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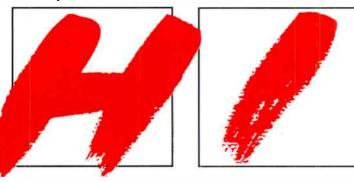
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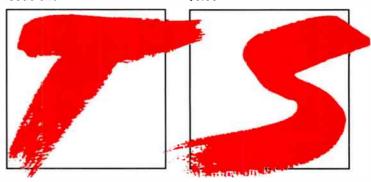
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#### **VIBE-RATERS**

Wallflowers bring down the Vibe, Bloodhound Gang burn and Luscious Jackson catch the fever while a debuting Space go into orbit.

#### MOST POWERFUL SONGS 6

No Doubt's still a sure thing, Madonna sheds some tears at #2, while Jewel, Cardigans and Counting Crows make it a very PoMo Top Ten.

#### DIALOGUE

Island Records Black Music Sr. VP/GM Hiriam Hicks takes his licks from JAMZ's dogged, but overmatched, flyweight J.J. "Not Jack" Johnson.

#### POST MODERN

Whole lot of Shakespeare going on in PoMo, while Beck returns, Space and Suicide Machines take off and Ivana collects on her annual Super Bowl bet... that she won't watch a single minute of the game.

#### ROCK

Top Phones Live is #1 in its second week, Tool's Most Added and Nine Inch Nails and Social D. debut while Herr Jimmy "Triumph of the Nil" Barnes finally meets his übermensch match in the equally fascistic Marilyn Manson.

#### JAMZ

JAMZ celebrates February's Black History Month with the first of a four-part series, focusing on the '60s Golden Age of Soul, as HITS' own 2,098th hardest working man in show business Gary "Please Please... Can I Have Another Portion?" Jackson takes a trip back in time.

#### **ALBUMS**

No Doubt's "Kingdom" has come and won't go, while the soundtracks to "Evita," "Romeo & Juliet," "Space Jam" and "Preacher's Wife" clog the Top Ten.

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#### **Val-idation**



Val Azzoli's restructuring of Atlantic is already paying dividends. The new team has four albums in the Top 15 this week. with the mega-platinum "Space Jam" soundtrack at #5, followed by a trio of hot young divas in #8 LeAnn Rimes, #9 Jewel and #14 Aalivah. In addition, the label has just launched a campaign for Tori Amos' single "Silent," to benefit her RAINN sexual abuse hotline. Unfortunately, all we had to give was this Contents mention.

#### **On The Cover**

Atlantic chanteuse Jewel's gonna need someone to save her soul as she marks her Top Ten album, "Pieces Of You," and single with an appearance on the Satan of trade magazines.

## VIBE-RATERS

OUR PICKS TO BREAK FROM OUTSIDE TOP 40 • CHOSEN BY THE HITS EDITORIAL BOARD

■ WALLFLOWERS • INTERSCOPE

2 LW 2 2W 3 3W



album: BRINGING DOWN...
track: ONE HEADLIGHT

Massive airplay and star-making video = SMASH! This one is coming all the way home! LP rockets #17-11 nationally. Top 5 Most Added again at Top 40 as track crosses big-time from huge PoMo base. 19 Stress spins at MTV and 15 Large spins at VH1. On tour with Sheryl Crow. Mgmt: Andy Slater/HK Mgmt.

BLOODHOUND GANG • GEFFEN



album: ONE FIERCE BEER...
track: FIRE WATER BURN

Although huge cut loses some steam at PoMo radio, sales continue to see big, big gains with no end in sight. Sales up at Musicland, Camelot, Fred Meyer, Wherehouse, Blockbuster, The Wall, etc. 10 MTV spins in new Active rotation. #7 Rock clip at The Box. Mgmt: Avery Lipman, Brett Alperowitz/Republic.

LUSCIOUS JACKSON • GR/CAPITOL



album: FEVER IN, FEVER OUT track: NAKED EYE

Picking up the pace, with retail seeing big gains as Top 40 continues to spread. Sales up at Musicland, Strawberries, Wherehouse, Best Buy, Blockbuster, The Wall. 15 Stress spins at MTV. Crossing Top 40 from massive PoMo base. New mixes hitting the clubs at presstime. Mgmt: Paula Sartorius/Metropolitan.

SPICE GIRLS • VIRGIN

7 LW 8 2W 14 3W



album: SPICE

track: WANNABE

Single sales are the chili powder in this pop soufflé as #1s from Musicland to Valley blow out major units. Spins increasing with an add at WPNT and Top 5s at Q106, WMYK (89x!). 25 heavy MTV spins. #4 Most Requested at The Box. SNL upcoming. Promo tour in progress. Mgmt: Simon Fuller Mgmt.

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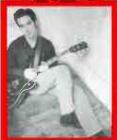


album: DRU HILL track: IN MY BED

LP rockets to #36 nationally behind massive video/radio airplay. Huge retail jumps include #3-2 Wiz, #31-20 Blockbuster, #74-54 Musicland. Vid #1 Most Played/Most Requested at The Box. Urban/Rhythm Crossover radio throwing down maddd spinz. Mgmt: Kevin Peck/University Music.

**ODUNCAN SHEIK •** ATLANTIC/ATL G

5 LW 3 2W 4 3W



album: DUNCAN SHEIK track: BARELY BREATHING

Adds this week include WNKS, WZPL, many secondaries as cut continues to close. Tons of Top 5s. Single selling well, with #37-29 Strawberries and solid debuts at Spec's and Wherehouse. VH1 Medium, Active MTV. CBS This Morning airs 1/29. Letterman 3/3. ET profile coming. Mgmt: David Leinheardt Mgmt.

BETTER THAN EZRA • ELEKTRA/EEG

RE-ENTRY



album: FRICTION, BABY track: DESPERATELY...

Sales finally starting to react to big radio action, with all the major accounts seeing gains. Track continues to cross Top 40 from a massive PoMo radio base. #1 at 99X. Top 10s at WEND, KPNT, WEDG, KALC, WMRQ, KISF, KEGE, KXPK. MTV kicks in 6 spins in Active. Mgmt: Jeffrey Levinson/Themz Twoz.

**VERUCA SALT •** OUTPOST/GEFFEN

DEBUT 16 LW



album: EIGHT ARMS TO...
track: VOLCANO GIRLS

Upped to Stress/Buzz Clip at MTV in only its second week! #1 Most Added at PoMo radio, as airplay story continues to explode. This week's adds include WXRK, WBRU, Live105, 91X, WHFS. Already spinning at KROQ, 99X, WDRE. 100k LPs drop like the bomb 2/11. Mgmt: Cliff Burnstein/Q-Prime.

## VIBE-RATERS

OUR PICKS TO BREAK FROM OUTSIDE TOP 40 . CHOSEN BY THE HITS EDITORIAL BOARD



#### **ERYKAH BADU •** KEDAR ENT./UNIVERSAL

13 LW 14 2W



#### album: BADUIZM track: ON AND ON

Huge buzz over this amazing R&B vocal stylist building massive momentum as 2/11 LP street date approaches. Huge Urban/Rhythm Crossover story includes red-hot spins at WJMH, WPGC, HOT97. Added at KBXX. Top 10 Single Sales! Top 10 BET! MTV, VH1, The Box. Mamt: Tim Grace/Grace & Grace.



#### **VERVE PIPE • RCA**

14 LW 16 2W



album: VILLAINS

track: THE FRESHMEN

Added at MTV directly into Buzz Clip! New cut continues to blow up at three formats with adds at WBCN, KLZR, KOME, KXPK, WMRQ, WZTA, WJRR, KGSR. Closing PoMo panel. 350k in the streets, with an amazing 100k 5-day. Playing Jenny McCarthy soon. Mgmt: Doug Buttleman/Fitzgerald Hartley.



#### **SQUIRREL NUT ZIPPERS • MAMMOTH**

10 LW 10 2W



album: HOT

Radio has a sweet tooth for this Chapel Hill confection as spins nearly double compared to last week. Adds include 99X, 91X, WRLG. Sales continue to react to airplay, with L.A. market going "Nuts" following KROQ spins. Video going into production this week. West Coast tour upcoming. Mgmt: Mammoth Records.



#### ASHLEY MACISAAC • A&M

12 LW 12 2W 15 3W



album: HI HOW ARE YOU track: SLEEPY MAGGIE

Added at MTV! Sales gaining, as LP moves up at Strawberries, Newbury Comics, Tower and Zia. 113k shipped. Added at KCPK this week, with spins at WBCN, WXRK, WFNX, WENZ and WBRU. VH1 Custom. M2. Playing Gavin 2/13-14, then West Coast tour swing. Mgmt: Sheri Jones/Jones & Co.



#### **FUN LOVIN' CRIMINALS • EMI**

9 LW 9 2W 10 3W



#### album: COME FIND YOURSELF track: FUN LOVIN' CRIMINAL

2nd cut continues to gain solid ground at PoMo radio with adds at WAQZ, WEDG. Reacting at Strawberries, Newbury Comics. Atlanta, San Jose also see sales, with Tower leading. Vid nabs 6 MTV spins and 31 M2 spins, with The Box laying down #5 Rock Video props. Mgmt: Jonathan Block/Major Music.



#### **KULA SHAKER •** COLUMBIA/CRG

6 LW 7 2W 8 3W



album: K

track: HEY DUDE

Continuing to build a solid story at PoMo with new cut. Added at WBCN, WRLG, 91X. Solid spins at WBRU, WDG, WDRE, WHFS, WENZ, WMMS, KLZR. Fab new video added at M2. Tour begins first week in February. Over 150k in the streets. Mgmt: Kevin Nixon/Hit & Run Mgmt.



#### SUICIDE MACHINES . HOLLYWOOD

15 LW 15 2W



album: DESTRUCTION BY...

track: NO FACE

Mo radio action, increa

PoMo radio action, increased sales giving all involved a reason to live. Spinning at KROQ, Live105, Q101, 99X, WBCN, WBRU, KLZR, KOME, WLUM, WHYT, etc. 120 Mins. play just starting. M2. Tour with Descendents starting mid-February. Sales up at Tower, Wherehouse. Mgmt: Bruce Lorfel Mgmt.



#### **SPACE** • UNIVERSAL

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album: SPIDERS

track: FEMALE OF THE SPECIES

New Liverpool sensation sees sales for 1/14 release sparked by heavy PoMo airplay. Tower, Wherehouse lead the way. Already spinning at KROQ, WOXY, 91X, KDGE, WBRU, WEDG, WFNX. Added at WXRK, CIMX. 120 Min., The Box. U.S. tour starts 2/11 in NY. Mgmt: Mark Cowley/Hug Mgmt.



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2 WEEKS AGO

**LAST WEEK** 

THIS WEEK

**Cuts That Impact Album Sales** 

* * *	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL	COMMENTS
1 1 1	NO DOUBT	DON'T SPEAK	Trauma/Int N/A	#1 LP, XL VH1, #1 BOX, hot Top 40
7 5 2	MADONNA	DON'T CRY	Warner Bros N/A	From #2 Evita (ST), Large VH1 hot Top 40
2 2 3	GARBAGE	#1 CRUSH	Capitol N/A	From #3 "Romeo & Juliet" (ST), hot Top 40
3 4 4	TONI BRAXTON	UN-BREAK MY HEART	LaF/Arista 24200	#4 LP, #2 singles, XL VH1, on BOX
6 3 5	R KELLY	I BELIEVE I CAN FLY	Jive 42427	#5 "Space Jam" (ST), #3 singles, #8 MTV, VH1, BOX
5 6 6	CELINE DION	IT'S ALL COMING	550 Music 78345	#6 LP, #52 singles, new cut exploding
15 15 7	JEWEL	YOU WERE MEANT	Atl/Atl G 87021	#9 LP, #13 singles, #9 MTV, XL VH1, Top 40
14 10 8	CARDIGANS	LOVEFOOL	Mercury N/A	#5 "Romeo & Juliet" (ST) & #35 solo LP, #5 MTV, VH1
9 9 9	COUNTING CROWS	A LONG DECEMBER	DGC N/A	#16 LP, #6 MTV, Lg VH1, #37 BOX, multi-format air
18 11 10	MAKAVELI (2PAC)	TO LIVE AND DIE	DR/Int N/A	#7 LP, #25 MTV, #6 BOX
4 7 11	WHITNEY HOUSTON	I BELIEVE IN	Arista 13923	#10 "Preacher's Wife" (ST), #6 singles, Lg VH1, BOX
<b>26 17 12</b>	WALLFLOWERS	ONE HEADLIGHT	Interscope N/A	#11 LP, #10 MTV, Large VH1, #50 BOX
8 8 13	LEANN RIMES	BLUE	MCG/Curb 77821	From Platinum-plus #8 LP, selling singles
11 12 14	BLACKSTREET	NO DIGGITY	Interscope 95003	#12 LP, #23 singles, MTV, Custom VH1
20 18 <mark>15</mark>	AALIYAH	MILLION/YOUR GIRL	BG/Atl/Atl G 98067	#14 LP, selling singles, #35 MTV, #3 BOX, JAMZ
12 13 16	311	ALL MIXED UP	Capr/Merc N/A	#19 LP, #39 MTV, Top 40 and PoMo
17	MACK 10/DOGG POUND	NUTHIN' BUT THE	Priority 53263	#17 "Rhyme & Reason" (ST) #21 singles, #8 BOX
10 14 18	KEITH SWEAT	NOBODY	Elek/EEG 64245	#13 LP, #7 singles, #38 MTV, Custom VH1
13 16 19	BUSH	SWALLOWED	Trauma/Int N/A	#15 LP, on MTV, #35 BOX
19 20 20	FOXY BROWN	GET ME HOME	Vio/DJ/Merc N/A	#24 LP, #24 MTV, JAMZ and RAP
23 21 <mark>21</mark>	BABYFACE	EVERYTIME I CLOSE	Epic 78485	#26 LP, #12 singles, #27 MTV, Medium VH1
17 19 22	TRAVOLTA/JOHN	GREASE MEGA-MIX	Pol/A&M N/A	#22 LP, peaking
25 <b>23</b> 23	GINUWINE	PONY	550 Music 78373	#30 LP, #50 singles, #46 MTV
<b>29 26 24</b>	SHERYL CROW	EVERYDAY IS A	A&M N/A	#29 LP, #15 MTV, Large VH1, #41 BOX, hot Top 40
<b> 35 25</b>	MONICA	FOR YOU I WILL	WS/Atl/Atl G N/A	From #5 "Space Jam" (ST), #5 BOX, JAMZ
		(See STATSHEET F	or A Detailed Analysis C	of Each Song)



- 24 Soundscan Albums
- 33\*- 30\* Mainstream Monitor
  - 12\* Rhythm/Crossover Monitor
  - **26 HITS TOP FIFTY ALBUMS**
  - 21 HITS MPS CHART

#### Babyface every time i close my eyes

New Reports Include: Z100 KIIS WPGC WXKS XL106

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Produced by Babyface for ECAF Productions, Inc. Management: Benny Medina/Handprint Entertainment











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WPNT	KGGI	WJMN	WWKX	KMXV
WKSS	KJMN	WMYK	B96	KUBE
WZJM	KTFM	Q106	92Q	<b>Z90</b>
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KPLZ	WNVZ	KKFR	WZPL	KISN

#### **WSTR** • TOP 15 WITH CORE LISTENERS

- 70% FAMILIAR
- RANKS 3.5 OUT OF 4.0

#### **KDWB** • 70% FAMILIAR

- #14 OUT OF 65 SONGS
- #10 BEST TESTING RECORD WITH CORE LISTENERS
- #7 BEST TESTING WITH 18-24 DEMO

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**S**ongs

**Cuts That Impact Album Sales** 

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36	30	26	SUBLIME	SANTERIA	G. Alley/MCA N/A	#23 LP, #29 MTV, huge PoMo
41	31	27	BUSH	GREEDY FLY	Trauma/Int N/A	#15 LP, #1 MTV, PoMo and Active Rock
30	28	28	ALANIS MORISSETTE	RIGHT THROUGH	Mav/Reprise N/A	#21 LP, hot Top 40
28	25	29	SNOOP DOGGY DOGG	SNOOP'S UPSIDE	DR/Int N/A	#27 LP, #22 MTV, RAP and Mix show play
48	40	30	DRU HILL	IN MY BED	Island 854-854	#36 LP, #11 singles, JAMZ, #1 BOX
24	29	31	DAVE MATTHEWS	CRASH INTO ME	RCA N/A	#31 LP, #14 MTV, Custom VH1, multi-format radio play
21	32	32	SUBLIME	WHAT I'VE GOT	G.Alley/MCA N/A	#23 LP, on the way out as new cut breaks
44	33	33	TONY TONI TONE	LET'S GET DOWN	Mercury N/A	#34 LP, #32 MTV, #24 BOX, Top 40 and JAMZ
37	34	34	LIL' KIM	NO TIME	Un/BB/Atl G 98044	#42 LP, #10 singles, #34 MTV, #28 BOX
16	24	35	R.H.C.P.	LOVE ROLLERCOASTER	R Geffen N/A	From #32 "Beavis & Butt-Head" (ST), on the way out
***		<b>36</b>	CELINE DION	ALL BY MYSELF	550 Music N/A	Third single from mega-Platinum LP, Lg VH1, hot Top 40
32	36	37	CAKE	THE DISTANCE	Capr/Merc N/A	#40 LP, upped at MTV, Top 40 and PoMo
42	38	38	REDMAN	THAT'S/WHATEVA	DJ/Mercury 573-2011	#41 LP, #11 BOX, Rap radio
22	22	39	ALANIS MORISSETTE	HEAD OVER FEET	Mav/Reprise N/A	#21 LP, on the way out
	45	40	MARILYN MANSON	TOURNIQUET	Not/Interscope N/A	#39 LP, #26 MTV, PoMo and Active Rock
50	48	41	LUSCIOUS JACKSON	NAKED EYE	GR/Capitol 58619	Selling LPs & singles, #17 MTV, #25 BOX, T 40 & PoMo
27	27	42	NEW EDITION	STILL IN LOVE	MCA 55210	#33 LP, #19 singles, Custom VH1, #19 BOX
45	43	43	BLOODHOUND GANG	FIRE WATER BURN	Geffen N/A	#48 LP, upped at MTV, #39 BOX, PoMo & Active Rock
	49	44	METALLICA	KING OF NOTHING	Elek/EEG 64197	#45 LP, #16 MTV, Active Rock
		45	BLACKSTREET	NEVER GONNA' LET	Interscope N/A	#12 LP, add MTV, hot JAMZ
38	37	46	WESTSIDE CONNECTIO	N BOW DOWN	LM/Priority 53327	#38 LP, still selling some singles on the way out
	47	47	BJORK	I MISS YOU	Elek/EEG N/A	From Top 100 LP, on MTV, APM
46	46	48	MADONNA	YOU MUST LOVE ME	Wamer Bros	From #2 "Evita" (ST), #15 singles
		49	TAFKAP	HOLY/SOMEBODY'S	NPG N/A	Selling LP's, breaking Top 40 & JAMZ respectivly
	50	50	DON HENLEY	THROUGH YOUR HANDS	S Revolution N/A	From #56 "Michael" (ST), Top 40 and APM

#### (See STATSHEET For A Detailed Analysis Of Each Song)

POWER POTENTIALS:

SNOOP/2PAC (DR/Int) SPICE GIRLS (Virgin) TOOL (Zoo) ASHLEY MACISAAC (A&M)
VERUCA SALT (Outpost/Gef)
U2 (Island)

NO DOUBT (Tra/int) VERVE PIPE (RCA) OFFSPRING (Col/CRG) 2\*-2\* SoundScan Albums — Triple Platinum 103,842 — 121,758 Pieces Sold

# MADONNA

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EVITA

8\*-5\* Hot 100 Airplay Chart

#### **Monitor:**

11\*-8\* Mainstream
23\*-18\* Rhythm/Crossover
25\*-21\* Adult Top 40



Produced by Nigel Wright, Alan Parker, Andrew Lloyd Webber and David Caddick

\*Remix Produced by Madonna, Pablo Flores & Javier Garza

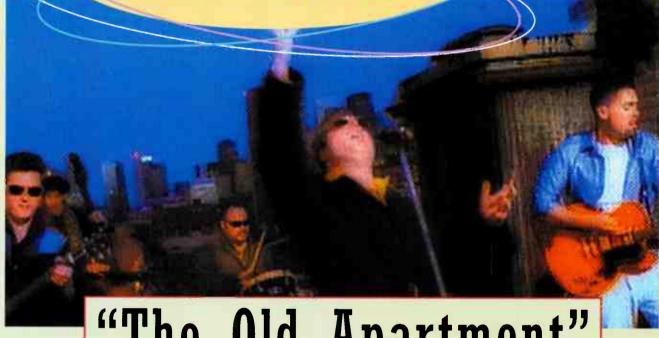
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## GOOD NIGHT DICK!!!





DRU HILL:

LARGE, GETTING LARGER.

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#### ACTION

The MTV adds this week are 2Pac/Snoop (DR/Int), Porno For Pyros (WB), The Verve Pipe (RCA), BLACK-street (Interscope), Keith Sweat (Elek/EEG), New Edition (MCA), Soul Assassins (RH/Col/CRG), Soul Coughing (WB), David Bowie (Virgin) and Ashley MacIsaac (A&M).

Rotation increases go to Silverchair (Epic), Marilyn Manson (Interscope), Aaliyah (BB/Atl/ Atl G), Erykah Badu (Universal), Bloodhound Gang (Geffen), Depeche Mode (Reprise) and Cake (Cap/ Merc). New Buzz Clip status goes to The Verve Pipe and Veruca Salt (Outpost/Gef). h, that wacky, wacky Dick Clark and those wacky, wacky American Music Awards. Gosh, they're neat. You know what else is neat? Try three hours of primetime exposure that nailed a 13.3 rating and a 21 share and won every half hour. Record sales? Surer than the members of Motley Crue will marry, divorce and remarry some saline-implanted neurosurgeons by the time you finish reading this. Here are the winners:

#### POP/ROCK

MALE ARTIST

Eric Clapton

FEMALE ARTIST

Alanis Morissette

BAND, DUO OR GROUP

Hootie & The Blowfish

**ALBUM** 

"Jagged Little Pill"

(Alanis Morissette)

**NEW ARTIST** 

Jewel

#### SOUL/R&B

MALE ARTIST

Keith Sweat

**FEMALE ARTIST** 

Toni Braxton

BAND, DUO OR GROUP

New Edition

**ALBUM** 

"Secrets" (Toni Braxton)

**NEW ARTIST** 

D'Angelo

#### HEAVY METAL/ HARD ROCK ARTIST

Metallica

#### COUNTRY

**MALE ARTIST** 

Garth Brooks

FEMALE ARTIST

Shania Twain

BAND, DUO OR GROUP

Brooks & Dunn

**ALBUM** 

"Blue Clear Sky" (George Strait)

**NEW ARTIST** 

LeAnn Rimes

#### SOUNDTRACK

"Waiting To Exhale"

#### RAP/HIP-HOP ARTIST

Tupac Shakur

ADULT

#### **CONTEMPORARY ARTIST**

Whitney Houston

#### **ALTERNATIVE ARTIST**

The Smashing Pumpkins



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World Radio History

# of The Week



# A Coven Of Capulets

As budding label Romeos (top row, l-r) Nick Bedding, Brian McDonald, Brian Corona and Greg Seese loom over wondrous Juliets, our darling PoMettes—(bottom row, l-r) KYSR's Merilee Kelly, HITS' Tami Packley, Julia Trainor, Caeri Bertrand, Karen Glauber and Nicole Tocantins—we can only hope that the young ladies will hold out for dates with opposable thumbs and the ability to work with crude stone tools.

#### MOST

#### ADDED SINGLES

The Most Added tracks this week at Pop radio are #1 Celine Dion (550 Music), #2 Tori Amos (Atl/Atl G), #3 Sabelle (Work/ SMIL), #4 Wallflowers (Interscope) and #5 (tie) No Mercy (Arista) and Savage Garden (Col/CRG).

#### WILD CARD

PAULA COLE WB

Another Adult PoMo goddess is making her way to the mainstream with a catchy single that's catching on quickly. Already pulling major market rotations at WPLJ, WXKS, KFMB, Q106, KALC, KPLZ, KHMX, WPLL, KDMX, WTMX, MIX96 and lots more, just as the "official" release hits the boards. VH-1 yells Inside Track as Stu, Barney and team come in for a well-executed breakthrough. Nice one!

#### Cherry Blossoms at Universal

Publishing/A&R/sound-track veteran Jolene Cherry "Jubilee" has entered into an exclusive agreement with the Universal Music Group to sign and develop artists through her Cherry Entertainment Group, an A&R-based label/publishing/soundtrack company, it was announced by Chairman/CEO Doug "Bam" Morris.

Cherry was most recently Sr. VP/W.C. GM for Atlantic Records, responsible for Soundtracks and Special Projects Division and head of W.C. A&R. Her current credits include co-executive producing the gold "High School High" soundtrack and supervising the soundtrack album for the John Travolta movie "Michael." She is best known for her work on the best-selling soundtracks "Batman Forever" and "The Crow." Among the signings to her publishing co-venture with Warner Chappell is the hit rock band KoRn.

Commented Morris: "Jolene is a true 'music person.' She has continually demonstrated an incredible ability for discovering and nurturing talent and recognizing great songwriting. She also has a knack for bringing together diverse types of music to build amazingly creative soundtracks. And she croons a mean 'My Way,' from what I've heard."



Jolene Cherry:
This HITS mention is the pits.

## Oops...

#### Island's Barbis to head A&M

By Jeffrey Joison-Colburn

The Hollywood Reporter ran this somewhat erroneous headline last week when it heralded John Barbis' ascension to the helm of A&M Associated Labels. Upon seeing the headline, A&M's Al Cafaro noted, "Gosh, I hope our real President Gil Friesen isn't upset by this. I better go check with Jerry and Herb."



#### A CTION

The adds this week at VH1 are TAFKAP (EMI), Maxwell (Col/CRG), George Michael (DreamWorks/Gef), Leah Andreone (RCA), Big Head Todd (Revolution), Phil Collins (Atl/Atl G) and Johnny Gill (Motown). Cardigans (Merc) remain Inside Track.

# The Musicland Question

At presstime, music companies were pondering their next course of action in the ongoing "Musicland situation" as the nation's largest music retailer has requested that their suppliers defer approximately \$75 million in payments owed for over two years.

According to insiders, the \$75 million represents around 20% of all money owed Musicland's top ten accounts—the "Big Six" music distributors and the top four home video distributors.

Sources say the \$75 million represents fourth-quarter monies due in January and February. Musicland has reportedly asked the accounts to defer part of the payments until the end of 1997

and the rest of the payment until the end of 1999.

Current backroom chatter has the majors split over their course of action. Obvious options include approval or denial of the Musicland plan, although there's a lot of discussion that advocates a "pre-packaged reorganization" that would see both software suppliers and Musicland's financial lenders absorb a portion of the retailer's debt following a formal Chapter 11 filing.

Meanwhile, Musicland is in the process of streamlining and restructuring its retail operations, including shuttering lesssuccessful outlets.

Musicland executives declined to comment.

# A Blatant Rip-off of a Good Magazine

WHAT WEASELS ARE WEASELING ABOUT THIS WEEK

- 1 **U2 TOUR:** Pop Mart tour hits Vegas April 25th. Bet you can't score tickets.
- 2 PHIL Q: Girls, girls, girls. He needed a little Spice in his life.
- 3 AMAs: The music industry gets Dicked again.
- 4 **JEWEL:** Exploding! Hell, she can afford to pay somebody to save her soul.
- 5 **CLIVE DAVIS:** Sadly, his Hollywood star read "Sammy Davis." Can we still get the polishing gig?



- 6 HIRIAM HICKS: Making a mountain out of a Dru Hill.
- 7 STEVE ELLIS: New Mercury promo domo once pitched a no-hitter on LSD.



- 9 KNEELING ELEPHANT: Can Muller, Elson, Geiger make Dumbo fly for Nipper?
- 10 GRAMMYS AT THE GARDEN: Grumble, grumble....Finally, another reason for industry nose bleeds.

## **Walking The Walk**



Music industry legend Clive Davis (c) is honored with a star on Hollywood's "Walk Of Fame," as just a few of the many artists and industry pros whose lives he's touched gather 'round. Seen ignoring the screeching wails of both Milli and Vanilli as they were restrained by security are (l-r) Dick Clark, Deborah Cox, Kenny G., Barry Manilow, Blood, Sweat & Tears founder Bobby Colomby, L.A. Reid and Narada Michael Walden.

## A A

#### ACTION

The adds this week at M2 are Block (Burning Bush/Radical), Gus Gus (4AD), Bounty Killer (Blunt/VP/TVT), Jon Spencer Blues (Capitol), Pavement (Mat/Capitol), Kula

Shaker (Col/CRG), Soul Assassins (RH/Col/CRG), Odds (Elek/EEG), Big Head Todd (Revolution), Porno For Pyros (WB) and Fiona Apple (Work/SMIL).

#### Judge Not (Heh-Heh-Hm)



Nutty A-listers (I-r) Animal Alliance's **Ellen Schneiderman- Lavinthal** (she needs two Bloomingdale's credit cards to fit that name), "Saturday Night Live"'s **Marci Klein** and powerbroker **David Geffen** are seen chuckling and guffawing over matters that A-listers chuckle and guffaw about. Both Ellen and Marci were meeting with Mr. Geffen about starring roles in the forthcoming "Beavis & Butthead" sequel. Nyuck, nyuck.

# Hig

## RAY DIO

#### <u>FIVE WINNING STRATEGIES</u> YOU CAN USE NOW

As the Fall books roll in, let's focus on what the winners are doing to get themselves, or keep themselves, at the top. Some of what's going on at the most successful contemporary radio stations today is not terribly obvious. A lot of it is most certainly not "by the book." Here are five suggestions—actions you can take now—to make a direct positive impact on your ARB.

**L** Get the hell out of your radio station and listen to it on a regular basis. The biggest problem with PDs today is that they never get time to program. Be less of an Operations Manager and more of a Programmer. Focus on your product—it really must be the priority. Get out of our narrow little radio/records world as much as you can, and make all of your programming staff do the same. You cannot effectively program to an audience if you've never met them or spent time in their shoes. Great radio stations sound like they're operated by human beings, not research studies. Step back and see the big picture.

**2. Defy conventional wisdom.** Most big winners over history have won by doing what supposedly "doesn't work." If someone tells you "you can't do that," it's probably a great idea to go ahead with it. Virtually nobody in the industry understands what KALC/Denver is doing. PD Greg Cassidy and MD Jim Lawson have gone out of their way to do "what can't be done," with success that everybody would kill for. Be unique, be a maverick, be different—not for its own sake, but with a plan. Have a vision, then execute it. Following the herd these days generally leads you over a cliff.

Play more music that is selling. Just because the majority of your cume doesn't buy CDs doesn't mean that what is selling is not significant. You must keep your current playlist balanced with records that evoke passion. Now more than ever, current-based radio stations are falling all over themselves to play music that no living person has demonstrated any interest in whatsoever. Taking all the "edge" off of your radio station is not the answer. You end up with nothing for anyone to grab on to, no compelling musical position. Watch your local SoundScan each week. Find out what stores in your market are big with people who are in your target audience and do your own weekly survey. Remember this—people who don't buy music still want to be "aware, hip, in-the-know"—they want to identify with what the active consumer is into, even if they don't actively participate. When radio starts ignoring music that is selling, it bodes poorly for the future of Top 40.

**Don't misuse callout research.** Callout is a wonderful system that is designed to point out when your audience is fatigued of popular songs, and to show you the relative popularity of the most familiar current songs on your playlist. Making any decisions based on callout on titles that have been played fewer than 200-250 times is foolish. Remember that a high average score or high rank does not automatically indicate that a song is testing well. Look at the individual responses on each title closely before making your rotation decisions.

Give power rotation to the songs that get the most "5" scores. Ignore "rank" in most cases. A song can test in your Top 10 and still have mediocre scores or evoke little or no passion.

**5.** Be α better entertαiner. The best radio stations transcend the ups and downs of contemporary music and thrive even when the available product is weak. Why? Because they are entertaining entities unto themselves—with charm, personality, quirks, emotions and heart. Fill your staff with people who want to be in the entertainment business, not scientists. If your station is not bursting with life, the audience will seek out and find one that is.



This is not Ray Dio.

#### **High On Glew**



Epic Records Group Chairman **David Glew** (c) responded to news that he will be honored as the T.J. Martell Foundation's 1997 Humanitarian of the Year by saying to BMI President/CEO and T.J. Martell Foundation President **Frances Preston** (I), "Excuse me, is that your hand on my \$8,000 Armani?" Replied Preston, "I thought you might want to see a few hundred of my recent trade photos." At right, Epic Associated Labels Sr. VP/GM and T.J. Martell Foundation Chairman **Tony Martell** yuks it up like the big, lovable industry legend he is.

## Doug In At Island

Doug "E. Fresh" Daniel has been brought in as Senior Vice President of Promotion for Island Black Music by GM/Sr. VP Hiriam Hicks "And His Hot Licks."

Daniel will oversee urban radio promotion for roster artists the Isley Brothers, Mona Lisa, gospel vocalist Karen Clark-Sheard and newcomers Dru Hill, Nneka and Myron. In his spare time, he will translate Ricky Leigh's "In The Mix" columns from Hebonics into Pig Latin.

Daniel promises to focus on creating a strong, obvious presence for Island Black Music at urban radio and taking away Dr. Jerry Boulding's license to prescribe thorazine. "I hope to help Hiriam realize his dream for the label and make us a force to be reckoned with. And if we don't, I'll settle for three weeks at the label's time-share condo in Negril."

Commented Hicks: "Doug has one of the most impressive and proven track records in the business. He's tenacious and he has outstanding relationships with programmers across the country. Now, if I could just remove him from around my ankle, we could get to work."

Daniel comes to Island with more than 20 years of record label experience. Prior to his appointment, he had spent 12 years at Elektra, where he worked with artists like Anita Baker, leaving as Sr. VP Promotion. He also oversaw projects for Whitney Houston, Kenny G., TLC, Toni Braxton, Craig Mack and Notorious B.I.G. during a five-year stint at Arista.



**Doug Daniel:** New Sr. VP Promotion a boon for Island.

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#### **TCI Restores MTV/VH1**



Rich, Mellencamp, Henley and Jewel: Sykes owes them big-time.

After protests from Viacom, several superstar artists and viewers, Denver-based cable provider Tele-Communications Inc. has agreed to return VH1 and MTV to the air in that city and other markets across the country after pulling the stations in December.

The decision came just before a January 22 press conference in Denver hosted by Viacom and radio station KRFX Denver, where John Mellencamp, Jewel, Don Henley and Tony Rich criticized the cable giant's initial decision to eliminate the channels from over 1 million homes. Said Henley: "Clearly, the voice of the people matters. This is yet another testament to the power of music. Now, anyone wanna time-share on a condo in Walden Woods?"

