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GRIPES AND THREATS

Whazis? Can you read dis? Would choo bee-leive what dis guys gotta say? He knows you gotta write us at Slurp! P.O. Box 125 Flourtown, PA. 19031 so that his BS will appear HERE,

right? So

write!!!

On Sept 18 I am having an outdoor party. (500 acres) I've been going to partyz for about three years now. I've been to Black house partys to Death techno partyz and I realize the best partyz are out doorz (except

I frequent B-more and DC and Philly. I used to DJ and I thought about getting back into it I went by Quixx. The music I did had a sort of Doc M or Ryde vibe and thats the feeling I want my party to have. No lights and a small sound system so I can keep everybody together. That's the way partys were madeand that's

I was just in a horrible accident and I am stuck at home so I have a lot of time to think so if you can respond any way I would be most thankful

> Painfully yours Bryan Keim

[Ed note, - Any takers? We will forward any mail addressed to him at our address, so write on!]

Dead by Dawn -

It's been six weeks since I sent you all money for a mixed tape. I don't mean to be a dick about this, but either send me a tape, or send me back my money order.

> Thanks, Dylan

Ed note. -

We've heard

All right!

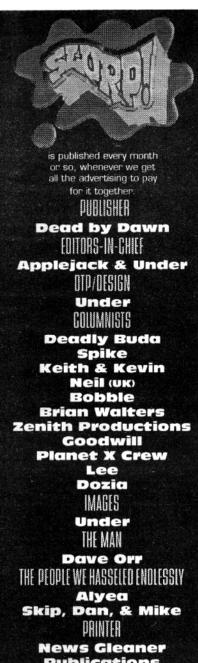
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the way they'll stay alive. I plan on having funk and house music be the focus and then at night have trance and acid house then house and funk in the morning

I'm looking for as much input as possible because the basic fact is I have nothing to lose. Oh shit. I'm also going to start the party with 4 rock bands (locals)

I'm ordering tapes cause I want to hear something other than my love child album.

I would like to hear from somebody. I will be most thankthe call! We're sorry for any delays you may have seen while recieving your very late tapes - but here's the jammy. We send each DJ a package of packages, (huh?) and he fills the pre-addressed, pre-stamped packages with YOUR tapes, and sends them off. While we were slow on the upswing, and much of the delay is our fault, at this time, ALL the DJ's have the orders, and they are working on it. Again, sorry for any delays - we're trying to speed up the process.



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The Wurd on 'Cynosure'

It's a no-go. After many complaint s were jetted our way (Hey, he just placed an Ad, he's not related to us!) Seems Otto, the promoter of the

'Lehigh valley's first rave' was ignorant to End of the World (rightful owner of the title). Ah well, no matter, for the shmuck is out of business, and owing Slurp! big money for his ad from the last issue. Ah well...Small Claims Court!

The Fall of the House of New York?

While Scotto informs me that the Shelter is closed (after a two year

fight!) N.A.S.A. is up and on the move. The real question lies more in where will it end up?

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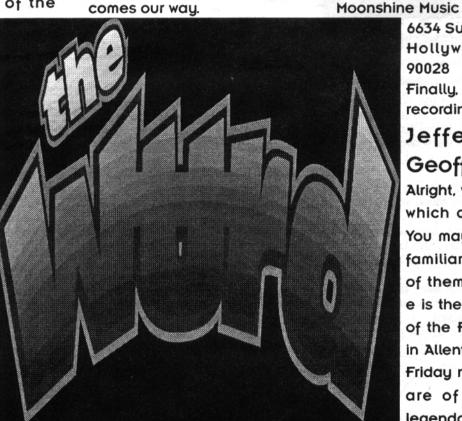
While the Shelter is crumbling, Scotto, DB, and the

whole N.A.S.A. crew are looking for a change. N.A.S.A. as large rave promoter? AND a NEW weekly event in NYC? Only time, and Scotto, will tell. To keep in the know, Call Scotto at 212-330-8233

Tribute to a D.J.

We regret to announce the passing of a fellow DJ, raver,

and friend, Phlip, who died just before his Philadelphia spinning debut at Yum Yum, the Diner Rave. No other information is available at this time, but we will make available any news that comes our way.



Hey D.J.!

If you've heard the shit going down these days, you know Moonshine Music is putting out a series of CD's entitled Journeys by DJ (see this months review column). They are basically putting out legitimate mix tapes. What

Do YOU have a Wurd for us? Do YOU know something that others would find interesting? Then send it in! All submissions for The Wurd should be sent to: Slurp! The Wurd P.O. Box 125 Flourtown, Pa. 19031. If we use it, you'll get a free issue mailed to you, as well as recieving credit for your submission

do they need? Your mix tape! All that they ask is that you use underground (i.e. non-commercial, independent, white label) tracks and provide them with a complete track listing which should include the artist, track title, label, and phone number if possible. Along with your name and address and phone number to:

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Finally, a shot at a recording contract!

Jeffee or Geoff e?

Alright, which one is which one? Huh? You may not all be familiar with either of them, but Geoff e is the resident DJ of the Freight yard in Allentown, whose Friday night parties are of somewhat legendary status in

it's area, and Jeffee is a DJ out of Pittsburgh, who's last event was Turbo-Zen's SOUL.

Geoff e spins UK Hardcore,
Jeffee spins
Ragga/Breakbeat. Both have mix tapes available in the Mix tapes section of this

of each other? Yes.
So who's gonna change the name?
Geoff e sent something to Jeffee along the lines of a restraining order, we hear. But who's the

rightful owner of the name [phonetically spelled] JEFF-Y? If you care, stay tuned and find out!



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Flava of the Month

"Unfortunately, the only thing that *Soul* is going to be remembered for is some guy jerking off..."

-Lisa, Co-Owner of Turbo-Zen, Pittsburgh

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Baltimore

by Bobble of Sonic Soul

"A wise friend said to me, 'House is not the answer to everything,' and he was right..."

-Bobble

"There is plenty of people and plenty of time for everyone to throw successful parties without stepping on toes, and the sooner promoters and DJ's stop talking shit and being territorial, the better"

-Brian Walters

Okay, here's the official, nonover-the-phone, this time actually written comment on my little column last month. There were two errors in interpretation from what I said to what was printed.

1. The Baltimore scene is not stale. There is much competition among up and coming DJs and its good for the scene because no one can slack off behind the turntables. There are plenty of parties happening too!

2. I do not even think that I "set styles" or try to create a new direction in this scene. I do, however, make an effort to not play a lot of the more popular tracks and

try to play what sounds innovative at the time. A wise friend said to me, "House is not the answer to everything," and he was right. (Thanks John!) Lately, I've been playing a lot of hip-hop and dancehall styles, but not two hour sets. Too much of a good thing is a bad thing, so I try to limit the amount of craziness that happens in my set. But, I love to throw in these new styles from time to time because the reactions I've gotten from playing slower beats was so good. I never knew how many people in Baltimore were into dancehall 'til I played a set at FEVER one night. People were diggin' it deeply! So please don't think that a mere 9th place finisher in a DJ poll thinks that he is some kind of trendsetter, because I don't think that at all...but I do think that it's fun to play some different stuff than house or breaks...

Onward to da news!!!

It seems as though the Baltimore scene has filtered down to small house and field parties and weekly club events. The small parties tend to be loooooong, from the late morning to the early morning, and filled with local talent. Most notable would be Level 5, and Johnny Bodacious' Field Jams. Level 5 is a hot west Baltimore warehouse that has a sketchy floor and large style parties. the size of the crowd should increase once the temp drops and the place isn't so much of a sweat-

box. The folks running it are cool and nothings gotten busted yet, so it's my prediction that this fall Level 5 should be the place. Johnny Bodacious hosts some

parties in the DC area, but nothing brings up the fun level as much as his house/field parties. A non-stop BBQ, many kegs, lots o' DJs, and a volleyball + rain equal big smiles from all in attendance. Oh yeah, did I mention that both these events are not \$15, or \$10, but between 4 and 7 bucks? C'mon down...the PRICE is RIGHT!

Oh yeah, one other thing...don't expect any multi-color flyers from the small party posses...promo is usually word of mouth or selective invite (although

anyone is welcome)
On the club side of things, Scott Henry still leads the way into new territory with Citrus Club and Fever. It's disappointing to see the lack of support for Citrus Club, but it certainly

isn't

because the music is bad. Things are starting to pick up though, and attendance seems to be on the rise. Fever still forges ahead and remains the top choice for the Baltimore crowd. Breaks, House, Ambient, I-tech, its all covered here and the late night crowd doesn't show any signs of tapering off.

Upcoming events of the larger scale include the return of Ultraworld with a three-day outdoor event somewhere? Out there! Modern Music celebrates its 2 year anniversary with a party at Paradox with all local DJs who have supported the store. Watch for this one. As far as Sonic Soul...our hiatus is about to end and we plan to have an adventure in store real soon...

