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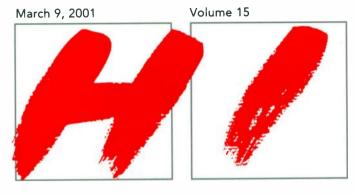
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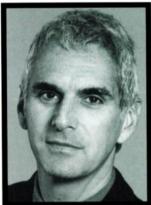
Dave Matthews Band "did it" at MPS, Shaggy continues to roll over REQUESTS, IDJ's Ken Lane gets down with Lionel Richie and this week's Radio Disney Top 30 bounces off the ceiling, while the perennially E-ticket WAVELENGTH ride leaves us dizzy and more than a little sick to our stomach.

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NICE START

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ON THE COVER

CA Records group Dave Matthews Band "did it," but wish they didn't, after this HITS cover nod for their charttopping "Everyday."

VIBE-RATERS

OUR PICKS TO BREAK . CHOSEN BY THE HITS EDITORIAL BOARD

NELLY FURTADO • DREAMWORKS



album: WHOA NELLY track: I'M LIKE A BIRD

Sales spreading their wings! Up at B'Buy, T'World, NRM, HMV, Target. Strong at indies. Added at KFMD, WMTX. Top 5 at KBEE, KINK; Top 10 at KYSR, WBMX. Big at WPU, WSTW. MTV, VH1, MTV2. Flew away with four Juno awards! Playing Elton John's Oscar party. Mgmt: Chris Smith.

S CLUB 7 • A&M/POLYDOR/19



album: 7

track: NEVER HAD A DREAM...

Jump at M'land and hot at Handleman as Never's mind-blowing Top 40. Top 5 spins at WHTZ; Top 10 at WBLI, WDRQ, KHTS, KZQZ. Dream-ing at WIOQ, KHKS, KRBV, more too. MTV. Taping *Regis and Kelly* next week. S Club 7 Party UK tour this summer. Mgmt: Simon Fuller/19 Mgmt.

PROJECT PAT • HYPNOTIZE MINDS/LOUD



album: MISTA DON'T PLAY
track: CHICKENHEAD

Mista ain't playin,' with huge 120k+ first week sales! Top 5 debut. 425k shipped. Added at KPWR, WPGC. #1 at WHTA. Top 5 at WJMI; Top 10 at WVEE, WHHH. Big at KKDA, KATZ, WQUE. Guested on Three 6 Mafia's "Sippin' On Some Syrup." MTV, BET. Mgmt: DJ Paul and Juicy "J."

AMERICAN HI-FI • ISLAND/IDJ



album: AMERICAN HI-FI
track: FLAVOR OF THE WEAK

Flavorful first-week sales; hot at B'Buy and solid at indies. Weak flexing muscles at PoMo. Added at WWCD, WKQI, KQAR, more! Top 10 spins at KROQ, WFNX. Hi-Fi blasting at 99X, WPLY, KNRK, WUR, more, too. Big MTV, MTV2 spins. Touring w/Our Lady Peace March-April. Mgmt: Josh Neuman.

TAMIA • ELEKTRA/EEG



album: A NU DAY
track: STRANGER IN MY HOUSE

Top 40 adds Nu track! Added at KHTS, WKSS. #1 at WRKS, WILD, WHQT! Top 5 at WWIN, WZAK, WYLD; Top 10 at KJLH, WKTU, WGCI. Big at WRKS, Z90, WKIE. Sales raising the roof at M'land, B'Buy, HMV. MTV, VH1, BET, MTV2. Image Awards 3/9. Mgmt: Clifford J. Alexander, Mrs. Janet Hill/Alexander and Assoc.

AT THE DRIVE-IN • GRAND ROYAL/VIRGIN



album: RELATIONSHIP OF COMMAND track: ONE ARMED SICISSOR

Active/PoMo track just the start of a beautiful Relationship. Second single, "Invalid Litter Dept.," impacting 4/2. Top 10 at KROX, WFNX, KXRK. In Command at WPLY, 91X, WAAF, KEDJ. 300k shipped. Sales solid at NRM, W'house. MTV2. U.S. tour in April. Spin "40 Most Influential." Mgmt: Blaze James/Black Sheep.

UNCLE KRACKER • TD/LAVA/ATLANTIC/ATL G



album: DOUBLE WIDE track: FOLLOW ME

Kracker the toast of multi-formats with huge add week at Mod. Adult: KYSR, KMXB, KPLZ, more. Top 5 at WHTG, WRVW, WSTW. MTV, MTV2. VH1 upped to Heavy. Sales Wide at M'land, B'Buy, W'house. Taping Regis and Kelly and MTV Hot Zone 3/12. VH1 Name That Video. Mgmt: Michael Shafer Jr./Pointe Blank Mamt.

NEW FOUND GLORY • DRIVE-THRU/MCA



album: NEW FOUND GLORY track: HIT OR MISS

Video newly found at MTV2! Already spinning at MTV. Plus, Miss taking over PoMo. Added at 91X, KZON, KFRR! Top 5 at WPBZ; Top 10 at KNDD, KITS. Big at KROQ, WXRK, WKQX, more. Headline tour hitting S.F., Hollywood, Las Vegas this week. Warped this summer, then out with blink-182. Mgmt: Rick Devoe.

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TRAIN . COLUMBIA/CRG



album: DROPS OF JUPITER track: DROPS OF JUPITER

Pulling into the station at Pop, with another week of solid adds for multi-format smash. LP streets 3/27. Track is #1 at WTMX! Top 5 WDVE, WXRT, KINK; Top 10 at WBAB, WWDC, CIMX. Video in editing. SXSW 3/15. Fan appreciation shows Atlanta 3/17, Chicago 3/26, NYC 3/27. Letterman 3/28, Kilborn 4/12. Mgmt: BG Mgmt.

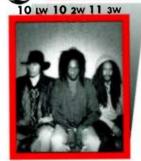
KOFFEE BROWN • DIVINE MILL/ARISTA



album: MARS/VENUS track: AFTER PARTY

LP streets at presstime! Meanwhile, Koffee filled to the brim at Rhythm and X-over. Added at KBXX! #1 phones at KMELI Top 5 at WGCI, WIIZ, KBMB; Top 10 at KKBT, WBLS, WHTA. Big spins at KJLH, WTLC, WHQT, many more. MTV, BET, MTV2. Soul Train upcoming. Mgmt: Ramsey Gbelawoe/Joshua Tree Ent.

BLACK EYED PEAS • INTERSCOPE



album: BRIDGING THE GAP track: REQUEST LINE

X-over and Top 40 Line-ing up for Macy Gray-featured track and spinning madly. Top 5 spins at Z90; huge at KLUC, KPWR, WPOW, WLLD, KKFR, WHHH, many more. Jump at MTV. Hot at BET, MTV2, too. Performing at SXSW 3/15. Rap Pages feature, Angelino May/June issue. Mgmt. Seth Friedman/DAS Communication.

DAFT PUNK • VIRGIN



album: DISCOVERY track: ONE MORE TIME

French duo's huge dance track getting plenty of T40 air-Time. Follow-up to Gold LP streeting 3/13, shipping 200k. Single is Top 20 at M'land. Track is Top 5 at WKIE; Top 10 WLIR, KYLD. More, More at KIIS, KHKS, Y100, more. Huge phones. MTV2 add. Mgmt: Pedro Winter/Daft Life.

JOSH JOPUN GROUP • ARTEMIS



album: USEFUL MUSIC

Group home at PoMo and Mod. Adult, moving in with T40 too. Pop adds include WKRQ, WSTW, WPLT, KZON. #1 spins at WRLT, WTTS. Top 5s: KINK, KKMR. Top 10s: WXRV, KFOG. Big at KDMX, KFMB, more. Radio fueling jumps at T'World, B'Buy. VH1, MTV2. Leno. Mgmt: Russell Carter/Artist Mgmt.

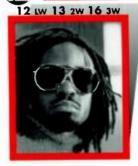
SALIVA . ISLAND/IDJ



album: EVERY SIX SECONDS track: YOUR DISEASE

Active Rock panel nearly closed! Disease continues to infect radio in anticipation of 3/27 streetdate. Top 5 at KILO; Top 10 at KRXQ, KRZR, KFMA. Big at WFNX, KNDD, KNRK, KPNT. MTV. Touring w/Crazy Town in April and playing select dates now. Mgmt: Bryan Coleman/Union Ent. Group.

BILAL • INTERSCOPE



album: 1st BORN SECOND track: SOUL SISTA

Retail loves 1st Born single! #14 at M'land. #28 at NRM. Radio has Soul in anticipation of spring LP streetdate. Top 10 at WHQT, KBMB. Big at WBLS, WUSL, WGCI, KMJQ. Touring w/Erykah Badu & then on to Craig David's Tour 3/11. Vibe in March. Essence in June. Mgmt: Damu Mtume.

POWDERFINGER • UNIVERSAL

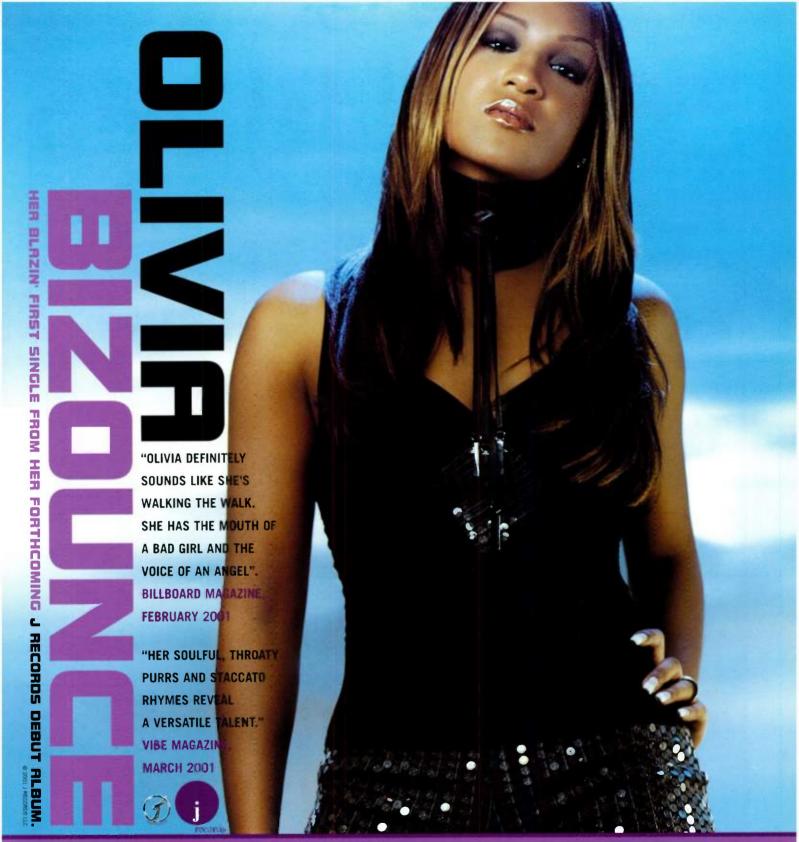


album: ODYSSEY NUMBER FIVE track: MY HAPPINESS

Multi-Platinum Aussie superstars' first U.S. release streets 3/20, with plenty of Happiness at PoMo. Shippin 75k. Top 5 WROX; Top 10 WOXY. Powder keg blowing up at KROQ, WNNX, KNDD, WFNX, more. Added at KPNT. Shooting video 3/19. U.S. dates May-June. Letterman 3/26. Mgmt: Paul Piticco/Secret Service.

top50 ALBUMS

2W	LV	N	TW	ARTIST	TITLE COMMENT	LABEL	POWER INDEX	PERCENT CHANGE
DE	BU'	T	1	DAVE MATTHEWS BAND	EVERYDAY Mega LP release, MTV (Buzzworthy.	RCA 67660	754.7	-
1	1		2	SHAGGY	HOTSHOT "Angel," Rosie, tour, big LP sales	MCA 112096	261.1	0%
DE	BU	T	3	DJ CLUE	PROFESSIONAL PT. 2 f/Mary J., Mystikal, Snoop Dogg	Roc-A-Fella/IDJ 542325	207.5	_
DE	BU'	Т	4	PROJECT PAT	MISTA DON'T PLAY: Hot LP debut from Three-6-Mafia ca	Hypnotize Minds/Loud 1950	122.4	-
4	4		5	DIDO	NO ANGEL "Thank You" leads & press	Arista 19025	121.6	+1%
2	3	1	6	BEATLES	1 Fab Four still seeing hot sales	Apple/Capitol 29325	96.4	-27%
-	2		7	WWF:THE MUSIC VOL. 5	VARIOUS Wrestler's theme songs	Koch Records 8830	86.8	-54%
3	5		8	SAVE THE LAST DANCE	SOUNDTRACK Multiple cuts from smash movie	Hollywood 62288	84.4	-25%
7	6		9	LENNY KRAVITZ	GREATEST HITS Tons of radio and video exposure	Virgin 50136	83.9	-9%
8	7		10	CRAZY TOWN	GIFT OF GAME "Butterfly" single out now and sellin	Columbia/CRG 636542	82.9	-6%
9	9	ı	11	JA RULE	RULE 3:36 "Put It On Me" impacting now	Murder Inc./IDJ 542934	76.8	-9%
14	13	3	12	O BROTHER, WHERE ART	SOUNDTRACK 2 Oscar nominations, movie trailer	Mercury/IDJ 170069	75.3	0%
26	12	2	13	U2	ALL THAT YOU CAN'T Big tour starting now, LP at 2 million	Interscope 524653	75.3	0%
10	10)	14	LUDACRIS	BACK FOR THE FIRST TIME "What's" & "Southern" working,	Def Jam South/IDJ 548138 tour	74.0	-9%
DEI	BUT		15	SILKK THE SHOCKER	MY WORLD, MY WAY "That's Cool" leads, strong LP debut	No Limit/Priority 23221	70.1	
12	14		16	LIMP BIZKIT	CHOCOLATE STARFISH "My Way" up and running	Flip/Interscope 490759	67.6	-9%
DEI	BUT		17	JESSICA ANDREWS	WHO I AM Title cut leads	DW/Nashville 450248	66.9	
5	8	ľ	18	JENNIFER LOPEZ	J.LO "Love Don't Cost" & SNL re-run	Epic 63786	63.2	-26%
16	17	•	19	NELLY	COUNTRY GRAMMAR "Ride Wit Me" going strong	Fo' Reel/Universal 157743	63.1	-11%
20	18	2	20	JILL SCOTT	WHO IS JILL SCOTT? Going strong with "A Long Walk Hor	Hidden Beach/Epic 62137	61.8	-12%
13	16		21	DREAM	IT WAS ALL A DREAM On tour with 98° & Baha Men	Bad Boy/Arista 73037	61.4	-15%
11	19	2	22	CREED	HUMAN CLAY Continued hot LP sales	Wind-Up 13053	61.0	-13%
24	27	2	23	ENYA	DAY WITHOUT RAIN "Only Time" at radio	Reprise 47426	60.4	+8%
6	11	2	24	SADE	LOVERS ROCK "King Of Sorrow" impacting now	Epic 85185	60.1	-23%
33	15	2	25	GRAMMY NOMINEES 2001	VARIOUS Grammy compilation	Capitol 31520	59.9	-19%



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Impacting Mainstream Top 40 Now!

top50 ALBUMS

2W	LW	TW	ARTIST	TITLE COMMENT		POWER INDEX	PERCENT CHANGE
22	25	26	OUTKAST	STANKONIA On tour with Ludacris, big LP sales	LaFace/Arista 26072	59.2	+4%
18	20	27	R. KELLY	TP-2.COM LP cranking, "Fiesta" now	Jive 41705	58.2	-7%
28	29	28	LIFEHOUSE	NO NAME FACE Touring with Matchbox 20, airplay	DreamWorks 450231	57.9	+8%
17	21	29	LINKIN PARK	HYBRID THEORY Platinum-plus LP, on tour	Warner Bros. 47755	57.5	-7%
19	23	30	SNOOP DOGG	LAST MEAL "Lay Low" breaking now, TV exposu	No Limit/Priority 23225	57.1	-3%
21	24	31	MUSIQ SOULCHILD	AIJUSWANASEING "Love" big at radio	Def Soul/IDJ 548289	54.1	-7%
23	28	32	COYOTE UGLY	SOUNDTRACK LeAnn Rimes cuts, video release	Curb/London/Sire 78703	52.0	-6%
29	31	33	LIL' BOW WOW	BEWARE OF DOG "Puppy Love" hot now	So So Def/Col/CRG 69981	50.7	-1%
-	26	34	EMINEM	MARSHALL MATHERS LP Multi-Platinum LP & press	After/Interscope 490629	49.0	-14%
15	22	35	NOW VOL. 5	VARIOUS NSYNC, 98°, Mystikal, etc	Columbia/CRG 85206	48.1	-20%
34	32	36	MADONNA	MUSIC "Don't Tell" going strong	Warner Bros. 47598	48.0	-4%
30	33	37	K-CI & JOJO	X "Wanna Do" coming soon	MCA 112398	46.7	-5%
36	34	38	FAITH HILL	BREATHE "If My Heart Had Wings" up now	Warner Bros. 47373	46.1	-5%
35	30	39	3LW	3LW "No More" massive radio support	Epic 639612	45 .8	-10%
-	36	40	MOBY	PLAY Hot LP sales, strong at radio	V2 27049	45.6	-3%
43	42	41	FUEL	SOMETHING LIKE HUMAN On tour with 3 Doors Down	Epic 69436	44.7	+8%
31	37	42	MATCHBOX TWENTY	MAD SEASON "If You're Gone" now, tour	Lava/Atl/Atl G 83339	44.1	-6%
41	43	43	FAMILY VALUES TOUR	VARIOUS Aaron Lewis and Fred Durst lead	Interscope 490641	40.7	-1%
27	35	44	BACKSTREET BOYS	BLACK & BLUE "The Call" still going, tour	Jive 41743	35.0	-26%
38	41	45	TIM MCGRAW	GREATEST HITS "My Next Thirty Years" at Country	Curb/Atl G 77942	34.9	-16%
40	38	46	MYSTIKAL	LET'S GET READY Tour & Tonight Show appearance	Jive 43696	34.2	-25%
45	45	47	NSYNC	NO STRINGS ATTACHED Big tour fueling up, sizzling cut	Jive 41702	33.0	-14%
37	46	48	DAVID GRAY	WHITE LADDER "Babylon" the track, on tour	ATO/RCA 69351	32.9	-11%
DEE	UT	49	A*TEENS	TEEN SPIRIT "Bouncing Off The Ceiling" the cut	MCA 13666	3 2.1	
DEB	UT	50	LEE ANN WOMACK	I HOPE YOU DANCE I Hope You Dance at Top 40 now	MCA Nashville 170099	31.6	



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If Cheney Goes, Does Dubya Become President?





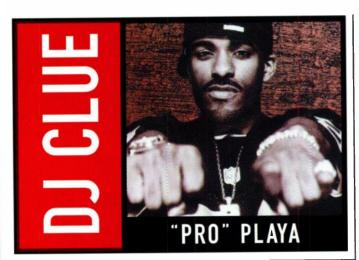
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Three Albums Debut In The Top Five, But Ultimately It's The Gospel According To Dave...

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Dakota Goes South



"Damn, baby, you are fine," said the guys from **Elektra**'s **Dakota** Moon. "C'mon and snuggle up with us for a picture before we have to meet some corporate suit who's the CEO of our record company. And by the way, who's the dumb white guy drooling all over himself?"Also pictured are Elektra CEO Sylvia Rhone and Elektra VP/GM Greg Thompson.

hey follow him all over the country, gobbling up enough tickets to sell out stadiums from coast to coast. They trade mind-boggling numbers of homemade tapes, CDs and MP3 files, cruise the Internet in droves and buy massive amounts of merchandise. So would they flock to music stores to score his first new album in years?



Dave Matthews Band

This week, the new project from RCA's the Dave Matthews

Band blew out of stores and blew up on the album chart, scoring a monumental #1 debut, with sales north of 750k. It was no contest.

"It may have surprised many people, but we knew it was going to be phenomenal, "said Trans World's Jerry Kamiler just before breaking into actress Pamela Anderson's house. "We were right."

But Dave wasn't the only one taking a big bow this week. Check out Roc-A-Fella/IDI's DJ Clue, which debuted at #3, as well as Loud's Project Pat, which came in at #4. Needless to say, both projects were pleasant surprises for those wacky retail knuckleheads.

"DJ Clue performed a full 25% better than we had expected, and Project Pat easily beat our projections by 50%," said Kamiler, just before stalking a local Girl Scout troop. "Island Def Jam did a great job of setting up DJ Clue. It's not a typical rap record that will fall off significantly after the first week."

Besides the aforementioned debuts, Top Five veterans Shaggy and Dido maintained their epic runs at #2 and 5, respectively.

Other Top 20 debuts included No Limit/Priority's Silkk The Shocker at #15 and Dream-Works Nashville's Jessica Andrews at #17.

Project Pat

In a related story, despite a huge accumulation of snow in the Northeast that could affect overall numbers on next week's chart, Vice President Dick Cheney's doctors insisted there was no snowstorm, and that sales would not be impacted in the least.

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Now THAT'S

"I am very blessed to be working with [insert executive name here]," said music legend Carlos Santana. "It is divine intervention that [insert executive name herel is helping music flow through me. If I win another Grammy, it will be because of [insert executive name here], to whom I remain loval forever. It is because of God that [insert executive name herel is a real music man and is with me." That's L.A. Reid and BMG's Rolf Schmidt-Holtz helping the legend fill in the blanks.

TOP SELLING

SINGLES

The Top 10 Best-Selling Singles this week are #1 112 (Bad Boy/Arista), #2 Joe (Jive), #3 Jagged Edge (Col/CRG), #4 Lil' Bow Wow (So So Def/Col/ CRG), #5 Jaheim (WB), #6 Crazy Town (Col/CRG), #7 Shaggy (MCA), #8 Jennifer Lopez (Epic), #9 Madonna (WB) and #10 Moby (V2).

DESTINY'S CHILD COL/CRG

The sensational (and scantily clad) trio returns with a new album, scheduled for streeting 5/1. They continue their assault on the top of the charts with the uptempo killer "Survivor," which has PDs & video gurus racing to be first to add it into heavy rotation. Charlie Walk, Lee Leipsner & the unstoppable Big Red Promotion Machine are linin' 'em up & knockin' 'em down as they make their move for another charttopping smash!!!

Montalbano Stranded On HITS Fantasy Island

ll good things must come to an end...so why should Liz Montalbano's career be any different?

Indeed. Priority's former Vice President of Crossover Promotion has crossed over to the dark side as the new Crossover Editor of HITS (your #1 Source for Crossing Over. and in the case of our Editor In Chief, Cross-Dressing).

The announcement was made by new HITS Presidents Karen Glauber and Todd Hensley, 16 HITS Vice Presidents, 14 potential HITS Vice Presidents and the poor sucker we hired to follow Vice President/HITS Mix Show Editor Ricky Leigh Mensh into the men's room.

"It's the fine Corinthian leather," said Montalbano. who also cited Editor In Chief Lenny Beer's "little midget" as reasons for shipwrecking herself on HITS'

Fantasy Island on acid.

Montalbano is an industry veteran with longstanding relationships at both the label and radio levels. Her knowledge of the business and her ability to comprehend, analyze and positively impact the

marketplace are respected throughout the industry. That said, if she doesn't generate revenue in her first two weeks at the magazine, she'll be unemployed faster than Hensley can say, "Da plane, boss, da plane.'

'Who the hell is Liz Montalbano, and how much am I paying her?" queried Beer.

HITS Publisher Dennis Lavinthal was on vacation and un-

Glauber noted that she was too important to be quoted in this story and declined to comment.

As always, HITS President Hensley's nose was too far up Beer's ass for his comment to be heard.



available for comment. Liz Montalbano: Looks both ways HITS President before crossing (over).

Has Napster Downloaded A Victory?

by Marc Pollack and Simon Glickman

The long-awaited Napster injunction has come down. The big surprise is that Ninth Circuit Court Judge Marilyn Hall Patel has arguably given the swappery a new lease on life.

The judge issued a much more precise order on Tuesday (3/6), commanding Napster to prevent users' access to copyrighted material that has been documented by rights-holders and to take "reasonable measures" to track down variants in spelling that allow unlicensed material to get through.

ster's infringing activity."

Both parties have their work cut out for them. Napster users have been pretty resourceful so far about finding ways around the netco's song-removal technology, even using Pig Latin in file names to elude detection.

While damages for past copyright infringements were not discussed in the injunction order, a mediation meeting will take place Friday (3/9), and the legal chess match is sure to continue.

But despite the netco's public expressions of concern about the





Shawn's kitty is still purring.

Napster must take action within three business days of receiving "reasonable" notice of illegitimate files.

Notice provided must include the title of the song (or "work"), name of the recording artist, names of files containing the work and certification that plaintiff owns the copyright—clearly a massive bureaucratic undertaking for rights-holders.

Patel's ruling allows rightsholders to dispute Napster's effectiveness in meeting the injunction's specifications; such disputation could bring about additional hearings.

The judge also gave labels a little extra gravy by allowing them to preemptively notify Napster of upcoming releases if there's a "substantial likelihood" from past swapping that the artist's new material will be pirated.

"We are gratified the District Court acted so promptly in issuing its injunction requiring Napster to remove infringing works from its system," reads a statement from RIAA chief Hilary Rosen. "We intend to provide the notifications prescribed by the Court expeditiously, and look forward to the end of Napeffectiveness of its security technology, Hank Barry, Shawn Fanning and company have gotta be smiling on the insidethe tug-of-war over what is and isn't available will most likely keep users searching away until the summer rollout of its Bertelsmann-backed paid service.

In fact, Tuesday's outcome could ultimately mean a victory for Napster, provided that damages for past infringements don't break the company's back. But even if damages become astronomical, it's possible they could be incorporated into a licensing scheme negotiated with label groups and others for the pending subscription version of Napster.

Speaking of which, Vivendi Universal chieftain Jean-Marie Messier—previously one of the netco's most vocal antagoniststold a London media conference that his Universal Music Group would be open to licensing music to Napster if it respected copyright and its technology were "reasonably secure".

Look for more battles to be fought, deals to be done and spin to be spun as the world of Napster turns.

A Blatant Rip-off of a Good Magazine WHAT WEASELS ARE WEASELING ABOUT THIS WEEK

- 1 DAVE MATTHEWS BAND: Rovner's jam-rockers prove that every dog has its "Everyday" with huge #1 bow. Wow.
- 2 NAPSTER: Yet another last-minute stay of execution. This kitty has nine lives—but litter box needs cleaning.
- 3 **PHIL Q:** In charge of care and feeding of the Bunny. Does O have the A to what ails Burbank?



4 IANET: Superstar's raw ambition goes uncheeked as new single. "All For You." is set to crack the charts with bun-tiful ad campaign. No ifs, ends or butts about it.



- 5 **DJ CLUE:** Another Roc-A-Fella makes his fortune. Liles all smiles as Lyor launches an offensive worthy of the Six-Day War.
- 6 **HOWIE KLEIN:** One more Reprise for longtime label head? Or will he hop off the Bunny with a golden parachute?



- 8 TIMBALAND: "Supa Dupa" star rap producer gets a "One In A Million" deal from Interscope. Make that multimillions.
- 9 PUFFY COMBS: He takes the stand in his own defense. samples testimony from another trial and raps over it.
- 10 **COURTNEY LOVE:** Tries to take UMG to the Hole. It's not about the money, it's about the money.

HITS



The adds this week at MTV are Jennifer Lopez (Epic), Sunshine Anderson (Soul Life/Atl/Atl G), Destiny's Child (Col/CRG), Snoop Dogg (No Limit/Priority) and Buckcherry (DreamWorks).



The adds this week at VH1 are Janet (Virgin), Destiny's Child (Col/CRG), Incubus (Imm/Epic), Sade (Epic), Buckcherry (DreamWorks), Sunshine Anderson (Atl/Atl G) and Nina Gordon (WB).

Things Are Hopping At The Bunny

BY MARC POLLACK

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he Bugs stops here.

An era came to a close at Warner Bros.

Records last week, as popular and enigmatic
Chairman/CEO Russ Thyret, a 30-year Bur-

bank veteran, called it quits.

Thyret had been at the center of much rumor-mongering in recent months, as reports

of the topper's departure flared up several times. Insiders said Thyret had been upset with WMG operations after his apparent lack of involvement in the hiring of Tom Whalley last year. That move has dramatically impacted the company's day-to-day operations, despite the fact that Whalley most likely won't arrive at the Bunny until January 2002. Sources said that Thyret, who was operating without a con-

Russ Thyret: From rock & roll to rod & reel.



Phil Quartararo: Can he Phil Thyret's shoes?



Irving Azoff: Taking some Giant steps.

shifted over to Warner Bros. or Reprise. In addition, sources said, there have been requests made to move Seal, who is managed by Azoff, from Warner to Giant if the latter were to continue as a joint venture. Giant has two more years remaining on its deal with WMG.

Speculators are speculating that Ames is balking at Azoff's buyout price and is reluctant to toss additional cash at Giant to grow the label. The smart money, therefore, is on the relationship between Giant

and WMG to remain status quo.

In the case of Qwest, many claim the label's lack of commercial success will probably result in WMG exiting from the deal. Headed by the legendary Quincy Jones, Qwest is a remnant of the Mo Ostin days and hasn't broken any acts in recent years.

As for David Foster's 143 Records, word is that it, too, has Ames' confidence, but the WMG exec would like to see

the top producer getting more involved in 143 projects. Successes like the Corrs on 143/Atlantic have helped secure the label's place, although insiders point to a very rich deal that Foster signed with former WMG chiefs Bob Daly and Terry Semel.

Obviously, that's not all, folks.

tract, had been asked to stay by WMG chief Roger Ames.

Said Ames: "It is with a sense of sorrow that I have accepted Russ' decision to step down. For three decades, Russ has upheld the unparalleled reputation of Warner Bros. Records as one of the most prestigious, artist-friendly and respected companies in the world. His dedication, his passion and his tremendous personality will be greatly missed."

Meanwhile, Warner Bros. Records Inc. President Phil Quartararo will be put in charge of the Warner and Reprise labels.

Sources said the changing of the executive guard was not related to parent AOL Time Warner's call to implement a \$1 billion cost-cutting plan, which includes the elimination of approximately 2,400 jobs—at least 600 from the Warner Music Group, many of them from early-retirement offers.

Thyret's decision to step down did, however, open the door for the powers to be to re-examine the several joint-venture label deals under the WMG roof.

Contrary to numerous reports, inside sources insist WMG is not negotiating to buy the 50% of Maverick Recording Co., Madonna's co-venture with the company, it doesn't already own. In addition, there are no plans to downsize or restructure the label, nor will it be folded into Warner Bros. or Reprise, as had also been rumored.

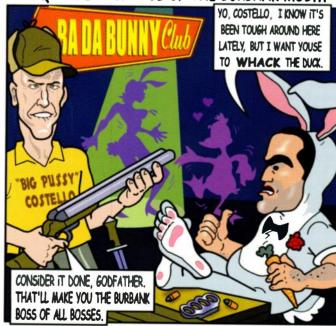
Ames has given Maverick top dog Guy Oseary his blessing to run the company. Oseary has been rebuilding the label's A&R team, bringing in former BMG Publishing head Danny Strick and former Giant exec Berko.

While the fates of the other ventures will be handled on a case-by-case basis, the Giant situation is particularly intriguing. Irving Azoff's joint venture, which has been under-performing for the last couple of years, is building momentum under chief Larry Jacobson, as Disturbed continues to sell past Platinum and Steely Dan, which nabbed four Grammys, including Album of the Year, approaches Platinum status.

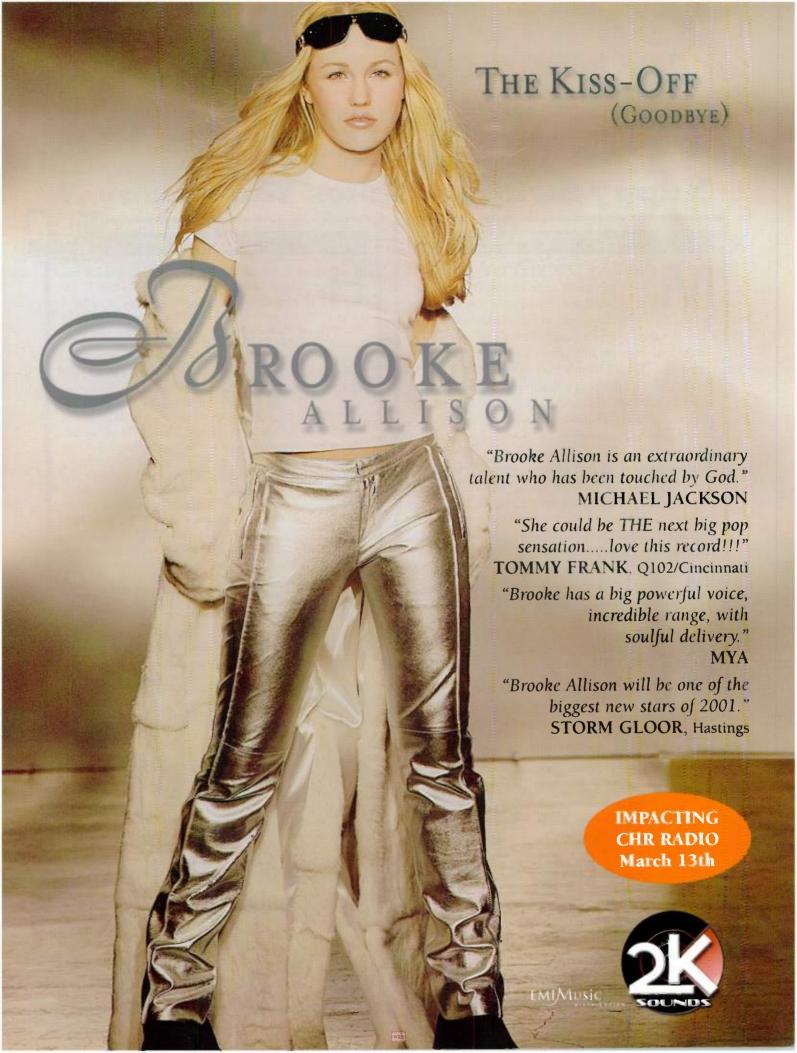
Chatterers are chattering that Azoff asked Ames to pump more money into the label or buy him out, which would reportedly cost WMG under \$20 million. A buyout would see the Giant acts being



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ONEY IN THE KITTY: First, pretend you're a Napster user. I know it's a stretch, but go with me. You know your favorite swappery is obliged to create nominal barriers to unlicensed songs, but you figure that if you try enough variations—over enough time—you'll find them. You e-mail and IM your friends. You search out chat rooms. Secret codes are devised; it becomes a fun game. Some in your crowd are spending more time on the service now, enjoying the challenge of tracking down hidden material or joining the group clustered around the desktop. And so Napster succeeds, in the wake of the injunction, in preserving the one thing it needs most, apart from the mere ability to keep operating—its user base. By the time summer rolls around, I'll wager, a substantial portion of that base will be ready to fork over some dough for the paid subscription service the netco plans to launch with Bertelsmann backing and content as well as (at the very least) material from TVT, edel and a score of indies and unsigned artists. Now pretend you're a major-label group. You decide to leverage damages for past infringements against future profits by getting a huge equity stake in the new venture, along with a much more advantageous royalty split than the one Napster originally extended. What's more, you have great discretion in what you license to the service. Only want to offer singles? Napster will take 'em. Just want to push your baby bands? That's fine, too. If that works out, you can expand your offerings—it will only grow the user base and make you more dough. If Vivendi's Messier, who looked to be Napster's principal tormentor until recently, envisions licensing UMG content to a "secure" version of the service, can the other majors be



far behind? Now pretend you're Napster and light a cigar. After months of crazy reversals, we're starting to get a glimpse of the future, and it looks, well, lucrative... Email: simonhits@aol.com...