MTV Networks released the following statement: "We're thrilled to be back on TCI systems across the country. We're grateful to the most incredible, loyal and supportive audiences that any network could have. We salute TCI for listening to their customers and look forward to working with them to deliver great quality music programming in the future. Now, who wants the Spice Channel?"

## A CTION

The Top Ten Most Requested videos this week at The Box are: #1 Dru Hill (Island), #2 Whitney Houston (Arista), #3 Aaliyah (BB/Atl/ Atl G), #4 Spice Girls (Virgin), #5

Makaveli (DR/Int), #6 Puff Daddy (BB/Arista), #7 Monica (WS/Atl/Atl G), #8 Keith Sweat (Elek/EEG), #9 Master P (Priority) and #10 Mack 10 (Priority).

#### **Maybe He Can Sell Cars**



"Hey, I suck at acting, so I might as well suck just as bad at music," guffawed noted action hero **Steven Seagal** to country bumpkin **Marty Stuart** on the set of "The Fire Down Below," which will be released next summer. Remarked the always-affable Stuart: "You don't suck at acting, Stevo, they just mess you up by giving you dialogue." Naturally, **Bryant Gumbel** sobbed uncontrollably.

#### **HELP WANTED**

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#### ASSOCIATE EDITOR APPLICANT QUESTIONNAIRE

- 1. Bumpski?
- a) Yes, I've worked in promotion before.
- b) No, thank you. That would violate my parole.
- c) One of the all-time great Green Bay Packers.
- 2. Have you ever made a pipe bomb?
  - a) Yes, but only to appease Allah.
  - b) No. No, I haven't. Why would you ask that?
  - c) Pipes are for posers.
- 3. What would you consider an "Alternative Lifestyle"?
  - a) Marrying your first cousin and having his/her teeth pulled for your pleasure.
  - b) Living in a ramshackle shack with a herd of sheep and having their teeth pulled for your pleasure.
  - c) Having your teeth pulled for our pleasure.
- 4. Do you have teeth?
  - a) Yes. No! You mean my own?!
  - b) No. Yes! But I don't really need them, I mean, I'm willing to change.
  - c) I keep them in a cup beside my bed. I only wear them out for promotion dinners.
- 5. When a 300-pound gorilla-like creature approaches and says, "Uuuuurrrrp!!!" you...
  - a) Dive under the nearest desk and soil yourself.
  - b) Ask your relatives to visit on non-deadline days.
  - c) Tell Ricky Leigh his column is Pulitzer bait this time.
- 6. Which of the following best describes your feelings for Billboard Editor-In-Chief Timothy White?
  - a) Purdy words and a purdy mouth. Me likes Timbo.
  - b) Sticky. Moist. Which way is the bathroom?
  - c) Can't comment per restraining order.
- 7. "The recurd's a slamdunk at Hot A/C do to it's explocive call-out." When you read the preceding sentence, you...
- a) Throw up.
- b) Correct it and fire the writer.
- c) Make sure the check has cleared.
- 8. Rank the following items in order of importance:
  - a) FedEx
  - b) Bumpski
  - c) Teeth
  - d) Sheep
  - e) Lunch
  - f) Turning State's Evidence
- 9. Have you ever read HITS? No, really read it?
  - a) Yes. It tells me to do things. Things the others don't understand.b) No. The guard only lets me read Boy's Life
  - b) No. The guard only lets me read Boy's Life and Martha Stewart's Living.
  - c) Purdy pictures! Yay!

#### 10. I am still answering these lame

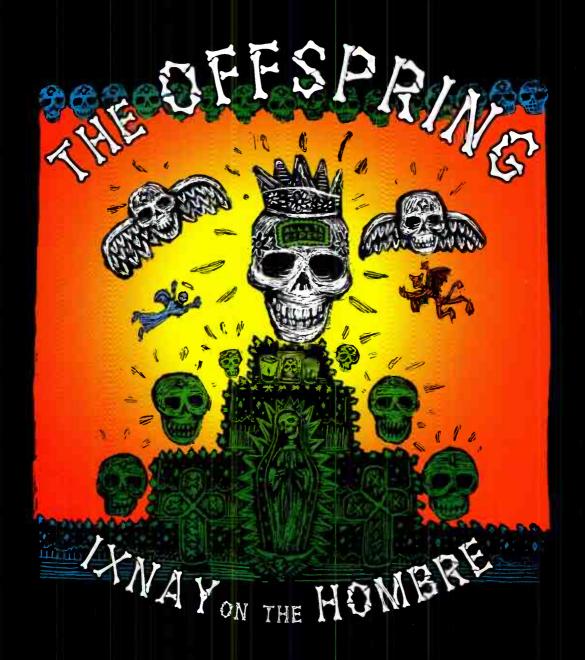
- questions because:
- a) When I stop, the voices! The voices!!!!!!
- b) I'm more of a loser than even you know.
- c) If you sit still long enough, they make you Managing Editor.

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#### HITS

#### **Buttholes A Steaming Success**



Proving what nutty, double-input activity centers they are, Capitol's Butthole Surfers are seen moments after beaming worldwide via satellite and cable access on HBO's always-brilliant "Larry Sanders Show." The fellas are seen here telling "Arthur," played by Rip Torn, how much they loved him in his "feather-boa/'Match Game '75'" days and how much more "manly" he looks without the handlebar mustache and bleached 'do. Baskina in that zany TV magic are (I-r) Torn, Surfers **King Coffey** and **Gibby Haynes**, "Larry Sanders" star **Gary Shandling** and Surfers **Paul** Leary, Kyle Ellison and Owen McMahon.

#### SINGLES TOP SELLING

The best-selling singles this week are #1 Spice Girls (Virgin), #2 Toni Braxton (La-Face/Arista), #3 R. Kelly (live), #4 En Vogue (Elek /EEG), #5 Puff Daddy

(BB/Arista), #6 Whitney Houston (Arista), #7 Keith Sweat (Elek/EEG), #8 Erykah Badu (Universal), #9 MC Lyte (Elek/EEG) and #10 Li'l Kim (BB/Atl/Atl G).

# MOVIE SCORES

Title	Weekend Gross	Per Screen Average	Total Gross	Sound Track
1 JERRY MAGUIRE	5.5m	2501	110.0m	Epic Strx
2 IN LOVE ANO WAR	5.5m	3409	5.5m	
3 BEVERLY HILLS NINJA	5.5m	2595	19.0m	EMI
4 METRO	5.5m	2733	18.7m	LaFace/Arista
5 EVITA	5.4m	5331	30.5m	WB
6 SCREAM	4.0m	2026	64.6m	τντ
7 THE RELIC	4.0m	1884	25.3m	
8 FIERCE CREATURES	3.8m	2360	3.8m	
9 MICHAEL	3.1m	1419	76.7m	Revolution
10 ZEUS AND ROXANNE	2.8m	1579	2.8m	_











Acquaviva

Fox

Reichling

Roseborough

**Fathy Acquaviva** "Las Vegas" has been appointed Vice President of Publicity W.C. for Virgin Records by VP Publicity Suzanne MacNary "A Creature Was Stirring, Not Even A Mouse." Acquaviva will plan and implement press campaigns targeting print and electronic media outlets nationwide, supervise the west coast publicity staff and insist she hasn't been a Virgin since booking the Starwood in the late '70s... Rochelle "21st Century" Fox has been named Marketing Director for Geffen Records by Head of Marketing Robert "Hit Or" Smith. Formerly W.C. Alternative Promotion Director for the label, Fox began her career as an intern at San Diego modern rock station XTRA, where she once sat on Lee "Hacksaw" Hamilton's hairpiece... Joe "The Rise and Fall of The Third" Reichling is appointed Regional Director, W.C. Promotion for Arista Records by Sr. VP Promotion Richard Palmese "Street." Reichling will be responsible for "promotioning" label artists to Top 40, Rock, Adult and Crossover formats, trade relations for the department and firing the copywriter who penned her release... Andrea Roseborough "Row Row Your Boat" is hired for RCA Records as Sr. Director Artist Development Black Music Division NA by VP Mktg. & Ops. Scott "Jes"

Folks. Roseborough will have creative input regarding the presentation of RCA's Black Music artists, including imaging, video direction, packaging concepts, marketing strategies and wiring them for free cable... Harve Pierre "Is French For Peter... Hehheh, He Said Peter" is upped to Sr. Director of Black Music A&R for RCA Records by Sr. VP Black Music Division Kevin Evans "To Betsy." Pierre insists he's hung like the Eiffel Tower.... Carolyn Robbins "Them Blind" has been tapped as Senior Director National Singles Sales and Field Marketing for Mercury Records by Sr. VP Sales Jeff Brody "Bunch." Robbins will oversee all commercial single sales configurations, release dates, sale pricing and leaping over tall buildings in a single bound... Meg "For Bercy" Ritschel is named Product Manager for Mercury Records by VP Product Mgmt. Marty "McFly" Maidenberg. She dares you to say "Ritschel sells seashells by the seashore" five times fast... Stephen "The Fickle" Finfer "Of Fate" has been appointed Vice President/ General Manager E.C. Operations for MCA Music Publishing by Worldwide President David "Nine Inch Hangnails" Renzer. Finfer was previously an attorney and manager who represented Dr. Dre and Death Row Records, among others. He is currently renting his Malibu beach house to L.A. prosecutor Larry Longo.











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## NEAR TRUTHS

BY I.B. BAD, LOS ANGELES

Naysayers saying 'nay' is the prevailing disposition manufacturers over. Musicland's request for the deferment of approximately \$75 million of monies owed (See "Front Page," page 13). Chatter says the Six Stepsisters, who obviously want Musicland to survive and thrive, are already seeing an inevitable Musicland Chapter 11 under the current deal. Buzzers buzz that unless the retailer's lenders are also included in a "prepackaged reorganization" -or Musicland gets a large infusion of cash to show some light at the end of the tunnel— then this deal ain't gonna fly. Tonguewaggers wagging that Musicland is deep in the hunt for said cash infusion. If that ain't enough, now there's massive numblings that the Strawberries chain will soon find itself in a similar position as Musicland. Whoa. Said action comes as the dust continues to settle on the Camelot and Wherehouse reorganizations where manufacturers could end up receiving approximately 40-50% on the dollar. Bottomliners say the bottom line in all this is that manufacturers are now willing to let the deadwood shake out for the long-term health of the industry..... Final retail shake-up has Island & PGD not paying for price and positioning on the up-

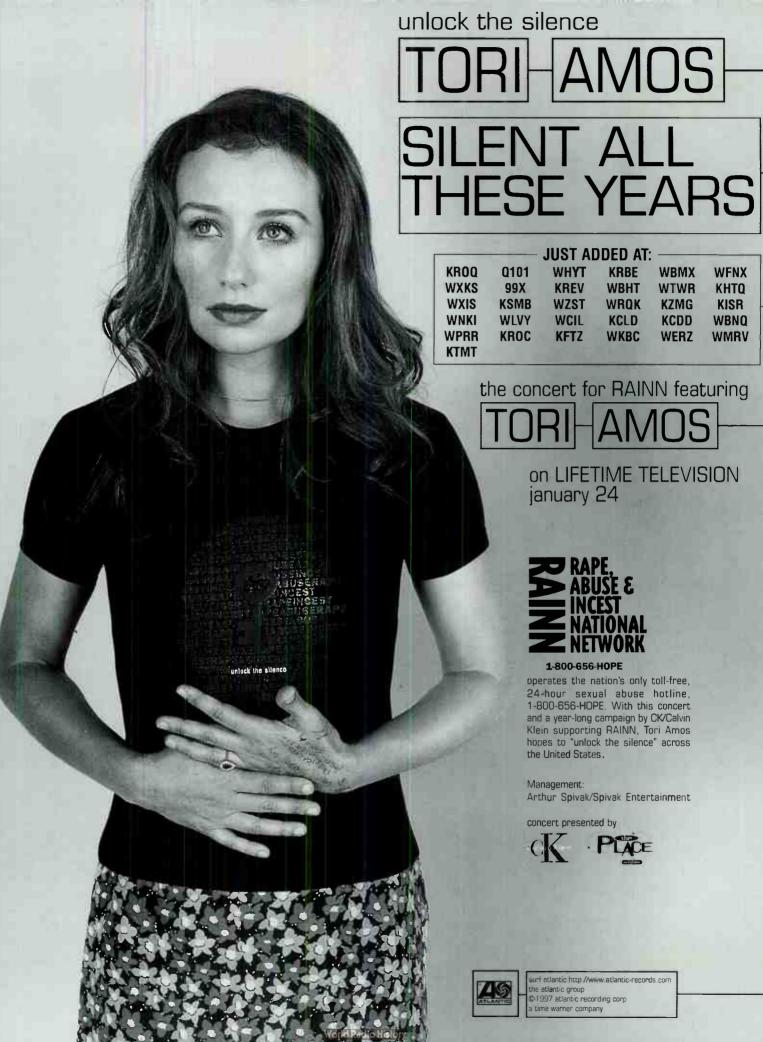
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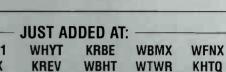


Musicland's Jack Eugster—What's the next chapter?

coming U2 project in what appears to foreshadow a major push by the Big Six to do away with that practice altogether. Massive action to come.... Yes folks, Butch Waugh will be making the move from the Promo throne at RCA New York to assume the Sr. VP/GM job vacated by the retiring Randy Goodman at RCA Nashville. The move reunites the highly-coveted Waugh, who has over a year left on his current deal, with former boss Joe Galante although no move will take place until after Bob Jamieson and Jack Rovner appoint a replacement in the Big Apple.... Yes, the Krasnow/MCA deal struck under Al Teller's watch is unwinding, as folks claim this one just wasn't working. What's next?.... At Universal, Gary Kurfirst will assume a top A&R post while continuing to run the Radioactive/MCA Across the pond, there's once again tons of chatter about WEA UK's Rob Dickens. Why?.... David Bates vacates his top A&R post at Mercury UK. Will he land within the PolyGram family?.... Andy Slater and Ken Krause are running point for a huge Wallflowers publishing deal. The current Platinum-heading album and the next LP will net a truckload of cash, with EMI already packing foreign rights on the current one. EMI and Warner Chappell were running neck-and-neck at presstime with counteroffers flying.... Massive uproar by several managers and labels at this year's AMAs amid charges that several empty-handed acts were led to believe they'd be receiving trophies. Chatter of one incident had Trauma's Rob Kahane going nuclear on producer Larry Klein.... Richard Branson's V2 negotiating distribution as Poly, BMG and WEA are in the hunt. Expect an announcement by March.... Names in the Rumor Mill: Dan Klores, J.F. Cecillon, Heilicher, James Taylor, ICM and

Clive Calder.





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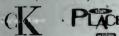
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# La La Constant

#### Show Me The \$\$

Dear Mark Pearson:

It looks like you started something very profitable for yourself. Enclosed is \$10. Urie who?

> Jeff Brody Mercury Records New York, N.Y.

HITS replies: Let's get it straight, Jeff Brody, it is me, the lowly Letters Editor, who controls, Jeff Brody, how many times your name, Jeff Brody, appears in this section, so, for every \$10 you're paying Pearson per mention, I should get at least \$7.50, Jeff Brody, meaning you owe me \$37.50 for running this letter and the response. Jim Urie (\$7.50), the ball's in your court.

#### Saints & Ain'ts

Dear Caeri Bertrand:

I spoke with you on Monday, January 6 about the band Supagroup. Enclosed you will find the CD and my card. By the time you receive this, we will have faxed you our promotional pick. We have decided that we would like to get in the HITS edition before February 1, if possible. Hope you enjoy it.

Brett A. Boyce Prison Planet Ent. New Orleans, LA

HITS replies: Never mind the CD, Boyce, what happened to those hotel rooms you promised for Super Bowl XXXI weekend? We ended up sleeping on a French Quarter balcony with a transvestite named Oueenie.

#### Achin' To Be

Dear Roy:

So I guess you did not go to see Jonathan Fire\*Eater in L.A., eh? Did you just forget or are you deliberately looking for punishment? Lord knows I have no reservations about coming out there to kick yer ass.

Erin Norris So What Media/Mgmt. New York, N.Y.

HITS replies: Yes, Ms. Nadine, we have been a very bad boy. Please walk over our chest with your stilettos. We deserve to be hurt. Cover us with tar and throw us in the briar patch. Just don't make us listen to Jonathan Fire\*Eater again.

#### **Chung King**

Hey:

Here's the whole fuckin' catalogue! Enjoy! I had to make the Fed Ex worth my while.

Kevin Kennedy Geffen Records L. A., CA

HITS replies: Thanks, Kevin, now we can write that Mojo cover story on the semiological and epistemological significance of Wang Chung in relation to '80s popular culture.

#### **Must Avoid Letter**

HITS:

Happy New Year from the Seinfelds. Is America ready to see me on "Must See TV"? But hey...

Eddie Condran Philadelphia, CA

HITS replies: C'mon, Ed, confess, you're the guy that bought Jerry's parents Cadillac from them for \$10,000 less than he paid for it. If you're not careful, we're gonna sic Newman and the Costanzas on you.



# MINI-MUGS



JAM SANDWICH: MCA Records artist Mary J. Blige (c) takes a break from recording her new album, "Share My World," to collect on a Super Bowl bet with producers Jimmy Jam (l) and Terry Lewis (r). Blige won the wager when she correctly predicted that Hank Stram's hairpiece would land heads-up during the ceremonial toupee toss before the opening kickoff. The album was recorded at the Grammy-winning producers' famed Flyte Tyme Studios in Minneapolis, where all three were frozen solid in the pictured position.



STEP UP TO THE MIKE: NARAS held its 4th annual Grammy Producers Forum in association with the recent National Association of Music Merchants (NAMM) 1997 International Music Market in Anaheim, CA. NARAS ruler Mike Greene (l) spent most of the session trying to convince any of the following to move his saxophone parts up in the mix on the recent Hampton Grease Band reissue (l-r), Green MCA Nashville President Tony Brown, Mervyn Warren, Phil Ramone, Glen Ballard and NAMM President/CEO Larry Linkin.



DON'T START THE REVOLUTION WITHOUT ME: Revolution Records recording artists Big Head Todd and the Monsters are presented with plaques marking the platinum sales of their album, "Sister Sweetly." The band are currently in N.Y.C. recording their new record, "Beautiful World." Learning they won't have enough money to finish the album until all the receipts are collected on Eagles T-shirt sales are (I-r) Revolution's Jeff Aldrich, Big Head Todd Park Mohr, co-manager Mark Bliesener, the band's Rob Squires, Revolution Owner/Founder Irving Azoff and the group's Brian Nevin.



Breaking At Pop!!

**New This Week:** 

KHOM WNNK WZOK WJBQ WBHT WHZZ WRFY WKHQ

**Major Spins:** 

Z100 23x WPRO 22x KALC 29x WAPE 23x KFMB 49x

Also Playing:
WKBQ KRBE KLLC WNVZ G105 and more

48\* R&R CHR/Pop • Top 40 BDS 466 Spins Audience Reach 3 Million

Breaking At Retailll

99\*-86\*-81\* Billboard Top 200 Albums • 200,000 Scanned

#### SOUNDSCAN ADI MARKET AND RANK

New York 77-63\* Los Angeles 83-74\* Philadelphia 67-64\*

Dallas 106-94\*
Washington DC 68-53\*
Pittsburgh 114-98\*

Kansas City 78-62\* Providence 81-68\* Denver 44-38\*











## HITSBOUND

Celine Dion's 3rd hit from "Falling Into You..." is off and running. American Music Awards winner Jewel hits Top 10 Albums, and Dru Hill debuts #36 Albums, with their current

JAMZ smash "In My Bed" poised to cross. MTV adds include The Verve Pipe (Buzz Clip), BLACKstreet, New Edition. Big buzz brewing on this week's Wildcard from Paula Cole.

**ONS** = Total stations reporting airplay **ADDS** = Total stations reporting new play

AGGRESSIVES = A 10 play or more increase from last week
TOTAL PLAYS = Total plays from all reporting stations

TOP 40 MARKETS = Total plays from stations in major markets MTV = Total plays for the week / Total plays Y-T-D

ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL	ONS	ADDS	AGGR	TOTAL PLAYS	TOP 40 MKT PLAYS	MTV
CARDIGANS #35 Albums, #8 MPS, #1 Red	LOVEFOOL quests; tons of multi-forma	MERCURY at play.	180		32	7509	2866	22/101
WADONNA #2 Albums (strk), #2 MPS, #7	DON'T CRY Requests; closeouts incl	WB ude WHHH, WNVZ,	<b>172</b> WUKS, KDI	14 MX.	55	4810	1763	0/ 0
SPICE GIRLS The #1 selling single - #2 Red	WANNABE nuests; new at WPNT, K	VIRGIN YLD.	164	2	34	5522	1857	25/83
<b>JEWEL</b> #9 Albums, #7 MPS, #8 Requ	YOU WERE uests; American Music A	ATL/ATL G ward winner - new at	<b>155</b> KIIS.	9	27	5431	1946	19/111
R KELLY #5 Albums (strk), #5 MPS, #1	I BELIEVE 0 Requests; spins increa	JIVE sing.	152	4	28	4871	1415	20/94
COUNTING CROWS #16 Albums, #9 MPS, deb 18	DECEMBER Requests; new at WYX	DGC R, KSTP.	152	3	20	4354	1675	21/149
SHERYL CROW #29 Albums, #24 MPS, #20 F	EVERYDAY Requests; KDWB, Y100,	A&M WKSE, KTBZ, WKQ	140 I among the i	10 new reports.	29	3020	1119	17/70
<b>(EITH SWEAT</b> #13 Albums, #18 MPS, #5 Re	NOBODY equests; WKTU, B94 put	ELEK/EEG in play - AMA winnel	<b>137</b>	8	19	4862	1591	7/ 146
<b>3ABYFACE</b> #26 Albums, #21 MPS; airpla	EVERY TIME y up - new support at Kliš	EPIC 5, WXKS, Z100, XL10	<b>135</b> 06, WPGC.	9	20	3150	1033	12/38
CELINE DION MOST ADDED! #6 Albums,	ALL BY MYSELF deb 36 MPS; radio readio		124 from this lp.	98	31	818	291	0/ 0
DUNCAN SHEIK  Debut 16 Requests; video sta	BARELY arting - new radio play at	ATL/ATL G WZPL, WNKS.	122	6	13	3004	1140	4/9
ΓΑΓΚΑΡ	HOLY RIVER	NPG	116	8	16	2148	519	0/ 0

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# "the freshmen"

The Track From "Villains" that has made their website buzz all year long

#### MODERN ROCK

20 New Adds This Week Including:

KGDE KTCL KMYZ **KQXR WBCN** WHMP **KOME WBZU KZON** WHTG **WPBZ** KTOZ **KREV KXPK KENZ WPLA KLZR KNRX** 

#### Already On These HUGE Stations:

KROQ	CIMX	WENZ
Q101	WHYT	WLUM
WHFS	99X	XHRM
KPNT	KNDD	WAQZ
KDGE	WEND	+ Over 50 More



# the new single by the verve pipe

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# HITSBOUND

ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL	ONS	ADDS	AGGR	TOTAL PLAYS	TOP 40 MKT PLAYS	MTV
OHN MELLENCAMP Goes in rotation this week at KI	JUST ANOTHER PLZ, WQAL, WTIC.	MERCURY	101	3	2	2318	572	4/ 65
IO MERCY New believers include KIIS, KS	PLEASE DON'T GO		<b>96</b> <i>WZNY, WZ</i> Y	<b>18</b> 72.	21	1400	414	0/0
BETTER THAN EZRA Rotations increase with new pla	DESPERATELY ay from KKRZ, KMXB, KJ	ELEK/EEG 103, KESR.	91	4	9	1614	471	6/ 49
VALLFLOWERS #11 Albums, #12 MPS; album	ONE HEADLIGHT sales way up again - new		<b>85</b> LZ, WDBZ, K	<b>21</b> ALC, moi	<b>38</b>	1246	381	19/104
<b>J2</b> Debut 15 Requests; airplay spr	DISCOTHEQUE eading - more support at h	ISLAND KYSR, KKRD, K92, C	85 others.	13	6	1257	569	23/84
GARBAGE #3 Albums (strk), #3 MPS, #14	#1 CRUSH Requests; KBFM comes	CAPITOL in this week.	79	1	2	1396	537	0/ 0
BLACKOUT ALLSTARS Debut 17 Requests; new at KS		COL/CRG D, WGTZ, WDJX - ut	<b>79</b> n huh, uh huh	17	15	1450	648	0/ 0
MONICA #5 Albums (strk), #25 MPS; and	FOR YOU I WILL other smash from the hit so	WS/ATL/ATL G oundtrack - new at H	<b>76</b> IOT97, KS10	<b>12</b>	24	1615	806	2/3
: <mark>11</mark> #19 Albums, #16 MPS, #19 Re	ALL MIXED UP quests; spins up - new at I	CAPR/MERC PRO-FM, WFLZ, oth	<b>75</b> ners.	8	9	1259	501	6/ 289
CRYSTAL WATERS  More support including KIIS, W.	IF YOU FEEL KTU, WNVZ, XL106.	MERCURY	72	12	19	1442	525	0/ 0
USCIOUS JACKSON #41 MPS; spreading with new s	NAKED EYES support at WBHT, WRFY,	GR/CAPITOL WHZZ, WNNK, WZ	<b>65</b> OK.	5	5	898	310	15/73
EAH ANDREONE VH1 adds along with new radio	IT'S ALRIGHT spins at Q102, WRVW, V	RCA VBLI.	61	10	4	957	336	1/7
MANDA MARSHALL Goes on at WAPE, WZST, WLI	FALL FROM KT, K92, WYOY, WNNK,	EPIC KMCK, more.	56	9	11	769	195	0/ 0
.IVIN' JOY Crossing from club play - picks	DON'T STOP up KACD, WKSS, KHTT,	MCA <i>B95</i> .	54	8	13	791	306	0/ 0
ALIYAH	ONE IN A	BG/ATL/ATL G	42	4	15	1601	1014	7/ 12

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16 HITS Top Fifty Albums 9 HITS MPS Chart R&R Top 40 Mainstream: 11\* BDS Top 40 Mainstream: 14\* BDS Spins: 2241 (+133)

**A Multi-Format Hit** BDS Modern Rock: 6\*-5\* **BDS Adult: 16\*-14\*** 

#### **Call-Out America:**

12+ Rank: #14 2+ Score: 3.58

Women 18-24 Score: 3.62

Women 18-24 Rank: #9

#### **Great Early Callout:**

"With over 250 spins, Counting Crows are ready for 'B' rotation. Callout looks great... showing Power potential."

- John Ivey/WXKS, Boston

#### WZPL/Indianapolis

12+ Rank: #10

12+ Score: 3.55, 71% Familiar, No Burn!!!

Females 30-34: 3.65 - #13

#### WSTR/Atlanta

12+ Females: #7 (3.8)

33-37 Females: # (4.3)



# COUNTING



a long december



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Mixed by Michael Barbiero
Direct Management Group Inc. Steven Jensen & Martin Kirkup



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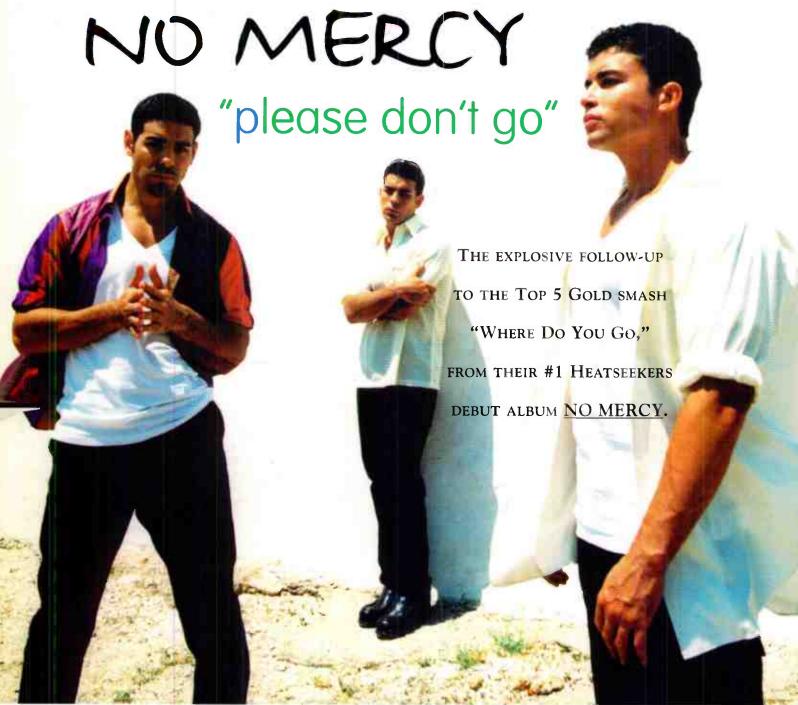




# HISBOUND

ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL	оиѕ	ADDS	AGGR	TOTAL PLAYS	TOP 40 MKT PLAYS	MTV
YAULA COLE WILDCARD! Lots of early repo	WHERE HAVE orts including KHKS, WXK	WB S, KYSR, WPLJ, m	<b>36</b> nore.	15	13	544	405	0/ 0
IC LYTE  JAMZ/Crossover play leading -	COLD ROCK new at PWR96.	EW/EEG	33	2	7	804	569	2/ 11
SAVAGE GARDEN Most playing from dat - cds on	I WANT YOU the way - new at KFMB, S	COL/CRG TAR94, WPLJ, WL	<b>32</b> DBZ, more.	18	12	558	465	0/ 0
E CLICK New reports at WNKS, KG95.	TONIGHT IS	RCA	32	2	7	824	311	0/ 0
SABELLE Newcomer opens up with repo	ONE O'CLOCK rts including KHKS, KZHT,	WORK , <i>WFLZ, WKSE</i> .	30	21	6	145	52	0/ 0
TORI AMOS Enjoying a second run - KROC	SILENT ALL ), WXKS, KBBT, WLUM, V	ATL/ATL G VBMX and more.	26	21	4	117	64	0/ 0
<b>NSHLEY MACISAAC</b> MTV puts in play - new radio sp	SLEEPY MAGGIE bins include KALC.	A&M	26	4	3	233	41	0/0
BARENAKED LADIES Out of the box at WFBC, WST	OLD APARTMENT W, WLVY, WZST, U93, W		<b>25</b> more.	16	2	238	115	0/2
TAFKAP VH1 adds, along with new radi	SOMEBODY'S o support at KQMQ.	NPG	24	1	5	353	115	0/ 0
MARK MORRISON  Lots of reports including KJMN	RETURN OF KKRZ, WWKX, FM102.	ATL/ATL G	23	13	10	537	241	0/ 0
PHIL COLLINS VH1 puts in - new spins from V	IT'S IN YOUR YUKS, Y100.	ATL/ATL G	23	2	2	301	36	0/ 0
VZ YET Y100, KGGI and WKXJ hit this	HARD TO SAY Chicago cover.	LAF/ARISTA	22	3	3	707	299	0/ 0
<b>DRU HILL</b> Album debuts #35 - huge at JA	IN MY BED MZ and getting early Top	ISLAND 40 play.	22	2	7	587	378	0/ 0
FREAK NASTY Crossing from Mix Show play -	DA DIP new at 92Q, KS107, KYL	TRIBAL D.	21	9	10	547	442	0/ 0
<b>E-40</b> JAMZ play leading - new at KY	THINGS'LL	JIVE	21	1	1	382	245	0/ 2

## SOME SINGLES ARE HOT. SOME EXPLODE.



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WKTU WPRO KRBE WNVZ

WKSS

MAJORS WHO DID GO:

KIIS WXKS B96
WWZZ KZHT KMXV
KS107 KHOM Z90
WZJM Y100 KKLQ
WFLZ WIOQ KHTS

Monitor D-40\*

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<b>(EITH SWEAT</b> #13 Albums; MTV adds new cut a	JUST A TOUCH along with KJMN, KHTS	ELEK/EEG , WJMN, KZHT, Z90	<b>20</b> ), more.	17	5	219	98	0/0
MMATURE Breaking from JAMZ/Mix Show p	WATCH ME DO lay - new at KSJM.	LOUD/RCA	20	1	3	444	212	7/ 23
ERYKAH BADU Selling Top 10 singles - video sta	ON & ON rting - new at KJMN, KB	UNIVERSAL XX, Z90, FM102.	19	6	6	369	247	7/ 14
FUNKY GREEN DOGS  More reports from KJ103, KWIN,	FIRED UP WVSR, KZII.	MCA	17	4	2	210	106	0/ 0
<-5 KHTS and WDJX among this we	PASSION ek's reports.	ROBBINS	17	5	2	205	146	0/ 0
R.E.M.  More early reports including WPL	ELECTROLITE .L, WENZ.	WB	14	3	4	130	50	15/16
PUFF DADDY Goes in play at Z90, KUBE, WKX	CAN'T NOBODY (J, WFHN.	B BOY/ARISTA	14	4	3	348	325	4/4
SARAH MCLACHLAN Adult Top 40 play out in front on t	POSESSION this one.	NET/ARISTA	12	2	1	308	236	0/ 0
THA TRUTH  Crossover play leading here.	EVERYDAY	PRIORITY	11	2	4	107	52	0/ 0
RARE BLEND  New for WJJS, KDNR.	SWANG	CURB	11	2	5	147	25	0/ 0
MICHAEL ENGLISH  Leo Sayer cover starting with WZ	WHEN I NEED	CURB	11	5	2	51	0	0/ 0

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"All Mixed Up"





#20 LP In The Country
41,034 Scanned This Week
Double Platinum LP

<u>ADDS</u>	incl	<u>ude</u> :					
WFLZ	<u> </u>	wstw	WQ	ZQ	WRFY	WZ	OK
WPR	0 I	KKRD	WSI	NX.	WGLU	WN	ISL
<b>Z100</b>	23x		WRVQ	28x	KI	LLC	50x
WPLY	46x		WLSS	26x	W	HYI	12x
<b>KFMB</b>	45x		WDCG	21x	W	ZNY	26x
WKBQ	16x		WNTQ	22x	W	VKS	27x
WKRZ	19x		WBHT	22x	W	NKS	14x





"Say...If You Feel Alright"

Most Added Again!

34\*-30\* R&R CHR/Rhythmic 38\*-29\* Rhythm Monitor

50\*-38\* R&R CHR/Pop 90\*-45\* Top 40 Monitor

15 New Add	ds include:	
WKTU	KIIS WNVZ	WXXL
Major Spins:	WSTR 30x	WDRQ 30x
WWZZ 50x	WIOQ 25x	WFLY 30x
KUBE 51x	WBLI 28x	KHTS 25x
<b>KS107</b> 51x	WRVQ 34x	WAPE 28x
KKRZ 30x	WWKX 32x	WJMN 48x
WPGC 30x	WHYI 27x	<b>Z90</b> 25x
WMYK 70x		





# REQUESTS

Dinky the bungee jumper calls in for "Brain Salad Surgery".

