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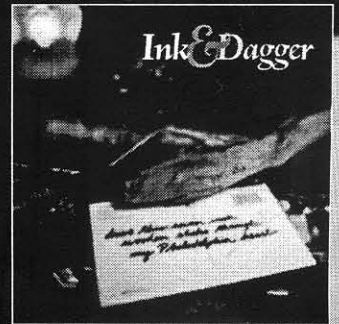
Tonight we tried to die on purpose.

# Ink & Dagger

*"Drive this seven inch wooden stake through my Philadelphia heart"*

4-song 7" \$3.50, 10-song CD \$9.00

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This certainly isn't your typical Initial release because Ink And Dagger certainly aren't your typical band. *Useless* fanzine says, "You've been under a rock to have not heard the buzz surrounding this band." Imagine if you crossed the idealism of The Misfits with the intricate music of Swiz. Think bloodsucking, theft of souls, nocturnal adventures, and punk rock. That's Ink And Dagger.

### Ink And Dagger Tour with Nineironspitfire and Botch

March 26 Minneapolis, MN  
March 29 Victoria, BC  
March 30 Vancouver, BC  
April 1 Seattle, WA @ Velvet Elvis  
April 2 Salt Lake City, UT  
April 3 Reno, NV @ Skatepark  
April 4 San Francisco, CA @ Gilman Street  
April 5 Santa Barbara, CA @ Living Room  
April 6 Radio show in LA  
April 8 LA, CA @ Koos Cafe  
April 10 San Diego, CA @ Che Cafe  
April 11 Las Vegas, NV  
April 12 Phoenix, AZ  
April 14 Austin, TX

April 15 Dallas, TX  
April 16 Fort Smith, AR  
April 17 Memphis, TN  
April 18 Pensacola, FL  
April 19 Atlanta, GA  
April 20 Nashville, TN  
April 21 Richmond, VA  
April 22 Virginia Beach, VA  
April 23 Washington, DC  
April 24 Philadelphia, PA  
April 25 Lancaster, PA  
April 26 Redbank, NJ  
April 28 NYC @ CBGB's  
April 29 Long Island, NY  
April 30 Rhode Island @ Al Barkley's house

April 31 Boston, MA  
May 1 Syracuse, NY  
May 2 Buffalo, NY  
May 3 Cleveland, OH  
May 4 Detroit, MI  
May 5 Kalamazoo, MI  
May 6 Chicago, IL  
May 7 Indianapolis, IN  
May 8 Dayton, OH  
May 9 Cincinnati, OH  
May 10 Louisville, KY @ Sparks

All dates subject to change. Check Planet Louisville for up-to-date info!  
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**Despair *As We Bleed*** : The brand new release from these Buffalo wonderkids! With this one, Despair has taken their raw, anything goes, straight-up, in-your-face style of hardcore to the next level. This time it's a little slower, and filled with enough devil crunches and personal lyrics to make a grown man cry. Feel the rage. Limited edition color vinyl for mail order (while supplies last). [IR16]. Vinyl seven inch \$3.50, cassette \$4.00, compact disc \$6.00.



**Elliott *In Transit*** : Formed from the nucleus of Falling Forward, but decidedly not picking up where they left off, is Louisville's power-blend quartet known as Elliott. Guitars that vary from swirling momentous movements reminiscent of jetliners, to modest, selective measures, yearning for inquisitive listeners, coupled with the beautifully passionate voice of Chris Higdon makes this 7" a must have for anyone. Seriously, anyone. [IR15]. Vinyl seven inch \$3.50.

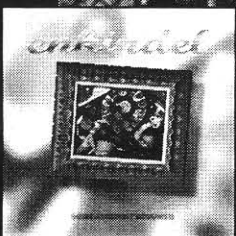


**Slugfest** : This eight-song CD has four brand new ones plus the much sought after, and out of print *Buried Alive 7"*. Featuring members of Snapcase and Despair, this CD delivers that upstate New York style of tight, pounding, super energetic hardcore. Real catchy. Real hardcore! [IR17]. Compact disc \$9.00.



# Spring time for planting the seeds of revolution.

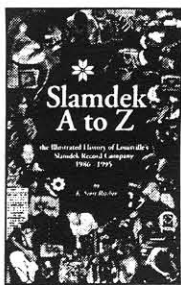
**Enkindel *Some Assembly Required*** : Snake thinks that because he goes to college now that Enkindel's a college rock band, well, community college rock, that is. There's nothing college about this rock. This is the sparkling debut from the band with the plan: Go on tour, cause lots of trouble, and have fun! In the tradition of Midwestern emo-core, this gem is super catchy, with lots of melody, and your RDA of sing along choruses. [IR13]. Vinyl album \$8.00, compact disc \$9.00.



**Enkindel** : With this release, Enkindel (pronounced en-KIN-dil) delivers a familiar blend of driving yet melodic hardcore. You know, the kind that comes from Louisville. Includes the Enkindel classic "Open Fields." The compact disc version offers an extra song. [IR09]. Vinyl seven inch \$3.50, compact disc \$6.00.



**On the cover:** Tommy wears the Elliott *In Transit* short sleeve (\$11.00) while reading *Extent* fanzine. Here, he wears the Enkindels *Lucky* short sleeve (\$11.00) while sowing the seeds of rock.



**Slamdek A to Z** by K. Scott Ritcher : This 219-page book with a 21-song CD is a firsthand account of the label whose name became synonymous with "Louisville" for thousands of music lovers. Each of the Slamdek Record Company's 45 releases (and more) are fully documented with 250 photographs and contributions from over 30 writers. Disc includes unavailable tracks by Rodan, Metroschifter, Jawbox, Endpoint, Sunspring, Crain, and more. Slamdek was a Louisville label from 1986 to 1995, and was known for launching those bands as well as sponsoring a weekly live radio broadcast, a high school girls' field hockey team, and a punk rock festival, among other things. [IR14]. Book & compact disc \$13.00.

**Falling Forward & the Metroschifter**

**Acoustic**: Two of Louisville's favorite sons have teamed up to bring you an acoustic offering, so that you can finally stop wondering what these amazing bands would have sounded like before there was electricity. To quote *Heartattack*, "Fuck! The Falling Forward songs are sooooo good!" Like, duh.. [IR11]. Vinyl seven inch \$3.50.

**Falling Forward**: This 2-song 7" captures the beloved teetotalers in their final moments together. The compact disc version is a four song chef-d'oeuvre including the two songs from this record, as well as the two songs from their split 7" with the fabulous full throttle toll free Metroschifter. Another brilliant offering from Falling Forward. [IR00/DOG29] Vinyl seven inch \$3.50, compact disc \$6.00.

**Falling Forward Hand Me Down** :

This is definitely one of the best hardcore records ever! Super melodic vocals with soft to moshy music to die for. This album is a proverbial roller coaster ride through your emotions, and if you don't own it your missing out big time. The CD includes the out-of-print *Let This Day Pass* 7". [IR07]. Vinyl album \$8.00, compact disc \$9.00.

**Guilt Synesthesia** :

If there's such a thing as emo death metal then this is it. Super thick guitars, tortured screaming, and drumming that is always were it needs to be. This Guilt release is much heavier than their other efforts. [IR08]. Compact disc \$9.00.

**Guilt Empty?** :

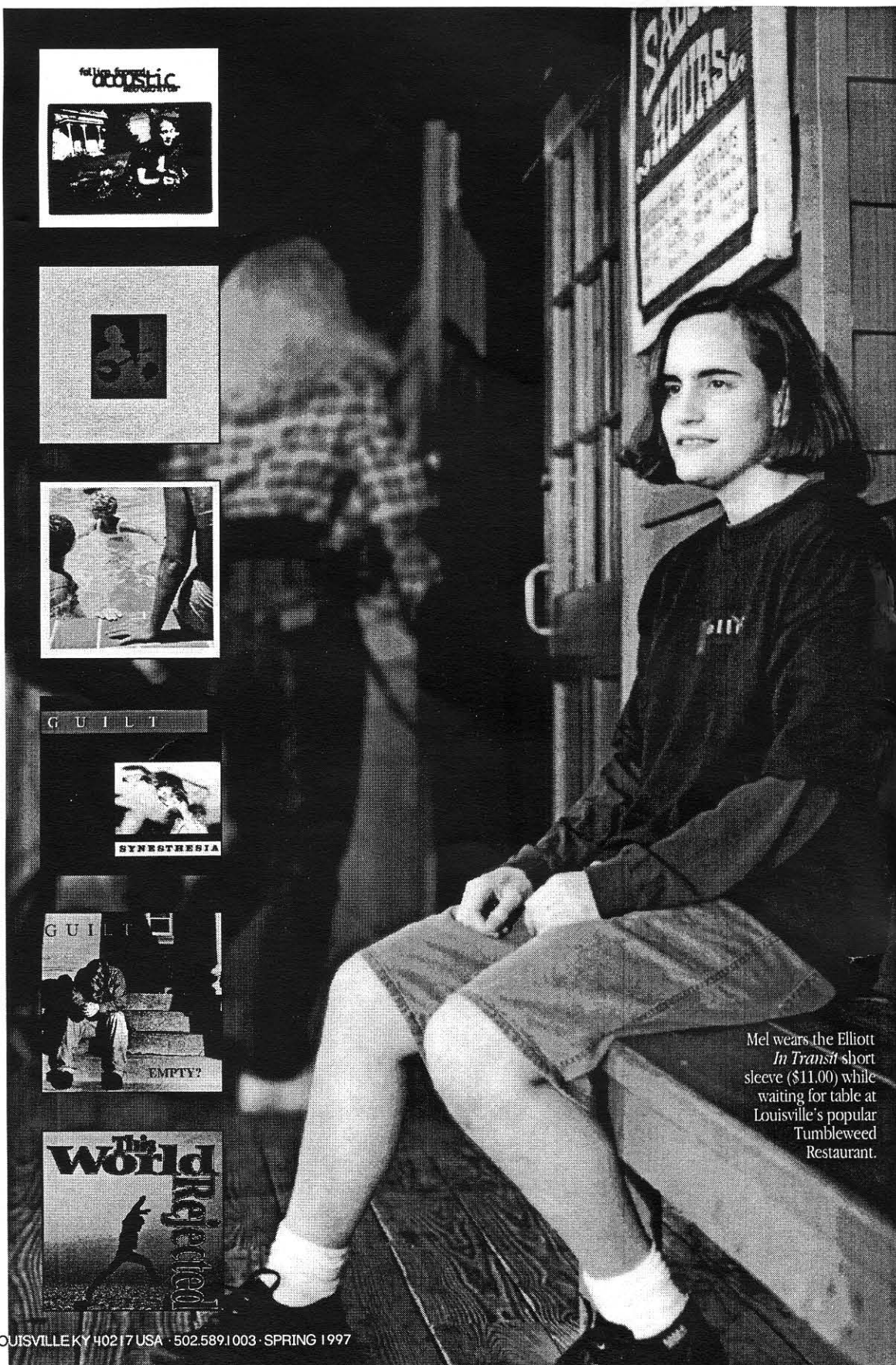
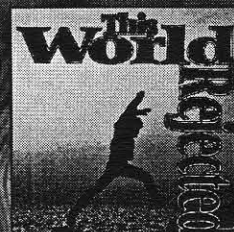
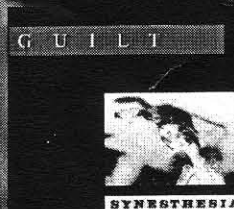
The classic debut 7" from Guilt. It's angry, tearing, and emotional; fulminating the burdens of this hierarchal society. Everything a hardcore record should be. According to *Trustkill* fanzine this record is "fucking monumental." Oh yeah, that's about right. [IR03]. Vinyl seven inch \$3.50.