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WEBMUGS



Wet Work

Liquid Audio Mack Daddy Dick Wingate gasps for air as the full humiliation of having his company's Top 30 Downloads chart on hitsdailydouble.com begins to sink in. Said Dick: "I'm only doing this on your site because you have those Polaroids, you sick bastards." Later, he latched onto this week's chart-topper, country legend Dolly Parton, and floated to safety.



I've Got A Tip For Ya-Tune Your Guitar

An unsigned band contemplates Amazon.com's new free-download area, which offers tracks from big stars like U2, Beastie Boys, Radiohead and others, as well as a place for indie artists to upload music, sell CDs and get a little extra cash via a "Virtual Tip Jar." That could earn you enough for a haircut, new clothes and a fresh beret.

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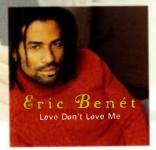
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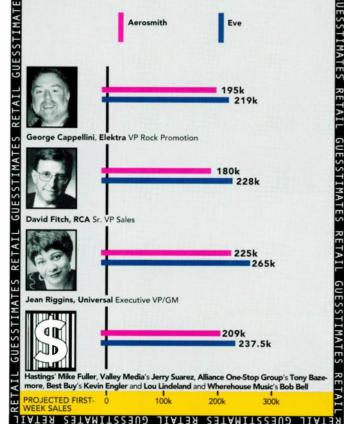
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his week, Aerosmith's new Columbia album, "Just Push Play," takes on the **Ruff Ryders**' self-proclaimed Pit Bull In A Skirt, Eve, and her new Interscope album, "Scorpion," in a skirmish worthy of "Celebrity Deathmatch." Who do our retail prophets pick? Hey, your guess is as good as-if not better than-ours.



A ROUNDUP OF FIRST-WEEK SALES PREDICTIONS (AS PRINTED IN ISSUE #733

Our fearless forecasters got thrown for a loop—actually, two loops—last week, as the Dave Matthews Band's "Everyday" exploded out of the box, moving more than three-quarters of a million units, while Silkk The Shocker's "My World, My Way" performed far below expectations. As a result, our industry Einsteins shot long on the latter, while falling way short on the former.



No, kiddies, geniuses were nowhere to be found this week. By the way, the retail consensus was closer than any of our guesstimators, but not close enough for rock & roll.

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rince" Albert "In A Can" Lomeli is upped to Chief Financial Officer for MCA Records by President Jav "Little" Boberg "Peep" and Exec. VP Paul "Knights In White" Satenstein. Lomeli will be responsible for accounting, finance, marketing and A&R administration, overseeing marketing budgets and finding a way to write off Jay's drycleaning bills ... "Rodan" Robin A. Reinhardt is promoted to Vice President MTV Celebrity Talent and Studio Relations by Sr. VP Strategic Programming John Shea "Stadium" and VP Music & Talent Elli "Coca" Cola. Reinhardt will maintain strong relationships with the publicity and promotions departments of the major movie studios, implement new programming opportunities between the studios and MTV and make sure she's got Carson Daly's back... Isisara Bey "Watch" is boosted to Vice President Corporate Affairs for Sony Music Entertainment by Corporate Exec. VP Robert M. Bowlin "Alley." Bey will act as the liaison to non-profit organizations and social causes on minority issues and monitor all inter-office ethnic humor for political correctness... Rob "M. Blind" Souriall is appointed Executive Director of Marketing for Hollywood Records by Sr. VP Sales & Mktg. Daniel Savage "Garden" Souriall will extend label artists' exposure by identifying and creating corpo-

rate partnerships and sponsorships, including naming a McDonald's Happy Meal for BBMAK... Jill Swan "Dive" is named Senior Director of Sales. Associated labels for Universal Music and Video Distribution by Sr. VP Sales & Distribution Curt "N. Call" Eddy. Swan will work closely with UMVD's associated labels to maximize visibility at retail accounts, attain sales objectives and increase revenue by selling co-op advertising space on her forehead... Vivian C. "Me Feel Me Touch Me Heal Me" Rodriguez is raised to Director Legal Administrative Services for Sony Music Entertainment by Sr. VP General Counsel & Secretary Thomas C. "Marvin Gaye & Tami" Tyrrell. Rodriguez will handle day-to-day management and administration of executive contracts and the paper they're written on... Komeka Freeman "In Paris" is appointed Director of Marketing for Priority Records by VP Marketing John Rotella "That I'm Never Gonna Leave Her." Freeman will create and oversee the implementation of marketing plans for label artists and play the enforcer on the label's intramural ice hockey team... "Oh" Zsuzsanna Murphy is declared Product Manager for DreamWorks Records by Head of Marketing Steven "Wake &" Baker. Zsuzsanna will spend most of her time explaining the spelling of her name.









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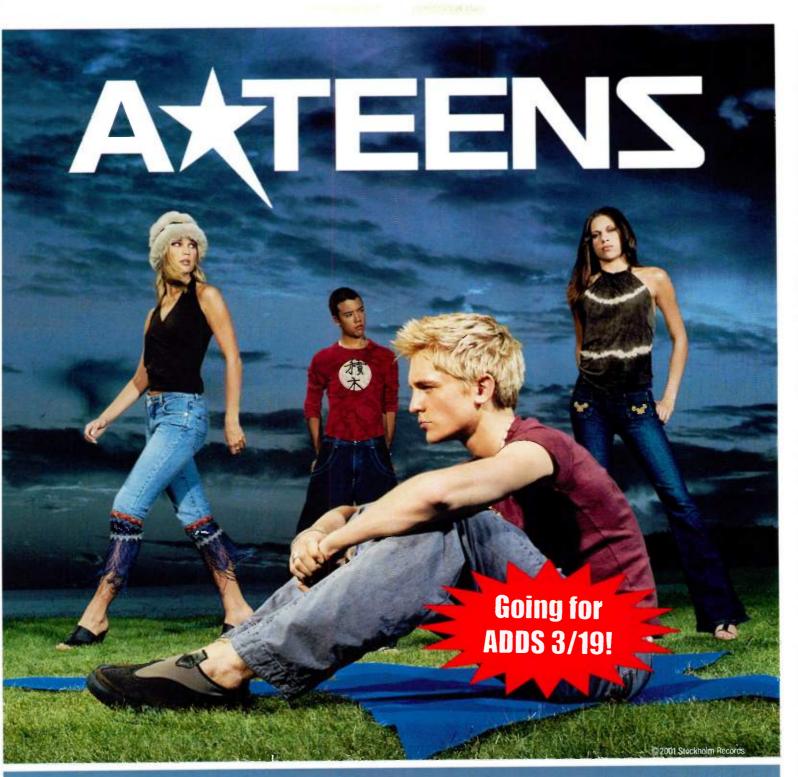
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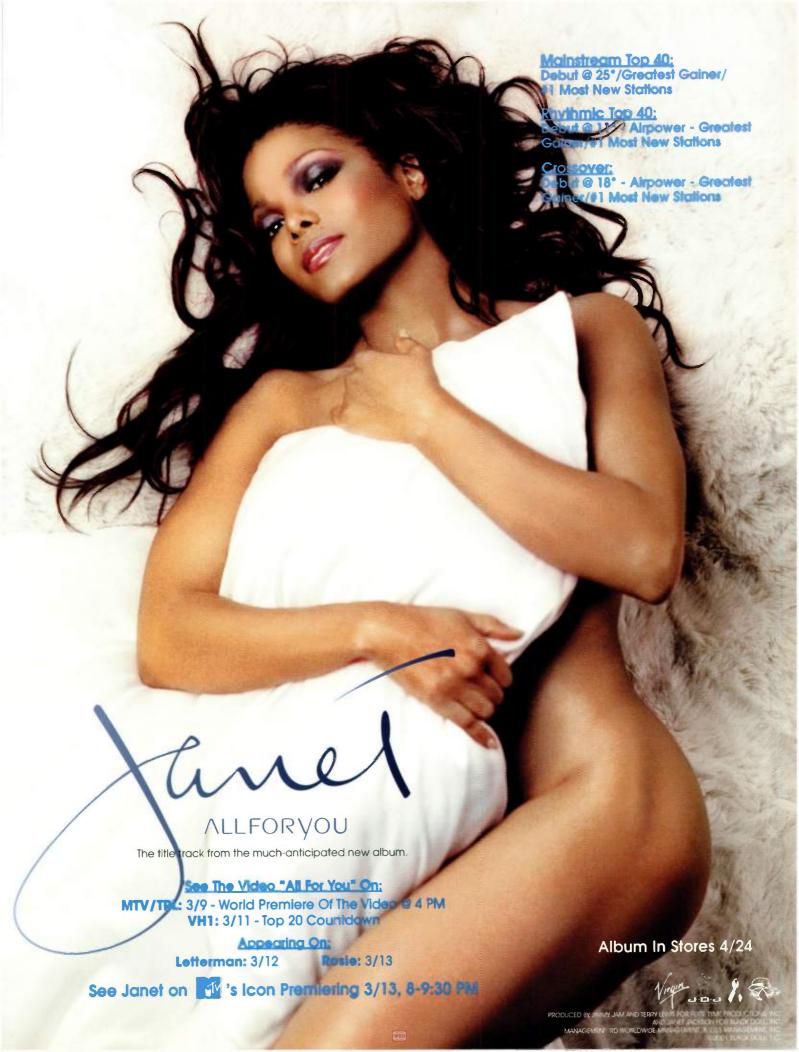
Migraines are already going down in label land following Monday's court decision, which makes the copyright holders responsible for policing copyrighted material on Napster. Techies already pondering the ability to identify renamed titles, while Napster tries to quickly implement other anti-piracy technologies. And what about impending Napster monetary damages? How much will Napster have to peel to the labels, and where's the money coming from. This action sets the backdrop for Vivendi chief Jean-Marie Messier's earthshaking assertion that his company (and its Sony joint online venture. Duet) may be willing to do business with a secure Napster. Massive headscratching over what signals Messier is sending to whom, and how they're being received in the executive suites of certain companies like, say, AOLTW. Sony Japan, Yahoo and Bertelsmann... Is the teen-pop craze over? This week, one teen album is in the Top 40. Six months ago, there were five in the Top 10. Media

PARLEZ VOUS NAPSTER?



JEAN MESSIER: Takes a lot of de gaulle to talk Napster.

gatekeepers claiming their research shows the phenomenon has lost its sizzle. as retailers clog pipelines with millions of returns. Naturally, a new crop of teen dreams is now being unleashed by some majors who are late to the party... With many claiming the Bertie/EMI deal is all but dead, there are unconfirmed rumors that Disney is once again kicking the EMI tires. More smoke. or is the Mouse House getting serious?... The Courtney Love drama has ponderers pondering whether the diva's seven-year-statute fight will end as soon as she gets the right eight figures. Others chattering over Love manager and confidante Jim Barber. What role does his rocky past with Geffen play in the conflict? Handicappers handicapping a protracted and expensive legal battle to ensue... Expect the long-awaited Andy Slater move to Capitol to happen sooner rather than later... Rumors of Strauss Zelnick reentering the music world in a major way continue to make the rounds. Does said rumors' source suggest there's nothing there?... Action at the post-Russ Thyret Warner Bros. focusing on the future of Howie Klein as well as Tom Whalley's impending January 2002 arrival. Meanwhile, discussions between Roger Ames and Irving Azoff over WMG's buyout of Giant centers around Azoff's asking price of \$15-20 million. Is Ames balking at said price tag?... Names in the Rumor Mill: Andreas Schmidt, Kevin Conroy, Larry Kenswil, Judy McGrath and Jive/ Zomba.













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SEPTEMBER — Michael Martin and Jazzy Jim/KYLD get the vibe and get instant response and start networking the success story... the Southwest rolls in with KTFM, KPRR, KZFM, KPTY and more!

OCTOBER — single sales explode in Hawaii (#1 for 8 weeks), the Bay Area, Sacramento, San Diego, Corpus Christi, El Paso, San Antonio, Phoenix... callout starts coming back huge with females... new believers include KIKI, KBTE, WKSS, KQKQ, WKSE

NOVEMBER— Callout, single sales, and huge requests go to the next level

DECEMBER — New group of believers joins the party as "Look At Us" charts Top 40 Rhythmic... WKTU, KRBV, WNVZ and more!

JANUARY — "Look At Us" survives the holiday break and comes back with huge callout, sales, and requests virtually everywhere... KIIS comes in!

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WKSS 28x WXYV 21x WFHN 26x KLZR 18x
WSNX 26x WBFA 26x

MORE NEW AIRPLAY/ALREADY ADDED: WHYI, WFLZ, KKDM, WYOY, KSLZ and much more!





JEFF RABHAN

WOULD THE REAL GOLIATH PLEASE STEP FORWARD?: The phone lines are lighting up once again over the apparent, massive victory secured by Maverick's Danny Strick and Russ Rieger on Dakona—arguably the biggest bidding war of the year. Barring disagreement on one last major deal point, Madonna's boys will have succeeded in besting no less than six other labels willing to throw down the cheddar. And while insiders are perplexed as to how The JV That Could has landed yet another high-profile act amid huge corporate woes, a look to the recent past provides some answers. Last week's resounding word that Maverick will remain intact and that WMG will continue to support the rebuilding efforts of Guy O was an 800 lb. vote of confidence added to what some consider to be the finest creative label staff in the biz. Big ups to Oseary/Rieger, who have orchestrated the key executive reconstruction moves. Summer is com-

ing, and I smell hits... POPSTARS: The huge ratings success of the WB Network show "Popstars" is spilling over to radio as ZIOO has already hopped on 143/London-Sire's "Get Over Yourself." Add an upcoming L.A. Times Calendar piece on the WB labels to the mix—featuring a picture with David Foster, Roger Ames and Richard Parsons-and it looks like now is a good time to be a part of 143... ARTIST NEWS: The hubbub surrounding Gersh and Silva's Jimmy Eat World continues after another big show in San Fran brought weasels from two majors up from the City of Angels. Here's a little history fer ya: Grand Royal's Craig Aaronson originally signed the band to Capitol under Gersh. Now look how the tables have turned. Funny little business, eh?... The Chad Jensen-managed Gabriel Gordon is the talk among creatives after two back-to-back L.A. and N.Y shows that drew labels as well as rave reviews. No, it's not a one-listen-over-the-topsmash-pop-sensation—he's actually an artist. Private showcases are in full effect this week in the East before a few Westies go down. Forget the full club thang; have this guy into your conference room and really score... More talk about the Todd Rubenstein-repped Benny Cassette as his white boy hiphop/rock stylings have attracted kisses from Interscope, Arista and IDJ and led to meetings being planned with two other majors. Is it an urban thing or a PoMo thing? Think outside the box, people... Pub people are chattering about Charlotte Martin; in fact, it's the publishers who are hyping this one, not the artist. With EMI, Dream-Works and BMG's Scott Francis/ Liz Brooks in hot pursuit, the proper authorities feel this could be over by the weekend... SXSW: It's that time of year in Texas, where the men are men and the cattle are scared—that's right, the annual pilgrimage to the Four Seasons occurs next week with much fanfare. Wheels Online subscribers

can check out the entire conference music preview online, including best bets for shows. For the rest of you, well, you know what you can do. For those of you on the West Coast, see ya at Berko's b-day shindig at Dominick's on Friday nite-I'll be bringing a very special mystery quest with me... BUZZIN': Jon Shanks, Errortype:11, Dayton Family, David Surnow, Hyphen... E-mail: Rudoll@aol.com...

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BMI SHOWCASE	Wed., March 14 9pm	The Metro Austin	Featuring King Konga.
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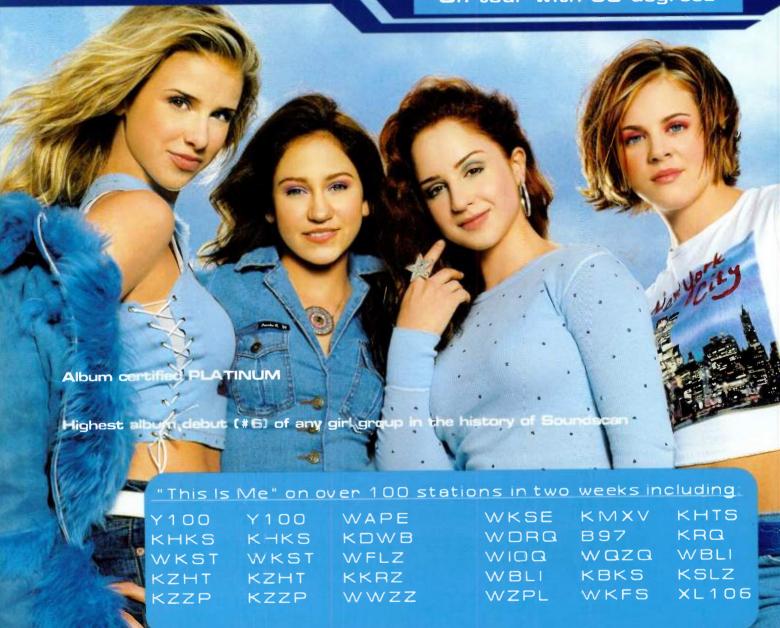
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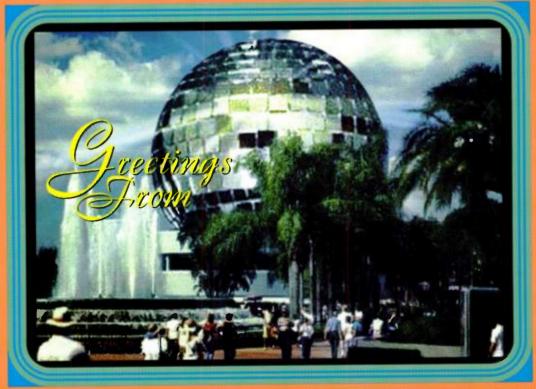
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NARM 2001: A RETAIL ODYSSEY

The sunny—hopefully—skies of Orlian 100 will provide the backdrop for this year's NARM confab, which features retail at the crossroads, with consolidation threatening on one side, digital distribution on the other and a brave new world of new formats just ahead.

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or NARM's 43rd Annual Convention & Trade Show (March 11-14 at the Orlando World Center Marriott), the National Association of Recording Merchandisers has invited a womanfor the first time in history—to deliver the keynote address. The honor goes to MTV Group President/Chairman Interactive Music Judy McGrath, who provides leadership for MTV, MTV2 and the MTVi Group (which includes MTV.com, VH1.com and Sonicnet.com). She was previously President, MTV: Music Television and MTV2. Although McGrath is flattered to be the female forerunner in the speaker slot, she is a notable and timely choice, regardless of gender.

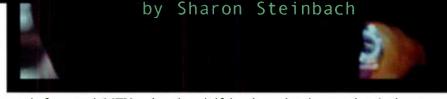
While MTV is not a music maker or traditional distributor, the network's influence on



THE GRAPES OF MCGRATH

An exclusive HITS NARM dialogue with keynote speaker, MTV Group President/Chairman Interactive Music Judy McGrath

music buyers continues to help spike revenues for the industry. "We define our business as a relationship with the consumer when it comes to music and television," says McGrath. "The fact that people are then inspired to go buy music is great, but we're not a record label or retailer.



We're an 'other,' something in the middle. Active music fans watch MTV and we love it if they buy what they see, but that's not our core business. Our core business is consumer-oriented, with a different revenue model than retail. It will be in our best interest to see what the next means of delivering music will be and how we can be a player in it."

This is a busy and exciting time for the network, and consequently, for McGrath. After MTV2's relaunch—which increased distribution to 30 million households in the top 20 U.S. markets—McGrath is gearing up for the commemoration of MTV's 20th anniversary, MTV.com is getting a facelift in July and there's new programming on deck. With all this activity, McGrath still manages to take a break to talk about the network's continuing leadership role in music delivery, the television business and pop culture with HITS' resident vidiot savant "My" Sharon "A" Steinbach.

What brings you to NARM this year?

I think of the music industry in a broad way. Even though we're not retailers, we're certainly all in the business of connecting people to music. MTV is 20 years old, so it seemed like an opportunity to look back on our checkered history and speculate about our collective future. Also, the ultimate closer, or clincher was, that a woman's never done this. They've never had a female keynote speaker and they said, "We think it's about time and we think it should be you." I couldn't say no to that.

How are retail issues relevant to MTV?

It seems like all the old definitions [of retail] are up for grabshow people get music, how they feel about it and how they relate to it. This is of great interest to all of us. Between MTV, MTV.com and MTV2, we offer downloading on our sites. We have fantastic Internet radio with Sonicnet, a deal with RioPort, thriving television networks...lots of good ways to reach music lovers. We have brands that mean something to consumers and our sites are designed to keep interest in music high and keep people connected to information and artists they care about. We tend to look at it as, "How do we use MTV, MTV2 and MTV.com in fresh new ways to add up to something bigger that consumers will find compelling in a 360-degree kind of way?" It's a big priority for us this year.

How do digital download issues impact your business? People will always want to access music that is portable, that they can customize and personalize. Right now, we are offering secure downloads from the labels through our partnership with RioPort and we're learning a lot. Consumer behavior and the new language we've picked up over the last few years certainly has an impact on how we look at our business. When the fat pipe

comes in—we know this from our many years of dealing with the cable industry—people tend to make things additive. Hope that stays true! They tend to not replace one technology with another. We want to keep our leadership position and be relevant to the way young adults want to experience music. It's all part of the mix.

Any industry or viewer reaction yet to MTV2?

We're trying to let it build a vibe. [MTV2 GM] David Cohn played a message to me on his cell phone from Harvey Leeds about a new Epic band, Mudvayne. Harvey said he could literally see the impact of MTV2 play on the band's growing sales and from the way we'd embraced it in a bunch of clever ways. The same holds true for Coldplay. Now that we're in 30 million homes,

independents. That's certainly part of the mission. MTV2 is evolving. It is a very different experience than MTV or VH1, but now it has, as we've incorporated elements of The Box, a little bit more block and localized programming. It's still sticking to its original commitment to a diverse playlist. We are just refining a bit as we go. We're partnering more with artists and labels every day.

With the glut of dot-com failures, how do you keep your online presence strong and meaningful?

We are the leading music and entertainment site. We have great brands and we focus on delivering a complete online experience. You have to have excellent editorial, easy technology and some of the things that are relevant to the world of the Internet. You also need fresh ideas, like "Control Freak," which is

on the opera. "Making The Video," "Cribs" and "Diary" are all doing great. They're new ways to expose artists and make them even bigger stars on the channel while we're playing their videos. "Road Home" showcases everyone from Nelly to the Goo Goo Dolls, Papa Roach to Lenny Kravitz and hopefully, Dave Matthews.

"Total Request Live" continues to be a franchise.

"TRL" is surging, which is really great, and now, with "VJ For A Day," we're playing more videos in the afternoon. "Cribs"—that irresistible look inside somebody's closet—does very well. "Making The Video" is somewhat dependent on the artist, but it's in spitting distance of some of the most popular things we've ever done. "Diary," which is a personal passion of mine, is also find-

AS THE CROW FRIES: MTV Queen Judy McGrath (r) tells Sheryl Crow (l) she's got no time to play "Misty" for her, as she's immediately leaving for Las Vegas, where she'll spend NARM weekend at the crap tables, giving the organization yet another keynote speaker no-show. If Tom Hanks had this NARM issue when he was a "Cast Away, he would have discovered fire a lot sooner.





DON'T WORRY, BE HAPPY: MTV honchos Judy McGrath (I) and Tom Freston (r) are pleased to learn that Viacom has just purchased Lichtenstein and have installed them as ruling couple, a key clause in their retirement packages, when they attended the premiere of "Beavis & Butt-Head Do America."

MTV2 is turning into something influential and sizeable. Consumer wise, we're always looking at how to get more feedback-whether it's through e-mails, focus groups or Nielsen data. We want to know who's watching, who loves it and who's clamoring for it. We have a big college audience; a lot of universities are asking to carry it. It's building in a nice steady way. For instance, "Control Freak," a programming play be-tween MTV2 and MTV.com, is now up to 200,000 votes [online] a night. That says to me that there are fans out there who want to participate, are looking for music and feel like this is a good way to have a more personalized relationship with the network. There's plenty of research that shows music fans are definitely turning to the Internet as a first choice way to participate and it's just going to get bigger.

Will MTV2 offer the same opportunity for lesser-known artists and smaller labels as M2 did?

I hope people will still feel that we're embracing lesser-known artists and

something we use on both MTV2 and MTV.com, along with "DFX," "TRL" and "VJ For A Day" ... no end to that kind of cross-platform collaboration! It really sets the stage for the future. We've always been very research-based, so we're doing a lot of work to figure out if people have computers and TVs in the same room, how they use them, if it's a simultaneous experience or if one feeds off the other. We're devoting more time to creative development between our television networks and our websites. We ask how we can send people from one medium to the other, and back again, and if it adds up to a more loyal viewer/user. You'll see more things like the very innovative "My VH1 Music Awards" from our company.

What's new on the MTV programming side?

We're doing things on the channel this year that I think are going to be notable and fun. On the movie front, we're doing "Carmen" with [Destiny's Child's] Beyoncé and musicians from the hip-hop and rap world doing a purely current take

ing a bigger audience. The ones we've done have turned out great and memorable. The roster of artists coming through "DFX" and "TRL," the live performances, continue to be astonishing. There are some excellent videos to watch...Tamia, Nelly Furtado, the new Limp Bizkit, At The Drive-In, Coldplay and one of my favorites, Bilal. Wait'll you see the new Fatboy Slim. I just got a sneak preview. American Hi-Fi, with "Flavor of the Weak," is the buzz on MTV2. The new Radiohead...nothing better...And it's great to have Dave Matthews back.

What can we expect to see for MTV's 20th Anniversary?

The definitive histories of rock, pop and hip-hop...at least we hope they're definitive! "Rock" airs March 10-11 and features Bono, Anthony Kiedis, Bret Michaels and many more. That said, we debated even acknowledging our anniversary, and still are. This is the "forever young" channel and there's not a great desire to go out and say, "It was 20 years ago today..." Instead, we're going

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to do those fun, irreverent things we've LLI: been doing, like "MTV Uncensored," maybe a look at 20 years of contests or a \vdash look back at some of the great performances at the "VMAs." We're considering running one minute of every great video we ever aired, non-stop. But it will be short-form programming—moments that might be amusing to someone who's a current viewer or to somebody who may have been watching a while ago and has moved on, but still has affection for some of their MTV memories. In March, we're shooting "mtvICON," in which we look at artists who have made a significant contribution to music video, been a part of our history and what we believe is our future. Janet Jackson will be the first artist honored, with performers to include Destiny's Child, Macy Gray and OutKast. And there'll be a special vocal tribute by NSYNC. It's about celebrating some of the artists who have come through here and some of the great ____ moments of television they have given $\bigcirc \sqcup$ us. We're still debating whether to do a \coprod \coprod big concert or a series of concerts around \triangle our anniversary and what role it will play in the "VMAs." We don't want to \square overplay it. I'm starting to get boxes of things from people I knew here 20 years ago, like old VHS tapes. I'm sure it's ≥ wonderful and frightening. Maybe I'll shut the door, have a glass of wine and watch them myself.

Tell us about the relaunch of MTV.com. We want to be the best music site on the web, bar none, and all that that implies. We will relaunch this summer with a quicker, better way to access the content people like with a whole new look and feel. It's the new era of impatience; how can I get this faster and better? It gives us another excuse to really supe it up and keep it evolving, just like the brand itself. The connection to the channel is also a critical piece.

will MTV become more involved in BET now that it's part of the Viacom family? We're elated that they're here. It's a great brand. Viacom is very proud to have them in the family. They are totally independent. We were talking to their online group about potentially sharing space with them, but aside from that, it's a really independent-minded organization which understands its audience extremely well. It's a great network. There's been no MTV-ing of BET. I saw some of their executives at the Christmas party and got to meet them, which was great.

What do you see as MTV's biggest area of potential growth?

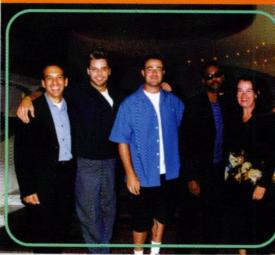
I think very highly of the art form of music—it's political, it's emotional, it's constantly evolving in terms of what videos are and can be. For us, it's about how we can create a great context in

which to play videos, and keep up in a 500-channel universe, attracting an audience and making them want to be with us. Music is much more ubiquitous on television, which means we have to be on our game all the time. It's up to us to make people think MTV is still the leading brand in the music television world. But I never take anything for granted. I sincerely believe this brand is one of the most amazing and elastic franchises ever built. And it's up to us to keep it that way. Social responsibility has always been one of your goals.

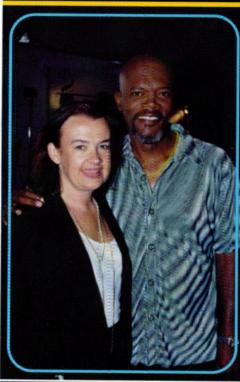
For most of our 20 years we've been a leader in social programming, and for really good reasons. Music has a definite place in the world of issues and politics. Young adults turn to music to help them figure out who they are-and they believe MTV speaks to them authentically. They're very clear about the issues of what it's like to be a young adult in 2001—they're consumed with gender issues, sexual health issues, hate crimes, and they think about these things. We're in a great position to reflect that. It's done from a very pure and passionate place here at MTV-whether it's voting, participating or expressing your point-of-view. One of the most famous things we did was partner with Rock The Vote. If we can be part of the process of giving young people a voice and a place where they can feel comfortable expressing it, then we'll take that opportunity every time. We want to present more sides to an issue or a debate. It's our opinion that we'd rather put controversy in front of people and have the debate than choose not to go there at all. Everybody lives with contradiction in their lives and that's true with pop culture and pop music as well.

Do you still enjoy your job?

It's fun. It's passionate. It's never dull. Pure adrenaline. I'm the luckiest human being on the planet. I can watch MTV2 all day in my office. I can walk downstairs to "TRL" and see Jennifer Lopez or the Black-Eyed Peas on "DFX." What's great about this brand is that it gives you permission to do a lot of things, whether it's promoting "Save The Last Dance," working on a "Fight For Your Rights" social campaign, launching MTV2 or figuring out what to do on the Internet space. It's been an unbelievable gift that we can go to all these places with music.



JUDY N DEEZ GUYS: MTV ruler and NARM keynote addresser Judy McGrath announces her plans to start a rock band with MTV Prez Van Toffler, Ricky Martin, Carson Daly and Chris Rock at the '99 "VMAs" before they broke up arguing about which one would play drums.



PULP FRICTION: MTV doyenne and NARM keynote speaker Judy McGrath tells the great Samuel L. Jackson at the 1998 "MTV Movie Awards" the best place to buy a quarter-pounder with cheese in Paris before drilling him with her glock during one of those moments that makes HITS' annual NARM issue a favorite with French cinephiles.

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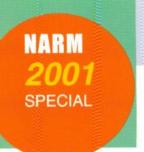
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AN EXCLUSIVE HITS NARM DIALOGUE WITH NARM PRESIDENT PAM HOROVITZ BY MARK PEARSON



Every year, the retail landscape changes by increasingly larger leaps and bounds. By its very nature, NARM has had to change as well. The office of President was, for many years, a post that was passed like a torch from year to year. Countless retail legends and luminaries have held the top spot, but circumstances shifted so profoundly in the '90s, it became clear that President of the trade association was a full-time job. And the unanimous choice for that job was longtime NARM Chairman Pam Horovitz. No single person has had a greater influence on the course of the association and its attendant conventions before or since. Horovitz has tried her best to keep the behemoth nimble enough to change, but strong

enough to stand its ground when the need arises. HITS' intrepid retail guru Mark "Long Walk Off A Short" Pearson got the chance to ask her about past, present and future—until she realized she wasn't talking to Billboard.

What new features can we expect at this year's confab?

There's a whole new segment at NARM—the Retailers Continuing Education Program, with a couple of different modules, one on customer service and one on marketing, that's been developed in response to dialogue with some of our smaller member companies. We've brought back the trade show, which we really had to cut to the bone in San Antonio. This year the hotel is designed to have a trade show floor as an integral part of the convention. It obviously will be a lot bigger, more convenient for everybody, and we have a lot of new companies exhibiting.

Obviously, the focus continues to be on the Internet and the role it will play in the music business.

We have learned a fair bit, like how to ask the right questions. For example, last year people were asking how we would ever compete with free music on the Internet because of Napster. This year, the question is, "How do you monetize digital distribution?" There's starting to be an increased recognition that while the correct hot term is content aggregator, in some respects content aggregation is something retail-

ers have been doing forever.