LW	тw	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL	HOTS	INCL	UDING	<b>3</b>	%
3	1	CARDIGANS	LOVEFOOL	MERCURY	78	B96 WKQI	Z100 WZJM	WDBZ WNCI	55
4	2	SPICE GIRLS	WANNABE	VIRGIN	77	KALC WFBC	Q106 WAPE	KHOM KFRX	54
1	3	NO DOUBT	DON'T SPEAK	TRA/INTER	64	KIIS XL106	KS107 WZOK	WIOQ WGTZ	45
3	4	TONI BRAXTON	UN-BREAK MY HEART	LAF/ARISTA	48	WFLZ WIOQ	PRO-FM WWXM	Q102 WKSS	34
7	5	KEITH SWEAT	NOBODY	ELEK/EEG	44	B97 WJMN	B96 WNVZ	WJMH WSNX	31
10	6	BLACKSTREET	NO DIGGITY	INTERSCOPE	38	KIIS KKRD	PWR106 XL106	KKRZ WBHT	26
13	7	MADONNA	DON'T CRY FOR	WB	37	WBLI KNHC	WRQX WLVY	STAR94 WZST	26
9	8	JEWEL	YOU WERE MEANT	ATL/ATL G	34	KHFI WPLL	KHMX G105	WDBZ WZPL	24
5	9	EN VOGUE	DON'T LET GO	EW/EEG	33	92Q KPRR	Z90 Q106	WJMN WFLZ	23
8	10	R KELLY	I BELIEVE I CAN	JIVE	30	KKSS WFBC	KRQ U93	WHHH WSKS	21
6	11	GINA G.	OHH AAH	ETERNAL/WB	25	WNCI WKQI	STAR94 WLVY	KHTQ KMXV	17
11	12	GINUWINE	PONY	550 MUSIC	19	KS107 WRHT	KHTS WZNY	HOT97 WZOK	13
12	13	R.H.C.P.	ROLLERCOASTER	GEFFEN	17	KHOM KKRD	WRFY WGTZ	KHFI WSPK	12
	14	GARBAGE	#1 CRUSH	CAPITOL	16	93Q KVSR	KISF WYOY	KTBZ U93	11
	15	U2	DISCOTHEQUE	ISLAND	15	KISF WWXM	WKSS WXPS	WPLL WZST	10
	16	DUNCAN SHEIK	BARELY BREATHING	ATL/ATL G	13	KBBT KKRZ	KDMX PRO-FM	KHMX WRFY	9
	17	B ALLSTARS	I LIKE IT	COL/CRG	12	B96 WABB	KHTS 98PXY	KQMQ KIXY	8
-	18	COUNTING CROWS	LONG DECEMBER	DGC	10	STAR94 WRFY	KISF KVSR	WPST WIFC	7
19	19	311	ALL MIXED UP	CAPR/MERC	9	KISF WWXM	93Q WGRG	KHTQ WLVY	6
	20	SHERYL CROW	EVERYDAY IS A	A&M	8	G105 KKMG	Q106 WYKS	KESR WLVY	5

Total stations reporting this week: 141

# ONGON

"DAMN, Y'ALL FEEL THAT?"

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#1 Billboard Hot R&B Singles!

Crossover Airplay: 50-31\* R&R

R&B Airplay: 9\*-3\* R&B Monitor

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39,916 Singles Sold This Week... 11\*-9\* Soundscan Top Singles! (+9,323)

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#### **MOST ADDED AGAIN!!!**

НОТ97	New York	31x Add
KMEL	San Francisco	14x
WPGC	Washington	34x
Z90	San Diego	Add
KBXX	Houston	Add
92Q	Baltimore	16x
KJMN	Denver	Add
KSFM	Sacramento	Add
<b>WWKX</b>	Providence	11x
WHHH	Indianapolis	30x
WJMH	Greensboro	63x
WQZQ	Nashville	Add
WJBT	Jacksonville	37x
WBHJ	Birmingham	57x
KDNR	Albuquerque	Add
KWIN	Stockton	19x
KDGS	Wichita	27×
WKXJ	Chaittanooga	10x
WJJS	Roanoke	17×
KHTN	Modesto	10x
WSGF	Savannah	18x
WOCQ	Ocean City	44x





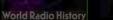
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# STATSHET

ARTIST	MTV	VH1 SPINS	BOX RANK	T40 MKT	T40 MKT	REQ	LP RANK	SINGLE
NO DOUBT		29	17	3663	1	10	1	-
MADONNA/DON'T/EVITA (ST)		17	0	1763	7	19	2	_
GARBAGE/ROMEO & JULIET (ST)	-	-	-	537	35	8	3	_
TONI BRAXTON	2	35	48	3450	2	9	4	2
R KELLY/SPACE JAM (ST)	20	8	12	1415	12	8	5	3
CELINE DION/IT'S	0	0	ON	576	30	5	6	52
JEWEL	19	23	ON	1946	5	9	9	13
CARDIGANS	22	22	47	2866	4	10	3.5	-
COUNTING CROWS	21	22	37	1675	8	7	16	-
MAKAVELI (2PAC)	13	0	6	88	139	9	7	
W. HOUSTON/PREACHER'S (ST)	17	25	2	664	25	8	10	16
WALLFLOWERS	19	15	50	381	52	6	11	-
LEANN RIMES	0	0	0	0	0	1	8	9 1
BLACKSTREET/NO	3	2	ON	1672	9	8	12	23
AALIYAH	7	0	3	1014	16	7	14	
311	6	0	ON	501	40	7	19	-
MAC 10/D.POUND/RHYME (ST)	0	0	8	159	103	7	17	21
KEITH SWEAT	7	_4	ON	1591	11	9	13	7
BUSH/SWALLOWED	4	0	35	143	108	6	15	-
FOXY BROWN	13	0	ON	565	34	5	24	0
BABYFACE	12	8	ON	1033	15	5	26	12
GREASE MEGA-MIX	0	0	ON	425	46	6	22	<u> </u>
GINUWINE	5	0	ON	889	20	7	30	50
SHERYL CROW	17	10_	41	1119	14	7	29	
MONICA/SPACE JAM (ST)		0	5	806	21	7	5	-

MTV/VH1: # of spins per week. Dash = No video available.

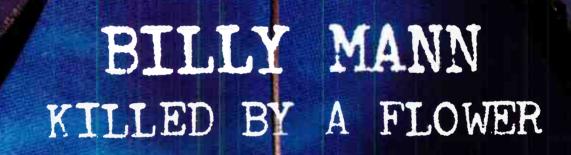
BOX: Top 50 most played, on or add. Dash = No video available.

Top 40 Market Plays/Rank: Plays and rank in the 40 largest national markets.

Requests: Ranked 1 to 10 with 10 being hottest.

LP Rank: Top 200 sales position. Dash = LP not yet released.

Single Rank: Top 100 sales position. Dash = Single not available at retail.



from the self-titled debut



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ARTIST	MTV SPINS	VH1 SPINS	BOX RANK	T40 MKT PLAYS	T40 MKT RANK	REQ	LP RANK	SINGLE RANK
SUBLIME/SANTERIA		0	ON	171	100	₫ 4	23	-
BUSH/GREEDY		0	0	235	79	4	15	-
ALANIS MORISSETTE/RIGHT	-	_	_	62	186	4	2:1	_
SNOOP DOGGY DOGG	0	0	ON	133	110	3	27	0
DRU HILL	0	0	1	378	53	9	36	11
DAVE MATTHEWS BAND	17	3	ON	339	56	3	31	-
SUBLIME/WHAT	4	0	ON	365	55	6	23	_
TONY TONI TONE	9	0	26	783	22	4	34	-
LIL' KIM	8	0	28	246	72	7	42	10
RHCP/BEAVIS & BUTT-HEAD (ST)		0	ON	425	45	8_	32	_
CELINE DION/ALL	0	17	ADD	291	66	3	6	_
CAKE		0	15	108	123	5	40	
REDMAN/WHATEVA/THAT'S	0	0	11	22	312	6	<b>- 41</b>	0
ALANIS MORISSETTE/HEAD	1	0	ON	644	27	3	21	
MARILYN MANSON	13	0	ON	45	216	5	39	-
LUSCIOUS JACKSON	15	0	25	310	61	<u> </u>	8/7	67
NEW EDITION	2	4	19	965	18	6	33	19
BLOODHOUND GANG	10	0	ON	84	144	4	48	-
METALLICA	16	0	ADD	0	507	4	45	_
BLACKSTREET	ADD	0	0	31	267	3	12	
WESTSIDE CONNECTION	0	0	ON	75	154	3	38	39
BJORK	4	0	0	0	403	2	981	
MADONNA/YOU/EVITA (ST)	0	0	ON	39	234	3	2	15
TAFKAP/HOLY/SOMEBODY'S	0	ADD	0	519	38	3	115	-
DON HENLEY/MICHAEL (ST)		- 7	V	216	83	1	56	-

MTV/VH1: # of spins per week. Dash = No video available.

BOX: Top 50 most played, on or add. Dash = No video available.

Top 40 Market Plays/Rank: Plays and rank in the 40 largest national markets.

Requests: Ranked 1 to 10 with 10 being hottest.

LP Rank: Top 200 sales position. Dash = LP not yet released.

Single Rank: Top 100 sales position. Dash = Single not available at retail.



# HON JJ Johnson HON JJ Johnson HON JOHNSON

for the day when they can shoot cushy jobs on fashion runways in Paris and New York, or better, score hot pix of British royalty in some semblance of chicanery. Not Hiriam Hicks. Island Records' Sr. Vice President/ GM Black Music has seen his

# SICK HITS

career develop faster than the photos he used to shoot in the Philadelphia area since high school. Hicks began his music industry career as a club promoter, which led to a

long-standing friendship with New Edition, specifically Michael Bivins, who watched and learned Hicks' methods, and has since gone on to manage several acts on his own Biv 10/Motown label.

But this story's about Our Mr. Hicks. The man has been a publisher (Serious Hip-Hop), tour manager ("Triple Threat," New Edition's "NE Heartbreak") and manager (New Edition, Keith Sweat, TLC), all of which prepped him for his current role at Island. In that capacity, Hicks has overseen the resurrection of the Isley Bros., executive-produced the Gold soundtrack to "Don't Be A Menace To South Central While Drinking Your Juice In The Hood," and nurtured today's stars such as Dru Hill, Mona Lisa, Nneka, Myron and more. Mr. Hicks sat down with HITS' own resurrection project, JJ Johnson "Wack," to discuss his meteoric rise... and the other's precipitous fall, in that order.

#### WAS IT PART OF A LARGER PLAN WHEN YOU BECAME A PHOTOGRAPHER?

It was part of the plan. I realized I couldn't sing or dance, but I wanted to be in the music industry in some major capacity. So, I used photography as a vehicle to get in the door.

WHAT MADE YOU WANT TO BE

#### WHAT MADE YOU WANT TO B IN THE MUSIC INDUSTRY?

I think everybody young wants to be in the business in some shape, form or fashion, whether it's singing like Jodeei and Sam Cooke or producing and directing movies, like Steven Spielberg.

#### DID YOU STUDY THE BUSINESS END OF THINGS MUCH WHEN YOU WERE A PHOTOGRAPHER?

Actually, being around and in the business, I had opportunities to rub elbows with major players like Berry Gordy and Kenny Gamble. I absorbed the two styles from being around

"Sometimes, you have to take a step backward to teap high forward."



HICKS NIX BILL'S LICKS:
Island Black Music Sr. VP/GM
Hiriam Hicks (l) tries to get
out of his IRS audit by offering
President Bill (c) an autographed Isley Bros. guitar and
a visit from Angela Winbush
(r), but only succeeds in
getting a free order of
McDonald's fries to share
with Ernie (second from 1)
and Ronnie (second from r).

them. Gamble had a more soulful sound-the sound of Philadelphia-whereas Berry Gordy had a pop style and wanted to expand into motion pictures, which he did with "Lady Sings The Blues" and "Mahogany." Gamble's gutsy R&B approach, with Teddy Pendergrass, was more about chicken'n grits type of sound... not necessarily thinking of crossing over. So, it was like two generals with different styles, but the success was there for both. I took notes to understand the pros and cons of the music industry, how it's structured from the top, down and the bottom up.

#### HOW DID YOU HOOK-UP WITH NEW EDITION?

I was promoting shows at a club and got to be good friends with Michael Bivins. I let him hang out with me a couple of times as a young kid. There was another side to him—hip-hop and rap, especially in the early stages.

We got to be real close, and I was instrumental on putting New Edition back together after they broke up the first time when Bobby Brown left. It became a success after they added Johnny Gill From that point, I officially became a major player in the New Edition saga. I was instrumental in putting the "Heartbreak Tour" together. as well, with Bobby Brown, Al B. Sure! and New Edition. Because of the work I did with New Edition, I later managed Bell Biv DeVoe. And from BBD, I put together the "Triple-Threat Tour." After that, I managed BBD and Keith Sweat, and that was a success. From there, I managed TLG. I felt as though I had taken management to its highest level. During that time, I had an opportunity to meet major players like Tommy Mottola. Bob Krasnow, Al Teller, Clive Davis, whom I had a deal with. I saw their styles and now it was time

for me to take my career to the next level. I wanted the challenge, so I decided to go on the inside. I had five offers from major companies, but I wanted to go where it was barren, where they had no black music. I felt that it would be a great challenge for me. Many people saw it as taking a step backwards. But, sometimes, you have to take a step backward to leap high forward.

#### I'M TRYING TO IMAGINE WHY ANYONE WOULD CONSIDER YOUR MOVE A STEP BACKWARD.

I believe in planning your work and working your plan-it's easy to stay complacent, especially if you have success. I just felt I wanted a new challenge as a person. Sometimes it's more challenging to an individual to start up something or to make something that wasn't happening happen. Sometimes, you want to take on personal challenges to help other people make whatever they have to bring to the table bigger. I felt I would be able to help artists more and by extension the label I worked at-if I applied the experience I had working with artists and interacting with the companies. I felt I could use these talents to a greater extent if I was on the inside.

#### HOW DO YOU ANALYZE YOUR CAREER AT THIS POINT?

I have so much more work to do that I haven't had time to come up for air to really even think about it. I'm just getting started.

# WHEN YOU WERE IN THE PROCESS OF STAFFING, WHAT KIND OF PEOPLE DID YOU LOOK FOR? WHAT IS THE INTERACTION LIKE WITH YOUR STAFF?

I was looking for aggressive people, people who had leadership abilities, people who knew what they wanted and who were go-getters. Not someone I'd have to wind up,

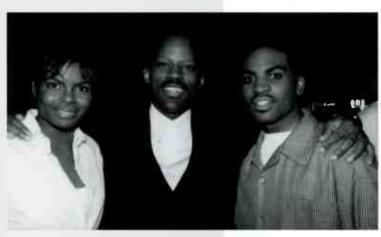
"There's a deficiency

in strong, black executives. I'm talking about great execs.

[top]: HICKS' PICKS TO CLICK: Island Black Music Sr. VP/GM Hiriam Hicks (c) takes hot new label artists Nneka (1) and Myron (r) under his wing, before borrowing \$20 from each and blowing it on a long-shot in the sixth race at Belmont. [bottom]: REBUILDING PRO-GRAM: Island Black Music Sr. VP/GM Hiriam Hicks (r), along with the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) and the National Urban League "Rebuild The Churches Fund," presents a check for \$225,000 to Rev. Henry Lyons, President of the National Baptist Convention, for distribution to help rebuild burned houses of worship. Shown trying to use some of the funds to keep the picture out of this sorry excuse for a trade magazine are (1-r) ADL's Abraham H. Foxman, Lyons, ADL's Howard P. Berkowitz, Nat'l Urban League's Hugh Price, ADL's David H. Strassler and Hicks.

but people who were already wound up and hadn't the opportunity to really express themselves. There are many frustrated people in the industry who are great but don't have that latitude to go ahead and do things their way. The bottom line that I asked from my staff was results. Do what you have to do... I understand that there'll be some easualties in war, but results are what count. That's what I look for in my staff, and those are the type of people I wanted around me. I have the vision. I know what I want. And there are people who know how to execute and those are the people I wanted. I've run into a lot of these people at different record companies as I traveled through my career. TELL US ABOUT SOME OF YOUR KEY PLAYERS.

Doug Daniel, my Sr. VP





Urban Promotion, is second to none when it comes to promotion. He has a track record of bringing Arista home to prove it. And then there's Varnell Johnson, my VP of Operations, a veteran in the business who knows all the major players. He can pick up the phone and make things happen. Angela Thomas, who worked with Don Ienner at Columbia, is our VP of Marketing. Those are people with a history and versatility in their background. Stanley Brown's our Director of A&R, and has been with me awhile. He broke Christopher Williams with a #1 hit record (1991's "I'm Dreaming"). He also has a gospel background, which is another direction I'm taking Island Black Music. Then there's Tim Patterson, my VP of A&R, who was instrumental in the careers of Mary J. Blige and Jodeci; he worked at Uptown and then Arista, so I was fortunate to get him. Then there's Gwen Quinn, who handles publicity. She was at Capitol and Flava Unit before coming to Island. These are grassroots people who are hungry and definitely

#### HOW HAVE YOU PUT TOGETH-**ER YOUR ROSTER?**

The criteria is being able to entertain. Sing and entertain. When you have a group like the Islevs-vou know, a lot of people thought I was crazy because that was one of the first groups I signed. These guys are veterans. One, they are entertainers and two, with the right product, it's nothing but success for them because there's a void in the market, as you see today, for "real" songs. Then we have Dru Hill, five guys from Baltimore who not only sing, but perform. They are born stars. What they needed was the right material and now they have that. I have a female artist named Nneka, who's real strong. We've got Mona Lisa coming.

I'm also starting a Gospel division, to which we just signed Karen Clark-Sheppard, from the Clark Sisters. I also started a West Coast hip-hop division of hip-hop, Unfadeable Records, with Fade. He's also on my marketing staff. He used to be with Interscope, one of the innovators and early promotion people in terms of the streets. He was the guy behind Tupae and Dr. Dre's "The Chronic" album. Now he's running Unfadeable Records on the West Coast for me. So we're just growing and expanding. That's why I said earlier, we're just getting started. And there's so much more and so many people I want to help and give the opportunity to really do whatever it is they want to do. In terms of Island Black Music, I want to be a veluicle for these young producers, artists and executives who need an outlet to prove themselves to the public and to the industry.

#### DO YOU HAVE ANY ADVICE FOR UP-AND-COMING EXECU-TIVES IN THE BUSINESS?

They need to realize their potential and who they are, because there's a deficiency in strong, black executives. I'm talking about great execs. Learn all vou can learn. Humble vourselves. Remember, the artists are the stars. The artists pay our bills. No record company is anything without artists. We need to respect the artists as we do our jobs, and understand, at the same time, the bottom line is P&L... profit and loss. That is what we will all be judged by, because if it's not making dollars, it's not making sense. We need to focus on that as businessmen and executives and put our egos aside and let our artists have the right-of-way. Let us focus on doing what we do best, whether it's managing, budgeting, A&R-whatever it may be.□

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**WALLFLOWERS** 

One Headlight

(Interscope) 6 A. MARSHALL (Epic)

2 **CELINE DION** 

All By Myself

(550 Music)

**TORI AMOS** 

Silent All These... (Atl/Atl G)

SAVAGE GARDEN I Want You 3

(Col/CRG)

**BALLSTARS** 

(Col/CRG)

4 U2 Discotheque

(Island)

**SABELLE** 

One O'Clock

I Like It

Fall From Grace

(WORK)

**PAULA COLE** 

Where Have...

(WB)

**MONICA** 

For You I Will

(WS/Atl/Atl G)

JACKO/CK105/FLINT Savage Garden/Monica

MIKE ALEXANDER/KVSR/FRESNO TAmos/P Cole

JANDREWS/KKSS/ALBUOUEROUE M Morrison/Monica

RICH ANHORN/KHMX/HOUSTON S Crow

JON ANTHONY/KISF/KANSAS CITY Dann/I'm/Cold

FRANKIE BLUE/WKTU/NEW YORK C Dion/C Waters/K Sweat

JT BOSCH/WRHT/GREENVILLE T Amos/C Dion

FRED BUCHALTER/WKQI/DETROIT C Dion/S Colvin

CHET BUCHANAN/KZHT/SALT LAKE W Town/Savage Garden/W Orchid

C BURNAUGH/TOWER/NASHVILLE Cravin' Melon/A Twin/Darlahood

MARK CADY/TOWER/MESA Wallflowers/Jewel/WS Connection/C Future

LEE CAGLE/KS107.5/DENVER Joose/Monica

LEO CARO/KCHX/MIDLAND Ondina/L Joy/Joose

S CARR/TOWER/CHERRY HILL Jamiroquai/Wallflowers/Jewel

KEVIN CASEY/WYOY/JACKSON C Dion/A Marshall/L Jackson

MIKE CHASE/KMCK/FAYETTEVILLE Sabelle/OMC/Slim/None

GENA COE/TOWER/SAN FRANCISCO Wallflowers/Keb Mo/Cardigans

ADAM COOK/XL106/ORLANDO C Dion/Savage Garden

KEITH CURRY/WSNX/GRAND RAPIDS C Dion/Savage Garden

JOHN DICKINSON/KJMN/DENVER Offspring/M Manson

JOHN DIMICK/WNCI/COLUMBUS C Dion

FRANK DOUAL/TOWER/NEW ORLEANS Savage Garden/Wallflowers/U2

MARK FEATHER/KJMN/DENVER M Morrison/K Sweat/Ginuwine/BLACKstreet

**BOB FENTY/ASSOCIATED/PHOENIX** C Waters/L Joy/F Brown/Immature

CHAD FITZGERALD/TOWER/FRESNO Wallflowers/K Shaker/U2

JIM FREEMAN/HMV/STAMFORD Live/Crush/S Pimps

TOM GALLAGHER/KESR/LITTLE ROCK C Dion/U2

TOM GARRETT/WZOK/ROCKFORD 311/Wallflowers/Savage Garden

**CHUCK GEIGER/WLSS/BATON ROUGE** C Dion

JOEY GIOVINGO/B97/NEW ORLEANS Wallflowers/A Marshall/Babyface

JOHN HARRISON/Z104/MADISON G Michael/Savage Garden

J HARTWELL/WHOT/YOUNGSTOWN C Dion/Sabelle/P Cole

SEAN HICKEY/BORDERS/BRYN MAWR B Cockburn/Morphine/Pavement/U2

LLOYD HUMMEL/IMPACT/TEMPE Wallflowers/D Sheik/U2/Live

J HUNTER/TOWER/LONG ISLAND U2/S Girls

**CLARK INGRAM/WPXY/ROCHESTER** Savage Garden/Babyface/P Cole

JEPH JOHNSON/TOWER/PORTLAND BH Gang/U2/Wallflowers

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J LADNER/TOWER/SACRAMENTO U2/Wallflowers/S Girls

BEAU LANDRY/WBIZ/EAU CLAIRE C Dion/P Cole/Borrowers

JIM LAWSON/KALC/DENVER Odds/Wallflowers/B Mann

**LEANNA LEPARE/TOWER/DENVER** Bjork/Jamiroquai

AL LEVIN/WBLI/LONG ISLAND Monica/A Marshall/No Mercy

DON LONDON/WNVZ/NORFOLK C Waters/Sabelle

TONY MANN/WAPE/JACKSONVILLE C Dion/311

NICOLE MASH/ODYSSEY/LAS VEGAS WS Connection/BH Gang/U2

W MCCARTHEY/WXPS/BURLINGTON V Pipe/W Town

J MCCARTNEY/KC101/NEW HAVEN Wallflowers/C Dion

BARRY MCGUIRE/KDUK/EUGENE L Andreone/M Morrison

TODD MEEHAN/TOWER/LOS ANGELES B Serveert/5 For Fighting/James/C Kreviazuk

W MERRITT/SEA-PORT/PORTLAND BO All Stars/Bjork/R Patterson/2Pac

JILL MEYER/WLKT/LEXINGTON A Marshall/Savage Garden

GARETT MICHAELS/WHYT/DETROIT T Amos/Tonic

BILL MITCHELL/U93/SOUTH BEND Savage Garden/Live

MR ED/KHKS/DALLAS C Dion

MICHAEL NEWMAN/KBBT/PORTLAND P Cole/T Amos

NIKKI NITE/WWXM/MYRTLE BEACH L Andreone/Wallflowers/BO All Stars/C Dion **D OCEAN**/WBHT/WILKES BARRE D Sheik/L Jackson

V OFFINGA/RIP CITY/PORTLAND U2/D Sheik

JIMMY OLSEN/93Q/SYRACUSE P Cole/Savage Garden/BO All Stars

CAROL PARKER/WRQX/WASHINGTON Madonna/S Crow

BOB PATTEN/MUSIC NETWORK/ATL J Lang/D Hill/Madonna

**C PAUL/HMV BROADWAY/NEW YORK** D Hill/D Sheik/Bjork/Wallflowers

ALISON PEMBER/TOWER/SEATTLE U2/Wallflowers

T PERRI WHITE/TOWER/BEAVERTON U2/Wallflowers/K Shaker

ROD PHILLIPS/WIFC/WAUSAU Savage Garden/Wallflowers

MARK REID/KQKY/KEARNEY U2/Republica

JJ RICE/98PXY/ROCHESTER P Cole/BO All Stars/S Girls

TIM RICHARDS/KRQ/TUCSON C Dion/BO All Stars

KAREN RITE/WDJX/LOUISVILLE C Dion/BN Ladies

T RIVERA/TOWER/SAN FRANCISCO T Amos/C Dion/Sabelle/Wallflowers

PEMBERTON ROACH/TOWER/NY Wallflowers/S Girls

R ROHRMANN/TOWER/SACRAMENTO Wallflowers/Savage Garden/U2

RON ROSS/WWZZ/WASHINGTON DC S Crow/C Dion/No Mercy

S SCHANTZ/WSPK/POUGHKEEPSIE C Dion

C SCHKADE/TOWER/LA JOLLA Wallflowers/Jamiroquai/Bjork/Space

J SCOTT/ELECTRIC FETUS/MINNY J Lang/C Matto/2Pac/S Youth

NEIL SHARPE/WNCI/COLUMBUS C Dion

G SHAVER/MUSIC PEOPLE/OAKLAND Redman/E-40/F Brown/P Combs

RANDY SHERWIN/WXKB/FT MYERS Savage Garden/C Dion

**BRUCE STEVENS/WZNY/AUGUSTA** C Dion/Wallflowers

**DAVE STEWART**/WPLL/MIAMI REM/S Pimps

**DARREN STONE**/WABB/MOBILE C Dion/J Secada/Savage Garden

M SUMMERS/WZYP/HUNTSVILLE C Dion/Wallflowers

VTABINSKY/REC ARCHIVES/ROCHESTER PS Adams/WS Panic/J Lang

LISA THOMAS/KDMX/DALLAS T Amos/S Colvin/P Cole

J THOMAS/TOWER/SHERMAN OAKS NI Nails/D Bowie/R Kross

PHIL THOMAS/WKMX/DOTHAN A Marshall/Wallflowers/C Dion

**SONNY VALENTINE**/KFRX/LINCOLN Savage Garden/P Cole

R VALENZUELA/TOWER/PHOENIX BLACKstreet/D Hill/Wallflowers/WS Connection

FERNANDO VENTURA/KHFI/AUSTIN 311/U2/C Dion

TONY WAITEKUS/WHTS/DAVENPORT Savage Garden/BN Ladies

PAUL WALKER/KGOT/ANCHORAGE BN Ladies/A Marshall

CWESTER/DOWN IN THE VALLY/MINNY J Lang/C Matto/PS Adams/C Crows

MIKE WHITE/MUSIC MILLENIUM/OR Wallflowers/K Shaker/Jewel

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# WHEELS& DEALS

BY JOE FLEISCHER

ALWAYS THE LAST TO KNOW?: Sure, maybe the rest of the brilliant, cutting-edge A&R community has moved on to nab the next Orbital or Celine Dion (whichever comes first, we guess), but that hasn't stopped publishers from throwing down the elephant bucks for that alternative thing that's all washed up—except, of course, for the big hit records. Capricom/Mercury's Cake concluded deals with BMG Music for exc-N. America and EMI Music Stateside, as the band, and their hit LP, only get stronger. Meanwhile, EMI and Warner/Chappell are engaged in a staredown over the rights to Interscope's Wallflowers, who could turn out to be the rock success story of '97. Death of alternative or not, hit records from real artists are still a good bet... Mio Vukovic hits the ground running at his

#### Urge Overkill



Have A&R guy, will follow.

new 550 gig, signing Urge Overkill (again) following the band's release from Geffen. Mio also picked up Detroit's Getaway Cruiser and London's Headswim. Message to young A&R reps: Go forth and sign-we're counting on you... Our love for Veruca Salt only grows stronger... APPLE TALK: Singer/songwriter Tom Freund continues to wow the East Coasters, as evidenced by his last Brownies show, which turned out a bevy of publishers along with the usual A&R suspects... The biggest swarm of Big Apple weasels this year clogged the Merc' for a performance by the Tommy Valentino-repped Audrey. Look for this

one to heat up... Family Of God packed in the weasel faithful at Luna Lounge for their last show following a nice shot in Time Out... Meanwhile, as evidenced by the sea of heavies in the house at Irving Plaza last Saturday night, Brainiac still certainly has the ear of the A&R community. Lots of card-carrying members of Interscope, Atlantic, Warner Bros., Columbia and Capitol... Size 14's NYC debut at the Mercury Lounge featured maximum weaseltude, with Zoo and Universal looking especially strong... Keep your ears open for Clem Snide... ELSEWHERE: Ticketmaster has shuttered its showcase series. The Refreshments, Dishwalla and The Verve Pipe all enjoyed showcase exposure that may have led in some way to their signing major label deals, but the concept could be obsolete. Look for many of the longstanding unsigned-band-based conventions to take a serious downturn in attendance this year and scuttle operations as early as next year, now that the follow-the-herd approach to rock A&R is looking played out and in its final days... Then there's the story of one English band which went from hot buzzband to forgotten also-ran after the band's UK-based label priced them out of viability. With the current amount of domestic weasel traffic to London and the stupid dollars being tossed around, look for Brit indies to smell blood in the water and cash in... Texas Is The Reason continues to fascinate the ears community as senior execs from nearly every major make the scene for the band's gig at L.A.'s Troubadour last week. What's up?... Five Easy Pieces looking like a done deal at MCA, courtesy of Michael Rosenblatt (newly relocated in the main office)... Jeff Matlow's Santa Monica-based indie, Crank!, has inked a distribution deal with Epitaph... BMI's New Music Nights in San Francisco kicks off its eighth year with JoJo, Train and Liar playing Slim's on 2/6... Lots of heat now on 1,000 Clowns... Gold Mountain's Justine Chiara and Tim Anctil take over management duties for DGC's that dog... BUZZIN': Mitch Brody, Suzie Rose, Something Happens, Spanish Kitchen.

# MINI-MUGS



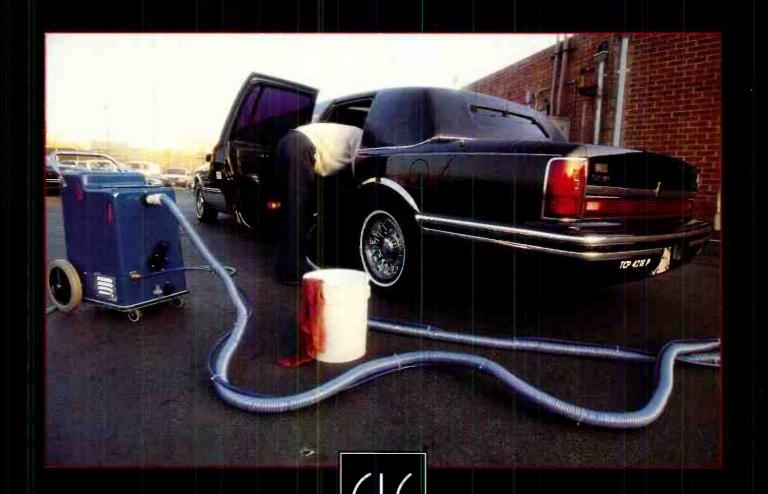
BABYFACE IN THE CROWD: Singer/songwriter/producer and label chief Babyface, a 12-time Grammy nominee in this year's awards ceremony, is congratulated by BMI execs prior to receiving the "Bill of Rights" award from the American Civil Liberties Union in L.A. recently. BMI's '96 Songwriter of the Year got a free subscription to the Nation and the oppportunity to pull rank on the following Newt Gingrich supporters (1-r) BMI Sr. VP Perf. Rights Del Bryant, Sr. Dir. Writer/Pub. Rel. Cheryl Dickerson, Babyface and BMI Dir. Film/TV Rel. Linda Livingston.



SABELLE OF THE BALL: WORK Group Records dance diva Sabelle signs with PolyGram Music Publishing just before the release of her self-titled debut album. The first single, "One O'Clock," was just released to rhythm stations. Shown just after getting turned away by the Studio 54 doorman after waiting outside for 22 years are (l-r) PolyGram Music Pub Sr. Creative Director Claude Mitchell, Sabelle and PolyGram Music Pub. Sr. VP/GM East Coast Holly Greene.



WHAT A DIFFERENCE DAY TA DAY MAKES: Jireh/MCA Records artists Day Ta Day, known for their backing vocals on Salt-N-Pepa's hit "Shoop," ink a deal with EMI Music Publishing to participate in the company's witness relocation program, which became necessary after the following showed up in this hazardous waste site (seated, 1-r) the hand's Lawrence "Soul" Flack, Wendel "Slap" Wylie, Ernest "Scootie" Hairston, Reggie McFadgen & Lynn "Fuzz" Taylor. (Standing, 1-r) EMI Music Pub. Sr. VP Evan Lamberg, attv. Jay Rosenthal & mgr. Gerald Scott.



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AS A REMIXER,

HE HAS JUST REMIXED AEROSMITH'S "FALLING IN LOVE (IS HARD ON THE KNEES)" AS WELL AS SMASHING PUMPKINS' "1979," METALLICA'S "UNTIL IT SLEEPS," AND SOUNDGARDEN'S "DUSTY."

AS AN ARTIST, HE'S NOT WHAT YOU THINK.