**This World Rejected** :

Formerly known as Buffalo's Zero Tolerance, This World Rejected gives you a 7" full of mean and slow ultra-heavy open-E guitar crunch, along with great socially conscious anti-disestablishmentarian lyrics. Very Distribution says, "Some of the heaviest mosh parts I've ever heard. Even to this day." If you're a fan of The Cromags then look no further. [IR05]. Vinyl seven inch \$3.50.



**Roosevelt's Inaugural Parade** : One word: style. This 7" is full of it and will leave you begging for more. The melodic, flowing female vocals led *Heartattack* to describe these songs as "a perfect blend of aggression and melody." *Punk Planet* says, "definitely in the running for the best 7" of 1996." Well, it's 1997 now, and the only enemy of something good is the prospect of something better, which is why Roosevelt's Inaugural Parade broke up and four of the members became King For A Day. [IR12]. Vinyl seven inch \$3.50.



Mel wears the Elliott *In Transit* short sleeve (\$11.00) while waiting for table at Louisville's popular Tumbleweed Restaurant.

**ACME To Reduce The Choir To Just One Soloist** (Edison)

The complete works of this critically acclaimed German killing machine. This is what would happen if Kerry King joined Rorschach in the studio, you fed them some glass, set them on fire, and let them loose to record.

9-SONG 12" ..... \$7.00  
10-SONG CD ..... \$9.00

7-SONG CD ..... \$9.00

**BLACK OUT Self Titled** (Indecision)

Formerly known as the skaterock band B'last. A solid groove of slow, tuned down stop and go music with melodic vocals, and a touch of noisiness thrown in for effect.

2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**BLACKSPOT / TRICERATOPS**

**Banana Split** (Bastille)

Two hardcore bands from Huntington Beach who compliment each other well on this record. They both have a sound similar to the newer stuff New Age is putting out. Triceratops remind me of a less heavy 1134. If you like the Guilty By Association compilation then this is for you. Be sure to catch Triceratops on a rerun of Singled Out.  
4-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

bands would have rather been sponsored by Nike than Vans. This record is filled with youth crew anthems galore, including the granddaddy of them all, "Nailed To The X."  
11-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00  
11-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

**BOY SETS FIRE This Crying, This Screaming, My Voice Is Being Born** (Rose Petal / Magic Bullet)

These are the six songs that originally appeared on the now out-of-print Boy Sets Fire / Jazz Man's Needle split 12". The music and vocals go back and forth between clean and melodic to raging and screaming outbursts with great transitions. Believe me, this record is nothing short of amazing, which is why we decided that we need to put out their next record. You need this record! Look for their new one out early this Summer on Initial.  
6-SONG CD ..... \$5.00

**BOY SETS FIRE Consider** (BSF)

Three songs highlighting the more explosive side of Boy Sets Fire. Silence kills the revolution.  
3-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

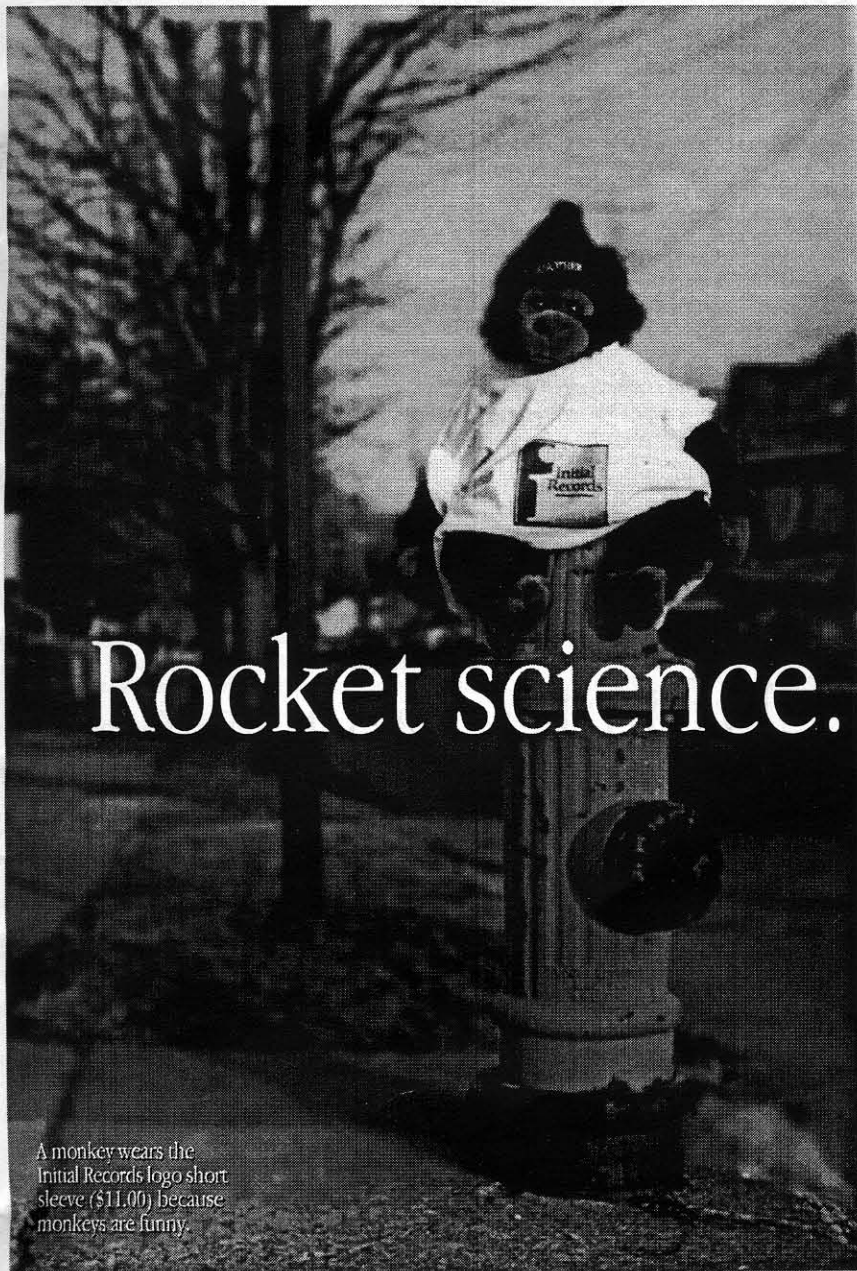
**BROTHER'S KEEPER The Continuum** (Trustkill)

This is the first full-length from Erie, PA's loved ones, Brother's Keeper. Their sound is a unique blend of technical guitar crunches and emotional screaming. It's very groove oriented and hard hitting. Hi-fives all around. See them live.  
10-SONG CD ..... \$10.00

**BURN Self Titled** (Revelation)

These guys went on to be in Orange9mm, but this isn't to be missed. It's atypical NYHC. Very moody and emotional with awesome grooves. Powerful stuff.  
4-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50  
4-SONG CD ..... \$8.00

# Rocket science. Hold the rockets.



A monkey wears the Initial Records logo short sleeve (\$11.00) because monkeys are funny.

**AS WE SPEAK / IGNORANCE NEVER SETTLES Split** (Winter)

Two bands from the proud country of Canada. As We Speak are melodic slow to fast hardcore. Ignorance Never Settles have deep slurred death vocals with hard stomping and crunchy music, kind of like early Grade.  
2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**BESSEMER PROCESS Self Titled** (Tied Down)

Real well played heavy fast to slow crunch with raw screamed vocals. Be sure to get this if you like Jihad.  
4-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**BLACK BEANS Indeed** (Watermark)

Smooth and flowing hip-hop from Chuck Treece of ex-Underdog and Voicebox. It's real laid back and relaxing. Reminds me of a less produced Tribe Called Quest.

**BLINDSPOT Version 1.0 sampler** (No Idea)

You can't beat a 33 song CD for \$3 no matter how you look at it, so just order this. It's got songs from Crud Is A Cult, Hot Water Music, Integrity, Less Than Jake, Man Or Astroman?, Sparkmarker, Radon, and lots more.  
33-SONG CD ..... \$3.00

**BOLD Looking Back** (Revelation)

This is the out-of-print 7" remixed with some other songs that had not been previously released. This is more melodic and rocking than the *Speak Out* full-length. It includes the line, "Running like thieves from a desperate situation." Don't ask me, I just like that line.  
7-SONG CD ..... \$8.00

**BOLD Speak Out** (Revelation)

Another Revelation straightedge classic from an era when

**BLANK Letter To No One** (Toothless)

Melodic, chunky and rocking hardcore that is a little heavier and more rock influenced than Louisville contemporaries Enkindel and Endpoint. The necessary emo vocals and classical guitar picking. A solid debut.  
4-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**BY THE GRACE OF GOD For the Love of Indie Rock** (Victory)

An all-star cast from Louisville that features Tommy Edge of Enkindel on drums, Jonathan Mobley of Elliott / Falling Forward on bass, ...like you don't already know who's in this band. Think fast and melodic hardcore with Endpoint *In A Time Of Hate* era vocals. Plus there's cool packaging and insightful lyrics. A winner for sure.  
4-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50  
7-SONG CD ..... \$9.00

**CABAL Meanwhile, Back At The Ranch...** (Moo Cow)

Fast and fun three chord ska punk that reminds me a lot of old Suicide Machines. Be sure to check this out if you're into that because this is real catchy stuff.  
4-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**CABLE Variable Speed Drive** (Doghouse)

With this full-length Cable deliver more of their trademark chaotic stop and go hardcore, but this time with a touch of DC influence. More good old winding guitars with crazy vocals.  
8-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00  
8-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

**CABLE / MALCOLM'S LOST Split** (Moo Cow)

CT's Cable play stop and go hardcore with intensely screamed vocals and abstract lyrics. NY's Malcolm's Lost play a slow ultra heavy grooving song with screamed vocals. This split rocks oh so hard.  
3-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**CARBOMB / FISTICUFFS BLUFF Split** (Troubleman)

Carbomb sound like a younger more garagey version of Nation of Ulysses. Fisticuffs Bluff offer up pure noisy and emo chaos with female vocals. It's on Troubleman, so it's gotta be good.  
5-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**CAST IRON HIKE Self Titled** (Trustkill)

A great release of hardcore rock from these Boston natives. Perhaps their sound is best described as a heavy Quicksand meets Sparkmarker. Inspiring personal lyrics and brick heavy guitar riffs create music that will make you just want to shake your butt. Now signed to Victory Records. I guess it's now time to move some serious units. 4-SONG CD ..... \$7.00

from the glory days of '88. This disc includes both of the out-of-print 7"s and an added bonus track. An added bonus?!? Where do I sign up!?! 11-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

**CHAMBERLAIN / OLD PIKE Split** (Doghouse)

You already know about Chamberlain, because they're the artist's formerly known as Split Lip. More of the rockin postcore they're famous for. Old Pike are just straight up college rock. They sound like Buffalo Tom. This record won't make you want to jump around.

