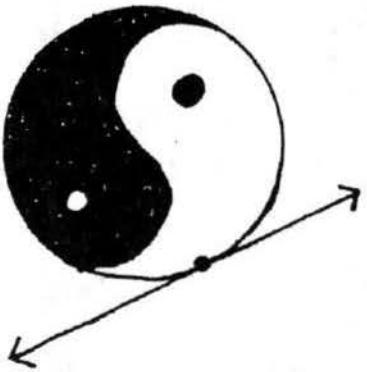
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-By Jane - Thanks.

UNDERGROUND
EVOLUTION

Accept
Diversity



According to the philosophy of the yin & yang, one may go off on a tangent, lead to another circle, another tangent, and possibly end up back to the tangent you left off on. In fact, you may have changed your beliefs on the subject and your "tangent line" may go in the opposite direction when you finally think about it again. So this column is appropriately entitled tangents: free flowing, uninterrupted thought. And if I contradict myself in the future, don't be stupid & try to call my bluff, because that's the cool thing about people - they are never the same from one moment to the next.

so sue free to forget??
(What was my point anyway??)

Every person you meet affects you somehow - everything is an influence. As people spend more and more time around each other, their influences upon each other become greater; and if two people focus too much on their time on one another without being open to other exterior influence - they become stale (rather than complementary to each other).

When two people meet, their first impression of each other is never revisited. All things are constantly changing (acting & reacting), and one's basic personality is the only ~~one~~ thing that can differentiate you from everyone else. As that personality is affected by all of the influences in its environment, it is also ~~being~~ being an influence to others.

As these two hypothetical individuals become more and more stale, they become less and less competitive.

TAKE the fracture of an eggshell -


While in some ways the segments of the fracture are exactly alike - over all they are opposites - that is what makes the two parts competitive is a definite pattern of likenesses & ~~differences~~ differences.

The only way a relationship can last is by keeping ties with outside influences and not becoming limiting to one's self to ~~and~~ that significant other. Stay "yourself" and that bond won't break - but become each other & the puzzle pieces just won't fit after a while.

tan·gent (tan'jənt) *adj.* [*< L. tangere, to touch*] 1. touching 2. *Geom.* touching a curved surface at one point but not intersecting it — *n.* a tangent line, curve, or surface — *go off at (or on) a tangent* to change suddenly to another line of action, etc. — *tan·gen'tial* (-jen'shəl) *adj.*

How some combination of two people forms - some pair that just feels right - just fits together - it's an amazing emotional experience.

To me who says everyone has to find ~~that~~ one match? If two people find a beautiful emotional bond between them - sober - But why should that stop other possible emotional bonds from forming? If something so comforting can exist then why should you let one bond stand in the way of another?

SAFE SEX ??

Alt = Monogamy is the only way to be safe from all the dirty diseases history avoid.

Well, for something as soothing as one of those perfect complement bonds with people as they come along -

it is worth giving up sex, to me. I still consider myself bisexual - even though I don't have "sexual relationships w/ either sex" any more - those tight knit relationships still exist between both men & women - It kind of makes my bisexuality more like a "straight" persons group of best friends - ~~but~~ comprised of people of both genders.

(God - he's really "normal" for being bisexual. He doesn't act like it - I don't when people say that what a dumb remark).

I have been consuming massive quantities of LSD lately and most of my brainstorms have come to me under the influence of LSD = And I would like to see if those same thought patterns are possible w/out the use of such a drug; And as far as other drugs are concerned - I've never been that fond of them - so why bother using them?

LSD can be positive in its uses, and if I ever do drop again - I will only do it under perfect circumstances - probably alone. LSD is a powerful emotional drug that forces it's user to think within it's own mind & it's own creativity - I think it should be used only during a state of constant outward expression & constant imaginative creativity - whether that

So, until that time rolls around, I feel completely comfortable with an LSD induced creativity - I've got straight edge. (S.P.T.O.F.)

on - paper - or
the mind - I
should be
able to
mind float drug -
not a
trippy mind float drug & go see
what's letting too much of someone
else's expression influence you while
at a time when you're creative.
by exploring your own creativity.

Wisconsin

You're Among Friends

• WEDNESDAY NOV. 25 •

ME AND DAVE WAKE UP
ME AND DAVE WENT
TO THE BATHROOM.
ME AND DAVE ATE
2 SANDWICHES.
ME AND DAVE

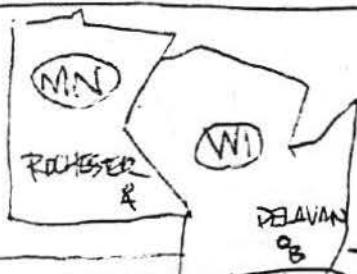
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LEFT TO Wisconsin • THE
ROADS WERE REALLY BAD.
THERE WERA A LOT OF COLLEGE
STUDENTS TAKING I90 HOME
TO SEE THEIR FAMILIES FOR
THANKSGIVING VARIATION. •
IT WAS REALLY HARD TO SEE
THE READS LET ALONE
CONCENTRATE ON THE TRAFFIC.
THERE WERE A LOT OF CAR
ACCIDENTS AND WE DROVE
ABOUT 30 MPH THE WHOLE WAY. WE DID MANAGE
TO STOP AT A COUPLE OF REST STOPS TO LEAVE
OUR MARK.  THERE ARE IS ONE AT THE BOARDER
REST STOP I KNOW FOR SURE BUT I CAN'T REMEMBER
WHERE THE OTHER WERE. • LOOK FOR IT IF YOUR IN THE
AREA. OTHER THAN THE LONG DRIVE AND SHITTY WEATHER



WE DROVE FROM POINT  TO
POINT  • WE STARTED AT
1:00 AND GOT AT  AT 6:00

NOT A LOT WAS ACCOMPLISHED BY
EITHER MINE OR DAVES EXISTENCE
WE SPENT THE REST OF THE
EVENING AT DAVE'S DAD'S HOUSE
IN DELAVAN. DAVE'S DAD WAS
REALLY NICE BUT HE SEEMED