(BASE	D ON	A COMBINATION OF AIRPLAY AND SALES.)	
LW/	TW	ARTIST/LABEL	COMMENTS
11	1	ROMEO & JULIET OST Capitol	#1 KMYZ,KEDG
_	_	Garbage,Cardigans	
2	2	BUSH - Trauma/Interscope	#1 KOME,WZXX
3	3	Greedy Fly  COUNTING CROWS - DGC	#1 WZRH,WXEG
	4	A Long December  WALLFLOWERS - Interscope	#1 WORO KAED
5	4	One Headlight	#1 WGRG,KAEP
4	5	311 - Capricorn/Mercury	#1 WDGE,WPLY
7	6	All Mixed Up  SUBLIME - Gasoline Alley/MCA	#1 KJEE,KBRS
-4-	U	Santeria	#1 NJLL,NDNJ
6	7	NO DOUBT - Trauma/Interscope	most added
0	8	Excuse Me Mr.,Don't  CARDIGANS - Mercury	#1 CIMX,KAEP
9	·U	Lovefoot	#1 Clivia,RAEP
10	9	SHERYL CROW - A&M	WNVE,KTBZ Add
11	10	Everyday Is A Winding Road  DAVE MATTHEWS - RCA	O101 KTP7 Add
11	TU	Crash	Q101,KTBZ Add
8	11	SMASHING PUMPKINS - Virgin	#1 WDRE,KWOD
40	40	Thirty-three	MANAAD MANDYO A JA
13	12	CAKE - Capricorn/Mercury I Will Survive	WMAD,WRXQ Add
15	13	BETTER THAN EZRA - Elektra/EEG	#1 99X,KENZ
12	-	Desperately Wanting	and dhy a
12	14	POE - Modern/Atlantic/AG Hello	goodbye
19	15	LUSCIOUS JACKSON - GR/Capitol	#1 KNNC,WWCD
20	16	Naked Eye	MANDIA MIDONI A 44
20	16	MARILYN MANSON - Not./Interscope Tourniquet	WXRK,WBCN Add
14	17	BEAVIS & BUTTHEAD OST DGC	#1 KDGE
10	10	Red Hot Chili Peppers	NATO / supervioles
18	18	<b>BLOODHOUND GANG</b> - Rep./Geffen Fire Water Burn	ivi i v ups video
	19	BECK - DGC	WHFS,91X Add
22	20	New Pollution	00V WENV 444
22	20	FIONA APPLE - Clean Slate/WORK Sleep To Dream	99X,WFNX Add
17	21	SOUNDGARDEN - A&M	what's next?
16	22	Blow Up The Outside	KITO WEND A 44
16	22	STONE TEMPLE PILOTS - Atl./AG Tumble In The Rough	KITS,WEND Add
	23	SPACE - Gut/Universal	WXRK,WPLY Add
	0.0	Female Of The Species	0.1.1
	24	THE SUICIDE MACHINES - Hollywood No Face	Sales!
25	25	SOUL COUGHING - Warner Bros.	MTV Add

Super Bon Bon

#### By Ivana Adored

TO YOU I BESTOW: It's been a big week for two friends who've been in the PoMo format for ten plus years: One of the original members of the PoMo Kabal, Jack Isquith, just confirmed that he has resigned from A&M. where he's been VP of Alternative Promotion for the last five years. No word yet on where he's headed so we can't tell you whether or not it's YOUR job he's after. For all I know, Jack's going to be the new PoMo Editor at HITS. Also moving but fortunately not too far is Jim McGuinn, who's the new PD at WPLY in Philadelphia, follow-

ing the exit of Chuck Tisa. We hail Jim for figuring out a way to stay in Philly even after WDRE was sold, although after spending the last four days in our hometown of Easton, PA, we're not sure why anybody voluntarily lives through an east-coast winter. Doug Kubinski will stay on as MD......THIS JUST IN: Sub Pop has decided to disband its Commercial Promotion department, leaving Susie Tennant and Cheryl Kovalchik without jobs. We can't recommend either one of them enough! ..... None of the names you've heard have been named the new PD at Y-107..... If I were to summarize the progress thus far of the Squirrel Nut Zippers record in a New York





Now He'll Never Get To See What's Under Ashley MacIsaac's Kilt

Post-esque headline, it would have to say, "HELL SELLS." Did you see the sales story this week? After 15 spins of "Hell" at KROQ, the Squirrel Nut Zippers album is #70 in LA, selling 752 pieces!!!! The add this week at 99X will certainly elevate the album's current rank of #140 in Atlanta. WFNX in Boston was the first PoMo station to add "Hell" and the album has already sold over 4,200 pieces in the market and the band's appearance on the WHFS Morning Show during the inauguration helped sell more than 200 pieces last week in the Washington/Baltimore area! Now will you believe us when we tell you that this song is a HTT?..... Prodigy's "Firestarter" is now on over 60 PoMo stations (including KROQ), with over 64,000 singles sold in the past few weeks ...... We really really really love both the new Kula Shaker and James singles and we don't even consider our elves to be "anglophiles," except when it comes to clothes (we worship Paul Snuth)—although we've made no secret of how much we also really really really really love Sneaker Pimps, Mundy, Space and White Town..... Gary Spivack started off his first week in his new digs at Atlantic in NYC by making Tori Amos #2 Most Added this week AND (with big help from Calderone) scoring 10 adds on Jewel's "You Were Meant For Me." Even though the song is a huge Pop smash. Jewel is still perceived as a PoMo artist and, since she'll have a new album sometime soon, doesn't it make sense to play this SMASH song and trick your audience into believing you were there from the beginning? Kudos to Gary, although we suspect he spent this week buying furniture at ABC Carpet & Home, while Kris Metzdorf and Lynn Oakes did all the work..... We are so happy that this week MTV added Veruca Salt and The Verve Pipe into "Buzz Clip".... One of the reasons I was on the east coast last week was to see my aunt who'd been diagnosed in October with cancer. I planned to see her last Friday to tell her how much she meant to me even though I lived 3,000 miles away. Unfortunately, she died on Thursday and my conversation with her coffin didn't exactly have the same impact. It's not a bad idea to break out of our selfabsorbed, self-protective, careerist shells on occasion and acknowledge those who are truly important to us.

F=bruary 3, 1997



# POST MODERN

#### **HOTS**

- 1. U2 (Island)
- 2. ROMEO & JULIET OST. (Capitol)
- 3. COUNTING CROWS (DGC)
- 4. WALLFLOWERS (Interscope)
- 5. LIVE (Radioactive)
- 6. CARDIGANS (Mercury)

#### **ADDS**

- 1. VERUCA SALT ("Volcano...") (Outpost/Ge.
- 2. TORI AMOS ("Silent...") (Atlantic/AG)
- 3. TOOL ("H.") (Zoo)
- 4. NO DOUBT ("Excuse Me Mr.") (Trauma/Int.)
- 5. MOBY ("That's When...") (Elektra/EEG)
- 6. JAMES ("She's A Star") (Fontana/Mercury)

#### [Hot reports from the nation's leading radio and retail outlets]

NEWBURY COMICS / NATALIE WALEIK / ALLSTON, MA Wallflowers No Doubt Dave Matthews Band Jewel

PLASTIC FANTASTIC / MAX-IMILLION / ARDMORE, PA. No Doubt Counting Crows Bush Beck Dave Matthews Band

WHTG / TJ BRYAN / ASBURY PARK Nine Inch Nails Wallflowers U2 Soul Coughing Cardigans

Counting Crows

99X / BRIAN / LESLIE / SEAN / ATLANTA Better Than Ezra Prodigy Sebadoh U2 Silverchair

WWBX / WENDELL GEE / BANGOR. ME U2 Smashing Pumpkins Wallflowers Silverchair Fountains Of Wayne

MOD LANG / PAUL / NAOMI / BERKELEY, CA Trans Am Flying Saucer Attack Softies Bjork Space

WRAX / DAVE ROSS / BIRMINGHAM, AL K's Choice R.E.M. Wallflowers Paula Cole U2 WBCN / OEDIPUS / CARTER ALAN / BOSTON Live Silverchair U2 Depeche Mode Bush

WFNX / BILL / LAURIE / BOSTON Live U2 Fountains Of Wayne Romeo & Juliet OST. CJ Bolland

DOG EAR / RICK JOHNSON / CHICAGO No Doubt Counting Crows Bush Sheryl Crow Marilyn Manson

Q101 / MARY SHUMINAS / BILL GAMBLE / CHICAGO Nine Inch Nails Bloodhound Gang Offspring Prodigy Silverchair

WAQZ / MATT HARRIS / CINCINNATI, OH U2 Counting Crows Cardigans Dave Matthews Band Smashing Pumpkins

WENZ / SEAN ROBERTSON / CLEVELAND Live Romeo & Juliet OST. Counting Crows U2 Dave Matthews Band

WMMS / BOB NEUMANN / CLEVELAND Nine Inch Nails Wallflowers Type O Negative Poe Offspring SINGING DOG / JOE JANOWIEZKI / COLUMBUS, OH Romeo & Juliet OST. Counting Crows No Doubt Sublime R.E.M.

KXPK / DOUG CLIFTON / GARY SCHOENWETTER / DENVER U2 Dave Matthews Band Better Than Ezra Luscious Jackson Wallflowers

MIDDLE EARTH / TIM CARTER / DOWNEY, CA Space Squirrel Nut Zippers Kula Shaker The Suicide Machines Stray Cats

KZIO / JUSTIN CASE / DULUTH, MN Stone Temple Pilots Tonic No Doubt Soundgarden Romeo & Juliet OST.

KBRS / BO SHANNON / WIN PATTON / FAYETTEVILLE, AR Sublime Sheryl Crow Weezer Cardigans Bush

FINEST CD'S & TAPES / JOE ENDORF / GREELEY, CO No Doubt 311 Romeo & Juliet OST. Jamiroquai Dave Matthews Band

WMRQ / JAY BEAU JONES / DAVE HILL / HARTFORD, CT Romeo & Juliet OST. Live U2 Silverchair Smashing Pumpkins KISF / JON ANTHONY / KANSAS CITY 311 Counting Crows Better Than Ezra Smashing Pumpkins Romeo & Juliet OST.

STREETSIDE / JO LONGACKER / KANSAS CITY Lazlo Bane 60ft. Dolls Ditch Witch Wilco Ty Herndan

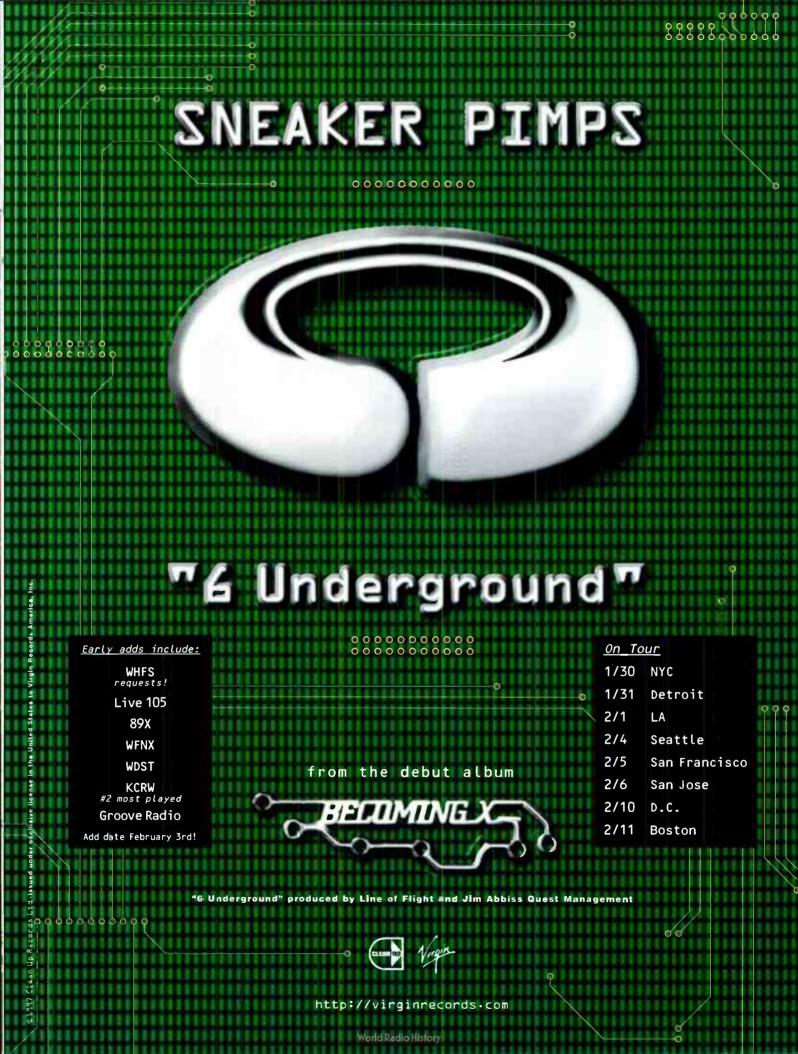
MICHIGAN WHEREHOUSE /
FRANK JENKS / LANSING
Romeo & Juliet OST.
No Doubt
Jewel
Dave Matthews Band
Counting Crows

KIEF'S / STEVE WILSON / LAWRENCE, KS Dave Matthews Band Phish Bjork Cardigans Wallflower

ARONS RECORDS / WALTER VILLACRESES / LOS ANGELES Bjork Trans Am Tricky Jamiroquai Beck

KROQ / KEVIN / GENE / LISA / LOS ANGELES White Town U2 Bush Live Space

MOBY DISC / BOB SAY / LOS ANGELES Beck Sublime Counting Crows Sheryl Crow Dave Matthews Band



# PUSTINUUERN



FRANK COPSIDAS KCHZ

Kansas City, KS

After a grand march toward the "Big '80s" and a stealthy, overnight countermarch toward their real target, Frank (or Superfrank, as he's affectionately known) continued his expansionist campaign with a new Channel Z station, this time in Kansas City. Now that the strategy is clear and there's another battle station, we can expect the bellicose Frank to beef up the drills he puts the music industry through every time he breaks a band (which is often)! Ascending in the Superfrank ranks: Much of his KTOZ staff has transferred to the new quarters to work with Frank (Julie Bahre, Johnny "Gomez" Cage) and the new GM is Kansas City legend Jay "Grandpa" Cooper. Frank also took Drew and Melody from KNNC and moved them to KTOZ. Pictured here, Superfrank at his Montana compound plotting new battles with Superdog Zoe.

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Y-107 / SANDY HOROWITZ / LOS ANGELES Smashing Pumpkins Cardigans U2 Wallflowers Verve Pipe

NO LIFE RECORDS / D. SANFORD / C. ARNOLD / LOS ANGELES, CA Trans Am Polar Bear DJ Shadow

Atari Teenage Riot Cambria

KEGE / JOHN LASSMAN / MINNEAPOLIS, MN Local H Counting Crows Sheryl Crow Better Than Ezra Wallflowers

REV105 / KEVIN COLE / MINNEAPOLIS, MN Romeo & Juliet OST. Nine Inch Nails U2 Live

Social Distortion

UNDERGROUND SOUNDS / LAU-RA FERRARA / NEW ORLEANS Swans NOFX Blanks 77 Problematics June of 44

WXRK / ALEXA TOBIN / STEVE KINGSTON / NEW YORK Live Soundgarden U2 Metallica Cardigans

WROX / AL MITCHELL / PERRY STONE / NORFOLK, VA Prodigy Bloodhoung Gang Nine Inch Nails Sublime Marilyn Manson KGDE / JOHN STEWART / LYNN BARSTOW / OMAHA, NB Wallflowers Bush Counting Crows Live

WOXY / DAVE / DORSEI / OXFORD, OH Paula Cole Chainsaw Kittens U2 Wedding Present Tricky

WDRE / JIM MCGUINN / MARI-LYN/PRESTON / PHILADELPHIA Smashing Pumpkins U2 Weezer Romeo & Juliet OST. Sheryl Crow

WPLY / DOUG KUBINSKI / PHILADELPHIA, PA 311 Cardigans No Doubt Counting Crows Stone Temple Pilots

KFMA / SUZIE DUNN / PHOENIX Soul Coughing Space Cardigans Garbage U2

IN YOUR EAR / MARK / DENNIS / PROVIDENCE, RI Cardigans DJ Shadow Chemical Brothers Underworld Luscious Jackson

GO BOY / ALAN OSTROFF / REDONDO BEACH, CA Sublime Less Than Jake Hot Curly Weenie Blink 182 Beck MAD PLATTER / DON WATSON / RIVERSIDE, CA Save Ferris Sublime Reel Big Fish Squirrel Nut Zippers Social Distortion

91X / MALCOLM / TIM / MUCKLEY / SAN DIEGO Live U2 Sublime Depeche Mode Offspring

XHRM / BRYNN / GREG / SAN DIEGO Space Verve Pipe Wallflowers Squirrel Nut Zippers Beck

KITS / AARON/ROLAND/RICHARD SANDS/SAN FRANCISCO White Town Live Silverchair U2 Luscious Jackson

EASY STREET / MATT VAUGHN / SEATTLE Jamiroquai Bjork Dave Matthews Band Marilyn Manson Super Deluxe

KAEP / SCOTT / SPOKANE, WA Wallflowers Smashing Pumpkins Romeo & Juliet OST. Sheryl Crow Counting Crows

KTOZ / MATT JONES / SPRING-FIELD, MO U2 Soundgarden Garbage Smashing Pumpkins Poe KPNT / ALEX LUKE / ERIC SCHMIDT / ST. LOUIS U2 Silverchair Live Bush Smashing Pumpkins

ZIA (7 STORES) / LLOYD HUM-MEL / TEMPE, AZ Jamiroquai Matchbox 20 Less Than Jake Ashley MacIsaac Tricky

KMYZ / PAUL KRIEGLER / TUL-SA, OK Romeo & Juliet OST. Stone Temple Pilots Smashing Pumpkins U2 Silverchair

KXBS / STEPHANIE ROSE / VENTURA, CA U2 Luscious Jackson Sublime Social Distortion Romeo & Juliet OST.

WHFS / ROBERT / BOB / PAT / WASHINGTON D.C. Bloodhound Gang Romeo & Juliet OST. Counting Crows No Doubt Cardigans

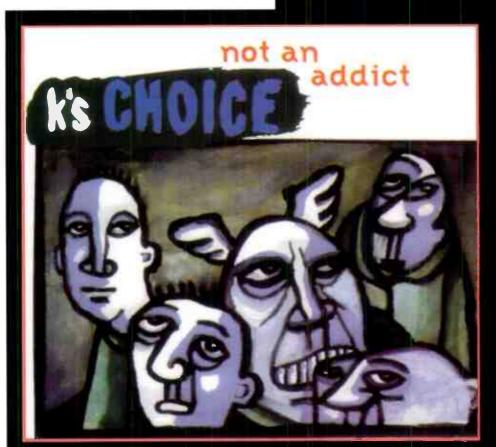
EAST WEST / BRIAN MARTIN / WINTER PARK, FL Bridgette Bodene Space Apples In Stereo Treble Charger Gus Gus

3D COMPACT DISCS / MARK SINDICICH / YORK, PA Prodigy Trans Am Fun Lovin' Criminals Bloodhound Gang June Of 44

# K's CHOICE

#### "not an addict"

KTBZ/Houston, TX - #1 phones after 4 weeks of airplay. Soundscan sales 3 week trend 24-93-163! David Sadof/MD says "Sara Bettens grabs your attention with her acapella intro and haunting lyrics, very addictive!"



WENZ/Cleveland - PD Sean Robertson says "After 6 weeks the record has really blown up! The phones are comsistently top 10!"

#### WARQ/Columbia, SC - PO Susan Groves "Our Biggest Song of 1996! No Bullshit." #1 phones! #1 research! Sales:consistently ranked in the top 100!

KKND/New Orleans - MD Rod Ryan says "Just massive phones! Second biggest reaction record behind Marilyn Manson since we signed on 4 months ago in New Orleans!"

WPLA/Jacksonville - APD Greg Brady says "Works great for us! Immediate phones since the first time we played it! The boys and girls love it." Top 5 phones for 3 months!

WXSR/Tallahassee - Rich Schmidt "I'm just as surprised as anyone else. It's #1 Phones! We're moving it up, way up. The night guy is getting 8-9 calls a night for it. We usually get 2-3 calls for the heavy hitters."

WRAX/Birmingham - PD Dave Rossi says, "What are you deaf or something? Why aren't you playing this record. It's a hit! Phones are jamming!" Top 5 phones!

WZRH/New Orleans - Darren Gauthier/MO says "Instant phones, song appeals to younger and upper demo's!" Top 10 phones!

WXEG/Dayton - Allen Rantz/MD - "With top 5 phones all through December, there's no "choice" about it. Get addicted: 'Not An Addict' is a smash!" #1 phones for three weeks!

WNTX/Kalamazoo - PD Bill Walters says "#1 for 8 weeks! Now consistently top 5 phones. The phones always blow up when we play this song!"

WPBZ/West Palm Beach - Interim PD John O'Connell says "Still one of my favorite songs of the year. Hasn't left my car stereo since I got it!"

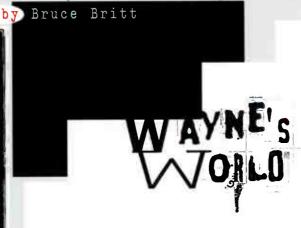




Wil Sharpe for Carr/Sharpe Entertainment

Time for three coins in the Fountains of Wayne's Adam Schlesinger and Chris Collingwood





The Fountains Of Wayne saga began formative years. Moving to New York, I from his Boston school days. Schlesinger pose forming a new group. Taking their Of Wayne was formally conceived.

Lest anyone doubt the group's pop st

try to outdo each other. Not to make comparisons or anything, but where we live, there's a real tight circle of musicians and friends within a five-block radius. We're constantly sharing stuff and encouraging each other, and that makes for a real creative environment.

back then, so people really felt free to experiment to

WHAT ARE SOME OF YOUR FAVORITE RECORDS?

Chris Collingwood: One would have to be "Steve Twice Shy." McQueen" by Prefab Sprout. It was titled "Two Wheels Good" here in America. It was produced by Thomas Dolby and he definitely brought something to the recording. I also like more straightforward songwriters like Burt Bacharach and Cole Porter. I kind of arrived at all that from listening to [Prefab Sprout's] Paddy McAloon. "High Land, High Rain" by Aztec Camera was abig record for me. It made me realize how much you could accomplish by just strumming chords and singing. Recently I've been listening to a singer named Ron Sexsmith. He's just a brilliant writer, and the moods he creates on his record are amazing.

HOW ABOUT YOU, ADAM?

SCHLESINGER: I would definitely have to say the Beatles, but it's hard to pick one record. "Revolver" or maybe "Meet The Beatles," which was the first and only record I owned for five years. I got that record when I was three-years-old from a hippie aunt of mine who lived in California. I also love Elvis Costello - - "Imperial Bedroom" and "Blood & Chocolate" are two of my favorites.

DID YOU GET TEASED IN HIGH SCHOOL FOR YOUR MUSICAL TASTES?

COLLINGWOOD: I used to listen to R.E.M. and stuff like that. This was back in '85 when "Reckoning" had just come out. If you had that record, you were labeled a homosexual. Except in my case, they skipped over the homosexual accusations and went straight to beating me up.

HOW WOULD YOU SUM UP YOUR ALBUM?

SCHLESINGER: It's really just pop music, pretty straight-ahead. All the songs are as tossed-off as we could possibly make them. We try not to belabor them too much, and hopefully they come across that way. We're fans of pop music in the most traditional, '60s-inspired sense. We grew up listening to '60s pop like the Zombies, the Beatles, the Beach Boys, and that's the way we tend to write. To us, it's a bit of a joke to use distorted guitar because we're not trying to write heavy alternative rock. People would probably say we're alternative, but there's songwriting underneath it.

WHAT WAS THE INSPIRATION FOR "PLEASE DON'T ROCK ME TONIGHT"? COLLINGWOOD: That song is about our frustration with music, but on

FOUNTAINS OF WAYNE SPECIALIZE IN BEATLESQUE POP SO EFFERVESCENT, YOU'D SWEAR IT'S BEEN carbonated. The group is comprised of singer/songwriters Adam Schlesinger and Chris Collingwood, a New York duo who share a fondness for frothy Brit-pop melodies and daffy lyrics. The group—which also includes Brian Young and Jody Porter—displays a keen '60s rock sensibility on songs like "Radiation Vibe," "Sink To The Bottom" and "She's Got A Problem."

The Fountains Of Wayne saga began in Boston, where lead singer Collingwood spent his musically formative years. Moving to New York, he reunited with Schlesinger, an ex-bandmate and roommate from his Boston school days. Schlesinger was enthused enough by Collingwood's new material to propose forming a new group. Taking their name from a statuary shop in suburban New Jersey, Fountains Of Wayne was formally conceived.

Lest anyone doubt the group's pop smarts, consider the fact that Schlesinger composed the memorable title track to Tom Hanks' critically acclaimed film, "That Thing You Do!" Schlesinger is also a partner in Scratchie Records, the Chicago-based label co-owned by D'Arcy and James Iha of Smashing Pumpkins. Any remaining naysayers should apprise that the band's entire debut album was written in the span of a week, and recorded in a mere eight days. The group is currently on the road opening for Smashing Pumpkins.

Collingwood and Schlesinger recently convened at Atlantic Records' west coast offices, where they divulged the secret eleven herbs and spices to HITS' own galloping gourmet Bruce "Once" Britt "En Twice Shu"

a lighter note. Most of the time Adam and I write together, we're trying to make ourselves crack up. It's this contest to see who can make the other laugh first. That particular song came from wanting to write an anti-rocker anthem. When you write a song in 10 minutes, you don't have much invested in it. If it sucks, you just throw it away.

ADAM, HOW DID YOU COME TO THE ATTENTION OF TOM HANKS? SCHLESINGER: Basically, the movie company put word through the music publishing companies that they were looking for a song. It was like a cattle call for demo tapes. So the people at PolyGram Publishing whom I have a deal with asked me if I wanted to submit a song for it. They knew I was into that era of music, and that was really it. The only info I had to go by was the era and the name of the band—the Wonders. They wouldn't give out scripts or anything, so it was really a shot in the dark. I wrote three versions of the song, and brought them over to my friend Mike's house, and he agreed to sing the demo for me. He has the perfect voice for that kind of pop. Out of the three versions, he pointed out the one that I ended up submitting.

They called up and said, "We all really liked the song out here; it's a leading contender." So they let it be known it was looking pretty good. Some time went by before they actually settled on it. I have to say it was pretty outrageous. I did a demo of it in one afternoon. It was such a long shot. So I had a pretty amazed reaction.

The only thing they changed was the drum intro, because of the character in the movie. Otherwise they completely used the original arrangement, except the line about the severed human head. And they took out the Barry White rap in the middle. They said it wasn't right.

ARE THINGS HAPPENING ALMOST TOO FAST FOR THIS BAND?

SCHLESINGER: To be honest, we really made it a condition of our record deal to get this album out as quickly as possible. We didn't want to sit on the record for a year, because that isn't how the record was made. We wrote and recorded it quickly, and we wanted to bring that same spirit to the making and promoting of it. It's never a good thing to sit around thinking about stuff. It's rock music.

#### **Live 105** KNDD

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#### **New Adds This Week:**

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**WFNX WLUM** 

WDRE

**XHRM X96** 

**WBZU** 

**WPLA WBRU** 

**WROX** 

And Many More...



# September's

TIME TO CARRY ME BACK TO QUE VIRGININY WITH SEPTEMBER

67's SHANNON WORKELL AND KRISTIN ASSURY BY JANET TRAKIN





etting their start in Dave Matthews' hometown of Charlottesville, VA, which also boasts the University of Virginia, guitarist /lead singer/ songwriter Shannon Worrell and drummer/keyboardist /vocalist Kristin Asbury brought their tour to Mercury Lounge to perform as the duo known as September 67. The crowd was filled with many southerners and former students from U of V anticipating the live rendition of "Lucky Shoe," their debut CD on The Enclave, produced by Cracker's David Lowery, featuring an appearance by several band members including Johnny Hickman. The duo calls itself Southern Gothic pop, with Shannon influenced lyrically by southern writers like Flannery O'Connor. The music's a mix of country and folk with an

The songs are all autobiographical and extremely evocative, each tune a vignette of real-life, eccentric characters. During the performance, Shannon banters with the audience, telling them what each song is

about before playing it. From the story of how her mother shot off the head of a copperhead snake in her Santa Claus pajamas ("Mercy Is The Red Bird") to the revelation that Alice was actually a young boy who played piano but didn't pay attention to her ("What's Wrong With Alice?"), September 67 kept the crowd engaged and entertained throughout.

The music is stark and riveting, with Shannon plucking notes on guitar and Kristin providing smooth snare drum accompaniment. The harmonies are unique as Kristin provides a deep counterpoint to Shannon's soft emotional plaint. Combined with a sense of humor, September 67 lends lightness to even the saddest of songs.

Revived NYC correspondent Janet "Damnit" Trakin did a day/night doubleheader with the goils, hitting them up for lunch during the day and a show at night... but not before she made a complete pest of herself.

"The anger comes

from human expe-

rience, not neces-

point-of-view of a

sarily from the

Shannon Worrell

woman. "

Shannon: Both of us like country

music and certainly share a love for Patsy Cline. That's one of the only songs we cut with a nod to country music. When you play that sort of style, you really start to sing about the old heartbreak and blues, whatever Patsy Cline might do. "Lucky Shoe" could be considered the second part of "Walking After Midnight."

#### Is "Mercy Is The Red Bird" about motherhood?

**Shannon:** It's a song of praise for my mom's role through my entire life. Her name is Robin, so that's the red bird part. Most of it is just an homage to motherhoxd and my relationship to her.

#### "Cassandra On The Dance Floor" is about stealing someone's boyfriend. Has that ever happened to you?

Shannon: I stole my best friend's boyfriend. The song's about having a showdown on the dance floor where she told us off and started heckling us. Sometimes we'd get attacked by her in public. We live in such a small town that it's impossible to ever go out and not bump into people that you know and don't like.

Kristin: I'm actually trying to steal a boyfriend right now.

#### What do you mean by Southern Gothic pop?

Kristin: To me, it means a rich blend of a lot of things. I'm from Pennsylvania, so it would mean something different to me, being a northerner. I see it from the outside. Things that are southern to me are rich. Whether it has a country feel or some folk background, it would be a little more rich than most rock, which is strong and driving. It has a poppy side to it. It's also rich with lyrical content, with a serious structure or bottom to it.

#### You got your start in Charlottesville. Did being based in a college town make it any easier for you to break through?

Shannon: Only recently has the music scene there been revived. For a college town, it doesn't really have a full music scene. You'd think it would because it's such a beautiful place to live and there are many writers and artists living there. There is local pride that has evolved around the Dave Matthews Band. There are also some people from Pavement that come from Charlottesville bands. However, there are still not the number of venues and bands for live music you'd expect in a college town. It's not so great.

#### Is Liz Phair an influence on either of you?

**Shannon:** Both of us listen to her records all the time. I think she is just an amazing peer musically and age-wise. It's so exciting to see so many people our age out there playing music in bands.

#### What's your relationship with Cracker?

Kristin: We have a professional and friendly relationship with them. David [Lowery] co-produced the record and that's how we got the other members of the band to play on it. We ended up playing a gig with them, and most of them played on the record as well, with the exception of the drummer.

Shannon: They were working on their record at the same time and in the same studio as we were. It was cross-pollination. We sang on their record, and they played on ours. It was a very small studio. We were the only two things going on. It was inevitable that we would help each other out — to share some oxygen. ◆

#### How did you two meet?

emotional rock beat.

Kristin Asbury: We were both living in Charlottesville. I was in school and Shannon had just come back from living in New York. We hadn't met yet, and we were both having visions about our time in Charlottesville, so we got set up on a blind date of sorts.

There's a streak of anger in "Busy Building." Do you consider yourselves feminist?

Shannon Worrell: Not at all. The anger

comes from human experience, not necessarily from the point-of-view of a woman. It's just personalizing different people breaking hearts and having their hearts broken. It isn't really gender -specific.

#### "Burning Down The House" has strong imagery.

Shannon: I guess it's about sort of trashing everything you own in order to start all over again. You might call it a self-purification, burning down the house because it's old and unliveable. It's about being trapped by intolerable memories you try to scourge by destroying your house and starting over.

"Lucky Shoe" sounds as if it was inspired by Patsy Cline.

# White Own

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Time to squeeze the lemon with Tonic's

Emerson Hart

BY JANISS

GARZA

THE FACE OF THE HOLLYWOOD MUSIC SCENE has been changing over the past few years. Case in point... the band Tonic. Like many a rocker before them, most of the quartet are from elsewhere. [Singer/guitarist] Emerson Hart and [bassist] Dan Rothchild are from New Jersey and [guitarist] Jeff Russo is an ex-Manhattanite. Only [drummer] Kevin Shepard is a California native.

Unlike most L.A. outfits before them, though, they didn't haunt the Sunset Strip in search of a deal. They honed their talent by jamming at the Kibbutz Room of Canter's Delicatessen on Fairfax and other non-glitzy, low-key clubs. The result is all-American guitar rock, with perhaps a nod here and there to Hart's Irish ancestry. With a diverse amount of influencesfrom classic '70s rock to classic American poetry-Tonic can't be pigeonholed into one musical category ... much less a regional one. The quartet's latest single, "Casual Affair," from their label debut, "Lemon Parade" (Polydor/A&M), has followed the first track, "Open Up Your Eyes," onto the nation's airwaves. While prowling the Continent, Emerson Hart stopped long enough to be drooled on by HITS' own fawning follower of fashion, Janiss "No Sleep 'Til Eagle Rock" Garza.



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TELL ME ABOUT YOUR EXPERIENCES JAMMING AT THE KIBBUTZ ROOM.

It was a huge learning experience, because I got to play with all these different musicians who were great, and we got to do whatever we wanted. Like, we would play anything from King Crimson to the Cars! You had to think on the fly, and that helped me a great deal as a musician, and also as a band. We pretty much formed Tonic out of the Kibbutz Room. Kevin was playing there and Dan was playing at a place called Masquers, but he also played there as well. And then we started playing places that were kind of off the beaten track, like the Mint, which was a great club. We played every Sunday there for at least a year, getting the band together. It was a really small, grassroots kind of thing and that was great because it kept the audience honest. They didn't come there to be impressed. It was more like, "You want to come check out what we're doing, that's fine. If not, that's cool, too."

IT'S ODD THAT YOU GUYS ARE BASED OUT OF L.A., WITH ITS REPUTA-TION FOR BEING TRENDY AND SHALLOW—SOMETHING YOU GUYS DEF-INITELY AREN'T.

[Laughs] Well, we have good grounding. We've never been avid, trendy people because... I consider myself a complete geek, you know! I was never really in the "cool circle." We didn't really look at what was going on around us. We'd just sit in the rehearsal place and play the best music we could as a band.

WHAT KIND OF RESPONSES HAVE YOU BEEN GETTING ON TOUR WHEN PEOPLE FIND OUT TONIC'S FROM L.A.?

People are like, "Oh, you're from L.A.? Sorry about that." And it's really not that bad of a place, you know? They immediately throw labels on it, because that's just naturally what people want to do. But some places have been like, "Oh, you're from L.A.? Gool." There's still a lot of that stigma out there which really needs to be destroyed, so we're fighting hard. People should just listen to the music without that kind of prejudice.

HAS IT SURPRISED YOU THAT THE RECORD HAS BEEN GETTING THE AIR-PLAY AND ATTENTION IT HAS?

It's been pretty numbing, because it still hasn't sunk in quite yet. But then, in a way, that's good because we try to keep a good work ethic in the band. We really exercise cautious optimism. The record label's telling us, "You guys are moving up the charts! Things are great!" And that's cool, that's great—but how's the live show? What really matters to us is just playing the best show possible for the people who show up. And it's great that people are coming out more now because the single's been playing on the radio. That's what's important to me.