4-SONG 2x7" ..... \$7.00  
5-SONG CD ..... \$8.00

**CHAMBERLAIN Fate's Got A Driver** (Doghouse)

I still think Split Lip should have changed their name to Hoosier Illusion instead of Chamberlain, but what do I know? This album rocks hard in a serious way. Very emotionally charged and upbeat melodic postcore that won't disappoint anyone.

8-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00  
8-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

**CHALKLINE / FIGUREHEAD Split** (Shandle)

Two OH bands playing powerful, emotional hardcore with screaming emotional vocals. Then there's the metal, mosh, and chaos. Good first effort from both of these promising bands.

4-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**CHURCH OF ASTRONAUTS Self Titled** (Ghetto Defiant)

If you into the Gravity thing than look no further than Louisville's own Church Of Astronauts. Chaotic music with raspy vocals along the lines of Merel or Heroin.

4-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**CIRCLE STORM Spirit** (Ambassador)

This 7" was recorded in 1988 while Chain Of Strength was in the studio. Therefore this band is basically Chain Of Strength.

Think of the old school California hardcore sound. That's Circle Storm. 2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**CIRCLE STORM Character Assassin** (Ambassador)

The newest offering from California's Circle Storm. More old school style California hardcore with lots of chunk, melody, and shouted vocals. 7-SONG CD ..... \$8.00

**CIV Set Your Goals** (Revelation)

Ex members of Gorilla Biscuits, and Youth Of Today, etc. Like you don't know who Civ is... Fast melodic poppy hardcore. Buy it on vinyl because 1) vinyl is cool, 2) because we only have it on vinyl, and 3) because there's an extra song on the vinyl version. 18-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00

**CIV Social Climber** (Revelation)

The newest offering from the MTV super-babes known only as Civ. Winner of best dressed band in hardcore two years running. 2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**CIV All Twisted** (Revelation)

The second of the Civ 7"s. 2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**CIV Can't Wait One Minute More** (Revelation)

Civ's debut 7". Punk haircuts, anyone? 2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**CLOCKWISE She Was** (Pie)

Catchy and melodic driving hardcore from NY along the lines of Down By Law. There's some nice breaks and catchy choruses. 5-SONG CD ..... \$7.00

**COALESCENCE A Safe Place** (Second Nature / Edison)

The newest and most brutal Coalesce release to date. A simply unbelievable follow up to their ep on Earache. This record sets the standard for heaviness in 1997. Crazy, in your face madness. 2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**COALESCENCE Self Titled** (Second Nature)

The first 7" from Coalesce now on compact disc. Also includes other rare recordings, including an unreleased version of "Simulcast," and two live tracks from CBGB. If you're not familiar with Coalesce, these guys play music along the lines of Deadguy. 5-SONG CD ..... \$7.00

**THE COLD WAR V/A** (Foresight)

An excellent hardcore compilation featuring one song each from such well known bands as None Left Standing, Everlast, Mean Season, and Within A Lie. 4-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**COLLATERAL DAMAGE Self Titled** (Indecision)

If it means anything to you these guys sound like CA contemporaries Process and Blackspot, with deep throaty vocals, and socially conscious lyrics. There's also a member

of Farside in the band. 4-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**CONTAGEN Dioroma** (Watermark)

Featuring ex-members of Four Walls Falling, Askance, and Dayspring you know you can't go wrong. A little more melodic and upbeat than the aforementioned bands, but still retaining some of their qualities. 12-SONG CD ..... \$10.00

**CONVERGE Petitioning The Empty Sky** (Ferret)

Chaotic, metallic, and heavy hardcore from Boston's crushcore masters. Real frantic intense vocals that remind me of Rorschach. 11-SONG CD ..... \$9.00

**CULTURE / ROOSEVELT Split** (Intention)

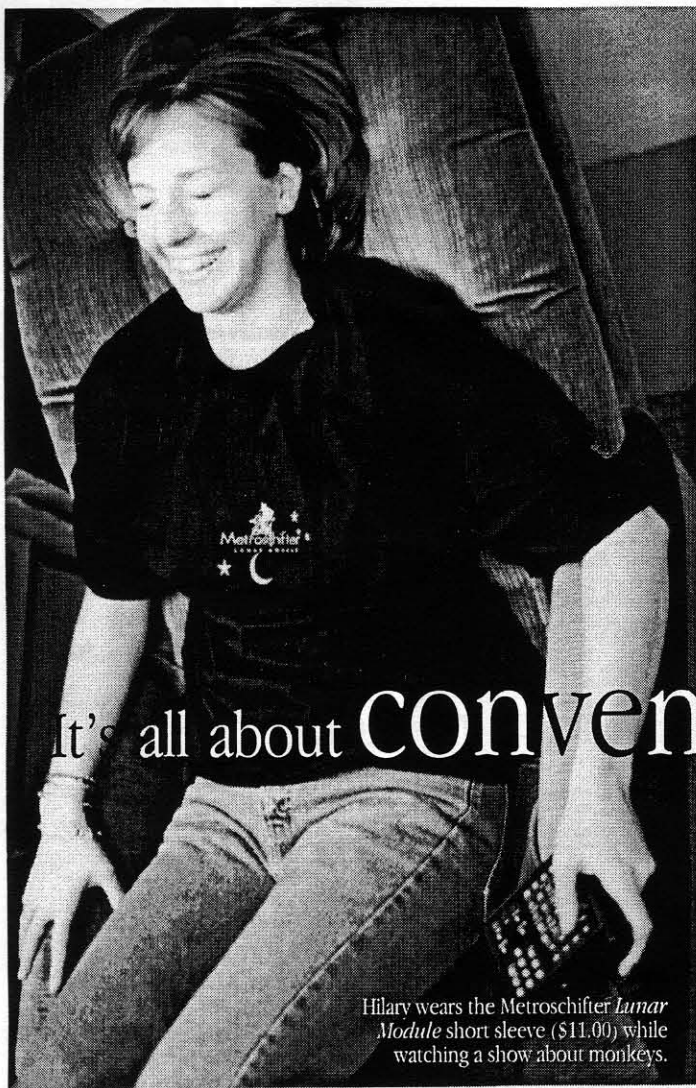
Culture play brutal straight forward chugga chugga hardcore. Fellow Florida natives Roosevelt offer up an awesome DC sounding song that reminds one of Current. Jangly guitars, with stop and go's and vocals that range from singing to screaming. You can't go wrong with this one. 2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**CYCLE Roller Coaster** (Second Nature)

Richmond, VA's Cycle are back with their second CD. It's got a nice smooth, melodic, and flowing sound, not unlike their previous band, Dayspring. It kind of reminds me of Verbal Assault. 8-SONG CD ..... \$10.00

**DAHLIA SEED Survived By** (Troubleman)

You only need to listen to this record for 16 seconds to realize how hard it rocks. I love it when Tracy screams, "Are you ready to rock," and so will you. Her vocals are full of honest, raw beauty, while the music varies from hectic to simple rhythms. This record is a must. 11-SONG 12" ..... \$7.00  
11-SONG CD ..... \$10.00



Hilary wears the Metroschifter *Lunar Module* short sleeve (\$11.00) while watching a show about monkeys.

It's all about **convenience** these days, isn't it?

**CAVE IN / PIEBALD Split** (Moo Cow)

A nice introduction to two up and coming bands. The Cave In song is diverse in its range going from harsh chugga chugga to catchy and sing songy melodicism. Cave In's dynamic reminds me a little of Boy Sets Fire. Piebald's sound is sort of like if Sunny Day Real Estate played a hardcore song. Moo Cow just keeps on bringing us great new bands! 2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**CEILISHRINE 2** (Foresight)

Smooth, flowing, melodic, and emotional hardcore played in the vein of Quicksand or Shift. The B side is a Smiths cover so check it out if you're into that sort of thing. 2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**CEILISHRINE Eighth Grade** (Foresight)

Quicksand like song structures and groove parts. Good emotional smooth flowing hardcore. Members of Ceilishrine went on to be in The Promise Ring. 3-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**CHAIN OF STRENGTH The One Thing That Still Holds True** (Revelation)

Fast, angry, and dedicated (sort of) straightedge music

**DAHIA SEED / GREYHOUSE Split** (Troubleman)  
This split is absolutely necessary as it is the only documentation still available of Greyhouse, who were just amazing. They had a DC-ish emo sound going on. The Dahlia Seed song is what you have come to expect from them, very emotional and pleasant on the ears.  
2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**DEMPSEY Self Titled** (Indecision)  
Dempsey features most of the members of Undertow and sounds like a carbon copy of Quicksand. So buy this if you are into Quicksand, which of course you are...  
3-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

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4-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50  
5-SONG CS ..... \$4.00  
5-SONG CD ..... \$6.00

**SEE DESPAIR LIVE**  
April 18 Pittsburgh, PA with Strife and Brother's Keeper  
April 19 Northampton, MA at Pearl St. with Deadguy, Converge, Coalesce, etc.  
April 20 Syracuse, NY with Strife  
April 25 Boston, MA at the Flat with Cast Iron Hike  
May 2 New Britain, CT at Sports Palace with Strife and Hatebreed  
May 22 Crofton, MD at Firehall

**DESPAIR One Thousand Cries** (Trustkill)  
A CD version of the 7" that started it all. It's rawer and faster than Despair's other efforts. The CD also includes three songs from their demo and a live set from a colossal show they played in Buffalo with fellow locals Snapcase. Pick this up if you feel left out while everybody else is singing along at their shows. I wanna see some fuckin' movement!  
14-SONG CD ..... \$10.00

**DESPAIR Pattern Life** (Trustkill)  
Super tight pure anger driven hardcore from Buffalo's favorite sons. This is the follow up to their highly acclaimed *One Thousand Cries 7"*, and didn't disappoint anyone. Much heavier than before. Great recording and production too.  
10-SONG CD ..... \$10.00

**DESPAIR / NEW DAY RISING Split** (Moo Cow)  
The two Despair tracks were originally from their demo, and also appear on their *One Thousand Cries* CD. Despair's two songs are hard-hitting metallic and angry. Canada's New Day Rising play music that ranges from angry raging screaming to acoustic and heartfelt singing all in one song.