And finally, I think it's important to make sure that if you pay money to go to an event MAKE SURE TO DANCE A BIT. There's been an awful lot of standing around lately. Most DJs watch the crowd to see what style of music a crowd reacts to best and then adjusts his set accordingly, and if he sees too many people standing around then it's hard to get the energy flow going. Think of it this way, the crowd and the DJ are having a conversation, the DJ speaks, and the crowd responds. Sometimes if the crowd is good, it works the other way around and switches continuously during the night....making it

a two-way conversation. Its always funner to urge a DJ on by clapping or chanting wack phrases or even just wigging out completely, than to walk up into the booth and say "Can you play this song..." I played Caffeine recently, and me and the crowd had a great little talk. They screamed samples from old songs, and I would pop 'em on a song or two later they loved it, I loved it...it was much fun. So it's not just about "Don't stand around....Dance!" it's about "If the DJ is kicking ass, let him know through the dance floor and crowd feedback."

Oh yeah, go to dance, don't get caught up in the social stepladder, you'll regret it later. Transmission complete, from the deck of the mighty Starfighter Pepperoni, I bid you farewell 'til next issue...Peace.

ON IN YOUR SCENE

WRITE TO TELL US...

DELAWARE by Zenith Productions

There have been flourishing scenes in Baltimore, D.C., and Philadelphia for years. Halfway between the two of these scnes is the state of Delaware. Previously, we as club goers and DJ's had to travel to Baltimore or Philly to party and spin. Then came the birth of a new group, Zenith Productions. Zenith consists of five local DJ's working together to develop a scene in Delaware. We as Zenith have thrown five publicized parties and various word of mouth parties

as 700 people for our larger events. Our scene was in it's infancy, barely 5 months old and good things are coming. Our scene isn't about money or fashion, just the unifing of the people for the purpose of friendship and dance. Zenith Productions consists of the following:

drawing as many







London, Summer 1993, as ever the tribes on the streets are mutating into new forms and structures. At the moment the techno scene is in a weird state of flux. Very much deep underground for the past year, it has been steadily growing trying to place itself in post-rave culture. Here rave died last year and it deserved to. The media overdose was partly to blame through ultimately inevitable. In reality, it was more a combination of gangster promoters eager to make a fast buck and a wave of dodgy amphetamine based e's flooding the market. As a reaction to all this travellers sound systems such as Spiral Tribe started throwing free parties in the English countryside. Last summer, things came to a head when at Castle Morton all the major sound systems joined up for a three day free festival. Over the weekend anything up to an estimated 70,000 turned up. The tabloid press went crazy with 'Ecstasy Drug Hippies' style headlines unseen since the first rumblings of Acid House in 88. Through this poor pressure of media outrage the government brought in laws recently to try and stop these events. The police now have the power to block off all roads and set up a five mile exclusion zone around any suspected party as well as the power to confiscate all equipment. There has already been one battle this summer between police and the travelling community. More look certain. The ironic thing is that all events have been on so called free land which is supposed to belong to the people.

On the positive side though, one big recent event that has helped bring back

and we ran everything off a genora-

tor. We started at 3:00 am and

went til about 10: 00 am and then

breakfast. Neptune was the same

except we brought in a sound truck

Baltimore. Whenever you see a flyer with the name Zenith Productions on

as far away as you think. Peace and

we hope to see everyone here getting

it, check it out because we are not

a taste of the developing Delaware

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Sunday at B.O.U.N.C.E. in

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Delaware is only 40 minutes

everyone went to McDonalds for

from Philly and one hour from

and lights for that one.

Havok - Sunrise, Neptune, The Pro-Creators, Dead by Dawn Chill Out

Goodwill - Yum Yum, Planet Warehouse, Citrus Club, The Bus Stop in Atlanta, Spot, Sunrise, Neptune, Great Rave by Horizon Group, Dead by Dawn, and B.D.U.N.C.E. in Delaware

Kid Dynamite - Vagabond, The Bank, Club Motion, and Roam in Delaware

Phaze 1 - Planet Warehouse, SIN, The Bus Stop in Atlanta, House night at OZ, Great Rave by Horizon Group, Dead by Dawn Chill Out room, Neptune, Sunrise

Liquid Joy - Roam in Delaware, also a member of the NYC based band Shroeder

Sunrise and Neptune were out of Dover, Delaware and were overnight parties outside on a farm. For Sunrise, we just pulled up a Jeep Cherokee and threw a party right out of the back of it. Turntables and Amps were in the back of the Jeep.

some life into the scene was Universes' **Tribal Gathering** held at the end of April on an 80 acre site in Wiltshire. With an eight page super-hero comic book flyer listing 40 DJs in five specially-built tents, the hype seemed too good to be true. Each tent had a different theme and musical policy.

"The Lost City" was jungle/breakbeat, "Starship Universe" - Techno/Trance, "Planet Erotica" -Garage/House, "House of Fun" - Disco/Funk, and "The Aquarium" - Ambient/Chillout. DIY sound system were also outside, plus a fun fair and numerous other attractions. 26,000 people turned up from all walks of fractured subcultures of dance. Basically, it kicked all night in every tent with the Techno tent especially slamming. DJs such as Colin Dale, Colin Faver, Daz Sound, Dave Angel and Sven Vath rocked the crowd. The Aquarium with spaced out vibes from the Aphex Twin and Mixmaster Morris was also pretty cool when you need a break from all the madness. At the end of the night dancing outside in a field with thousands of people from all walks of life, I was reminded of what the scene was once about and still should be. If you are going to a big event it should be like this or not at all. As a gathering of the tribes it was worth the hype. With more projects planned this summer, it will be interesting to see if they can sustain the buzz created by this event.

A club that has acted as a catalyst to chance things here in London has been **Knowledge** on Wednesday nights. With a constant supply of DJs from the UK and around the globe, it has a constantally-changing vibe that reflects the eclectic nature of techno in 93. From trance to acid through ambient to full on gabba noise, every week is different. Its two original resident DJs Colin Faver and Colin Dale also host the two most influential techno radio shows in the UK. Colin Dales' **Abstract Dance Show** in particular has been a haven for

the wierd and experimental with many a DAT tape exclusive of a future tune being heard for the very first time on his show.

As the scene evolves here, some of the best underground parties bave been word of mouth affairs for a few hundred people. With cheap entrance fees and music, not hype the true sound of the underground grows away from the stale mainstream club culture. Respect out to the Schrape organization and the Liberator crew for some of the best sounds around. In general, more labels are springing up now with quality British techno. As more networks of communication expand, the mutation continues, and it looks more like being an interesting time in the summer ahead. In my next installment I will cover some of the new tones to be transmitted. Stay tuned to Controlled Weirdness. Over and

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New York By Brian Walters of Digitek

As you all have probably heard, the scene is in serious danger here in NYC. Last week appeared to be a make-it or break-it week for many of the smaller families and promoters with the New Music Seminar in town. In spite of the fact that some of the most incredible artists and DJ's from around the world gathered in the Big Apple, attendance was at an all time low for the week.

Tuesday Night, July 20 marked the date for the Harthouse Records showcase at the Shelter, featuring DJ Sven Vath from the Frankfort Omen, Hardfloor, Marco Zafarano, Spicelab, and Resistance D. Although the rumor of a Harthouse showcase would pack any club in almost any city in the world, the turnout was low at Shelter. Despite that fact, the music was mind blowing. Every DJ and act put their all in to it, and each turned out incredible sets.

Wednesday Night was Hardcore to Heaven at the Ritz. Once again, international talent was left disappointed by the entire situation. Highlights included Laurent Garnier's slamming set in the main arena, and Juan Atkin's set in the Detroit room. The turnout was fair, but compared to the amount of time and effort put into this event, it was disappointing.

N.A.S.A.'s one year anniversary was Friday, and it was so crowded that I couldn't get near the door. People told me that Sven Vath and Kevin Saunderson were both incredible, and the energy level was at an all time high, even by Scotto's and DB's strict standards.

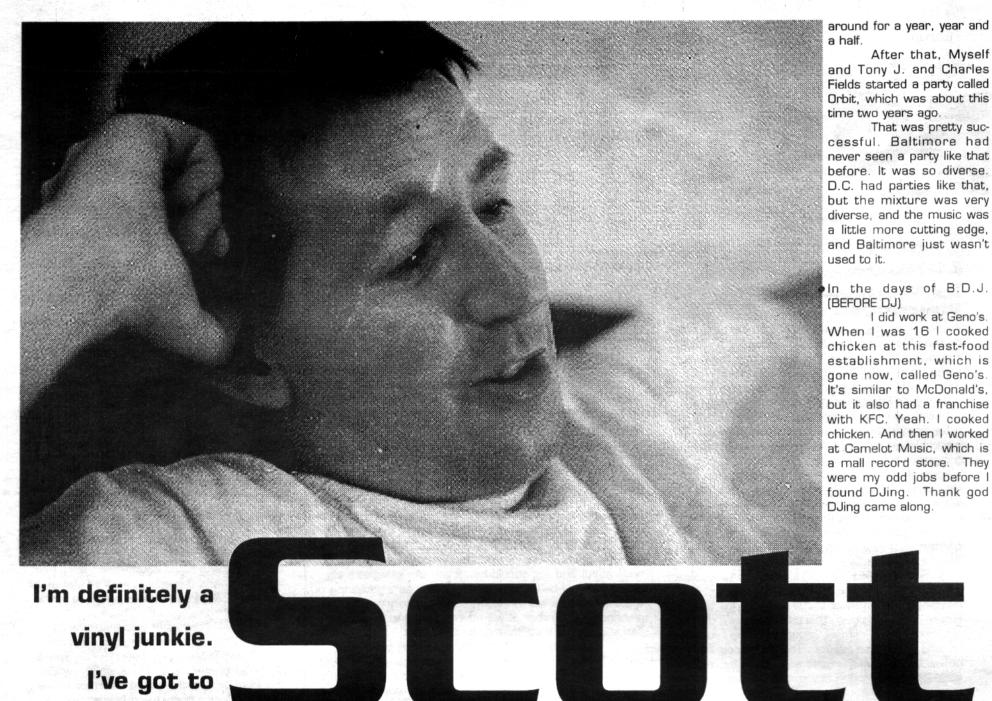
Saturday night was a splintered night, due to a grand total of four parties in New York City. Mental Overdrive 2, Space Time Continuum, and B.U.G. safely canceling each other out, leaving room for a free Back to Basics party to gather around 1000 people.