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REALLY STRESSED OUT. I DON'T BLAME THEM THOUGH
THE KIDS IN THE HOUSE RANGE FROM ABOUT 2 TO 12
AND THEY'RE ALL FROM HELL ALL 6 OF THEM. THE ONLY
WORRY ON BOTH OF OUR MINDS WAS FOOD AND REST.
OUR PLANNED AGENDA FOR THE REST OF THE WEEKEND
IS: DINNER WITH DAVE'S FAMILY THURS. AFTERNOON. OFF
TO MILWAUKEE THURS. NIGHT, CHICAGO FRIDAY AND BACK
TO MADISON SAT. TO SEE "DOUBLE SPEAK" AT U-RECK.
THURSDAY NOV. 26.
WE DIDN'T MAKE IT
TO CHICAGO NOR DO I
THINK WE PLAN TO AT
THIS POINT. WE DO
PLAN TO GO TO MADISON
THURSDAY AFTERNOON
AND POSSIBLY SPEND
THE EVENING. DAVE
GAVE ME A PICTURE OF →
KURT. THE FASCIST NAZI
THAT LIVES IN THE SAME
HOUSE AS DAVE'S DAD.
UPON ARRIVING ON
WEDNESDAY NIGHT HE
ATTACKED ME AND
STARTED HITTING MY
LEGS. THE KIDS FROM
HELL. THIS WAS A LOVE
LETTER THAT ONE OF THE
GIRLS IN THE HOUSE GAVE
ME. IT MUST MEAN LOVE.
TOO BAD SHE'S ABOUT
8, FAT AND UGLY. I JUST
DON'T HAVE LUCK WITH
THE GIRLS. I DID HAVE
DINNER WITH DAVE'S FAMILY,
THAT WAS AN EXPERIENCE
WITHIN ITSELF. IT WAS ABOUT
85 MINUTES BEFORE
EVERYTHING GOT OUT OF
HAND. I GUESS A NEW
HOUSE RECORD. WE WAITED
UNTIL ABOUT SIX O'CLOCK
SO WE COULD LEAVE FOR...



I love you
Kelly

MILWAUKEE

SINCE ZEB ARRIVED WE GOT THE HUGS AND KISSES OUT OF THE WAY AND WE LEFT FOR MILWAUKEE. THE RIDE DIDN'T SEEM VERY LONG WE TOLD OUR STORIES AND TALKED ABOUT GIRLS AND DECIDED TO GO DOWN TO FAREWELL. BEING THAT IT WAS THANKSGIVING THERE WAS HARDLY ANYONE AROUND SO WE DECIDE TO GO TO... TO HAVE SOME COFFEE AND POSSIBLY RUN INTO SOMEBODY. WE RAN INTO THIS HOMELESS OLD MAN THAT WAS A TUTOR AT A G.E.D. TYPE SCHOOL FOR THOSE ILLITERATE ILLITERATE PEOPLE. HE WAS ONE OF THE MOST BRILLIANT PEOPLE I HAVE EVER LISTEN TO. HIS NAME IS DEAN AND I GUESS HE'S A REGULAR THERE SO IF YOU SEE HIM GIVE HIM SOME OF YOUR TIME. THIS MAN HAS SEEN AND DONE IT ALL. THE WAITRESS GAVE US FREE COFFEE JUST BECAUSE WE KEPT HIM OCCUPIED. DURING THE 4 HOURS OF LISTENING TO THIS MAN THERE WERE 3 GIRLS AT THE NEXT TABLE THAT I DIDN'T NOTICE UNTIL THEY WERE ABOUT READY TO LEAVE. THE BEAUTIFUL ONE LEFT ZEB'S PHONE #. SHE HAD SHORT BLUE HAIR. THAT MADE ZEB'S HEAD EXPAND A LITTLE. I THINK IT WOULD HAVE MADE MINE TOO. WE MOVED OVER TO THE TABLE ON THE OTHER SIDE. I MET SPIT, ANOTHER FELLOW ZINE GEEK, HE WAS APPARENTLY GOING THRU A LOT OF SHIT AND WAS JUST PISSED OFF AT THE WORLD. HE SAID HE'D SEND ME A ZINE WHEN HE FINISHED MINE. HE INFORMED US OF THE DEMISE OF "DENISE". IT'S A SAD DAY. WE GAVE OUR HUGS AND KISSES AND WENT OUR WAY. WE EACH BOUGHT SOME ICE CREAM WITH ALL THE COUPONS THAT DAVE HAD. WE NEEDED A PICTURE OF THE BLATZ BREWERY BEFORE LEAVING MILWAUKEE.

IT WAS HARD TO GET A PICTURE OF IT. IT WAS IN THE SLUMS AND THE BLATZ SIGN WAS ALONG THE HIGHWAY. SO WE WENT ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE HIGHWAY TO GET A PICTURE. OUR PUM IS DONE HERE. I GUESS BACK TO DELAVAN.

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•THIS SUCKS•

ABOUT 10 MILES OUT OF DELAVAN MY CAR STARTED TO OVER HEAT WE STOPPED AT A GAS STATION BECAUSE WE ALL HAD TO PISSED REALLY BAD. THERE WERE A GROUP OF PEOPLE AT THE GAS STATION HEADING TO MADISON. ON ONE OF THE GUYS LEATHER JACKETS WITH THIS NUMBER PAINTED ON IT.

I HATE FUCKS LIKE THIS I WANT TO GO BACK TO MINNEAPOLIS.

I'M NOT SAYING THAT WISCONSIN IS BAD. I'VE HAD A PRETTY GOOD TIME SO FAR. I JUST WANT TO GET OUT OF THE JANEVILLE AREA. OUTSIDE OF THAT GAS STATION

WE HAD TO LET THE CAR COOL ABOUT A MILE DOWN THE ROAD. DAVE TRIED TO FIX THE LEAK IN THE HOSE WHILE THE CAR COOLED. WE MANAGED TO MAKE IT TO THE REST STOP ABOUT 2 MILES DOWN THE WAY. WE COULD GET WATER FUEL AND LEAVE OUR MARK. WE DECIDED TO VENTURE OUT AGAIN AND ABOUT A HALF A MILE OUT IT GOT HOT AGAIN.

WAITING AGAIN THE PIG STOP TO HARASS US.

AS IF WE DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH PROBLEMS ALREADY. WE APPARENTLY LOOKED THE "DRUG PEOPLE TYPE DON'T WE". FUCK HEAD. WASN'T THE NO SMOKING STICKER ON MY WINDOW SOME SORT OF CLUE AND WHAT DESS IT MATTER WE'RE HAVING CAR PROBLEMS. THE OFFICER FRIENDLY IN DELAVAN GAVE US A RIDE THE REST OF THE WAY. "I'VE GOT 3 MALE SUBJECTS ON A 10-SQ". MY NAME'S ANDE. HIS IS DAVE. AND HIS ZEB, THANK YOU. WE LEFT MILWAUKEE AT 11 AND GOT HOME AT ABOUT 4. THAT WAS PRETTY DECENT TIME ISN'T IT. TIME TO GET SOME SLEEP.

Andrea's friend Karen

"I have five holes in one ear and two in the other. I did it to be different. I got the first two holes when I was a baby, and then I just started getting them one after another from when I was 11 to 14 [she's 21 now]. I like them. They're me. Sometimes I get weird reactions. I don't understand why."