Retail is starting to ask itself, "Is the Internet something every brick & mortar must chase?" There is no "one size fits all" answer for retailers in general, online or off. Different companies will look at the facts of the marketplace, along with consumer desires and preferences, and come up with different strategies that make sense for the different niches they serve. That probably most reflects the value that retail brings-different options to the consumer. There will be companies who look at the Internet and say, "That's not really where we're going to focus our energies." And there are going to be others who'll say, "We clearly don't have to spend the kind of money Wall Street was telling us we needed to spend on the Internet." It's clear that we, in fact, have the time to slow down and think carefully about how to integrate brick & mortar and e-commerce. One Internet strategy may be to not have a website at all! Having said that, music is a digital commodity and I think digital distribution will play a role in the future.

Tell us about this year's speakers. It's a real coup getting Judy McGrath, this being MTV's 20th anniversary.

Clearly, one of the exciting things about this

year's convention is that Judy will be joining us. MTV has had a huge effect on the buying preferences of kids and has really helped grow our industry. What's also really cool is that, as an industry partner, Judy and MTV have faced many of the same issues and concerns that music retailers do: how to partner well with a label, censorship, new technology, global issues... Hearing from Judy about their perspective on all of those different things will be really useful for us. Plus, I'm kind of excited because she's the first woman keynoter that we've ever had.

What else can we look forward to?

The other session that'll be fun is the panel moderated by Al Franken. The idea here is to hear a frank discussion about all of the changes that are now going on in the industry and how they're viewed by the different stakeholders—really both from within the industry and without. And, of course, Al is coming with his own kind of irreverent spin on the business. I think it's useful to get tweaked a little...to have somebody challenge the way we look at issues.

Are you worried about the effects of runaway consolidation on both your constituents and the convention?

There's no question we're feeling the effects of consolidation, as is everybody else in the industry. I think you can still characterize the convention as one in which the attending companies represent the bulk of the industry's business, since all the key players will still be there. The number of total companies, however, and the number of individuals that it takes to achieve that same marketshare, is down some. It's helpful to remember that the emphasis at the convention is really on the meetings between companies. The responsibility is on the participating companies to set up their own meetings and prepare for them appropriately, so I don't think it affects them.

In terms of NARM meetings, the impact of consolidation has more to do with the nature of the agendas than anything else. If you are an executive whose company doesn't directly compete with another company, you're naturally going to be more comfortable sharing certain kinds of information. Whereas if

you have a direct competitor, you're going to be more comfortable searching out areas that are of common concern. For example, this is a year in which the FTC has been focusing on the issue of marketing violent entertainment to children. I believe we're all going to benefit from frank discussions with each other about how to address those questions, both as individual companies and as an industry.

Speaking of litigation, one year ago, NARM brought a historic lawsuit against Sony Music. Two questions: What has taken the court so long in ruling on this matter? And in light of BMG's acquisition of CDNOW and alliance with Napster, would you argue that the allegations aimed at Sony now pale a little in comparison?

First, as to the question of why the judge hasn't ruled: The judge has no deadline, he can take as long as he feels he needs to reach a decision about the case. This judge hasn't ruled yet and therefore we simply have to be respectful enough, since we brought the case, to wait for him to rule.

Second, the BMG-CDNOW situation. Acquiring CDNOW isn't illegal in and of itself. We will, of course, be watching any strategic agreements between the two. The retailers themselves certainly will be vigilant in terms of moderating any changes and wanting a level playing field. As for the BMG/Napster alliance. I would hope there are some out there who would actually see it as a good thing that a company is going to work hard to come up with a monetized file-sharing system. And if they can make that happen, I've got to believe it would be a good outcome. Because that means that the law and respect for copyright aren't being flouted.

How is NARM evolving to meet the needs of its constituents?

This past December, our board voted to expand its size by a couple of seats. I am out working with the nominating committee, reviewing potential candidates for those seats. The new additions will be announced at the convention. The changing composition of the industry will be reflected in the expanded board. Next, we're spending a great deal of

time looking at technology and how to use it to benefit our members. For example, we've had a website for several years now, but this is the first year we've actually had our newsletter go online. Instead of publishing a printed Sounding Board on a monthly basis. it will probably be a quarterly focusing more on wrap-up kinds of pictorials-like the merchandising contests for the various televised award shows and so forth. Then we have a research letter that'll come out monthly as well. We see our role as aggregating research and analyzing it for our constituents. The other thing is, of course, using push e-mails to get the word out on legislative or regulatory announcements-taking registrations online. that kind of stuff. We're looking around at how other trade associations are utilizing the Internet and new technologies in a way that makes communication and membership responsibilities easier for people.

And, of course, government relations are more important than ever.

We're spending more time and energy on legislative government relations than we ever have before. We really used to be out there on First Amendment and lyrics legislation in a very proactive way. Now we're also looking at laws that are being written that will shape the way the business develops in terms of digital distribution. We believe it's critical to be out there and vocal to help shape policy in such a way that retailers and consumer rights really are protected as we move forward.

We've been very vocal with regards to the Digital Millennium Copyright Act, arguing for the need to protect the retailer's ability to innovate business plans in a lawful manner, but one that's independent of the supplier community. It's been a year in which we've had much more of a global dialogue with retail organizations in other countries. Now, more than ever, we're aware that what happens in other countries is affecting what happens to us here. The same thing with SDMI. We've been watching the technology and trying to represent the retail and customer's point of view with respect to privacy or. again, being an independent entity in the marketplace.

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hen discussing music and the laternet, many players in the music industry often find themselves being forced to answer questions without any degree of certainty. Although debates on piracy, royalty disbursements, pricing and legalities have flourished in the last few years, the Internet is still considered to be a new business paradigm. Even though there are plenty of numbers to go with it—projections, stock prices, click-throughs, financing dollars and the like—we have not yet seen the massive impact predicted to take place. According to Jupiter Communications, online music sales will capture 44% of the retail market by 2003, with an annual growth rate of 76%, begging the question of who will be the e-tail leader to capitalize and profit most from this major revenue shift. HITS asked some of today's leading retailers about their plans online and predictions for the near-future. What we found out is that, when it comes to selling music online, there are several variables to consider.

As the Internet completely redefines the parameters of shopping, traditional retailers must redefine their own selling procedures in untested territories *and* on a global scale. These days, brand loyalty will only take you so far; retaining a customer increasingly becomes the main motivating factor of the online entity. To date, no single e-tailer has come up with that

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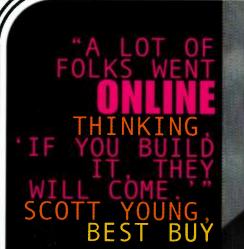
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magical formula. Even web giant Amazon.com has had its ups and downs some weak alliances, a staggering cumulative debt, and their share of layoffs but nevertheless, they have managed to (so far) stay on top. Even without the customary advantages of brick & mortarnamely a history, a name, physical stores and a proven retail track record Amazon.com was able to rake in an impressive \$637 million this past holiday season. Which leaves music e-tailers scratching their heads and looking carefully at non-music retailers with some moderate e-commerce successes. The problem is, there aren't many to study, as most retailers have yet to show profit on the online side and more and more find themselves with narrowing margins in an increasingly competitive market. Devoting time, resources, manpower and capital to an online component without



a clear plan has the potential to hurt, rather than help, the core business.

Mike Dreese, founder and owner of Newbury Comics, saw the negative impact of the online transition first-hand. As one of the early retail entrants to the online market, Newbury was already taking credit card orders as far back as 1995. "We put up 15,000 items by 1996. That did not yield sufficient sales and we found ourselves running into the utter nonsense of the CDNOW business model, which was basically to sell things below cost. When they initiated their Grammy special promotion (where all the nominated albums were being sold for \$9.99], the writing was on the wall that the whole business would be kind of silly for a number of years, which is exactly what it ended up being."





In the last two years, Newbury has all but eliminated the selling component of its site, opting to focus more on lifestyle products and the stability and growth of their physical stores. "We don't think there's much economic opportunity to ship individual CDs by mail with a web interface," Dreese explains. "When you do the math, it's very difficult to figure out how one company can ship 10 million CDs in a year and make a profit. Unless you can make \$7-\$8 gross profit per order, you can't engage in the activity. Even if somebody picks up three CDs at Amazon or CDNOW, you're lucky to have an eight-dollar margin in the whole purchase and the infrastructure cost alone will consume most of that. Our core company makes millions of dollars a year, so it's not a very attractive proposition, I don't think it ever has been."

Manageable margins are probably the biggest hurdle for established retailers looking to get into the online sales game and the problem is not limited to smaller companies. Scott Young, who currently serves as a VP/GM for Entertainment at Best Buy, hopes to overcome it by virtue of the company's size. "Folks went online thinking, 'If you build it, they will come.' There was a very simplistic thought process of putting things online and moving to digital media and making a lot of money in the short run. I believe this will come in time, but what I think will happen is that companies like Best Buy, who are very efficient in terms of use and management of their inventory, will hopefully have an advantage."

Similarly, Trans World Entertainment (which operates almost 1,000 stores, including Record Town, Camelot Music, The Wall and For Your Entertainment) finds that making profit online is virtually an impossibility in today's market. "Prices online have to go up," says Trans World CFO John Sullivan. "We took a fairly conservative approach from an expense point of view. We didn't do a lot of marketing [but still found ourselves with operating losses of \$6-8 million a year. Pricing on the Internet is much less expensive and there are no gross margins. At some point, that needs to change." Trans World continues to invest in its online operations, although Sullivan insists that the time and money being spent will go to "building the infrastructure for the future of the business" rather than pumping sales numbers.

While many entertainment chains have the experience and marketing know-how to sell a variety of products to a wide range of customers, when you take the check-out line out of the check-out, retailers automatically become less reliant on people skills and their strength in a regional market and more dependent on hooking in customers by entertaining and dazzling them. Virgin Megastore, which recently limited the number of music products offered on its site due in part to disappointing sales, has taken this path almost exclusively by hiring an editorial team and aggregating its own content. "When we went online back in mid-1999," Virgin Megastore's Glen Ward explains, "our intention was to pursue a strategy of multi-channel retailing; the Internet for us was [one of those] channels to market and quite a good one. The volumes with the Net were reasonable, but certainly not sustainable as a sole business proposition. We're now focusing more on the content and editorial side and that's something which we think will enhance our reputation in terms of defining the

expertise that Virgin has and the specialist nature of our stores."

Those without particular niche appeal have also adopted the idea of content as a way to lure in customers. Best Buy, Trans World, Tower, Amazon and CDNOW all provide reviews, downloads and other bonuses in an effort to pinpoint personal preferences and allow for direct, one-on-one marketing. Best Buy, in particular, has invested substantially in finding and keeping customers by offering live webcasts of in-store performances and both free and paid downloads. "We feel that we positively impact store sales and that the store as a brand impacts our sales," Young offers. "It is very important for us as a click & mortar to be a leader in digital media when that really comes to fruition. What we're trying to do today is build a customer-friendly, robust website that will lend itself towards gathering customers, maintaining them over the future, growing our marketshare and our leverage points. We want to be a meaningful location for customers to find digital products and for vendors to sell them."

That said, the basic principles of retailing are not all that different from those of e-tailing. Customer satisfaction and service are still major priorities of the productive shopping experience. Online, this is achieved by various interactive components. Some e-tailers

actually have customer service representatives standing by, ready to answer questions in a real-time chat. Others offer the opportunity to buy online and pick up in the store or, conversely, to buy online and return to the closest retail outlet. Others refer to standard e-mail marketing services, often thought to be the most direct method, whose results can be easily tracked to determine the satisfaction of the customer. Dreese, for one, strongly advocates this type of direct-effect communication. "In the current year, we'll send out more than 2 million e-mails to our customers. In that sense, we think the Internet is marvelous...for delivering information that's pre-filtered. The idea of having to come to a site and scour around for stuff doesn't appeal to me. I don't think the consumer has the time or the energy to do that." Dreese uses the Ken Burns Jazz series as an example of the power of e-mail messaging. "Our e-club members represent about seven to eight percent of our customer base, but they accounted for over 50% of Ken Burns Jazz purchases. I think spending the infrastructure cost to send out 20,000 e-mails that week is a far better use of our dollars than



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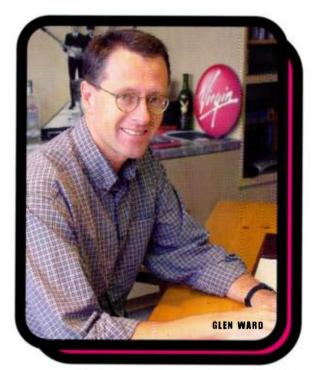


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Another factor playing a large role in effectively marketing an e-commerce site to a consumer is ease of use and navigation. In that sense, technologically advanced sites may think they're providing the latest and greatest visually and sonically appealing navigation system when, in fact, they may just be confusing the customer. Once again, Dreese takes issue with today's e-tailing trends: "One thing we have learned on the web is that whatever software you put out there, within 16-18 months it's outmoded. So the payback on your R&D costs for developing software has to be very rapid. It's an area that involves continuous reinvestment."

Ward concurs: "Virgin has been avidly involved in digital downloads over the last year or so and we've certainly seen some volume in terms of people who want to partake, but there are some big issues that haven't been resolved. Obviously, pricing is one, [as is] uniform technology. Right now it's certainly not agnostic in its systems; often you need five different plug-ins for five different media. I think we're just confusing the consumer and that's not a good thing...people will turn against that."

Meanwhile, retailers are continually augmenting their online staffs to keep up with the current market of pure-play dot-coms and, in turn, spending funds. "There's no question that [going online] is an extra cost you have to be careful about," Young offers. "Best Buy has clearly made a huge commitment and we are in a fortunate position to be able to make reasonable investments. There's leverage throughout the enterprise; the stores are giving us promotion and marketing and there are linkages to both the inventory and pricing systems. Those are all in addition to what we directly invest in manpower and other expenses. I don't think it's going to hurt us, but you have to be wise about how you invest."

Of course, pure-play Net retail companies have faced economic hardships of late. Most recently, CDNOW, ranked second in online music sales, laid off some 55 employees (all on the advertising side) in an effort to streamline operations and "focus the company on product sales, its core

source of revenue." Interestingly, the only department that wasn't affected by cutbacks was the editorial department, which CDNOW sees as an essential "hub for the development of its rich content offerings," according to a company spokesman.

Likewise, Virgin Megastore is putting its eggs in the content basket, hoping to reach consumers via its Radio Free Virgin. Said Ward: "We fell back on our retail skills when we launched Virginmega.com 18 months ago, so we created Radio Free Virgin. It's streaming audio using Microsoft technology where people could hit a 'buy' button if they liked something they heard. It was a runaway success. We've invested a lot in it. We're now at 1.5 million downloads and that just shows people want their music, and we're giving them not only added value, but the opportunity to buy also."

Retailers don't always have to tackle the content issue in-house, either. These days, there are ample opportunities for strategic alliances as Best Buy demonstrated by hooking up with Rollingstone.com and as CDNOW will show if it gets to couple with Napster, through Bertelsmann. These alliances provide an extended audience that retailers need to enhance their traffic numbers—in turn, justifying their existence. But the competition is stiff and since price comparisons have never been so easy, many web surfers can potentially visit a dozen different sites before purchasing from one. Best Buy may feel the aftereffects of its acquisition of the Musicland chain in this respect. While the two entertainment giants are now housed under one umbrella, they will maintain separate web entities.

According to Young, Best Buy's strategy remains to play off the resilience of the brand. "[Musicland is] its own entity and has its own strategy. From an enterprise standpoint, we're definitely going to look for ways that we can leverage our assets to achieve an overall goal, while still maintaining the appropriate character of the different companies. We'll see how these things evolve, but the intention is for Musicland to have its own brand—we take that very seriously."

Trans World's website, TWEC.COM, which serves as the online hub for all of its retail operations, finds itself in a similar predicament. "One of the issues that we face is we don't have a great brand," Sullivan explains. "We're planning to launch under a new URL [so that] we remain under one name, facilitating customer awareness online and offline."

With the myriad choices customers face every time they log on, the ultimate goal, to be a one-stop-shop for a range of entertainment products, becomes much harder to achieve. No longer is there the threat to your physical space (i.e. when a competitor opens shop across the street), nor is there the ability to undercut your competitors as profit margins shrink exponentially. So what is the ideal strategy for click & mortars? Staying in business, for one, and remembering the most basic retail adage—the customer is always right.

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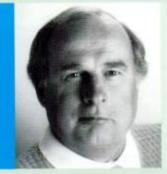


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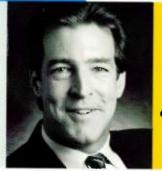
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While the specter of the Internet and digital music has shaken the entire industry, distribution and manufacturing are battlefields where the revolution will undoubtedly stage its bloodiest battles. Promotion, marketing and A&R will have to adjust, but it's at pressing plants and one-stops where the move from physical to virtual product will have the most pronounced effect. It is the real blank space on the map of the future. HITS' intrepid music journalissimo Steve Mirkin "Ball," who has no idea what he'll be doing five minutes from now, let alone for the next five-10 years, sat down with the music industry's Big Five to take a look into the future of Distribution, including WEA Chairman/CEO Dave Mount, Universal Music and Video President Jim Urie, BMG Distribution President/CEO Pete Jones, EMD President/CEO Richard Cottrell and Sony Music Distribution Chairman Danny Yarbrough.



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What do you see as the future of record distribution?

Dave Mount, WEA: When we talk distribution, we're really talking about two major functions of the company. One is to pack and ship—the fulfillment side of it; the other is the sales and marketing side. I don't believe the sales and marketing side of it changes as drastically as other forms of delivery come along. You still need to have relationships with customers; you still have marketing programs. Maybe you reach the consumer in a different way, but you still have to expose your product. The sales and marketing part of distribution, while it may involve organizational changes, continues to be a critical strategic piece for the record companies.

Danny Yarbrough, SMD: We've spent millions over the last few years upgrading our warehousing and order entry and all of our IT systems, which makes us more efficient in dealing with accounts. What we're already experiencing is, working with the accounts and their buyers, tying into their systems with our personnel as well as more vendor-managed inventory to ensure the correct placement of the music in the stores.

Richard Cottrell, EMD: I think you have to ask the question. "Is the industry really moving towards digital distribution?" All the majors implemented digital distribution last year, and it's fair to say that the result has been underwhelming, in terms of consumer acceptance.

Jim Urie, UMVD: In the future, we'll be dealing less with trying to predetermine what the demand will be for physical product and more with distributing a digital one, where demand can be determined as the transaction is occurring. The idea of physical inventory, by defini-

tion, means it has to be there ahead of time. Now, the quantity and location has to be decided beforehand. In the future, it'll be less of an issue. Frankly, it's less of an issue today, even in the physical world, where we have things like "Just In Time" delivery, for instance.

Will there ever be a time when you see no need for physical distribution?

Urie: In the foreseeable future, say, ten years, I don't see it going away.

Cottrell: I agree with that. I don't think it will happen in my lifetime, anyway...and I like to think I'm reasonably young. Physical format is going to remain with us for a long time.

Is this out of habit, or are there other factors at play?

Cottrell: Usage is one reason. Most fans own a CD player. And digital music is not easily transportable yet. You can still carry a physical CD to your car, so portability is an important issue. Then there's collectibility. The physical CD gives more than the download. There's still value in the booklet, the lyrics and the information about the artist. The real music fan still wants that and will continue to want that. So we see the physical format being around for a long time.

Yarbrough: The actual physical distribution won't be necessary, but there are many elements involved—things like tech support. It's just a different way to distribute products into the marketplace. I think we'll see retail adopt a combination of package goods and interactive kiosks. The kiosks are now used for in-store previewing, but will become used either for customized CDs, or more likely, with portals as refill stations, downloading music onto memory devices.

How does the current economy affect

your forecasts?

Urie: It's too bad the dot-com economy was based on so many fallacies. If it had a stronger footing and was able to survive, we were 12-to-24 months away from miraculous things happening. Unfortunately, because of the lousy foundation for those companies, it's probably going to take a little longer. All those different delivery methods and devices—those consumer products that were being driven by all the dot-coms—will now take longer to come to market. Pete Jones, BMG: I like to describe these things as reality therapy, which is generally not a bad thing. It certainly hasn't affected our plans, or our timetable. We're going full-speed ahead.

Yarbrough: Next year, we're forecasting a 15% increase in our package goods business. We're doing this, knowing the records we have coming—although this past year was somewhat flat, we will see increases in the coming year.

What role will digital distribution eventually play? *Mount:* Electronic delivery of music to consumers is something that will clearly be a part of our business. It's starting off very slowly, but once we find the right mechanism to connect with the consumer, it will become a significant piece of the business. And whether that's a subscription model, a download model or a combination of both, we haven't divined that yet.

Do you believe forecasts that it will be a major factor in the future?

Jones: Unfortunately, they haven't been right... yet. But I would think that digital distribution will be a significant, but still minor, part of our business by 2005.

Do you foresee a day when the majors move out of physical distribution completely?

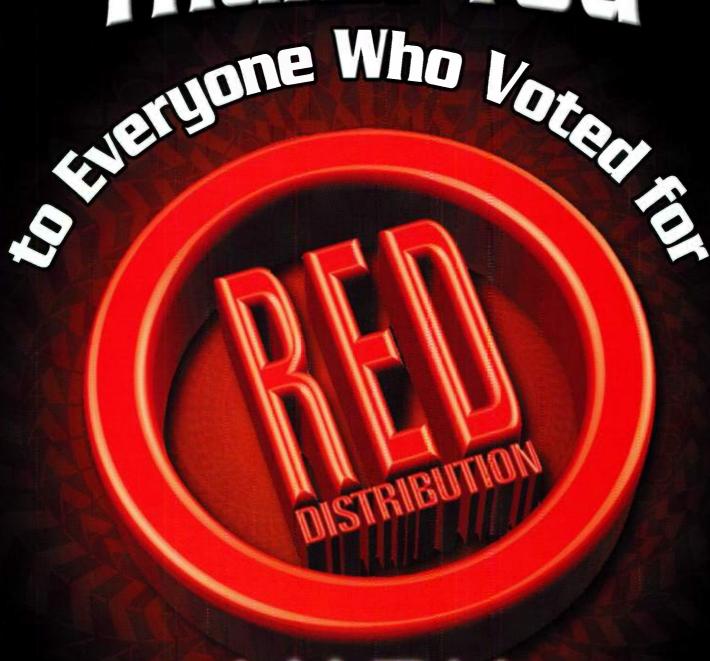
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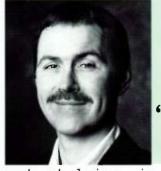


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Jones: Not in the foreseeable future, say a tenyear horizon, no.

Cottrell: Right now, you have subscription services starting up, but nobody really knows the impact that will have on the consumer's listening and buying habits. That's really the unanswered question. To be successful, the digital offer has to be distinguished from the consumer offer. The idea of just digitizing the physical product, whether it's the music or the artwork—and making it available to the consumer needs to be rethought. We have to add some value to the package. That's either going to be different music, more artist information or promotional material made available online. We're starting to roll this out over the next year. As bandwidth increases, that will become easier.

Yarbrough: There are several new exciting configurations: Super Audio CDs and DVD Audio. We're very excited about Super Audio and I think we'll see more of these new configurations to bring music to the consumer. It just expands the marketplace.

Do you see the major labels outsourcing physical fulfillment at any point?

Mount: Fulfillment has some strategic advantages too. It's about being able to deliver product to the right place at the right time. It's really critical when it comes to breaking acts. If you have an act that breaks regionally, you have to be able to respond quickly. If there is a way you can accomplish that and leverage your cost at the same time, you have to be open to those opportunities.

Let's take an example of a sleeper band, an act that no one had high expectations for, that suddenly starts to sell. What can you do if the

pressing plant or fulfillment company can't fit you in because their facilities are tied up due to another contract?

Mount: You wouldn't want to do it if you couldn't control it, or influence it in some way. I'm not saying this is a direction that we would go, I'm just saying there are opportunities there for synergies with other products going to the same stores. It doesn't mean that we have to contract out; maybe we contract product in. But we're not looking to sell off distribution and manufacturing: we're just exploring options to maximize what we're doing. We happen to be very happy with what we're doing in manufacturing and distribution; we'd just like to leverage it a little bit. How would that play out?

Cottrell: There are several different ways. Other industries do it. We're not pioneering anything here. The video industry does it.

Mount: But they don't have breaking acts in the same way that the music business does. They have, basically, movies that are pre-sold through box office results, so the challenge is a bit different.

Cottrell: Yeah, but if you're still managing the selling and the marketing cycles directly with the customers—the physical fulfillment—all that comes with the execution of an order. The salesman still places the order, while the fulfillment could be managed by a third party. You don't need to run the warehouses; you don't need to run the trucks.

Urie: For example, UMVD at one time manufactured all of its own cassettes. As the economies of scale have changed, it's better to subcontract one or two major outside players that basically manufacture cassettes. Who knows what the economies of scale will be for the CD?

Yarbrough: There are some real problems in doing that because, you lose some of the savings you get in consolidating orders. If you can overcome these issues, there are certainly opportunities. It's not unusual, in Australia and the U.K., for our companies to have their own sales staffs, with combined backroom facilities. What's the future for pressing plants?

Cottrell: There are many arguments for or against owning manufacturing facilities. We'll make a decision based on what's strategically important for our business.

Would spinning off distribution arms be a smart move, or is it something that the labels will come to regret as short-sighted?

Cottrell: You have to ask what's important to your business. For us, it's the relationship between the labels and the retail customer. There are many aspects to it—the selling side, the marketing side, credit management, inventory management and physical fulfillment. There are parts of that chain you want to maintain and wouldn't give away—customer management, marketing, inventory. The physical fulfillment side is something for which we may consider alternatives.

Yarbrough: I really believe, as a company, Sony Music is committed to our manufacturing and distribution systems; we see it as one of our strengths. We've spent millions of dollars to improve it, and we believe it gets product to the marketplace faster and provides additional opportunities in sales.

Jones: If you're suggesting the consumer is not interested in shopping for and owning CDs or other configurations that we now produce, it seems to me that there is no current basis to draw that conclusion.

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An exclusive HITS NARM dialogue with Alliance Entertainment Corp. President/CEO Eric Weisman and Valley Media Founder/Chairman/CEO Barney Cohen by Mark Pearson

The music business is now in a state of constant change, morphing itself every moment into some new and different animal. In similar fashion, the two largest zookeepers in the wholesale industry must also continually adapt themselves to the new laws of the jungle. With every segment of the music business consolidating, the larger the companies get, the bigger the challenges and the risks for front-runners in wholesale distribution.

A lliance Entertainment's Eric Weisman and Valley Media's Barney Cohen grew their respective businesses in very different ways, but their different paths have led them to similar ground. They are now the kings of wholesale distribution, with solid footing in both the physical and digital worlds. What does the future hold? How are they coping with the new landscape? What did they have for breakfast this morning? Who is their favorite Beatle? Of course, none of these questions were answered as HITS retail maven Mark "Missing" Pearson found that, once again, saying you're from Billboard gets all kinds of people on the phone.





What do you see as the future of wholesale distribution?

I question whether it will exist by itself. Wholesale distribution—defined as fill-in product sold to retailers—is not a particularly exciting business. For a company like Alliance to be successful, we have to do a lot more than just service the historical conventional needs of wholesale distribution.

Is it possible these days to survive as a pure one-stop?

No. Just as you can't survive as a pure wholesale distribution company. The

infrastructure." Eric Weisman, Alliance

think it's a more difficult task to accomplish today than it was three years ago, let alone five or 10 years ago. You have two relatively large companies in this "If you're going to compete with an Alliance or Valley for the customers that they work for today and tomorrow, you need a strong technology and logistics

consolidating market, does matter.

Clearly, it's easier to deal with the con-

solidation pressures we see at the retail,

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issue is not the parochial terms of a wholesaler or a one-stop, but rather as a fulfillment service organization that has a panoply of services that it can offer to different customers-from vendor-managed, in-store inventory and e-commerce fulfillment to aiding and assisting the digital distribution needs of music, movies and other media. It's about formulating a business that's a commerce service-provider, dealing with the needs of customers as it relates to physical and digital product.

What does the future hold for smaller companies? Is there another Alliance or Valley that can grow behind the vision of a new entrepreneur? Or are those days gone forever?

Girth, in the form of critical mass in a

space with strong technology and logistics infrastructures already in place. There isn't a viable alternative out there right now that has all those core competencies. Not only would you be trying to build by combining smaller companies together, but you would be simultaneously delivering to that combined entity a technology and automation infrastructure that doesn't currently exist outside of Alliance and Valley. That kind of thing doesn't occur overnight. If you're going to compete with an Alliance or Valley for the customers that they work for today and tomorrow, you need a strong technology and logistics infrastructure.

At least two of the major label groups have recently been rumored

to question whether or not they even need to be in manufacturing/distribution. How would that change your business?

Is this question trying to get at the fact that they would out-source all of that? In today's marketplace, companies are awarded for rallying around what are clearly their greatest core competencies. That will lead to the most significant and consistent financial performance a company can realize. For a major label, there could be tremendous enhanced profitability realized by relinquishing the manufacturing and distribution business, if they felt comfortable it wouldn't compromise their overall sales trajectory. But that's an assessment which has to made by each individual major label. If any major label was to move in that manner, it would create opportunities for companies like Alliance to further grow its business, because the core competencies that Alliance is building would naturally cater to dealing with the distribution and manufacturing needs of such a major label. I would look at that as an opportunity. I am not counting on or expecting any major labels, however, to make such a decision. I believe they will stay the course and continue to run their own manufacturing and distribution businesses for themselves. I don't believe that they will pull the trigger on any such thought... not in the near term, at least.

Weisman. Corp. **President/CEO**

Barney Cohen, **Valley Media** Chairman/

What do you see as the future of wholesale distribution?

It's going to be around. We have to have aggregators. I can't imagine a world where there are no middlemen. There's just too much product that needs to be put into one place and made sense of for an awful lot of clients. And that includes both the small stores that don't want to open up with all of **Founder/** both the small stores that don't want to open up with an or the majors and the large customers that don't want to deal with the majors because it's an inconvenience. They want with the majors because it's an inconvenience. They want someone to manage their inventory for them. There will always be a need for someone to do fill-in business and all those ancillary services that the large chains need. There will be as much opportunity for our services in the future as there is today or has been yesterday.

> Is it possible these days to survive as a pure one-stop? It's possible, just like it's possible to have a corner, mom-&-pop record store. The person who runs it is often the owner, the manager and the head clerk; they can make \$75k or 100k a year. Which is certainly better than, for many people, working for somebody else. If they have the stamina and desire to be their own boss, that kind of opportunity is always available for a wholesaler who wants to mine a certain niche. Either get very good at a genre like

"I don't think there's room for more players than the two that we've already got-Alliance and Valley." Barney Cohen, Valley Media

Urban or Latin music or survey geography that has a special need. But the general all-purpose one-stop needs to get pretty big, and I don't think there's room for more players than the two that we've already got-Alliance and Valley.

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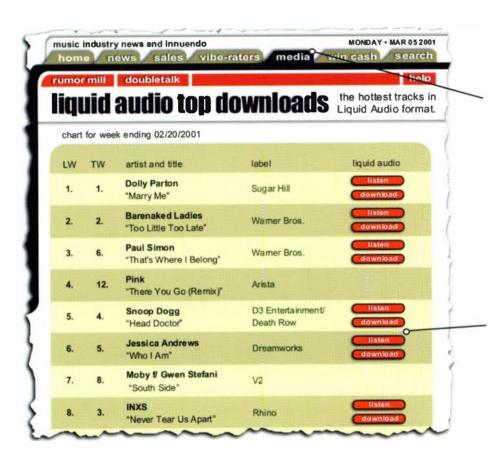
The chance of building a brand-new Valley or Alliance

from scratch is almost zero today. Consolidation makes it so difficult to jump into the marketplace with a company anywhere near Valley or Alliance's size. It would take a phenomenal investment in a marketplace where the margins are very slim. I just don't think that's a prudent investment for a financial person trying to spend a significant amount of money. I see more consolidation, not less. All of the medium-sized wholesalers have to take a good hard look at their future. Two of the biggest one-stops behind Alliance and Valley were recently sold-Pacific Coast and Southwest Wholesale. It's hard to know where they're going, but I think we'll end up in wholesale soon with what we have in retail—a few players dominating at the top of the food chain and then a whole bunch of smaller guys filling in the niches.

At least two of the major label groups have recently been rumored to question whether or not they even need to be in manufacturing/distribution. How would that change your business?

I think all the majors are looking very hard at their economics. I don't believe they want to be out of the business totally because the labels want control over the relationship of the way they sell. They want that direct pipeline into the account. But if they can find ways to dramatically improve their freight or operations, I think they would go for it. If I were one of the majors, I'd look into the possibility of consolidation, either outsourcing some of the more difficult pieces of my distribution function without giving up the selling arrangement, or taking a look at the way things are done in other territories. In almost every other territory other than the United States, the majors do distribution together with another major through either a joint venture or some kind of third-party fulfillment. That's something to be explored.