If promoters in NYC could work together and/or agree not to compete with previously planned events, it would make the scene stronger for everyone. There is plenty of people and plenty of time for everyone to throw successful parties without stepping on toes, and the sooner promoters and DJ's stop talking shit and being territorial, the better. Let's face it, no one owns Brooklyn, Westchester, or Long Island, and no single club owner owns Manhattan, no matter what one thinks.

Things are falling apart in NYC. Last week was an embarrassing week in the eyes of the international industry for many promoters. And to top it all off, N.A.S.A., NYC's most respectable weekly party, lost it's space due to new night club ordinances. Sound Factory and Save the Robots are soon to follow. Legal action taken against Dante's Evolution and Storm Rave are making it difficult to throw a decent party in NYC. Promoters need to pull together to overcome the wave of bad press these parties have gotten, and they need to do it soon, or there will be no reason to do it at all.

On the same note, ravers and clubbers alike need to open their eyes to see what else is out there. In NYC, there are many clubs, raves, and DJ's as there are people. If we care about the "scene", then we must continue to support smaller and newer events and DJ's so that things do not stagnate and deteriorate further that

they already have.



record I hear that I like, I've got to have it. If I don't order records this week. I'm afraid that a record would come out this week, and I would have

missed it...

have every

His name appears on too many flyers. Not really TOO many, but you see it often. His style could be described as breakbeat with a taste for juicy trance. He is the Everyman's DJ. He blends into the crowd, until he steps up to the turntables and works his wonders.

After a month long game of tag (phone & real) we finally chased Scott Henry down one Monday night at a rare appearance at the Fifth Column in D.C. Later, we snooped through his apartment in Greenbelt, Maryland. We talked and took unflattering photos of him while his 13 week old white kitten named Blizzard attacked various body appendages. Here is the transcript of our conversation.

His Roots

I've been a DJ for 8 years and I started, believe it or not, DJing in a club which was more Top 40/Dance. It was my 'In'. A friend's friend's brother owned a club, and that's how I got my first night. It was a Wednesday night. It was kind of a yuppie type crowd, after work kinda crowd. It was my first night, and I had a great time, because I had people dancing on the bar, and on the cigarette machine. This is my first night, and I'm like 'Wow, this is really cool'

I remember playing things like, The Gap Band, You Dropped a Bomb on Me, and things like that. It wasn't exactly Top 40, but more Mainstream.

That's how I got my start, and then this club was sold and I remained there, and the new owners came into the club business and really didn't know anything about it, and I basically persuaded them into turning the club into an alternative dance club. I told them that that was what we had been doing all along, and that's why we were so successful. I told a little fib.

But, it actually changed formats, [and] was very successful. I was playing the likes of BauHaus, Skinny Puppy and Depeche Mode, Alternative, Dance, Gothic and Industrial. That was the underground dance scene at the time.

[The club] was then once again sold, and the new owners wanted to turn it into a restaurant, so me and a couple of other people left and approached another club and started a club called Playskool. We kinda converted it once again from some Top 40 club to an Alternative

> I played more house in those days, early acid house. That was in 88, 89. That club was

MCA Records

I've worked for MCA for about 3 years. I do product development. It's kind of a regional retail marketing position. So I have the Baltimore, Washington Markets, which goes out to Delaware, and Northern Virginia and Maryland. I've been doing this position for a year, before that, I was doing radio promotion. With product development, I'm basically working product that's alternative, but at times, I do work all products, jazz to country to pop to

It's definitely job security, and it's taught me the other side of the business. I've learned the retail and the radio end of the record industry and it's been very valuable learning experience. I'm kind of torn, I don't know what my life ambition is going to be down the road, whether I wanna be 75 and DJing in a club (laughs). Whether I wanna go into doing my own music, or into production, or the label side of things, or maybe A & R. I'm leaving all the doors open right now. The thing with MCA is great right now. It's a steady paycheck, job security, I enjoy it, alot of people can't believe I get paid to do what I do.

• What's up now?

My personal goals in the scene are to continue to be part of the alternative dance scene, wherever that may be. Right now, I'm involved in promoting Fever, and I'd like to continue that. Just so that there is always an alternative.

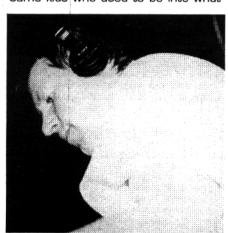
The other one of my goals is to finally get Ultimate Seduction off the ground. I almost feel like it's an obligation right now, because of the state the scene is in. I'm not sure that I can pull it off, and I certainly know that it couldn't be done alone. By seeing videos of events in England, and what I hear about other scenes, what I've seen in other scenes. I feel like that there has never been a rave that has been done properly here. A large event, a big scale event. There have been plenty of events where a lot of money has been put into them, a lot of time, and people put a lot of effort into them, but the scene is nothing like [others].

I don't feel like the scene is progressing. It started off progressing very quickly, and a lot of momentum was gained, and the numbers were growing steadily and quickly. Catastrophic went from 500 to 5000 within 8, 9 months. And

the scene for the wrong reasons. Alot of people look as an excuse, or a certain amount of freedom, to do drugs, and hang around with other people doing drugs. This is an easy escape. They are around 50, 100, hundreds of other people that are on drugs, and it doesn't make them feel as bad. It's like, 'Well, this must be 0.K., because everyone else is doing it...'

I feel like, A) It's a form of escape, and B) its more an extension of a social scene.

In the beginning, I think the scene here in D.C., New York, Philadelphia, had an underground feel to it. There was a lot of the same kids who used to be into what-



or that person. You used to hear so many people talk about how the rave scene is so cool, because you don't have to put up with any of that club attitude. There is five times as much fuckin' attitude in raves now, more than clubs. It's ridiculous. You walk into an event now, and everybody is sitting around in cliques and talking about this person or that person, and there is so much politics. It's frustrating, it's really frustrating.

At the same point, I'm dedicated to it, and I want it to work, but, definitely, there are many frustrations...

Changes

While I'm venting...
Promotions aren't carried out like they used to be carried out. Basically, all the promoters are really down and are complaining about how the numbers aren't there, like they used to be. They have a concern. If they are putting out a lot of money, and they have got to make it back.

We're still at a stage where a flyer is very important to the scene. I think that some creativity should be put into a flyer, instead of just handwriting something and pumping it out.

I think that the promoter's

organization. After 3 or 4 times, it's not coincidental any more. These people have got to stop. I'm very adamant about a couple promoters who I feel have really hurt the scene, have hurt the numbers.

• Fever and Citrus Club

Fever is doing incredibly well, better than ever, Citrus Club is definitely catered towards a different crowd than we had set it up to be for. Now it's the kind of crowd that goes out to dance, not so much a rave crowd. There is a percentage of ravers there, and now it's more of a club night. Where Fever has more of a rave feeling, but it is doing exactly what we wanted it to do, we wanted it to be a diversified party for black, white, gay, straight, clubbers, ravers, everybody, kind of like a melting pot, and that's basically what we have, and we're really thrilled. We're really psyched about it. We're looking to do a Fever in D.C., a bi-weekly thing.

Ultimate Seduction

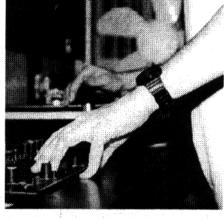
My plans are to do it, and I can't give any definite yes's or no's. More than anything, I feel it is an obligation. The scene needs a boost,

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that's a big major jump. Then it just kind of plateaued. And I think one of the reasons is that the numbers was increasing, and a lot more money was coming into the scene, but things weren't being done any differently from rave to rave. Every rave on the east coast is the same. It's a warehouse, 10 Intellabeams, a sound system, and DJ's. In the beginning, it was brand new. Kids walked into these things and said ' Wow, this is like a concert, man, I've never felt sound like this before, I've never seen light shows like this before, this is absolutely amazing... But you do that every weekend, spend \$15 every weekend, and nothing changes, you lose the novelty.

