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"MY SUMMER VACATION"

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When Frank asked me to write him an article about our tour with Indigesti, I thought "How can I write something that won't be too boring?" Well, here goes, a calendar of events. I hope you like it!

8/1/86 Philadelphia PA
Indigesti, FFM, Homo Picnic, Serial Killers. 100 people, lots of dancing, a good show held in a squatted building since Pi Lambda has been scratched due to a fight between Youth Brigade and Frat Boys. It is interesting just listening to the Italians talking on the way home.

8/2/86 Bethlehem PA
Bon Voyage party at Brian's house. Indigesti performs for all the LV "local celebrities". It is a real trip walking into Emmaus Fire Co. number 3 with a 6'5" Italian skinhead (Stiv).



8/3/86 Washington D.C.
Many hangovers from 8/2. AOD, Indigesti, FFM, Disarm. Only 40 people, a real disappointment since it is AOD's first ever show in D.C. Crowd consists of mostly skin or metal heads. The flat tire on the way home is probably an omen of things to come, we think.

8/4-8/6/86 Lehigh Valley PA
Time to get things arranged for leaving...

8/7/86 Columbus Ohio
Indigesti, FFM at Stache's, a bar. 30 people, another big disappointment, this

being our first real road show. People seem unresponsive to us, but love Indigesti. Ron gets drunk and acts like a fool after the show.

8/8/86 Chicago Illinois
The bands see COC at the Metro for free, thanks to Chris from BCT. Egg & Cheese turnovers at 7-11 in Chicago; the worst food ever created. We stop to camp in a field about an hour outside of Madison.

8/9/86 Madison Wisconsin
Madison is a very progressive, impressive, underrated town - would be a great place to vacation. Girls are not allowed to wear bras here. Steve picks up first 3 Damned singles, and Chris gets first Elvis Costello single, all brand new on Stiff, for \$1.30 each. Indigesti, FFM, Imminent Attack, 25 people, we couldn't contend with Squirrel bait and Volcano Suns at a bar in town for \$1 less than our show. The tour has hit its low pt.

8/10-8/11/86 Lots of places...
Our first overnight drive, arriving in Virginia Beach on the night of 8/11.

8/12/86 Virginia Beach Virginia
Beach day!

8/13/86 Virginia Beach Virginia
It rains, so we go to a mall
packed with more gorgeous 14-18
year old girls than I ever
thought existed. Indigesti, FFM
finally a good show, the crowd
being mostly young skater types.

8/14/86 Charleston W. Virginia
Indigesti, FFM. 50 people, open
air show, the crowd is really
enthusiastic, you can read about
this show in Creem's Feb. metal
magazine (honestly!). Taco Bell
food you read about in Creem was
definitely more important than it
seems.

8/15/86 Detroit Michigan
ASF, Indigesti, FFM, Forced Anger
at a bar. 50 people, decent show
punks get attacked by local white
trash after the show. Decadent
is the word for Detroit. Violent
is the word for Curly. Ron does
some spackling on a roof.

8/16/86 Chicago Illinois
FFM, Indigesti, ASF & about 5
other bands. 50 people. The PA
speakers blow out during the
first band, so Chris does all
the singing for FFM (even though
he doesn't know the words). Why
aren't we playing bigger shows?
Good question.

8/17/86 Chicago Illinois
Indigesti is allowed to play a
few songs to about a million
people at the Metro at a show
with 7 Seconds, Christ on Parade
and Youth of Today. At the post
show party at Eric from Life
Sentences house with all the
bands, members of Youth of Today
can be seen having milk and
cookies (pretty neat). Chris
also quits the band.

8/18/86 Chicago Illinois
We (actually the management)
turn down a free beer and some
money party to do nothing
instead. Christ On Parade de-
cides to hook up for awhile.

8/19/86 Kalamazoo Michigan
Indigesti, FFM, Christ On
Parade. Yes, that order is
correct. For the first of



two times on the tour
Christ on Parade opens
for us (WOW!). 50 people
in a small place, good
show, lots of enthusiasm.

8/20/86 Lexington Kentucky
Indigesti, Christ on Parade
FFM, No Fraud at a bar. 5
people, so only No Fraud
plays. A favorite other
bar in town is closing
tonight so no one is here
Since we have no scheduled
show tomorrow we decide to
stay and tag on to a local
band show.

8/21/86 Lexington Kentucky
Indigesti, Christ On Parade,
FFM, Happy Death at the same
bar. 50 people, a much older
crowd than to be expected
for a hardcore show. No one
slams, so COP and FFM go at
it during Indigesti's set.
Hello Tammy, Betty, Animal
Experimenter, and especially
Wendy (Lexington).