THERE ARE TWO SONGS THAT MENTION SOLDIERS ON THE RECORD—HAVE YOU HAD RELATIVES IN THE SERVICE?

I'm actually the only one in my family who's never served in a war, through the Revolutionary, the Mexican-American and the Civil War. I thought I was going to go in the Gulf War, but it didn't happen. I've always had a thing for history about soldiers, like in the old Irish stories, the soldiers who fought for the freedom of Ireland or whatever. I think it's a cool visual—those old poems and stories about the soldiers who came home, sat and talked about where they had been, the loves they lost and those they fought for. The people that those songs were about reminded me of those soldiers.

JUDGING FROM THE LYRICS, AND THE FACT THAT YOU CITE POET ROBERT FROST AS AN INFLUENCE, YOU'RE PROBABLY PRETTY WELL-READ, WHICH IS RARE THESE DAYS.

We tend to move so fast today because of technology. I'm not saying technology is bad, because it does a lot of great things, in the medical world and education—but we move so fast that we tend to forget some of the things that got us here. I know that sounds like such a "dad" thing to say, and I'm the farthest thing from a dad! But it's so important to read and look around. It's like, when they do that Beavis and Butt-flead thing, when he's going, "Words, words, words..." I mean, that's scary. It's funny, but it's scary.



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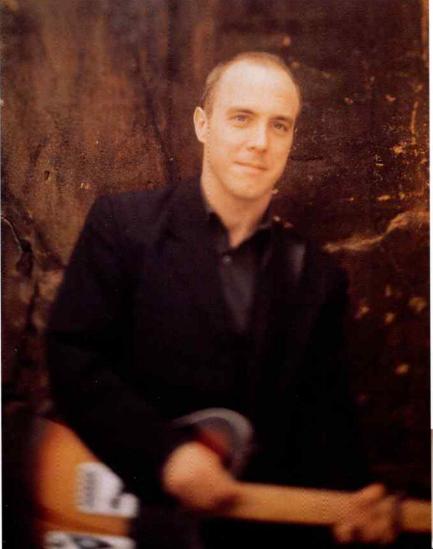
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- 1. COUNTING CROWS (DGC)
- 2. PAULA COLE (WB)
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- 4. WIDESPREAD PANIC (Capricorn/Mercury)
- WILCO (Reprise)
- 6. SHAWN COLVIN (Columbia/CRG)

#### APM PROFILE



William Topley: If you were doing APM radio five years ago, you might remember "Delta Rain," a song from the first record by The Blessing (on MCA). You also might recognize William Topley's voice when you put on his debut solo record "Black River," just released on Mercury. Topley's a Londoner who draws his vocal juice from the Delta, and since 1992 he's been accruing kudos

from some very noteworthy peole. Here's Mark Knopfier: "Distinctive, powerful, potent—there are echoes of great influences, but William Topley is always his own man... strictly legit." And legendary Muscle Schoals-producer Barry Beckett: "He's the finest singer I've ever heard." Beckett lends his production talents to this new record, and look for co-songwriting credits for the single "Uptown" and title track by Sting's guitarist Dominic Miller.

#### **APM PICK**

Widespread Panic "Bombs & Butterflies" (Capricorn/Mercury): Southern-fried granola rockers break from their massive tour schedule to lay down this powerful ten-track sophomore record. Singer John Bell is in prime form, flexing his soulful vocal muscles to epic proportions (check out the monolithic rock ballad "Gradle"), with Michael Houser's quit



lad "Gradle"), with Michael Houser's guitar fret finesse adding grace and gusto throughout. It's the kind of delivery that captures both southern valor and rock-n-roll defiance. A warm wash of organs and thick rock riffs turn the Pop Staples' track, "Hope In A Hopeless World," into a virtual anthem. (J.T.)

Road To Ensenada



# NEQUITEOSTILUES



#### NEDA LEPPARD TOBIN 550 MUSIC, NEW YORK

Wild, zany, wacky, vivacious, frisky—okay, we'll put the thesaurus down and tell you about Neda, a gal who earned her middle name by gridlocking NY-area karaoke bars singing her 16 different versions of "Pour Some Sugar On Me." Her ascension to the throne of VP of Rock and Field Operations makes us particularly proud for two reasons: She got her first job in the industry at a one stop in Miami (we love promo schmos who have hands-on retail knowledge), AND she gets to work the new Ben Folds Five record next month! Oddly enough, Neda didn't start out in this world planning to do record promotion, she actually wanted to be an elementary school teacher. We figure, with the great records she has coming up, it should be about the same thing.

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HOW BIZARRE, HOW BIZARRE: Don't know if it was the Toni Braxton "airconditioned" tux or the teen-testosterone antics of aged, leather-clad rockers Motley Crue that was the truly defining moment of baffling inanity, but then again, the American Music Awards were filled with so many of those special moments. How 'bout that apparition of lips and hat also known as Pamela Anderson Lee? It really is hard to pick a favorite..... TV wasn't as horrific as usual this week, mainly because my remote clicking suddenly landed on MTV where (behold!) the Ashley MacIsaac video was playing. This week's add is soooooo satisfying, and it's given me another reason to preach (c'mon, humor me, this is a good point). Five months ago, there was no noise on this record. A few non-comm stations had added it, and it was getting some specialty spins at a few APM commercial stations, but no one was really dealing with it. But then three people-Jody Denberg at KGSR, Dean

#### **ODDS**



It was the suits that got them the gig.

Carlson at KMTT and Bruce Warren at WXPN— began noticing some curiosity calls and requests coming in and they decided to commit to the record. They had a hunch that this was special. Sure enough, big spins caused big buzzes at these stations, and all three guys began telling the story to anyone who would listen. A&M listened (J.B. Brenner in particular) and they worked to spread this

thing. Eventually most of the panel played it and got the same reaction, and so on and so on all the way to Top 40. Point is, exciting records are needed at radio, no matter what the format, and chances are, this one could've slipped through completely unnoticed had it not been for a few people with really good ears who really have the chutzpah to commit to the right records. And I know a lot of you have done it. What's missing is the listening to each other part. When we're a little too obstinate about insisting how "our market" is "different" than anyone else's, we're going to miss out big time because we don't listen to other success stories. When it works, we're on those Fionas, Duncans and Wallflowers before the rest of the world. When it doesn't, we completely miss a mega artist that we should own (like Jewel). This sharing of the information is why I bother to tell you things like this week KFOG added Nil Lara's "Baby" (they did, have you yet?). That's really, really why I'm telling you that two stations in opposite ends of the country (KSCA and CIDR) are insisting on the validity of Patty Griffin as a reactive record. Talent is talent, hits are hits, no matter where you are..... By the time you've read this, KUMT in Salt Lake City has officially switched to soft rock. Please tell me flacidity isn't around your corner, too..... There's a buzz on ex-Private guy Rick Sackheim. Which one of many highrises will he call home?.... It's pretty obvious which record rep is on everyone's A list: Lisa Michelson. In two weeks she's gathered some of the most respectable call letters around the Odds, including WXRT this week. Finally a hook we can all hear. Then there's Freedy Johnston, which everyone says they adore. Should we just send Lisa her tiara now?..... Reasons why it's okay to lose your hair: only one, Van Morrison. What an amazing record he's got, and a vintage voice that sounds better than ever. Van is BACK, Rogaine be damned! Trust me, trust me.

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#### MY SO-CALLED COLUMN

Virtual Insanity Jamiroquai's conquering of America started Sunday at the House Of Blues in L.A. MTV was on hand to film a truly fired-up live set of songs from the addictive new CD, "Traveling Without Moving" (Work), which has already sold more in one week than a lot of "radio" bands. Words can't describe the blissed-out state of even the most mild-mannered radio and record types, or the very real concern that it was Rick James standing behind me in a Missing Persons-style see-through plastic coat... You know that only in L.A. would there be cigar smoking in the center of the Tricky show!

Tricky even let them turn lights on occasionally (unlike his last L.A. appearance) to show he Jamiroquai was using most of a "band" live, his bridge between traditional electronic music and live performance... Virtual Reality: Following in the footsteps of Oasis, Charlatans (new album in the spring) and Flamingoes are the genius Real People on Alex Luke's Seedy Singles label. "Rolling Stone" is one of the catchiest pop songs in a VERY long time and should propel another British band to the top of our charts... Virtual Nationality: Seems like it's all



travel without moving!

about the U.K. this week: Real People, Jamiroquai, Archive, Spring Heel Jack, Ragga And The Jack Orchestra (ex-Tricky collaborators), Orb, Mu-zig and Laguna Meth, who are actually Americans with a Polydor U.K. release! NME has been raving about the displaced Southern Californians and describes them as Mercury Rev tackles the Beach Boys... Speaking of the Rev, fans (like me) will thrill to know that Ed Simons of Chemical Brothers calls the collaborative track with the band on the new Chems record an "epic" recording. The Mercury Rev and Beth Orton guest tracks are Ed's personal faves from

Nick Cave:

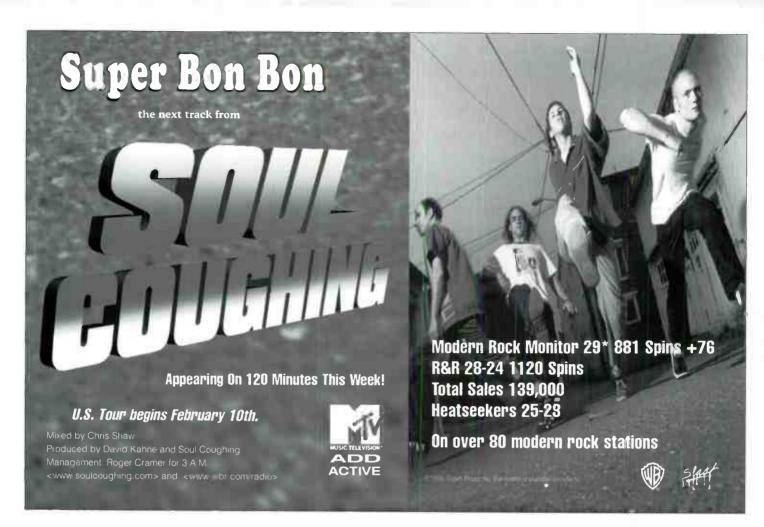


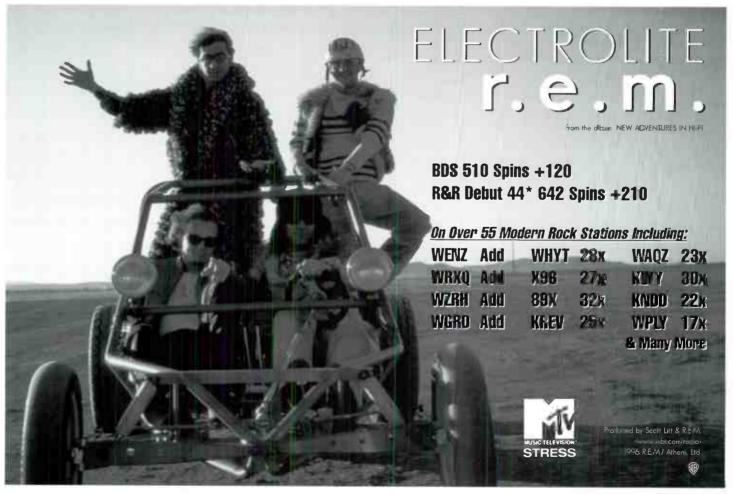
he SAW the angel!!!

"Dig Your Own Hole." The new CD is out in the U.K. now; advances in the U.S. are jealously guarded and worth fighting for! The Chems tell me they may join Tricky in breaking out guitars when they return to the U.S. on tour... Wanna know what White Town reminds you of (besides that rallying cry keep hearing of "Taco!")? Babylon Zoo, the other uncharted band in the U.K. to go straight to #1 the week of their debut single's release. I recall "Spaceman" hitting us in radio last year in just the same way...

Remember last year's catch-phrase "ork-rock"? There's more orchestration coming this year from U.K. sensation Divine Comedy and Britain's favorite Yankee, BT... SO-CALLED HYPE (or bands and records too important to ignore!): Firewater (ask Pat at WENZ), Engine 88, Cibo Matto's remixes, Cool For August, L.A. swing-band heartthrob James Intveld (reportedly Chris Isaak's hero). I also recommend these websites: Addictedtonoise.com, nme.com, imusic.com and search for the Church of Scientology for a celebrity center tour! Marc at WEQX highly recommends two things in life: NICK CAVE's new CD and the Republic Of Texas website... Email me USTS and favorite cold remedies to: Indieland@AOL.com.

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# INDIE ROCK DORK PAGE

#### DORK DISCS

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Spoon "Soft Effects" EP (Matador): How we love every lurching, straining, end of the decade flail Spoon commit to our permanent memories with guitars and voices. The EP reminds us all how brilliant Telephono, the debut CD, was by keeping us safe in the

promise that it wasn't a fluke with startling new songs of tumultuous proportions. There's nothing soft in the impact of "Waiting For The Kid To Come Out" and "Mountain To Sound." (C.B.)

**OP8** "Slush" (Thirsty Ear): It's a rattlesnake's whisper: "I'll call you sand." So begins this definition-defying record with Lisa Germano and the sawing violin and rattling snares of Giant Sand. The pairing is magic: Every song is from the lounge of the gods, lapsing in and out of past

lives in the southwest and middle east, lyrics whispered of the desert winds turning the skin to leather and how there is always someone to blame. For the movie yet to be made starring our finest musical talents in their finest moments, this could be the record of 1997—and it's only January. (C.B.)





Spring Heel Jack "68 Million Shades" (Island): Cinema and verite combine for the ultimate driving machine: You, the open road and Spring Heel Jack to paint your own land-scape. Whatever you see or hear in his dub, then space-rock, then bruising electronic, then

crushing film-noir romanticism, you may never hear it the same way again. You can listen over and over and still not get to the first of those 68 million shades he uses to paint, but that's part of the fun. Every listen is new and delighting in its fresh canvas, its clear sky, its remarkable vision. (C.B.)

#### DORK WAX

Bill Janovitz/Nico "My Funny Valentine" 7" (Beggar's Banquet): Get revved up for Valentine's Day with two

surreal interpretations of that old standard (written by Rodgers and Hart, kids) by cowpoke Janovitz and living legend Nico. As surreal as every Valentine's Day could possibly be for you and your rock 'n roll lifestyle and as timeless as that candy-filled heart you'll rush to buy on February 14.



#### DORKS ON FILM



GOIN' DOWN SOUTH: R.L. Burnside spent his 70th birthday recording a few of his juke-joint blues ballads with the Bong Loaders, Tom Rothrock and Rob Schnapf. The two put their magic to two raw new Burnside songs for an upcoming CD single on Bong Load. Also pictured, Fat Possum's controversy king Matthew Johnson and R.L.'s grandson and drummer Cedric.

#### DORK OF THE WEEK



TOM OSBORNE MAMMOTH RECORDS Los Angeles, CA

SPOON!!!! The rallying cry of Tick fanatics everywhere. Yelling this battle cry could be considered one of Tom's main reasons for existence. This MFA type doesn't make those Karo-syrup-filled wooden boxes anymore, and he's stopped sending mail art like moray eels wrapped only in brown paper from coast to coast. (Hint: Don't give Tom your address.) Now Tom is Mr. Mammoth, and that guy who is obsessed with The Tick, to you and me. His complete love for the Squirrel Nut Zippers has pushed them over the top to real success, and now his heart is bursting all over again for Fu Manchu (two fingers up rawk) and his favorite couch crashers, Pure. Tom trivia: He started in the biz by booking Cabaret Metro, then running their supercool record store in Chicago. In his spare time it seems like Tom listens to every record that comes out, making him one of the wisest promotion people and music fans we know.



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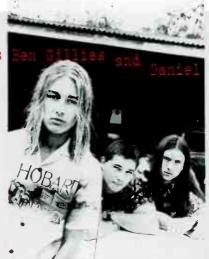
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#### Time to visit the teenage wasteland with silverchair's





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#### TEENAGERS BEN GILLIES, CHRIS JOANNOU AND

Daniel Johns have much more to think about than surfing, school and fast cars. At just 17, the Australian trio, known world-wide as silverchair, are thinking about tomorrow, the next day, and the coming year since they are about to release "Freak Show" (Murmur/Epic), the follow-up to their multi-platinum debut "froqstomp."

Back in '92, when they first began messing around on their instruments in drummer Ben's parents' garage in Newcastle, they never thought that their first concert would be one they performed at, that they would have a record deal by the time they were 14 and release a successful debut—much less become one of Australia's better-known exports. While the attention hasn't always been positive—they've been dubbed both "Nirvana In Pajamas" and "Kindergarden" for their resemblance to the Seattle sound—critics have had to admit that silverchair were talented and creative. As Rolling Stone pointed out: "When these guys turn 18, they'll really be dangerous."

Now that they're on the verge of turning legal age and able to travel without their mums and dads, the jocular threesome are out to prove they're no one-hit wonders. With aggressive songs and more musical experimentation, "Freak Show" is a testament to their experience and confidence. Though the music isn't completely original—with admitted influences from Black Sabbath to Minor Threat to popgrunge, silverchair is finally coming into its own, creating their own distinctive sound.

And, unlike many of their peers, the lads are neither jaded nor egotistical. Instead, seated in a posh Hollywood hotel room, Ben and guitarist/vocalist Daniel (bassist Chris was doing another interview) act much more like wisecracking boys their own age. And while Daniel jokes one minute about vodka being in his tonic water [it wasn't], "Our mum's don't care; they supply us with our alcohol and drugs." When asked if he feels responsible toward silverchair fans, he soberly replies: "We're not even responsible for ourselves." The only thing in life they say they are serious about is playing music; what they're not very serious about is sitting down for a chat with HITS' own metalmonger Jennifer Clay "Pigeon."

#### Australian trio, known world-wide as silverchair, WITH "FROGSTOMP" SO SUCCESSFUL, DID YOU FEEL ANY PRESSURE IN RECORDING "FREAK SHOW"?

<u>DANIEL JOHNS</u>: I feel in the back of my mind there's some pressure. We didn't set out to write an album that would sell more than the first; we never expect that. We just want to sell enough so that people realize we're not a one-album band. We just want to sell enough to sustain a career out of it.

#### THERE'S MORE MUSICAL DIVERSITY ON "FREAK SHOW."

<u>DANIEL</u>: We wanted to branch out. On the first album, there were quiet and loud songs. On this album there are *really* quiet and *really* loud songs. We experimented using different sounds within the songs.

#### LYRICALLY, DO YOU THINK THERE IS A VAST DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TWO ALBUMS?

<u>DANIEL</u>: On the first album, most of the lyries are fictional, kind of dreams and stories. On this album, they are a lot more real, a lot more personal.

#### ARE THEY MORE REFLECTIVE OF WHOM YOU ARE?

DANIEL: On the first album, it wasn't really me; I mean, it was me, but not really.

BEN GILLIES: Daniel's lyrics suck. This is the only band I've been in, but I still think he is a shitty songwriter. He's so dumb.

DANIEL: Ben's the best.

#### BEN, HOW CAN YOU TRASH HIM WHEN HE SAYS HOW GOOD YOU ARE?

BEN: That's our relationship.

#### IS THAT WHAT KEEPS YOU GROUNDED?

DANIEL: [Laughs [ He always tells me how bad I am, which keeps me so confident. And I always tell him how good he is, which...

BEN: [Laughs] My self-esteem is rock bottom.

#### THE SONGS TEND TO BE RATHER DARK LYRICALLY, BUT YOU DON'T SEEM DEPRESSED.

DANIEL: I have a dark view on things. I'm very pessimistic. I would rather sing about that kind of erap, then how good the ears, girls and the beach are. Actually, the next album is going to be about ears, girls and the beach. Most of these songs were written when I was not a happy camper.

#### THE FIRST SINGLE IS "FREAK" EVERYWHERE EXCEPT AMERICA AND CANADA, WHERE IT'S "ABUSE ME." HOW MUCH INPUT DO YOU HAVE IN SELECTING THE SINGLES?

<u>DANIEL</u>: [Laughs] A lot everywhere except America. We had a little bit of an issue with the record company over the single.

BEN: They wanted to go for the radio-friendly song. They didn't think that "Freak" was very radio-friendly.

friendly.

<u>DANIEL</u>: "Abuse Me" was always going to be a single, but we didn't want it to be the first one. It did bother us, but it's not like they picked a single that we never wanted.

#### HOW MUCH INPUT DO YOU HAVE ON THE BUSINESS END NOW?

DANIEL: I'm the treasurer, Ben looks after the overseas affairs and Chris is in charge of sponsorships. [Laughs] That's how we get all our instruments for free. Not really.

We're dealing with people that have a wealth of experience in the music industry, so we can't always argue with them and say we're right. We're just hoping to do the right thing. If we don't, we'll just blame the record company, reform in ten years and make heaps of money.

#### IS THE SONG "ABUSE ME" ABOUT THE BAND BEING UNFAIRLY TRASHED IN THE PRESS?

DANIEL: It's about negative criticism and all the crap we've got since the release of the album. It's just saying "fook you" to everyone who gave negative comments.

#### WERE YOU SURPRISED AT THE LEVEL OF CRITICISM?

DANIEL: We knew we were going to get it, but not to the extent that we did. I thought everyone was going to love us. [Laughs] Just joking.

We have a very Australian sense of humor, which no one in America gets. Like if we say, "Yeah, we're really good. We're probably the best band ever." All the Americans take that seriously, but if we say that in Australia, everyone knows we're joking.

#### DO YOU FEEL SUCCESSFUL?

<u>DANIEL</u>: We just feel like we've achieved a level of success that's a bit more than the average rock band. We know there are bands out there that can kick our ass that no one knows about, so we're not going to say we're better than anyone, because we're not.

DO YOU FEEL A KINSHIP WITH OTHER SUCCESSFUL AUSTRALIAN BANDS LIKE AC/DC, MIDNIGHT OIL AND MEN AT WORK? BEN: It's kinda weird. A couple of years ago, it was like a dream to get known in America, and now it's actually happening. And being alongside those bands, they are like big Australian legends.

DANIEL: [Laughs] It kinda makes us look like shit, actually.



#### Time to attend post-graduate school with Descendents' Milo Aukerman

by David Jenison

HINK JAZZERCISE AND LEG WARMERS. OR BETTER YET, THINK Pac-Man, Rubik's Cube and the mullet hair style. Remarkably, this was the same '80s generation that looked down on catchy pop-punk bands like the Descendents. Yet the band's members were self-proclaimed geeks anyway, so it mattered next to nothing.

Releasing eight albums over about that many years, the Descendents were the alternative to the Cyndi Laupers and Animotions that dominated the "cleancut" decade. In place of image and fancy hair, the Descendents had quick, spastic, pop-punk gems that helped define today's SoCal punk sound. By 1987, the Descendents seemed poised to make a more significant breakthrough, but singer

Milo Aukerman left the band to attend graduate school.

The remaining members continued under the name All, which happened to be the title of the last Descendents album. As the Descendents, All had a few guitar and bass player changes, but All also had its share of singers until they finally settled on Chad Price, their current vocalist. After numerous releases on Cruz Records, All got signed to Interscope in 1994 and released their major label bow.

Now, ten years after departing, Milo has reappeared with a Ph.D. in biochemistry and a job studying the DNA of plants. Though All is still very much together, Milo has returned to front the Descendents with All members Bill Stevenson on drums, Stephen Egerton on guitar and Karl Alvarez on bass and to record a new album, "Everything Sucks" (Epitaph ), which is as hyper and spastic as the band in their heyday. The group even plans to tour again, launching it with seven sold-out nights at the Whisky in Hollywood.

Fresh from his garden, Milo opens up to HITS' missing link David "One of Col-

in's Sleazy Friends" Jenison, only to end up sorry he ever bothered.



It started as a one-off. I called up Bill [Stevenson] and said I had some songs, which turned into an album. The more I immersed myself in the band, the more I realized I wanted to keep it going. Now we're on tour. I'd also say there's probably another Descendents record in the future.

WERE THE GUYS SURPRISED TO HEAR FROM YOU? We've kept in touch all along, Bill and I have been best friends since high school. In fact, I've done background vocals on some of the All records, and there was one time in which [singer] Chad Price got strep throat, and I filled in for him at an All show in New Jersey. It was funny watching the realization set in with the fans who knew who

#### I NOTICED CHAD PRICE DOES BACKGROUND VO-CALS ON THE DESCENDENTS RECORD.

I know it seems weird to people. Basically, it's five guys who want to branch off in two main directions. Depending on the individual circumstances, we choose to do one or another at any given time. Right now, we're choosing to do the Descendents, but Chad is a big part of it as well. WHAT'S IT LIKE WATCHING ALL FROM THE SIDE-

They're one of my favorite bands, and they've kept me in the loop over the past ten years. I never felt regret that I wasn't out there, but usually when I was at a show, I'd get up and do a few songs with them. I've always been too busy doing science to have regrets.

WERE YOU A SCIENCE NUT IN HIGH SCHOOL?

Pretty much. Ironically, my awakening to science coincided with my awakening to punk. It set the precedent for the rest of my life with this frustrating tug-of-war between the two.

#### WAS THERE A DEEPER REASON WHY YOU LEFT THE DESCENDENTS BESIDES WANTING TO GO TO COL-

I made myself a promise that I would play out the academic card and go do research. Unfortunately, the Descendents seemed to be at a point where they could have become much bigger. That's when I realized that if I was going to go back to



school, I had to do it now or I never would. It's always been my biggest frustration. I have two life-long passions, and they're mutually exclusive. HAVE YOUR ACADEMICS AFFECT-

ED YOUR MUSIC IN OTHER WAYS? I usually do school until I get really burnt-out, and then I go back to music. School provides good fodder for releasing frustrations in my music. More recently, I needed an outlet for all these frustrations, so I started writing songs. That's when I gave Bill a

#### I NOTICED YOU BROUGHT BACK THE MILO CARTOON FOR THE NEW ALBUM COVER, WHERE DID THE MILO CARTOON ORIGINALLY COME FROM?

My best friend in school was an artist, and he ran for student body president. He would draw up posters saying, "Vote for Roger," One time he drew the cartoon on a poster, and it said, "Milo says: 'Vote for Roger!" We really liked it and adopted it for our album covers.

#### WHAT ASPECTS OF SOCIETY RE-FLECT WHAT THE DESCENDENTS REPRESENT?

There's this book which describes the music of bands like us and Black Flag as the music of the new rednecks. That's to say that we're essentially egalitarianminded, pseudo-working class

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people. The new rednecks implies the notion that we're total geeks and nerds who celcbrate being uncool. If there was a faction of society that we embrace, it would be the nerds, the underdogs and the anti-cool.

#### HOW DID PEOPLE AT SCHOOL RESPOND TO YOUR MUSIC?

No one really knew about it. We practiced five nights a week and played Los Angeles and Orange County about once a month. The band was more about getting together to play than to publicize our existence to our peers. If we did publicize our existence at school, all we'd get was a bunch of heekling any-

#### WHAT'S ONE OF YOUR FONDEST MEMO-RIES OF BEING IN THE DESCENDENTS?

I remember a lot of good shows with the Minutemen. We're obviously known for our farting prowess, but you can imagine what the Minutemen guys are like. We started driving up to San Francisco to do shows, so we had to establish the ten-minute rule. You could only fart ten minutes out of every hour, so for ten minutes everyone rolled down the windows and cut loose. The rest of the time we had to hold it in. Otherwise, we would have all died.

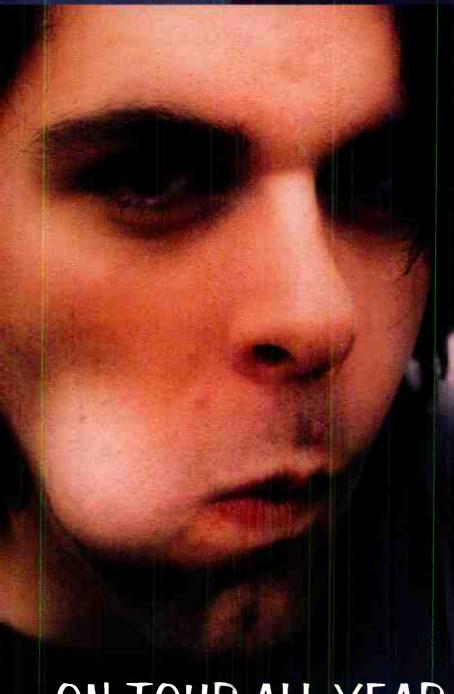
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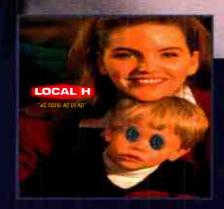
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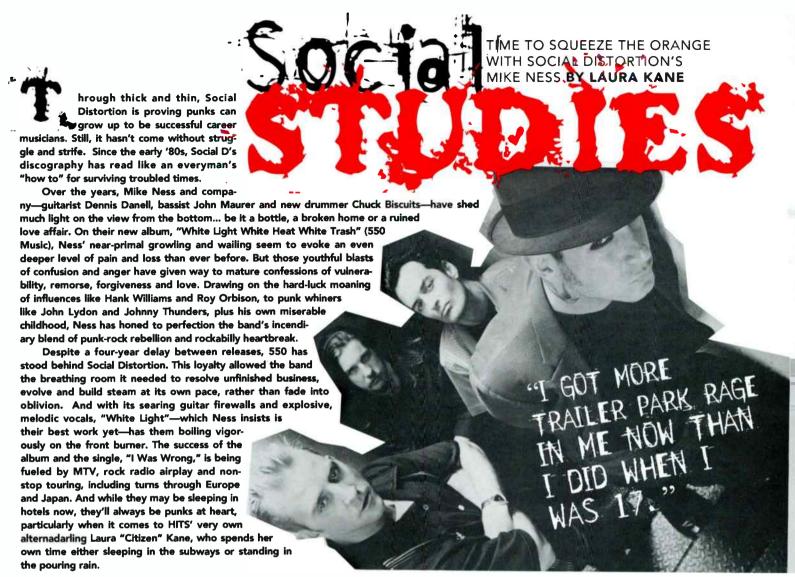
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ocial Distortion has always had a strong fan base on the West Coast and more of a cult presence in the rest of the country. How does it feel to finally be "above-ground"?

Well, we've been signed to a major label for six years now. And each year has gotten a little better. Even in the punk-rock days, when it wasn't considered cool to be successful, we wanted to be. We have tried very hard to defy stereotypes and ignore trends. But it's been a long, slow road.

#### Your music reflects a pretty tough childhood.

It may not have been any rougher than anyone else's. I'm from the "X Generation"—dysfunctional, broken home, alcoholism. That stuff shaped me. And I've carried it into my adulthood. I write about hard times. I identify with punk because it enabled me to express my feelings of alienation, frustration, rebellion, anger, fear, oppression, depression... all that shit.

#### What music inspired you?

The Ramones are still one of my favorite bands. They were a big influence. Rockabilly, country and blues were all big influences. I have such a passion for music that rather than try to emulate others, I absorb it and let it become me, rather than trying to become it. It's not really a conscious thing. I listen to songs I like and, as a result, the songs I write start to resemble them remarkably. Every record I've written you could tell I'd been listening to stuff from a certain period. If I'm listening to Hank Williams, then chances are I'm gonna write a really sad song.

#### How have you changed over the years and how is that reflected in your music?

I don't think those earlier feelings of frustration, alienation and dissatisfaction will ever really go away. I got more trailer park rage in me now than I did when I was 17. Back then, I'd deal with it by getting drunk and having a fist fight. Now I'm 34 and for a man my age to get into a fight is pretty infantile. I go to the gym if I want to spar. I react differently. I'm clearer now.

I still have a hard time dealing with life on its own terms. I'm an escape artist. I escape for as long as I can, but eventually I have to feel. And that's the best time to write. I think it's hard to write a good record when everything is going well. Not that there's going to be four years between every record.

What caused the delay?

It's not like we've been sitting around on our asses. Our last record came out in '92 and we toured extensively on it. We needed to rest. Bands these days just pump out records on time schedules. I don't feel going out and touring to be inspiring enough to write about. Granted, you do feel many emotions when you're out there lonely and far from home. But I don't think that's enough criteria. I have to live for a while between the albums.

We spent a little time trying to get our back catalog back, too. For ten years, people have been asking how they could get a hold of our early '80s material. It was literally unavailable, like having a runaway child. So we got it back, packaged it and put it out.

#### That's all on Time Bomb now.

Right. And then, for this one... we didn't want to just put out another Social Distortion record. I feel the music industry is mediocre enough right now, and I wanted to make a statement with this album. I wanted something that was gonna stand out, something in your face. I didn't want another cute alternative record.

#### How long will you be out on tour?

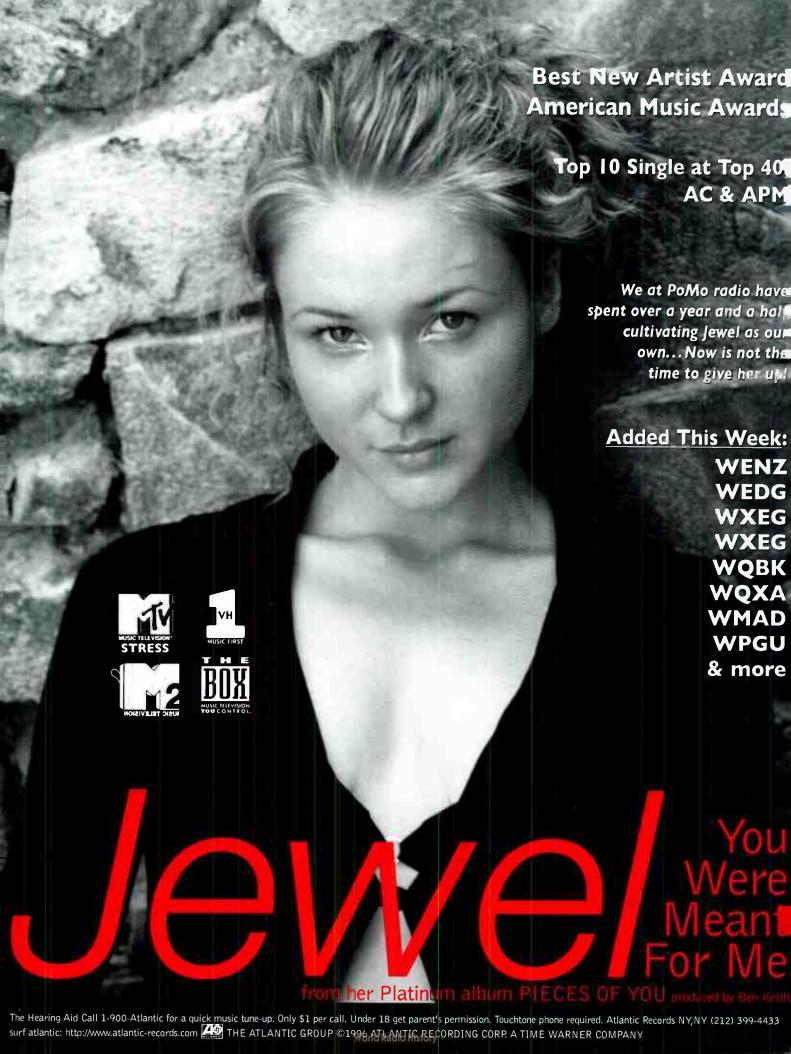
We did a bunch of festivals over the summer in Europe. In November, we launched a full-production tour. This year's gonna be very busy. I disconnected the battery on the Chevy.