There probably were alot of things all of us could have done, to make it more exciting. Silly as it seems, gimmicks, I don't want to say gimmicks, because it's not, but more things there to provide entertainment. Props, decorations, entertainers, jugglers, It might sound ridiculous, [but] I just think that there should be a little bit more entertainment put into it, a little bit more thought, a little bit more creativity. [Rather] than calling up A&A Graphics, calling up the DJ's, and renting a warehouse.

I think alot of people are in



ever; Go to House clubs, or go to clubs that play Industrial, or Hardcore, or whatever they were into, but they were always into that niche, that underground, where they wanted to be a little different, and not go with the flow, or the mainstream. And that's when the vibe was really good, because that was about the underground. Whereas today, rave is very common. Every kid in high school, or college, has heard of raves.

Now, people look at it as a big social scene, who can dress the best, who's gonna hang around the coolest clique. People are too concerned with who they're hanging out with, or gossiping about this person

still have to stress & book all types of music at a party. Some of the parties are getting a little too one sided. Quite frankly, for anyone, it gets a little boring. Everyone has their own type of music that they really love. Lets face it, there aren't 2000 people in Baltimore that love tribal and want to hear it all night. I think it's really important that Breakbeat is represented, Hardcore is represented, Hard Trance, Progressive House...

Some parties are a little too focused, and I think that that has a lot to do with killing the energy of the party.

Coming up...

I think things will be on the upswing in the fall. With school starting back up, there's always more organization in the rave scene when the fall starts back up. Last summer, there wasn't anything going on here, either, but fall kicked in, and Catastrophic held two huge events. I'm definitely optimistic, I think that it will be on the upswing and this fall will be a very crucial point. Things have to be done right. There are one or two promoters, in this scene, in this area, that consistently get their things busted, and it's basically due to poor

saying I'd be able to do it, or I'm the one, but I'd like to give it a try.

The Music

My format is very mixed. I don't play as many breaks as I used to. I really hate the word 'progressive house'. The early progressive house, I could not fuckin' stand. It was like House that was definitely done by white people without any soul, it was so repetitious, and went no where, it had no feeling, it was so uninteresting. It was horrible. Now, there is a lot of good stuff out there that could be considered progressive house, but it's definitely leaned. A bit more Techno-y, alot more Acid, Alternative sounding...

There is still alot of people on the east coast, people who were originally exposed to the rave scene from the very beginning, exposed to mostly only hardcore. And many people went to raves in the beginning think that that's the only type of music that is played. They haven't been in a year, they are like "Oh, I don't wanna go to a raves, I can't stand the fuckin' hardcore..."

Alot of people just don't realize that there is alot of variety out there now.

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THE ARD CORECLUBRAVES

by Deadly Buda

I know a lot of you out there have experienced "Club Raves". Recently, I've been seeing ads for "HARDCORE CLUB RAVES" in different cities. That got me wondering, "Just what is a 'HARDCORE CLUB RAVE' "? From city to city to city these semi-weakly, er, semi-weekly events have been taking place, possibly confusing peo-ple who are not familiar with rave culture. Let's break it down, word by word.

HARDCORE - This term is regularly

used by every sub-genre of music since the early 80's. There is a Hardcore Rap, Hardcore Punk Hardcore Industrial, Hardcore

...a "Hardcore

Club Rave" is

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awful imitation

techno and

rave music...

Breakbeat, Hardcore Hardcore, Hardcore Literature, Hardcore this, that-so what is it? If we search for common themes in "Hardcore", we find a self-purported "truth" i.e. this is the way it is and the way it should be. The "core" is the beginning or base stages of something. "Hard" refers to some sort of rock-like quality-not easily movable, not easily breakable, an extreme degree of solidity. "HARDCORE" in terms of arts and music would then refer to being present from the beginning, and/or carrying on the original tradition o that beginning to it's next logical step, strengthening the

CLUB - Just what is a club? Besides being a heavy stick that men in ancient times hit each other over the head with, it is also when and/or where people gather together in some common interest. In Pittsburgh, during the turn of the century, clubs were predominantly places where various ethnic communities met when not work-

ing in steel or coal mines. Nowadays, these same clubs usually hold bingos, polkas, 4H, square dances, and auxiliary church functions. There are other types of clubs. The clubs we are talking about grew (at least philosophically) out of the commercial Disco trend in the late 70's, and have a predominantly economic agenda. These "CLUBS" make money in two ways (or at least two legal ways) - Admission and Drinks. Admissions are usually paid in order to see an attraction, like a band. Once people are inside the club, they pay for drinks, sometimes Coke (the drink), but usually Alcohol. Now before I go any further, let me warn you that I am about to use educational faculties that none of us ever really thought we would have to use.... The Story Problem.

WARNING: THE NEXT SECTION CONTAINS MATH AND THOUGHT-SKIP TO THE SUMMA-RY AND GO BACK SOME OTHER TIME AND READ IT IF YOU ARE NOT PREPARED TO FACE ECONOMIC REALITY AT THIS MOMENT IN

TIME!!! ..Say you owned a club. You need to pay the rent, loans, employees, advertising, upkeep, and to top it all off you need to make a decent enough living so that you can or, pay the bills at home and have enough disposable income to hang out and be cool-groovy cat so people know your scene is happening. So you book a band, "Sputnick Crud", who are at the forefront of the latest musical trend capital, Poughkeepsie, NY. Where as it turns out, is the birthplace of "Crud Rock", which you read in Payola's, er, Billboard's "Trends" section is the next big thing. You expect about 600 at least casually interested "Crud Rockers". Since it costs about 2 grand just to open your doors that night, and since the band costs about 5 grand for them, roadies, hotels, food, and trav

el, you have to come up with an acceptable admission cost. How about \$12.95? 600X\$12.95= you are bringing in \$7770.00. Take out %16 entertainment tax(much lower in other cities besides Pittsburgh)=\$6526.80. You are still \$473.20 in the hole. No need to fear, though, because you have 600 people inside your club that are going to buy an average of 3 drinks a piece. If a drink consisting of a shot of cheap vodka and some imitation cranberry liquid cost you .1666 cents, and you charge \$2.50

for one drink you would make an average of \$7 from each person. 600 x \$7 = \$4200.00. \$4200-\$473.20 lost on the attraction = \$3726.80 PROFIT. Thank the Lord!!! You mad a decent profit, you can pay some bills at home, save some for a rainy day-all in one night. Arguably a fair price for keeping on top of the high-stress, ever-changing world of giving people a good time. Basic club economics requires original attempt first the attraction, and then a large profit margin on drinks (the greatest profit coming from alco-holic drinks...we'll get to that in a second.) Notice the word "basic" Now, let's maximize profit. The easiest way (and therefore the best in this situation) is to sell more alcohol. Our first technique is to have an "exclusive area" sup-posedly to separate the "VIPs" from the "Riff-Raff". The trick here is to get a bunch of interesting alcoholics and drug addicts in this area. You can either flatter these people just by admitting them, or you can actually PAY them. They are "attractions" or "bait". It is

best to get bait with little income so that they will keep coming back in anticipation- guys (usually) who have more money than social skills. These guys pay another twenty dollars to get into the "exclusive" area and are now buying drinks at double or triple the cost. Not just for themselves, either, but for the bait too, because that is the only way bait is going to put up with talking with these guys in the first place. But what about the un-exclusive people, let's make some cash off of them too! Like I said before, you make the most profit off of alcohol. "But wait," you say, "Coke (the drink, the DRINK for God's sake!) is really cheap if you buy whole sale- say 16 cents a cup... we'll make a load off of that too!" Not so fast, buddy, those caffeine drinkers are going to run around and dance, talk to each other, and after two or three soft drinks in a two-hour period, feel queasy. Philosophically, it is hard to get away with charging too much for a Coke, because we can all buy a can for fifty cents at Co-Gos. Here is what we'll do. People can drink alcohol A LOT, and piss it out for the next hour, so the average club-goer can easily put down seven \$2.50 drinks before passing out. We'll pay the game and play it out right. First, we'll advertise a "night" of some sort of sub-genre music in order to attract that crowd. We'll have a drink special so that they get hooked from two cheap beers; their latent alcoholism kicks in, and they buy four more at regular cost. You are nobody's mother, and you are not twisting anybody's arm. Even though the people are supposedly coming to meet each other, dance, get laid or find a potential spouse- the realization of that

is the last thing you want. While people are dancing, they are not at the bar cordially buying themselves, and each other drinks- having any kind of good music would be stupid. In small doses, good

music works, a glimmer of hope appears-then disappears. Loss of hope then prompts more alcohol sales. Also, this bad music must be LOUD! If people have the chance to communicate, they just might, which means using their mouth for something other than pouring beer and cheap vodka into it. The less talk, the better drink sales are

SUMMARY OF "CLUB" American music clubs sell alcohol, the more the This requires bad music, sub par dancing and social alienation. Meanwhile, the club goers are under the impression that they are going to hear good music they like (when it's actually the same old radio dreck produced by people who openly admit and champion it's submediocre quality), clumsily dance the night away to this music that they can only accept because the standard has been set SO LOW FOR THEM IN THE FIRST PLACE and get fucked up to the point where they think they actually enjoyed "talking" to the monstrosity they woke up next

RAVES - our definition of what a rave is will come from an overview of the rave culture since the last days of U.K. Acid House (the major forerunner to raves). By looking at the trends in imagery, sound, literature and expresses philosophies (even by the most blatantly rip-off commercial songs and artists) we more often than not arrive, by various means, at the concept of "UNITY". By definition, the state of "raving" consists of running around, throwing your limbs in different directions and talking incoherently about a thousand nights at once. A true rave attempts to get people to this point of hysteria. There is a good reason for this. In our culture, w e are confronted with loads of information to process at all timesbillboard signs, advertising, TV, forms to fill out. important junk mail to read..