FROM NANON LEOT AND MYSELF
ARGGING TO REPRINT PICTURES
OF PAST EVENTS AND WE'LL
RAMBLE ABOUT THEM LIKE YOU
ACTUALLY CARE ABOUT IT.

This day started in a main room floor
of a warehouse-type-place. BillyGoat's

Gruff open up for our 2nd show ever. The subdued natives of the town of St. Charles bobbed their heads approvingly. Then LAVACANDI took to it with yet another bass ~~player~~ player. A whole lotta hair happen'n here. A few spezzy-look'n Rochester kids bounced around a bit. Sorta sloppy ~~tunes~~, but got stuff Maynard! Everyone hung out a lot, drank, laughed, drank, smoked, and drank some more.

Lastly was THIRDEYE. All

I can say is groovy. This three piece (who had an organist instead of a bass player) played too long, but if you dig a sorta 60's-retro-throwback-granola-rehash, I gues it woulda been your cup-o-tea. I left and got coffee. -L301

* I WENT

- MY EARS HURT AFTERWARDS
- MUSIC WAS GOOD
- KIM AND ALI WERE THERE
- I HAD FUN

Q ANDERENN



Sorry, America, I can't afford a voice:

I don't necessarily consider myself an anarchist by definition; in fact, the only reason I didn't vote on election day last year is the fact that I was 80 miles from the precinct at which I was registered.

I guess I can honestly say my vote didn't matter - I would have cast my ballot for Bill Clinton, & he won any way.

It's not as though he is going to change this country & make it good - but It's a hell of a lot better than 4 more years of Republican Bullshit.

It is absolutely impossible for any small fraction of the population to be representatives of the lot of us - especially when it costs money - lots of it - to voice one's opinions publicly (i.e. Television, Periodical, Radio). Not to mention the fact that those people who "represent" the public are generally members of the upper middle to upper classes.

In a society this large, the only true democracy is an absolutely direct democracy. As it is today, it is impossible for the poor, the deprived, and the infringed to have a voice - and those people

need to be heard more importantly than anyone else.

A society free of government may not work - but a society in which every voice could be heard - every opinion could be considered, and a true collective democracy could exist [The very ideals that this country was based upon] would finally and truly bear equality for every individual

If we can move towards a state that actually lives by those ideals; and if the existence of a single moral & ethical set of standards are abolished, so that each individual were allowed to think for themselves and express their opinions and reasoning, then, and only then, would a country of free people exist.

Use your voice in any way you can -
speak out for those who can't;
and change this country - not through
force, but through exposure & knowledge.

\rightarrow Twist

Personal ad abbreviations					
S=Single	W=White	C=Chalico	M=Male	B=Black	D=Divorced
				J=Jewish	J=Jewish
				H=Asian	F=Female
				P=Protestant	W=Worldwide

UNITE AND UNTIE.

When I consider the existence of underground artists and punk rock; I become very distraught trying to figure out why there is so much shit that is said about who's "true" and who's not to the scene.

It seems that every group of people that give themselves a label of unity end up eating themselves from the inside out because as a group grows, so does it's diversity.

Is it possible for a group of people to become large enough to make an impression upon society without breaking up into fractions because of mental little differences?

In order for us (being the "underground") to live the way we want to - we have to be united in our purpose, without being split because of individual beliefs. Open minds and acceptance of individual thoughts are the most important characteristics to a group with the goals such as those that the underground artists are trying to achieve.

Unite - and untie .

→Twixt.

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really cool guy, but then he
started stealing and lying to
all his friends so call him
and tell him what you think
of him... pleez for all of us be
really mean & use lots of
profanity
THX TIN

Fuck the music business! Fuck the slick, pre-packaged cock-rock that's forced down our throats every time you flip on MTV. Fuck major label, big money, corporate dholes. Fuck the over glorified post-punk rockstars who profit off the scene. Fuck the big time glossy magazines that try to tell us what punk is... The purpose of our collective is to get the music and ideas out to people without the big "business" element hanging over our heads. To be a member of this collective is easy, all you have to do is sign up to be here at least 2 times a month (although you can come as often as you wish). We will have meetings to decide as a group what we will do. Duties range from watching the records and picking up around the space, to handling some distribution, making flyers and deciding activities that will be held during show hours.

NO ONE GETS PAID FOR THIS. It is an all volunteer run store. Profits generated from the sales of records will ONLY PAY FOR THE FOOTAGE USED TO GET THEM HERE. There will be virtually no markup at all. Therefore it is basically a non-profit operation. There is no where in Madison to get punk/hardcore records? "zines, fanzines etc. (with the exception of a few things at Kats MEOW) We are going to change this!!! We hope that it will be so much more than "a place to buy stuff". It will be a meeting place to exchange thoughts, opinions and ideas. A place where you can hang out and feel comfortable and safe (away from parents, teachers and law enforcement officers). We are following in the footsteps of working punk collectives such as: EPICENTER(CA), RECONSTRUCTION(NYC), GANSHY(MI), PROFLANE(LA/STANZA(US)). This store and collective will continue to work as long as people care enough to help it grow. This is not some crazy dream, this is a reality! We are getting off our asses. We're doing this for our friends and we are doing this for ourselves.

FOR MORE INFORMATION WRITE: 626 E. JOHNSON, MAD, WI. 53703
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OR TOASTERHEAD) The grand opening of the store will be on Sat. Oct. 3rd. After that we will be open every Sat and Sun, from noon until six. Feel free to go by and hang out! also check out our fanzine library. Please get in touch with us about volunteering for the store. We also do shows here in the basement (usually about 2 months apart) ask a donation of usually \$5 and all the money goes to the bands. In the past year and a half, such bands as: 23 MORE MINUTES, CRIMPLE, SHREWD, ALL YOU CAN EAT, AGENT 96, DENISE, ECONOMIST, PLAID RETINA, BIKINI KILL, VOICE OF REASON, PANTON QUIGGLE, SPITBONE, BUSINESS AS USUAL, NATURAL CAUSE, I-12, SCHERZO, VEX, etc... The shows have been working out great! The bands and everyone else seem to have a good time. So get a hold of us, your opinions and input would be greatly appreciated!