#### How do you feel about the future?

Well, there definitely will be one! You know what, man... I feel like we made the record of our career. We have a new drummer, too, which is exciting. We sound like a new band. We were locked up in the studio for a year-and-a-half, so playing live again is new and exciting. A great deal has changed in the alternative music format over the last four years, so I have higher expectations of this record reaching more people. I think bands like us doing crossover roots stuff has opened up a lot of minds. It's very important for people to be in touch with their roots.

#### It's a lifetime project.

That's just where I was at the last couple of years... finding music that has some substance to it. For me, that means everyone from Woody Guthrie to Stiv Bators. There's a lot of music out there to be heard, and I just happen to have a passion for all of it. Well, not exactly all of it. Some music I hate.





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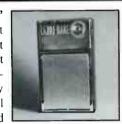
#### POMO PICKS Edited By Karen Glauber



Odds "Nest" (Elektra/EEG): Canada's best kept secret is a pop fanatic's delight called the Odds. This Vancouver band has, since 1991, queitly turned out some of the strongest pure pop since the Raspberries. Now they are finally getting the chance to conquer the U.S. with a new record label behind them and a smash

A.M. radio-styled hit ahead of them: "Someone Who's Cool." This CD could send the band's cult following in the U.S. into the streets with loudspeakers to finally get your attention. Wake up, America! (C.B.)

Lazlo Bane "11 Transistor" (Almo/Geffen): "Guess what you didn't get!?" That "Prada Wallet," a rant hidden at track 69 complete with Josh Clayton-Felt and an agonized yelling of the price. Welcome to reality, where rock is still made by working people, Lazlo Bane can channel Black Francis in minor chords, sickened



lyrics, and a flatlining for help while mainlining the sardonic side of rock. "11 Transistor," and its anthem "Buttercup," is the ten-year follow-up to the Pixies, Sonic Youth, and everything that previously shaped how you listen to music now. (C.B.)



Engine 88 "Snowman" (Caroline): Hormonal energy winds even normal kids into a fervid frenzy. Add on some millennia-induced nervous ticks and crummy Boston weather at the Fort Apache studios and it's no wonder their second full-length plays like a stack of malcontent 7-inches; choppy, speedy guitars and hooks for three minutes (the

superb "Manhole"), slow, bass-driven pathos the next ("Mustard," "Secanol"). Hanging out with the fictional fringe, lead '88 Tom Barnes, captures an honest look at alterna-festering with lines tike "Do you remember being promising?" Angst now, answer later. (J.T.)

#### Frogpond "Count To Ten" (TriStar):

This Knasas quartet breaks out the quirky verse on lead track "Talk To Me" and sweeps the listener into an unstoppable vortex of infectious songs that draw their power from dynamic arrangements, deadpan vocals and dual-guitar shred, as on "Count To Ten" and "Lewis." Produced by Everclear's Art



Alexakis, who apparently needs more money or something and has done the classy thing by suing this young band for same, the sound is chunky, direct and powerful but maybe he should listen again to "Disappointment To Us All." (J.O.)

### **POMO MUGS**



HANG TIME: After spending a quiet morning discussing erudite topics including 19th century American literature and the Fall '96 Arbitrons, 91X MD Chris Muckley and Modern/Atlantic recording artist Poe get some air outside the 91X studios. "Gee, I never realized radio people enjoyed aerobic activity," wondered Poe aloud. Would she consider coming back to the station to lead a remedial cross-training step/boxercise class? Quoth the singer, "Nevermore."



MORE THAN HE CAN CHEW: "Whoa, dude, you can hold three slabs of cake in your mouth at one time! That's Way Cool," offered Warner Bros. National Alternative Promotion Manager and humorist Rob Goldklang (c) to Way Cool Music ruler and big ol' barrel o' laughs Mike Jacobs (l). Good old-fashioned mouth-stuffing humor was not inappropriate during the recent Pomette birthday bash at the HITS cesspool, since without such boyish monkeyshines the pitiful surroundings and general air of hopelessness in the building would reduce even the most hardened industry loser to tears. Meanwhile, WORK Director of Alternative Promotion Geordie Gillespie thinks quietly about the whoopie cushion he left on Ivana's chair.



CHALK ONE UP TO HORSE TRANQUILIZERS: Despite the wacky hijinks and sparkling personalities displayed by Columbia recording artists Chalk Farm while visiting the WMMS studios, afternoon goon Spaceman Scott takes it slow and grabs a few winky-winks during this madcap photo op (umn, he's not really sedated or anything; he just likes to dream about his next cheeseburger). Shown having as much fun as you can shy of getting a steamer are (l-r) Chalk Farm's Toby Scarbrough and Orlando Sims, Scott, Chalk Farm's Michael Duff. Columbia's Dave Watson and Chalk Farm's Trace Ritter.



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By Jimmy Barnes

#### Marilyn Manson



I've been tellin' va for years they're gonna be HUGE!!

MANSOON: A tidal wave of power came over the Santa Monica Civic this past weekend when the Marilyn Manson tour rolled through LA. After hangin' with the Interscope crew, we meandered over to the venue to be greeted by a fully charged, packed house. From the first note to the last, it was pure chaos, both visually and musically. The crowd was goin' off, non-stop, all the way through three encores. The party continued at my pal Cliff Cantor's place (Dragonfly), where the band saw fit to have a little enter-

tainment scheduled-throwbacks Quiet Riot! It was pretty cool. The crowd went off, pit ensued and so on. All in all, a Platinum-plus evening given by the NIN of the '90s-Marilyn Manson!... In the efforts of labels and radio stations gunning for experts to lead their troops, there's been some folks hopping around lately or just sayin' to hell with it! Carey Curelop resigns from KLOS?!? Clark Ryan (Ex-WKGB, KLBJ) takes over the PD reigns @ KISW. Jeff Appleton slides out of 550/Sony to go VP the Promotion Dept. at Island. Also joining the Island posse, Jessica Harley, who exited her National Rock gig at Elektra/EEG. Newly appointed VP Rock at 550/Sony is Neda Tobin, who's been with the label for the last 3+ years doing National Pop. This leaves the Elektra Rock gig open (as of presstime) with rumors flyin', but my pals tell me that nothing's set in stone with anyone yet.... The Schockrocker turned alternadude (Bryan Schock) comes back to the left coast to PD 91X and re-join our ultrahip pal Malcolm Rycker.... It's time for the '96 Fall numbers, which

are so expertly surveyed (just ask Dave Douglas). For what it's worth, here are a few: KUPD 3.5-4.6; **KISW** 3.5-3.8; **KBPI** 5.3-3.6; KUFO 5.4-5.1; KQRC 6.1-6.6 and KRZR 4.9-3.5.... Musically speaking, shit is exploding in the first quarter already. The **Handsome** single, "Needles," is an early fave; The Offspring full drops on Feb. 4 and Col/CRG will start to see how much of their multi-million

Limp Bizkit



Jordan Schur, Peter Katsis, Jeff Kwatinetz & Ross Robinson set up the BOMB!

dollar investment they're going to get back.... I can't say enough about the Wallflowers (50K this week), who continue to re-explode everywhere. Jakob Dylan's voice is amazing! My Capitol pals tell me the new Megadeth they've heard is the shit! I'll tell ya what I think next week .... Still lovin A&M's Nuno (Lots of new adds) and WORK's Protein (T-5 Added). Will Active Rock ever accept female artists? New Veruca Salt tied for #2 Added!... Buzzin: Mark Thompson, Harvey Leeds... PuNk AdDs: Protein "My Blood," Failure "Pitiful," Helmet "Exactly What..." Surfpunk@earthlink.net. TRUST this.

#### MAJOR MARKET MOST ADDED

Geffen

WB

WB

A&M

550/Sony

Elek/EEG

Discovery

SOCIAL DISTORTION When Angels...

VAN HALEN Can't Get This...

THE FRAMES DC Monument

NUNO Gravity

CATFISH

R.E.M. The Wakeup Bomb

ARTIST KoRn VERUCA SALT PROTEIN

23 26

> TITLE A.D.I.D.A.S Volcano Girls King Of The Rotten

LABEL **ADDS Z**00 17 8 Immortal/Epic Geffen Columbia/CRG

Stress MTV, M2, #2 Vibe-Rater

M2, KUFO Add, Half panel closed

A few stations "Can't Get Enough"

After nice build the spins increase

Killer Track, Adds @ KIOZ, WBUZ

It's been bubbling under 4 awhile

Big spins where it's on.

MAJOR MARKET MOST REQUESTED ARTIST TITLE

BUSH THE OFFSPRING SILVERCHAIR METALLICA

Greedy Fly All I Want Abuse Me King Nothing

LABEL Trauma/Int'scope Columbia/CRG Murmer/Epic

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## Tumble in the Rough

the follow-up to three no.1 hits big bang baby trippin' on a hole in a paper heart lady picture show



from the platinum album

Tiny Music... Songs from the Vatican Gift Shop

#### These Stations Couldn't Wait:

WRCX KRXQ WIYY
KEGL WMFS KUFO
KIOZ WRXL WLZR
KQRC WAAF WSJO
KILO KRZR WHJY

produced by brendan o'brien management: steve stewart

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#### **#1 MOST ADDED EVERYWHERE**

#### These Stations Couldn't Wait:

WRCX KBPI WAAF
WRIF KISW KIOZ
KSJO KQRC KRXQ
WLZR And Sooo Many More

#### See This Band Kick Your Ass @:

2/27 Asbury Park, NJ

2/28 Fitchburg, MA

3/1 Poughkeepsie, NY

3/3 Dayton, OH

3/4 Kalamazoo, MI

3/6 Omaha, NE

3/7 Wichita, KS

3/8 Springfield, MO

3/10 Austin, TX

3/11 San Antonio, TX

3/14 Albuquerque, NM



#### Incubus Enjoy Incubus Immortal/Epic

The dictionary sez: Incubus I) an evil spint believed to seize the sleeping. 2) nightmare. If ol' Mr. Webster could have heard this band, maybe he would have changed the description to "evolving, with flair, phat." This five-piece of Calabasas cohorts play funky,



jazzy, groove-rock that captivates your mind and lays down a bad-ass bassline groove that would make Bootsy Collins proud! This is their debut six-song EP and it will have to tide you over until later in the summer when they are scheduled to release their first LP for Immortal. The most obvious comparison I could make would be the Brand New Heavies meets James Brown. They're a hard-working band, who have played a lot here on the West Coast with the likes of Primus, 311, Unwritten Law, Sublime and more. XX phat! I dig it! (JB)

#### Cause For Alarm Cheaters And The Cheated Victory Records

These guys were one of the first intrepid pioneers spitting in the face of the bland, pretentious punk rock of the late 70's New York scene. The band opted for high-energy,



politically charged, pissed-off positivity instead. Then in '84, they disbanded, making way for bands like Cro-Mags, Murphy's Law and Agnostic Front to jump to the forefront of the growing NYHC scene. Now they're back with 12 years worth of experience to relate, and they sound great. A sound familiar to all the old and new punks alike. Pure, clean, high-speed aggression, without being muddled up by a lot of distortion and fancy electronics. True old school.

#### A Tribute To The Misfits Violent World (Various) Caroline Records

Over the past 20 years, the Misfits have been a fixture in the ever-changing punkrock scene. Even after their untimely demise in '83, their post-mortem influence reigns as prevalent as ever. The recent "resurrection"



reunion tour (sans Glen Danzig) has thrown the band back in the public's eye and helped to recruit thousands of new maniacal followers to the "Fiend Club," the most notorious fan club since the KISS Army. Vegans, metal merchants, punks and some of the toughest hardcore bands from coast to coast have been gathered together. Pennywise, Prong, NOFX, Sick Of It All, Earth Crisis, Deadguy and more round out a well-cast group who do a fine job of rendering classic Misfits' songs from the past. (DG)

DON'T BUY THE HYPE: It sucks when you hear all this great stuff about how cool and hardcore a band is and how they signed to a major for all this crazy money, then, against your own better judgment, you finally go see them live and they are even worse than you and your pessimistic wisdom could have ever

imagined. Remember the days when you only had to beware of false metal? Now there's false hardcore threatening the musical integrity of our youth. Just say no... Amphetamine Reptile just signed Mog Stunt Team, who play a sort of fucked-up art noise and are of the belief that John Tesh is a space alien. They should be quite happy with their new home. AmRep also has two releases that will no doubt be swooped up by thrashrock collectors worldwide, the Urinals and the Thrown Ups. The Thrown Ups offer a general lack of regard that only begins with their song titles. "Your Band Sucks," "Bucking Retards" and "Scabby Like My Love" should give title wizards like Anal Cunt and Blood Duster something to smirk at ... It looks like the powers-that-be (is that Ebonics?) were happy with last year's Metalpalooza because this year's bill will be topped by Korn and Tool, probably trading off being the biggest rock star of the night... Wreckage Records has two new ones to meditate to. Indecision and Tripface. Both relentless, emotional, positive NYHC but without buying into the growing sense of exclusivity and elitism that plagues the scene today. Good day. (J.Stewart)

#### ROCK/M.P.H.C. RETAIL

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	LW	TW	BAND	LABEL	COMMENTARY
	4	1	MARILYN MANSON	Not/Int	#1 Dragon's Lai
	1	2	TOOL	Zoo	#1 Phil's
	3	3	SUBLIME	MCA	#1 City Lights
	2	4	311	Capr/Merc	#1 Rock Bottom
	5	5	BUSH	Trauma/Int	#1 NRM
	7	6	PUNK-O-RAMA 2	Epitaph	#1 Emie Nov.
	6	7	KORN	Imm/Epic	T-5 CD Alley
	11	8	BEAVIS & BUTTHEAD (ST)	Geffen	T-5 Rolling Ston
. •	9	9	RAGE AGAINST	Epic	T-5 Gray Whale
	12	10	METALLICA	Elek/EEG	AMA Faves
	8	11	LESS THAN JAKE	Capitol	T-5 Danny's
5	10	12	DESCENDENTS	Epitaph	#1 Mother's
	R	13	DOWNSET	Maverick	#1 CD Warehou
	R	14	MY DYING BRIDE	Pierce	#1 Vinal Edge
	R	15	TYPE O NEGATIVE	RoadrunneR	T-5 JJ.'s
	20	16	IN-FLIGHT PROGRAM	Revelation	#1 Perry's
	17	17	CRADLE OF FILTH	Fierce	T-5 Rasputin's
	R	18	EARTH CRISIS	Victory	#1 Rock Fantasy

Primarily Based On Hot Reports From The Nations Leading Independent

Hollywood

SS/RoadrunneR #1 Heavy Metal Shop

	LW	TW	BAND	LABEL	COMMENTS
	1	1	KORN	Imm/Epic	#1 WCDB
	2	2	DOWNSET	Mercury	#1 KRZZ
	4	3	V.O.D.	SS/RoadrunneR	#1 WONY
	3	4	TOOL	Zoo	#1 KMNR
	5	5	C.O.C.	Col/CRG	#1 WSUP
	7	6	STUCK MOJO	Century Media	T-5 Phones WDBM
	6	7	MORE KOMBAT	TVT	#1 KASR
	8	8	MARILYN MANSON	Not/Int	#1 WZRH
		9	SICK OF IT ALL	EW/EEG	#1 WSOU
	12	10	FLOODGATE	RoadrunneR	#1 WVUD
	16	11	BRUTAL TRUTH	Relapse	#1 WREK
	10	12	BEAVIS & BUTTHEAD (ST)	Geffen	#1 WCWP
	9	13	EARTH CRISIS	Victory	#1 WPUM
	15	14	PIST-ON	Fierce	T-5 Phones WPUM
	13	15	OVERDOSE	Fierce	So I Can Rock
į	V	16	NOTHINGFACE	DCide	#1 WRFL
į		17	CAUSE FOR ALARM	Victory	I'll Say
	11	18	KLANK	Tooth & Nail	On Sale Now!
		19	DEAD GUY	Victory	T-5 Phones WHMH
	20	20	CARCASS	Earache	#1 KSJS
		21	HANDSOME	Epic	#1 WKNH
	22	22	SIX FEET UNDER	Metal Blade	T-5 Phones WSMU
	.23	23	CATHEDRAL	Earache	#1 KSDB
1	10	24	DANZIG	Hollywood	#1 HELL
	18	25	CROWBAR		T-5 Phones KNON
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#### MOST ADDED

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#### **February is Black History Month**



The Superbowl Halftime Show: When It's More **Exciting To Read JAMZ, There's Trouble** 

## The 60 black his most Added:

HEAVY D TASHA HOLIDAY YVETTE MICHELLE I'm Not Feeling... LOUD/RCA RAY J

Cupid **Big Daddy** Just The Way Let It Go

**Bad Boy/Arista** Uptown/Universal MCA EastWest/EEG

#### Back In The Day When Jerry Boulding Had Hair...

## THE '60s!

In celebration of Black History Month this February. JAMZ will present a four-part series on the four decades of popular black music-the Golden Age of the '60s, '70s, '80's and '90s. The central purpose is to recognize and reflect on black musical and radio history and honor African-American life and artistic craftsmanship—as well as a hell of a page-filler. The '60s is sometimes called the "Motown era," but as the decade began, black music-and early Motown-was still relegated to the lower regions of the AM dial; FM radio had to wait until the early '70s to make a dent in the popular psyche. Musically, the transition from the '50s into the '60s mirrored the tension between convention and rebellion, familiarity and

freedom. As happened with other forms of popular music, black artists forged personal statements through their music. The last vestiges of the Tin Pan Alley/Brill Building songwriting machinery struggled to keep pace with an emerging group of independent labels such as Duke/Peacock, Brunswick, Chess, Mercury, Vee Jay, King/Federal, Specialty and the first major independent, Atlantic.



Sam & Dave

Ironically, it was Atlantic that benefited early on from Tin Pan/Brill, but saw the value of acquiring the Stax/Volt juggernaut in the mid-'60s. In time, the new freedom challenged majority tastes and cultures, as new ideas evolved out of unlikely places to threaten, and then merge with, the mainstream.

"People Get Ready," "(Say It Loud) I'm Black And I'm Proud," "Heaven Help Us All" and many other black protest songs reflected the mood of the time. Program directors and DJs fought

over who would introduce a new song first. Radio stations would kill-figuratively speaking-for an exclusive.

Motown was the "great integrator." Its music was so smooth and sweet, with all its rough edges scrubbed away that it slipped right over the color line and artists such as Smokey Robinson, Diana Ross & The Supremes, Marvin Gaye, Martha Reeves & The Vandellas, Stevie Wonder, the Temptations and the Four Tops (all part of the Motown '60's sound) became the "Sound of Young America." But radio listeners took these smooth love lyrics as metaphors-consciously or unconsciously-and attended to the



Otis Redding

more eloquent language of the music. Some critics said Motown was "plastic soul," but it sold. Its founder, Berry Gordy, made sure of that. A lot of stations that play Motown artists during the '60s soon began playing and listening to other black artists on other labels. The effect mushroomed and the everwidening acceptance of black music and radio became a fact, helping both radio and its artists.

Although Motown was the most successful independent label of the decade, the '60s fostered the Memphis Sound-typified by Stax/Volt and artists such as Otis Redding, Sam & Dave, Rufus and Carla Thomas. At Atlantic, there was the fiery resonance of "Wicked" Wilson Pickett and Aretha Franklin, both of

whom married the tasty Southern soul fostered by Booker T, the Memphis Horns and the sound of the famed Muscle Shoals recording studios with their Detroit roots.

What about black radio during the '60s? It was called "soul radio," a precursor of the black music formats of the future. Black radio now had signals you could hear, some of them on FM in stereo, but pretty much still relegated to the AM dial. Even as late as the '60s, there were many obstacles in the struggle for recognition and freedom of expression within the radio community.

Indeed, the fight for equality continues as the central theme in the Black American or African-American experience. This struggle, in turn, plays a profound role in shaping the contemporary American social and political conscience. And in its quest for wider acceptance, radio listeners and record buyers recognized the



The Temptations

unique qualities that make black music special-the earthiness, the emphasis on vocal expression over technical gimmicry, the emotional release. This time they didn't get lost in the shuffle. The music and the format continued to grow.

During the '60s, black music became an eternal hybrid, testing, absorbing and mutating new ideas. Soul radio became a fact of modern life for a whole new generation of listeners. The added income from radio's universal audience meant better programming, more thoughtful interpretation and commentary, added benefits and services of all kinds to the listener. Jerry Boulding

# Sizzling Singles

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Week Of February 3, 1997					
2W LW TW	ARTIST TITLE	LABEL	2W LW TW	ARTIST TITLE	LABEL
2 1 1	AALIYAH	BE!/Atl/Atl G	32 29 <mark>26</mark>	THE BRAXTONS	Atlantic/Atl G
18 15 2	One In A Million  ERYKAH BADU  On And On	Kedar/Universal	36 33 27	Only Love ROGER & ZAPP Living For The City	Reprise
7 4 3	BLACKSTREET	Interscope	38 34 28	AZ YET	LaFace/Arista
4 3 4	Never Gonna WHITNEY HOUSTON I Believe In You	Arista	43 36 29	Hard To Say I'm Sorry SWEETBACK You Will Rise	Epic
5 5 5	FOXY BROWN	Violator/Def Jam	8 19 30	112	Bad Boy/Arista
1 2 6	Get Me Home EN VOGUE Don't Let Go (Love)	EastWest/EEG	46 42 31	Come See Me 702 Get It Together	Biv10/Motown
14 11 7	DRU HILL	Island	48 43 32	MINT CONDITION	Perspective/A&M
988	In My Bed  LUTHER VANDROSS  I Can Make It Better	LV/Epic	11 20 33	What Kind Of Man  SWV  It's All About U	RCA "
10 9 9	JOHNNY GILL	Motown	23 26 34		Virgin
24 16 10	It's Your Body IMMATURE	Loud/RCA	TOP SPINZ 35	In Your Wildest FREAK NASTY	Hard Hood/Power
12 12 11	Watch Me Do My Thir BABYFACE	Epic	40 <mark>36</mark>	Da Dip II D EXTREME	Gasoline Alley/MCA
21 12	Every Time I  NEW EDITION  You Don't Have	MCA	42 39 37	You Got Me Goin'  FUGEES  Rumble In The Jungle	Das/Mercury
33 28 13	PUFF DADDY	Bad Boy/Arista	TOP SPINZ 38	KEITH SWEAT	Elektra/EEG
17 14 14	Can't Nobody ISLEY BROS. Tears	T-Neck/Island	TOP SPINZ 39		мса
16 10 15	MAXWELL	Columbia/CRG	27 37 40	Stop By CHAKA KHAN	WB
13 17 16	Sumthin' Sumthin' MC LYTE Cold Rock A Party	EastWest/EEG	TOP SPINZ 41	Never Miss The Water MONTELL JORDAN What's On Tonight	Def Jam/RAL/Mercury
44 32 17	MONICA	WS/Atl/Atl G	TOP SPINZ 42	E-40	Sick Wid'lt/Jive
3 7 18	For You I Will TONI BRAXTON Un-Break My Heart	LaFace/Arista	25 30 43	Things'll Never  FLESH-N-BONE  World So Cruel	Def Jam/Mercury
29 13 19	TONI TONY TONE	Mercury	35 31 44	WHITNEY HOUSTON	Arista
21 22 20	Let's Get Down  MONIFAH  You Don't Have	Uptown/Universal	TOP SPINZ 45	Somebody Bigger PEGGY SCOTT-ADAMS Bill	Miss Butch
6 6 21	R KELLY	Jive	19 44 46	THE ARTIST	NPG/EMI
15 18 22	I Believe I Can Fly LIL' KIM No Time	Big Beat/Atl G	26 35 47	Betcha By Golly  SNOOP DOGGY DOGG  Snoop's Upside	Death Row/Interscope
41 24 23	THE ARTIST	NPG/EMI	TOP SPINZ 48	DONNELL JONES	Untble/LaFace/Arista
22 25 24	Somebody's Somebod  NAS  Street Dreams	dy Columbia/CRG	31 38 49	You Should Know KEITH SWEAT	Elektra/EEG
20 23 25	ERIC BENET Spiritual Thang	WB	37 41 50	Nobody  DAY TA DAY  Smile	MCA

Based Primarily On Radio Airplay With Retail Sales • Top Spinz Indicates Sharply Increased Airplay And/Or Highest Debuting Singles

### "I BELONG TO YOU"

the first bite from

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**WBLS** WOWI WNOV WIHM KRRQ KJCB WWDM **WZFX WCHB** WCKX

**WPLZ KNEK KDKS** WQOK WAMO

WGCI WYLD ! WPEG KDKO.

WIIZ WTL **WDAS** 

WPGC

WEDR

WFLM

TAKE A SWEET TRIP TO ROME.

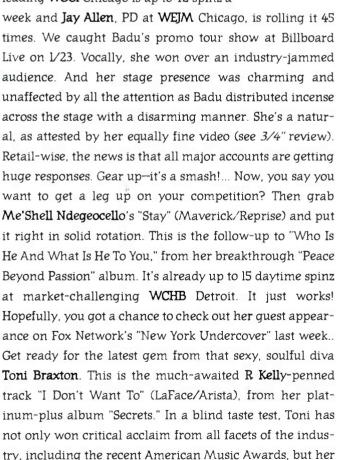


Executive Producers: Kevin Evans & Michael Concepcion

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## Doctor's In

As we've been telling you, Erykah Badu's "On and On" (Kedar/Universal), the lead track from her upcoming "Baduizm" album, is all that! With vocal distinctiveness that's practically without parallel, this is pure song craft excellence. Badu's simple melodies and characteristically rootsy musicianship and writing have a comfortable, but hip, feel. This is as stunning, passionate and melodic a hit as you could hope to find. WROU Dayton MD/APD Marco: "We've received great response for Erykah. It's already generating really good phones." Marketleading WGCI Chicago is up to 42 spinz a

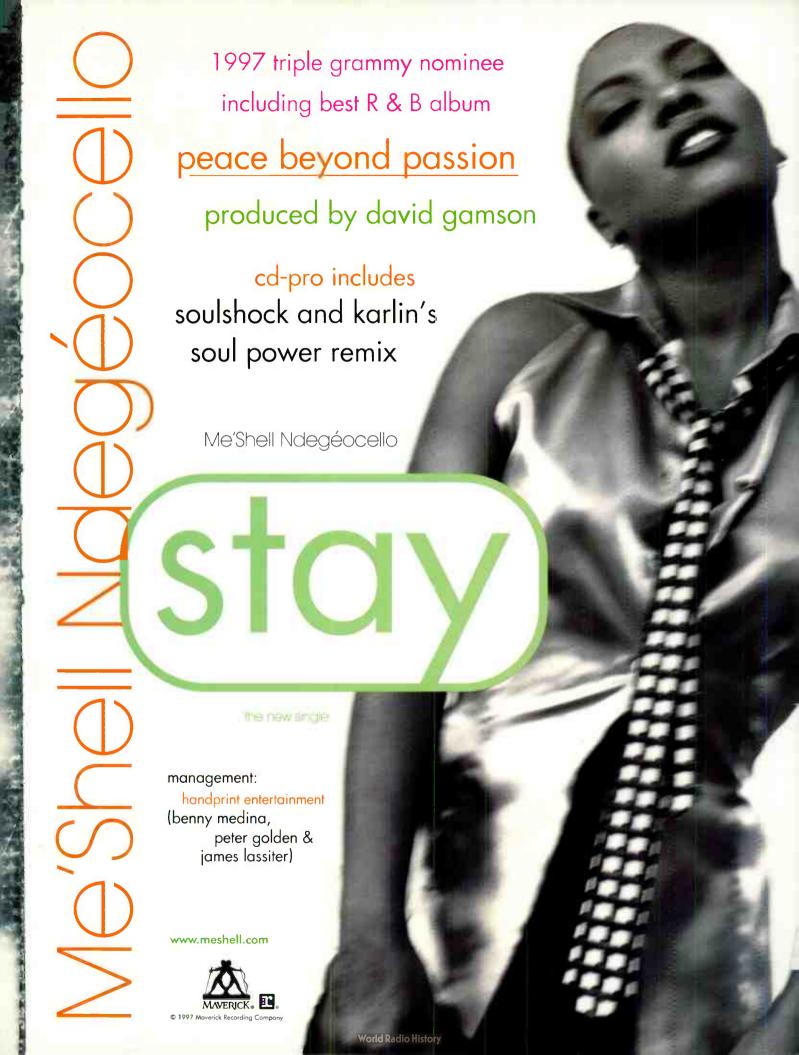




RCA's Michael Johnson's Credo: All Radio Roads Lead To Rome

current tour only has served to expand her huge fan base... Check out 112's "Cupid" (Bad Boy/Arista), off their selftitled debut album. 112 is the kind of group that has captured the feel for what it takes to make a hit record more special. We believe this song fills a lot of formats, not just their core 18-35 demo... The Fugees' "Rumble In The Jungle" (Das/Mercury) has already etched many memorable moments into our psyche and now they're ready to heat up some cold winter playlists. "Rumble" is from the original motion picture soundtrack to the Muhammad Ali documentary

"When We Were Kings." You don't need hook radar to detect another smash from this supergroup. They're poised for absolute immensity... It looks like all roads lead to Rome, in this case, a new artist on RCA nicknamed "The Chocolate Lover," who's got a hit track called "I Belong To You." With shimmering vocals and strong production, Rome's vitality is instantly evident and enjoyable. "I Belong To You" is a luminous, highly tonal track performed with ebullience and verve. The jam retains an overall exotic air that adds a fierce instinctive bite. It's already building winter audiences at WBLS, WOWI, WWDM, WCKX, WCHB, WAMO, WPLZ, WPEG, WQOK, WJHM, WGCI and KNEK. Kevin Evans and Michael Johnson are really excited about what promises to be one of the buzz records of the season. Sez Johnson: "There's not a listener over 17 that won't like this record"... NEXT WEEK'S ADDS: Zhané's "Request Line" (Motown); Charisse Arrington's "Ain't No Way" (MCA); Gina Thompson's "You Bring The Sunshine" (Mercury); Rome's "I Belong To You" (RCA); Tracey Lee's "The Theme" (Universal)... MTV adds this week include New Edition's "You Don't Have To" (MCA) and BLACKstreet's "Never Gonna Let You Go" (Interscope). Look for more spinz on Aaliyah's "One In A Million" (Be!/Atlantic/Atl G)...



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# Active Albums

#### The Top Thirty

	Week Of February 3, 1997	
2W LW TW	ARTIST TITLE	LABEL
1 1 1	TONI BRAXTON Secrets	Arista
2	SPACE JAM	WS/Atl/Atl G
4 3 3	Soundtrack MAKAVELI(2PAC)	Death Row/Interscope
2 2 4	Makaveli PREACHER'S WIFE	Arista
6 4 5	Soundtrack BLACKSTREET	Interscope
5 5 6	Another Level KEITH SWEAT	Elektra/EEG
10 6 7	Keith Sweat	BE!/Atlantic/Atl G
9 7 8	One In A Million FOXY BROWN	Violator/DJ/Mercury
11 8 9	BABYFACE	Epic
8 10 10	SNOOP DOGGY DOG	Death Row/Interscope
7 9 11	The Dogg Father KENNY G	Arista
18 13 12	GINUWINE The Moment	550 Music/Epic
12 12 13	The Bachelor NEW EDITION	MCA
17 11 14	Home Again TONY TONI TONE	Mercury
26 <b>19 15</b>	House Of Music DRU HILL	Island
29 14 16	GREATEST HITS	Death Row/Int
14 16 17	Death Row WESTSIDE CONNECTION	Lench Mob/Priority
16 17 18	REDMAN Bow Down	Def Jam/Mercury
19 15 19	Muddy Waters LIL' KIM	Undeas/BB/Ati G
15 20 20	MO THUG FAMILY	Mo Thugs/Rel
13 18 21	Family Scriptures SET IT OFF	EastWest/EEG
25 22	MAXWELL Soundtrack	Columbia/CRG
21 22 23	LL COOL J	Def Jam/Mercury
26 <b>24</b>	TELA	Relativity
25 21 25	Piece Of Mind LUTHER VANDROSS	LV/Epic
26	Your Secret Love BONE THUGS N HARMONY	Ruthless/Relativity
27	PEGGY SCOTT ADAMS	MissButch/Mardi Gras
30 <mark>28</mark>	DO OR DIE	Rap-A-Lot
22 24 29	Picture This FLESH-N-BONE	Mo Thugs/DJ/Mercury
30 27 30	Trues Humbly	Jive

#### **Affirmative Album Watch**



Incognito's new "Beneath The Surface" (Talking Loud/Verve Forecast) stretches this British group's musical sensibilities beyond the bounds of today's urban climate. Reminiscent of the woefully neglected Loose Ends, Incognito's Jean-Paul Maunick reaches into the blazing, horn-drenched "Solar Fire," thus dis-

playing his affection for **Earth**, **Wind &** Fire's bravura approach to horn charts. **Maysa Leaks**' vocals on the title cut bring a warm earthiness to the tune, while on "A Shade Of Blue," she plays off Maunick's sensitive acoustic guitar. Those two songs are representative of the beauty of the female voice. On the male side, **Christopher Ballin** offers a muscular approach that is a contrast to Leaks. Check out "Without You" and "Living Against The River" for Ballin's interpretations. We like "Misunderstood," the funky "Hold Onto Me," "Out Of The

Storm," "Fountain Of Life" and the two U.S.-only tracks, "All That You Want Me To Be" and "Sunchild"... Do you remember "Lover's Holiday," "Pickin' Wild Mountain Berries" or the Grammynominated "Soul Shake?" Peggy Scott-Adams was the vocalist that propelled those songs to the upper regions of the singles charts nearly 30 years ago. She



makes a triumphant return, and is receiving massive attention and controversy, for her compelling "Bill" single, about a man who leaves his wife for another lover. Not so attention-getting, until the other lover is revealed to be a man. The cut is from "Help Yourself," on the tiny independent Miss Butch label... Stores are reporting strong reaction whenever radio airplay is garnered. Scott-Adams is also receiving huge national and international media attention, so stock those bins... Last Fall, Ginuwine's "Pony" single really took off. It signaled the entry of a powerful act with a song that matched his sexy persona. The album, "Ginuwine—The Bachelor" (550



Music/Epic), goes one better in capturing a serious star. We like "Tell Me Do U Wanna," which will be headed your way 2/10. The song is a crackling grinder that will pull in solid female numbers—guaranteed. "Holler" is another, while "Hello" and "Ginuwine 4 Ur Mind" reveal a diverse musical viewpoint. From a programming slant,

there's much more, that is, if you're in an exploratory and daring mood and want to attract more listeners!... NEWS OF NOTES: Lil Joe Records has signed the Chicago-based fourmember vocal group U-Mynd to the label... Finally, we caught vibraphonist/genius Milt Jackson at Catalina's in Hollywood on 1/26. He's lost none of the grace and energy that's earmarked a superb 50-plus-year career...