Our world is, in fact, more complicated than ever. Raving is a momentarily release, an alternate reality vantage point from which to judge ourselves and our normal day to day lives. Of course, you could dig a hole in the ground and stand on your head of it, and you would also get an alternate reality vantage point. What's different about a rave? People, for one. A rave attempts to bring together all different types of people, unleashing themselves and their personalities. For this reason, a real rave is not in fact, "just a fun time." A rave can be pretty fucking scary. The rave may be called "UNITY". but you are more likely than not going to be initially frightened by the people you are about to unite with. The "UNITY" factor is another indication of a rave. In order to affect society in a positive way, people have to learn to accept and care for each other. A real rave comes from the notion and tradition that there is hope for a better world. The rave is another step to accomplishing what most people feel is laughingly impossible. As the mission unfolds, new realizations become apparent. Finally, a rave uses technology and tools of the future to liberate rather than enslave; the rave must be fully aware of the potential for both.

LET'S PUT IT ALL TOGETHER... Thus

a "HARDCORE CLUB RAVE" is the true and original attempt to play mediocre to awful imitation techno and rave music, using fake and/or subpar deejays under a supposed guise of "UNITY" as a way to attract a new sub-group of people to a location with the expressed purpose of selling them been, watered-down alcohol and soft drinks (among other things), while they are standing in one place trying to figure out how to get into the VIP lounge.

PEACE...DEADLY BUDA

If you see something in your local media about raves, or the rave culture, submit the artcile (photocopies are OK, as long as they have the source defined) to MEDIA WATCH here at Slurp! First submission by a reader gets three FREE issues mailed to them (it's like a three month subscription, for FREEI)

media watch

- Can you believe it? Must be Tina Brown really taking those reins and running like a pack of wild ravers, for here we see in July 19th's issue of the NEW YORKER, a bit titled 'Rave Summit' (pg. 27). Which turns out to be a brief profile of DB, England's greatest Rave Export & NASA's resident DJ, and his co-hort Gary Pini (Veep of Profile Records) Fourth of July weekend, including a stopover - and extensive description of Pawn's End of the World Rave. The boys at Pawn were thrilled, but could see the truth in the media ("...the promoters had clearly devoted more attention to vast logistical and technological requirements of a first class rave than to advertising.") All props to DB, and congrats on the exposure. Now if Slurp! could get Profile to hang with us....
- In a recent issue of Philadelphia's Weekly CITY PAPER, ther was an article titled "Teenage Wasteland" by Victoria Brownworth. It dealt largely with the dangerous binge drinking percieved as current (?) trend with teenagers. the tail end of the article, however, dipped into the realm of LSD usage (no pun intended) and its perceived recent gain in popularity. As we all could expect, raves were included in the article, and not in the best of light.

But while people like me wanted to write a letter to City Paper (Hey - I was busy wrting junk for this rag - what's YOUR excuse?), it seems one David Sklar actually did, and it was printed. here it is for y'all to enjoy.

I used to think the City Paper was a source of news and information that was free of the vapid sensationalism of the Inquirer and local TV stations Unfortunatly, Victoria A. Brownworth, you showed me the error of my ways in your July 2 article, "Teenage Wasteland."

Most of the article was interesting, although it was somewhat depressing to read about lots of kids who can't seem to have fun while sober. When i reached the parts about LSD, however, my worst fears were confirmed. You wrote, "With the surge in popularity of grunge music, [LSD] has become readily available at concerts and weekend 'raves'." Umm... Mrs. Brownworth, have you ever been to a rave? Or has your experience with them been limited to WCAU's recent shallow shock-story? Your so-called "grunge music" is as inappropriate at a rave as apparanlt, you would be.
You then write, "LSD and other psychedelic

drugs are preffered over alcohol at raves.... It is estimated that 70 percent of teens at raves take psychedelic drugs. Estimated by whom? You? Jane Robelot? Has it crossed your mind that many people just might go to a rave for the music and dancing? Or would that have spoiled your chance to trendify your article on teenage alcoholism by tacking on a few poorly researched paragraphs about these insidious 'raves'?

Maybe your article should be the focus of Media Watch.

I can't wait for your expose of MDMA

usage

David Sklar Wynnewood, PA from City Paper #465 July 16-23, 1993

CYBEASP

...through a phone Tine into the spacious world of online interaction

If you are like the general everyman, who may be unfamiliar with what 'cyberspace' is, I'm sure you're asking, What is cyberspace? Cyberspace is a virtual world of networks of digital information passing quickly, like two ships in the night. Actually, more like two ships with billions and billions of bits of gold on them, but two ships nonetheless.

The term

was coined

by Norbert

Wiener of

To get into Cyberspace, one must log onto a Bulletin Board Service (BBS). or access the Internet, via one of the many commercial gateways online (connected), and scanning through the scanning through the messages, you are in cyberspace. Somewhere, out there, a computer, at an unknown location, is sending you information, at another unknown location. The computer allows you a complete anonymous interaction and you are interacting with an unknown entity. If you send a message, you are part of the grand network of information being passed every day across the country. You are deep in

Cyberspace. The Internet provides four basic services:

1. E-mail

2. News Groups (public areas where messages posted according to topics for discussion like raves)

3. Download from on-line libraries

4. Remote terminal access to other systems across the country

What was once considered a closed network devoted solely to the needs of the military, industrial contractors, and academic advisors is now becoming a wide ranging e-mail and conferencing net. Universities. governmental subdivisions and firms remain plugged in, but more and more it's for every man and woman.

The one faction of America who has taken full advantage of the Internet are the ravers. Running message bases on local BBS's, starting forums on larger, national services (such as Prodigy, America On Line, Compuserve), and starting news groups on the Internet.

It has been rumored that some events in San Francisco have required a user to log onto a local BBS with a secret password to access information on directions, location, etc. A virtual map point, some call it.

At present, on the East coast, there are a couple message networks that are accessible by anyone online to get information on Raves on the east coast. Two are NE RAVES and DC RAVES.

To get INFO on East coast Raves via:

NE RAVES - E-mail (at any gateway) a request with the word 'Info' as title to:

sage containing 'Subscribe DC RAVES' to this address: LISTSERV@american.edu

V RAVE (Virtual Rave) - to access this LIVE chat line, you must telnet to 36.73.0.71 7283 (medisql.stanford.edu, port 72831

One of the popular gateways to the Internet for the Macintosh computer is America On Line (AOL). But that is by far, not the only way to get online and in cyberspace.

How many people use America OnLine? Upwards of 250,000 in US and Canada. How many use Internet?

Upwards of 25 million users in 33 nations. How so many? Internet is a network of networks. Thus the University of California network, for instance, bridges into the overall Internet system. These bridges extend 'round the globe making Internet the most far flung "net" of any. For instance, Internet connects to GlasNet in the Commonwealth of Independent States, formerly the USSR.

Formerly the National Science Foundation administered Internet and access was free. Now the cost have risen out of sight and while it is still possible to get a free account if you are associated with a university, this may change. Who manages Internet now?

IBM, MCI, and Merit jointly provide network management under the name Advanced Network and Services, Inc. or "ANS." Allan Weiss, President of ANS notes that the number of networks connecting to the Internet backbone tripled in 1991 and this in turn resulted in a quintupling of backbone traffic to 40 gigabytes a day.

The US Government has authorized funding for a gigabit-persecond network to replace the existing backbone. Regional networks connecting to this backbone will be made up of 1.5 Mega-bytes per seconds (Mbps) or 45-Mbps digital trunk lines, with a large number of 19.2 Kilo-bytes per second dial-up links. It's sort of like a state highway system freeway with entrances and exits leading to a hodge podge of roads some already in place and some newly made.

Some fear that this super highway plan cannot accommodate the flood tide of connecting on ramps. To make matters more complicated, the government wants to limit the use of the super highway for certain educational, governmental and research purposes. John Sculley, the CEO of Apple Computer, and others have begged White House staff and Congress to loosen those restrictions and expand the super highway backbone even more.

Currently the major online services, AOL, CompuServe, GEnie, and AppleLink, to name but four, are linking users up to Internet for e-mail purposes. Steve Case, President of AOL, was quoted: "We consider the Internet to be the default national standard, and we will embrace it to the fullest extend we can. A gateway (for e-mail) is only the beginning."