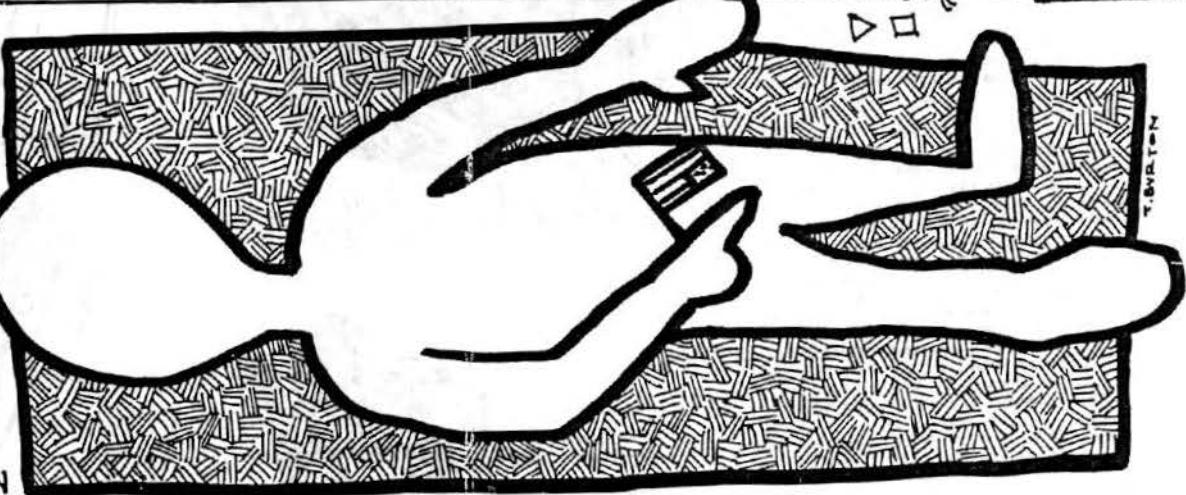
Thnx, Tin. □

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■ 7 SECONDS

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TOGETHER WE
CAN DO IT!!



T. BURTON



LETTERS

Whew! Just finished zipping through "A Figment of an Imagined Nation" vol. 1. Grand trade! Four cigarettes to Twixt (offered 'em two each but Ande don't smoke) and I've got myself a bunch o' pages o' readin' enjoyment. Humorous. Entertaining. And the edges aren't cut off. God I hate that! These zine editors go and xerox them in a hurry and you've got a big guessing game. That bites 'cuz life is already a big guessing game and why should I have to play it now when I just want to relax and find out the deep bosoms of Ande and Twixt? By the way-in case that word just threw you off...you can create more ridges on your brain by reading this:

BOSOM n. breast, chest, emotions, thoughts, core, interior, mamma, udder, sentiments, heart, marrow

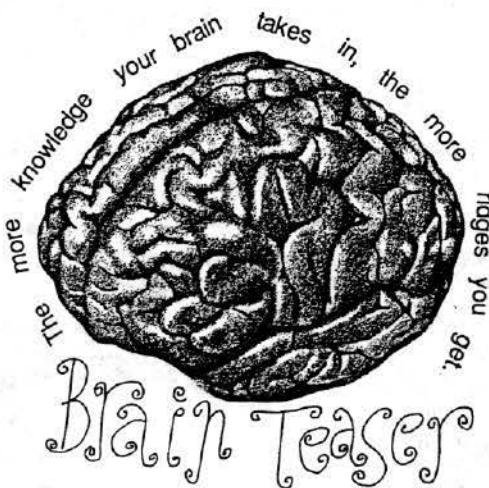
My friend Ben found that in a thesaurus. Who would've thought? If you're ever bored and have access to a thesaurus, you can play the Thesaurus Game. Just have one person look up a word and the rest of you can try to guess the synonyms for it. You'll get even more ridges on your brain! Speaking of brains...

I went to the Science Museum of Minnesota in St. Paul last weekend with my friend Agnieszka from Poland. She is very cool. You can call her Fly. It's easier to say. But to get to my point. There is a big display there about the brain. They have real brains of human, small monkey, sheep, cows (not the band), and cat. I got to touch 'em. Cat brains don't have as many ridges as cows which figures 'cuz they're kinda dumb. I hate all cats except my own. Her/his name is Mittens because its paws are deformed. There is a girl in my art class who is obsessed with her cat and any cat for that matter. Hi Biskit! Anyway, go check out the brain exhibit. You can usually get in for free if you zip up your jacket or something 'cuz they think your tag is on your shirt.

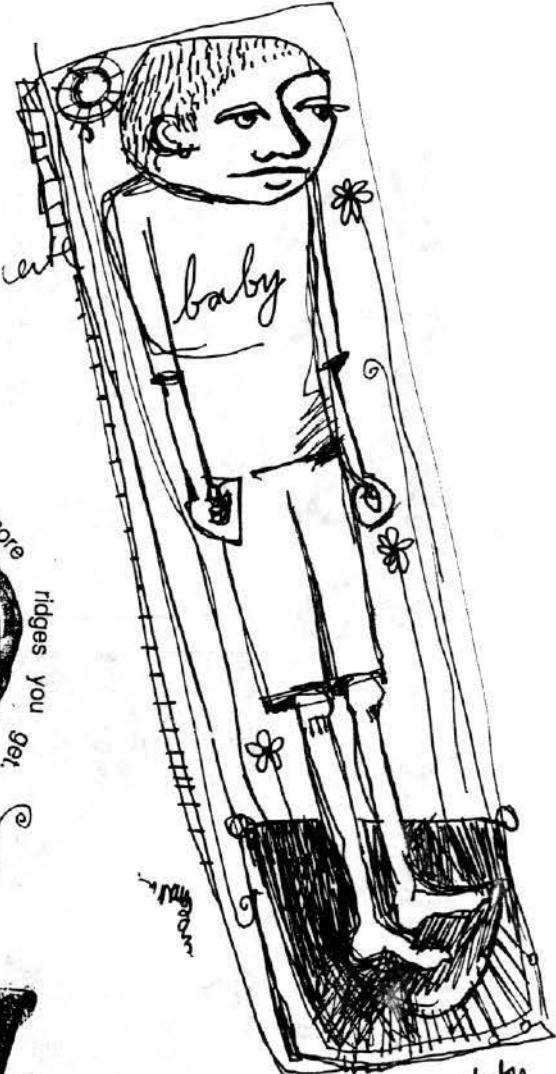
Hey, you know what I really enjoyed about this issue? Ande's small town adventures. I myself live in a small town when I'm not residing in the luxurious Delta Dorm at MCAC (MN Center for Arts Ed.). I vote that Ande check out the booming metropolis of Cambridge, MN. Home of the Swedish Festival. I hope he can look beyond the Main Street to see that the citizens and their far from open-mindedness are what really makes it a small town. It'll probably take all of 3 seconds! And Twixt's article about breaking down the barriers of today's society really made me smile because it's just so depressing to hear all the bad. That's what the media feeds us. Here're my

suggestions, boys. Get some other opinions. Get some more illustrations. (I know you're working on it). And hurry up with the next one! That's all I have time to say in this crazy, mixed up, time centered world schedule. Thanks big cheese.