Excellent on both sides, and you better pick this up now if you want it because it's in its last pressing.  
3-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**DISEMBODIED The Confession** (Moo Cow)  
Minnesota's Disembodied play slow and sludgy evilcore. Think the massive sound of Threadbare meets the song structures of Mayday. Real good stuff.  
3-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**A DOCUMENT OF NOTHING V/A** (Second Nature)  
An awesome compilation featuring new and unreleased songs from Enkindel, Despair, Two Line Filler, Harvest, Cycle, Stedding, Walleye, Combination Grey, Endeavor, Autumn, Rain Still Falls, Converge, Surface, Jejune, and Mainspring. There's something for everyone on this compilation, and it's a great introduction if you aren't familiar with all these bands.  
15-SONG CD ..... \$10.00

**A DON PIPER SITUATION Self Titled** (Watermark)  
Lo-fi indie rock type stuff that's reminiscent of Eric's Trip. Sometimes folksy, sometimes psychedelic, always experimental. Get this if you want something that's as far from typical as it gets in our scene.  
3-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**DROWNING ROOM / VEIL Split** (Moo Cow)  
The Veil song goes from fast to slow with some of the most vicious vocals I've ever heard. Sort of similar to Bloodlet. As a matter of fact Drowning Room remind me of Bloodlet too. They offer up two heavy ass songs with monstrous vocals. I want to know how it is that nobody ever told me about either of these bands before this 7".  
3-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**EARTH MOVER Themes From Everyday Life (+/-)**  
Detroit's answer to New York Hardcore. It's heavy, powerful, straightforward, and brutal hardcore with lots of crunch and personal lyrics. Not to mention, Earth Mover is Despair's favorite band to play with in Detroit. I know you care.  
10-SONG 10" ..... \$7.00

**ELEMENTS OF NEED Self Titled** (Fountainhead / Tied Down)  
Anxious and urgent hardcore from Pennsylvania.  
3-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**ELLIOTT In Transit** (Initial)  
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not picking up where they left off is Louisville's power-blend quartet known as Elliott. Guitars that vary from swirling momentous movements reminiscent of jetliners, to modest, selective measures, yearning for inquisitive listeners, coupled with the beautifully passionate voice of Chris Higdon makes this 7" a must have for anyone. Seriously, anyone.  
2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**EMORY SWANK Self Titled** (Watermark)  
This two song 7" has a nice dreamy sound that's upbeat and poppy, like a happy sounding Samiam. The lyrics are real cool too. This one's surely a winner.  
2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**ENDPOINT The Last Record** (Doghouse)  
The final release from Louisville's hardcore superheroes. It's five songs that are more melodic and driving than previous releases. A great ending for a great band. Don't skip this record.  
5-SONG 12" ..... \$7.00  
5-SONG CD ..... \$8.00

**ENDPOINT After Taste** (Doghouse)  
A bit slower and more powerful than their other releases and even has a little metal tinge to it. As always, there's all the emotion you've come to expect from these Kentuckians on this, their third full-length release. And you can get it on cassette, too, if you're a kid on the go.  
11-SONG CS ..... \$8.00  
12-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

**ENDPOINT Catharsis** (Doghouse)  
This little gem is Endpoint's second, and in my opinion, best full-length release. Its title is more than appropriate, considering the way this record has made many people feel. Fast music with Rob's personal and social lyrics throughout. An amazing record that is often imitated, but never duplicated. A must for everyone.  
10-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00  
14-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

**ENDPOINT If The Spirits Are Willing** (Doghouse)  
A re-release of the now out-of-print Slamdek CD. *If The Spirits Are Willing* unleashes Endpoint's emotional hardcore/punk rock/heavy metal blend. You can read all about it in *Slamdek A To Z*.  
17-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00  
17-SONG CD ..... \$11.00



Welcome to Initial Home of Louisville, Kentucky.

✦ **ENDPOINT Idiots** (Doghouse)

A CD-version of the now out-of-print "Idiots" 7" that has four songs of Endpoint paying homage to some of the bands that influenced and inspired them. The songs covered are Rites Of Spring, Misfits, Malignant Growth, and Embrace.

4-SONG CD ..... \$7.00

✦ **ENGINE KID Heater Sweats Nails** (Troubleman)

The last ever recording from Engine Kid. Hear the amazing mix of power and melody for yourself. Get this now because it's almost out-of-print.

2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

✦ **ENGINE KID Angel Wings** (Revelation)

Engine Kid's sound is a unique and dynamic blend of progressive jazz style hardcore ala Iceburn and discordant riffage. It's also very cathartic going from slow whispering vocals to all out screaming. Several parts of this record remind me a lot of Slint. That's right, I said, "Slint."

12-SONG 2x12" ..... \$10.00

11-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

✦ **ENKINDEL Some Assembly Required** (Initial)

Snake thinks that because he goes to college now that Enkindel's a college rock band, well a community college rock band that is. There's nothing college about this rock. This is the sparkling debut from the band with the plan: Go on tour, cause lots of trouble, and have fun! Keeping with the tradition of Midwestern emo-core, this gem of a record is super catchy, has lots of melody, and of course, your recommended daily allowance of sing along choruses. *Dogprint* fanzine says, "One of the best of the year!" Oh yeah, these guys just changed their name to The Enkindels. Did I mention that he goes to school for free? It's cause he's not "stable" so to speak, according to the State of Kentucky.

10-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00

10-SONG CD ..... \$9.00

✦ **ENKINDEL Self Titled** (Initial)

With this release, Enkindel (pronounced en-KIN-dil) delivers a familiar blend of driving yet melodic hardcore. It's the kind that comes from Louisville. Don't act like you don't know what I'm talking about. Includes the Enkindel classic "Open Fields."

3-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

4-SONG CD ..... \$6.00

✦ **ENKINDEL vs EMPATHY Vinyl For Fools** (Toothless)

A split 7" delivered by two of the premiere hardcore bands from the Midwest. This 7" includes songs from both of these bands that are not available elsewhere. A must if you are a fan of either of these bands, or a great introduction if you are a't familiar with either of them.

4-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

✦ **ENSIGN Self Titled** (Indecision)

The first release from NJ/NY's Ensign. It's energetic and positive hardcore played with plenty of power. Good sing-a-long style choruses too. Oh yeah, it was produced by none other than Lou of Sick Of It All fame.

4-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

5-SONG CD ..... \$7.00

✦ **EVEL The Trial Separation Anxiety Project** (Foresight)

Evel offers up a heavy, abrasive, and abstract style of rock on this 7". It's along the lines of The Melvins when it comes to the fast grooves and screaming vocals, then it breaks into some nice spacey tangents.

4-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

✦ **EXTENT Issue #8**

It's really quite simple. You just can't lose with this zine. Not only is it 88 pages and partially full-color, but comes with a 22-song CD as well. The disc features Despair, Hot Water Music, One King Down, Skankin Pickle, Collateral Damage, Eleven Thirty-Four, and many more. Let's not forget the H2O, Redemption 87, 454 Big Block, Mark Waters of Goldenrod and Foundation skateboards, and Fluf interviews. Just order it already.

88-PAGE ZINE and CD ..... \$4.00

✦ **FALLING FORWARD Hand Me Down** (Initial)

This is definitely one of the best hardcore records ever! Super melodic vocals with soft to moshy music to die for. This album is a proverbial roller coaster ride through your emotions, and if you don't own it your missing out big time. The CD includes the out-of-print *Let This Day Pass* 7".

6-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00

10-SONG CD ..... \$9.00

✦ **FALLING FORWARD Self Titled** (Doghouse / Initial)

This 2-song 7" captures the beloved teetotalers in their final moments together. The compact disc version is a four-song chef-d'oeuvre including the two songs from this record, as well as the two songs from their split 7"

with Metroschifter. Another brilliant offering from Falling Forward.

2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

4-SONG CD ..... \$6.00

✦ **FALLING FORWARD & THE METROSCHIFTER**

**Acoustic** (Initial)

Two of Louisville's favorite sons have teamed up to bring you an acoustic offering, so that you can finally stop wondering what these amazing bands would have sounded like before there was electricity. To quote *Heartattack*, "Fuck! The Falling Forward songs are sooooo good!" Like, duh.

4-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

✦ **FARSIDE Self Titled** (Revelation)

The newest offering from CA's Farside and their catchiest yet. As if they could even be any catchier. It's up-tempo melodic post punk at its best. Check out the Hüsker Dü cover tune on the CD!

4-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

6-SONG CD ..... \$8.00

✦ **FARSIDE Rigged** (Revelation)

Farside's second full-length, and it rocks just as hard as the first one. It's a little more poppy than previous work. Definitely a nice progression. We recommend playing this record on a cool summer night while hanging out with your significant other.

10-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00

10-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

✦ **FARSIDE Rochambeau** (Revelation)

The debut full-length from California's Farside. Really catchy melodic and emotional skaterock type hardcore. The CD includes the *Keep My Soul Awake* 7".

10-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00

14-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

✦ **FELL ON EVIL DAYS Issue #4**

Another awesome effort from James McKraken. It's only a matter of time until people catch on to this awesome zine from Michigan. This issue features interviews with Despair, The Enkindels, Lifetime, and The Get Up Kids, along with some personal writings, lots of reviews and a nominal number of ads. And we won't forget to mention the great layout as well. Oh yeah, Ron's good.