Watch for Internet to become another network for pay, albeit a very large network, and one that increasingly operates with greater ease and at high speed. The TCP/IP backboned Unix environment is likely to give way to friendly user interfaces designed to accommodate most brands of personal computers. Of course, it will cost you.

To send E-Mail on the Internet, for the most part you need to know the Unix or VMS command system. Macintosh Owners can obtain an application called Eudora which author Steven Dorner of the University of Illinois at Urbana has placed in the public domain. It puts a Mac front end on the Internet E-mail system at least.

To Find Eudora on AOL, check in the Macintosh Communications Forum Library for Eudora. Use keyword MCM and browse the libraries or use the File Search Command from the Go To menu.

> This Article was originally titled "The Internet Granted Stay, Will Live on as Everyman's Net:" and was downloaded from the Internet. Some additional passages were written by Under with assistance by David Sklar

Read these books for even more INFO about Internet:

"The BMUG Guide to Bulletin Boards and Beyond" by Bernard Aboba, who introduces newcomers to hobbyist systems and Internet mail. Aboba teaches an introductory course to BMUG members and you will find BMUG manuals comprehensive yet easy to read. At \$20 from BMUG, Inc., 1441A Walnut St., #62, Berkeley, CA 94709 or phone 510 549-2634; fax 510 849-9026

"The New User's Guide to Useful and Unique Resources on the Internet" for \$25 from NYSERNet, 111 College Place, Syracuse, N.Y. 13244 or phone 315 443-4120; fax 315 443-1973

"Tour of the Internet," a HyperCard stack from BBN Systems and Technology Corp., phone 617 873-3400; fax 873-3776 This may also be downloaded from Internet available via anonymous FTP (File Transfer Protocol) on nnsc.nsf.net

"!%@:: A Dictionary of Electronic Mail Addressing and Networks," 2nd Ed., at \$27.95 from O'Reilly and Associates, Inc., 103 Morris St., Suite A. Sebastopol, CA 95472 or phone 707 829-0515 or 800 338-6887; fax 707 829-0104

"The Matrix, Computer Networks, and Conferencing Systems Worldwide" by John Quaterman, at \$49.95 (Order No. EY-C176E-DP) from Digital Press, PO Box CS 2008, Nashua, NH 03061 or phone 603 884-6660 or 800 344-4825; fax 800 234-2298.



NTERNET DICTIONARY

Gigabyte - a thousand mega-bytes; or a billion bytes

Electronic mail, as opposed to snail mail (U.S. Post)

Online - Presently connected to another computer, or, having access to the Internet "Are you Online? What's your address?"

Gateway - One of the ways you can access

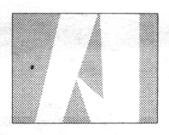
Bulletin Board System a local (or regional) computer that allows users to dial in, using a modem, and send and recieve messages, upload and download files, and access information. BBS's can range in size from 1 phone line on a home computer to 1000 phone lines hooked into a network of computers.

Applications written in Front Ends your native computers format, so that Emailing through the Internet is easier for you, and many of the tasks of logging on and sending mail is automated by your computer system.

BMUG -Berkeley Macintosh Users Group, a large group out in California that meets regualry to exchange info about the Macintosh













Sunday, August 1
Dandelion Fire/Digital Deviants presents SUNSHINE

INFO New Jersey (908) 287-8795

Saturday, August 14
K.C. and the Sunrise Gang & Pandemonium presents
TOO DEEP

INFO Portland Maine (207) 773-6979

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Saturday, August 7
Thermonuclear Worldwide presents

RAVELAND

INFO Washington DC (202) 466-1692

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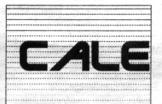
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Tuesday, August 31
BLOOM presents
PAJAMA JUNGLE JAM
INFO Philadelphia (215) 592-8481

Saturday, August 21
Outland Productions presents
IMAGINE

INFO New York (201) 989-6335

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Friday, August 27
PAWN present
IN THE BEGINNING
INFO Pennsylvania (215) 552-8833

rday, Sunday, Monday, August 21-23 Ultraworld presents

AWORLD GO'S WILD
INFO (410) 563-7880

SOUTH COTHODOL CHANDLE



magic of the rave is gone, used up, com-

promised. I'm not sure if I would go that

far, but really, compare how you felt at

how you feel nowadays. I'll bet it's a bit

the first few good raves you attended with

less enthused. Sure, novelty wears off of

anything eventually, but I think a different

attitude applies (or should apply) to raves.

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different in a way that will have

put it cheesily, was magical.

repercussions for a long time,

across the globe. What I saw, to

not different just for this moment, but

Raves , I learned at my first few experi-

new after all, then) . For the past month and a half, my attendance, participation, and general enthusiasm in the rave scene have dwindled to a fraction of what they once were (and I must say, they're normally pretty high) . At times I feel like I'm easing out of it altogether, but there are a few things which will, in the end, prevent that from ever really happening. First is the music, which I can't exist without. Since I'm not a DJ (any aspirations aside), my main fix source is still the rave. Hand in hand with this goes my love of dancing to said music, a thing often occurring alone, at

Thousands of people on the same groove, barriers broken down, rejection of the burnt, bitter attitudes of the outside world, all carried on waves of righteous rhythms and dancing. Through this atti-tude, I thought , the world can be changed.

Has this magic been compromised? I hope not, but it could be. For many of the things we were all escaping from- the club attitude, the back-stabbing, the money-grubbing, the clique-ishnesshave pervaded the scene. And so many of the things we were escaping to have disappeared or become hollow. Those authorities who seek to blindly end raves are receiving help on the inside.

All this has been talked or written about many times before, but we need to keep talking and writing. We need to be active in the defense of our scene. I ask everyone to take a look around, and at themselves. What's wrong with the picture, and how can it be fixed? Remember what turned you on to the scene, and if you feel that it isn't there still, work to put it back. Respect people, and assume that respect in return. If you must criticize, be constructive, not harsh. Don't get caught up in thinking that a good time can only be found in a hit of acid or E. Above all, APPRECIATE THE MUSIC !!!! It's what started it all.

So I haven't given up on this scene. I really can't. Word to my partner for really pushing this 'zine and thus hopefully generating some thought out there (I know it has worked on me), and respect to everyone who is doing their thing for the rave scene because they love it and want to see it flourish.

In closing, to quote a band from my industrial days, Consolidated, " We don't claim to speak from a position of authority, we only want one thing, and that's unity

THE GIVEAWAY

A moment that stands out in my

" Rave memory "(which can sometimes get fucked up, as we all know) is an occurrence at the after-party for Blue at the Loft in Boston. Those of you who were there upstairs when it started remember how everyone was chillin' on the floor amid the valentine's day decorations and the ambient sounds being played. I was meeting the people around me, or simply exchanging smiles, coming off a very fun party and feeling the anticipation of continuing the groove. I believe Happy was spinning, and as he slowly built up the beats, people got up one by one and began to dance. I eventually ended up in a vague circle of ten or twelve people; some I had come up with from Philly, Dcore, Stiles, Atom, and others were there from Baltimore, and some were ravers unknown to me but down with the sound nonetheless. The atmosphere in the small room was charged with everyone's simple happiness; everyone was all smiles. Then, seemingly without conscious intent, we were all holding hands in the circle, and as the music swelled we raised our arms in the air and moved together to the beat, feeling the energy through us; we spontaneously flowing screamed and hollered with sheer togetherness. There haven't been many moments to equal that one for simple, incredible power. Mmm mmm.

SO! We're issuing a call to the readers and ravers out there to send in stories (300 words or less) of your own "Rave moments " that you find yourself reminiscing about from time to time. We'll print as many as we can in the next issue, and send a free DJ mix tape to the cream of the crop. Now's your chance to be heard! Do it now! Send all stories to:

Slurp! P.O. Box 125 Flourtown, PA, 19031-0125

Peace Y'all!

PHILADELPHIA'S NEWEST RECORD





HOUSE

HARDCORE











SCOTT HENRY Cont from page 7

• His Record Collection

The first record I ever bought was Ram Jam's Black Betty, the original time it was released in 1976.

[Now,] give or take a thousand, I'd estimate [my collection to be] about 12 thousand. The reason being is that, I've been spinning for 8 years, and I was collecting records before that, but I was in a lot of different record polls. Out of the 12 thousand records I have, I certainly can't say that they are 12 thousand

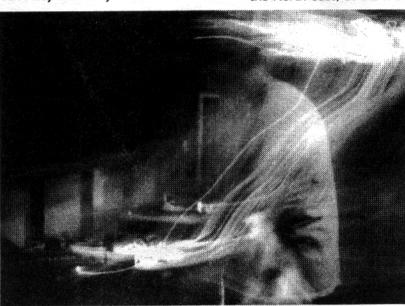
a week. I find myself spending almost all the money I make DJing on records. The DJ thing is almost a hobby. I do make money, but I could be making a lot more money if I didn't buy so many records. I'm definitely a vinyl junkie. I've got to have every record I hear that I like, I've got to have it. If I don't order records this week, I'm afraid that a record would come out this week, and I would have missed it. It's definitely an addiction.