~s * d i ~



Good readin' for your heart, soul, and mind.



he is a baby
and he likes
to dance
he is a baby
some on
take a
chance
doo waw
doo waw

love G Jess

ande

im just writing this because i wanted to clear things up i really dont know what happened and i had no idea what i said offended you so much that is something i never dreamed of doing i am very sorry if did what i meant was that i would not trade my cometbus for anything it had nothing to do with the quality of your zine im sorry if i was mis understood but please try to keep in mind i have an amazing way of putting my foot in my mouth and i never meant to offend you if you would like to talk about it i am willing!!!!!!

BABES IN TOYLAND, DUMPSTER JUICE & SAUCER

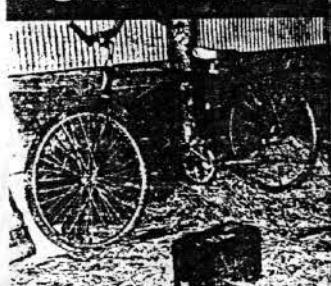
tue. November 24. 5nm. Mainroom.

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 24TH. 7:03 P.M.

MY FIRST TIME AT FIRST AVE. SINCE SEEING HILMET THIS SUMMER. ALTHOUGH I DID GO TO DANCETERIA ABOUT A WEEK AGO - THAT WAS A BLAST. I LOVE MEATMARKETS. TONIGHT ISN'T MUCH DIFFERENT. RIGHT NOW THE OPENING BAND IS OVER AND I'M SURROUNDED BY PEOPLE LEAVING FROM THE DANCE FLOOR. I WASN'T REALLY PAYING MUCH ATTENTION TO THE OPENING BAND. I KNOW THEY HAD A FEMALE SINGER. THEY SOUNDED ALRIGHT BUT I DON'T WANT TO GIVE THEM A THUMBS UP OR PAYING THE SECOND BAND "DUMPSTER JUICE" JUST STARTED. THAT MEANS LESS PEOPLE AROUND ME. THESE GUYS SOUND REALLY GOOD SO I'LL CONTINUE MY STORY LATER. [7:29 P.M.] THEN WE'RE REALLY METAL SOUNDING BUT THEY DID SOMETHING FOR ME. THEY ALL EVEN HAD THE LONG-HAIR TO BOOT EXCEPT THE GUITARIST WITH THE COOL SHIRT. HE HAS A NICE HAIR-CUT. THAT'S A GOOD ONE, I DID MEAN THAT TO SOUND SARCASTIC IN ANY WAY. THERE STILL GOING AND STARTING TO GET OLD. I WANT SEE BABES AND GO HOME, WHERE EVER THAT MAY BE. I HAVE THESE REALLY OBVIOUS GIRLS AROUND ME. I THINK THERE MAKING FUN OF ME, OR WELL, FUCK THEM. I'M JUST GLAD I'M NOT AS ANNOYING AS THEY ARE. MAYBE I SHOULD STICK TO WRITING AT HOME, IT DOESN'T LOOK AS INTROVERTED THAT WAY. BUT, TO CARE, NO. NO PROBLEM. I'M SICK OF WRITING. I'LL FINISH LATER. LATER - I SAW BABES AND WENT HOME. I WAS TIRED. YOU SNOOZED YOU LOOZED.

(DAN DENNE)

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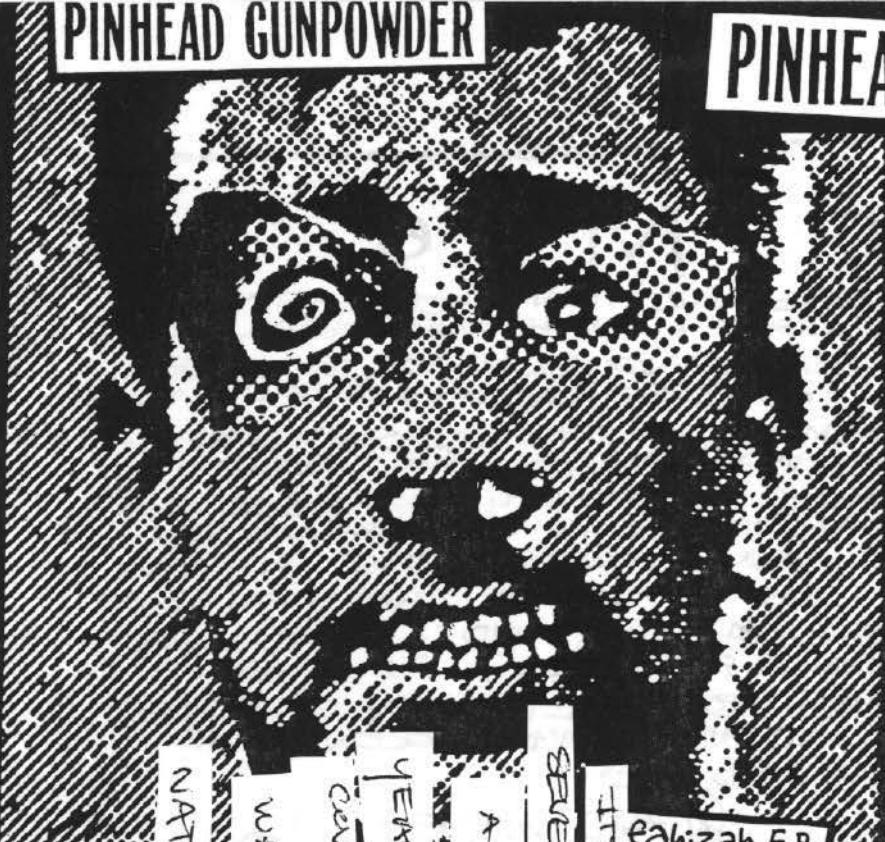
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HEY NOW

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IT'S HARD TO FIND WORDS TO DESCRIBE HOW WE FEEL
BUT I LIKED IT SO MUCH, GAVE IT

A WHOLE PAGE PRETTY MY FAVORITE OF THE

YEAR ALMOST BEATS THE PREVIOUS JENNIFER & LISA

COVER OF BIG YELLOW TAXI BY JONI MITCHELL & THEY NEW

WAS MY FAVE OF THIS ONE I KNEW SENSENE OF THIS
NATURE. THANK FOR RECOGNIZING AARON "CANDE"

