

FOE interviewed Half Life through the mail in July of 1985, after their show w/AOD sparked my interest

FOE When was Half Life born, who was involved and why?

Life Half Life formed in Dec. of 83 Jeff, Mike and 2 other guys. None of us could play, but we practiced a lot and played out. Then our shows were just a lot of noise, but that's what we wanted. Mike and Jeff are the only original members, Rick and Ron joined in Aug. 84, Vince in Dec. of 84.

FOE In the Song "Somethings Missing" you mention "Life" in the chorus. Did the name of the band come 1st or did the song come 1st?

Life The band name came 1st, the song is about how people live their life doing what they're told and not what they really want to do inside.

FOE Who writes the lyrics, and what is the motivation to write and continue playing?

Life Jeff, Rick, and Vince come up with the lyrics. We're motivated to write from personal experiences, good or bad. We're motivated to play 'cuz its so much fun and we just love to play out and enjoy ourselves and see the audience having fun too.

FOE What's it like in Pittsburgh?

Life Its Great! The scene here is real cool usually very few assholes at shows. Other good bands here are Savage Amused, S.M.D., and Disgruntled Citizens, who are a joke band. There's one fanzine called "Beyond Good and Evil" it's free(send stamp). Pittsburgh is a weird town to live in, about half is blue collar unemployed, the other half is white collar office workers. Both halves think punks are freaks! It's fun though.

FOE Is "Deathtrap" about Pittsburgh?

Life Rick wrote that one a few years ago. Yeah, its about Pittsburgh or any big city. Its about how anything can happen in a city at night, you're never completely safe from anything.

FOE Who sets up the shows in Pittsburgh?

Life Mike Lavella does. His fone # is (412)687-1978 if you want to play here he'll get you a good all-ages show, everyone is welcome and you'll at least get gas money.



HALF LIFE IN COOPERSBURG!



FOE You've played the Lehigh Valley, have you played out anywhere else?
 Life Yeah, we've played in Morgantown, Harrisburg, Cleveland, Wash ington D.C., and New York city. We love playing out of town and making new friends. New York was my favorite show so far(at CBGB's with Agnostic Front), about 400 skinheads came out and loved us. That was cool.
 FOE How's the tape selling? How's the response to it?
 Life We've sold about 300 so far and it's still going strong. Lots of people love it, we hope to have a 7" record out by winter at the latest, whenever we get the money together!
 FOE How can we get the tape?
 Life The tape is \$4 postpaid, shirts are \$6, stickers are free, from Half Life, P.O.BOX 7558, Pittsburgh PA., 15213. We try to be quick in mailing stuff out too.
 FOE What's the song "United and Strong" about?
 Life Jeff wrote it last summer. Its a song a about friendship. Like when you have nothing, no money, food, or whatever you can always go to your friends, because they're the people that count the most. In Pittsburgh the punks & skins stick together, we all have fun together like one big family.
 FOE What is the current line-up, who does what?
 Life Jeff-voice, Mike-bass, Rick-guitar, Vince-guitar, and Ron-drums.

Chorus x4

Too much to take the shock of fate
 Nowhere to turn the hour's late
 A hollow scream of piercing pain
 A plastic bag of your remains



Deathtrap
 The city's dark abandoned streets
 The night time warns the small and weak
 The passerby's hear muffled cries
 The fear of death the fear of dying

Deathtrap (x4)
 A man that's walking starts to run
 Hot with sweat his nerves are numb
 Hounding to avoid the danger
 Live in greed and face the anger