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#### Fresh-Squeezed Facts, Acts And Info You Only Think You Know

#### **Information Update**

Radio One, the broadcast consortium headed by Cathy Hughes, will take over Alternative rocker WDRE-FM. Radio One VP/Programming Steve Hegwood will format the station young-end urban on 103.9, which will be similar to WHTA-FM (Hot 97.5) Atlanta, or perhaps WKYS-FM in Washington. WDRE-FM increased 1.8-1.9 12+ in the just-released Fall Arbitron sweeps. The problem may be the signal. It's only 340



LeBaron & Yvonne Taylor—Our Sincere Condolences

watts... KKBT-FM Los Angeles changes its lineup. Former KBLX-FM SF night slammer Kevin Nash joins late nights (lOpm-2am) and P.J. Butta moves from part-time to overnights. Former "Nightbeat" hostess Lisa Canning moves to weekends, and will devote more time to "Entertainment Tonight," where she is a feature reporter. Former overnighter Jesse Collins exits... Toledo, OH gets a second urban station as WJUC-FM ("The Juice") takes to the air. Charles "Charlie Chuck" Welsh is the

owner/GM/PD, and will probably do an air shift once the station, which is running jockless with just board operators, is fully staffed... In Detroit, Lynn Briggs joins the staff at WCHB-FM in an as-yet undetermined capacity. Briggs was MD at crosstown competitor WMXD-FM... Antonio Brock,

who did afternoons at WNFQ-FM Gainesville, will now do weekends, fill and vacation relief at rival WTMG-FM... Former WGCI-FM Chicago middayer Shannon Dell is doing part-time at cross-town AC WPNT-FM. Juice insiders foresee a format change as consultants Tony Gray and Barry Mayo have been observed huddling with some "point persons" lately... Troy Shannon goes from overnights to middays and swing at WPGC-FM Washington... Songstress Chaka Khan is now a guest air personali-



Radio One's Steve Hegwood: Doctoring WDRE

ty. Starting January 27, Khan will host "Romance After Hours" on BlOO.3 Los Angeles, Monday-Thursdays from lOpm-lam. The show consists of listeners calling in to dedicate songs to loved ones... WNHC-AM New Haven has moved to 300 Whalley Avenue, New Haven, CT 065ll... At Sin-Drome Records, Christopher Roker is the National Director Urban/NAC Promotion. He can be reached @ (818) 344-8880...

Personal manager Mark Shimmel is in final negotiations with LaFace Records to become President of the label. Shimmel oversees the career of Grammy nominee Tony Rich and is expected to hold onto his management company in Los Angeles while shuttling to LaFace's Atlanta headquarters... Our sincerest condolences to Sony VP Corporate Affairs LeBaron Taylor on the recent loss of his wife Yvonne...

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#### **More First Fall Arbitrons**

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In Miami, for the first time in years, Top 40 WPOW-FM soared (4.9-5.7) to take the market lead from Urban WEDR-FM (5.9-5.5), which fell to 2nd. WHQT-FM slipped half a share (5.3-4.8) to place 3rd, while Top 40 WHYI-FM (3.8-3.5) tied for 7th with Oldies WMXJ-FM (3.9-3.5), and Jazz/NAC station WLVE-FM inched up (3.0-3.1) to tie for 9th with Country WKIS-FM (3.6-3.1)... In Atlanta, WVEE-FM added a full share to top the market (9.4-10.4), while Urban Adult WALR-FM moved up (5.8-6.5) to lock 4th place. Top 40 WSTR-FM slipped (5.2-5.1) to land in 6th place. 7th place goes to WHTA-FM, which rose (4.7-5.0) and tied with Alternative WNNX-FM (4.9-5.0)... In Memphis, Urban WHRK-FM (12.8-12.6) continues to lead the market, while sister station WDIA-AM slipped sharply (8.7-6.9) to drop to 4th. Urban KJMS-FM, in its last book before switching to Urban Adult, dropped (7.0-5.8) to place 6th. Gospel WLOK-AM lost over two shares (6.6-4.4), which placed them 8th overall, and Urban Oldies WJCE-FM rose (2.3-2.4) for 13th place... In New Orleans, WQUE-FM slipped a full share (13.1-12..1), but still leads the market and is the only station in double-digits. Sister station Urban Adult/Oldies WYLD-FM improved sharply (8.0-9.4) to place 3rd... In Kansas City, the big story is the continuing stellar success of market-leading Urban powerhouse KPRS-FM (7.7-8.4). Its closest format competitor, KMXV-FM (5.3-5.2), tied with N/T KMBZ-AM for 7th place... In Milwaukee, Urban WKKV-FM increased big (6.0-7.4) for its best book in months to place 3rd behind flat N/T WIMJ-AM (10.5) and Country WMIL-FM (9.0-8.0), while Jazz/NAC WJZI-FM dipped (3.1-2.7) for 13th place. Urban Adult WMCS-AM rose (1.6-1.9) to tie with Classical WFMR-FM, which was flat (1.9) for 16th place... In Columbus, OH, Top 40 WNCI-FM dropped over two shares (11.3-9.0), but still led the market, and Urban Adult WJZA-FM lost a share (6.1-5.1) to place 7th. Urban WCKX-FM improved (2.0-2.4) for 12th place... In Charlotte, WPEG-FM returned to the top of the market (9.4-9.3), while sister station, Urban Adult WBAV-FM, climbed (4.1-4.3) to place 8th overall. And Top 40 WNKS-FM dropped a share-and-a-half (6.5-5.0) for 7th place...



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Management: Kenny Meise as for Soulside Management, Inc. and Lauren Graham

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## Urban Adult

#### Smooth Sounds by Kandace Taylor Phyall

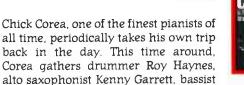


Appreciation Time: Let's start out by saying "thank you" to those that have walked this path before us. February is Black History Month and we're excited to be in a position to reap the benefits of the sweat, pain and blood of our forefathers. Stay tuned and read this week's JAMZ cover to read about the changes our

music has gone through the last four decades... Movin' On Up: Congratulations to Def Jam's Ms. Johnnie Walker "Red," whose boss, Russell Simmons, serves her VP stripes on a silver platter... Let's all smile for Delana "Turner" Walker, new West Coast Assoc. Director of Publicity for Arista Records... Chi-Town: WVAZ/Chicago has alot to cheer about. They sold 1200 tickets in 45 minutes for \$1.03 to catch Erykah Badu and Bloodstone at the House of Blues January 31. The promotion was to celebrate Tom Joyner and John Monds' Quad's first year anniversary on VIO3. And the rumors are settled as Jamillah Muhammad "Not Ali" has stepped into the PD slot... New Goodies: After 7's rendition of the smash "Sarah Smile" (Virgin) is—straight-out—a hit. They toast love and promise to cherish it. (What girl can resist being Sarah for the moment?)... Don't miss Dean Phil's "I Do" on A.B.S.OLUTE/ MoJAZZ. He teams up with Al B. Sure! to deliver a smooth ballad that will definitely become a wedding selection. (Where were you when we were looking for some intense, lovey-dovey music?)... On the indie tip: Lo Key Records takes you back with Legal Tender's version of "A Dream." It won't run anyone away, but it will stir up pleasant memories of a time now passed... Shoulder Tapping: Sharon "Good To See You Hanging" Heyward, Richard "Keep The Hits Coming" Nash. Dave "Where Ya At" Rosas...

#### **Premiere Pick**

CHICK COREA & FRIENDS "Remembering Bud Powell Stretch





Christian McBride, tenor saxophonist Joshua Redman and trumpeter Wallace Roney (a nice "old school/new school" mix) and stirs up such Powell gems as "Oblivion," "Willow Groove," "I'll Keep Loving You" (with outstanding sax work from Redman and Garrett), "Bouncing With Bud" and Corea's ode, "Bud Powell." Throughout, one not only gets to hear nine of ten cuts written by Powell, a master composer in his own right, but the listener is thrown back to a time when jazzmen would sit and study the music and add their own challenges without fear of reprisal. A great tribute. (Gary Jackson)

#### **Singles**

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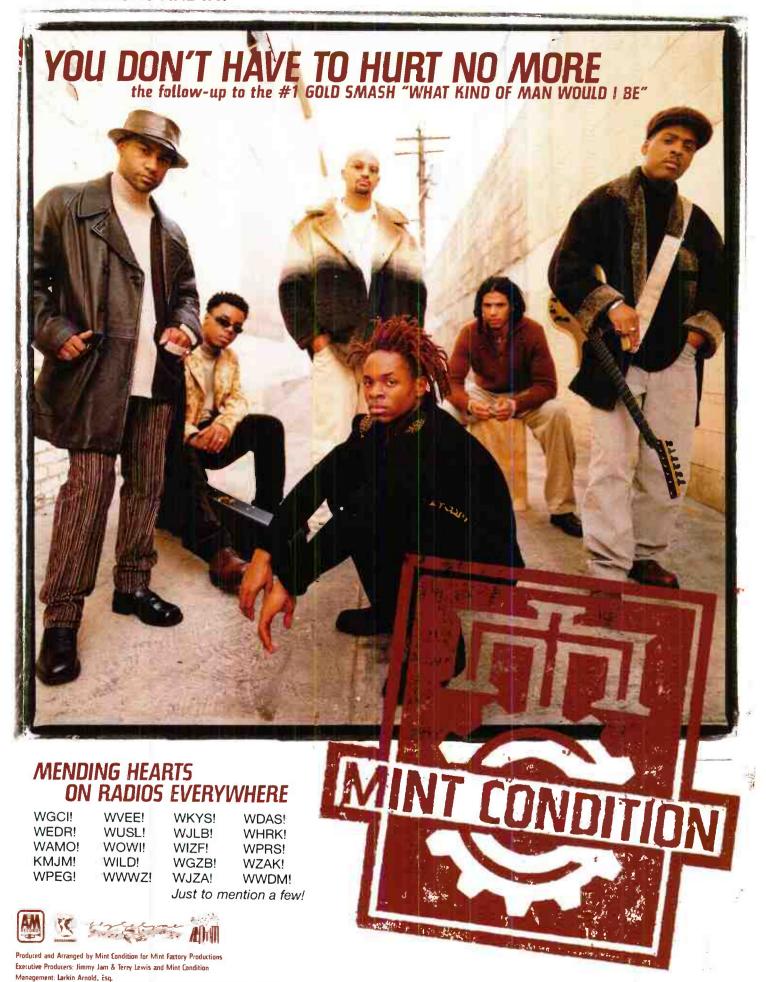
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18 3	ERYKAH BADU On & On	Kedar/Universal
5 3 4	BLACKSTREET  Never Gonr	Interscope
14 6 5	DRU HILL	Island
10 9 6	In My Bed  MAXWELL  Sumthin' Su	Columbia/CRG
13 12 7	BABYFACE	Epic
9 7 8	Every Time LUTHER VANDROS I Can Make	S LV/Epic
12 10 9	ISLEY BROS.	Island
18 17 10	MONICA For You I W	WS/Atlantic/Atl G
2 4 11	EN VOGUE  Don't Let G	EastWest/EEG
11 14 12	JOHNNY GILL	Motown
7 11 13	It's Your Bo FOXY BROWN  Get Me Hor	Violator/DJ/Mer
15 15 14	NEW EDITION  You Don't F	MCA
3 5 15	TONY TONI TONE  Let's Get Do	Mercury
6 8 16	R. KELLY	Jive
8 13 17	TONI BRAXTON	LaFace/Arista
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21 20 23	SWEETBACK	Epic
24 23 24	THE BRAXTONS	Atlantic/Atl G
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LaFace/Arista



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# Caught In The Act

#### Ego Stroking Photos Of Industry Geeks



IN THE REAL MIX: WMXD-FM Detroit's John Edwards is seen at Damon Records signing the station's "Mix 92.3 Soulful Christmas" CD. 50-cents of the sales of each CD went to benefit the historic Art Center Music School of Detroit, whose first grad was Jerry Boulding, around the turn of the last millenium.



MINT NICKEL: A lot of folks from Nickelodeon surround a lot of members of Mint Condition, who performed their hit song "What Kind Of Man Would I Be" for the "All That" show on the only hip channel. Since it's deadline day, we decided not to put anyone's name in the caption 'cause the food bell's ringing.



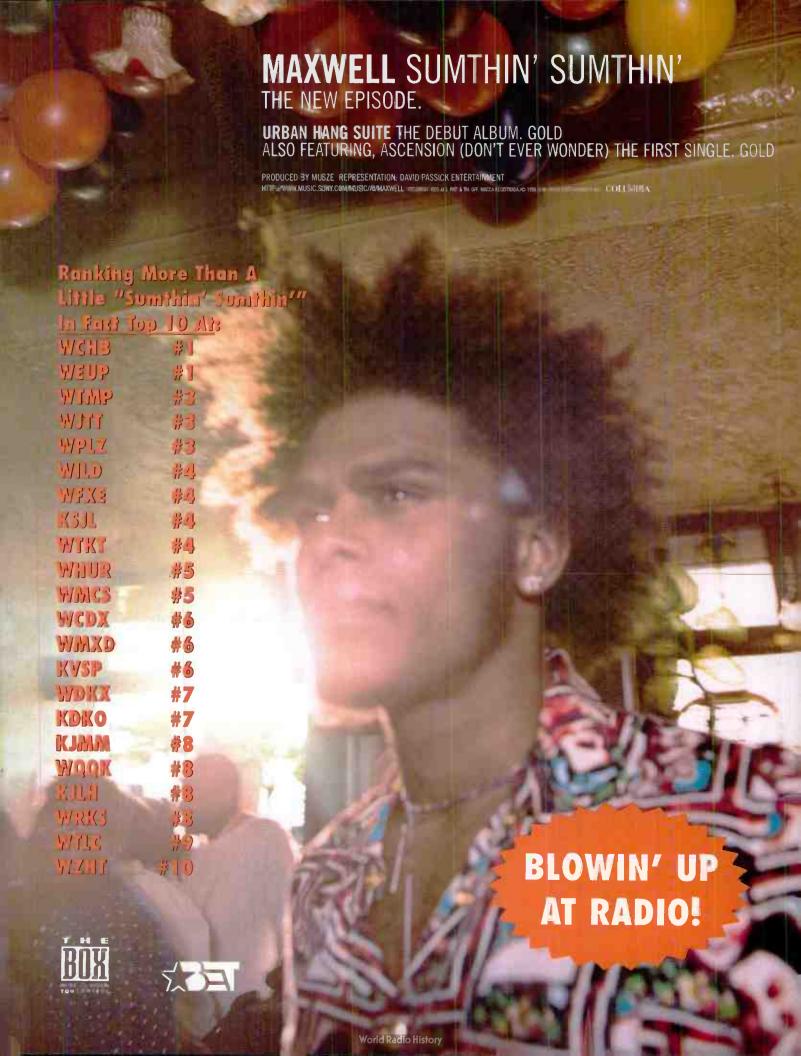
NEW MCA EDITION: Backstage in their hometown of Boston are the members of New Edition and MCA Records' promotion team, celebrating the outside temperature climbing into the teens. Bundled for comfort are (top row) Ronnie DeVoe and Ralph Tresvant; (middle row) Brook Payne, MCA's Ken Wilson and Benny Pough; WILD-AM PD Ken Johnson; NE's Johnny Gill and Bobby Brown and MCA's Jeff Redd and (front row) Ricky Bell and Michael Bivins.



EAST OAKLAND BOOGIE: Hiroshima recently performed at Kimball's East in Oakland and are greeted by Maze member Ron Smith (r). Seen just before being handed a huge bar bill incurred by Smith are (l-r) Hiroshima's Danny Yamamoto, Fred Schreuders, Kimaya Seward, Dean Cortez and Kimo Cornwell.



WEARING UNDEAS: Big Beat/Atlantic's Lil' Kim is seen at the shoot of her "No Time" video. Undeas Entertainment's Jacob York. video director Marcus Nispel, Puff Daddy and Undeas' Un are discussing a walk-on by NBA renegade Dennis Rodman, but nixed the idea when cameraman Eugene Amos was discovered on the set.





#### RADIO MOST ADDED

ARTIST: Artifacts
TITLE: "The Ultimate"
LABEL: Big Beat/Atlantic

#### RAP RADIO TOP THIRTY

2W	LW	T₩	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL
1	1	1	KRS-ONE	The MC	Jive
3	2	2	CAMP LO	Luchini	Profile
12	6	3	TRACEY LEE	The Theme	Bystorm/Universal
6	4	4	LOST BOYZ	Get Up	Universal
2	3	5	REDMAN	That's How It Is	Def Jam/Mercury
18	11	6	MOBB DEEP	G.O.D. Pt. III	Loud/RCA
4	5	7	THE ROOTS	What They Do	DGC
	16	8	KEITH MURRAY	Hot To Def	Jive
7	9	9	RAS KASS	Soul On Ice	Patchwerk/Priority
16	19	10	ROYAL FLUSH	Rotten Apple	Blunt/TVT
17	12	11	MC LYTE	Cold Rock A	F Pri/Elektra/EEG
	27	12	THE FUGEES	Rumble In The	.DAS/Mercury
8	8	13	MIC GERONIMO	Unstoppable	Blunt/TVT
25	15	14	A+/AZ	A+Z	Kedar/Universal
	18	15	PUFF DADDY/MASE	Can't Nobody	Bad Boy/Arista
14	17	16	NAS	Street Dreams	Columbia/CRG
		17	RAMPAGE	Wild For Da	Elektra/EEG
26	26	18	FRANKIE CUTLASS	The Cypher	Violator/Relativity
13	20	19	XZIBIT	The Foundation	Loud/RCA
		20	JUNGLE BROS.	How Ya Want It	Gee Street/V2
		21	REDMAN	Whateva Man	Def Jam/Mercury
20	21	22	LARGE PROFESSOR	l Juswannachill	DGC
	28	23	DE LA SOUL	4 More	Tommy Boy
15	14	24	TRIGGA THE GAMBLA	Bust	Def Jam/Mercury
11	13	25	DR. DRE	Been There	Aftermath/Int
19	24	26	J-LIVE	Can I Get It	Rawshack
	<u>-</u>	27	RHYME N REASON	Soundtrack	Priority/Buzztone
27	29	28	BIG JAZ	Foundation	Freeze/Loaded/Pri
5	7	29	MOBB DEEP	Hell On Earth	Loud/RCA
		30	AK SKILLS	One Life/East	Tru Criminal

#### PASS THE WORD



Jeru & Primo stop in at the Hot97 studios...

HOOKED ON EBONICS Jeepers I had a really great (and really short) visit to New York City last week, and I got to rub elbows with some of the movers and shakers of the music industry. A big "howdy!" to everyone that I met up with, including Kevin Liles, Mike Kaiser, Bajja, Jim Mahoney, Mel Plowden, Blair, Walk & Strazza, Al Lindstrom, Ralph & Garnet, Michelle Joyce, Marlo Martin, Red Alert, Mike Baril, Charles Dixon, Jenny @ Big Dog, EMZ, Awesome Two, Dilute, Ern \$,

Mar Sabado, E-1, Eric Parler, Rene McLean, Craig Kallman, Puffy, Heidi Spiegel, and so many others!... CHART CHECK: The #1 R&B album "Rhyme & Reason" (Priority/Buzztone) soundtrack is now also representing on the Rap chart, and should take a jump next week when Roddy Rod sends out the promo albums in the mail this week... Because I know the Artifacts personally, it is a pleasure to see "The Ultimate" (Big Beat/Atlantic) take Most Added with 57 adds... I am guessing that Def Jam will soon replace Foxy Brown "Get Me Home" with "I'll Be" in the next two weeks... Could Camp Lo "Luchini" (Profile) be #1 next week, being only a hundred points behind The Teacher? Only Jim Mahoney knows fo' sho'...

#### Top Five Least Popular Fairy Tales:

- 5. The Little Guest List That Couldn't
- 4. Tommy Gunn Is On The Other Line
- 3. The Promo Mailing With Only One Record In It
- 2. Goldilocks And The Three Detections
- 1. Caught Reading HITS Magazine

SURFTN' USA: Winter is a good time to surf--the 'net, that is. Three shows (all HITS reporters) are making waves on the Web: Geronimo with www.rapradio.com, Randy Ward with 88 Hip Hop (www.88hiphop.com) and the Wake Up Show with www.wakeupshow.com. Rapradio.com is a 24-hour netcast that plays all formats of commercial-free and uncensored Rap. Randy Ward's 88 Hip Hop netcasts from New York City every Wednesday night, and the Wake Up Show has a website at the above address.

Worth checking out, thought you should know... COLUMBIA DISCOVERY: Deejays, you now have a Columbia rap hookup, and he is Hakim J. You can get the Soul Assassins from him if you just call (212) 833-6811... Rich Kid, formerly of Relativity, is looking for the next challenge, so hit him at (800) 715-5774... IN THE LAB: I know this is the rap column, but I can't wait for the new Mary J. Blige album, with D'Angelo, NAS, Jam & Lewis, Lil' Kim, Babyface, Foxy Brown and R Kelly... Drive safely, talk to you next week.



By Jennifer Norwood



#### THIRTY VIDE®

LW TW ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL
1 MAKAVELI	To Live And Die	Death Row/int
2 LL COOL J	Ain't Nobody	Geffen
7 DO OR DIE	Playa Like	Rap-A-Lot/NT/Virgin
5 B REAL, COOLIO	Hit 'Em High	WS/Atl/Atl G
5 PUFF DADDY	Can't Nobody	Bad Boy/Arista
15 6 DA BRAT	Ghetto Love	SoSo Def/Col/CRG
6 7 REDMAN	Whateva Man	Def Jam/Mercury
4 8 THE ROOTS	What They Do	DGC
9 9 MC LYTE	Cold Rock A Pa	rtyEastWest/EEG
11 10 MASTER P	Is There A	Buzztone/Priority
DRU DOWN	Baby Bubba	Relativity
12 FUGEES	Rumble In	Das/Mercury
14 13 GHOSTFACE KILLAH	Camay	Interscope
29 14 <sub>J-FLEX</sub>	Who Been Then	eDeath Row/Int
22 15 FLESH-N-BONE	World So Cruel	Def Jam/Mercury
24 16 MACK 10/THE DOGG	Nuthing But	Priority
17 DJ KOOL	Let Me Clear My	American
8 18 LOST BOYZ	Get Up	Universal
10 19 LIL KIM	No Time	Undeas/BB/Atl G
17 20 MOBB DEEP	Hell On Earth	Loud/RCA
30 21 MO THUGS FAMILY	Thug Devotion	Mo Thugs/Rel
20 22 <sub>E40</sub>	Things'll Never	Jive
3 23 SNOOP DOGGY DOGG	Snoop's Upside.	., Death Row/Int
16 CRUCIAL CONFLICT	Showdown	Universal
13 25 <sub>B-LEGIT</sub>	Check It Out	Jive
26 ICE CUBE	The World Is Mir	ne Jive
26 RICHIE RICH	Let's Ride	Def Jam/Mercury
12 28 FOXY BROWN	Get Me Home	Violator/DJ/Mercury
21 29 MOTHER SUPERIA	Most Of All	4th+Bway/Island
30 <sub>O.G.C.</sub>	Hurricane	DuckDown/Priority

#### INCH



Erykah Badu "On & On" **Kedar/Universal Director: Paul Hunter** 

This short story--written by Badu--captures life in a rural small farmhouse in the old

South, where every family's older daughter took care of everything. In the video, it's Badu who washes the clothes, cleans the house, milks the cow, watches the younger kids and never enjoys life. But in the end, Badu finally gets to do what she really dreams about: to live life to its fullest, singing and partying in a jook joint scene reminiscent of "The Color Purple." Director Hunter and Badu do a great job of casting, even using her real-life mother and sister. Kedar/Universal has a winner with "On & On," the first single off her forthcoming "Baduizm" debut album. P.S. Badu's energy and spirituality are just as intense during her live set. Don't sleep on this one! (Michael Phyall)

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#### The R&B Top Ten Video List:

On & On

#### LW TW

1. Erykah Badu

9. Johnny Gill

10. Tony Toni Toné

2. Rahsaan Patterson Stop By

-	3.	Alfonzo Hunter	Just The Way	Def Squad/EMI
_	4.	New Edition	You Don't Have	MCA
-	5.	Monica	For You I Will	Warner Sunset/Atl G
-	6.	Montell Jordan	What's On	Def Soul/DJ/RAL
	7.	Ray J	Let It Go	EastWest/EEG
-	8.	Maxwell	Sumthin'	Columbia/CRG

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## H-THE-MIX

#### IN THA MIX



#### BY RICKY LEIGH MENSH

#### THA NEW MUZIK GENERA-

TION...: Have to spend a minute speakin on my 8 daze in New York City cuz it waz tha most incredible trip I've ever made there. Felt like a kid, runnin from tha island thru

tha boroughs thru tha village & hangin mostly w/alotta tha folks who reprezent tha new power base in urban/xover muzik. I never do tha typical shout-out type bullshit column, but I gotta recognize summa those who helped make my trip THA SHIT! WQHT's Doctor Dre, Red Alert, Funkmaster Flex & DJ Skribble, Awesome 2's Special K & Teddy Ted, SupeRadio's Gary B, Def Jam's Lyor Cohen, Kevin Liles, Mike Kyser & Bajja Asali, LOUD/SRC's Steve & Jonathan Rifkind, Rich Isaacson, Brett Wright & Rob Stone, Bad Boy's "Puffy," Jeff Burroughs & Free, Columbia's Jerry Blair, Charlie Walk & John Strazza, So So Def's Jermaine Dupri, Hiriam Hicks & Marthe Reynolds (Island), Stephen Hill (MTV), MCA's Charles Dixon, Jive's Eric Skinner, Will Strickland, Ray Harris, Ron Sweeney & Robin Kearse (Epic), Barbara Seltzer & Davey Dee (Motown), Jam Master Jay, EMI's Peter Napoliello, Dave Rosas, Troy Shelton, Black, 4's manager Billy Sparks, Crave's Lisa Wolfe, Dawn Fox & Ern Llamado, Elektra's Tom Maffei, Richard Nash & Rene McLean, Jellybean Benitez & H.O.L.A.'s Safari & Richie Rich, Uptown's Lewis Tucker & Mike Nice, etc. I can hear my guys Chaka Zulu "Notion" (WHTA) & Jeff "Joguar" Lee (WJBT) now: "Ricky, stop ridin everybody's nutz!" I don't give a fukk! This shit waz amazin! PS: If I didn't mention ya name, a) I'm braindead & I forgot b) Ya really weren't there c) I really wasn't there... Gotta give it up to ALL tha label folks whose records are conf. call pix as they came to us in tha mix FIRST before they went to tha PDs/MDs w/CD pros, esp. those acts that're established, like Yvette Michelle, Redman & Foxy Brown, Da Brat/T-Boz, Outkast, Dre/B-Real, Ghostface & Zhane, who spent 11 hrs. in tha studio layin down request line #'s for almost all ya stations in tha mix!... Congrats Red "M.T.A.M.F." Alert, who dropped tha ring on hiz lady's finger & iz doin tha 'M-werd' shortly... & to Kid Capri on hiz new LP on Columbia & Pepsi Comm... & to Warren G (Vio/Def Jam) & Heavy D (Uptown) on HOTTT new LPs-12s cummin... & to new shit down tha road from Trinity (Def Jam), Allure's 2nd kut w/LL Cool J & Funkmaster Flex's 2nd mix CD which historically could ship up to 500K!...& to E-1, DJ Marco & Divine on their new hip-hop show on KCAQ Fri 9p-mid although they let our C-Minus fukk up their debut by lettin him dip hiz shit in sum rust remover & spin. Product to 1445 Kempton Ave, Studio 1, Monterey Park, CA 91754... & to Hakeem "Hagen Daz" Jaheemjahmah landin rapside @ Col. (212) 833-6811... & to Johnny C (WORK), there is sum hot dance shit out: Sabelle & Jamiroquai... & to Liz Kiley's (The Box) momz Patricia Wynn-Happy B-day... 2 12s ya gonna need: 3 X Krazy (NooTrybe/Vir.) outta Luniz's kamp & shortly thereafter from our friend Eric "AMA" Brooks: Scarface, Dr. Dre &... Ice Cube (Rap-A-Lot/NooTrybe)! ... Iz Alexander Mejia bout to find a new tribe?... Gotta be happy for tha Pack...

#### **TOP 20 SPINZ**

	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL	SPINS
L	PUFF DADDY F/MASE	Can't Nobody Hold	Bad Boy/Arista	119
2.	FOXY BROWN F/BLACKSTREET	Get Me Home	Vio/Def Jam/Merc.	115
3.	ALLURE F/NAS	Head Over Heels	Crave	114
4.	CAMP LO	Luchini	Profile	110
5.	ERYKAH BADU	On & On	Kedar/Universal	109
6.	YVETTE MICHELLE	I'm Not Feelin' You	LOUD/RCA	107
7.	MAKAVELI	Hail Mary	DR/Int.	102
8.	ROOTS	What They Do	DGC	101
9.	ZHANE	Request Line	Illtown/Motown	98
10.	TRACEY LEE	The Theme	Bystorm/Universal	96
11.	MOBB DEEP	G.O.D. Pt. 3	LOUD/RCA	93
12.	FOXY BROWN F/JAY Z	1'll Be	Vio/DJ/Mercury	92
13.	REDMAN	Whateva Man	Def Jam/Mercury	88
14.	ICE CUBE	The World Is Mine	Jive	86
15.	E-40	Things'll Never Change	Jive	85
16.	MC LYTE	Cold Rock A Party (rmx)	EW/EEG	81
17.	DR. DRE & B-REAL	Puppet Master	SA/Col/CRG	78
18.	DA BRAT F/T-BOZ	Ghetto Love	SSD/Col/CRG	76
19.	FRANKIE CUTLASS	The Cypher Pt. 3	Relativity	75
20.	GHOSTFACE KILLA	Iron Maiden	Epic Street	71

#### OUTTA THA BOX

#### WEEKLY CONFERENCE CALL WINNERS

		CAL	L WINNERS
	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL
	COMMERCIAL		
I.	ALLURE F/NAS	Head Over Heels	Crave
2.	YVETTE MICHELLE	I'm Not Feelin' You	LOUD/RCA
3.	ICE CUBE	The World Is Mine	Jive
4.	ZHANE	Request Line	Ilitown/Motown
5.	2PAC & SNOOP DOGGY DOGG	Wanted Dead Or Alive	DR/Int.
6.	FOXY BROWN F/JAY Z	1'11 Be	Vio/DJ/Mercury
7.	TRACEY LEE	The Theme	Bystorm/Universal
	UNDERGROUND		
1.	REDMAN	Whateva Man	Def Jam/Mercury
2.	OUTKAST	Jazzy Belle	LaFace/Arista
3.	DR DRE F/B-REAL	Puppet Master	SA/Col/CRG
4.	GHOSTFACE KILLA	Iron Maiden	Wu-Tang/Epic Street



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LOUD/RCA

"I'm rollin' down tha boulevard Cadillacin', swerving to Yvette Michelle. Tha shit iz bangin."

Tha beat is outta muthafukka control! Even though Yvette Michelle is not feelin' you, I'm feelin' her! This iz an R&B record that your station needs to be feelin'! NO DOUBT!" Editor's note:Tha stuff from which dealz are made (I-r) So So Def's Jermaine Dupri & Steve Rifkind in NYC, shortly before J. traded hiz jacket for Rif's new Converses. Ice couldn't make it. He was somewhere in Alabama w/WBLX/WBHJ's Chris Coleman mixin in a swamp.

#### JEFF NELSON • XHTZ



Da Brat feat.T-Boz "Ghetto Love" So So Def/Col/CRG

"Great female appeal w/alotta hit potential." Editor's note: Here's a whole lotta folks w/Mr. Nelson az a deep

thinker (I-r) Red Alert, Phil Mataragas (EMI), Special K, Ricky Leigh, Teddy Ted, Davey Dee, Jonathan Rifkind, Jennifer Norwood & Mark Segal (Motown).

#### **MR. CHOC • KPWR**



Foxy Brown feat. Jay Z
"I'll Be"
Violator/Def Jam/Mercury

"This iz one of my favorite joints out right now. They need to just do an album together and get all of tha loot. If tha album ain't plat-

inum yet, this joint will make it double and then some!" Editor's note: "Asss Kiss: Tha Sequel." Epic's new mix show masta Will Strickland (front left) shortly before tha bill @ Mr. Chow, NYC came & he waz seen runnin for a cab. (L-r/front) Epic biggg cheezes Ray Harris, Vernon Brown & Ron Sweeney (back rt) w/new addition to Rap Dept Robin Kearse.

#### **ISTEVE CHAVEZ • KTFM**



Dr. Dre & B-Real "Puppet Master" SA/Col/CRG

"Fatt shit from two of hip-hop's all-time favorite producers. Add B-Real to tha mix and you got a smash! If you can't play this, then you must mix

in Idaho! Looking forward to tha album!" Editor's note: Varnell Jones (Island VP/back left) explainin tha true essence of "Willie-izm" az waz laid down by tha ole skool to nouveau "Willies" Kevin "Numarx" Liles (Def Jam/center back), Doctor "Desperate Men" Dre (WQHT/back right) & Stephen "Aruba" Hill (MD/MTV/front).

#### **D-STREET • KSJL**



Tracey Lee "The Theme" Bystorm/Universal

"This shit iz tha buttaz! This is definitely a twolisten record! If you ain't feelin' it tha first time, then that infectious groove will get you tha

second time. Itz workin' in tha clubs... in tha mix... itz just tha buttaz!" Editor's note: How bout I trade ya an advance of my man Fade's new MC "Suga Free" (Unfadeable/Island) for an advance of Notorious B.I.G.'s new shit, says Hiriam Hicks (left) to Bad Boy Ent.'s Sean "Puffy" Combs.

#### KIM JAMES • WJLB



Shaq feat. DJ Quik
"Start Playin"
T.W.isM/Trauma/Interscope

"When I first heard it, I didn't know who it was! This track is so funky it stinks! When I first played it at tha club, people started comin up to

me askin,"Who is that? Tell me where I can get it cuz I need it! NUFF SAID!" Editor's note: Itz national "Let's Kiss Tha Boss' Asss Day." Who better to sit in for Mr. James than Elektra's Rene McLean (left)? Obviously surprized Mr. McLean iz even awake iz hiz boss, Mr. Richard Nash.