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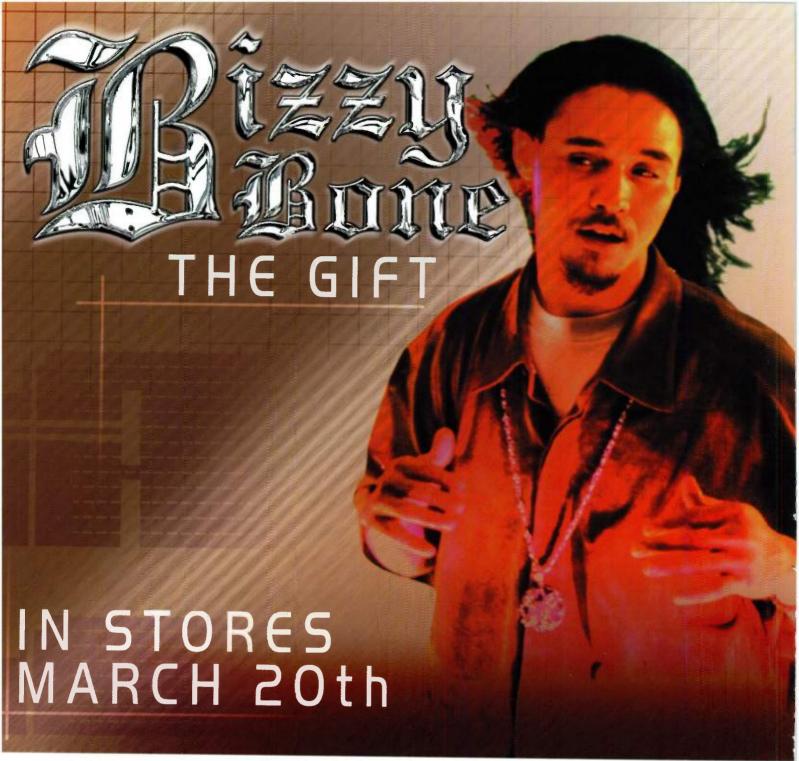


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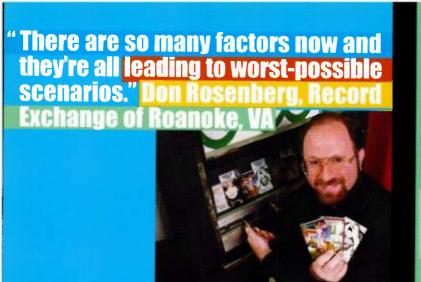
Don Rosenberg remembers the good old days. On May 21, 1979, he skipped his own University of Virginia graduation ceremony to open his first record store in scenic Roanoke. Within a few short years, Rosenberg's Record Exchange was a bonafide success, selling used and discounted new recordings. Before long, his business blossomed into an 11-store chain. As Rosenberg recalls, the labels were supportive and consumers genuinely excited

Now, Rosenberg's enthusiasm has dimmed considerably. He believes the music industry has diminished the value of its own product while mergermania at the retail, label, radio and distribution levels has contributed to his fading music profits. In order to stay afloat, indie entrepreneurs like Rosenberg have resorted to selling candy, knapsacks, lava lamps, detox formulas and other non-music items. "There are so many factors now," Rosenberg says, "and they're all leading to worst-possible scenarios."

Rosenberg's lament is typical of indies competing in the brave new world of consolidation, where regional and national companies are swallowed whole by profit-

crazed corporate behemoths. The consolidation landscape got more crowded recently when electronics discounter Best Buy acquired Musicland for \$685 million. The deal cemented Best Buy's record retailing clout and transformed Musicland into an independently operated, wholly owned subsidiary with 1,328 stores in 49 states, including Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

But just as the ink was drying on the Best Buy-Musicland deal, rumors of a BMG/EMI pact surfaced in earnest. The rumors were substantiated when BMG disclosed it had recruited former Microsoft antitrust attorney Joel Klein to help smooth the merger process. Capitol Records Senior VP of Sales Joe McFadden fears rampant consolidation is taking its toll on the



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industry. "Anytime you have fewer people making decisions about what happens several thousands miles away, the harder it is to get our job done," McFadden says. "I think the word micromarketing could take on much bigger meaning in the future. We're going to have to start looking at these guys as thousand-store regional chains."

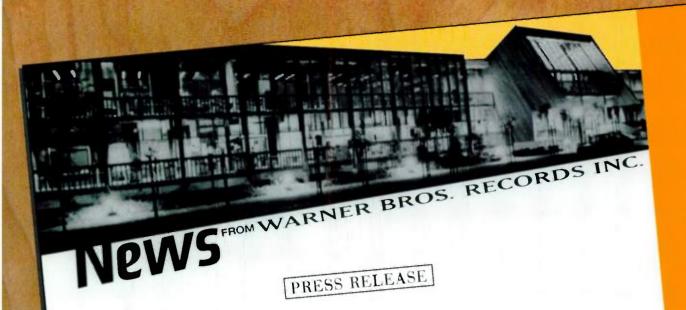
Amid this backdrop of rumors, nail-biting and multimillion dollar deals, HITS posed a simple question to retailers and record executives: "How is consolidation changing the day-to-day relationship between retail and the labels?" With a global recession looming, the music industry is facing one of the most challenging periods in its history. Competition for consumer dollars has never been tighter, thanks to the multiplicity of options on the home entertainment menu—the Internet, movies, video games, computers, DVD and VHS, among others. What's more, the music industry may be competing against itself. According to some industry estimates, upwards of 20,000 new recordings are released annually. Combine those new releases with catalog recordings, and you have a daunting wealth of choices for consumers. Labels are feeling the pressure to sign acts that will shine in this overcrowded field.

How did it all get so complicated? The first consolidation tremors were felt in the '80s as national broadcasting companies such as Infinity, ABC and Jacor began aggressively acquiring radio stations and tightening playlists to maximize listenership and lure advertisers. In the '90s, consolidation rocked the record and retail worlds. Seagram flexed its muscle by acquiring Uni Distribution, MCA, Geffen and PolyGram. At retail, major chains like Blockbuster Music, Camelot, Sam Goody and Wherehouse expanded to accommodate increased demand. But the market became over-retailed as new players like Best Buy, Circuit City, Borders and Barnes & Noble entered the fray. The mid-'90s rock recordings slump resulted in tremendous supply and diminished demand. Suddenly, retail consolidation was trendy. Trans World gobbled up Camelot, Strawberries and The Wall while Wherehouse came out of Chapter 11 to acquire Blockbuster.

And who could blame them? As Best Buy VP Merchandising Music and Movies Joe Pagano explains, consolidation can make lots of sense. Prior to the recent merger, Best Buy's record-buying demographic was skewed to thirtysomething males. "Now, with the Musicland deal, we have the mall shopper and the secondary market shopper," Pagano crows. And even though Best Buy and Musicland will operate separately, Pagano hopes the merger will result in a healthy cross-pollination of marketing ideas and strategies. He also believes consolidation will benefit the music industry. "If you have one chain with 100 stores and another with 100, combining the two entities creates a 200-store business that can really support projects," he says.

While Pagano remains upbeat, some insiders believe mergermania has created an impatient, hits-driven industry indifferent to real art and CDs with modest sales. "Consolidation in the retail and label communities may affect everyone's ability to break artists," says Elektra Records Senior VP Sales Ron Spalding. "There are fewer partners at the retail sector to help us expose new acts. Big box retailers can be very hits-conscious, and with the loss-leader concept working on select titles, there's a huge focus on moving hit titles and driving traffic, yet fewer dollars to support catalog. That's a big concern for labels because catalog sales help us break new artists."

Arista Senior VP Sales Jordan Katz illustrates the complexity of doing business in the current Age of Consolidation, where indie retailers break baby acts only to be co-opted by the big boxes when those artists graduate to Platinum status. "As the mainstream accounts get bigger, the indies may feel it's tougher to get label attention," Katz explains. "The fear is that we'll just be selling hits and skimming off the top, so we've got to strengthen our relationship with independent retailers and assure them. But we also have



NEW YORK - AOL Time Warner, Inc. announced today that Warner Bros. Records Inc. March 7, 2001 will officially be merging with the month of May.

The acquisition will have innumerable effects, the most short-term being an immediate arrangement whereby the new albums from Stevie Nicks, R.E.M., Depeche Mode, and Static-X will now fall under the operational control of May.

Said a spokersperson for May, "We're thrilled. May has always been a prestigious month, bringing with it a robust track record and May flowers, but acquiring assets of this caliber? What other month can compete with us now? September? With Labor Day?

Effective immediately, May/Warner Bros. Records Inc. will occupy the former WBR Burbank What does that holiday even mean?" headquarters, with Cinco de Mayo relocating to the Merchandising Department, Armed Forces Day to International, and National Safe Boating Day to the Chairman's office.

The completion of the merger will necessitate a review of the number of days in May. Phil Quartararo, President and COO of Warner Bros. Records Inc., reassured that "May has always been 31 days and always will be 31 days. 30 would make it just another April, June, or November. All the rest have 31. All except the second one.

"And we don't plan on being second."

For more information on Stevie Nicks' Trouble In Shangri-La, please contact May 1st at www.repriserec.com/stevienicks.

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In the opinion of Virgin Records Sr. VP Sales B.J. Lobermann, maintaining regional integrity is crucial for the labels. "We have to make sure we can place our resources regionally, because nationally it's too expensive," Loberman says. "I'm not just talking about co-op, but every other aspect, whether it's radio play or merchandising. That's what we as a label need to bear in mind, and we hope retail does, too. It doesn't make sense to roll things out on a national scale if you can't support them."

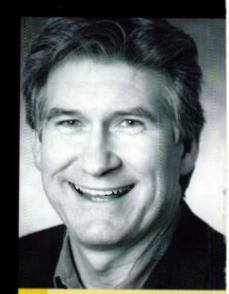
While label execs speak in cautious tones, retailers voice consolidation woes in no uncertain terms. Some of the most vociferous critics are members of the Coalition of Independent Music Stores (CIMS), a North Carolina-based consortium of 74 independent retailers. According to Coalition members, consolidation is symptomatic of a more insidious problem. They say the recording industry has devalued its product by establishing record clubs that practically give away recordings. They also believe the industry responded ineptly to the Internet downloading threat, and failed

to challenge the proliferation of consumer CD burners.

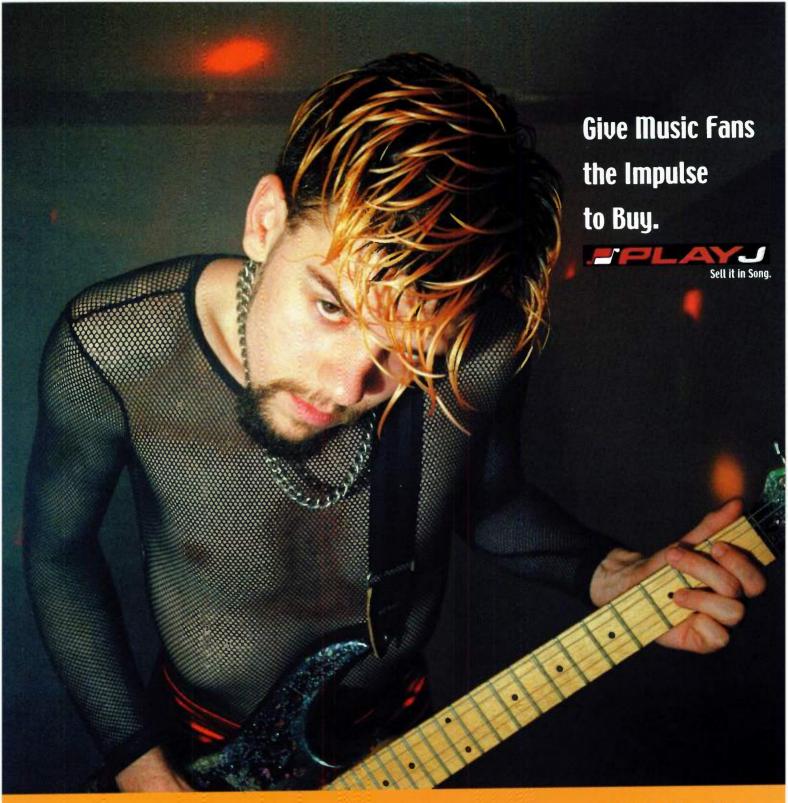
Coalition president **Don Van Cleave** says, "Consolidation can be very unsettling for employees," Van Cleave says. "I see the severe anxiety these label guys go through as they await their fates. You can't have a conversation about a great new band or record because these sales guys are so nervous. Many of them are trying to find new jobs, while others are frantically worried about their future. They're not focused on their work."

Rosenberg, of the Music Monitor Network consortium of mid-size chains, echoes Van Cleave's complaint. He believes the industry views consolidation as a solution, and he cites the Best Buy/Musicland deal as an example. "Here's a company [Musicland] that can't make any money, so they team up with somebody that will use music as an incentive to get customers to buy VCRs. tape recorders and toaster ovens." But while consolidation may appear necessary, mergers aren't always an ideal solution for consumers and employees. To offset consolidation costs, prices are often increased and staffs cut. "In some cases, you now have one sales person where you used to have two," Rosenberg states.

Van Cleave believes consolidated retailers are demonstrating their influence by demanding exclusive, value-added materials such as special recordings featuring bonus tracks. "Anybody that gets a disproportionate size of the market makes demands," Van Cleave



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says. "We've seen that already with Best Buy, where they are getting exclusive value-added pieces everybody should have a shot at. I've had it said directly to me several times by the sales guys: 'Hey, what are we supposed to do? They're our biggest customer.' Apparently, they are carrying a big stick and can get whatever they want."

The labels insist they feel the indie retailer's pain. Elektra's Ron Spalding admits consolidation has created a "troublesome environment" for indie retailers, but he believes they can effectively compete through the intelligent use of coalitions, co-op support and informative advertising. "Perhaps they could look at trying to partner with other indie businesses that might offer exciting cross-merchandising opportunities to help them compete more effectively with the big-box retailers."

While Spalding sympathizes with independent retailers, others believe they protest too much. Some claim indie retailers have used consolidation as an excuse to squeeze co-op dollars from the labels. "I feel like I'm a dollar sign," says one label sales rep requesting anonymity. "If I walk into the door with a major release, they're picking my pocket left and right and I'm sick of it. We're in a depressed sales market, but their co-op dollars are not depressed. That's the biggest frustration. Because of consolidation, the price of business has gone up."

Tower Records COO Stan Goman is also non-plussed by indie complaints. Though he agrees consolidated retailers can offer better prices, Goman says the big boxes can't compete with regards to experience and customer service.

"If the record business is shifting to big retailers that offer absolutely no customer service or knowledge, then the indies will reap the benefits," Goman says. "If you've got low rent, low inventory and good customer service, you'll be fine." As for complaints about value-added exclusives, Goman says indies could devise ways of acquiring these materials. "To be quite honest with you, it's simply a question of asking for the value-added material," he says. "The Coalition members could all get together and do a big push, go to a record company and buy enough copies to get them."

Amid the conflicting opinions about consolidation lies an almost Hellenic irony. Though the American College Dictionary defines "millennium" as a "period of general peace and harmony," discord abounds between retail and the labels at the outset of the 21st century. And while many believe the alleged evils of consolidation are overstated. entrepreneurs like Rosenberg recall simpler times while pondering an uncertain future. "When your best and brightest retailers are closing stores or closing shop, you can't say they were poorly managed," Rosenberg states. "When the remaining survivors are surviving by getting out of the music industry, that's a sign of an industry in trouble."■



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here's something inherently wrong with reading about audio. You can't hear how good new technologies really are, but trust us—they're good.

Back in 1877, the first sound coming off a tin cylinder was heard. People knew they were in for a good time. Through the turn of the century, different formats came to light, primarily cylinders and flat discs, but there wasn't a lot of thought given to actual quality.

In 1912, an obstinate old bugger named Thomas Edison decided to improve the way sounds *sounded*. He started the first format war, introducing celluloid cylinders that played for, at most, four minutes. In contrast, the longest-playing flat disc could play a maximum of 10 minutes a side. When played with a diamond stylus, however, Edison's cylinder had a lower surface noise and higher acoustic quality than flat discs. But Edison screwed the pooch on his format choice. He gave up the cylinder ghost in 1913, and started selling a flat-disc player.

For the next 19 years, sound quality increased slowly, but the format remained the same. In 1931, in Germany, magnetic tape was invented and in 1939 America got wire recorders. Audiotape made it across the pond in 1947 and there began an uneasy harmony amongst the three platforms—with tape edging out wire just slightly.

LPs, which could get an amazing 23 minutes per side at 33-1/3 rpm, were introduced in 1948. Three years later, 78s disappeared as major labels raced to embrace the 45rpm single—leaving a landscape that should look a lot more familiar to those of you who owned turntables. But in 1963, and again in 1966, two new formats—the cassette, then the ill-fated 8-track—hit the streets and the LP began to sound a little like a broken record.

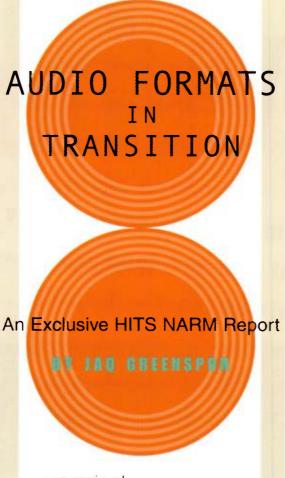
The compact disc introduced the world to digital audio in 1982. Designed to hold 74 minutes of music (because that's the approximate length of Beethoven's 9th Symphony), the CD quickly killed the LP.

The enhanced capability of the digital age led manufacturers to start fiddling—adding bells and whistles, and, yes, increasing sound quality. With a \$30 billion-a-year industry at stake, the big guys would have to properly examine the emerging formats and try to come to a consensus, right?

Wrong.

CD-I, which combined computer technology (albeit on a TV screen) with music, was introduced in 1991. Using an interactive on-screen menu, consumers could get more than just the selected music of "Louis Armstrong: American Songbook," now they could also get two additional tracks, text, interviews and lyrics cued to the music. People were getting more Satchmo for their buck, and they loved it.

DVD showed up in 1997, bringing with it the 5.1 sound system—surround sound using a six-speaker format (right and left front, right and left rear, and a center speaker = 5, the subwoofer =.1)—and home audio quality unlike anything



ever experienced.

That same year also marked the introduction of MP3s, which compress digital audio signals into a format small enough to be downloaded via modem. MP3s drastically changed the way we receive our music, while still delivering a high quality sound. And being digital, they can be reproduced exactly—not to mention traded freely over the Internet.

Which brings us to today. But what about tomorrow?

At this point, the doddering granddaddy of them all is the audiocassette, which is pretty close to extinction. The CD isn't far behind. It's only been around a couple of decades, but it's already lagging behind the latest technology.

So what's waiting in the wings?

There's a divide between things in the physical realm and pure digital formats that allow users to download music without having to touch anything other than a computer.

First up in the physical world is DVD Audio. It isn't the sound you hear when you play a DVD movie—DVD Audio is strictly a music-driven format with pictures thrown in, if you're lucky.

The benefits are a bit technical, but that's what you're here for, so bear with us. Unlike a CD, which plays at 16 bits (audio resolution) and 44.1 khz (frequency response), the DVD Audio disc plays at 24 bits and 96 khz. In simple terms, those number tell how accurately it reproduces the "live" sound. A vinyl record can get close to 24 bit, which gives it the "warmth" audiophiles say is missing from a CD. According to Jeff Dean, SVP at 5.1 Entertainment, "DVD Audio is as good as it gets."

The most important advancement made with DVD Audio is the 5.1 audio system it plays into. Yes, other systems also deliver 5.1 audio, specifically Dolby Digital and DTS, but both reach only 48 khz. When DVD Audio delivers its sound to these six discreet channels without any compression, it widens the gap over other disc-based competitors. Though Dolby Digital or DTS can be hooked up to your stereo, by jamming everything down to two channels and then widening it back out, with DVD Audio, it's six channels in, six channels out.

Sure it sounds better, but what else? How will it affect what you're listening to? Dean explains, "It gives the producer and engineer an opportunity to expand the mix, giving everything an opportunity to breathe."

In other words, when you're standing in the middle of a room, surrounded by speakers, it's possible to determine where the instruments and voices are coming from, giving you the 360-degree experience.

So should you rush out for that DVD Audio copy of Fleetwood Mac's "Rumors"? Maybe. While some artists and all the majors have embraced the technology in spirit, the marketplace still hasn't quite caught to it. 5.1 Entertainment, one of the top remastering and DVD Audio recording studios, as well as a full-functioning record label, deals with the limitations of this transition period by including three 24-bit formats on their DVD Audio discs. This way, consumers can hear what it has to offer right away, and when they get a DVD Audio player they won't have to rebuy their library.

Then there's Super Audio CD, DVD Audio's major competitor. And, if you ask Bob Sherwood, Media Consultant for Sony, there really is no contest. "SACD is simply the best sound-





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ing and most logical successor to the redbook CD."

SACD is a "Pure Audio Format"; Sony and Philips, which are sharing development duties, have decided to focus on producing the best sound possible.

The heart of this format is Direct Stream Digital, which reproduces the analog waveform in a digital format. Basically, this makes it nearly impossible to tell if music is live or recorded. "It almost sounds as if you're in the same room," Sherwood says. "It's more music than you've ever heard before." Because it doesn't compress the signal, it creates total flexibility for engineers and produc-

ers—DSD is able to capture the ambience surrounding the music.

Since DSD records a 1-bit signal at 2.8224 MHz, it's possible to accurately reproduce the *entire* musical spectrum. Even your dog will be able to hear the difference.

The players, which will be "popularly priced" and available this year, will be backwards-compatible with the CD collection you've spent years building with freebies.

The reverse is also true in the form of Hybrid Discs—SACDs which have a second layer of regular redbook encoding, meaning that current CD players can read them too. Not all of the 200 titles currently available have this feature, but as the format becomes more widespread, odds are it will become very popular.

Those lasers also help keep the SACD from being copied, which is very important for both companies involved. Sony and Philips are conscious of the need to protect the intellectual property rights of the artists, and therefore have built the most advanced copyright protection available into SACD software. Pit Signal Processing (PSP) has never, to date, been cracked—and no, this isn't a challenge to hackers.

Ultimately, says Sherwood, "It's

going to be a long time until someone comes up with anything better."

That's the story for getting music into your hands, but what about getting music into your hard drive?

There, you have options. Unfortunately, none of them offer the sound quality of SACD or DVD Audio. Up or downloading them to a computer or portable device would take too much memory.

So what are you going to do? There's always MP3. It's well enough known to be a popular term to throw around at a cocktail party, but that doesn't make it the best digital file format.

MP3 made it possible to store hundreds of songs on your computer. Great for the consumer, not always so for the artists and labels responsible for those songs. All of a sudden, it was possible to e-mail a song to a friend, with no noticeable loss of quality.

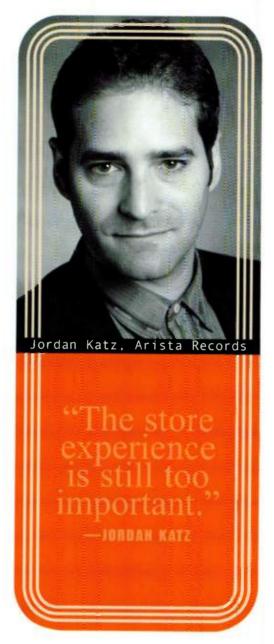
Record companies were caught with their virtual pants down. "Consumers were frustrated in their attempts to find downloadable music," says Dick Wingate, Senior VP at Liquid Audio, the first company to develop a workable online delivery system. Now that the consumer knew they could get music online, they wanted it. Soon, software like Napster gave it to them.

Conceived as a way to empower bands and individual artists, Liquid Audio created its own proprietary system for compressing audio files and then released a free, downloadable player. Liquid Audio files take up only 60% as much digital space as an MP3 file and, according to Wingate, just plain sound better: "When the format war is over, people are going to look back on MP3 like they look back on the cassette."

It also fulfills a basic need amongst Internet music delivery systems. As Jordan Katz, Sr. VP Sales of Arista Records points out, Liquid Audio allows people to "get paid."

The company has a network of linked sites, including more than 1400 major and independent record labels, to sell Liquid Audio-formatted songs. Ranging in price from free to a couple of bucks, consumers can pick out which songs they want and download them directly to their own hard drive. With a pack of songs at their disposal, listeners can create a personal mix for playback through a computer, or on one of the many handheld devices that utilize the Liquid Audio format.

If you don't have a portable player and your computer is so antiquated you can't download anything, Liquid Audio has thought of you too. It has a kiosk delivery system for build-it-yourself music. Already widespread in Asia and the UK, the kiosks are making their way to America via outlets like Tower



Records. Just go in, pick your songs, pay your fee (mustn't forget that) and within a few minutes, you've got your own personal picks CD. Of course, you can also get the latest album from your favorite band, complete with cover art and liner notes. And with publishing on demand, it becomes very cost-effective for smaller labels to compete, while bringing more diversity to consumers.

There's also an added bonus for labels; Liquid Audio can encrypt a file in such a way as to restrict it from being burned to CD, played after a certain date or even where it can be listened to. By doing this, record companies can release a file to a reviewer or deliver a song across international borders without fear of piracy.

Just because Liquid Audio exists doesn't mean it's a runaway success. It's still competing with MP3 and several other formats. Wingate suggests the need

for standardization in both hardware and software. But he doesn't want to comer the market: "Consumers can live with two choices," he says. As long as one of them is Liquid Audio.

And odds are, Windows Media is going to be the other.

Audio 8, released in December 2000, is the latest version of the encoder for the Media player. It offers 30% better compression than Audio 7-and Geordie Wilson, one of the engineers responsible for it, estimates a single file takes up about 30% the space of an MP3 file. With CD-quality sound, it could be the first step to wireless consumption.

The similarities between Windows Media and Liquid Audio are more glaring than their differences. Windows has a Digital Rights Manager, an encryption device which lets content managers control how they want their songs deployed. By providing a seamless, easy-to-use interface, anyone sending out a digital audio file can provide strong, measured security and do business without losing control of their intellectual property.

Are either of these systems perfect? No. Will they stop people from pirating music? Probably not. What they will do is make it more difficult. "It's more restrictive than anti-shoplifting measures," explains Wilson.

"The shift to an all-digital world is a ways off," Wilson continues. "People still like tangible stuff."

"The store experience is still too important," agrees Katz, whose Arista Records is still very much in the business of selling CDs. He suggests that having songs online is a great way to enhance exposure, but in the digital world, there still needs to be a way to get the image of the artist out there.

Both Liquid Audio and Windows Media have answered his concerns by concentrating their energy on what is called "meta data," or, data about data. With a slightly larger file size, companies can add visual or computer-enhanced elements as well. Want to know the lyrics or watch a video clip? No problem. Photos of the band or links to the site where you can buy other merchandise? It's all there.

Not to be outdone, DVD Audio also offers visual elements. On a standard length CD, they have still managed to find room to encode videos, stills and a host of other things, all in regular stereo. Of course, if you want to see the band's video with the 5.1 audio, they can cram in about five minutes of that, too.

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Pacific Coast	Privately Held	Ralph W. Johnson	Marvin Wilcher	Dave Hoeltje
Music Network	Privately Held	Michael Parkerson	N/A	Ed Simpson
Universal One-Stop Philadelphia, PA	Harold Lipsius	Harold Lipsius	Harold Lipsius	Sam Cass
HMV	HMV Media Group, LP.	N/A	Peter Luckhurst	Jeff Davidson

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SR. BUYER(S)	INTERNET	ADVERTISING	FINANCE	DBA/ACCOUNTS	
Chris Stidman	John Walden	Chris Stidman	Darren Jackson	Best Buy 420; Musicland: Sam Goody 644, On Cue 210, Suncoast 404, Media Play 78; Total 1,336	
Dan Holloway	Ken Shufeldt	David Watland	Chuck Taylor	2,652 Wal Mart locations	
Sam Milicia	David Vasile	Scott Wilson	Len Brams	10,000 departments serviced worldwide Total number of all stores/locations 4,200	
Jerry Kamiler	Bill Tynan	Mark Hogan	John Sullivan	Record Town/Sat. Matinee (280), Tapeworld (13), Planet Music (1) Coconuts (132), Strawbernes (76), FYE (11), Camelot (310), The Wall (113), Movies Plus (12), Specs (35), Total: (983); Disc Jockey 114. Reel Collections 6, Total: 120	
Steve Lafferty Denise Keeling Amanda Schneipp	Dale Nitschre	Micheal Francis	N/A	Target, Movies & Books 997	
Kenneth Polito	Rob Lensman	Nancy Goldwin	George Campagna	Abbey Road, Bassin, CD One-Stop, Indie Accounts 6,000	
Kevin Milligan	N/A	Barbara Lewis	Mark Velarde	Wherehouse 500	
Dave Blomsterberg	Nora Moore-Jimenez	Jim Dismukes	Don Rose	15,000 Accounts	
N/A	Mark Bressler	Ron Nugent	Dee Searson	Record/Avieo 99, Book 9, Outlet 5, Galleries 3, Total U.S. 120: Canada 2, England 9; Ireland 2; Sontiand 1; Japan 48: Talwan 2, Singapore: Record 2; Hony Kong; Record 1; Mexico 6, Argentina 5; Franchises; Israel 41; S. Korea 4, Thailand 7, Malaysia 2; Colombia 5, Equador 1; Philippines 3, Total (257)	
Leigh Ann Hill	George Barr	Leigh Ann Hill	Michael Chalifoux	Circuit City with CDs 530, with music, video & software 60; Total: 590 plus 37 express stores	
Chris Richards John Bronicki	Mary Jean Raab	Marilyn Slankard	Ed Wihelm	Total number of stores/locations: 336 US, 12 Int'l	
Mike Fuller	Allan Van-Ongevalle	Allan Van-Ongevalle	Dan Crow	Hastings Books, Music & Video 142	
D. Carlin, A. Gyger A. Greenberg, S. Wainwright	Dave Alder	Dawn Roberts	Andrew Jones	N. America 20, UK 94, Japan 30, Europe 21; Total: 165	
Ron Phillips	N/A	Jeff Somers	Warren Jenson	Total number of all stores/locations: US, UK, DE, FR, JP; 5	
Kathy Baxter	Chris Gore	Janet Lockhart	Dave Deatherage	Fred Meyer Stores with Music 130	
E. Arnold, C. Gettman C. McNeil, D. Smith	Ed Fleck	Mike Stephenson	Theresa Carlise	Nat'l Record Mart 61, Waves Music 79, Music Oasis 3, Music X 8, Tempo Music 9, Vibes Music 5 House Of Music 1; Total 166	
Mark Ballard, Bud Smith Pat Speer, M. Spencer Rich Lockwood	N/A	Lori Shaw	Roger Rebbe	2,500 Accounts	
Jim Ogletree Karl Grier	Mike Ellison	Michelle Ventulett	Emma Fluker	Willies CDs, Records & Tapes, Kemp Hill Music, Peppermint Music, Starship Music; Total: 151, 684 Wholesale accounts	
David Brown, Robin Searle Tom Stewart	Frank Lipsius	Barbra Patras-Webb	Linda Bondi	4,000 Accounts	
Stuart Fleming	Frank Koblun	Ken Feldman	Harvey Berkley	HMV 14	

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RERAR

BY MARK PEARSON

If you're reading this, more than likely you are wandering the halls of the Orlando Marriott at the 2001 edition of the National Association of Recording Merchandisers' spring gathering. This year's NARM once again finds the retail industry in a state of flux. A year ago, no one could have foreseen that Best Buy would acquire Musicland. But this year NARM will present the Presidential Award to former Musicland CEO Jack Eugster, who'll be in attendance as a retailer emeritus. Last week saw other key Musiclanders taking their leave, as Vice Chairman Gil Wachsman was replaced by Best Buy VP of Inventory Connie Fuhrman. ML VP Mktg. Archie Beneke also exited, replaced by BB VP New Business Bruce Marlin. Expect more of the same in the coming weeks as Best Buy is apparently wasting no time in retooling the combined entity... Speaking of Musicland, word has it they will stop carrying cassette singles, possibly as soon as April. Best Buy has never put much

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JIM URIE: Large and in charge at UMVD get-together.

focus on the singles game (Dart has always racked what few singles they do carry)... UMVD just wrapped up its annual convention at L.A.'s Century Plaza Hotel. UMVD Prez Jim Urie has stepped firmly out of the shadow of industry mega-weight Henry Droz, and this confab showcased that fact. All of the Universal labels were highlighted with a slew of phenomenal performances, including Trisha Yearwood, Shaggy, A*Teens, Gladys Knight, Youngstown, K-Ci & JoJo, Diana Krall, Semisonic, Bob Schneider, India.Arie, Sticky Fingaz, Ms. Toi, Nelly (and the St. Lunatics), Bilal, the Wallflowers and Buckcherry. UMVD's Cliff O'Sullivan also rolled out their new SMASH contest. Retailers can start their own "virtual record label" by "signing" acts from a list of Universal's developing artists. Over the following months, the "label" with the most sales will win a BMW Z3 Roadster. Other prizes include a Panasonic home theater system with a 42" plasma TV. Now, that's an office pool that should get some attention... At NARM, look for Beyond VP Sales Jason Whittington to showcase more than just his label acts. He'll also be rolling out his new boutique electronica label LunaticWorks, which he's running in conjunction with Beyond. Whittington will be functioning as head of the new imprint as well as continuing his sales duties at Beyond.

MINI-MUGS



THE PRU IS IN THE PUDDING: Capitol Records diva Pru recently wowed a crowd at L.A.'s Universal Amphitheatre opening for Keith Sweat and Avant shortly before discovering her pardon from ex-President Clinton just came through. Pictured after learning the biscuits on the backstage deli platter had been replaced with German bratwurst are (I-r) Sr. VP Domestic & Int'l Mktg. Jay Krugman, President/CEO Roy Lott, Pru, Sr. VP Sales Joe McFadden and Sr. VP R&B Promo./Mktg. David Linton. Take mag. Light match. Watch it burn. Dispose of ashes.



OH DIO MIO! Spitfire Records metal legend Ronnie James Dio visits Chicago retail outlet Rolling Stones, where he brought new meaning to the term "Windy City" after woofing down a hefty lunch of franks and beans. The rocker was promoting his latest release, "Magica," distributed by ADA. Pictured before setting up Dio on a stack of phone books to get him in the shot are (I-r) Rolling Stones' Ben Perkins, Dio, the store's Doc Bergmonn, ADA's Jim Muellerleile and Vinny Appice.



WINNER & LOSER: Island Def Jam Music act and "Best New Artist" Grammy winner Shelby Lynne (I) does some slumming with HITS' own back room whiz Marian Cordry (r) as they discuss the pros and cons of a plunging decolletage during one of those moments that makes us all proud to be in this business. The shot was taken shortly before Marian was hit with a restraining order from Lynne's management and sent her back to stalking k.d. lang with lamb chops. Be afraid. Be very afraid.