Last Thoughts

We all seem to be going trough a little bit of frustration with the scene in the North east, at the moment. All I

can sav is, hang in there, be optimistic, because t' definitly gonna happen this fall. Everyone keeps using the phrase " We have to let it reinvent itself" While I f e e l that's

true to a certain extent. Just be there, if not for the love of music, for the love of the underground.



good records. There's probably about two thousand good records. I'm glad I held onto a lot of records.

The Habit

I usually buy about 40 to 45 records

Eddie "Flashin" Fowlkes

Interview

While World Techno rages on, some remember back in the day, when it was started in the late 70's by a couple of Kraftwerk addicts in Detroit. Eddie Fowlkes works with the Detroit Techno originators, Juan Atkins, & Kevin Saunderson. He also records and produces for the Tresor Label. DJ Goodwill of B.O.U.N.C.E. in Delaware had a chance to briefly chat with him at the New Music Seminar.

Goodwill: You call your music Detroit Techno Soul. Why?

Eddie Fowlkes: It's called Detroit Techno Soul because my mother was always playing the Motown music, which had nothing but soul. It's Techno Soul because it's a soulful thing that's

generated when you add on your generation first, then pull from the past, which equals Techno Soul.

GW: The music you do on the Tresor Label, is that made in Detroit or Germany?

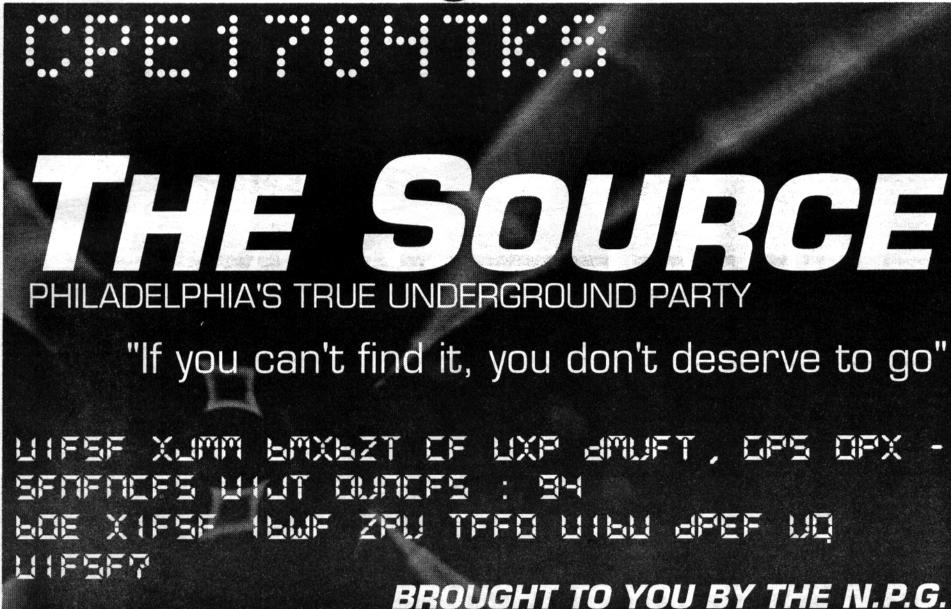
EF: Its' about 50/50...

GW: What's your opinion about the other scenes (U.S./Europe/Australia) from now back to the Detroit days?

EF: I started Techno in Detroit for black kids in Detroit and no where else, but how I see it today, it's been prostituted, political and commercial. I don't really care if a black kid makes it and I don't really care if a white kid makes it, but it's so political/prostituted now that it's called everything but Techno.

GW: Do you have any advice to the up and coming DJ's and Producers?

EF: To the DJ's - It's a full time job. To the Producers - go out and buy all the old jazz, 60's/70's funk and R and B you can find and begin with a groove because without the groove, you don't have shit.



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by Keith and Kevin of Big Fun House

What's up out there? I haven't seen alot of you chillin people in a while. Before I start this issues column, I would like to thank: David Mayer, and the rest

of Big Fun House/Rush Release Crew, Shep of AG, Explosion/Sonic, for helping Kevin and I out with ur little business we had going ere for a while.

Also, since by boy, Kevin, per Rave Promoter, wrote last sue, I didn't get a chance to drop all the props necessary to all those having to do with Yellow. You couldn't imagine the amount of fun I had. This also was the first night I heard Onionz spin. What an experience that was. Every DJ in that room was incredible. I think Applejack described it best as possible when he said "Aural orgasm. Bliss on wax. Uncharted territories of the musical heavens..." That's exactly what it was

Yellow did do one bad thing to me, it spoiled me. Before Yellow, the raves were going downhill, but I was still going to them. Now after Yellow, I just don't bother going to anything, nothing compares.

It wasn't just Yellow that made me chill on the rave tip, it was a couple of other things. Well, it's been about a year now that I have been going to parties. Back when I first got into them, there was so much more excitement for me and for everyone else. Most of us dressed like we were on the front of a GAP T-Shirt. We wore plastic laminates, caked on the Vapo-Rub,

but it was fun. Back then, you could go up to anyone and they would be beau chillin'.

Now, 50% of the people are hard-asses. So you probably don't even try to meet new people. If you do end up meeting someone that's chillin, you will most likely get dissed by their friends. I think that this hard-assed mentality is not going to change, so those of us who are real chillin' people will have to find each other.

Drugs are a huge problem with the scene, past, present, and future. Just as they are for many other youth oriented cultures. In the beginning, a lot of people popped an occasional pill, but now, alot of those same people are doing it more than once a week, double, or triple dosing, or combining it with wack shit. These people are taking that stuff too far. I'll admit that drugs can be fun, but we all have to realize that there is life after Friday or Saturday night. We all have our responsibility to the future, and the way this scene is going it doesn't look like we are going to contribute much. I know alot of people have different opinions on this, so please send me in responses to this issue's arti-

Peace, Keith



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WHAT'S BEING PLAYEU

DAN DC - 8\10

Record: **PCYCHOKILLER** Artist: GARGOYI F MIDAS, UK Label:

Don't let those first few pops of the kick freighten you, or if you're into Hardcore, don't get excited - this is a somber little Trance ditty that'll twist many a late night head. OK, you know about the un-excessive firm kick intro... Well, it leads to a subtle acid line, which somehow leads to deep House-ish strings 'n' pianos and an unsceen female chatting in French. Ooo LaLa!! Imagine an MBG (Itl.) record on half a tab of acid. No need to imagine being very happy you bought this record cause you already did SPIKE - 8\10

TB RESUSCITATION LP\CD Record: HARDFLOOR Artist: HARTHOUSE, GERM

Nine fine statements on the State Of the Art of Acid\Trance. Sure I could go into detail but it'll suffice to say that it don't get much better than this.

SPIKE - 10\10

YOU KNOW EP Record: Artist: Label: BULLSEYE UK

school

Record:

Mr. Roy will take you to the days of old. 3 Housey, old school style toons destined to make your blood boil. The A Side is called "You Know", and it is pretty much straight up garagey house type stuff. Although it is the title cut, the real treasures lie on the other side. The first track on the B Side is called "fifty\50" but it's 110% dope. It reminds me alot of old acid house records along the lines of Muzique, Warehouse, Traxx etc. The final track is titled 120 Flashback" - an old school Chicago Acid jam from back in the day. Once again Acid House is on the rise, long live the old

LARRY - 10\10

MELTDOWN

Artist: RADIATION Label: DIRECT DRIVE, US

Record

Artist PROGRESS DIRECT DRIVE, US Label Radiation, yeah it's pretty good. Actually wasn't this Direct Drive 001 from many months back. I actually don't remember the original but this one

VERY INTERESTING PROGRESS EP

smokes pretty hard. Jimmy Crash does pretty nice when he steps up to bat, but Mr. Hawtin kicks some serious ass. If you dig that twisted acid stuff than this track has your name all over it. As for this Progression EP jammy... 4 tunes or tales of hard Acid, hard Trance, and hard Distortion. I really dig this record. It brings a slightly more twisted sound to that tired old 303 sound. I really didn't think Direct Drive had it in them. Maybe that it's good that I'n wrong, keep 'em comin. This one will go in the Direct Drive hall of fame, right next to

Alici LARRY - 7/10 (FOR RADIATION), B/10 (FOR PROGRESS)

URAL ALTAIC - 8 AM Record: Artist: C/SPHERE PSI, US

Label

Please excuse me if any of the above is incorrect but this label is like reading Hieroglyphics. Anyway... Love that long throbbing what's-it-gonna-do intro. Yeah, it finally does do something - the Detroit acid shuffle. Ultra high end et al. The reverse on the B kinda sounds like the A turned inside out. A solid "Must Have"

SPIKE - 8.5\10

Record: YOU'RE IN DA HOUSE EP STRAIT 2 DAT Label: NERVOUS, US

Depending on which side of the fence you party on is gonna impact your choice of the "Yo! Dat's Phat" cut on this one. Sure, "You're in the House" has potential - great stuff actually but the mastering\pressing isn't wide enuff to properly handle the bass. It's deep but not tight enuff. "I Did This 4 Da Shelter" is a top notch Ronald Burrell House track that'll move many a dance floor from coast-to-coast, either side of the pond. I just wish the voal sample was dropped (in favour of additional instrument?) on the idea editing floor. Club songs about clubs, dancing, etc. bore me. Skip "it's 3:00" only 'cause it ain't as strong as "I Did...". And for the other side of the fence (i.e., the Tribal, Progressive, etc. crowd) there's "Electric Native". Great deep percusive late nighter. I think maybe Nervous should've saved this for their new Trance label. Hey, maybe they should let Parke, Sasha, etc. refinish it.