8/22/86 Edwardsville IL
Indigesti, COP, FFM in a
cellar. 75 heavy metal
types throw a basement
party and we are there!
A real unexpected sur-
prise as people go wild,
we get our own keg of
beer and sell tons of
stuff, one guy even eats
bugs for us. COP isn't
thrilled with the kind

of dates we've been
getting and decides to
head home after tomor-
row in Omaha.

8/23/86 Omaha, Nebraska
Indigesti, COP, FFM. Just
what we needed! 250
people jammed into the
Lifticket Lounge. People
even know our names and
lyrics to our songs (what
an ego boost!) The best
night of the tour!

8/24/86 Omaha Nebraska
Indigesti, FFM. 50 people
not a bad show for a Sun-
night at a place we just
played the night before,
on the night before
school opens here. The
reason we're playing here
again is our show in OK
city has been canned due
to a day of mourning for
the mailmen murders. Any-
way, Omaha was great!

8/25-8/26/86 Lawrence Kansas
Camping out in a state park
Nature at its finest. Swim-
ming, girlwatching (sunbath-
ers from U of Kansas), beer
and hot dogs by the fire
(oops only beer for FFM). Ron
quits the band this time.

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8/27/86 Wichita Kansas
Indigesti, FFM. 7 people
During our 3rd song some
guy dressed in black
starts dancing like you
would to the Cure or
Simple Minds or something,
enough said.

8/28/86 Albuquerque New
Mexico. Recovery from our
all night drive the
previous night.

8/29/86 Albuquerque NM
Indigesti, FFM. 100 people
lots of skinheads, lots of
thrashing, lots of fun.
Lots of controversy at the
party afterwards about
whether to stay overnight
so we can play or leave
so we can see the Grand
Canyon. The Grand Canyon
wins, so off we go.

8/30/86 St. George Utah
Indigesti, FFM, NoFX, FuckShitPiss
100 people and a real good show, despite
many technical difficulties during our
set. We pick up the other BCT Chris here
to make our situation even more crowded.
We are now at a point in the tour (actually
we were yesterday) where the distance be-
tween shows requires us to drive all night.
No sleep til Salt Lake City!

8/31/86 Denver Colorado
FFM, Indigesti, ASF. 100 people, due to "man-
agement decisions" FFM headlines. This is
almost the same show as 8/15 in Detroit,
except FFM and ASF switch places. Manage-
ment decisions backfire and people (mostly
skins again) go wild for us. A great show.
Management Decisions are straightened out
at a tour personnel meeting after the show.

9/1/86 Salt Lake City Utah
Indigesti, FFM. 50 people in the building
behind Raunch Records, probably the best
hardcore record store in the USA. The show
goes ok and the beds feel good later. Ron
has watermelons and crabs for a midnight
snack.

9/2/86 Going to California. Like Led Zep.

9/3/86 3am Las Vegas, 9am Los Angeles,
1pm San Diego, 7pm Mexico. A big day.

9/4/86 Los Angeles California
Indigesti, Uniform Choice, Fang,
Justice League, FFM at Fenders.
(See our album review in the
latest Sporadic Droolings, haha)
300 people, the kind of show you
always read about in Flipside.
Big hall shows are nice, but
those good old crunched in LV
shows are nice too.

9/5/86 San Francisco CA
Indigesti, FFM, Ruin, COP, Miserable
Sex, First Offense at the Farm.
150 people for the big reunion
with COP. Having to go onstage
after Ruin is a real trip (How
do you follow up one of the best
bands in the country? So what if
they're local to us!) The last
show for Indigesti and FFM
together. Technically the end of
the tour.

From herre til home, we
played the Anti Club in LA
and a party in St. Louis as
a 3 piece (Chris flew home
for school from S.F.). All
in all, the tour had to be
the best 6 weeks of my
whole life. Sure it could
have been better, but, hey,
you gotta start somewhere.
If any of you other bands
out there, LV or otherwise
ever has a chance to do the
same thing, by all means,
go for it. Since we've
been back, we've been play-
ing a lot more regularly.
So besides doing it just
for the fun of touring, it
also helps the bands rep-
utation. Anyway, we hope
to go again this year, at
least for a while, if not
for quite as long as last
year. We'll also be recor-

ding again in April, so look for new
vinyl by fall. Finally sorry this took
so long Frank!! (Write for info on
See ya later, Steve t-shirts, stickers
etc...)
contact FFM c/o Steve Moyer,

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