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WINNERS

- 1. DAVE MATTHEWS BAND
- 2. DJ CLUE
- 3. PROJECT PAT

- 1. DAVE MATTHEWS BAND
- 2. DJ CLUE
- 3. SHAGGY

- 1. DAVE MATTHEWS BAND
- 2. SHAGGY
- 3. DJ CLUE

WHEREHOUSE KEVIN MILLIGAN MUSIC

520 Retail Stores (Torrance)

WHEREHOUSE MUSIC

- 1. DAVE MATTHEWS BAND
- DJ CLUE
- **PROJECT PAT**
- SHAGGY
- 5. DIDO
- 6. SILKK THE SHOCKER
- **JA RULE**
- 8. LUDACRIS
- CRAZY TOWN SNOOP DOGG 10.



JOE PAGANO 420 Retail Stores (Eden Prairie, MN)

BEST BUY

- **DAVE MATTHEWS BAND** 1.
- 2. **DJ CLUE** SHAGGY
- 3.
- DIDO 4.
- **PROJECT PAT**
- **LENNY KRAVITZ** 6.
- BEATLES
- 8. U2
- LUDACRIS
- **CRAZY TOWN**



DAVE WATLAND Locations (Amarillo)

ANDERSON MERCHANDISERS

- SHAGGY
- DAVE MATTHEWS BAND
- **JESSICA ANDREWS**
- WWF: THE MUSIC VOL. 5 NOW VOL. 5
- 5.
- **CREED**
- SAVE THE LAST DANCE (ST)
- 8. **NELLY**
- K-CI & JOJO
- 10. O BROTHER, WHERE ART... (ST)

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DICK ODETTE 934 Retail Stores (Minnetonka, MN)

SAM GOODY

- 1. DAVE MATTHEWS BAND
- 2. DJ CLUE
- 3. SHAGGY
- **PROJECT PAT** 4.
- **JA RULE**
- DIDO 6.
- **CRAZY TOWN**
- 8. SAVE THE LAST DANCE (ST)
- **LUDACRIS**
- SILKK THE SHOCKER



MIKE FULLER 151 Retail Stores (Amarillo)

HASTINGS

- DAVE MATTHEWS BAND 1.
- SHAGGY
- 3. **CRAZY TOWN**
- PROJECT PAT 4.
- LIMP BIZKIT
- PAT GREEN 6.
- DIDO
- **LENNY KRAVITZ** 8
- LIFEHOUSE
- 10. **NELLY**



SAM CASS 4000+ Accounts (Philadelphia)

UNIVERSAL ONE-STOP

- DJ CLUE
- DAVE MATTHEWS BAND 2.
- 3. SHAGGY
- 4. **PROJECT PAT**
- 5. JILL SCOTT
- R. KELLY 6.
- **CRAZY TOWN**
- JA RULE
- WWF: THE MUSIC VOL. 5
- 10. QB'S FINEST

AEC ONE STOP GROUP TONY BAZEMORE 10,000 Accounts

(Coral Springs, FL)

ALLIANCE

- **DAVE MATTHEWS BAND**
- O BROTHER, WHERE ART... (ST)
- **BEATLES** 3.
- 4. DIDO
- SILKK THE SHOCKER 5.
- 6. DJ CLUE
- SHAGGY
- **PROJECT PAT** 8.
- MAC MALL
- 10. STEELY DAN



LEW GARRETT 10,000 Accounts (Woodland)

VALLEY MEDIA

- 1. DAVE MATTHEWS BAND
- **PROJECT PAT**
- **DJ CLUE** 3
- SHAGGY
- 5. SILKK THE SHOCKER
- U2
- **JESSICA ANDREWS**
- 8. ST. GERMAIN
- OLU DARA
- SUPREME BEINGS LEISURE



DOUG SMITH 189 Retail Stores (Pittsburgh)

NATIONAL RECORD MART

- 1. DAVE MATTHEWS BAND
- SHAGGY
- **DJ CLUE**
- PROJECT PAT 4
- 5. **CRAZY TOWN**
- LUDACRIS 6.
- JA RULE
- SAVE THE LAST DANCE (ST)
- SILKK THE SHOCKER
- DIDO

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JEFF DAVIDSON 21 Retail Stores (NYC)

HMV

- DAVE MATTHEWS BAND
- DJ CLUE
- DIDO
- SHAGGY
- 5. U2
- JILL SCOTT
- SADE
- **BEATLES** 8.
- 2001 GRAMMY (POP)
- **DAVID GRAY**



(Portland)

FRED MEYER

- DAVE MATTHEWS BAND
- SHAGGY
- SAVE THE LAST DANCE (ST)
- DIDO
- **CRAZY TOWN**
- **BEATLES**
- **JESSICA ANDREWS**
- **LINKIN PARK**
- **LENNY KRAVITZ**
- LIMP BIZKIT 10.

THE MUSIC NETWORK 400 Accounts

BOB PATTEN (Atlanta)

MUSIC NETWORK

- **PROJECT PAT**
- DJ CLUE
- DIRTY
- SILKK THE SHOCKER
- SHAGGY
- R. KELLY
- **DAVE MATTHEWS BAND**
- **QB'S FINEST**
- K-CI & JOJO
- **LUDACRIS**



SANDY BEAN 33 Retail Stores (Detroit)

HARMONY HOUSE

- **DAVE MATTHEWS BAND**
- SHAGGY
- **UNCLE KRACKER**
- DIDO
- JILL SCOTT
- DJ CLUE
- **CRAZY TOWN**
- **SMOOTH JAZZ VOL. 4**
- PROJECT PAT
- LIFEHOUSE

CENTRAL SOUTH TONY ROSS **MUSIC SALES**

1500 Accounts (Nashville)

CENTRAL SOUTH

- **PROJECT PAT**
- SHAGGY
- **DAVE MATTHEWS BAND**
- SILKK THE SHOCKER
- JA RULE
- LUDACRIS 6.
- 7. R. KELLY
- DIDO 8.
- K-CI & JOJO
- **LENNY KRAVITZ**



2 Retail Stores (Chicago)

CROW'S NEST

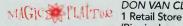
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- **DJ CLUE**
- 3. **PROJECT PAT**
- 4. SILKK THE SHOCKER
- JILL SCOTT
- MUSIQ SOULCHILD
- **QB'S FINEST**
- SHAGGY 8.
- **ERYKAH BADU**
- 10. R. KELLY



(Boston)

NEWBURY COMICS

- DAVE MATTHEWS BAND
- DJ CLUE
- SHAGGY 3.
- PEARL JAM (BOSTON 8/29/00)
- U2
- AMERICAN HI-FI
- PEARL JAM (BOSTON 8/30/00)
- LIFEHOUSE 8
- COLDPLAY
- 10. DIDO



DON VAN CLEAVE (Birmingham, AL)

MAGIC PLATTER

- DAVE MATTHEWS BAND
- WAYNE
- O BROTHER, WHERE ART... (ST)
- 4. DIDO
- **CRAZY TOWN** 5.
- JOSH JOPLIN GROUP COLDPLAY
- 8. **FIVE FOR FIGHTING**
- UNCLE KRACKER STEELY DAN



OTT WHITE 13 Retail Stores (Miami)

PEACHES

- 1. DAVE MATTHEWS BAND
- 2. **DJ CLUE**
- 3. SHAGGY
- **PROJECT PAT**
- **CRAZY TOWN**
- 6. DIDO
- SADE
- SILKK THE SHOCKER
- LIMP BIZKIT
- 10. U2



NEIL LANDOW 8 Stores (St. Louis)

STREETSIDE

- DAVE MATTHEWS BAND
- PROJECT PAT
- SILKK THE SHOCKER
- DJ CLUE
- 5. LUDACRIS
- MUSIQ SOULCHILD
- JILL SCOTT
- O BROTHER, WHERE ART... (ST)
- SHAGGY
- 10. R. KELLY



JOHN KUNZ 1 Retail Store (Austin,TX)

WATERLOO

- DAVE MATTHEWS BAND
- O BROTHER, WHERE ART... (ST)
- **DOUBLE TROUBLE**
- SPOON
- **RODNEY CROWELL**
- STEPHEN MALKMUS
- COLDPLAY
- **TORTOISE**
- **JEFF BECK**



JASON TORRES **4 Retail Stores** (Sacramento)

DIMPLES

- DAVE MATTHEWS BAND
- 1.
- LINKIN PARK RICHIE RICH 3.
- **LENNY KRAVITZ** DIDO
- LIMP BIZKIT 6.
- NELLY 8. **FAMILY VALUES TOUR 2**
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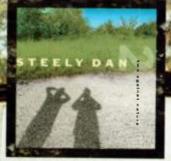
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WINNERS

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DIRTY 6

(Universal 440013) 18%

DJ CLUE

(Island/IDJ 542325)

AMERICAN HI-FI

(Island/IDJ 28712) 17%

16%

PROJECT PAT

(Loud 1950)

64%

54%

86%

LORDS OF ACID

(Antler Subway 6047)

SILKK THE SHOCKER (No Limit/Priority 23221)

GLADYS KNIGHT 9

10% (MCA 112397)

JESSICA ANDREWS (DW N'ville 450248)

30%

THE ORB 10

(MCA 548206)

ANGELOS GREG LIVINGSTON / LITTLETON

Dave Matthews Band DJ Clue Project Pat New Found Glory Godhead

CAT'S STEPHEN BOWEN / KNOXVILLE

Project Pat Dave Matthews Band Silkk The Shocker DJ Clue Dirty Lords Of Acid American Hi-Fi

ANGOTT STEVE ROBERTS / DETROIT DJ Clue

Project Pat Silkk The Shocker Gladys Knight Dirty Dave Matthews Band

ARON'S RECORDS
RICHARD ELLIS / LOS ANGELES

Dave Matthews Band

The Orb

Sigur Ros

Jim White

CD & TAPE OUTLET LYNN BATCHECK / COLUMBUS

DJ Clue Rick Braun Dirty Dave Matthews Band Gladys Knight

Project Pat

CENTRAL SOUTH

Project Pat Dave Matthews Band Silkk The Shocker DJ Clue

ASSOCIATED BOB FENTY / PHOENIX

Project Pat DJ Clue Silkk The Shocker Dave Matthews Band

BAKER & TAYLOR STEVE HARKINS / CHARLOTTE

Dave Matthews Band DJ Clue Project Pat Somethin' For The Whodis (Var) Silkk The Shocker

BEST BUY JOHN MICHAEL / EDEN PRAIRE, MN

Dave Matthews Band DJ Clue Project Pat Silkk The Shocker Jessica Andrews

TONY ROSS / NASHVILLE

CHESTER CNTY BOOK & MUSIC JASON SHEAFER / WESTCHESTER, PA

Dave Matthews Band DJ Clue Pearl Jam (Phil 9/1) American Hi-Fi Duncan Sheik A*Teens The Orb

CROW'S NEST TODD HUPE / NAPERVILLE

Dave Matthews Band DJ Clue Project Pat Silkk The Shocker Woody Guthrie Gladys Knight Lords Of Acid

DIMPLES JASON TORRES / SACRAMENTO

Dave Matthews Band DJ Clue Rage Against The Machine Linkin Park X-Raided Dropkick Murphys

ELECTRIC FETUS JON JON SCOTT / MINNEAPOLIS

Dave Matthews Band DJ Clue Project Pat Dirty Silkk The Shocker Gladys Knight

FACE THE MUSIC CRAIG COTTEN / MINNEAPOLIS

Dave Matthews Band Pearl Jam (Indianapolis) Steely Dan Ricky Martin Rod Stewart

FRED MEYER BRANT BERRY / PORTLAND

Dave Matthews Band Jessica Andrews DJ Clue

HARMONY HOUSE SANDY BEAN / DETROIT

Dave Matthews Band Project Pat DJ Clue Uncle Kracker Silkk The Shocker

HASTINGS MIKE FULLER / AMARILLO

Dave Matthews Band Project Pat DJ Clue Jessica Andrews Silkk The Shocker

INDEPENDENT REC JUDY NEGLEY / COL SPGS

DJ Clue Dave Matthews Band Project Pat Silkk The Shocker Dirty

LOU'S RECORDS TONY VICK / ENCINITAS

Dave Matthews Band Tortoise John Digweed O Brother...(ST) The Orb

MAGIC PLATTER BRIAN PETERS / BIRMINGHAM

Dave Matthews Band Josh Joplin Group Uncle Kracker American Hi-Fi

MUSIC MERCHANDISERS O-S JOE SANCHEZ / LOS ANGELES

Silkk The Shocker Dirty DJ Clue Project Pat Somethin' For The Whodis (Var)

MUSIC MILLENIUM CALEB MILES / PORTLAND

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MUSIC NETWORK MELANIE JEANFILS / ATLANTA

Project Pat DJ Clue Silkk The Shocker Dave Matthews Band

MUSICDROME MICHAEL BROWN / ATLANTA Dave Matthews Band

Pearl Jam (Atlanta) DJ Clue Project Pat Steely Dan

NATIONAL RECORD MART DOUG SMITH / PITTSBURGH

Dave Matthews Band DJ Clue Project Pat Silkk The Shocker Pearl Jam (Pitt 9/5) Jessica Andrews Uncle Kracker

NEWBURY COMICS HAROLD LEPIDUS / BOSTON

Dave Matthews Band DJ Clue Pearl Jam (Bos 8/29) Pearl Jam (Bos 8/30) American Hi-Fi Cheap Trick Blessid Union Of Souls

PACIFIC COAST O-S MARK BALLARD / SIMI VALLEY

Dave Matthews Band DJ Clue The Orb Def Jam History (Var) Jessica Andrews Duncan Sheik

PARK AVE SANDY BITMAN / WINTER PARK

Dave Matthews Band **Tortoise** Pearl Jam (Tampa) Coldplay The Orb

PEACHES OTT WHITE / MIAMI Dave Matthews Band

DJ Clue Project Pat Silkk The Shocker Tamia

PHILLIPS ENTERPRISES MIKE PHILLIPS / RALEIGH

Dave Matthews Band DJ Clue Pearl Jam (Charlotte) Pearl Jam (Greensboro) American Hi-Fi Pearl Jam (Atlanta)

RECORD & TAPE TRADER ROSS HEWSON / BALTIMORE

Dave Matthews Band DJ Clue Pearl Jam (WDC) American Hi-Fi Lords Of Acid Silkk The Shocker Project Pat

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Dave Matthews Band DJ Clue Silkk The Shocker Project Pat Lords Of Acid

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Pat Green Project Pat DJ Clue Silkk The Shocker Dave Matthews Band Dirty Gladys Knight

STREETSIDE **SUE GRONE / ST. LOUIS**

Dave Matthews Band Project Pat Silkk The Shocker DJ Clue American Hi-Fi Dirty

TOWER DAVE WEBB / ANAHEIM, CA

Dave Matthews Band DJ Clue Steely Dan Rick Braun Project Pat

TOWER TONY JONES / AUSTIN

Dave Matthews Band Pearl Jam (Memphis) At The Drive-In John Digweed

TOWER BOB WALSH / BOSTON

Dave Matthews Band DJ Clue Pearl Jam (Bos 8/29) Pearl Jam (Bos 8/30) John Digweed American Hi-Fi Project Pat

TOWER DARREN HALLIWELL / CHICAGO

Dave Matthews Band DJ Clue **Tortoise** Hannibal (ST) Doves Seussical (ST) Orishas

TOWER
BOB SCHNELL / KING OF PRUSSIA Dave Matthews Band DJ Clue Pearl Jam (Phil 9/1) Pearl Jam (Pitt 9/5)

TOWER BOBBI HEAD / LA JOLLA

Dave Matthews Band DJ Clue A*Teens The Orb Coldplay Fuel

TOWER JOHN GUSTI / NASHVILLE

Dave Matthews Band Pearl Jam (Nashville) Project Pat Silkk The Shocker DJ Clue

TOWER SHELLY GALLIANO / NEW ORLEANS

Dave Matthews Band DJ Clue Pearl Jam (New Orleans) Project Pat Silkk The Shocker

TOWER NADEZHDA BALL / NEW YORK

Dave Matthews Band DJ Clue Pearl Jam (J.Bch8/23) American Hi-Fi

TOWER THOMAS HOUK / PHILADELPHIA

DJ Clue Dave Matthews Band Pearl Jam (Phil 9/1) Pearl Jam (Phil 9/2) Silkk The Shocker

TOWER SUNSET JOHN CRAWFORD / W HOLLYWOOD

Dave Matthews Band DJ Clue Rick Braun Project Pat Pearl Jam (J.Bch8/23) Dirty Cheap Trick

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DJ Clue Dave Matthews Band Project Pat Silkk The Shocker Dirty

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Promo domos bust out Most Added Rammstein, Oleander, 3 Doors Down, Powderfinger & Bob Schneider, with Godsmack's "Greed" up next





THIS WAS THE "FLAVOR OF THE WEAK" THAT WAS

Island's American Hi-Fi debut with big first-week sales thanks to hit single/video.

Rock Box



NANCY STEVENS:

New KEDJ PD maintains PoMo edge in the desert.



POE:

"Hey Pretty" returns girl power to the PoMo airwaves, brought to you by Atlantic's power girls: Kris, Bonnie & LeeAnne.



TANTRIC:

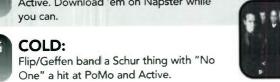
Maverick puts its foot to the "Breakdown," burning rubber at Top 5 Active, Top 25 PoMo.



SYSTEMATIC:

New band on Lars Ulrich' TMC label big at Active. Download 'em on Napster while you can.







BRAD HARDIN/OM-PD WXTB/Tampa

Having worked dosely with the likes of Tom Owens, Randy Michaels, Marc Chase and Gene Romano, WXTB and WTBT OM Brad Hardin has as many mentors as HITS has mental cases. Before his domination in Tampa (5.6 fourbook 12+ average on WXTB), Brad did time at WLRS Louisville, WAZU Dayton,

WEBN Cincinnati and WVRK Columbus. He's also a Clear Channel Brand Manager overseeing WTFX Louisville and WJRR Orlando. Brad is a master at marrying the station and live concert experience, like he does with "Guavaween" (WXTB's annual Halloween festival which last year featured Fuel, Full Devil Jacket, Cold and Godsmack). Brad comments on the latest at WXTB: "We just announced our 11th 'Livestock' for April 28-29. I'm really excited about Offspring, 3 Doors Down, Staind, Linkin Park, Disturbed, Tantric, Cold, Skrape, (Hed) P.E. and Systematic playing the first day and the Black Crowes, Tesla, Oleander and Nonpoint playing the next."

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Couldn't Wait: LIVE 105



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top 25 post toasties

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	1 w	tw	artist-label	comments
	-1	1	DAVE MATTHEWS BAND - RCA	MASSSIVE sales!
ı	1	2	I Did It CRAZY TOWN - Columbia/CRG	#1 WXRK,WOCL
ı	3	3	Butterfly VA:FAMILY VALUES TOUR - Flawless/Geffen Aaron Lewis & Fred Durst	#1 Q101,KITS
ı	2	4	FUEL - Epic	KQXR Add
ı	4	5	Innocent, Hemorrhage INCUBUS - Immortal/Epic Drive	#1 WFNX,WCYY
	6	6	MOBY - V2 South Side	#1 WAVF,X-96
	9	7	U2 - Interscope Walk On	#1 WHRL,WRZK
1000	10	8	LINKIN PARK - Warner Bros One Step Closer, Crawling	#1 WPLA,KNRK
THE REAL PROPERTY.	7	9	3 DOORS DOWN - Republic/Universal Duck and Run	tour w/Oleander & Fuel
	5	10	LIFEHOUSE - DreamWorks Hanging By A Moment	#1 KDGE,WXDX
P	11	11	LIMP BIZKIT - Flip/Interscope My Way	WAVF Add
ı	8	12	COLDPLAY - Nettwerk/Capitol Yellow	#1 WTGZ,WEEO
	12	13	OFFSPRING - Columbia/CRG Million Miles Away	WXRK,KNDD Add
	14	14	DISTURBED - Giant/Reprise Voices	KKND,WMRQ Add
	13	15	RAGE AGAINST THE MACHINE - Epic How I Could Just Kill A Man	KMYZ,KTEG Add
	16	16	A PERFECT CIRCLE - Virgin The Hollow	99X,KAEP Add
I	_	17	AMERICAN HI-FI - Island/IDJ Flavor Of The Weak	on tour now!
	18	18	TANTRIC - Maverick Breakdown	WPBZ,WOCL Add
	19	19	NEW FOUND GLORY - Drive Thru/MCA Hit Or Miss	
	15	20	GODSMACK - Republic/Universal Awake	
	17	21	PAPA ROACH - DreamWorks Between Angels And Insects	WPLA,X-96 Add
	21	22	GREEN DAY - Reprise Waiting	WHFS,KITS Add
1	23	23	COLD - Flip/Interscope No One	WEND,WXNR Add
	22	24	ORGY - Reprise Opticon	X-96,KNSX Add
	20	25	DEFTONES - Maverick Digital Bath	Grammy Winners

based on a combination of airplay and sales

most added

1. EVE 6	"Here's To The Night"	(RCA)
2. REHAB	"It Don't Matter"	(Epic)
3. WALLFLOWERS	"Letters From The Wasteland"	(Interscope)
4. RAMMSTEIN	"Links 2,3,4"	(Republic/Universal)
5. POE	"Hey Pretty"	(FEI/Atlantic/AG)
6. EVERCLEAR	"Out Of My Depth"	(Capitol)

post toasted

BY IVANA B. ADORED

A MONTH OF SUNDAYS: When I called my sister in Baltimore to see how she was faring in the "Blizzard of 2001," she scoffed, "Driving is difficult from the glare of the sun and the 40-degree temperatures." From what you've told me, conditions in the Northeast were a bit more perilous (I guess that's why they call it a "Nor'easter"), but not quite treacherous enough to keep you from adding records this week.... Despite the onset of a hacking cough and flu, Suzie Dunn called from WPLY with the station's only add, The Waltflowers' "Letters From The Wasteland," which naturally led to a lengthy exposition about our being partial to artists with what MD Dan Fein calls the "ish factor"—British, Scottish and (as it applies to Jakob Dylan, who we both adore) Jewish. Then we compared notes on the Doves shows we've seen in the past few weeks (I tried not to gloat that I'm seeing them for the third time tonight), hailing our friends at KROQ and



THE LIVING END: They're To Die For.

99X for adding "Catch The Sun" this week. Suzie promised to say hello to Pete Yorn for me when he visits 'PLY this Friday before succumbing to a coughing jag that interrupted my story about how Pete playing live on the air at WRAX yesterday impressed Dave Rossi enough to add "Life On A Chain" a month early. Worried that Suzie would lose a lung if she didn't hang up the phone and get some water, I promised to tell the world (well, at least both of you that read this) how phenomenal we both think the new Creeper Lagoon record is. Luckily.

enal we both think the new Creeper Lagoon record is. Luckily, the early add today from Live 105 on "Wrecking Ball" is all I needed to get this point across... I wanted to get a quote from Kevin at WFNX about Rehab's "It Don't Matter" being #1 phones at the station for the past three weeks, but since I figured he was stranded in a snowdrift, I decided to make one up, based on our previous conversations about the song. "When I first heard 'It Don't Matter," screamed Kevin, his cell phone cutting in-and-out on the Tobin Bridge, "I thought there was 'something there.' Once we put it on the air and got immediate calls, I knew for sure this was a HIT." KNDD MD Kim Monroe, still trying to regain her equilibrium from being on the air during last week's earthquake added, "Rehab will shake up your playlist more than a 6.8 tumbler. But if this studio's rockin' don't bother knockin'!" By the way, we made up this quote from Kim with her permission, so both of us are to blame. Other programmers adding Rehab whose quotes we'll fabricate next week include our pals at KEDJ, WHRL, WXSR, WKRL, WARQ, WWVV, KHLR and a heap more. "Tres magnifique," trilled Epic's Jacqueline Saturn, surveying the spoils of her weekend trip to Paris. Jo Hodge, guiding his car through the rain-soaked streets from his palatial pied a terre in L.A. to his office in Santa Monica, called in adds for Rage, Rehab and Fuel in groups of twos, inspired, perhaps, by the story of Noah's Ark... Jo's drive home should be precipitation-free this evening because just as we heard that KROQ was adding Doves' "Catch The Sun," the sun finally came out after two weeks of perpetual rain. I swear this is true... Did you see the first-week sales for American Hi-Fi? We're telling Stu and Howie we think sales will exceed 10k! Isn't that FANTASTIC? As airplay and video play for "Flavor Of The Weak" truly kicks into well-deserved Power rotation, sales will explode even further. As my guys in NSYNC say, "This I promise you".... I also swear on the head of my cat Madeline that the Train single, "Drops Of Jupiter," is a SMASH. Nan and Christine have just about closed this record at PoMo, landing WMRQ, KPOI, KTCL, WPLA and WEJE this week, while nabbing KNDD and WXRK on Offspring's "Million Miles Away." Nan will be holding court at the Columbia showcase at SXSW. We'll be there, basking in the glow of her brilliance—or stalking Pete Yorn—whichever is most compelling to us at that moment.... After another stupendous week on Living End's "Roll On," we'll hail Bob Divney and Todd Sievers at tomorrow night's Living End show by buying THEM drinks. Look at the stations that rolled in this week: KNDD, KITS, WLRS, KFMA, WZPC, WIXO, KFTE, WEQX, WMAD, KAHA and more! Plus Bob and Todd pulled in a slew of adds on Green Day's "Waiting" (which reminds those of us who are OUT OF THE DEMO of Petula Clark's "Downtown"), Orgy's Opticon" and have programmers salivating over the new Depeche Mode single, "Dream On." I wonder if the Roxy will let me pay for their drinks with my Barneys card?.... Lisa Cristiano is relatively stress-free this week after scoring huge adds on Nonpoint's "What A Day" from Q101, WXRK and KITS, while **New Found Glory**'s "Hit Or Miss" continues to be #1 phones in every major market. What a day, indeed!.... **Poe**'s "Hey Pretty" had another record-breaking week, with new adds from 99X, KDGE, KKND, KPNT (how much do we LOVE Eric Schmidt?), WWDX and others. We are thrilled beyond belief. Make sure Kris sends you a copy of Duncan Sheik's new album. There's a reason the press are jumping all over themselves to praise this amazing CD.... Gaby is showing PoMo programmers how to get Tantric, with "Breakdown" lessons being taught this week at WOCL, KFMA, WPBZ, KZON, KCCQ. and WWDX. We're in awe of her...SONG TO HEAR: Scapegoat Wax's "Aisle 10" on Grand Royal (ask Tick to send you the EPK).... PEOPLE TO WATCH: Matt Shiv and Mike Taylor at WOXY (because they're awesome), Rae Cline, Mary Shuminas, Bob Salerno, Bill Burrs, Alex Quigley, Dave Richards and Patty Martin (can you tell I spent the weekend in Chicago?).

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top 20 airplay

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l w	tw	artist	label
1	1	INCUBUS	Immortal/Epic
	İ	Drive	
3	2	AARON LEWIS & FRED DURST	Flawless/Geffen
		Outside	
2	3	CRAZY TOWN	Columbia/CRG
		Butterfly	
4	4	MOBY	V2
		South Side	
5	5	DAVE MATTHEWS BAND	RCA
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6	6	LIFEHOUSE	DreamWorks
		Hanging By A Moment	
7	7	LINKIN PARK	Warner Bros.
		One Step Closer	
8	8	COLDPLAY	Nettwerk/Capitol
ш		Yellow	
9	9	FUEL	Epic
		Innocent	
11	10	U2	Interscope
		Walk On	
10	11	FUEL	Epic
		Hemorrhage (In My Hands)	
13	12	3 DOORS DOWN	Republic/Universal
		Duck And Run	
12	13	OFFSPRING	Columbia/CRG
		Want You Bad	
14	14	GODSMACK	Republic/Universal
Ш		Awake	
17	15	AMERICAN HI-FI	Island/IDJ
		Flavor Of The Weak	
19	16	LIMP BIZKIT	Flip/Interscope
		My Way	
16	17	DEFTONES	Maverick
4	, E	Digital Bath	
15	18	RAGE AGAINST THE MACHINE	Epic
4		Renegades Of Funk	
18	19	DISTURBED	Giant/Reprise
4		Voices	
-1	20	A PERFECT CIRCLE	Virgin

upcoming new releases

GOING FOR ADDS 3.12

CREEPER LAGOON • "Wrecking Ball" - DreamWorks

DANDY WARHOLS • "Godless" - Capitol

ECONOLINE CRUSH • "Make It Right" - Restless

GODSMACK • "Greed" - Republic/Universal

GREEN DAY • "Waiting" - Reprise

MINIBAR • "Holiday From Myself" - Universal

FLYBANGER • "Cavalry"

- Columbia/CRG



GOING FOR ADDS 3.19

LINKIN PARK • "Crawling" - Warner Bros. **LUCKY BOYS CONFUSION •** "Fred Astaire"

- Elektra/EEG

MONSTER MAGNET • "Heads Explode" - Interscope

STELLA • "Kiss Kiss" - Universal



GOING FOR ADDS 3.26

DEPECHE MODE • "Dream On" Reprise

DAVID GRAY • "Please Forgive Me" - ATO/RCA

ISLE OF Q • "Here And Gone

(She's Free)" - Universal



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JOHN MICHAEL PD KFMA/Tucson, Az



KFMA PD John Michael has a secret weapon for picking music: his precious black lab puppy named Scout, who apparently has an ear for hits. He's give two woofs of approval for Dave Matthews Band's "Space Between," Rage Against The Machine's "How I Could Just Kill A Man" and Godsmack's "Greed." Scout also got an extra bag of doggy treats after the numbers came in from KFMA's last book—5.0-6.4! Impressive indeed. As for what makes the station tick, research came back listing the Beastie Boys, Nirvana, Rage, Limp Bizkit, Metallica, Sublime and Tool as audience favorites. Amazingly enough, all earned yelps of approval from John's canine companion. Coming soon (May 15, to be exact) is KFMA's Birthday Bash, so book your tickets, get your bands ready and don't forget the Scooby Snacks!

requests

- 1. Aaron Lewis & Fred Durst (Flawless/Geffen)
- 2. Crazy Town (Columbia/CRG)
- 3. Linkin Park (Warne Bros.)
- 4. Dave Matthews Band (RCA)
- 5. Coldplay (Nettwerk/Capitol)6. Lifehouse (DreamWorks)

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WHRL / SUSAN GROVES / **CHRIS / ALBANY**

Aaron Lewis & Fred Durst Crazy Town Limp Bizkit Lifehouse Moby

KTEG / ELLEN FLAHERTY / **ADAM 12 / ALBUQUERQUE**

Aaron Lewis & Fred Durst Crazy Town Linkin Park Nothingface Rammstein

WBCN / OEDIPUS / STEVEN STRICK / BOSTON

Crazy Town Lifehouse Kid Rock Fuel American Hi-Fi

WBTZ / STEPHANIE / PICARD / **BURLINGTON, VT**

Aaron Lewis & Fred Durst Linkin Park Crazy Town Coldplay Our Lady Peace

WAVF / GREG PATRICK / DANNY V / CHARLESTON, SC

Aaron Lewis & Fred Durst Linkin Park Crazy Town Train Coldplay

WWCD / ANDY DAVIS / **COLUMBUS**

Grandaddy Doves Self Lifehouse at the drive-in

CIMX / MURRAY BROOKSHAW / VINCE /MATT / DETROIT

Crazy Town Aaron Lewis & Fred Durst Incubus Deftones Godsmack

WJBX / JOHN ROSS / FT. MEYERS

Aaron Lewis & Fred Durst Coldplay Disturbed Crazy Town Our Lady Peace

WGRD / DAN CLARK / TIM **BRONSON / GRAND RAPIDS, MI**

Lifehouse Coldplay American Hi-Fi Poe U2

KAHA / ROWDY WALKER / SAGE / HONOLULU

Crazy Town Aaron Lewis & Fred Durst Incubus Limp Bizkit Linkin Park

KPOI / NIKKI BASQUE / HONOLULU, HI

Aaron Lewis & Fred Durst Crazy Town Linkin Park Dave Matthews Band Papa Roach

WNFZ / DAN BOZYK / BONER / KNOXVILLE, TN

Aaron Lewis & Fred Durst Crazy Town Linkin Park Tool Disturbed

WFBZ / NEIL CLOSE / LA CROSSE, WI

Dave Matthews Band Lifehouse Oleander 112 Rage Against The Machine

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Zero Z Nikka Costa Sigur Ros Pete Yorn Mandalay

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Linkin Park "Crawling" New Found Glory Crazy Town Alien Ant Farm American Hi-Fi

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Crazy Town Rage Against The Machine Linkin Park Alien Ant Farm New Found Glory

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Incubus Disturbed Daft Punk Rammstein Marina Belica

WBRU / TIM SCHIAVELLI / **PROVIDENCE**

Our Lady Peace New Found Glory Coldplay Crazy Town Lifehouse

KCXX / KELLI CLUQUE / JOHN / DARYL / RIVERSIDE, CA

Aaron Lewis & Fred Durst Crazy Town Linkin Park Disturbed **Tantric**

KPNT / TOMMY MATTERN / **ERIC SCHMIDT / ST. LOUIS**

Tool Rage Against The Machine Alien Ant Farm Aaron Lewis & Fred Durst

WXSR / SCOTT PETIBONE / KENZIE / TALLAHASSEE, FL

Taproot Aaron Lewis & Fred Durst Nonpoint Nothingface Deftones

KFMA / JOHN MICHAEL / MARC YOUNG / TUCSON

Limp Bizkit Godsmack Linkin Park Oleander Saliva

KMYZ / LYNN BARSTOW / RAYDOG / TULSA, OK

Aaron Lewis & Fred Durst Crazy Town Limp Bizkit Disturbed Coldplay

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New Found Glory Alien Ant Farm Pearl Jam "It's OK" Run DMC Cold





"This is a very special band.....we have had Top 5 phones since we put the sucker on....what a fine f*ckin day!" -- Gregg Steele, P.D., WZTA

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New This Week:

LIVE 105 Q101 **WXRK**

Early Adds, Early Phones!

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...And Many More!