32-PAGE ZINE ..... \$2.00

Friendly people. Fast service. **Home delivery.**





**FIELDTREE Fleas In His Collar** (Winter)

This Michigan band have a melodic DC feel to them with some emotional spazziness thrown in for good measure. Solid song structures and good consistency.  
2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**THE GET UP KIDS Self Titled** (Huey Proudhon)

This is about as good as it gets! Think of a poppier version of Sunny Day Real Estate meets Promise Ring. You'll be singing along in no time. Expect big things from these Kansas City kids and look for a new release from them on Doghouse real soon.  
2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**GORILLA BISCUITS Self Titled** (Revelation)

The first offering from the biggest band on Revelation. Fast paced, sing-along style hardcore. NYHC the fun way. Civ, ever heard of 'em?  
7-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50  
12-SONG CD ..... \$8.00

**GORILLA BISCUITS Start Today** (Revelation)

Go back to Hardcore 101 if you don't have this yet. This record is so important that it's meaning is beyond comprehension. Probably the best sing-along style melodic hardcore record ever. Why do cats and dogs have all the luck? The CD has lots of extra goodies.  
12-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00  
12-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

**GRAY BEFORE MY EYES Self Titled** (Moo Cow)

The music played by this Florida band ranges from slow with spoken vocals to bursts of heaviness and screaming. The lyrics cover the topic of violence and abuse inflicted upon women and children. Definitely a band with something to say.  
2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

✦ **GREEN RAGE Self Titled** (Reflection)

It's all in the name. This is the other Syracuse, NY vegan band. The vocals are piercing and angry taking a militant stand on animal liberation. The music is superheavy and metallic hardcore like vegan brethren Earth Crisis.  
4-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

✦ **GUILT Further** (Victory)

The last and final offering from Guilt. This time the music is much heavier and more direct than on *Bardstoun Ugly Box*. Cross the sound of *Synesthesia*

with the songs of *Bardstoun Ugly Box* and that's what you can expect. Nothing short of another awesome record from Guilt!

6-SONG 10" ..... \$7.00  
6-SONG CD ..... \$9.00

✦ **GUILT Bardstoun Ugly Box** (Victory)

Recorded by Bob Weston at Steve's house in Chicago this Guilt record is less produced than *Synesthesia* (go figure) but still retains the power and emotion that made Guilt fun. Feel some Guilt, you just can't go wrong.

8-SONG 12" ..... \$6.00  
8-SONG CD ..... \$9.00

✦ **GUILT Synesthesia** (Initial)

If there's such a thing as emo death metal then this is it. Super thick guitars, tortured screaming, and drumming that is always where it needs to be. This Guilt release is much heavier than their other efforts.

6-SONG 10" ..... \$6.00

12-SONG CD ..... \$9.00

**GUILT Empty?** (Initial)

The classic debut 7" from Guilt. It's angry, tearing, and emotional; fulminating the burdens of this hierarchal society. Everything a hardcore record should be. According to *Trustkill* fanzine this record is "fucking monumental." Oh yeah, that's about right.  
5-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**GUILTY BY ASSOCIATION V/A** (Indecision)

An awesome compilation featuring all new songs from California's finest in hardcore. We're talking about Eleven Thirty Four (ex-members of Function), Frown, Mean Season, Triggerman, Kill Holiday, Blackspot, Second Coming, Collateral Damage, Ignite, Redemption 87 (ex-members of Token Entry and Unit Pride), Parades End (ex-members of Outspoken and Remain), Palefire, Within A Lie, and Caste (ex-members of Outspoken and Chorus Of Disapproval). A great introduction to some up and coming bands!  
14-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00  
14-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

**GUYVER-ONE Self Titled** (Inchworm)

The fact that these guys hail from San Diego should give you an idea of the sound. Painful, bleeding throat screaming, with extremely abrasive and discordant slow to fast music. Of courses there's chunky breaks. Don't be silly. Think UOA.  
5-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

Old school style hardcore from Buffalo's own youth crew. Go!!!

5-SONG CD ..... \$8.00

✦ **HARVEST Incision** (Trustkill)

If you're not familiar with Harvest, think Bloodlet and Damnation AD. Scary, tuned down, all out screaming by these boys from Minnesota. Two lengthy songs of incredible aggression.  
2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

✦ **HARVEST Worn Through The Layer Of Separation** (Ferret)

Four more songs of heavy and tight evilcore from these Minnesotans. Think Bloodlet meets Damnation AD.  
4-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

✦ **HEDGE Shackles On My Feet** (Three Little Girls)

Five guys from the suburbs of Louisville who sound like they have listened to their fair share of Fugazi.  
2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**HINCKLEY Self Titled** (Center)

Politically oriented hardcore from Chicago. Nice Franklin Class No. 75 hand-screened manila envelope packaging.  
6-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**HOLOCRON / REVERSAL OF MAN Self Titled** (Intention)

A split LP from Holocron, who hail from Canada, and Reversal of Man, from Florida. These are two bands that like to play discordant, windy, and abrasive emcore type stuff. This LP comes with a thick zine full of lyrics, writings, and the sort. Real DIY packaging that gets the job done.  
14-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00

**HOT WATER MUSIC Fuel For The Hate Game** (No Idea / Toybox)

The newest full-length from Florida's emcore heroes.

It's got a real emo sound kind of like Fuel crossed with one of those Louisville bands. Real heartfelt and intense vocals. This is really good.

11-SONG CD ..... \$10.00

**HOT WATER MUSIC Eating The Filler** (Toybox)

This 7" is emotional and rockin, but still stays upbeat. Cross the DC sound with the Louisville sound and you've got Hot Water Music.  
2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

✦ **HULA HOOP Self Titled** (Three Little Girls)

The first release from Louisville's own pop sensation since Rachel left the band to be in, well, the Rachel's Band. It's limited to 500, so get one now.  
2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

Chris relaxes in his Despair long sleeve (\$13.00) while reading *Slamdek A to Z* (\$13.00).

You can't learn anything in a mosh pit. **Read a book.**

**HAL AL SHEDAD Self Titled** (Troubleman)

Troubleman says this is the band everyone will sound like in three years. I guess we'll see, won't we? In case you didn't know Hal Al Shedad feature ex-members of Car vs Driver. The sound is down-beat, with lots of changes, and whiny fall on the floor and scream your head off vocals. Hey, I know lots of bands that sound like this now! Great packaging too.

11-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00  
11-SONG CD ..... \$10.00

**HALFMAST Deny Their Vision** (Ambassador)

Andy sports his Initial Records short sleeve (\$11.00, or free with any order of \$100 or more) while Jason wears the Falling Forward long sleeve (\$13.00).

You know what they say, "You can't take it with you."

**I HATE YOU Seven Inches Of Hate** (Tied Down)

Sing along style hateXedge from the most sarcastic city in our scene, Philadelphia. It's real energetic and fast, and sounds a lot like the first Gorilla Biscuits 7". That's a good thing. This 7" rocks.  
8-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**ICEBURN COLLECTIVE Meditavolutions** (Revelation)

More mischief from the fine people in Iceburn. This one's 70 more minutes of their inimitable jazz / improvisation / hardcore insanity.

11-SONG 2x12" ..... \$10.00

9-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

**ICEBURN / ENGINE KID Split** (Revelation)

Seattle's two favorite sons team up to bring you a split filled with offbeat musically talented jazz influenced hardcore. Jazz influenced hardcore? Who ever heard of such a thing.

3-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00

5-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

**ICEBURN Poetry Of Fire** (Revelation)

More innovation from these non-stop jazz rockers. Be mesmerized by the kings of improvisation.

3-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00

5-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

**ICEBURN Joseph Smith Sessions** (Art Monk)

Boldly going where no band has gone before is Iceburn. These guys are just plain weird, but cool nonetheless. Side B is a Miles Davis cover. Love 'em or hate 'em, you can have 'em for \$3.50.  
2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**IGNITE / GOOD RIDDANCE Split** (Revelation)

A split 7" featuring two Southern California bands. Ignite offers up more of their trademark powerful and fast melodic hardcore while Good Riddance play some intelligent and witty pop punk tunes. One of the Ignite songs is a Bad Brains cover.

4-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**IGNITE Past Our Means** (Revelation)

Ex-members of such legendary bands as No For An Answer, and Uniform Choice. It's old school, powerful, fast, melodic, and positive.

6-SONG 12" ..... \$7.00

6-SONG CD ..... \$8.00

**IN FLIGHT PROGRAM Revelation Records Collection '97** (Revelation)

This is the deal of the century. A specially low priced CD with 74 minutes of music from your favorite Revelation bands of the past and present. Includes tracks from Texas Is The Reason, Chain Of Strength, Sparkmarker, Youth Of Today, Gorilla Biscuits, Quicksand, Inside Out, Shelter, Burn, Engine Kid, and more. It doesn't make sense not to buy it!

26-SONG CD ..... \$5.00

**INK AND DAGGER Drive This Seven Inch Wooden Stake Through My Philadelphia Heart** (Initial)

This certainly isn't your typical Initial release because Ink And Dagger certainly aren't your typical band. *Useless* fanzine says, "You've been under a rock to have not heard the buzz surrounding this band." Imagine if you crossed the idealism of The Misfits with the intricate music of Swiz. Think bloodsucking, theft of souls, nocturnal adventures, and punk rock. That's Ink And Dagger.

4-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

10-SONG CD ..... \$9.00

**INSIDE OUT No Spiritual Surrender** (Revelation)

This is it! The best 7" in the history of hardcore. The most abrasive, angry, raging, ultra heavy and political record I know of. You're soooo not hardcore if you don't own this record. I guess Zak is in some other band now, but I can't remember their name.

4-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

4-SONG CD ..... \$8.00

**INTO ANOTHER Seemless** (Revelation)

The latest and probably greatest offering from NY's Into Another. It's on a major, so all we have is the vinyl. Therefore, buy the vinyl! More of the cyber-rock that we're used to hearing from Into Another, it's just more powerful and refined than before.

11-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00

**INTO ANOTHER Poison Fingers** (Revelation)

Some new songs along with some redone ones. You vegans and vegetarians should invest, because 100% of the proceeds from this record will be donated to PETA.

3-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

3-SONG CD ..... \$7.00

**INTO ANOTHER Ignaurus** (Revelation)

Wow. By now you either love them or hate them, so if you're a lover you know just how amazing this album is. It's their second full-length and less metal and a bit more on the mellow side. There seems to be kind of a classical influence this time and Richie's vocals just get better and better.

9-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00

9-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

**INTO ANOTHER Creepy Eepy** (Revelation)

An immediate follow-up to their self-titled debut. It's four more songs of their Black Sabbath style riffing and Richie's awesome vocals. The third song is my favorite, a genuine rock epic.