BIG YELLOW TAXI:
• THEY PAVED PARADISE AND PUT UP A PARKING LOT
• WITH A PINK HOTEL, A BOUTIQUE, AND A SWINGING HOT SPOT...
• DON'T IT ALWAYS SEEM TO GO THAT YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU GOT TIL IT'S GONE?
• THEY PAVED PARADISE AND PUT UP A PARKING LOT.
• THEY TOOK ALL THE TREES AND PUT THEM IN A TREE MUSEUM
• AND THEY CHARGED ALL THE PEOPLE A DOLLAR AND A HALF JUST TO SEE 'EM...
• DON'T IT ALWAYS SEEM TO GO THAT YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU GOT TIL IT'S GONE?
• THEY PAVED PARADISE AND PUT UP A PARKING LOT.
• HEY FARMER FARMER PUT AWAY THAT DDT.
• GIVE ME SPOTS ON MY APPLES BUT LEAVE ME THE BIRDS AND THE BEES PLEASE!
• DON'T IT ALWAYS SEEM TO GO THAT YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU GOT TIL IT'S GONE?
• THEY PAVED PARADISE AND PUT UP A PARKING LOT.
• LATE LAST NIGHT I HEARD A SCREEN DOOR SLAM AND A BIG YELLOW TAXI TOOK AWAY MY OLD MAN...
• DON'T IT ALWAYS SEEM TO GO THAT YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'VE GOT TIL IT'S GONE.

HEY NOW:

HEY NOW I'M LAUGHING AT YOU CUZ YOU'RE STOMPING AROUND, YOU WANT EVERYONE TO KNOW THAT YOU'RE FEELING DOWN. DID YOU HAVE A BAD DAY? DID YOU HAVE A BAD DAY? WELL I KNOW YOU DID, YOU'VE ALWAYS HAD A BAD DAY, AND YOU ALWAYS FEEL THE NEED TO COMPLAIN, AND YOU ALWAYS THROW A FUCKING TANTRUM WHEN THINGS DON'T GO YOUR WAY... HEY I'M COUGHING UP BLOOD I'M FUCKING SICK AS A DOG AND MY BAND BROKE UP AND I LOST MY JOB!! DO YOU FEEL THAT WAY TOO? DID THAT ALSO HAPPEN TO YOU? WELL I KNOW IT DID, IT'S ALWAYS WORSE WITH YOU, AND YOU SAY YOU'VE "BEEN FEELING SICK TOO", AND YOU GOT NO SYMPATHY GOT NO EMPATHY IN YOUR SELF-IMPORTANT POINT OF VIEW... HEY WELL SOMETIMES LIFE REALLY DOES SUCK, BUT WHY CAN'T YOU LEARN TO LAUGH AT YOUR BAD LUCK? DO YOU WANT TO BE DEPRESSED? DO YOU WANT TO DROWN IN LONGNESS? WELL I GUESS YOU DO, YOU SPENT TO LOVE BEING IN A BAD MOOD, AND POUTING AND STOMPING THROUGH THE ROOM, AND EXPECTING EVERYONE TO DROP WHAT THEY'RE DOING AND COME AND COMFORT YOU. HA! LIKE WE DON'T HAVE BETTER THINGS TO DO. GIMME A BREAK. ET CETERA.



• H O M e •

IT HAD BEEN ABOUT 3 WEEKS SINCE I CAME HOME LAST. HOME USUALLY GIVES ME A FEELING OF WARMTH AND HAPPINESS. NOW IT'S DIFFERENT. AFTER BEING AWAY FOR SO LONG, I REALIZED WHY I LEFT IN THE FIRST PLACE. I SAW DOWN TO A SINK FULL OF DISHES REMEMBERING THROWING SOAPY WATER AT LITTLE SISTER SO SHE'D CRY AND THEN LAUGH ABOUT IT.

LOOKING AT THE CLOCK REACHING THREE THIRTY, I REALIZED HOW MUCH I HATED HAVING PAPA COME HOME AND TAKE OUT HIS ROUGH DAY ON ME AND SO. LOOKING THROUGH AT THE DAILY MAIL PREDICTION THE PHONE BILL I HAD RUN SO HIGH. I WAS SICK AS A PIT THEN. BUT WAS THAT THROUGH PAPA OR ME. DID I LIKE TO MAKE MY SISTER CRY JUST SO I COULD FEEL BETTER? DID HE YELL JUST BECAUSE HE WAS BOARD? BECAUSE HE CARED? OR BECAUSE HE WANTED TO WATCH CRAPPY AND THE T.V. WAS BROKEN? HOME IS SUCH A NICE PLACE. I WISH I HAD ONE.

• L e s s ? •
• AND DENNE •

• SACRIFICE •

I GAVE, I GAVE AND YOU INDULGED YOURSELF AND ROBBED FROM MY GOD WILL. IF NOT YOU WHO CAN I TRUST? WHO CAN I TRUST TO BE FULLFILLED? SACRIFICE. I'VE DONE MORE THAN MY SHARE. I KEPT YOU FROM DROWNING WHEN

I COULDN'T SWIM. NON I'M SINKING AND YOU'RE NOT SWIMMING THERE. SO NOW I CHOKED ON EVERY WORD THAT I SAID TO YOUR PRETTY FACE. LIKE WHEN I SAID THAT NO ONE BETTER COULD TAKE YOUR PLACE. BETRAYAL - LIES: THICK IN THE AIR. AND SHOULD THE BOTTOM FALL OUT OF YOUR LIFE YOU'LL TURN AROUND AND I'M NOT THERE.

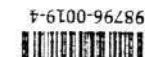
SECOND ONLY TO THE BROTHERS JOHNSON.

THESE LYRICS GAVE A GOOD KICK IN THE HEAD. THAT'S WHAT THIS WHOLE TAPE DOES. BUT I LOVE IT. REALLY POWERFUL. I'M NOT MUCH FOR REVIEWS BUT THIS IS SOMETHING THAT WAS SO INSPIRATIONAL AND SOMETHING MEANINGFUL. DROP WHAT

YOUR DOING AND BY IT OR DUB IT. IT'S AT LEAST WORTH A DUB. I WROTE THE LYRICS TO A SONG THAT JUST MADE MY DAY HAPPY LISTENING.