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-	1	DAVE MATTHEWS BAND	RCA
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2	2	COLDPLAY	Nettwerk/Capitol
	888	Parachutes	
1	3	DIDO	Arista
		No Angel	
3	4	O BROTHER, WHERE ART THOU? OST	Mercury Nashville
		Various Artists	•
6	5	U2	Interscope
	حضا	All That You Can't Leave Behind	
5	6	TORTOISE	Thrill Jockey
		Standards	,
11	7	MOBY	V2
	DEE	Play	
4	8	STEPHEN MALKMUS	Matador
	and the	Stephen Malkmus	
_	9	AMERICAN HI-FI	Island/IDJ
8 1		American Hi-Fi	
8	10	LENNY KRAVITZ	Virgin
		Greatest Hits	3
7	11	BEATLES	Capitol
		#1	'
12	12	DAVID GRAY	ATO/RCA
		White Ladder	
_	13	THE ORB	MCA
		Cydonia	
15	14	LINKIN PARK	Warner Bros.
	200	Hybrid Theory	
10	15	RADIOHEAD	Capitol
		Kid A	
14	16	LOW	Kranky
-		Things We Lost In The Fire	
19	17	SPOON	Merge
	200	Girls Can Tell	-
9	18	CRAZY TOWN	Columbia/CRG
1	-	Gift Of Game	
16	19	SIGUR ROS	FatCat
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18	20	EMINEM	Aftermath/Interscop
8 10	133	The Marshall Mathers LP	

ivana's secret

The songs that describe the "look" for Spring 2001 is Bill Wyman's "Je Suis Un Rock Star" and Cyndi Lauper's "Girls Just Wanna Have Fun"—a combo of innocent French mademoiselle, "bubblegum chic" and '80s Rock Star, best captured in Spring collections by Marc Jacobs, Stella McCartney and Anna Sui. Toile de Jouy, the unbleached printed cotton fabric favored by Marie Antoinette, is the fabric "du jour," used extensively in the newly relaunched (by the design team Clements Ribeiro) Cacharel collection, and also in the Spring line from Diane von Furstenburg, Vanessa Bruno and Vivienne Westwood. This month, Jalouse, the French fashion magazine, launched its premiere issue in the U.S. Tres magnifique! Unlike our friends Lee Anne Callahan, Daniel Glass and Jacqueline Saturn, some of us have never been to Paris, so we have to satisfy our shopping urges via www.colette.fr. (Web site of Colette, the most famous boutique in the City Of Lights), www.apc.fr. and www.freelance shoes.com, which we visit while listening to Air, Mellow and Phoenix. Tres chic! Since I thought '80s fashion sucked in the '80s, you won't see me wearing any of this stuff. For me, it's all about the Belgians. You may have your **Stephen** Sprouse-graffitied-Louis Vuitton. I'm saving my money for Angelo Figus.

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post modem

Until recently, listening to MP3 music was limited to sitting by your PC or hearing it over a hand-held portable player. Now MP3 are available for in-vehicle enjoyment. Visteon Corporation is bringing in-dash MP3 technology directly to consumers with its new MACH MP3 Music System, which will be available to consumers in mid-March, and sold through their website at www.evisteon.com for only \$369. This innovation combines file-playback technology with efficient memory storage, and plays both MP3-encoded and pre-recorded music CDs. The player also includes a full-featured AM/FM stereo radio. You can listen to up to 10 hours (or approximately 255 MP3 songs) of music on just one CD. The MACH MP3 comes with a tool that makes it easy to install it in your car, so what are you waiting for?

"I WANT TO LIVE"

HOW TO:



DEAL WITH A CHARGING BULL

- do not antagonize the bull and do not move
- remove your shirt, hat or another article of clothing
- when the bull charges remain still and then throw the article of clothing away from you.
- If you encounter a stampede of bulls or cattle, your only option is to run alongside the stampede to avoid getting trampled. Bulls are not like horses and will not avoid you if you lie down so keep moving.

"I WANT TO LIVE" on Q101



ESCAPE FROM A MOSH PIT

- be sure to carry a stout pole
- if you start to sink, lay the pole on the surface of the mosh pit
- place the pole at a right angle to your spine to keep your hips afloat on top of the pole
- floating is easier in salt water than fresh water but much easier in mosh pit spread your arms & legs far apart and try to float on your back.

"I WANT TO LIVE" on WPLY



AVOID BEING STRUCK BY LIGHTNING

- avoid high places, open fields, ridges above the timberline, isolated trees, unprotected gazebos, rain or picnic shelters, as well as shallow depressions in the earth, baseball dugouts, communications towers, flagpoles, light poles, metal and wood bleachers, metal fences. golf carts, convertibles, tents and all bodies of water.

"I WANT TO LIVE" on KPNT



AVOID MISSING A HIT

- Be sure to take the CD out of the case.
- Place in your CD player
- Read the credits and listen at least twice.
- Notice the producer Paul Ebersold!
- Go with your gut, play the song and LIVE.



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top 25 specialty airplay

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į	lw	tw	artist-label	comments
ļ	10	1	STEPHEN MALKMUS - Matador	featured on WBTZ
Ĭ			Stephen Malkmus	
	8	2	THE LIVING END - Reprise	Top 5 @ WEJE
			Roll On	
ı	5	3	CREEPER LAGOON - DreamWorks	Top 5 @ WBTZ,WEQX
J	3	4	Take Back The Universe POWDERFINGER - Republic/Universal	T F @ \4/F \F
J	-		Odyssey Number Five	Top 5 @ WEJE
	19	5	RAGE AGAINST THE MACHINE - Epic	Top 5 @ 91X
ı		_	Renegades	
ı	1	6	BS2000 - Grand Royal	Top 5 @ KNDD
			Simply Mortified	
	4	7	DOVES - Heavenly/Astralwerks	Top 5 @ WPLA,WEQX
	44	•	Lost Souls	
	14	8	RAMMSTEIN - Motor Music/Universal	Top 5 @ X-96,KUPD
	15	9	Mutter SPINESHANK - Roadrunner	Top 5 @ WPLA,KCXX
ı			New Disease	TOP 5 @ WPLA, KCXX
l	_	10	POE - FEI/Atlantic/AG	Top 5 @ WPLY
ı			Haunted	
l	-	11	DIESEL BOY - Honest Don's	Top 5 @ WFNX,WPLA
			"Big Sparkling New" (single)	
	-	12	DISCONTENT - Sha-la	Top 5 @ WFNX
		13	The Discontent EP SUICIDAL TENDENCIES - Suicidal	**14.
ı		13	Friends and Family 2	www.suicidaltendencies.com
ı	_	14	TOADIES - Interscope	Top 5 @ WBCN,WPLY
ł			Hell Below/Stars Above	100 0 0 110011,111 21
	21	15	COLDPLAY - Nettwerk/Capitol	Brit Award Winners!
١			Parachutes	
l	6	16	IDLEWILD - Odeon/Capitol	Top 5 @ WAVF
ľ	-	4-	100 Broken Windows	
l	7	17	OLD 97'S - Elektra Satellite Rides	Top 5 @ WHTG
ľ		18	GODHEAD - Posthuman/Priority	www.godhead.com
Į,			2000 Years Of Human Error	www.godnead.com
Į	-1	19	PJ HARVEY - Island/IDJ	Top 5 @ WAVF
ì			Stories Of The City, Stories From The Sea	
ĺ	-	20	MUDVAYNE - Epic	Top 5 @ WAVF,KCXX
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f	12	22	Everyday	T. F. G. M. DUV
L	12	22	BRASSY - Wiiija/Beggars Banquent Got It Made	Top 5 @ WPLY
ľ		23	TRANSMISSION OK - Beyond	www.transmissionok.com
-			The Sky, The Stars and The Great Beyond	TOO, NOT TOTAL TO THE BUTTON.
	-	24	LIFEHOUSE - DreamWorks	Top 5 @ WBRU,X-96
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BY ERIKA STRADA

DAVE GROHL RULES: So I figured it was about time to pop my head out from beneath my blankets and check in. While some of you were getting ready for Miami (packing the sandals and sunblock), I was pouting because I couldn't go see the Foo Fighters play at the House Of Blues or go to any of the Grammy parties. Bummer. But soon it was all better. Mmmm...let's see, to be exact—9 something the Tuesday before the Grammys...that was it. My phone rang. "Hi, it's Dave!" was the answer on the other end of the line. So with a bit of giggling and gasping (don't ASK me how I just knew and didn't reply "Dave who?"!) I somehow managed to carry on a semi-decent conversation with the sweetest guy in rock-n-roll. (Did I really invite him over?

Yikes!) But it just goes to show what an amazing person that **Dave Grohl** is, and how lucky I am to have so many people looking out for me. (In fact, let me take this opportunity to thank **John Silva**, **JC** and **Ivana** too!) Apparently I had the "Erika Army" in full force at the Grammy parties too, with stories coming in from my various friends who said hi to Dave for me. Too funny. I have the best friends. I

really really do. So now back to what some of you were doing in Miami. I was sad for everyone who was anticipating seeing Brit darlings (and our darlings as well!) **Coldplay**, but unfortunate-

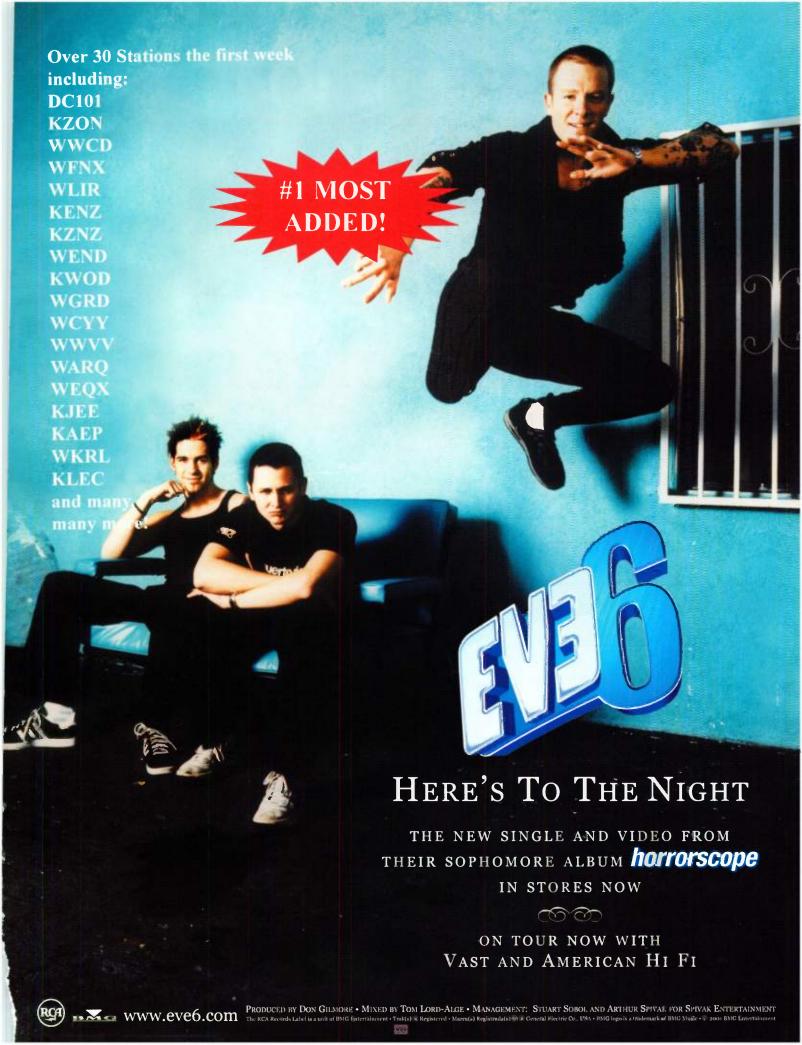


DAVE GROHL:

"a kiss makes it all better"

ly the flu got the best of them. (Apparently a quick recovery though, since we did spy them onstage picking up a well-deserved Brit award for Best British Band!) But more about them in a moment. Doves—everyone had something wonderful to say about the show in Miami. (Especially a certain President of HITS Magazine, who is busy memorizing their lyric's on her way to see them again in Chicago!) KXNA's darling Margot Smith's enthusiasm for them shined along with the highlights from her first convention ever. These, of course, were the fact that she got to hang out with some of her very favorite people, like WGRD's Tim Bronson (who couldn't be any more precious...), 89X's Murray Brookshaw and WLRS' Biscuithead. Now back home in Fayetteville, Margot lists some of her favorite new songs from Idlewild, Treble Charger, Our Lady Peace, Lifehouse (cut #2) and Spacehog. Be sure also to ask Margot how the petition to bring Dave Matthews Band to Fayetteville is coming. (We love that Margot sets her sights high!) Or, ask about another band near and dear to her, 19 Wheels. This Michigan band (produced by the Verve Pipe's Donny Brown) is holding it's own on KXNA's playlist (as it is on WGRD's). Now back to the Doves...KMYZ's Lynn Barstow and Raydog were also impressed with their spectacular performance. I couldn't wait to hear about the dinner in Miami where you actually eat on a bed (are pajamas optional?). Sounds interesting and scary at the same time. As for KMYZ, make sure you make your reservations now for their May 13th show. I wonder if they could get Coldplay for their show since it's cracking their Top 5 phones—quite a feat in Tulsa for a Brit band. Well done. So, did you want to hear how fantastic Coldplay was in LA? There is just something about Chris Martin's voice that sends chills up my spine. The audience couldn't have been more attentive and appreciative-both rare things for an LA crowd. Have I mentioned opening band Powderfinger yet? If I haven't had the chance to corner you on the phone and sing their praises, let me just say now that they are AMAZING. Such stage presence! This is a band that's gonna be sure to stick around. The first call I made after seeing them was to 99X's Chris Williams because I remembered months back when he was telling me how great they were. This week I must also give KDGE's Alan Ayo a shout out...I need to give him a reason to pick up the magazine. It certainly isn't in vain either, Alan is pleased to report that he not only secured the night DJ slot (just where he wanted to be) but is also starting a brand new specialty show. Now I'm running out of space and have yet to mention all the great things to see in Austin for SXSW: Idlewild, Brassy, Mundy, Bare Jr., Joseph Arthur, Tahiti 80 and Crud (Thursday at Lucy's, 11pm). Please make sure to share your stories with the less fortunate... Time to crawl back under the blankets to dream of Dave Grohl and find something decent on the television. Tonight's choice will definitely be Josh Joplin on Letterman! Until next week...hugs and kisses!

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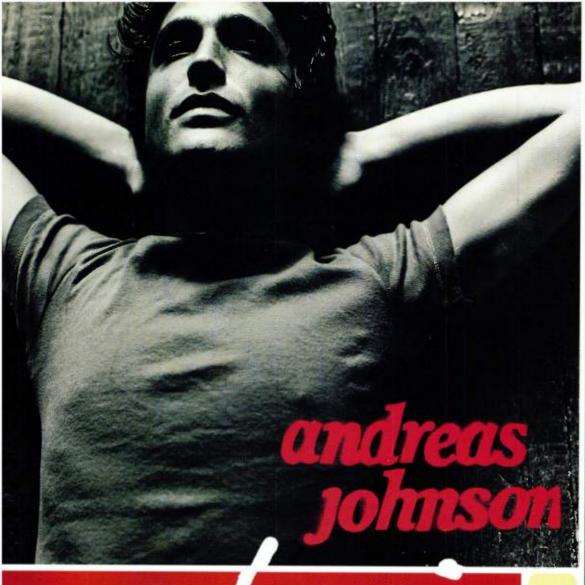
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BY MIKE MORRISON

LOOKING FOR MY LOST SHAKER OF SALT: Lest you get the impression that Michele Clarke Promotion's "Sunset Sessions," a three-day music showcase in Cancun, doesn't require an energy-sapping amount of work for all in attendance, let me relay just one story from this past weekend. It's a tale about a hung-over promo guy (Chris Stacey of Lost Highway/Island Def Jam), an artist (Ryan Adams, who needed not just any piano, but a grand piano for his set) and a musical instrument rental situation that was (as you might imagine) less than ideal. After pleading in vain with the hotel manager to move the lobby piano outside for the show, Chris, out of sheer desperation, had one, an upright, brought over by a shady local outfit wanting \$2,000 CASH!! Much later in the day, as the truck was backed up to the stage (this is the good part), Chris says, "Take it away. I don't want your stinking piano! And I don't have any money anyway." (Balls of brass, I tell you.) So, after a little good-old Mexican style haggling, the price was lowered to \$1,000 and charged to his room! Now, THAT'S what I call fancy promo footwork. For the rest of us, there was some pretty strenuous sunbathing, spa pampering and freely flowing margaritas and pina coladas. Really, the weekend was a total drag ;-). But,

the live music was fantastic. Adams' set kicked-ass in a way we haven't seen since the Replacements. 143/Atlantic band Yve Adam's shimmering pop wowed many programmers. Maia Sharp as ivory-tickling (and occasional soprano sax-wielding) front-woman brought back memories of Carole King. Pat McGee's confident, solo acoustic set reminded us why he's perfect for our format. (Here's

tasty Pat McGee Band morsel for ya: They're managed by the guy who manages **Train!** [I don't need to spell it out for you, do !?]) **Five For Fighting** and the **Josh Joplin Group** were both *stunning*. It's great to see these two new

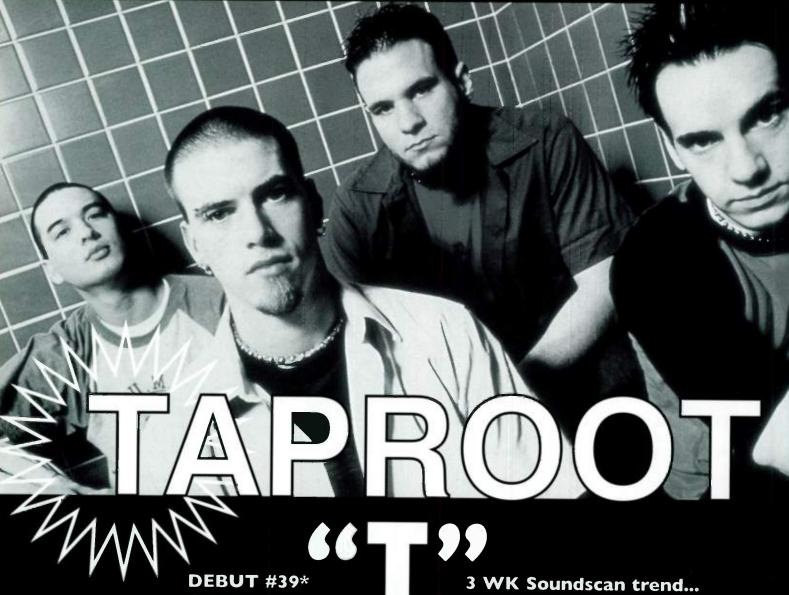


DANA MARSHALL, RAY DI PIETRO AND JOANNE DOODY IN CANCUN: "We ARE working!"

artists coming into their own as they prepare for world domination. (It's not a question of "whether," but "when.") Amy Corriea was charming both on, and off, stage. So was RykoPalm's Jess Klein, whose "Little White Dove" EP will be landing at APM very shortly. John Eddie rocked hard and brought a little bit of Jersey to the Caribbean. Jonatha Brooke's new band and material sounded brilliant live. Finally, Pete Yorn's post-show dinner performance demonstrated to the rest of our world what all of us at HITS have been raving about. (Incidentally, Yorn's song "Life On A Chain" was added at WRAX Birmingham and KGSR this week!!) Naming specific programmers is a slippery slope. I will inevitably forget someone, get busted and my week will be ruined. To everyone I met for the first time, as well as those I've known for a while, I really enjoyed drinking and tanning (actually, in my case, sunburning) with you... Scott Register plays two roles in the APM world: as host of a wildly popular Sunday morning acoustic show on the aforementioned WRAX, as well as marketing manager for the Coalition of Independent Music Stores. When I brought up "O Brother, Where Art Thou?" he confirmed the disc was blowing the doors off many of the hip retailers he deals with. "John Timmons at Ear X-tacy in Louis-ville said it best," recalled Register, "Thank God for that George Clooney record!' - a reference to what all his customers are asking about." KBAC and KOTR are among the stations adding "Man Of Constant Sorrow" this week. There WILL be reaction stories forthcoming. Speaking of "O Bro," I received a (justified?) tongue-lashing from John Bradley of SBR last week for recommending that you play this whacked-out bluegrass song (with banjos and everything!) Bradley, of course, has some of his own suggestions, all excellent. Look at this week's "Squawk" section... St. Germain's "Sure Thing" is the #1 record at KFMU this week. PD/MD Sam Scholl is freaking. "Phones are definitely going OFF for 'Sure Thing.' We haven't seen anything like this since Euphoria's 'Delerium.'" Big St. G. adds this week: WMVY and WFPK... Remaining holdouts on the new Old 97's track are trickling in, with KFOG adding it this week... Also, WDET and WYEP come in on Los Super Seven, and KBCO adds Glen Phillips!!! E-mail: HITSMM@aol.com.

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Renegades Of Funk, How I Could Just Kill A Man

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top & most added

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1. SYSTEMATIC	"Beginning Of The End"	TMC/Elektra/EEG
2. RAMMSTEIN	"Links 2-3-4"	Motor/Rep/Uni/UM(
3. DUST FOR LIFE	"Seed"	Bomb Trax/Wind-
4. MUDVAYNE	"Dig"	Epic
5. MONSTER MAGNET	"Heads Explode"	Interscope
A AC/DC	"Safe In New York City"	Flektra/FEG

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between a rock and a hard place by john lenac

"SOMEWHERE IN BETWEEN": Almost every programmer I talked to this week spoke of wanting to move up new songs they're excited about, but don't have the open slots. Must I remind you about the "percent back" feature of Selector? Whichever your Selector tweak de jour is, find a way to get those bands more exposure on the air, so when they play your festival, it's a win-win for everyone. Plus, you'll just be reciprocating the label rep's creative accounting to facilitate your request. As Haley Joel Osment would say: "Pay it forward."... Systematic makes a huge splash with KEGL, KSJO, WRIF, KIOZ, KXXR, WXTB, KUFO, WMMS and KQRC among the long list of new adds. Congrats to team Elektra's Cappellini, Tavera and Brosio for the massive impact on a band destined for stardom. Flying in a Lars Ulrich-house-full of programmers for the San Fransisco showcase also helped raise the profile. "Hanging at Lars' place was tits," said WRLR's Dave Clapper. "I can't wait for them to come here and kick ass like they did in Frisco." KUPD's J.J. Jeffries concurs: "Great band—we've been having success with them for months." KQRC's Vince Richards has confidence in "Beginning Of The End": "I think it will cut through on the air. Sonically, it's got something that'll separate it from other new songs." Besides Systematic, the only other add at KQRC this week is Rammstein. "There's definitely a place for 'Links 2-3-4' on The Rock," Vince said. If this PD, who's consistently rated number one or two 12+ in the most conservative major market (this I know-I also programmed there), can hear it on his station, you can too. Kudos to Howard Leon, Steve Leeds and Kyle Wong for

bringing in WEBN, KIOZ, KRXQ, KQRC, WLZR, WLUM and others this week. Scot Fox reminded me about the killer remix he did blending the English and German versions of "Du Hast" that did so well on WCPR. Which reminds me of what WYSP's Nancy Palumbo and I were talking about. When "Du Hast" had its success three years ago, the radio climate wasn't nearly as strident as today's. With more melody than "Du Hast" and audience ears more receptive to the sound, smells like "Links" will extend Happy Howard's smile...

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SPACEHOG Mr. "I Want To Live" Tyler

Dust For Life also had an impressive impact week, with WNOR, WJRR, WNVE, WQBK, KRZR, WXQR, KAZR and many more hitting "Seed." WBYR PD Jim Fox declared: "It's so infectious—traditional rock sound with some contemporary guitar work freshening it up." Alan Galbraith stopped by and played us two other Wind-up acts about to break, Boy Hits Car and Drowning Pool. Ask Alan about all the stations adding Boy Hits Car TWO MONTHS before the launch, or better yet, phone Greg Stevens and inquire about his success with Drowning Pool at KEGL... I was also lucky enough to hear the new Static X this week. When you ring-up Rittberg and Lombardi with the add and to say thanks for your new Platinum plaque from the last record, ask to get new Bunny band pete on your festival. They are gong to be gigantic... One of the bands suffering from space issues in higher rotating categories is Skrape. If you believe, make it happen. Like Neal and Nancy at YSP did. Nancy said: "We started it after 10PM and took the daypart off within a week. Now, it's Top 5 phones with initial research showing a lot of potential." J.J. also said he's getting Top 5 phones at KUPD. Congrats to Bill Burrs for chipping away so tenaciously... Congrats also to Laura Curtin for the tremendous job she's doing with Buckcherry. "Ridin'" is tearing up the majors, including WYSP, KEGL, WRIF, WZTA, KUPD, KXXR and WIYY. MTV, VH1 and MTV2 have also added their amazing video... While I'm tossing the accolades, props to Diane Gentile. In the last two weeks, she's put KXXR, KBPI, WIYY, WRLR, KRTQ, WCHZ and KDOT on the Spacehog "I Want To Live" board... Jonathan Pirkle needs servicing at new Active Rocker WXVO in Knoxville. Send your shit to: 1605 Winding Ridge Trial, Knoxville, TN, 37922. You can also play "bother the PD" by calling 865-966-2571. Lenac@mindspring.com

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AC/DC • "Safe In New York City"

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- Interscope

GOING FOR ADDS 3.19

AMERICAN PEARL • "If We Were Kings" - Wind-up ECONOLINE CRUSH • "Make It Right" - Restless

GOING FOR ADDS 3.26

CHRONIC FUTURE • "The Majik" - Beyond TONY IOMMI • "Flame On"

- Divine/Priority

ISLE OF Q • "Here And Gone (She's Free)"

- Universal

MEGADETH • "Moto Psycho" - Sanctuary

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HOWIE DAY • "Sorry So Sorry" - Aware

ECHO PARK • "You Are" - Image Design

JOHN HAMMOND • "2:19" - Point Blank/Virgin

ANDREAS JOHNSON • "Glorious" - Reprise

PETE YORN • "Life on a Chain" - Columbia/CRG

YVE ADAM • "Fiction" - 143/Atlantic/AG

GOING FOR ADDS 3-19

EUPHORIA • "Sweet Rain" - Six Degrees

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This week's Power Tool is helping **Wind-up** graduate from being "just" the **Creed** label to one of the biggest indie label with a happening roster. After playing bass in **Ghost Of An American Airman** and doing concert promo-



tion in Ireland, Alan Galbraith came Stateside and did tour management for Grass Records (which later became Wind-up). It didn't take long for the brass at Wind-up to see Alan's potential in regional promotion. He was elevated to National Director Rock Formats, overseeing Rock, PoMo and APM, over a year ago. With Boy Hits Car (99X, WFNX & KPNT added two months

early), **Drowning Pool** and **Broken** (who'll have a different name by the June release) on deck and **Dust For Life** and **American Pearl** already happening at radio, Alan comments: "We have great artists and a fookin extraordinary group of people here. This year looks like it should be a lot of fun."

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"Stations should seriously reconsider
Shelby Lynne in light of her Grammy win.
Shawn Mullins' 'Up All Night' is a great
APM-only record. And Coldplay's 'Yellow'
is not just a flash in the pan, up-anddown-the-chart single. The stations we
work with are VERY happy with how it's
performing. But the best song right now,
hands-down, is Train's 'Drops of Jupiter.'
It'll be a multi-format smash by spring,
and APM was there first."

MARK HAMILTON/PD KNRK/PORTLAND

"Poe sent me this version of 'Hey Pretty' around Xmas to listen to, and I knew, if I put this on the air, it would burn up the phones. Shortly after that, we debuted a morning feature, 'Dancing Monkey,' which features a new song each week. Poe was the very first 'Dancing Monkey' and after playing it, the phones wouldn't stop all day and sales have been phenomenal in Portland! This week's 'Dancing Monkey' is another favorite of mine, Treble Charger's 'American Psycho."



ALAN SMITH/PD WOCL/ORLANDO

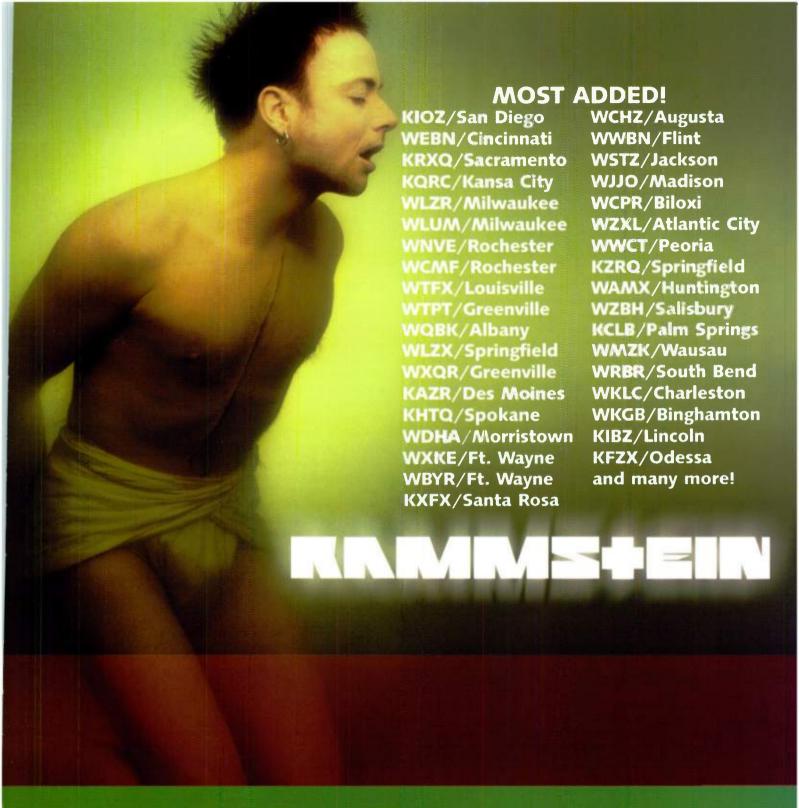


"Dynamite Hack's 'Boyz N The Hood' is #1 phones now. Poe's 'Hey Pretty' is #2 phones, evenly spread between males and females. This song is a flat-out homerun! Moby is the big sales story in the market. When O-Rock signed on, we started playing four tracks, and now the album is Top 30 in Orlando! 'Play' had sold 13,000 copies in Orlando before O-Rock signed on, and, from our airplay, has scanned another 5,000 copies in just a few months."

PAUL CANNELL/PD KTUX/SHREVEPORT

"I'm jacked about **Disturbed**. 'Voices' scares me, but it's kicking major ass on the air. **Saliva** phones are on fire. We've only been playing 'Your Disease' for two weeks and it's already #1 phones! **Skrape** is also killin' with good calls. I'm just waiting for the moment when I can move it up in rotation; it's ready to take off."









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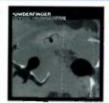
EDITED BY KAREN GLAUBER



American Hi-Fi "American Hi-Fi" (Island/IDJ): Former Letters to Cleo drummer Stacy Jones steps forward as singer/songwriter and guitarist here, delivering a tight batch of explosively energetic, melodic rock. Like another drummer-turned-frontman (Dave Grohl anyone?), Jones deftly balances PoMo heaviosity and classic songcraft, getting a solid assist from his bandmates.

We feel special fidelity for the slammin', ultra-catchy "Flavor of the Weak" and the emotionally raw "Safer on the Outside," but you'll also want to tune into amp-melting opener "Surround," the juggernaut riffage and wide-open chorus of "Hi-Fi Killer" and the swaggering, relentless "Blue Day." If you've been missing hook-heavy, rafters-shaking rock, stop complaining and give this a spin. (S.G.)

Powderfinger "Odyssey Number Five" (Republic/Universal): This is actually the fourth album from the Australian quintet, but its full-length U.S. debut. Though the name comes from a Neil Young song, the sound is powerful, anthematic rock without being bombastic. With the soaring melodic flavor of Remy Zero or Travis, "My Kinda Scene," also on the "MI:2"



ST., is the kind of mini-epic that highlights a solid, craftsman approach to songwriting. Building slowly and steadily, it frames the charisma and control of singer Bernard Fanning, who has the hallmarks of rock stardom. First single, "My Happiness" is more straightforward, but has an even stronger hook. This group from Down Under will win you over. (D.S.)



Mandalay "Solace" (V2): By merging atmospherics and melodies, this British group-primarily the Thieves' Saul Freeman with Nicole Hitchcock's icv vocals—is a pop band that lurks in the dark, dusky shadows. Longtime Brian Eno collaborator and trumpeter Jon Hassell lends his talents on the classically driven "Not Seventeen" and "Don't Invent Me," a

crisp winter night air of a song about the little imperfections that pop up in relationships. Tracks like "Kissing The Day" and "Flowers Bloom" maintain a link to the group's trip-hop roots. With similarities to both the Cocteau Twins and Art of Noise, Mandalay is mood music for many different moods. (S.L.)

The Sheila Divine "Where Have My Countrymen Gone" (Co-Op Pop): Boston's Sheila Divine have been local favorites for a few years, but the group's second CD should do nothing but increase their national reputation. The band's brooding songs soar and dive in the grandiose tradition of Radiohead and U2, with the intricate multiple guitar parts, occasion-



ally tempered by the melancholy of the American Music Club and hints of punkish glee. Commanding melodies break through the moody numbers, as singer Aaron Perrino keeps songs in focus at the center, while the peripheral music remains diffuse. When the guitars converge, particularly on the crunchy choruses of "Ostrich" and "Monarchs," the results are definitely divine. (D.S.)

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O-TOWN WITHOUT PITY: "Ivana may have an in with NSYNC, but we've got five boys of our own," said HITS' own Nicole Tocantins (3rd fr I), despite O-Town-ies Ashley and Erik's best attempts to squeeze her out of the photo. "I must admit that up until I was nearly 13, I had my

own problems with 'liquid dreams," blurted out fellow HITS inmate Jill Kushner. "It's so refreshing to hear someone finally sing about it with candor." Tocantins, along with spiritual advisor Danielle Rothchild (r), admitted that they weren't all that familiar with the band's music, but were nonetheless fans of the "O."



IT'S ALL ABOUT CHEMISTRY: "Look, I'm not stupid," said Sirius Satellite Radio PoMo format manager Jerry Rubino (3rd fr I), "I know that Ivana's interest in extraterrestrial objects begins and ends with Big Star. Therefore, the only way I'd get my picture in that trade mag of questionable repute would be to get Semisonic down to the stu-

dios." Surrounded and towered over by the Twin Cities' own triple towers of power, Rubino-along with MCA's Diane Monk (2nd fr I) and Dara Kravitz (r)-oozed with confidence. "I'm a shoo-in," Rubino said moments after the photo was taken, "as long as I get my film developed before Moby does."