4-SONG 12" ..... \$7.00

4-SONG CD ..... \$8.00

**INTO ANOTHER Self Titled** (Revelation)

The fantastic debut featuring Richie from Underdog on the mic and Drew from Bold on drums. Don't expect to hear an influence from either of the aforementioned bands though. It's more like a metal/rock album in the likes of Black Sabbath. Great debut.

9-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00

9-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

**JACKHAMMER Self Titled** (Initial)

We have a few of these left. So order it if you want to complete the Initial collection. Oh yeah, it sounds exactly like Integrity. These guys are sooo pissed!  
4-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**JAKS Self Titled** (Makoto)

This sounds like U.O.A. meets Gang Of Four. Noisy guitars, driving rhythms, and a cool mix of male and female vocals.  
2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**JIHAD Old Testament** (Makoto)

Hold your breath no longer, the Jihad CD is finally out! Now all of the songs they have ever recorded up to now are available again on one easy to use format. Jihad = crazycore. It's totally fast and heavy music with sickening throat full of glass vocals. Join the Jihad militia today. Ten bucks gets you membership that includes a CD and nothing else. It's a steal!  
25-SONG CD ..... \$10.00

**JOSHUA Self Titled** (Immigrant Sun)

Post hardcore groovin ala Shift meets Split Lip. Great vocals and excellent packaging. Now signed to Doghouse Records.  
6-SONG CD ..... \$7.00

**JUDGE Bringin' It Down** (Revelation)

The original metal hardcore straightedge album, and another Revelation classic. In fact, this record is so good they recorded it twice. And we won't forget to mention that the phrase "[insert word here] can suck it" all started here. Guest starring Sammy and Porcell of Gorilla Biscuits and Youth Of Today fame.  
9-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00  
14-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

**JUDGE New York Crew** (Revelation)

This is the record that still to this day inspires legions of straightedge kids across the globe to put on those X-ed up construction gloves. Includes such ditties as "New York Crew" and "Warriors."  
5-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**JUDGE The Storm** (Revelation)

If you want to see (hear) the more emotional side of Judge than listen to this record, or read the interview in *Anti Matter*. It's the heavy-ass metallic crunches that you love and respect Judge for.  
2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50  
3-SONG CD ..... \$7.00

**K COMPOSITE MAGAZINE**

Snazzy, good-looking zine with interviews of people you've never heard of. It's been acclaimed by *Rolling Stone*, *Harper's*, *The Chicago Tribune*, *Sassy*, and National Public Radio. A little pricey compared to other zines, but well worth it.

**#1 (1991):** Keith Allison, Breck Pipes, Kim Sampson, Peter Searcy, Karen Sheets, John Weiss.  
24-PAGE ZINE ..... \$2.00

**#2 (1992):** Bill Barbot, Alice Davenport, Carrie Osborne, Layla Smith.  
24-PAGE ZINE ..... \$2.00

**#3 (1993):** Christi Canfield, Chad Castetter, Melissa Middleton, Jeremy Podgursky, Jay Robbins, Josh Sachs.  
12-PAGE ZINE ..... \$2.00

**#4 (1994):** Max Dollinger, Tim Furnish, Michael Jarboe, Pat McClimans, Andy Polk, Betsy Porter, Kathryn Tillet, Kristin Wilhelm.  
24-PAGE ZINE ..... \$2.00

**#5 (1995):** Duncan Barlow, Rachel Cox, Lizi Hagan, Zack Frazier, Tucker Yingling.  
20-PAGE ZINE ..... \$2.00

**#6 (1996):** Hilary Newton, Joey Yates, Matthew Loesser, Jason Noble, EJ Kelleman.  
32-PAGE ZINE ..... \$2.00

**K COMPOSITE MAGAZINE First Five Issues of...**

Issues 1 through 5 of *K Composite Magazine* as a handy, spiral-bound book. Twenty-nine interviews in their original formats/Includes a short introduction

and a nice cardstock cover.  
108-PAGE BOOK ..... \$8.50

**KEROSENE 454 Two For Flinching** (Art Monk)

Kerosene 454 definitely threw their hard earned hat into the ring with this '93 debut. A quintessential 7" that lays the foundation for the K-454's mid-tempo, post-hardcore, post-emo, post-what-ever-the-hell-you-want-to-throw-at-'em, because they're gonna hurl it right the hell back.  
3-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**KEROSENE 454 Blown Clean** (Art Monk)

This release seems to have more of a Lincoln influence, and tends to be more musically-inclined than other K-454 releases.  
3-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**KEROSENE 454 Down In Three** (Art Monk)

Your basic K-454 sound, except this one is a little harder and driving on the guitar.  
2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**KILL The Planet Called Earth** (American Commercial)

The third and final Kill release comes to life as their drum machine is replaced with Tony Bailey of Crain. Angry, angst-ridden, and catchy, all at the same time. It's a reissue of their 7" on Better Days Records from 1993. Jason Hayden of the Web plays bass in this band whose sound alludes to old Unsane.  
3-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**KILL HOLIDAY / DEMPSEY Split** (Indecision)

Kill Holiday, who feature ex-members of Unbroken and Amenity, offer up some real catchy emotional pop songs with nasally vocals. The Dempsey side is more melodic and sounds just like Shift. You'll like this CD.  
4-SONG CD ..... \$7.00

**KING G & THE J KREW Indestructible Songs of the Humpback Whale** (Slamdek/Hell 'N' Ready)

This massive pre-Rodan/Rachel's/June of 44/Sonora Pine mega-production rap project is the ultimate in creativity. 60 minutes of conscious lyrics, infectious beats, and a cast of instrumentation. Guest appearances with members of Crain, Love Jones, and Big Wheel. Includes their Midnight Star/Slint cover medley from the 1991 Slamdek Christmas tape, and a 40-page booklet which you couldn't possibly ever finish reading.  
16-SONG CD ..... \$10.00

**KINGHORSE Too Far Gone** (Slamdek)

A 54-minute disc released in 1994 that includes ALL of Kinghorse's previously unreleased studio recordings, and more. Its 19 songs were recorded from 1988 to 1992. Most tracks remixed by Tim Kimsey, with others remastered from the original tapes produced by Howie Gano (Squirrel Bait, Bastro). Comes with extensive liner notes, lyrics, recording information, and a hilarious essay by their former agent at Caroline Records. A must-have for any fan of Louisville's music, as this was one of the city's most locally influential groups.  
19-SONG CD ..... \$10.00

**LAND OF GREED WORLD OF NEED VIA** (Watermark)

First of all, you should order this because it's a benefit compilation, and helping those in need feels good. It's all your favorite bands providing you with their interpretations of Embrace songs. The players are Avail, Rancid, Sparkmarker, Lifetime, Farside, Outspoken, etc.  
14-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00

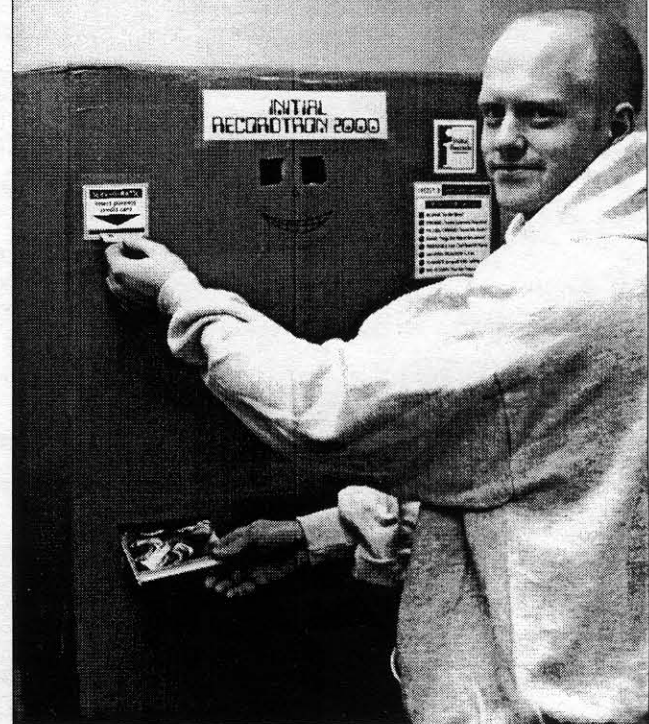
**LESS THAN JAKE Slayer** (No Idea)

One more piece of evidence to help prove my theory correct that everybody listens to Slayer. It's Florida's punk ska heroes doing their interpretation of Slayer's "Evil Has No Boundaries" and "Antichrist."  
2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

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## RECORDTRON 2000



Chris Higdon is pictured receiving a Despair CD dispensed by a prototype model of the INITIAL RECORDTRON 2000. Soon, record stores will be obsolete and you will be able to select quality hardcore music titles and tasty snack foods all in one stop. The model Chris is shown with currently accepts Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Victory, and Discover cards. (Photo by Frank Davidson).



❖ **LESS THAN JAKE Mixology** (No Idea)

No, it's not a typo. Yes, it's really a 5" record. Two more pop ska ditties from Florida's punk ska heroes. Upbeat and catchy, just like usual.

2-SONG 5" ..... \$3.50

**LOCKSTEP / JAQUAY Split** (Diffusion)

Two bands on the emocore tip. Lockstep play slowed down and driving hardcore with painful vocals. Jaquay play more aggressive and chaotic hardcore in the vein of Hoover.

3-SONG 7" ..... \$3.00

**MEDICINE MAN Cead Mile Failure** (Thrashing Mad)

Just when you've settled on it being a typical thrash / hardcore record, some stimulating leads and tempo changes are catapulted in to keep the flavor.

4-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

♣ **METROSCHIFTER For The Love Of Basic Cable**

(Foresight)

An amazing 7" by The Metroschifter to say the least! This all-star cast plays discordant stop and go strained music with screamed lyrics. It's like Drive Like Jehu meets Threadbare.

2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

♣ **METROSCHIFTER Fort Saint Metroschifter** (Doghouse)

Recorded by Bob Weston, their second album expands on the ideas of the *For the Love of Basic Cable* 7". An insane dose of analog flanging make you feel like you're on an airplane the whole time you're listening to it. *No Labels* calls it "the Pink Floyd of hardcore." *US Rocker* calls it "the most distinctive Louisville record since *Spiderland*." And *Magnet* calls it "Nearly unbearable."

6-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00

10-SONG CD ..... \$12.00

♣ **METROSCHIFTER Number One For a Second** (Doghouse)

house)

Two songs recorded at the same time as *Fort Saint Metroschifter*. The first ("650 Miles") is a cover co-written by Matthew Ronay of the Telephone Man, while the second side ("Piddle Looper") is an original, quiet-and-soft to fast-and-loud instrumental.