• AND DENNE •

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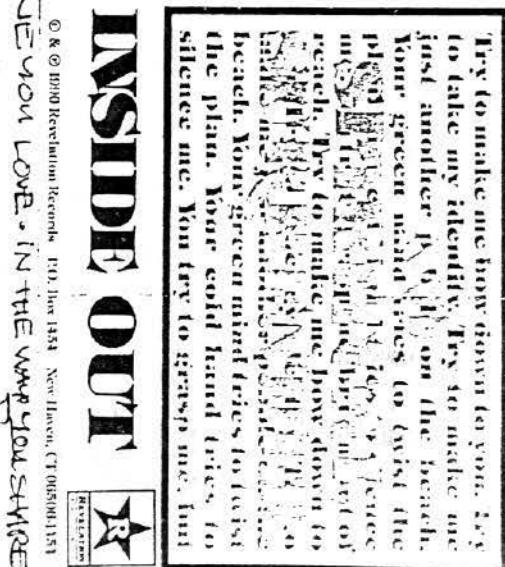
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Try to make me bow down to you. Try to take my identity. Try to make me just another person on the beach. Your green mind tries to twist the piano keys. Your cold hand tries to reach me. You try to drown me. I'm

REVELATION 19



WOMEN AWAKE! A CALL TO DIRECT ACTION

The Supreme Court's recent attacks on our right to abortion prove that the electoral strategy of liberal women's groups has failed. • The radical feminists of the 60's and 70's who put women's issues on the map did not wait for instructions from large mainstream groups. They staged disruptive actions-- trusting their own rage and brains and guts. It is time to return to our

- roots. Such a movement has already begun. In the last year in New York City alone, small groups of women: took over a federal office--the Dept. of Health and Human Services -- holding it on the Statue of Liberty for a day, put a gag protest the "gag rule") occupied the men's room at the Metropolitan Opera on opening night (to show men what the loss of access to what one needs to control one's body (i.e., abortion) is like, organized a sit-in that shut down the Holland Tunnel on July 2 to protest the Pennsylvania Decision.
- What if every woman now feeling outrage were to gather her friends who are feeling the same, and stage

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action: sit in in the aisles of market, a department shopping mall, take over office, block traffic, do action against private or public property. Imagine the panic into which an explosion

of such actions throughout the country would throw this government that is playing with our lives! • For a small group to carry out an action doesn't take much: a

good idea and plan, some calls to media, perhaps some legal advice (the charges for everything described above have been low). The group could openly take an arrest or strike in the night but leave its message--No business as usual. Women have our full rights.

- The threat of a rebellion that might spread out of control is the only reason any group has ever gotten anything in this country. It is time to take back our power from "leaders" and politicians who have lulled us into a dangerous complacency, and start trusting ourselves again

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TRENCHMOUTH/CIRCUS LUPUS: split 7"

TRENCHMOUTH's "Sea of Serenity" (swing version) is a fast paced scale bass-line with whiney screeches of wah-wah crying and wailing in the foreground. Vocals are background noise- but it's supposed to be that way. A foot-tappin' good time.

LUPUS's "Heathen" starts out with a funky low-tom/bass beat reminiscent of many BABES IN TOYLAND tunes. Bass and guitar riffin to the tempo and building to peaks. Chris' vocals(as usual)are screaming rasps. Punk as pooh.

*Hopefully a little LUPUS interview in the near future...Hopefully.

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HARDVARK: 4-song 7"

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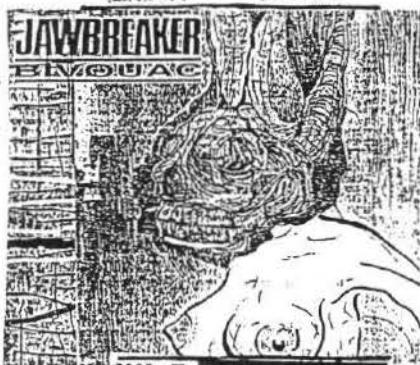
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LOIN GROOVE: Funky, slammin' disco/ska/hardcore. Hell-ragin' uniqueness.

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SCREECHING WEASEL: (s/t)

Released in '87. I'm reviewing it for the sake of enlightening y'all on some of the stupidity that exists in the music industry. (Yes, even in the underground). Excellent first release... Too bad about the screw job. Read on.



Screeching Weasel released a demo tape at the end of '86 and in early '87 we played a 21+ show (the only kind of show a local punk band could get back then) with a band called Fudge Tunnel whose drummer ran Underdog Records. He liked the band and offered to release the album that we were planning on doing ourselves. We

signed, 1,000 albums were pressed and they sold fairly quickly, particularly in England where we got a lot of good press in mags like NME and SOUNDS (for those of you not familiar, these are bloated, tired old clones of Spin and Rolling Stone). Perhaps because of this, (and maybe because at the time, the British press was going crazy with features

on Chicago music) an English company named Shigaku called Underdog and asked if they could license the album. By the way, licensing an album just means you buy the rights to it from the original label, usually (as in this case) just for a specific area of the world.

We discussed it with Underdog and decided to do it. Underdog got a small amount of money (I think around \$700) and we were promised payment every three months. You know the rest. We actually did get paid once (\$64) but mostly the label ditched us around. Eventually Shigaku went bankrupt and we lost out.



ONCE UPON A TIME I SPENT MANY MOONS SEARCHING PLACES HIGH AND LOW FOR DOCTOR MARTENS ORIGINALS-SIZE THREE [THIS WAS BEFORE THE MAIL OF AMERICA, THEY WERE A BIT HARDER TO COME BY THEN] AND LO, AFTER MUCH LOOKING I FOUND A PAIR AND PLONCHED DOWN A JUST ENORMOUS SUM OF MONEY. THEN I PUT THEM ON AND SELDOM SINCE THAT DAY HAVE MY FEET LEFT THEM. I LOVE MY DOC'S. AND THEY LOVE ME. BUT ANYWAY THE REASON I RELATE TO YOU THIS TALE THAT YOU PROBABLY DONT GIVE A SHIT ABOUT IS THIS: I HAVE NOTICED A RASH IN DOC-BUYING BY THOSE SUBURBAN & ALTERNATIVE. THIS DISTURBS ME. UNFORTUNATELY I AM NOT IN THE POSITION TO DECREE THAT ALL STUPID PEOPLE STOP WEARING DOCS. AND EVEN IF I WAS, WHO AM I TO ULTIMATELY DECIDE WHO IS STUPID AND WHO IS NOT.. THAT WOULD NOT BE A JOB THAT WOULD WANT. BUT I CAN SAY THIS, TO THOSE OF YOU WHO ARE STUPID:[YOUR NEIGHBORS KNOW WHO YOU ARE] DOCTOR MARTENS WILL NOT MAKE YOU COOL OR "ALTERNATIVE" OR PUNK-ROCK OR ANY LIKE SYNONYMS.

