

Books

1981 Summer Employment Directory

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1981 Internships

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With summer a short six months away, vacation plans are highly in order. If traveling is out of your financial scope, and summer school, out of the question, and mowing lawns or waitressing in Hometown, U.S.A., the constant prosaic bore, well, take heart.

According to the 1981 Summer Employment Directory, there is a glimmer of hope on the dark horizon. Not only does the Summer Employment Directory offer interesting and diverse jobs in National Parks, summer camps, resorts and hotels, ranches, summer stock outfits, government agencies and more, but also tells you how to go about getting them.

Released annually by Writer's Digest Books, Summer Employment Directory is a compilation of summer jobs submitted by the employers for print. The book is divided into two parts: The first discloses such information as how to write a resume and cover letter, discusses the interview, and reveals tips from employers on what they look for in applicants. The second part offers state-by-state job listings. These job offerings display the number of personnel needed, wages, the length and dates of employment, and the nature of

work required.

Other notes include fringe benefits, college credit possibilities, room and board arrangements, and where, when and with whom to apply. It's all there.

Positions range from fishing guides to camp counselors to the proverbial multi-purpose dishwasher.

And, if working in cities is your thing, the Directory lists government jobs through the Department of Labor in the New York City and Washington, D.C. metropolitan areas.

Yet, for all of its information, direct assistance and wonderful insight, the Summer Employment Directory is lacking in ample quantity of jobs. If the Directory should gather a following, its quite likely that the only available placements may be in less desirable areas as Newark, New Jersey or Bettendorf, Iowa. High demand areas such as the West Indies, Alaska, Hawaii, California or Oregon and Washington have severely limited job selections. Alaska, for example, has a list of five jobs with a total of 42 openings.

But, if you're interested in finding summer work in an enjoyable and stimulating environment, but have no idea about who knows, you may find yourself riding horses in Colorado and getting paid for it.

If you'd rather spend your summer in a career-oriented position, perhaps the 1981 Internships would be an asset. Offering 15,000 (I didn't count) on-the-job training opportunities, Internships is based on the

same format as the Summer Directory with valuable tips on writing resumes, advice from prospective employers and expectations of the intern worker in selected positions.

Keeping in mind the little or no wages internees receive, the book supplies an informative compilation of cheap housing in preferred metropolitan areas. Internships also provides the reader with additional information about where to gather supplementary career manual sources.

Students in the media field will find the extensive communications section most beneficial: Internships are offered with newspapers, magazines, television and radio stations. Other important areas include the performing arts, scientific research, public administration, business and industry, law and a host of others.

For a small investment these two paperbacks, combined with a little time and energy, can lead to invaluable job experience in that glorious pursuit of a career, or perhaps just a fun way to spend a summer and get paid.

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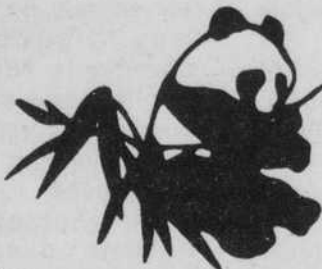
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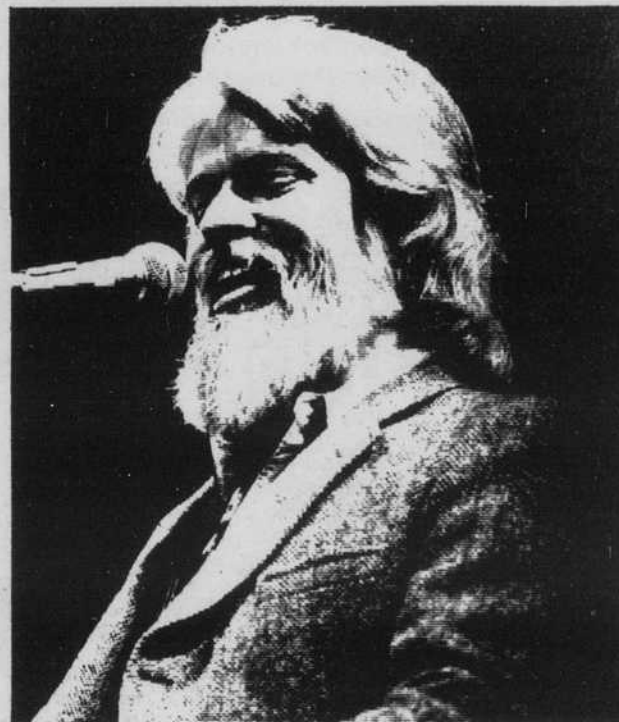


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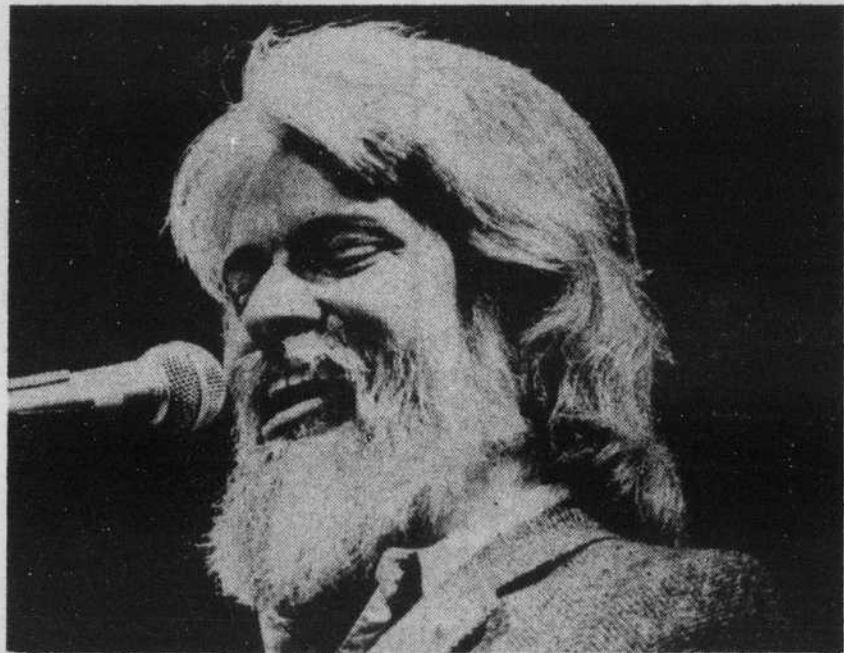
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