#### STAN "THE MAN" PRIEST • WFLZ



Sabelle "One 'O Clock'' WORK

"This jam is sweeter than honey & flows just as sweet. If it doesn't make it all over radio & in your mix show, I'll be very surprised." Editor's

note: I'd like to suggest to (I-r) Mr. Gary B (SupeRadio/far left) to add Mr. Priest to tha fattt "Supersquad" of syndicated DJs as soon az he can find hiz Grateful Dead vinyl. In a related story, Mr. Priest dipped hiz I 200s in ty-dye & kut off part of hiz finger in a private tribute to Jerry Garcia. (L-r) Doctor Dre, Ricky Leigh & DJ Skribble were so impressed. Thank you.

#### **B-SWIFT • KBXX**



Allure feat. NAS "Head Over Heels" Crave

"I know itz 'The Bridge' but itz a classic track. I LUV this shittt. Tha group iz hot! This record has

tha potential to be fukkin HUGE! Already in tha mix and on rotation at The Box." Editor's note: (L-r): Crave's Ern "Lavern" Llamado, Lisa Wolf & Dawn Fox, who helped me prezent Mr. "Short Bus" Swift w/this week's Q-tip award for hearin tha Allure so quickly. Mr. Swift, sadly, had to bump O.P.P outta power ro to make room.



"Pullin' strings wit' my pinky rings, Ice Cube sets it off with that worldwide-West-Coast-shit! Beats are bangin, nuhs can't help but bounce to it. A no-brainer kid. 93 BPMs, write it down!"

-BAKA BOYZ . KPWR

"Ice Cube, tha new spokesman for Ebonics (nuh, back up!), back with anutha slammin track. Cube iz always consistant with his. Gettin' good phones. Once again itz bangin' on wax. If it ain't gangsta, it ain't Cube."

-CHAKA ZULU \* WHTA

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- NO DOUBT 1
- EVITA (ST) 2.
- **ROMEO & JULIET (ST)**

#### STOP

- 1. NO DOUBT
- 2. EVITA (ST)
- ROMEO & JULIET (ST)



CINDY BARR 506 Retail Stores (Ft Lauderdale)

#### **BLOCKBUSTER**

- NO DOUBT
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- 3. EVITA (ST)
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- 7. TONI BRAXTON
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- 9. KEITH SWEAT 10. WALLFLOWERS

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- 5. SUBLIME
- ROMEO & JULIET (ST) TONI BRAXTON
- 8. SNOOP DOGGY DOGG
- **WALLFLOWERS**
- 10. TONY TONI TONE



JOHN MICHAEL 272 Retail Stores (Bloomington)

#### **BEST BUY**

- 1. EVITA (ST)
- 2. NO DOUBT
- 3. ROMEO & JULIET (ST) 4. TONI BRAXTON
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- WALLFLOWERS
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- 7. 311
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- 9. JEWEL
- 10. BLACKSTREET



JIM FREEMAN 16 Retail Stores (Stamford)

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- 2. NO DOUBT
- 3. ULTIMATE DANCE PARTY
- TONI BRAXTON
- **CELINE DION**
- 6.
- SHINE (ST) JAMIROQUAI
- **ROMEO & JULIET (ST)**
- **BECK**
- 10. PREACHER'S WIFE (ST)



GEORGE MEYER 58 Retail Stores (New York)

#### WIZ

- 1. NO DOUBT
- 2. DRU HILL
- 3. EVITA (ST) TONI BRAXTON
- 5. SPACE JAM (ST)
- 6. AALIYAH
- **ROMEO & JULIET (ST)**
- 8. CELINE DION
- 9. FOXY BROWN
- 10. PREACHER'S WIFE (ST)



RON PHILLIPS 2500 Accounts (Woodland)

#### VALLEY RECORD DIST.

- 1. JEWEL
- WALLFLOWERS
- **RHYME & REASON (ST)**
- NO DOUBT
- 5. ROMEO & JULIET (ST)
- 6. AALIYAH
- KEITH SWEAT 8. EVITA (ST)
- 9. SUBLIME
- 10. JAMIROQUAI

# IT'S WHO YOU KNOW

# REYNOTE RUSS SOLOMON: The founder and owner of Tower Records offers a wake up call to the music industry. Expect topics to include retail and the record industry's problems, some solutions, and Radio's role in the retail business.





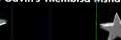
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- 7. MAKAVELI (2PAC)
- 8. REDMAN
- **TONI BRAXTON**
- 10. SPACE JAM (ST)



DOUG SMITH 155 Retail Stores (Pittsburgh)

#### NAT'L RECORD MART

- 1. ROMEO & JULIET (ST)
- 2. EVITA (ST)
- 3. NO DOUBT
- 4. JEWEL
- 5. WALLFLOWERS
- 6. MAKAVELI (2PAC) 7. ULTIMATE DANCE PARTY
- 8. BLACKSTREET
- 9. KEITH SWEAT
- 10. COUNTING CROWS



53 Retail Stores (Florida)

#### **SPECS**

- 1. EVITA (ST)
- 2. NO DOUBT
- 3. MAKAVELI (2PAC)
- 4. TONI BRAXTON
- 5. SPACE JAM (ST)
- 6. AALIYAH
- 7. CELINE DION
- 8. JULIO IGLESIAS
- 9. ULTIMATE DANCE PARTY
- 10. FOXY BROWN



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- 1. NO DOUBT
- 2. EVITA (ST)
- 3. ROMEO & JULIET (ST)
- 4. JEWEL
- 5. LEANN RIMES
- 6. CELINE DION
- 7. TONI BRAXTON
- 8. ALANIS MORISSETTE
- 9. SPACE JAM (ST)
- 10. BLACKSTREET

#### LECHMERE HICKINGBOTHAM 18 Retail Stores

PAUL (New England)

#### LECHMERE

- 1. EVITA (ST) 2. NO DOUBT
- 3. CELINE DION
- 4. JEWEL
- 5. ROMEO & JULIET (ST)
- **TONI BRAXTON**
- **DAVE MATTHEWS**
- 8. ULTIMATE DANCE PARTY
- **COUNTING CROWS** 9.
- 10. BUSH



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#### ANGOTT ONE-STOP

- 1. AALIYAH
- 2. TONI BRAXTON
- 3. RHYME & REASON (ST) 4. FOXY BROWN
- 5. TONY TONI TONE
- 6. PREACHER'S WIFE (ST)
- MAKAVELI (2PAC)
- 8. WESTSIDE CONNECTION
- 9. REDMAN
- 10. MAXWELL



(Lansing)

#### MICHIGAN WHEREHOUSE

- 1. MAKAVELI (2PAC)
- 2. RHYME & REASON (ST)
  3. ROMEO & JULIET (ST)
- 4. NO DOUBT
- 5. JEWEL
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- 7. COUNTING CROWS 8. FOXY BROWN
- 9. REDMAN
- 10. 311



**BRAD SINGER** 8 Retail Stores & 150 One-Stop Accts (Phoenix)

#### **IMPACT**

- 1. CHRONIC FUTURE
- 2. NO DOUBT
- 3. ROMEO & JULIET (ST)
- 4. BECK
- 5. CARDIGANS
- **WALLFLOWERS**
- **COUNTING CROWS**
- 8. JAMIROQUAI
- 9. DAVE MATTHEWS 10. SUBLIME

- **PEACHES** 1. MAKAVELI (2PAC) 2. NO DOUBT
  - 3. EVITA (ST) 4. SPACE JAM (ST)
  - TONI BRAXTON
  - 6. FOXY BROWN
  - 7. PREACHER'S WIFE (ST)
  - 8. LIL' KIM
  - 9. REDMAN
  - 10. AALIYAH



AMY BANNING 7 Stores (Grand Rapids)

OTT WHITE

(Miami)

13 Retail Stores

#### BELIEVE IN MUSIC

- 1. GINUWINE
- **DEATH ROW'S G. HITS**
- **PIST ON** RHYME & REASON (ST)
- REDMAN
- AALIYAH SPACE JAM (ST) 6.
- 8. BLACKSTREET 9. WALLFLOWERS
- 10. TONY TONI TONE



#### REC&TAPE TRADER

- 1. SUBLIME
- 2. WALLFLOWERS
- 3. NO DOUBT **DAVE MATTHEWS**
- **CARDIGANS**
- 6. ROMEO & JULIET (ST)
- **COUNTING CROWS**
- 8. BUSH
- 9. LUSCIOUS JACKSON



PAUL BROCKMAN 900 Accounts (Houston)

#### S.W. WHOLESALE

- 1. TELA **DRU HILL**
- 3. RHYME & REASON (ST)

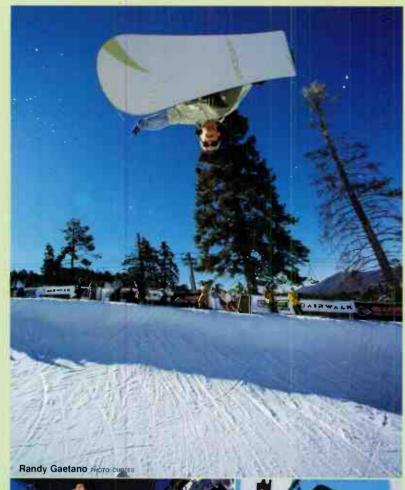
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## RERAE

BY MARK PEARSON

NARMania: More music performances are now being announced for the upcoming NARM Convention. Atlantic's Collective Soul will now be closing the General Session on Sunday, March 9. Already announced, of course, is the set opening the Sesfeaturing Rounder's Platinum bluegrass queen Alison Krauss. Kenny Loggins will be prepping a Greatest Hits package due this spring, headlining the Scholarship Foundation Dinner (which, by the way, over the last 30 years, has donated some \$3 million in financial assistance). Back by popular demand is the groundbreaking PGD Zone, with an early slate that currently includes Def Jam's Warren G, A&M's Ashley MacIsaac and Jonny Lang, Mercury's Hanson, Hollywood's Flipp, Polydor's Tonic, Verve's Chris Botti, Island's Edna Swap, Mercury Nashville's Neal Coty and an entire night of Motown artists... Add NARM: Robert Pittman, former MTV maven and current President/CEO of America Online Networks, will speak on the "Brave New World of the Internet" at the Closing Session on Tuesday. NARM President Pam Horovitz: "Bob first came to NARM more than a decade ago to introduce MTV to our members. This return engagement is

#### Dressed To Kilt



Ashley MacIsaac: Bringing his bagpipes to NARM.

particularly timely as many of our members are going online"... One More NARM: Chicago-based Baker and Taylor will be hosting one of the cooler events at NARM this year, giving attendees the chance to be one of the first to see the new traveling exhibit for the Rock & Roll Hall Of Fame ... The very loud Chapter 11 rumors that have been flying around Strawberries and Musicland lately are now being joined by some major questions surrounding one major electronics discount chain which was apparently using month's Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas to ask suppliers for some sort of financial relief. Stay tuned... Add Musicland: Look to our News section for some interesting action concerning the mega-chain trying to work a deal with the Big Six. taking a two-year deferment on \$75 million of the reported \$600 million owed... The fourth quarter of '96 saw some big releases being bumped, leaving some very big holes in the holiday sales season. The obvious silver lining was that the first quarter of '97 is shaping up to be one of the biggest in years. Now that a very tepid January is over, impatient retailers are finally starting to perk up as the huge "Gridlock'd" soundtrack hits the streets at presstime. With Tupac Shakur starring and new 2Pac material on the LP, it seems every bit like a slam dunk. The month of February is nothing but fireworks, with the Offspring and Silverchair on 2/4, the "Lost Highway" soundtrack featuring Trent Reznor and Nine Inch Nails on 2/11, Live on 2/18 and a new Wu Tang Clan on 2/25. Now '97 really begins... David Miller, six-year MCA vet, having spent the last two years as Director of Single Sales, is moving to Red Ant as National Director of Sales. He will be replaced at MCA by single sales specialist Allyson Cuneo. Congrats.

## MINI-MUGS



JUST SAY YES: CMC International Records artists Yes perform a 45-minute set at Tower Records Sunset in L.A. before a few hundred ecstatic fans calling for "Roundahout." The occasion was the release of the band's new live album, "Keys To Ascension." Pictured before their visas were revoked and tea privileges suspended indefinitely are (1-r) Yes' Alan White; BMG Exec Ass't to Pres. Michael Laskoff; the band's Rick Wakeman & Steve Howe; CMC Int'l President Tom Lipsky, band vocalist Jon Anderson, bassist Chris Squire and the group's manager Jon Brewer.



CATS' MEOW: Sterling Records artist Betty Buckley signs autographs at Sam Goody in Universal CityWalk to promote her new album, "Live At Carnegie Hall." Buckley was in the L.A. area promoting her exclusive engagement at the Pantages Theater, where she performed in Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Music of the Night." Shown before being mobbed by a rabid band of right-wing fans who thought she was related to William F. Buckley are (seated, l-r) Buckley and Sam Goody W.C. Marketing exec Judyth Springer-Thurman: standing (l-r) Sam Goody City Walk's Josh Stroud, SG Mgr. Steve Moses, SG District Mgr. Phil Olney and SG GM David Ribeiro.



PUTTING THE SQUEEZE ON LEMON: HITS' own Don Juan Freddie Vasquez (r) tells the lovely Debbie Lemon (l). District Mgr. for Zia's Record Exechange chain in Arizona, she's his favorite retailer, which is exactly what he tells the other 1,954,876 female retailers he speaks to. Freddie makes Bill Clinton look like a monk.

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4 PRODUCER OF THE YEAR: Don Was

5 BEST ROCK ALBUM: No Doubt

6 BEST ALTERNATIVE: Smashing Pumpkins

7 BEST R&B ALBUM: Maxwell

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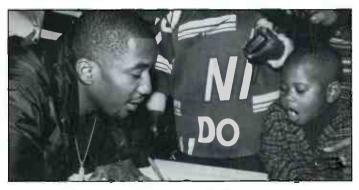


His chances for success are Smashing.

## MINI-MUGS



HOW MANY TECHNO STARS CAN YOU FIT ON THE HEAD OF A PINFIELD?: London/ffrr recording artists Orbital take a break from inhaling A&R geck Neil Harris' secondary smoke and sucking up product manager loser Guy Leger's sycophantic babble to make a guest appearance on MTV's "120 Minutes." Pictured hoping the remaining 119 minutes aren't nearly as painful as this one are (1-r) Leger, the band's Phil Hartnoll, "120 Minutes" host Matt Pinfield, the band's Paul Hartnoll and Harris.



COLOR HIM UNIMPRESSED: Rapper Q-Tip of Grammy-nominated Jive Records hip-hop artists A Tribe Called Quest bores the daylights out of a young fan during a recent appearance at PS 20's annual holiday celebration in N.Y.C. The group is up for two Grammys for Best Rap Album and Best Rap Performance by a Duo or Group. Shortly after this shot, the youngster made the immortal comment: "Hey, I thought you said Beavis & Butt-Head were gonna be here." And you wonder why the N.Y.C. public school system is in such trouble.



TOOTHSOME TRIO: LIFEbeat, the music industry fights AIDS organization. holds the first annual "Sonrisa Latina" in conjunction with Benitez Entertainment, at New York's Roxy nightchib. The evening featured performances by Latin musical artists such as La India, Dark Latin Groove, the Barrio Boyz, King Chengo and Reign and was LIFEbeat's first event aimed at the Latin community. Shown proving that even charity has its limits are King Chengo's Andrew Blanco (!) & Martin Cunningham (r) along with Kid Creole & the Coconuts' legendary Coati Mundi (c).

### BEATIS ME

BY ROY TRAKIN

ALL THE NEWS THAT'S FIT TO SPIN: Ya don't think Bruce Springsteen has an ex-rock critic as his manager for nothin', do ya? There's a reason Jon Landau gets the big bucks. After Fred Goodman's rather uncomplimentary indictment of Springsteen's politics in his book, "The Mansion On The Hill," in which he claims Bruce's embrace of the great unwashed was all a carefully laid-out plan executed by Landau, the Boss camp is back on the offensive. This week's *New York Times* magazine features an adulatory cover story which positions the superstar as a latter-day Woody Guthrie and man of the people. Of course, the article doesn't mention it was Landau that first educated Bruce

about director John Ford, whose "The Grapes of Wrath" and "The Searchers" are cited as seminal influences on Springsteen's philosophy... Speaking of the Paper of Record, several journalists are grumbling over the Times' attempt to place free-lance writers' stories on their Internet site without additional compensation... Meanwhile, publishers of daily online music news have been griping that they're receiving duplicate stories from writers who are shopping their wares to both, while each tries to outbid the other for editorial



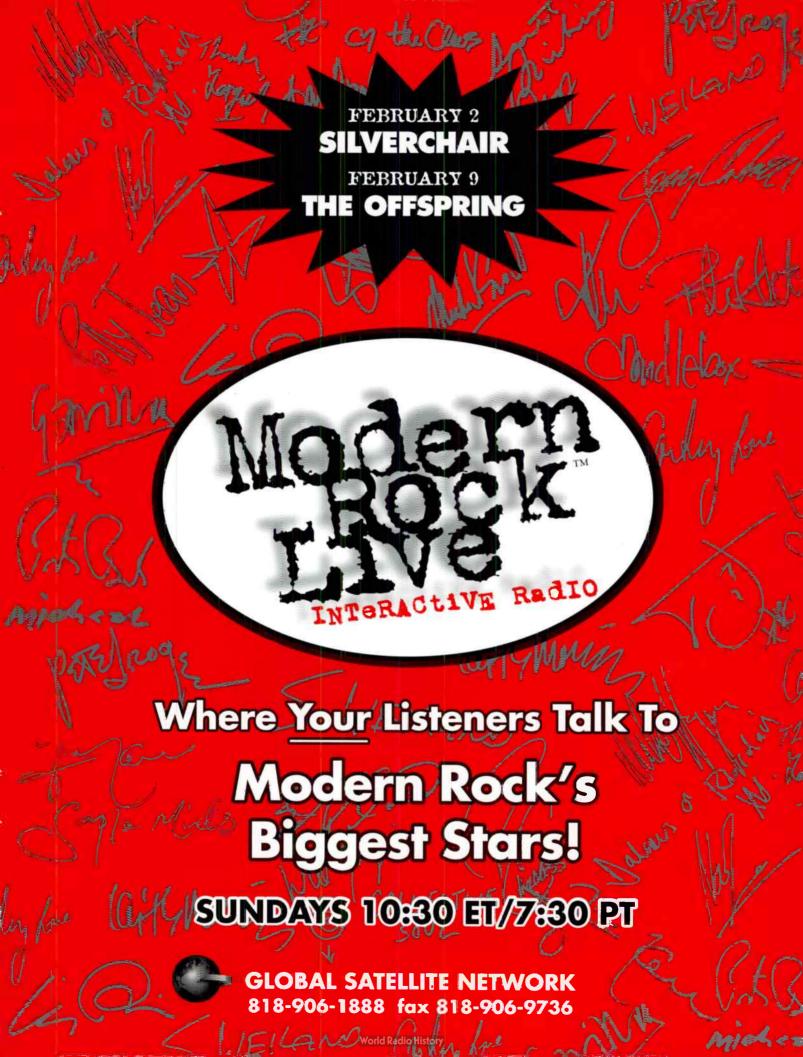


Bruce Springsteen: Seen the future of artist management.

talent... With more than \$40,000 in winnings on a return visit to *Jeopardy!*. San Jose Mercury-News rock critic Claudia Perry made probably half her total annual salary in a single week. She told host Alex Trebek the similarity between sports and rock journalists is that "both interview people who earn a lot more money than we do."

FLACK TO THE FUTURE: Word is the Work publicity job is going to ex-MCA, ex-Elektra VP Lisa Millman... No sooner do we congratulate Eileen Thompson for being tapped as Private Music VP Publicity than the label gets absorbed by Windham Hill. Thank goodness for contracts... Congrats to Shore Fire Media's Marilyn Laverty on the birth of son Samuel... Revolution's Julie Farman ankles her publicity post at the end of February, while the label seeks to fill the vacuum with two PR types... Zoo's Mike Cubillos surfaces at Mike Jacobs' Way Cool Music... Corey Chill Pruett has signed up over 800 rock journalists for her National Music Critics Association. The NMCA is now negotiating for an annual TV music awards show, a series of nationally syndicated 90-minute radio programs featuring a guest music critic as co-host, group medical coverage and the establishment of a scholarship fund. Call (310) 657-0006.... Geffen PR geeks Jim Merlis and Dennis Dennehy's long-awaited fanzine, "Smokes Like A Fish," finally bows, featuring interviews with "Smokey and the Bandit" director Hal Needham and B-movie icon Frank Vincent. The record reviews—all of Geffen product—are a hoot. Check this critique of "Odelay": "Easily his best work since 'Beckola.' Can a Yardbirds reunion be far behind?"

(The HITS management wants you to know that Roy Trakin's column is Roy Trakin's column and does not necessarily reflect the opinion of HITS.)





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# ALBUMS

······· 2 WEEKS AGO ·······LAST WEEK

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	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL	COMMENTS	POWER
111	NO DOUBT	TRAGIC KINGDOM	Trauma/Int 92580	7 million now	131.3
8 3 2	EVITA	SOUNDTRACK	WB 46346	Don't Cry leads	117,2
2 2 3	ROMEO & JULIET	SOUNDTRACK	Capitol 37715	Well over 2 million now	100.2
5 6 4	TONI BRAXTON	SECRETS	LaF/Arista 26020	Huge selling single leads	79.4
7 4 5	SPACE JAM	SOUNDTRACK	WS/Atl/Atl G 82961	Multiple singles lead	79.2
3 5 6	CELINE DION	FALLING INTO YOU	550 Music 67541	3rd single breaking now	72.2
11 10 7	MAKAVELI (2PAC)	DON KILLUMINATI	DR/Int 90039	"To Live" on MTV	67.2
4 8 8	LEANN RIMES	BLUE	MCG/Curb 77821	Solid seller	57.2
17 18 9	JEWEL	PIECES OF YOU	Atl/Atl G 82700	Hot single leads	57.2
6 7 10	PREACHER'S WIFE	SOUNDTRACK	Arista 18951	Whitney "Step" next	56.9
26 17 11	WALLFLOWERS	BRINGING DOWN THE	Interscope 90055	"One Headlight" a smash	55.4
14 14 12	BLACKSTREET	ANOTHER LEVEL	Interscope 90071	Video added MTV	51.6
13 <b>15 13</b>	KEITH SWEAT	KEITH SWEAT	Elek/EEG 61707	Over 3 million now	50.3
24 19 14	AALIYAH	ONE IN A MILLION	BG/Atl/Atl G 92715	Video upped at MTV	50.1
9 11 15	BUSH	RAZORBLADE SUITCASE	Trauma/Int 90091	Video #1 MTV	50.0
<b>15 13 16</b>	COUNTING CROWS	RECOVERING THE	DGC 24975	"A Long December" leads	49.7
9 17	RHYME & REASON	SOUNDTRACK	Priority 50635	Mack 10 single leads	48.9
23 21 18	ULTIMATE DANCE	VARIOUS ARTISTS	Arista 18943	Way past Gold now	47.1
16 20 19	311	311	Capr/Mer 942-041	"All Mixed Up" leads	44.1
12 12 20	DEANA CARTER	DID I SHAVE MY LEGS	Capitol 37514	New single starting	43.8
10 16 21	ALANIS MORISSETTE	JAGGED LITTLE PILL	Mav/Rep 45901	Over 14 million now	41.6
20 23 22	GREASE	SOUNDTRACK	Poly/A&M 825-095	"Mega-Mix" selling LP	40.9
<b>25 25 23</b>	SUBLIME	SUBLIME	GA/MCA 1141	"Santeria" leads now	36.3
22 22 24	FOXY BROWN	ILL NA NA	Vio/DJ/Merc 533-68	4 "I'll Be" next	36.2
32 31 25	JOCK JAMS VOL. 2	VARIOUS ARTISTS	Tommy Boy 1163	Hot compilation	35.3

(Based on sales of albums, tapes and CD'S from the nation's leading record merchandisers)

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	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL	COMMENTS	POWER INDEX
28 24 26	BABYFACE	THE DAY	Epic 67293	Record 12 Grammy noms	33.9
21 28 27	SNOOP DOGGY DOGG	DOGGFATHER	DR/Int 90038	"Vapors" on MTV	32.7
18 27 28	KENNY G	THE MOMENT	Arista 18935	Steady	32.3
<b>30 35 29</b>	SHERYL CROW	SHERYL CROW	A&M 540-587	"Everyday Is" now	32.0
44 34 30	GINUWINE	THE BACHELOR	550 Music 67685	"Tell Me" next	31.4
29 33 31	DAVE MATTHEWS BAND	CRASH	RCA 66904	"Crash Into" leads	30.9
19 26 32	BEAVIS & BUTT-HEAD	SOUNDTRACK	Geffen 25002	Ready for new single	30.1
31 32 33	NEW EDITION	HOME AGAIN	MCA 11480	New video added to MTV	30.0
43 30 34	TONY TONI TONE	HOUSE OF MUSIC	Mercury 534-250	"Let's Get" leads	27.9
<b>47 39 35</b>	CARDIGANS	FIRST BAND	Mercury 533-117	Hot single leads	27.4
<b> 36</b>	DRU HILL	DRU HILL	Island 524-306	¹In My Bed <sup>□</sup> leads	27.2
<b>36 37 37</b>	DEATH ROW'S G. HITS	VARIOUS	Int/DR/Pri 50677	Hits package	25.7
40 42 38	WESTSIDE CONNECTION	BOW DOWN	LM/Priority 50583	Ready for new single	25.6
38 38 39	MARILYN MANSON	ANTICHRIST SUPERSTAR	Not/Int 90086	"Tourniquet" now	24.8
39 41 40	CAKE	FASHION NUGGET	Capr/Merc 532-867	New video on MTV	24.3
42 47 41	REDMAN	MUDDY WATERS	DJ/Mercury 533-470	Rap	24.0
40 42	LIL' KIM	HARD CORE	BB/Atl/Atl G 92733	Title says it all	23.9
<b> 49 43</b>	KEVIN SHARP	MEASURE OF A MAN	Asylum 61930	#1 Country single leads	21.6
45 46 44	ENIGMA	LE-ROI EST MORT	Virgin 42060	Steady seller	20.6
<b>49 50 45</b>	METALLICA	LOAD	Elek/EEG 61923	Tour	20.3
<b>27 45 46</b>	VAN HALEN	BEST OF VOL. I	Wamer Bros 46332	Hits plus 2 new cuts	20.2
47	MO' THUGS	FAMILY SCRIPTURES	MT/Relativity 1561	Back on	18.4
48	BLOODHOUND GANG	ONE FIERCE BEER	Rep/Geffen 25124	Video upped at MTV	17.7
34 48 49	SET IT OFF	SOUNDTRACK	EW/EEG 61915	Heading toward 2 million	16.7
<b>  50</b>	DONNA LEWIS	NOW IN A MINUTE	Atl/Atl G 82762	Back on	16.7

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**NEXT UP** 

TOOL (Zoo)
ROD STEWART (WB)
JOURNEY (Col/CRG)

BECK (BL/DGC)
STAR WARS (ST) (RCA)
2PAC (ALL EYEZ) (DR/Interscope)

MAXWELL (Col/CRG)
MICHAEL (ST) (Revolution)
ONE FINE DAY (ST) (Col/CRG)

# Inside Curb Records

# Michael English "When I Need You"

#2 Most Added at A/C this week with great stations. WLIT/Chicago, WRCH/Hartford, WWLI/Providence, WBBQ/Augusta (with 25 spins), WLAC/Nashville, KQXT/San Antonio and well... too many to mention them all. 23 altogether. At CHR, the first week gave us stations like WERZ/Exeter, WQGN/New London, KHTQ/Spokane, WYCR/Hanover and more. This song, "When I Need You" may sound familiar. Leo Sayer had a number one hit with it in 1977.



# Fun Factory "Oh Yeah"

Fun Factory will undoubtedly do well with another up-tempo, positive, bright and happy song. "Oh Yeah Yeah" has several mixes on the CD pro. KSMB and WQSL have both discovered the non-rap edit. By the way, the first week sales for the new Fun Factory (Best Of) album were impressive. A testament to the interest in this sound by consumers.

Usually about now we'd expound on the airplay WKTU is generating with Fun Factory. However this past week



found us in Nashville where we had the chance to listen to **The Party**. That's the hot new CHR station programmed by **Brian Krysz** and **R.J. Reynolds**. **WQZQ** plays three **Fun Factory** tracks in heavy rotation. Thanks guys.

# Rare Blend "Swang"

This song sneaks up on you. If you get a chance, even if you've done it before, listen again. WJJS/Roanoke, KDNR/Albuquerque and WSGF/ Savannah plus another fifteen stations make up the leaders. Joe Dawson at WWKX/Providence says he's getting early phones. Roy Jaynes is another believer at WKXJ/ Chattanooga.

#### Jana "What Am I To You"

**B**DS on **Jana** shows nearly a hundred spins per week. An amazing number given there is no CD pro in the market.

The radio delivery date is February 10th with a radio impact date of February 17th. So these spins are coming from the SIN radio sampler... KIKI/Honolulu has this song at 50 spins per week! Z90/San Diego has 15 spins per week as does WNNK/Harrisburg. "What Am I To You?" is looking like a great record.



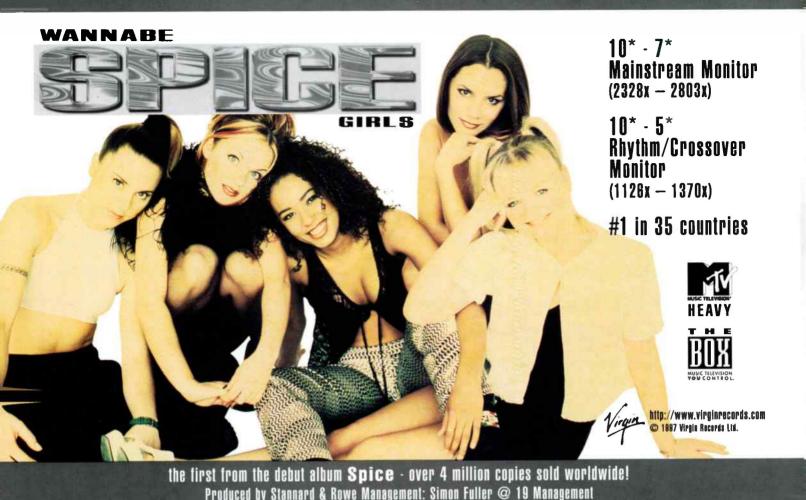
# The Cheese "So Long"

Look for this in March. We're telling you about it now so you'll be prepared in New Orleans...

#### Eric Hamilton Band "Brooke Shields Mouth"

Another group to watch for in New Orleans. See you there!





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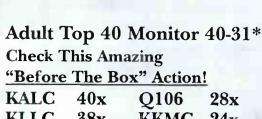
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replacements, we'll deal with that in depth next week. As for KYSR, lots of things are changing. The afternoon team of Ryan Seacrest & Amanda Brinkley move to K101 SF for similar duties. Formatically, the station has altered its oldies to target directly at 25-54 (more Henley, less PoMo) and has moved its currents a bit broader by including Madonna and Celine, as well as U2, this week. Also, there is continued talk that management is positioning for a sale. Stay tuned. Across town. Jacor & Randy Michaels continue to strike, this time by stealing the muchcoveted LA Dodgers broadcasting rights from their longtime home at KABC and placing them at KIIS-AM. Is this the first giant step in a move toward eliminating the FM simulcast and taking the station allsports? One more LA item, as KIBB signs Chaka Khan for their 10p-1a "Romance After Hours" dedication show. .... In St. Louis, Emmis Broadcasting announces that they have applied for the call letters WALC and have taken WKBQ's Top 40 format into the land of "KROO lite." The moniker is Alice @104.1. Look for sister station KSHE PD Rick Balis to be named Group PD for the corporation's St. Louis properties and to head the search for the new PD.... As expected, WDRE Philly PD Jim McGuinn takes over for exiting Chuck Tisa at WPLY. Also, look for DRE to flip calls and format to Urban under new owner Radio One..... In NY, WKTU signs nite jock Hollywood Hamilton to a new one-year deal and cross-swamp Z100 drops "Lovephones," with nite jock Lucas large and in charge..... Treat yourself, treat your audience and just play Tori Amos, now. If you don't get this one, it's your problem. Not ours, not Atlantic's. Thank you..... New Top 40s are blooming everywhere: WAEZ Johnson City joins under PD Mark Osborne, with former K92 Roanoke's Gary Blake as APD/MD. Call at 423-926-3121. In Palm Springs, KNWZ flips under GM/PD John Wilkes. WNOG Naples flips calls to WPRW as a rhythmn-based Top 40. No PD yet. WNST Charleston flips with Ryan Walker named as PD and Jan Jeffries consulting..... So, while your humble writers were out of town last week, our replacement writers (better known as The Sheep Violator and Triple Chin) incorrectly spelled the name of 550 promo goddess Desiree Schuon. We apologize for their incompetence and now happily return to our own. .... We still think more of Ashley MacIsaac than you do. Now, so does MTV ..... Congrats to PWR106 LA's Pete Manriquez and

wife Tina on the birth of daughter Alexina, 1/24.... Blowin' In The Wind: Mitch Malloy, WHYT, Linda Murdoch, Charlie Huero, WDDJ and Yvonne Bass ..... And here's Rick Cummings, the long and short of Emmis' expanding dynasty.





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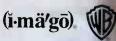
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Promotion In Motion, Pt. 7,444: Wow, this was a big week, even in this always active eategory. Most surprising is the confirmation of much- rumored about RCA's Butch Waugh readying to segue to the label's Country Music division as the Senior VP/General Manager. This will not occur overnight, as the label is just beginning its search to replace one of the industry's promotion legends and Waugh will remain as long as necessary during the search and transition period. History will write that under the Waugh regime, promotion was conducted with immense skill, high style and a wonderful, self-deprecating sense of humor. Waugh was also able to develop executive talent, many of whom currently run national promotion departments. We are proud to count Butch Waugh as a friend, and wish him well through the transition and into continued success in the future..... Had enough? No? Well then, let's move to the A&M lot where jobs and action are busting out all over. VP Alternative Music **Jack Isquith**, who has been, for longer than the past decade, one of the industry's leading developers and supporters of



KHKS Dallas PD Mr. Ed Lambert, night personality Domino and Music Director John Reynolds make complete idiots of themselves on Bourbon Street. If they keep this up, can job offers from Sherman Oaks be far behind?

the alternative music business, has made the decision to take his career in other directions. Jack & the powersthat-be on The Lot will part in 100% good faith no later than March 1. The label has begun its search for Isquith's replacement by looking inside to a talented group of candidates. Also, Johnny Barbis has begun to search for promotion talent as he readies to expand the newly-created A&M Associated Labels (AMA). Look for Brad Pollack to segue from A&M to AMA as VP Marketing. And, by the way, please dispel all rumors surrounding Priority's Marc Benesch. who remains firmly in place and unwilling to even consider a move to NYC .... Now, Back to Radioland: LaLa is buzzing with activity as longtime KLOS PD Carey Curelop abruptly resigns his post. As for any potential format change or (continued on page 114)

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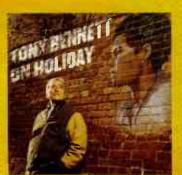




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