A HISTORIC MOMENT: In a meeting of the minds unseen since Pottsdam, record label all-stars (I-r) Epic's Jacqueline Saturn, Columbia's Christine Chiappetta, and Astralwerks' Brien Terranova match wits with radio heavy hitters KNRK PD Mark Hamilton, KQXR MD Pete Schiecke, Hollywood's Joel Habbeshaw (who had been banished to the other side of the table) and KNDD MD Kim

Monroe in a race to solve that day's particularly taxing Junior Jumble. But even more astounding than the fact that it took both sides more than two hours to unscramble GANIV was the fact that when the check came, the radio team insisted upon picking up the check.



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Ground Zero

By Liz Montalbano

OK, I made it through my first week. One word—WOW. I must say that sitting between Todd Hensley and Mike Murphy eight hours a day, five days a week is no joke. Can you say loud and dirty? I refuse, you hear me, refuse to pick up a cigarette again. I'm clean now for three months and I'm sitting in a cesspool of nicotine. Help me, please. Anyway, I'm having a blast. Let's talk about music-real music... Someone pointed out not too long ago the trans-

gression of Rhythm & Blues. His spin was, what was once Negro spirituals, became the blues, then soul, which is the essence of what we call R&B today. With artists like Alicia Keys, India Arie, Koffee Brown, Musiq, Sunshine Anderson, Jimmy Cozier and JAG splashing onto the scene, it's hard to ignore the direction and face that R&B is taking. No more cookie-cutter shit—real music, live bands, true instrumentation, genuine talent. So what? No more verse, chorus, verse, chorus, pridge, chorus, chorus? Oh well, structure sucks, anyway. Don't you think?... India.Arie came up to the office last week, sat on a desk in front of damn near the whole office and with guitar in hand, killed it. No big production, just her and her instrument. Killed it!... Def Jam held a party at the House Of Blues for Musiq last week. Off the hook. EVERYONE was there. Got there early, as Keiser gracefully let our party of 20 in. Thanks, bro. Thea Mitchem was her ever-so-diva self and Tiffany Green was trying to get in the middle of Kevin Liles and Babyface, as I sipped cocktails with Lisa Ellis over the incredible upcoming week Columbia would have with Destiny's Child's "Survivor."... Soul Train Awards show was the Soul Train Awards show-boring, but good company... Had an insightful lunch with Val Delong and Gary Marella (a.k.a. The Universal Dream Team) on Thursday, as they filled me in on their

new Backbone (feat. OutKast) record entitled, "Five Deuce Four Tre." Very hot. The entire project was produced by Organized Noize. Look for him on tour with OutKast now. They also have Ms. Toi (who I love) and St. Lunatics (Nelly's camp) coming very soon. Stay awake...you know they're gonna kill it cuz they always do. Oh and Gary, next time you have a slice of my pizza, make sure you put your card in, babe. :-)... Birthday dinner party at Le Colonial for Robert Pau on Friday-lotsa fun. Ebro in one ear about how incredible the Beatnuts' "No Escaping This" and 2 Pac's "Until The End Of Time" records are and his tongue in the other. Thanks for the drink, hon. Speaking of drinks, after or during



INDIA.ARIE: Acclaimed "Acoustic."

(it's all a little fuzzy) my fifth Kettle One and cranberry, right before Lynne Salivaras dumped me into my car, plugged in her new Toya single and babysat, I got to hear the new Pun "How We Roll" and Tha Liks' "Best U Can" from the turntable stylings of our very own Latin Prince. Did I thank you before I passed out?... And speaking of thank yous, I do owe a very big one to Ricky Leigh for being such a genuine person. Ur kindness and support is insurmountable. You truly come straight from the heart, as you're making my acclamation to this hell-hole much easier. XOXO, K... Here's some other hot shit: Janet Jackson's "All for You," R. Kelly's "Fiesta," Maxwell's "Get To Know Ya," Project Pat's "Chickenhead," Eve's "Let Me Blow Ya Mind," Snoop's "Lay Low," Tha Liks' "Best U Can," Nikka Costa's "Like A Feather" and Missy Elliott's "Get Ur Freak On." Love: Joey & Ellen Carvello, Kathie Romero, DJ Flex, John McMann, John Trienis, Nino Cuccinello, Martha Reynolds, Skip Cheatum (a very fine Skip Cheatum), Brian Samson and my prayers to everyone in Seattle. Hit me: eliz0315@aol.com... Mehhhrrr!



GIVE US MOORE: Hob-nobbing with the stars, Columbia's Lisa Ellis (I) introduced HITS' Liz Montalbano (2nd fr I) and Mark Feather (r) to "Soul Train" host Shemar Moore. Moore only agreed to take a photo with the trade geeks if Feather promised to stop sending his mother thank-you cards. The deal was made, though Feather, in his elation, has since stopped breathing. Unfortunately, an editorial dork jumped in front as the camera snapped and consequently, the photo ended up here instead of Vibe.

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is bond by Mark Feather

My exploits at the recent Gavin convention, detailed here last week (perhaps too much?), were capped off by a return flight delay of nearly four hours trying to get out of Miami and back to Floss Angeles. I LOVE United Airlines! Anyhow, the wait and the ensuing five-hour flight left me with plenty of time to just sit around and think-dangerous, I know. Here's what I don't get... While down South, I ran into KISV Bakersfield's Bob Lewis and Picasso and congratulated them on winning the first skirmish in the battle with their competition over the "Kiss" moniker. That was, of course, prior to the judge practically reversing his decision—a move that has left a lot of us dazed and confused. True, I have a personal interest in this since I was, after all, the fool who signed that station on some years ago, but the question would be the same regardless of whether I was directly involved at one time or not. And that question is, how can a company come into a market and claim the name of another radio station, even though it did NOT have exclusive rights to the name when the new station signed on? The station's moniker (and the topof-mind recognition that goes with it and is the only thing that counts in the Arbitron game today) and the corresponding ratings credit/revenue it generates, is all it has to work with. After all, in radio, people sell AIR. Not exactly something you can easily quantify. OK, maybe no new stations named "Kiss" should be allowed to come on, but did anyone ever hear of a grandfather clause? It just doesn't seem right, let alone logical. Will the judge see it that way when the next round of court proceedings begins? Only time will tell. If not, the name of YOUR winning station may not be safe either. Not really a great precedent to set for our unique business. By the way, I went to visit some old friends in Bako this past weekend, and KISV sounds great these days. Nothin' but hits, including Jon B.'s "Don't Talk" and Koffee Brown's "After Party." Good job, you guys. That area loves those mid-tempo grooves... Also, last week, and as you can see by the photo on the previous page, my new partner Liz Montalbano and I had the opportunity to visit the House of Blues for a Def Jam party featuring a performance by the awesome Musiq Soulchild. While enjoying the open bar (hate it when that happens!) and Shemar Moore (whom I have been lusting after in International Male catalogues since I was 19 and nearly had a breakdown when I met-just ask Lisa Ellis), I spoke with Motti Shulman about his Case jam, which really looks to be coming home. It's now Top 5 in callout and in power rotation at HOT 97 New York (Urban-based) and just had a major spin increase at WJMN in Boston (more Pop-sensitive, for sure). Add to that its success in both San Antonio at JD Gonzales' KBBT (Latin-targeted), as well as in Sacramento, where E-Bro has had Top 5 phones for weeks, and you can begin to see a distinct reality developing. This ballad is a true HIT, regardless of which way your station leans. So, come on already—get on this and give it the rotation it deserves! This song is a smash that I predict will callout for months and was written by Joe for God's sake! What more do you need? Whew! I feel better now... Other jams radio says it's vibing on (when I can actually get on the phone and talk with them instead of answering Liz's 10,876,325 questions that is) include Snoop's "Lay Low," Olivia's "Bizounce" (#1 phones at KUBE this week) and 2Pac's "Until The End Of Time." And, until next week, C-ya...

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NEWRELEASES

GOING FOR ADDS 3/13

112 "Peaches and Cream" Jay-Z Guilty Until Proven Innocent" Missy Elliot "Get Ur Freak On" 2Pac "Until The End of Time" Stephen Simmons "Get Down"

Bee Gees "This Is Where..." Lil Wayne "Everything" Eric Benét "Love Don't Love Me" Bad Boy/Arista Roc-A-Fella/IDJ Goldmine/Elektra/EEG Amaru/Deathrow/Interscope Priority

Universal CM/Universal Warner Bros.

GOING FOR ADDS 3/20

"I Do" Toya 3LW "Playas Gon' Play" City High "What Would You Do?" Rasheeda f/Nelly "ATL to STL"

"I Like Them Girls" **Tyrese** Stella "Kiss Kiss"

Arista Epic

Booga Basement/Interscope

Motown **RCA** Universal



Murder Inc./Def Jam/IDJ

1. Ja Rule 2. Joe f/Mystikal

"Put It On Me" "Stutter" (RMX)

"Promise" So So Def/Col/CRG

3. Jagged Edge 4. Shaggy

5. Nelly

"Angel"

MCA

"Ride Wit' Me" Fo' Reel/Universal



Hayes-Steel-ing the show.

of the week

MICHAEL HAYES PD WKST PITTSBURGH

The first round of Winter trends have begun to arrive at radio and our Big Willie spotlight is searching for winners—landing first in Pittsburgh, where PD Michael Hayes has rhythm leaning Top 40 WKST on a roll. The recentlysigned-on 96.1 KISS-FM blazes up 3.2 to 4.0 for P12+ behind an explosion of 7.0 to 8.8 in 18-34s. The twenty-year radio vet credits good

imaging production, an aggressive street presence and topical promotions for the station's move, while simultaneously noting a benefit of today's cluster mentality. "By being paired up with other well established stations in the market, we're able to increase our visibility even more by being at all the biggest events in city... events we might have been locked out of previously as the market's 'new' station," said Hayes. "Plus, besides APD/MD Trout, we have access to all the great talent within Clear Channel. And I truly believe that if people really enjoy the shows being done by our personalities, it just doesn't matter if the jocks are local, it's all about being entertained." Meanwhile, at HITS, we know NOTHING about being entertaining, so this week's Big Willie stroke ends now...



POUR SOME OUT FOR THE HOMIES: Relieved they were able to download the "Best Of Rick James" and their favorite Paula Abdul tracks before Napster was shut down, WKIE Chicago APD/MD Harry Legg (I) and Virgin's Enrique Ongpin (r) celebrated their quick-wittedness by visiting some Chicago tourist attractions and painting the town red. Well...actually, they just visited a nearby Circle K and bought a bottle of Alize Red to share in the parking lot.

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GLEN AURE APD/MD KMEL San Francisco QB's Finest f/Nas "Oochie Wally" Columbia/CRG

"This started in the mix show, but is now blowing up in full-time rotation. It's showing huge female appeal, and is already #2 Requests!"

CRAIG MARSHALL PD KWWV San Luis Obispo Maxwell "G2KY (GetToKnowYa)" Columbia/CRG

> "The R&B king is back! We're lookin' to warm this up in our 'Late Night Chill' show."





SCOTT WHEELER PD WHHH Indianapolis Tyrese "I Like Them Girls" RCA

"This jam reminds me a little bit of 'Thong Song,' and should be a big spring record."

CAGLE **PD KXHT Memphis** Project Pat "Don't Save Her" Loud/Col/CRG

"This is the next big single from the album and a great follow-up to 'Chickenhead.'"





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1.	MISSY	Get Ur Freak On	GM/EastWest/EEG	323
2.	QB FINEST	Oochie Wally	III Will/Col/CRG	308
3.	LUDACRIS	Southern Hospitality	Def Jam South/IDJ	306
4.	EVE	Who's That Girl?	Ruff Ryders/Inter	300
5.	SNOOP DOGG	Lay Low	No Limit/Priority	295
6.	DJ CLUE	Back 2 Life 2001	Roc-A-Fella/IDJ	294
7.	JA RULE	Put It On Me	Murder Inc./IDJ	289
8.	JAY-Z	Change The Game	Roc-A-Fella/IDJ	284
9.	OUTKAST	So Fresh, So Clean	LaFace/Arista	279
10.	BEATNUTS	No Escapin' This	Loud	275
11.	TALIB KWELI	The Blast	Rawkus/Priority	268
12.	JON B	Don't Talk	Epic	262
13.	PROJECT PAT	Chickenhead	Loud	259
14.	JT MONEY	Hi-Low	Priority	254
15.	BIG PUN	How We Roll	Loud	253
16.	SILKK THE SHOCKER	That's Cool	No Limit/Priority	246
17.	ALICIA KEYS	Girlfriend	J Records	245
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6.	TALIB KWELI	The Blast	Rawkus/Priority
7.	BIG PUN	How We Roll	Loud
8.	JT MONEY	Hi-Low	Priority
9.	8BALL & MJG	Buck Bounce	Jcor Ent.
10.	TOYA	I Do	Arista
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3.	SLUM VILLAGE	Fallin In	Goodvibe
4.	DIRTY	Hit Da Floe	Universal



Eric V. Clue Motti Shulman & Nick w/ Glenn Aure up front. What? No Taco Bell dog?!

FROM LA TO THA "YAY" ... Ever really & truly stop to think about all that happens in our bizness in the context of over the course of just one month? Not just biz-wize, but personally in your own life az well az around the country. In tha last 30 daze, we've gone thru tha Grammy & Soul Train Awardz Shows, all tha pre- & post-parties, two major muzic biz conventions, tha initial stages of a new Prez of tha U.S. & confirmations of hiz staff (still can't believe Ashcroft gettin in), tha Seattle earthquake, Chris Coleman gettin APD @ WEUP, Boogaloo gettin nites @ KXHT, veteran DJ Trouble exiting WKKV, tha XFL's debut, one of the most anticipated debuts for a TV show in

history (The Sopranos), Tiger Woods not winning a tournament & Tha Baka Boyz (KMEL), in their very first trend in AM Drive/mix shows going 5.5-7.9, almost a two-and-a-half share jump in a top 5 market in a mere 30 daze!! But I can't let that overshadow tha more than FOUR-share jump (10.1-14.4,18-34) for KYLD's great AM drive team, "Tha Doghouse"! & thus, tha brilliance of Messrs, Michael Martin (KMEL & KYLD PD) & Steve Smith (Sr. VP Programming/Clear Channel) in bringing mix show OGz Tha Baka Boyz' Nick & Eric V. to tha Bay to invigorate that time slot, which haz also, this DJ believes, created an immediate & compelling competition that YLD's krew hazn't had in quite a while. Steve Smith: "Tha vizion iz to have Tha Bakas focused on being THE last word on hip-hop muzic in the Bay Area. Quite simply, they're the epicenter of hip-hop for us, while Tha Doghouse continues to be one of tha best morning shows in tha country w/their brand of comedy & antics. Michael haz done a superb job in bringing this all together to jell so quickly." Michael Martin: "Yeah, what Steve said goes for me." & whatta way to mark tha occazion az LP & I loaded our fattt assses on United for tha Yay to catch "Tha Baka Boyz We'come To Tha Yay Get-Down," feat. performances by Ja Rule, 112, Koffee Brown, Richie Rich, Mr. C & DJ Clue doin hiz thing on tha 12z to open it up to a capacity crowd @ San Fran's legendary Filmore! Much luv for all tha hospitality granted us & congratz to Nick & Eric, The Doghouse's JV, my old KSFM buddy Elvis (you puker) & krew, Michael Martin, Steve Smith, Glenn Aure & tha All Star DJz, Rosary, Chuy, et al., @ KMEL & KYLD, Def Jam's Motti Shulman, Roc-A-Fella's Bobby Dash, Arista's Lynne Salivaris, Cliff Russell & Lance Walden & Bad Boy's Mel Smith... & biggg ones to QB Finest (Columbia/CRG) on their fourth wk in a row @ #1 on this wk's Commercial Radio Mix Show Conference Call & to all PDz/MDz/etc-if you're one of tha few who haven't added this, you ARE truly deaf! While on tha unda, Cappadonna (Epic) maintains #1 for the second straight wk. & to new pix, az predicted here, J Records' Alicia Keys & Jimmy Cozier, thus givin' Messrs. Gillyard, Wilson, et al., a 1.000 battin average; their first three releases have all been conf. call pix! Also, Mel Smith & Tha Baz's 112 (Bad Boy/Arista) make the biggest debut on the call, while Phife (Landspeed) duz so on the unda... There's a huge change about to go down @ LOUD. What could it be?... & many ears are about to be focused on what could be WGCI's biggest competition in Chi-town since WEJM w/tha new WYCA/92.3 blastin 50k watts of hip-hop & R&B via local owners Crawford Broadcasting. Their jump-off iz skedded for 3/26 & we're lookin for a major mix-show influence... We're prayin for DJ Trauma (WHTA) to take home first prize on MTV's "DFX" w/Sway & Flex & their DJ competition to see who getz

to DJ on tour w/OutKast (LaFace/Arista) & Ludacris (Def Jam South/IDJ)... & a happy belated b-day to Steve Rifkind (LOUD), whose Project Pat iz about to becum the label's sixth Gold or better release in a row!... & to KPRS' mighty PD Sam Weaver: Tha Vatican haz strongly recommended more mix hrs, for your #1 station. Wouldn't Kansas City luv more than four hrs/wk in tha mix? This iz a luvving suggestion, sir... Tha label derby for Arrested Development iz going nutz! Who will land theze multi Grammy winners? Soon-to-be conf. call pix:

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Xzibit/Nate Dogg (LOUD), Lady Luck (Def Jam/IDJ), Product G&B (Clef/J), MCA's Res, Jag & Chico & Coolwadda, Ray J/Lil' Kim (rmx) & Vita (Murder Inc./IDJ)... Ed Lover bout to be back in the mix in a large way?... & to Joey Arbagey (VP A&R Arista), whose first project in hiz new gig iz a fukkin slam-dunk fukkin hit from Kenny Lattimore that'll land on every 1200 in tha mix & right into major ro eezily! I'll bet Joey's fattt paycheck on it!... Same goes for my girl Iris Dillon's group JP & Rich, who my adopted Uncle Herb Trawick signed to hiz Trip/RCA imprint... & to tha folks that just owned tha Soul Train afterparty circuit both nites: DEF JAM/IDJ!! Nite one waz an over-sold-out who's-who party in LA @ H.O.B. courtesy of Russell, Lyor, Kev Liles, Mr. Kyser, Motti, Rob Love, Big Les, et al., along w/tha services of the "McCrackin Brothers," Brad Patrick & Randy Buzelli & their Radio Events Group w/Musiq just fukkin killin it. Nite #2 waz put on by tha same krew @ sum ree-dick \$18 mil Bel Air mansion w/what we figure waz a budget north of 250Gz, Hell, the Crystal alone had to be more than 100Gz. Evan Strauss (A&R/Palm Records) put it best: "If there's a recession goin on, you wouldn't know it from Def Jam's parties!"

the lowdown on new music...



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"Definitely a smash; Clef duz it again. G&B prove that they are not a one-hittt wonder. 'Maria, Maria' waz tha shit and they do it again with this joint. I can't wait to hear their album; I know they're cummin with heat." DJ Jelly's (syndicated) note: In tha

meantime, we hope Damon duzn't cum to ATL & spend all hiz money at tha Gentleman's Club. He says he'z there to do research when we know he duzn't really care about tha jointz. He only cares about tha hotttt asss tatas on hiz face, ya dig? (L-r) Celo & Damon Williams.

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Lil-O "Back, Back" Atlantic/Atl G

"That Lil-O shittt iz tha bomb. Yo, B-Swift, I know your asss iz bangin this one & if you're not, I'm takin tha turntables from you, beeeeoochh." Devin Steel's (KXHT) note: Chris, you loud-asss, big-mouth, cornfed hypocrite, what do you know about this record?

Lil-O iz outta Texas & not from that generic cereal you eat in tha mornings, so quit bullshitttin and spin sum records, trick...

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Big Pun feat. Ashanti "How We Roll" Loud

"Big Pun shows uz why he'z a true hip-hop legend. This joint iz gonna be berry, berry big in tha mix show & when it makes it to rotation, tha chain reaction won't stop. This shittt iz a hittt all across tha board." Tha Unknown DJ's note: We heard thru tha grape-

vine that you got mad or a bit offended by tha comment given to you on your last quote. On behalf of tha Rap Vatican, tuff shittt BEOOOOCCHH-HH. Do I smell pussy up in here? Taste tha hate... (L-r) a doll & a horny guy!

marcutz · kbos



Queen Pen "I Got Cha" Motown

"Too hottt to handle; this shittt iz pure fire. To all real DJz out there, you need to be playin this. You got hot beetz & sum suave lyrix. She is back & needz to be appreciated." Rap Vatican's note: This week's ugly DJ award goes to our rodeo DJ from Fresno,

Señor Cutz. A well-deserved award for this Taco Bell veterano with several cow-tippin championships under hiz belt. What's next for you Mr. Cutz? "I'm goin to Disneyland..."

michael london • wkxn



Ray J feat. Lil' Kim "Wait A Minute" (remix) Atlantic/Atl G

"This iz how a remix should be done. Kim gives new life to tha record & she bringz out tha best outta Ray J &, of course, he duz tha same. This shittt iz a must—did I say it'z a must?—in your crate. You can't go to your station or club without this banga, so pleeeze don't fail to

play it. Have you seen tha video? I hear tha shittt iz off tha meter & I can't wait to see it." Devin Steel's (KXHT) note: What duz tha country know about remixes? Last I heard from this fattt chick out there waz your remix of "Footloose," with Planet Rock. Az far az videos, expect a visit from tha satellite folks for that illegal cup & string you have hooked up to your barn.

tha baka boyz • kmel



Dave Hollister feat. Redman "One Woman Man" (remix) DreamWorks

"Shittt iz blazin. Eric Sermon flipped this shittt to tha next level like a stripper on a Saturday night. Dave Hollister'z spittin mad game and letz people know how it really iz." Rap Vatican's note: What'z tha deal with tha stripper comments? We know you guys are

mad-dope & you're kickin asss in tha Yay, but I didn't know they had pretty strippers in Rosarito Beach or, for that matter, in Tijuana on Revolution Ave. You know...tha land where our fellow brotha in tha mix Chino waz raised, tha land of Low Riders & gorditas... (L-r) Eric V, Ricky "Who's Your Daddy" Leigh & Nick "Tha Violator" V.

rory mack • kluc



Vita "Pop, Pop" Murder Inc/IDJ

"Vita cumz to tha table for 2K1 with this BLAZIN' street joint. Vocalz tagged at point-blank range by associate Murderers black child, Tah Murder & a verse from Wiz Dinero. Destined to be a winner at tha mix-show & club level. Don't sleep." Crazy

Horse's note: We just want you to know your VIP pass haz been revoked due to your outstandin balance to this establishment, aka tha Choir House. & no, you can't spin to pay back all tha lap-dances you owe tha midget patrol. No more asss for you...

b-traxx • kmel



Musiq Soul Child "Girl Next Door" Def Soul/IDJ

"This record iz az hottt az tha first single. Musiq just keeps movin & he keeps givin you nuthin but tha hottt-asss soul jointz and tha fresh R&B. This one iz KMEL-approved & definitely a female anthem." All-Star DJz' note: We're proud to say that Mr. Traxx's

'Ingles' iz gettin so much betta, he'z finally graduated from ESL to ESL Uno. We will continue to report on hiz progress. We just wish that Latin Prince could follow in hiz footsteps instead of followin him to tha tagueria....



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25	15	8	DECLAIME	Move It	Groove Attack/LS
14	8	9	KHROMOZONES PROJECT	Sector 7	Ozone
19	11	10	BLADE	One Thug	Virgin
21	18	11	M.O.P.	Cold As Ice (RMX)	Loud
	29	12	L.A. SYMPHONY	Broken Tape Decks	Squint
18	13	13	RISE & SHINE	Confess Your Sins	Rawkus
27	21	14	QB'S FINEST	Oochie Wally	Columbia/CRG
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		20	SEAN PRICE	Don't Say Sh#t	Duck Down
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	26	22	SHORT KHOP	Dollaz, Dank & Drank	Heavyweight/TVT
7	16	23	BLACK EYED PEAS	Request Line	Interscope
-		24	SHYNE	Bonnie & Shyne	Bad Boy/Arista
	20	25	GRAND PUBA	Up & Down	Rising Son/KOCH
		26	YAH SUPREME	Alone	Son Doo/LS
30	27	27	TRICK DADDY	Take It To The	SNS/Atlantic/Atl G
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Jive

What's upper? I want to thank my peeps for checkin' up on me last week when the big 6.8 earthquake hit my hometown of Seattle. Fortunately, all of my family and friends out there were not hurt, so it's all good back in my Seatown hood... Ricky Leigh is no doubt one of the biggest fans of "The Sopranos" series that I know, while my favorite show is HBO's "Oz." I've got my eyes glued on that show every Sunday night. A couple weeks ago, KHDC's DJ Kazzeo, WVUD's Mike Baxter and Epic's Nathan Sheard all gathered around my big screen to have an "Oz" party, with free water and complimentary napkins from Epic Records! Meanwhile, Avatar Records has the bomb "clean" three-vinyl set from the "Oz" soundtrack. Check this, each vinyl will represent the East Coast, West Coast and the South. Is that the ish or what? If you're not bangin' the Kurupt joint "Behind The Walls," featuring Nate Dogg, then you're sleepin'. The East Coast gangsta mix is about to drop, featuring Shyne. Yeah, "Oz" rules!... I want to extend my best wishes to Alli Fox, formerly of WCKS in Allendale, Ml. Alli resigned from the station, but will continue to make noise on the cross-town commercial AM station, WJNZ... I want to welcome aboard WCBN Ann Arbor, MI's DJ Chill Will to our conference call panel. Chill has been in the hip-hop radio game for well over 10 years and he will be a great addition to spreading the love nationwide, as we continue to break records weekly on our calls... I've been talking to you about Milkbone for the past few weeks. His album, "U Got Milk" (Xcaliber), is scheduled for release this April 17th. Look out for his new single, "Yes Yes Y'all," to drop in a few weeks and make sho you give our New Jersey AK some love... Afu-Ra will be releasing his next single, "Big Acts Little Acts" (KOCH), featuring GZA, soon. You can also look forward to RZA's Bobby Digital album, "Digital Bullet" this summer... AZ's 'bout to come correct with "I Don't Give A F#ck" and "What Y'all Want" (Motown), featuring Foxy Brown. Give my girl Jen Boogie a holla-holla for copies at (212) 331-2417... GoodVibe Recording artist Mystic is making a move to the sunny skies of Los Angeles. My new neighbor is loving the success of her current single, "Current Events," but wait till you hear "The Life." This will put her on the map fo' sho. Big Dro continues to represent Oaktown with his latest underground joint "Until We Die"... Log on to www.tpln.net 'cause the week of March 5th, you can check out our mix tape reporter, NY's Ron Do's "The Return Of Old School" mix tape on the site's 24-hour live stream. It's got all the classics! Plus, the week of March 12th, you'll hear St. Paul's DJ Skee's "2001" mix tape. Log on and enjoy... SHOUT OUT TIZIME: Shadow & Ralph at Virgin, Cappadonna, Happy B'day to KKFI Kansas City's Kiz-One, Rick Betemit at Atlantic Records and a belated one to Party Radames at Universal, to my vato loco y mi hermano por vida Lee Cadena and a special Happy B'day to my baby doll outta DC, Tina K. (XOXO)... KUNG-FU FLICK OF THE WEEK: The Venoms in "Magnificent Ruffians," Shaw Brothers... 👣

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Artist

- 1. MYSTIC
- 2. CAPPADONNA
- 3. LUKE/KID CAPRI
- 4. RAY J F/LIL' KIM
- 5. BEATNUTS

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Current Events Supermodel

Party Don't Stop Wait A Minute

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A native of Hackensack, NJ, DJ AP (a.k.a. Allen Pizza) has been lockin' down the mix tape game since '92, rockin' the wheels on Rutgers University's WRSU and also DJing for Lady Luck and Channel Live. "Back in the early '80s, listening to local station WBLS, I remember hearing Slick Rick's 'La-Di-Da-Di' and the Fat Boys' 'Don't You Dog Me' and I was hooked on the music," says

AP. After losing his mother, AP started DJing house parties to relieve stress. "I used to watch my uncle DJ as a kid and discovered that DJing was what I loved doing," he says. Self taught on the wheels, AP's skills are inspired by DJs Ron G. and Kid Capri. He also looks up to DJs Funkmaster Flex, Ace, Red Alert, Jazzy Jeff and L.A.'s own Choc. In '93, AP formed Negative Reflection Crew, a group of DJs originally from New Jersey that has now spread worldwide with members from Hawaii (Jimmy Taco), Seattle (B-Mello) and Los Angeles (DJ Hideo), to name a few. AP's hobbies include powerlifting and building computers. "My role model is my mom, who taught me a lot about life at a young age that most people wouldn't learn till they're in college," says AP. You can check out his popular party & break beat vinyl on AV8 Records and his new mix tape, "Sudden Impact #5" (see Tales From The Tape Decks). Give our brotha in hip-hop his props at (201) 981-1033 or at mix4ever@aol.com... SHOUTS: "Lee Cadena, Nathan Sheard, Mar, Mark at AV8, the Crooklyn Clan and the HITS Conference Call panel."



TEMPTATION ISLAND? After being rejected as singles for the next season of "Temptation Island" due to their smell, here are KOOP Austin's Frank Fellows (I) and, standing on three record crates, KSPC Pamona, CA's Kevin Sakoda (r).



ENTER THE DRAGON: Steven Seagal can't even compare! Here's our honorable grasshoppers (I-r) Chris Hodkins from KSUT Durango, CO, Nasty-Nes and DJ Solo from KDHX in St. Louis, exhibiting their Slim Shady Gung-Fu techniques.

BY NASTY-NES & MICHELLE ORTIZ

DJ INDIANA JONES'S TOP 5

1. L.A. SYMPHONY

2. BEATNUTS

3. BIG DRO

4. CAPPADONNA

5. MIL F/BEANIE SEGAL & CASH \$

Broken Tape Decks Squint No Escapin' This Until We Die

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Jive

HITS mix tape reporter and this week's Makin' It Happen geek, DJ AP has just released his phat compilation, "Sudden



Impact Volume 5." If you're familiar with AP's mix tapes, you'll know that he definitely stands out from the rest! Every volume of "Sudden Impact" doesn't just feature the latest bomb joints. but also the exclusive and hottest freestyles and blends. How does he get hooked up with such hot MCs to add to his compilation, like Clue, Flex and

Tony Touch? This NJ native is getting the props he deserves and heads are startin' to know that too. On his newest mix tape, you'll hear exclusive freestyles from MC Serch, Mad Skillz, Tigger from BET, Remedy, Medina, Chico & Coolwadda and Lady Luck. You'll also hear the latest tracks from Missy, Queen Pen, 112 and Blade. Also featured are guest appearances by Xzibit, Ray J, Lee Cadena and the funky fat Pinoy, Nasty-Nes! For copies, holla at (201) 981-1033 or at NRC-JERZEY@aol.com... SHOUTS: DJ Buttah, Clinton Sparks, Jay Swing, Mr. Morgan and J-Boogie.

PICK HIT OF THE WEEK-

DJ FLY, WLVR BETHLEHEM, PA WILLUS DRUMMOND IT'S A STICK UP DOWNS ELEMENTARY

TOP FIVE CONFERENCE CALL PICKS

Artist

1. ED O.G.

Title Too Much To Live For

2. CAPPADONNA Supermodel 3. JIGMASTAS

4. VENOMS 5. KREATORS Till The Day

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As first reported by HITS, KBXX-FM Houston PD Robert Scorpio has been officially named PD of KKBT-FM Los Angeles. MD Kashon Powell will handle KBXX's PD duties on the interim, with no official replacement named as of yet. In other KBXX news, Alex Q. exits to join KHTH-FM Houston for nights. In other KKBT news, the station may drop Snoop Dogg's syndicated "Big Snoop Dogg Radio" after activist Najee Ali demanded the station dump the show because of Snoop's pornographic video released this week by Hustler Video... Former KYLD-FM morning personality, and

current KPWR-FM Los Angeles morning street correspondent Joe Grande has been sentenced to 45 days in San Mateo County Jail for a stunt last year in which he impersonated an escaped convict and went door-to-door alarming residents, who he asked to help take his handcuffs off... WAMO-FM Pittsburgh's Rane exits to join WPGC-FM Washington D.C.'s "The Hometeam" show, hosted by DJ Flexx... WHXT-FM Columbia's Princess Ivori branches into television as ABC-TV's WLOL-TV entertainment and gossip reporter every Friday on "Good Morning Columbia"... Black promoters have settled a lawsuit against Agency For The Performing Arts in which APA "shall not discriminate against any person on the basis of race, religion, national origin or sex, and shall not engage in any agreement, combination or conspiracy to so discriminate, to boycott or to refuse unlawfully to deal with or do business with any person." APA will notify plaintiffs of any planned tours by any artist on its roster. Financial terms were not revealed. The suit is still pending against the William Morris Agency, CAA and SFX Entertainment... Clear Channel taps Chris Williams, PD of WJKX-FM and WEEZ-AM Laurel/Hattiesburg, as Director of Urban Programming for the cluster. Look for another station to go Urban AC within the cluster... The 23rd Annual Playboy Jazz Festival will be held 6/16-17 at the Hollywood Bowl in Los Angeles.



Robert Scorpio Beats The Boxx For L.A.