2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

♣ **METROSCHIFTER Generation Rx** (Doghouse)

Metroschifter takes another right-angle turn with this brand new, all-acoustic full length. Its fifteen songs include a few covers and instrumentals thrown in for good measure. With no drums at all, Metroschifter uses this record to make their sound much more like Kentucky and a lot less like Louisville.

15-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00

15-SONG CD ..... \$12.00

♣ **SCOTT RITCHER & METROSCHIFTER Let's Get This Party Started** (Initial)

This cassette is a brand new limited edition release. Its eight songs include two live tracks, demos of four songs from 1993, and two brand new unmixed studio rock songs with strings by Christian Frederickson of the Rachel's. This tape is totally DIY, handmade, and only available through this catalog and at Schifter shows. Get it while you can!

8-SONG cassette ..... \$5.00

**MID CARSON JULY Turn The Radio Down** (Alone / Swing Kingdom)

Ex-members of Deckard and Vigil bring you 3 infectious mid-tempo melodic ditties that will have you singing along in no time. The buzz these guys have generated is well deserved.

3-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

❖ **MORNING AGAIN Self Titled** (Intention)

Monestrous metal influenced hardcore from these Florida dwellers. It's the old singer and guitarist from Culture. This is damn good evilcore, and the copies we have are on clear vinyl. Yes, clear vinyl!

2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

❖ **MORNING AGAIN / SHOULDER Split** (Moo Cow)

I'm not sure how these two great bands with totally different styles ended up on one record together, but that's not important. What's important is how awesome this record is. Get it if you're not familiar with either of these bands. See above Morning Again review for their sound. Canada's Shoulder play post hardcore similar to Split Lip, but more hardcore.

2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**NEW DAY RISING / ATLAS SHRUGGED Split** (Moo Cow)

Canada's New Day Rising play music that ranges from angry raging screaming to acoustic and heartfelt singing all in one song. Atlas Shrugged play a moody style of New York hardcore along the lines of Burn.

3-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**NEW YORK CITY HARDCORE The Way It Is compilation** (Revelation)

I can remember being in tenth grade back in 1989 and stealing this classic compilation of New York's finest hardcore bands from Harmony House. (Don't tell anyone because the statute of limitations isn't up yet, and I don't want to get into trouble.) This essential vitamin to NYC hardcore diet includes Bold, Gorilla Biscuits, Youth Of Today, Sick Of It All, Side By Side, the best Supertouch song there is, and more.

17-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00

17-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

**NINEIRONSPITFIRE Seventh Soul Sacrificed** (Indecision)

This is the first release from Seattle's newest hardcore

2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**OVERCAST Begging For Indifference** (Edison)

Devastating and brutal devilcore from the depths of Boston. An intense, furious, emotional and evil hardcore groove with fierce sick and tortured vocals. This stuff is mean!

2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

4-SONG CD ..... \$7.00

**PHANTOM PREGNANCIES Special Child** (Troubleman)

Featuring members of Huggy Bear, their sound is a mix of raw garage music and trashy sound with lo-fi, but dancable rhythms. The 7" has seven songs on it. That should do you in.

7-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**PUNG Danarchy** (No Idea)

Fast and furious punk rock with melodic vocals, just the way punk rock is supposed to sound. Like it should be on Lookout or something. The guy on the cover is flipping the bird. Now that's punk!

2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

❖ **QUICKSAND Self Titled** (Revelation)

Oh my god, Walter is soooo hot! I wonder if anybody has ever told them that they sound like Shift? No, seriously, this record is essential, and in my opinion their best stuff. If anything, you should have this so you'll know what everybody is talking about when they say, "they sound like Quicksand."

4-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

4-SONG CD ..... \$8.00

**QUIXOTE Self Titled** (Makoto)

This band features Joel Wick of Jihad fame. Not to mention he's the Kalamazoo scenester of the year eight years running. That must be some kind of record! Oh yeah, the 7" sounds like Drive Like Jehu meets Kerosene

# Monkeys. I hate the word, like I hate thee

champs. Featuring members of Undertow, this release is full of piss and, and chaotic noise similar to what you would expect from Deadguy, or Today Is The Day. The CD includes their demo. *No Labels* fanzine says, "You just can't go wrong with these guys." I agree.

4-SONG 12" ..... \$3.50

7-SONG CD ..... \$8.00

**NO FUN AT ALL Out Of Bounds** (Revelation)

If you're into the Epitaph sound than you won't want to miss this! Really awesome fast pop-punk that reminds me a lot of the first Pennywise record. This is the good stuff.

14-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

**NO LABELS Issue #4**

One quick flip through this zine is all you'll need to see why No Labels is quickly becoming the most revered zine on the East Coast. Another great layout including an amazing cover illustration by Melinda Beck, interviews with Metroschifter, Neurosis, Bloodlet, Orange 9mm, and Iceburn make this zine well worth the three bucks. There's also more than the legal limit of record reviews and ads.

64-PAGE ZINE ..... \$3.00

**ONE NATURE Perfect Birthdefect** (Trustkill)

Youthful vocals, crunchy guitar riffs, and speedy percussion blend together to form some excellent slices of punk rock. If you like Seven Seconds style oh-oh's, then be sure to pick this up.

2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

❖ **OVERCAST / ARISE Split** (Moo Cow)

One slick 7" from two of Boston's finest. Overcast kick an evil tune from the same recording session as the Edison Records 7". The Arise sound is comprised of killer abstract heaviness, with crazy screamed vocals.

454, which is good.

2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**RADON In Your Home** (No Idea)

Amazingly catchy feel good pop punk from Radon, (not to be confused with Rodan) Reminds me of Weston, but it's a little less whiney. Cool 7".

4-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**RAIN STILL FALLS Fence** (Watermark)

Melodic and driving emocore that's real catchy. This release is very aggressive and just blows away their previous stuff. If you're already a fan than this will make you happy.

2-SONG CS ..... \$3.50

♣ **RODAN How The Winter Was Passed** (Three Little Girls)

We got the last ones. Order now or forever hold your peace. Rodan's debut vinyl release contains two songs, "Milk and Melancholy" and "Exoskeleton." This was released after their independent *Aviary* cassette and prior to their LP on Quarterstick. A genuine relic of 1993 and a nice introduction to their much-hyped sound.

2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**ROOSEVELT'S INAUGURAL PARADE Self Titled** (Initial)

One word: style. This 7" is full of it and will leave you begging for more. The melodic, flowing female vocals led *Heartattack* to describe these songs as "a perfect blend of aggression and melody." *Punk Planet* says, "definitely in the running for the best 7" of 1996." Well, it's 1997 now, and the only enemy of something good is the prospect of something better, which is why Roosevelt's Inaugural Parade broke up and four of the members became King For A Day.

2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**SAMUEL Lives Of Insects** (Art Monk)

This is straight forward, hook-filled rock / punk that greets like Husker Du and Superchunk did their share to define. Awesome endearing female vocals from Vanessa formerly of Junction. Samuel also has Eric from Wind Of Change doing the percussion work.  
2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**SARIN Self Titled** (Immigrant Sun)

Former members of Ithaca's Birthrite have decided to explore the realm of fast, melodic punk rock.  
3-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**SCOUT Self Titled** (Moo Cow)

Heavily layered guitars that go into chaotic discord with intensely screamed and sometimes sung vocals. This Atlanta bands is somewhat similar to Swiz.  
2-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**SENSE FIELD Building** (Revelation)

If God was a man and sang this is what he would sound like, or maybe this is what it sounds like to be a man and sing about God. Seriously, this is an incredible and spiritual record with some of the best vocals you could ever fathom. It's O.K. to like Sense Field even if God isn't your thing because the lyrics are abstract enough to apply to your own subject matter of choice. Some of my friends freak out for this band.  
13-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00  
13-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

**SENSE FIELD Self Titled**

(Revelation)  
This record is basically a reissue of the first two self released Sense Field records. It also

7-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00  
7-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

**SYNONYM Self Titled** (Trustkill)

Two songs of pure melodic pop punk that make you feel good, and an acoustic track to roast marshmallows to. Very heartfelt stuff that is comparable to Samiam or that one Sunny Day something or other band.  
3-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**SHOTMAKER Mouse Ear** (Troubleman)

Another fine release from these Canadians. More of the intense and energetic spazzcore you've come to expect from them, but this time with a little more melody. Get this if you like Unwound.  
10-SONG 12" ..... \$7.00  
10-SONG CD ..... \$10.00

♣ **SLAMDEK A TO Z** by K. Scott Ritcher (Initial)

This 219-page book, with a 21 song CD is a first hand account of the label whose name became synonymous with "Louisville" for thousands of music lovers. Each of the Slamdek Record Company's 45 releases (and more) are fully documented with 250 photographs and contributions from over 30 writers. The disc includes unavailable tracks by Rodan, Metroschifter, Jawbox, End-point, Sunspring, Crain, and more. Slamdek was a Louisville label from 1986 to 1995, and was known for launching those bands as well as sponsoring a weekly live radio broadcast, a high school girls' field hockey team, and a punk rock festival among other things.  
219-PAGE BOOK with a 21-SONG CD ..... \$13.00

speed duplicator in action. Comes packaged with complete liner notes copied by the 5090 itself. Recorded at Kimko's near the University of Louisville while running actual orders for customers. Created with the cooperation of Xerox Corporation.  
7-TRACK 7" ..... \$3.50

♣ **SPARKMARKER Atomos** (No Idea)

Another awesome release from one of hardcore's best kept secrets and most sincere bands. The sound is a supertight, heavy groove with dramatic and soulful vocals. These guys are on Crisis now, so hopefully they'll get the recognition they deserve. Buy this 7" now if you want it because it's in its last pressing.  
3-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**SPLIT LIP Songs You May Or May Not Have Heard Before** (Doghouse)

This ten-track CD contains the first Split Lip 7" from way back in 1992, as well as a handful of other oddities and rarities. Three songs from a live show in Massachusetts, and songs pulled from various compilations comprise the rest. The highlight is their cover of Midnight Oil's "Beds Are Burning." This CD is a nice supplement to your record collection and fills in the holes between *For the Love of the Wounded* and *Fate's Got a Driver*.  
10-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

**SPLIT LIP For The Love Of The Wounded** (Doghouse)

The classic debut full-length release from the Indianapolis quintet that made everybody say, "Wow, I didn't know anybody lived in Indianapolis." It's melodic, it's influential, it's a vital piece of the bridge between hardcore and college rock. In case you didn't know, they later changed their name to Chamberlain.  
11-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00  
11-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