SPIKE - 9\10

RISE FROM YOUR GRAVE REMIX Record:

Artist PHUTURE Label

R&S. BELG

We all know what makes a Classic a Classic, right? Well, at least one criteria is the ability to stand the test of time. Granted, this isn't ancient (around a year, give or take a month or so) it still sound breath takingly fresh. What's even more ironic here is that it'll proba-bly sell more now (in the US at least) than when it originally came out. Back then, it was too hard 'n' deep for the House-o-saurs, and the hor-mone driven Techn-o-kidz were too young to understand. My, how times have changed... This will probably be a House hit in 6 months. and any pill popper will jump on this only later to wonder why it doesn't say "This is ecstasy speaking". Respectable remixes but I'm just happy to get a bottom healthy import of the Original.

SPIKE - 9\10

Record: CURARE EP CLIBARE Artist: HARTHOUSE, GERM Label:

Maik Maurice of Resistance D comes out with two more phat ass tracks on the very reliable Harthouse label. The A side is fine but the B is my choice here. "Rollender Bars" is a phat 170 BPM slammer. Fast (obviously), slightly acidic, with very ambient break downs that come back harder than before. For best results, play this at minus 4.

DAN DC - 8.5\10

Record: A FEVER CALLED LOVE REMIX RISING HIGH COLLECTIVE Artist:

RISING HIGH, UK

Yeah, yeah, yeah... I was thinkiin' the same thing - "Not another fuckin' remix". Well, Harthouse's Hardfloor Boyz (Oliver B. & Ramon Z.) reconstruct it, giving it a lovely acid groove

thang. With Plavka's do-me-from-behind vocals topping it all off - I'm blown away and more than happy to eat my wordz.

SPIKE - 9\10

FRENCH TRAXX EP Record: Artist: ST GERMAIN FNAC, FRANCE Label

RIPOST EP Record DEEP CONTEST Artist: FNAC, FRANCE Label

(1) Write this name down, "Ludovic Navarre". [2] If you're into DeepTranceHouse (it's supposed to be one word) run to the store\pick up the phone right now and buy both of these. (3) Play them 'til the sun comes up. (4) Call me and thank me. (5) Go to sleep very happy

SPIKE - 9\10

101% Record: **ACIDIFEROUS** Artist: PCP. GERM Label

Like just about everything else coming out, here are two more acid tracks. But there are from Germany's notorious PCP! The A Side "Annihilate" is repetitious boring same old. The B Side "Droid Sector" makes up for the A. "Droid" kicks you right in the phuqing ass with 10 inches of phat beat and some of the craziest acid noizes in the world!

DAN DC - 8\10

SECOND EARTH EP Record: QUARK Artist: MUCHO VINYL, UK Label

THE EP Record: Artist: INSIDE Label HAPPY, UK

Sing Hallelujah, the days of 100% Pure Underground have returned. Once again, uniqueness rules the land - labels, producers, remixers are of little importance cause the kid in the pit don't care where it's from, he\she cares where his head is at! And those who don't dare to deviate will be the ones on the sidelines wondering why no one grooves to their tired tunes. Yes, these two will serve well those who like to dive deep late and twist minds and bodies like Superman does steel. Let the games begin!!! SPIKE - 9\10

Record: APOLLO COMPILATION LP\CD

Artist: **VARIOUS** APOLLO, BELG Label:

10 Stoned-out-of-your-mind-at-six-in-the-morning tracks. A "Must Have" if you're prone to being in that condition at that hour Spark up another one for R&S\Apollo

SPIKE - 8.5\10

EX #18 Record:

Artist: EX PROMO, US

A bit more aggressive - both in tone and in tempo - than the last few EX releases, yet still maintaining that phat EX quality. I wish I could offer you some additional facts but I fucked up and misplaced the press release that came with it. However, I do recall someone saying something about this being made by a person of the non-male persuasion. Regardle the proof is in the groove - seek 'n' purchase this on. Without a doubt, a second EX CD is long over due!!!

SPIKE - 8\10

Under

Record: Journeys by DJ Artist: Billy Nasty Mix Moonshine Music, USA Label

Consisting of 80 minutes of PRE-MIXED progressive house, this is one party tape that will keep you going. No more shitty quality tapes being handed Raver to Raver, but a CD with hot (recognizable) songs you've heard everyone else spin. Somewhat like their previous releases, like Speed Limit 140 BMP +, where the songs run end to end, and the crossfades are not noticeable, this takes it one step farther by allowing DJ Billy Nasty from the UK take total mix control. Now he cuts back and forth, and it sounds as if this were taped live at a rave. Moonshines' efforts are to legitimately bring Mix Tapes to the commercial, legal vein One thing this does save you is the trouble of buying several albums to get a good mix of music. You can also look forward to soon-to-be-released remixes from DOMESTIC DJ's as well.

Record: Self-Titled Artist: 5th Gear

Harthouse Records, Rotterdam

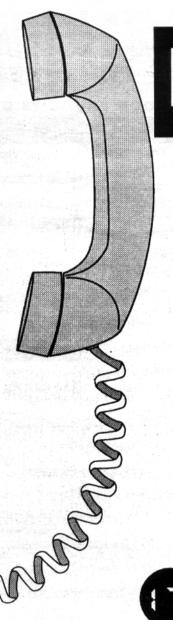
Get This - The names of the three songs on this EP are : "Stutter Trance" - OK - "Scoptitone" - Mental - "Jigsaw Spectacale" -Fucking Brilliant! The label is true. I have heard every single person, and their dogs and

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Grandmothers even, in Rotterdam, shaves their head and wears shiny Nike track suits and sneakers. Whoever made this also had crystal implants imbedded in his or her temple so that he or she could more effectively recieve transmissions from imploding galaxies. This will hypnotize you like a loud broken TV set Devastatingly sick!

Punk & Trash Record: Tohuwabahu Hart Trackz

This is in reality "Marc & Claude" These are the same geniuses that came out with "Party People" last year. Every track is wicked. I can only describe their style as like, if Re-run from what "What's Happening", made Hardcore tracks. It's like they make you dance really jerky and laugh at the same time. The tracks are really animated, you can virtually see every sound in every song. The title track, Punk and Trash is actually very aggressive sounding, it samples the two best sounds on Frankfurt Trax Vol. 3 - The Mescalinum United Track and The Vath 2 track. Smart!

Pain Amplifier Record: Syn 4

Label:

FΔX

FAX Records are usually hit and miss with me. Every one I get has the name Pete Namlook on it. I don't know if he's on every single FAX release or what, or even if that's his real name - but his tracks have style! Other ones to look out for are Synsyl 2, Sextant 2, and Deltraxx 3. Syn 4 is some kind of sick computer data spiritual beast raging across the sun - This is alive with pleasure! By the time you read this the last ones will be floating around - get it now before it's too late!!

Record: Planet A Artist: Robert Armani

Label

"Keep Your Body Move" is such the track. The focal sound is a funky slap-bassline. I can only describe this one as if there were robotic dogs in the 30s', wearin' pimpin' clothes and dancing sideways with a Martini glass in one paw and a pistol in the other. This sounds like a classy crooner style, steakhouse techno-Robert Armani unleashes another killer project

Baud Atom Heart XXX

This Atom Heart release is a low down dirty groove from some badass digital swamp on one side, and an old-school techno groove on the other. This is a shining example of the extra crispy analogue Atom Heart sound we've come to know and love

Cannibalistic Humanoid Underground Record:

Dwellers

Adam X Direct Drive

If for no other reason you should buy this record simply because it is named after the practically-made-for-video-cassette-masterpiece, "C.H.U.D." Also, there is a track called "What's That?" so, the next event you are at where they play this and someone asks you - "What's that?", you can say, "What's That?!" "No! What's hat?" etc. Bombastic Adam X dope beats of Doom. Monstrously Heavy Acid

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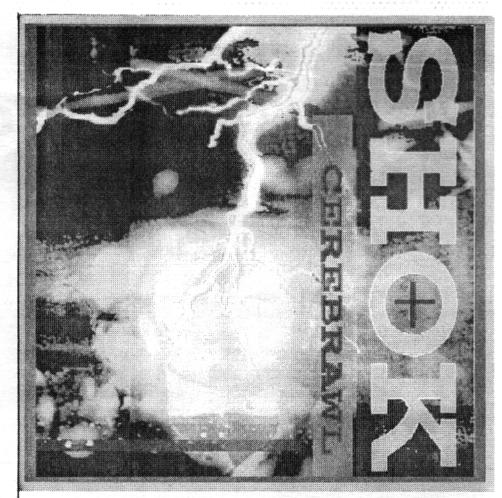
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