The festival, hosted again by Bill Cosby, features Max Roach, Nancy Wilson, Medeski Martin and Wood, David Benoit, Charles Lloyd, Keb Mo', the Carnegie Hall Jazz Band, Juan Marcos' Afro-Cuban All-Stars and Banu Gibson & The New Orleans Hot Jazz on 6/16. On 6/17, the lineup includes Wayne Shorter, Isaac Hayes, David Sanborn, Ozomatli, Femi Anikulapo-Kuti & The Positive Force, Roy Hargrove and Keeli Smith and Cosby's The Coz Of Good Music. In other Playboy news, Concord Jazz Records and Playboy Enterprises have entered in to an agreement to form Playboy

Jazz Records. The label will release new and re-issue product from Concord's catalog... The "Tom Joyner Morning Show" will sail as "The Fantastic Voyage 2001" from 5/26-6/2, on the Carnival Triumph cruise ship. Entertainment will include Millie Jackson, Boyz II Men, United We Funk and Bobby Blue Bland... DJ Red Alert exits WQHT-FM New York, and may head south... Master P has been sued by Mark D'Andrea, a.k.a. Mark In Tha Dark, for \$400,000 for breach of contract. D'Andrea claims that P's No Limit Records has not compensated him for production services since 1988, when they entered a verbal agreement... On 3/10 in Los Angeles, MTV will tape "MTV Icon: Janet Jackson." She will perform her new single, "All For You," in addition to appearances by NSYNC performing "Rhythm Nation" and Macy Gray performing "Black Cat." Also, Pink, Usher, Destiny's Child and Mya will appear. The show airs 3/13... Biz Markie signs to German-based Groove Attack/Superrappin' Records... Jermaine Dupri spent three days in an Atlanta jail, beginning 3/1, due to avoidance of jury duty... On 3/5, BET launched the daily "BET.com Countdown" in conjunction with BET Interactive. The show, hosted by Tiffany, was designed to promote stronger between users of BET.com 360hiphop.com and users of BET's cable programs. It airs at 9 a.m. and repeats at 7:30 p.m...

Singled Out

The Top Thirty

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Based Primarily On Radio Airplay & Retail Sales

By Gary Jackson



Grover Washington, Jr.: His Image Award Win Raises Serious Questions

An Embarrassing Image: I attended two award shows last week, the Soul Train Music Awards and the NAACP Image Awards. While both had their moments, two awards presented at the Image Awards, to this observer's eye, shook its legitimacy to the core. In the "Outstanding Jazz Artist" category, Grover Washington, who died in December of 1999, won for his "The Best Of Grover Washington" (Motown) anthology, which came out in, yes, 1996. The 2-CD set won over year 2000-released nominees George

Duke, Dave Koz, Quincy Jones & Sammy Nestico and Rachelle Ferrell. And Stevie Wonder's "At The Close Of The Century" (Motown) box set of his greatest hits, which, according to a close Wonder source, he did not authorize for release, won "Outstanding Album" over Jill Scott, Joe, Toni Braxton and Natalie Cole. Confusion was the order of the evening, as all, and I mean all, of the people I talked with after the taping didn't know of the Wonder box set and had forgotten about the Washington anthology. Further investigation revealed that the Wonder box set sold relatively scant numbers against the previously mentioned candidates. I take part in the nomination selection and do not recall Washington's name being on the list of nominees, while Wonder certainly benefited from sheer name recognition, making Scott, et al, victims of the process. But, the Washington win stands out like a sore thumb. Surely, the fact that it was released in 1996 could not have been overlooked. And if the Image Award powers-that-be had any foresight in honoring Washington's memory, the easiest thing to do would have been to rename the category in his honor, thus keeping his legacy positive, rather than sullied by so blatant a manipulation. And poor Scott, she was simply the victim of peaking past the nomination process, which affected not only the Image Awards, but also the Soul Train (at least she won one award!) and Grammy Awards... Hot Songs: Kirk Whalum's "Real Love" (WB), Sade's "King Of Sorrow" (Epic), Raphael Brown's "Maybe" (Arista), Toni Braxton's "Maybe" (LaFace/Arista)-P.S., don't sleep on this, Jimmy Cozier's "She's All I Got" (I) and the one we trumpeted over a month ago, Sunshine Anderson's "Heard It All Before" (Soulife/Atlantic)... Crooner Tony Terry has signed with Golden Boy/Innovative Marketing. Expect his first single, "I Don't Wanna Stop," to impact Urban Mainstream and Adult radio in April, with an album following in May. For the hook-up, call Eddie Gurren at (661) 242-0125... TV Time: Lucy Pearl on "The Tonight Show," 3/9; Pru repeats on Craig Kilborn's "Later," 3/9; and Wyclef Jean repeats on "Queen Latifah" on 3/9... Finally, thanks to all labels for their outstanding parties. And a sarcastic "thanks" to KKBT-FM's van for blocking a single-lane road after Def Jam Records' off the hook post-Soul Train party. A brotha needs his sleep!.

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The Cha-Cha Slide

MR. C. THE SLIDE MAN

M O B /Universal

Elektra/EEG

Now Ya Know



Cocoa MD, WIIZ-FM Augusta

Family ties go deep for this week's subject. Cocoa, a.k.a. Yvette Nichols, is the daughter of WIIZ PD/co-owner Bobby Nichols. Believe

us, Cocoa gets no slack from daddy. "I didn't just step into the MD role. I was Promotions Director for the first two and a half years. That gave me time to learn the nuances of a station. We were a brand new station in the market at the time. It was a real challenge to get in there and try to think of effective promotions that would get our name out there and become more visible in the Central Savannah area." With 50,000 watts, WIIZ had no problem getting listeners in Georgia and South Carolina to pay attention to its new sound, especially when dealing with an MBA in Marketing from Clark University in Atlanta and a BS in Business Management from Morgan State University in Baltimore. "So I feel I'm very qualified to do what I'm doing." Cocoa has one major hobby: "Shopping! Italian designers are my favorite." Cocoa says that WIIZ works closely with "mom & pop" stores like Spinbad Records and Power Sound Music. "They're the heartbeat of the area." Cocoa bought a house recently, "so, when I'm not shopping for clothes, I'm shopping for stuff around the house, landscaping mostly." Hey, labels, have you sent our girl a plant of some sort? Just don't send kudzu!

Urban Voices

Pamela Aniese PD, WESE-FM Tupelo Janet "All For You" Virgin



"Hot, smokin'! Lookin' forward to the album. First time I played it, phones lit up!"



Glenn Aure APD/MD, KMEL-FM San Francisco Sunshine Anderson "Heard It All Before" Soulife/Atlantic/Atl G

"I'm feelin' this new jam! Already exploding on the airwaves! With a big interest

already, this one's going to do well at KMEL."

Marco Simmons PD, WROU-FM Dayton India.Arie "Video" Motown



"Everytime I hear that song—EVERYTIME—I like it even more. It took me a minute to get into the song, but after a while, I was really feeling it. I think it's gonna be huge."

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Cuts That Impact Album Sales

÷	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL	COMMENTS
1	DAVE MATTHEWS BAND	I DID IT	RCA N/A	MTV Buzzworthy.com, VH1, tons of airplay, huge LP debut
2 1 2	SHAGGY	ANGEL	MCA N/A	BET, VH1, MTV, T40, JAMZ, X-over smash, LP going strong
4 2 3	DIDO	THANK YOU	Arista N/A	Requests, multi-format air, MTV, MTV2, VH1
3 3 4	CRAZY TOWN	BUTTERFLY	Columbia/CRG N/A	#2 Pomo, A Rock, X-over, requests, MTV, single & LP selling
6 5 5	JA RULE	PUT IT ON ME	Murder Inc./IDJ N/A	X-over, phones, MTV, MTV2, BET, strong LP
7 6 6	K-CI & JOJO	CRAZY	MCA N/A	MTV, MTV2, VH1, Top 40, X-over, Platinum LP
1 4 7	SHAGGY	IT WASN'T ME	MCA 155782	Smash LP, requests, X-over, Top 40, VH1, BET
8 8 8	LUDACRIS	WHAT'S YOUR FANTASY?	DJ South/IDJ 562944	X-over, phones, solid LP sales, "Southern" starting
9 9 9	LENNY KRAVITZ	AGAIN	Virgin N/A	VH1, MTV, tons of air, hot LP sales continue
5 7 10	JENNIFER LOPEZ	LOVE DON'T COST	Epic N/A	MTV, VH1, Radio Disney, mega-airplay, strong LP sales
11 11 11	LINKIN PARK	ONE STEP CLOSER	Warner Bros. N/A	Top 5 Pomo, A Rock, T40, MTV, MTV2, LP climbing to 2 mil
12 12 12	LIFEHOUSE	HANGING BY A MOMENT	DreamWorks N/A	MTV, VH1, MTV2, mega-hot airplay, phones, LP growing
37 13 13	U2	BEAUTIFUL DAY	Interscope N/A	VH1, airplay, LP at 2 million, video, "Walk" now
14 14 14	DREAM	HE LOVES U NOT	Bad Boy/Arista 27933	Most Added T40, X-over, Radio Disney, MTV
10 10 15	SADE	BY YOUR SIDE	Epic N/A	Top 40, X-over, MTV, single selling , "King Of" on BET
20 18 16	NELLY	RIDE WIT ME	FR/Universal N/A	X-over, MTV2, phones, mega LP sales
18 17 17	3LW	NO MORE	Epic 79505	Radio Disney, MTV, TRL, T40, X-over, LP Gold
25 19 18	LUDACRIS	SOUTHERN HOSPITALITY	DJ South/IDJ N/A	MTV, BET, MTV2, RAP, Top 40, tons of X-over, LP sells
23 20 19	AARON LEWIS	OUTSIDE	Flawless/Geffen N/A	Hot airplay, MTV, MTV2, rejuvinating LP sales, f/Fred Durst
26 21 20	JILL SCOTT	A LONG WALK HOME	HB/Epic N/A	MTV, BET, VH1, MTV2, airplay, growing LP sales
24 22 21	FUEL	HEMORRHAGE	Epic N/A	Pomo, VH1, growing LP sales, "Innocent" on MTV & MTV2
13 15 22	OUTKAST	MS. JACKSON	LaFace/Arista N/A	MTV/MTV2, BET, requests, X-over, mega-LP and single sales
15 16 23	SNOOP DOGG	SNOOP DOGG	NL/Priority N/A	MTV, BET, hot LP, "Lay Low" starting to impact
34 32 24	SOGGY BOTTOM BOYS	I AM A MAN OF	Mercury/IDJ N/A	VH1, CMT, MTV2, movie still buzzīng, LP strong
30 29 25	COLDPLAY	YELLOW	Capitol N/A	Hot multi-format air MTV MTV2 VH1 LP holding strong
25	LUDACRIS AARON LEWIS JILL SCOTT FUEL OUTKAST SNOOP DOGG SOGGY BOTTOM BOYS	SOUTHERN HOSPITALITY OUTSIDE A LONG WALK HOME HEMORRHAGE MS. JACKSON SNOOP DOGG I AM A MAN OF	DJ South/IDJ N/A Flawless/Geffen N/A HB/Epic N/A Epic N/A LaFace/Arista N/A NL/Priority N/A Mercury/IDJ N/A	MTV, BET, MTV2, RAP, Top 40, tons of X-over, LP sell Hot airplay, MTV, MTV2, rejuvinating LP sales, f/Fred Durs MTV, BET, VH1, MTV2, airplay, growing LP sales Pomo, VH1, growing LP sales, "Innocent" on MTV & MTV MTV/MTV2, BET, requests, X-over, mega-LP and single sall MTV, BET, hot LP, "Lay Low" starting to impact VH1, CMT, MTV2, movie still buzzing, LP strong



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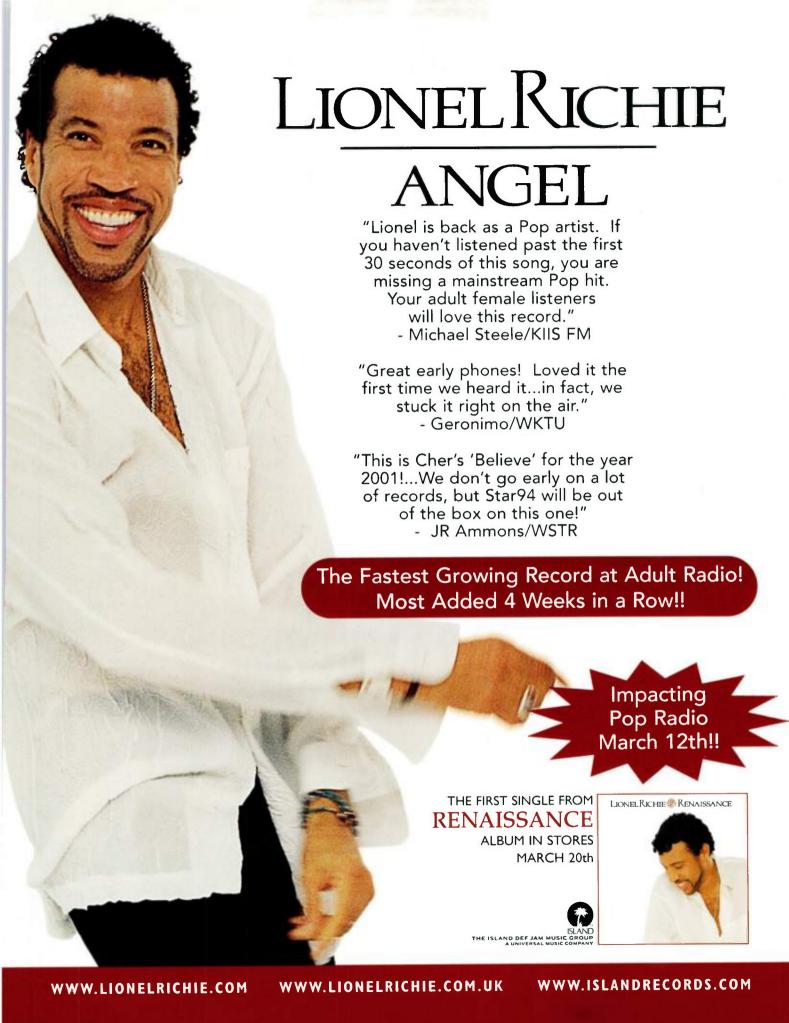
÷	Ÿ	÷	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL	COMMENTS
27	26	26	MYSTIKAL	DANGER	Jive N/A	RAP & X-over radio, MTV, MTV2, LP continues to sell
32	27	27	MOBY	SOUTH SIDE	V2 27674	Top 40, PoMo, MTV, VH1, continued LP and single sales
29	28	28	BACKSTREET BOYS	THE CALL	Jive N/A	MTV, BET, hot T40, Radio Disney, phones, monster LP sales
35	31	29	NELLY FURTADO	I'M LIKE A BIRD	DreamWorks N/A	MTV, VH1, MTV2, requests, hot T40, LP continues to develop
31	30	30	PINK	YOU MAKE ME SICK	LaFace/Arista N/A	Top 40, X-over, MTV, requests, LP nearing 2 million
21	24	31	LIL' BOW WOW	BOW WOW (THAT'S)	SS Def/Col/CRG 79487	7 T40, R&B, MTV2, Platinum-plus LP, "Puppy Love" hitting
39	36	32	LEE ANN WOMACK	I HOPE YOU DANCE	Universal 172185	CMT and Country radio, T40, LP sales growing
33	33	33	R. MARTIN/C. AGUILERA	NOBODY WANTS TO	Columbia/CRG N/A	MTV, VH1, Top 40, X-over, phones, growing LP sales
	_	34	DJ CLUE	BACK 2 LIFE	Roc-A-Fella/IDJ N/A	Hot street presence, f/Mary J., Mystikal, Snoop Dogg
36	35	35	JAGGED EDGE	PROMISE	So So Def/Col/CRG N/A	BET, MTV, X-over, Top 40, single out, LP sells
46	43	36	UNCLE KRACKER	FOLLOW ME	TD/Lava/Atl/Atl G	Oodles of T40, PoMo, MTV, VH1, MTV2, igniting LP sales
40	39	37	DISTURBED	VOICES	Giant N/A	PoMo and Active Rock, MTV, MTV2, LP nearing Platinum
	_	38	PROJECT PAT	CHICKENHEAD	HM/Loud N/A	From 3-6-Mafia, BET, MTV, Rap, X-over, hot LP debut
41	40	39	INCUBUS	DRIVE	Immortal/Epic N/A	#1 most added at PoMo, Top 40, A Rock, MTV, MTV2, LP sells
43	41	40	MUSIQ SOULCHILD	LOVE	Def Soul/IDJ N/A	Second single from debut LP, JAMX, X-over
	42	41	LIMP BIZKIT	MY WAY	Flip/Interscope N/A	Tonnage of PoMo and A Rock, MTV, MTV2, mega-Platinum LP
44	44	42	ATC	AROUND THE WORLD	Repub/Universal N/A	X-over, Top 40, MTV, building LP sales
45	45	43	TAMIA	STRANGER IN MY HOUSE	Elektra/EEG N/A	BET, MTV, VH1, JAMZ, airplay, LP selling
		44	SNOOP DOGG	LAY LOW	No Limit/Priority N/A	MTV, BET, MTV2, X-over, RAP, reigniting LP sales
47	47	45	JAY-Z	I JUST WANT TO	Roc-A-Fella/IDJ N/A	BET, RAP, X-over, "Change" at MTV
16	23	46	LIMP BIZKIT	ROLLIN'	Flip/Interscope N/A	Airplay, "My Way" starting now at MTV
		47	FREDRO STARR	SHINING THROUGH	Hollywood N/A	From "Save" (ST) & solo LP, X-over, Top 40, f/Jill Scott
22	25	48	MUSIQ SOULCHILD	JUST FRIENDS	Def Soul/IDJ N/A	MTV, BET, VH1, JAMZ, R&B, LP developing, "Love" impacting
49	49	49	GODSMACK	AWAKE	Repub/Universal N/A	PoMo and A Rock, Platinum-plus LP, "Greed" up now
28	38	50	DAVID GRAY	BABYLON	ATO/RCA N/A	VH1, Top 40, APM, PoMo, LP selling
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JOE (Jive)

EVE (Ruff Ryders/Interscope)
112 (Bad Boy/Arista)

JON B. (Edmonds/Epic)
A*TEENS (MCA)





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KFMS #9 45x

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KIIS #10 35x

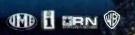
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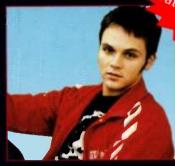
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Album Sales Up 100% In 3 Weeks









RECUESTS

Dick Cheney calls in for "Heart Breaker"

LW	TW	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL	HOTS	INCL	UDING	3	%
1	1	SHAGGY	Angel	MCA	43	WKTU WVSR	Z100 KWWV	WNNK	39
2	2	CRAZY TOWN	Butterfly	Columbia/CRG	34	WWZZ KC101	Z100 KRQ	WKZ L WABB	31
12	3	LIFEHOUSE	Hanging By A Moment	DreamWorks	32	KZQZ WRFY	WRVW WMT	KSLY KHTO	29
5	4	K-CI & JOJO	Crazy	MCA	31	WLDI KQBT	WNCI WPST	KDND WBAM	28
13	5	JA RULE	Put It On Me	Murder Inc./IDJ	30	KBXX KXHT	KUBE KDGS	WHHH WLAN	27
7	6	S CLUB 7	Never Had	Interscope	29	KSLZ WIXX	KZQZ WAKS	WKZL WBBO	26
6	7	OUTKAST	Ms. Jackson	LaFace/Arista	28	KSLZ Z104	Z100 WKHQ	KDND WV A Q	25
3	8	UNCLE KRACKER	Follow Me	TD/Lava/Atl/AG	27	WNCI WMRV	WQAL WZ YP	WRVW KQAR	24
18	9	JOE	Stutter	Jive	26	WHHH KKSS	WKZL WAKS	KZQZ KQBT	23
8	10	DIDO	Thank You	Arista	25	WWMX WMT	KQMB KSLY	KSXY WRFY	23
17	11	3LW	No More	Epic	24	WKZL KDGS	KDND WQGN	98PXY WLAN	22
16	12	NELLY	Ride Wit Me	Fo' Reel/Universal	23	KKFR WRHT	WLDI KSXY	98PXY WBAM	21
9	13	AEROSMITH	Jaded	Columbia/CRG	22	WKTI WV SR	WKZL WIXX	WZPL KQAR	20
4	14	R. MARTIN/C. AGUILERA	Nobody Wants To	Columbia/CRG	21	WWZZ WKXJ	WZPL W R ZE	KDND WSTW	19
10	15	BACKSTREET BOYS	The Call	Jive	20	98PXY WZOK	WZPL WHTS	KDND WRHT	18
11	16	ATC	Around The World	Republic/Universal	19	WRVW WKSL	98PXY KRQ	KZQZ WHTS	17
14	17	NELLY FURTADO	I'm Like A Bird	DreamWorks	18	KQMB WCGQ	WRVW WBBO	KPLZ WFBC	16
15	18	LUDACRIS	What's Your Fantasy?	Def Jam South/IDJ	17	KKFR KHTO	98PXY KWWV	WZOK WLAN	15
	19	BON JOVI	Thank You For Loving Me	Island/IDJ	16	WNCI WAYV	WQAL WFBC	WMC WBBO	14
	20	MYA	Free	University/Interscope	15	KZQZ KSXY	WLDI WABB	WNNK WQSM	14



POP MART



Pop Go The Weasels

by Billy Bored

Did somebody make it the 4th quarter without telling anybody? The volume of new releases fighting their way through the system is overwhelming & the pressure to get those records through is seemingly at an all-time high. And just in time for the Spring book, too. Are we having fun yet?... Walk & Leipsner's Columbia machine smokes on with Destiny's Child clearing the board in one nanosecond. New Train is off to a great start & will finish big. Next, look for Jagged Edge to cross



Ted Volk: He IS Pop, dammit!

powerfully & for new Evan & Jaron to duplicate the success of their last one. Buzz on the Wyclef cut too... Maverick domos Ted Volk & Tommy Nappi are fighting through traffic & winning with Amanda. Radio likes it & we expect a ton of steady airplay growth... Forget the stigma associated with the name, the Lionel Richie record is a killer! IDJ ruler Ken Lane will have serious action, as he closes up Ja Rule & keeps growing Bon Jovi... Andrea Ganis' hot Atlantic crew has Corrs, Uncle Kracker & Ashley Ballard all happening, new Debelah Morgan hitting 3/12 & the next matchbox 20 set for 4/2... 2K Sounds makes their debut with Brooke Allison, a strong single that'll cut through the teen-pop glut. Promo queen Claire Parr is at the helm... Big ups to Epic's Hilary & Joel on a great job with 3LW, which is headed Top 10. Anastacia has relaunched with strong support & we look for Incubus to explode... Kudos to Arista's Bartels & Reichling on engineeering the Dido record into a full-on smash & on a huge launch of the new Dream cut... The world will come to the Lee Ann Womack party now, it's too huge. Universal's Charlie Foster also has ATC, Nelly & Tonya Mitchell rocking & buzzing on Stella... Interscope's Lopes, Neiter & Coddington keep the heat on with Samantha Mumba, Mya & S Club 7 all sizzling & Black Eyed Peas crossing now... Look for Elektra's Dennis Reese to do a killer job on Tamia-this record's the goods & he'll get it... MCA's Craig & Bonnie are cookin' on all cylinders with SoulDecision, Semisonic & Modjo all in great shape & the A*Teens ready to fly on 3/12... Capitol's Coldplay is proving to be a smash, as Baumgartner, Steele, Becker & Sholin put the hammer down... Great to see Vicky Leben bringing home Lifehouse & Nelly Furtado for DreamWorks-both are smashes... Green Day already kickin' in for Reprise's Phil Costello, & Barenaked Ladies (as always) calling out strong late in the game... Sarina Paris kicking it up a notch now as Z100/NY & more big boys come to the party for Maffei & Whited... V2 honchos Pollack & Snyder in closeout mode on the Moby smash now. Congrats... RCA domo Ron Geslin has great callout on Vertical Horizon-this one will completely close, whereas the last one never quite got there. Radio loves the new Eve 6 ballad & they dig Wild Orchid. which impacts 3/12... J's dynamic duo, Richard Palmese & Steve Kline, have the next O-Town track ready to roll on 3/19, & then the Olivia cut crosses to Pop on 3/12... What is it that you don't get about the Fredro Starr cut from "Save the Last Dance?" Is the album too big? Or is the movie too popular with your listeners? Just asking... Music we love: Eden's Crush, Soda & Josh Joplin...



FOLLOW, FOLLOW...Throwing a "Me & My Shadows" viewing party are Judy Garland diehards (I-r) Interscope's Tom Schmall, London/Sire's Allison Smith, Ultimatum's Todd Ahsmann, V2's Ted Hoekstra and Chicago's KISS MD Armando Rivera. These "Friends of Dorothy" locked arms and danced out into the night.



JUST A LITTLE FRUITY: Seen kickin' it after the Soul Train Awards are (I-r) WLDI West Palm's Jordan Walsh, WRLX West Palm's Fletch, HITS' Paul Karlsen and Lisa Trygg. The wick-wack, bizomb-rizomb, bangin' radio and wierdo posse took a break from 2-wayin' the homies on the Westside to pose for this shot with funny fruit and just a-bit-o' bikini.

This Week's Special



Michael Plen: Still hoping to meet Janet.

Longtime Virgin exec Michael Plen has put together a powerful 1st quarter and his big guns are now coming to bat. Kudos to Michael and his crew on another major success with Lenny Kravitz, going #1 with "Again." After a long, hard fight. Kravitz and Plen have delivered enough smashes to fill a hugely selling Greatest Hits album, but still radio fights every release. When will they learn? Michael's also done a tremendous job with the new Daft Punk-which is now on a jillion stations and had mondo success with the Mel C. record at a ton of majors. Now, the brilliant new Janet single

has just exploded onto the airwaves everywhere, and there's great new Aaliyah to follow it up shortly. Buzzers are massively buzzing about Nikka Costa—don't sleep on this! There's no truth to the rumor that it was Plen who was secretly married to Janet for the last 13 years, but Plen and fellow promo domo Jeffrey Nauman have been shaving each other's backs for many years, and they're not ashamed to admit it. We love Michael. Michael loves Michael. Thank you.

POP MART



DUDE... It was all a Dream for Leslie Perez (c). He awoke mumbling, "I'm gonna jet off to England and party with The Stones and you babes are invited!" Pictured in his fantasy are Arista's Dream and (I-r) their manager Kenny Burns, Arista's Lance Walden, KYLD San Francisco MD Jazzy Jim, Leslie and Jose Melendez.



OH CAPTAIN, MY CAPTAIN: Here, President Todd Hensley (I) guesses that Atlantic's Ashley Ballard (c) is The Mole. HITS' resident blonde (but not President) Bobbii Hach (r) said she once saw a mole in her yard and kept it as a pet.

Set-Up Box



Bonnie Goldner: The original A*Teen.

Sweden's A*Teens are more than just an ABBA cover band, so aptly demonstrated on their new single, "Bouncing Off the Ceiling (Upside Down)." They didn't raid anybody's closet for the tunes on their new album "Teen Spirit," though they my have ripped off Nirvana and a leading deodorant. MCA's Bonnie Goldner already has a huge request smash at Radio Disney and Pop impact is set for 3/12.



Andrea Ganis: Thinking Of You, babe.

It was a focused and determined promotion effort from Atlantic that brought home the Top 10 debut from Debelah Morgan. After a long run at radio, fueled by strong callout across the board, it's time for the next single. "Thinking of You" is the cut, and the album version has been re-mixed by Dark Child of Destiny's Child fame. Look for label gunslingers Andrea Ganis and Danny Buch to load up for major impact on 3/12. Smash!

Dieveb

Top Thirty Countdown

Aaahhhh, a well deserved break from the weekly sanctified ramblings of those fabulous consultants. Now here's a look at what has the kiddies are feinding for, besides free token coupons for **Chuck E. Cheese**. Looks like the really big cheese is MCA's **Craig Lambert**, whose Swedish **A*Teens** have two hot tracks on the chart and have him "Bouncing" to the beat.



This is Not Ray Dio.

LV	N	TW	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL
	2	1	Backstreet Boys	The Call	Jive
	1	2	Britney Spears	Lucky	Jive
	3	3	Aaron Carter	That's How I Beat Shaq	Jive
1	0	4	3LW	No More	Epic
E	5	5	Britney Spears	Stronger	Jive
	8	6	NSYNC	It's Gonna Be Me	Jive
1	2	7	Aaron Carter	Aaron's Party	Jive
K	4	8	A*Teens	Bouncing Off The Ceiling	MCA
K	6	9	Britney Spears	Oops!I Did It Again	Jive
1	1	10	Dream	He Loves You Not	Bad Boy/Arista
	7	11	NSYNC	Bye, Bye, Bye	Jive
1	6	12	Hampton The Hamster	Hamsterdance	Koch
	9	13	Baha Men	Who Let The Dogs Out	S-Curve/Artemis
1	3	14	Backstreet Boys	Shape Of My Heart	Jive
1	5	15	Eiffel 65	Blue	Repub/Univ
1	8	16	Aaron Carter	I Want Crazy	Jive
í	4	17	Jennifer Lopez	Love Don't Cost A Thing	Epic
1	19	18	NSYNC	This I Promise You	Jive
2	21	19	Christina Aguilera	Come On Over	RCA
2	23	20	Bon Jovi	It's My Life	Island/IDJ
2	20	21	Plus One	Last Flight Out	Atlantic/Atl G
1	17	22	Smash Mouth	All Star	Interscope
		23	Madonna	Don't Tell Me	Warner Bros.
2	22	24	A*Teens	Mamma Mia	MCA
2	24	25	Leslie Carter	Like Wow	DreamWorks
2	26	26	Baha Men	You All Dat	S-Curve/Artemis
2	28	27	M2M	Mirror Mirror	Atlantic/Atl G
2	27	28	Backstreet Boys	Larger Than Life	Jive
2	25	29	Destiny's Child	Independent Women	Columbia/CRG
	F	30	Hanson	Smile	Island/IDJ

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- ERIK BRADLEY, 896

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— HARRY LEGG, APD/MD, WKIE

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Naylor.... Former radio and video veteran Matt Farber exits his position as CEO of Tonos.com and heads back to NYC..... IDJ's American Hi-Fi is crossing quickly to Pop now and SELLING. Ken Lane is happy..... Rick Bisceglia's turnmusic and edel Entertainment formalize their new joint venture. The first release will be the Pop act Soda.... Congratulations to: Citadel's Ken Benson and wife Lori on the birth of their second child, son Jeff Riley, born 2/27; WB's Tom "Grover" Biery and wife Jackie on the birth of their second child, daughter Talia James, born 2/28; WB's Felicia Swerling on her marriage to Artur Suslow, 3/3; and to KDUK Eugene's Val

Steele on her marriage to Greg, 2/24..... Artemis' Todd Glassman continues his promotion assault by taking multi-format winner Josh Joplin to Pop this week, with extremely positive results..... KZQZ San Francisco's Casey Keating called to say we had our heads up our asses in regard to a rumor about a format adjustment for the station. We found this to be no surprise! And speaking of "The Z," former morning driver Woody Woodward joins WBTS Atlanta for similar duties.... Happy birthday wishes to: Wind-Up's Shanna Fischer, 3/2; Priority's Mike Whited, 3/6; HITS' own Roy Trakin, 2/29 (??); and KKFR Phoenix' Jesse Beer-Dietz. 3/5.... Phase I Winter

Arbitrend kudos to: 92Q Baltimore & Dion Summers (#1 in market); WNCI Columbus & Jimmy Steele (#1 in market); WXYV Baltimore & Bill Pasha; WKST Pittsburgh & Michael Hayes; WSSR Tampa & Scott Chase; WQAL Cleveland & Alan Fee; WAKS Cleveland & Dan Mason; KHTS San Diego & Diana Laird; KYLD/KMEL San Francisco & Michael Martin: KZQZ SF & Casey Keating; KLLC SF & Louis Kaplan; B97 New Orleans & Jeff Scott: and KUMX New Orleans & Dave Stewart..... The Top Ten Most Played videos at MTV are: #1 Dave Matthews Band, #2 Eve, #3 Jennifer Lopez, #4 Black Eyed Peas, #5 Ricky Martin/Christina Aguilera, #6 Dream, #7 Shaggy, #8 Crazy

Town, #9 Ja Rule & #10 Limp Bizkit..... Blowin' in the Wind: KBIG, Jason Griffin & Tony Monte..... And here's the lovely & back-at-work Mr. Tom (Casey) Calococci, enjoying the hot life in Phoenix.



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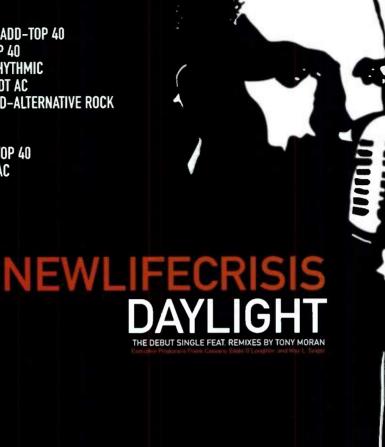
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KXJM - PORTLAND 21x

KBMB - SACRAMENTO 14x

KPTY - PHOENIX 35x ADD

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WJMH - GREENSBORO 28x ADD

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This was a big week for appointments as Clear Channel fills two of its major PD openings (but saves the best for last). In Phoenix, former Radio One programming guru Tom Calococci grabs the reins at KZZP. Mr. Casey (ha! thought we forgot?) is planning on being in-house on the 19th of this month. Look for Tom to work closely with corporate programming executive Steve Smith in molding the station's future. Meanwhile, in St. Louis, the company moves quickly to fill the programming vacancy at KSLZ by naming local Market Manager/KSD PD Mike Wheeler to the post. Look for KSD APD Rob Walker to take over Wheeler's day-to-day responsibilities

as PD and for Wheeler to continue to oversee the market. However, things remain in limbo in the Big Apple, as the big snowstorm put the naming of the new Z100 PD off a week. Our sources still expect this one to



WBLI Long Island's programmer deluxe J. J. Rice is surrounded by a bevy of 15-year-olds at the Nassau Coliseum for the station's Winter Jam. Commented Rice as soon as the pic was snapped, "I had a Dream last night." (Editor's warning, once again: 15 will get you 20).

come down to a choice between one in-market, intracompany contender (Frankie) and one out-of-market, intracompany contender (Cadillac). But we have decided not to mention their names again..... Pacific Broadcasting's KKPN/KBTE Corpus Christi PD Jason Hillery joins Citadel's KKMG Colorado Springs for programming duties, replacing Bobby Irwin, who has been promoted to OM. Look for Hillery to be inhouse 3/14 and to continue to consult in Corpus. KKPN APD/MD Chad Bennett will handle interim duties..... KKSS Albuquerque flips from Rhythm to Mainstream Top 40 and remains under the control of PD Tom "Jammer"

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