**STARKWEATHER Into The Wire** (Edison)

This record is an emotional outpouring done in a unique way. It hits both ends of the spectrum, going from awe-inspiring brutally eerie music, to beautiful haunting and flowing singing that changes back into deep anger ridden growling.  
6-SONG 12" ..... \$7.00  
6-SONG CS ..... \$7.00  
6-SONG CD ..... \$9.00

**STATE OF THE NATION Self Titled** (Revelation)

If ever there was an overrated band on Revelation, it would have to be State Of The Nation. These guys are about one thing, and one thing only: Revolution. They have a nice melodic post-punk sound with repetitive riffage that's easy on the ears. These guys could easily give Rage Against The Machine a run for the money when it comes to politics.  
10-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00  
10-SONG CD ..... \$10.00

**STATUE Filter The Infection** (Revelation)

Statue boasts ex-members of Chain Of Strength, but this is not quite like Chain Of Strength. It's more like DC-ish post hardcore done with an amazing rocking style. Sort of like Verbal Assault. This record is absolutely essential in my opinion. Don't miss out.  
4-SONG 12" ..... \$7.00  
4-SONG CD ..... \$8.00

♣ **SOUNDS OF THE XEROX 5090 K Composite presents...** (K Composite Media)

A spectacularly unique record. Twelve minutes of stereophonic, digitally recorded noises of the Xerox 5090 high-

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includes two songs that were recorded right before they recorded for their *Killer For Less* full-length.  
14-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00  
14-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

**SENSE FIELD Killed For Less**

(Revelation)  
This band was the next step for CA's Reason To Believe, because it's basically the same members. It's melodic hardcore with an eighties type rock feel to it. Beautifully sung vocals with spiritual lyrics.  
14-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00  
14-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

**SEVEN YEARS WAR Ranks Of The Common People**

(Moo Cow)  
Politically oriented hardcore. Harsh and slurred vocals with heavy and abstract music along the lines of 108 or Resurrection. A good follow up to their 7".  
10-SONG CD ..... \$10.00

**SHADES APART Save It** (Revelation)

These guys have been around forever, and are among the leaders of the let's go from old school melodic hardcore to nice melodic pop-punk school. Got it? Good. Give this band the respect they deserve.  
11-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00  
11-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

**SHILTER Perfection Of Desire** (Revelation)

Excellent melodic and tuneful Krishna-core from Ray Of Today, uh I mean Raghunath, and Porcell from Judge / Youth Or Today. Real catchy stuff.

Adele wears the Slugfest crewneck sweatshirt (\$20.00) and Sonya enjoys the Enkindels *Lucky* shortsleeve (\$11.00).

**SLUGFEST**

**Self Titled** (Initial)  
This eight-song CD has four brand new ones plus the much sought after, and out of print *Buried Alive 7"*. Featuring members of Snapcase and Despair, this CD delivers that upstate New York style of tight, pounding, superenergetic hardcore. Real catchy. Real hardcore!  
8-SONG CD ..... \$9.00

**SNAPCASE Steps** (Victory)

The newest offering from the Snapcrew lives up to all the expectations, which is saying a lot. So you won't be disappointed. This time the songs are tighter, with a cleaner sound. Need I say more? It's Snapcase.  
3-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50  
4-SONG CD ..... \$9.00

**SNAPCASE Lookinglasself** (Victory)

The debut full-length from Buffalo, NY's hardcore super-heroes. It sounds like this: Nee nee na na nee nee na na, chugga chugga, chugga chugga, nee nee na na nee nee na na, chugga chugga, chugga chugga. IN-CAR-NEY-SHUN! You need this record.  
8-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00  
8-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

**STATUE Something To Say** (Ambassador)

This is faster and more energetic than the Revelation release, but still maintains the melodic quality that us kids like so much. This is more along the lines of what you would expect from ex-members of Chain Of Strength.  
3-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50  
8-SONG CD ..... \$8.00

**♣ SUNSPRING Orange** (Slamdek)

Slamdek's official last release was this compilation of back-catalog Sunspring stuff. 72-minute pre-Metroschifter disc includes the *Sun* cassette (8/91), *Action Eleven* (10/92), *Diet Sunspring* (6/92), and other tracks pulled from various compilations. It's all been digitally remastered and comes with plenty to read.  
25-SONG CD ..... \$10.00

**♣ THE TELEPHONE MAN Castner** (Slamdek)

These two songs, recorded by Mike Baker (Guilt, Metroschifter), mark the end of the two-year trail the

hardcore band. It was recorded at DSL by Mike Baker who recorded bands like Endpoint, Falling Forward, and Enkindel, so rest assured the sound quality is excellent. Think emotional hardcore with halfway screamed / halfway sung vocals. An excellent first release.  
4-SONG CS ..... \$4.00

**TRAMLAW Law Of Averages** (Doghouse)

The debut full-length from Pat and company. This time the production is huge and so is the sound. Very emotional and at times mellow. The guitar lines and melodies go totally over-the-top where their 7" held back. But the lyrics and guitar solos completely steal the show on this record.  
9-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00  
9-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

**TRAMLAW Technology Will Save Us** (Doghouse)

The first release from the Lafayette, Indiana trio led by Pat McClimans of Metroschifter and ex-Falling Forward. Tramlaw are just getting their feet wet on this record, experimenting with the classic rock

**WORST CASE SCENARIO Self Titled** (Troubleman)

This band features current members of Unwound, and it sounds a little like Black Flag. You know, in your face, take no shit kinda music.  
3-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**YOUTH OF TODAY Break Down The Walls** (Revelation)

It's important that you own this so you have a reference to what everybody's talking about when they mention that magical year of 1988. I can remember it well. Nike high tops, champion hooded sweatshirts, and the fucking youth crew! Gooooooo!!!  
13-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00  
13-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

**YOUTH OF TODAY Self Titled** (Revelation)

This is the last recorded material from the Youth Crew. It's not as old school or fast, but still plenty melodic. Ray does more singing and less screaming.  
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**TEXAS IS THE REASON Do You Know Who You Are?** (Revelation)

The full-length you've all been waiting for. Texas Is The Reason are back with their debut full-length and this time they show better, stronger song writing ability. More of the Sunny Day Real Estate meets Samiam sound everybody seems to like so much these days. Ladies and Gentlemen, we have a winner!  
9-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00  
9-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

**TEXAS IS THE REASON Self Titled** (Revelation)

The leaders of the we sound kind of like Sunny Day Real Estate post-punk explosion. It's melodic, driving, upbeat, and emotional hardcore that you will have no choice but to like. (Everybody else likes it.) Featuring ex members of Shelter, Copper, 108, Resurrection, Fountainhead, and Support.  
3-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50  
3-SONG CD ..... \$7.00

**♣ THIS WORLD REJECTED Self Titled** (Initial)

Formerly known as Buffalo's Zero Tolerance, This World Rejected gives you a 7" full of mean and slow ultra-heavy open-E guitar crunch, along with great socially conscious antidisestablishmentarian lyrics. Very Distribution says, "Some of the heaviest mosh parts I've ever heard. Even to this day." If you're a fan of The Cromags then look no further.  
3-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**THREADBARE Escapist** (Doghouse)

The long-awaited follow-up to their *Feeling Older Faster* full-length. This time they add some melody to go along with all that power that they beat your head in with. A good ending for a truly awesome band.  
6-SONG 12" ..... \$7.00  
7-SONG CD ..... \$9.00

**THREADBARE Feeling Older Faster** (Doghouse)

These boys from Minnesota offer up heavy and noisy hardcore with lots of screaming. Great musicianship that earned them a nomination as best new band in last year's Heartattack poll.  
6-SONG 12" ..... \$7.00  
6-SONG CD ..... \$9.00

**♣ TRADEMARK Self Titled Demo**

The first release from a promising young Louisville

sound.  
3-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50  
7-SONG CD ..... \$8.00

**UNION In The Shadows** (Ferret)

It's the first CD from Buffalo's Union and you won't be disappointed. Imagine crossing 108 with Buffalo brethren Snapcase and Despair, but more metal.  
7-SONG CD ..... \$8.00

**UNWOUND Negated** (Troubleman)

Find out why this is the best-seller on Troubleman. It's Unwound's rawest recording to date. It's noisy, moody, and emotional showcasing the singing to screaming sound that they should have trademarked.  
3-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**WARRIOR'S RISING V/A** (Alone)

A compilation 7" benefit for the Animal Defense League featuring such Vegan bands as Birthrite, Stedding (ex-Framework), Contempt, and Knowledge.  
4-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**WHEEL OF PROGRESS It's Alive** (Rank & File)

This Belgium band features members of Congress, Blindfold, and Backdraft. It's hard and slow grooving metallic crunch with shouted vocals and choruses. If you like Integrity then this is for you.  
4-SONG 7" ..... \$3.50

**WHIRLPOOL Liquid Glass** (Revelation)

The new Pixies, uh I mean Whirlpool album. If you liked the last one at all, you'll love this, because the male / female vocals work much better this time around. This record is full of great alterna-rock sounding and flowing pop ditties that go from aggressive and driving to laid back in seconds.  
12-SONG 12" ..... \$8.00  
12-SONG CD ..... \$11.00

**WHIRLPOOL Self Titled** (Revelation)

This reminds me so much of The Pixies *Doolittle* album it hurts! But alas it's a good kind of pain because *Doolittle* was a great record. Pop tunes with alternating male / female vocals and harmony taking precedence over structure.  
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**♣ WITHSTAND Into My Own** (Fistheldhigh)

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This band sounds like Quicksand. Don't they all?

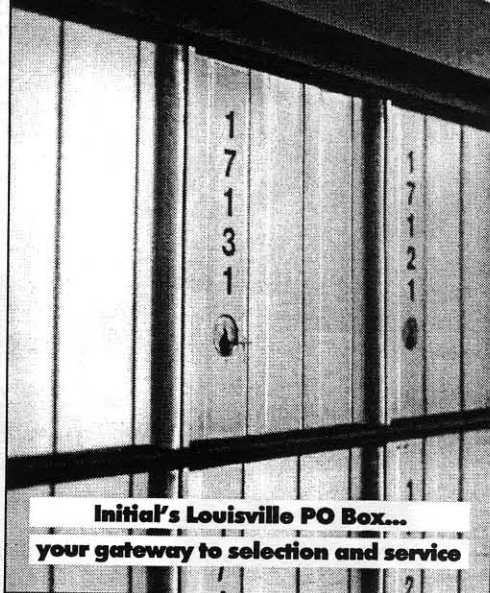


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