THEY WILL NOT MAKE MORE PEOPLE LOVE YOU OR WANT TO KISS YOU OR WHATEVER AT SUNDAY NIGHT DANCE PARTY WITH DJ PD SPINLOVE. THEY WILL NOT SAVE YOU IN A MOSH PIT. (TRUST ME, I HAVE TESTED THIS) THEY WONT MAKE YOU SEEM MORE HARDCORE OR INTIMIDATING NEXT TIME YOUR AT A SHOW. AND THEY WONT MAKE PEOPLE LIKE YOU ANYMORE THAN THEY DO ALREADY. SO FUK OFF. THEY'RE JUST SHOES. LOVE THEM BECAUSE THEY'RE BOUNCY OR SHINY OR A NEAT COLOR. OR BECAUSE THEY KEEP YOUR FEET WARM & DRY AND YOUR TOES SHUT UP NOW THE SARAH BETTY FROM GETTING SQUISHED. NOT JUST CUZ YOUR COOL.

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—SARAH BETH

Zeb

Tasting a Mac truck
The man with the business suit
walks under the ladder
and scots
He spills his salt but my warning
from a pinch
over his shoulder
And the black cat that
walked across his path
He kicked it in the ribs at the corner
He didn't believe in superstitions
but then again
he died.



Zeb

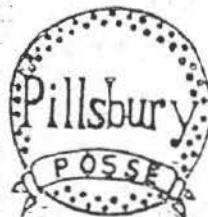
Hanging Oneself

The curves of the knot
are actually rather
pretty - if you look
at them in just
the right light
and angle
like the angle
you take when
you kick out
the stool and
your eyes bulg out
just at the same
moment that your
tongue swells up
in your mouth
You can see the
knots perfectly as
you look to the heavens
while your hanging yourself



o.k. all that end-of-issue shit what gets shoved
into one page:

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Twixt, and ANDE.



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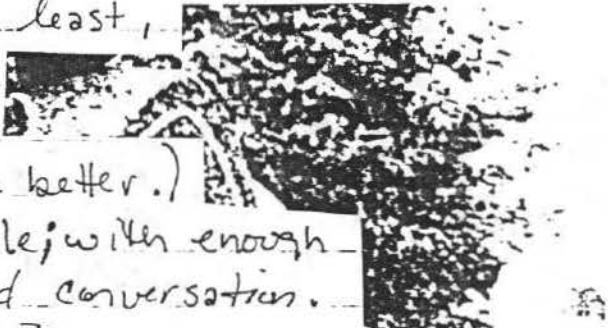
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And, last, but most definitely not least,

Twixt's Birthday wishes:



- Pubic hair donations from all.

(the more unique the shape, the better.)

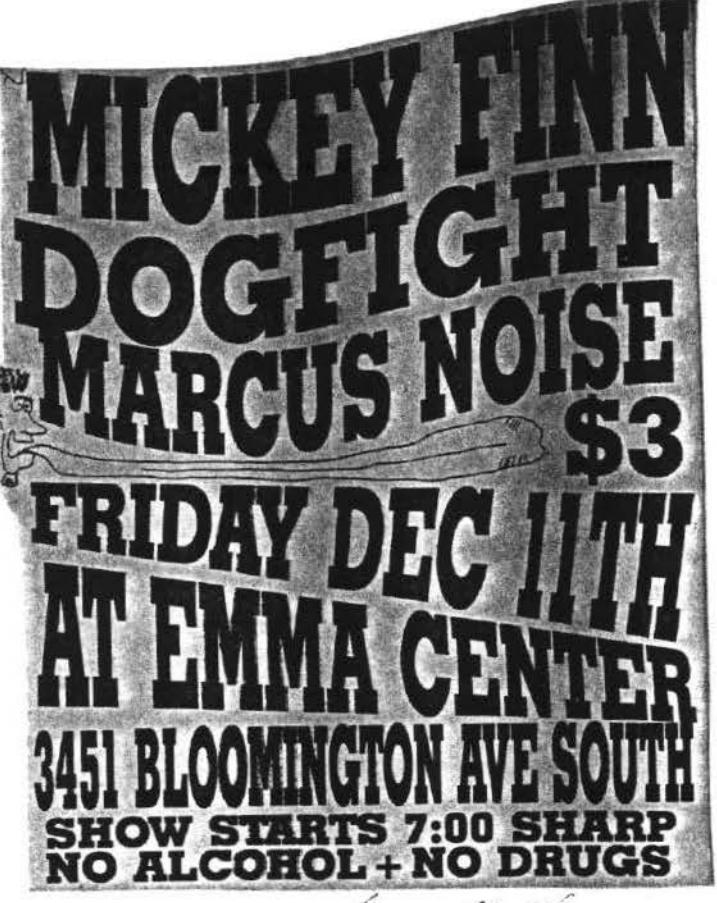
- A hot little punker boy to fondle; with enough
intelligence to carry on a good conversation.

... Hi, Kade, How's it goin'?

- And true stories of sexual experiences /and/or/
fantasy's from punkers of all genders and
sexual orientations for a (possibly on-
going) zine project - be descriptive. (Anonymous, of course)

- Oh, and I almost forgot - underground, Video,
Pornography - please, please me. → Twixt





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- Kevin Craig
- LEO 1
- ARON
- JANE (GLUE 'zine)
- JUMBO
- ZOG
- BEANSPROUT

for donations,
plagiarism,
& inspiration



REVIEW

DOG FIGHT. MARCUS NOISE.
MICKEY FINN. EMMA.
COMMUNITY CENTER
12 - 11 - 92

DOGFIGHT - ROTATING VOCALS, GUITARS AND HORNS WITH SOME CON BELLS AND A WASHBOARD THROWN IN FOR AWHILE TOO. MY WORLD WAS ROCKED. UNFORTUNATELY THERE IS NO ALBUM AVAILABLE JUST NOW BUT IF YOU GET THE CHANCE, CHECK THEM OUT

MARCUS NOISE - MICROPHONE MALFUNCTION AFFECTED THEIR VOCALS - SO I REALLY HAVENT A CLUE HOW THEY WERE, DESPITE THE TROUBLE WITH THE PA THEY WERE DARN ENTERTAINING AND THE GUITARIST PLAYED WITH HIS TEETH. HOW MUCH MORE CAN YOU REALLY ASK FOR, ANYWAY?

MICKEY FINN - MIGHT HAVE PLAYED AN AWESOME SET. UNFORTUNATELY ILL NEVER KNOW AS I WENT BACK TO THE ASYLUM FOR MAC & CHEESE. SORRY GUYS.

THE EMMA COMMUNITY CENTER - IS JUST BEAUTIFUL. TODDLERS AND DREADLOCKS AND A DOG AND GOOD LITERATURE AND GOOD BANDS. GO SAY HI SOMETIME, IM SURE THEY'LL SAY SO BACK

ANYWAY, BYE FOR NOW
@ THE SARAHBETH ☺

thanks·for·being·there.

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