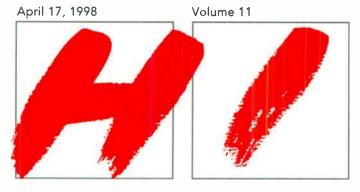


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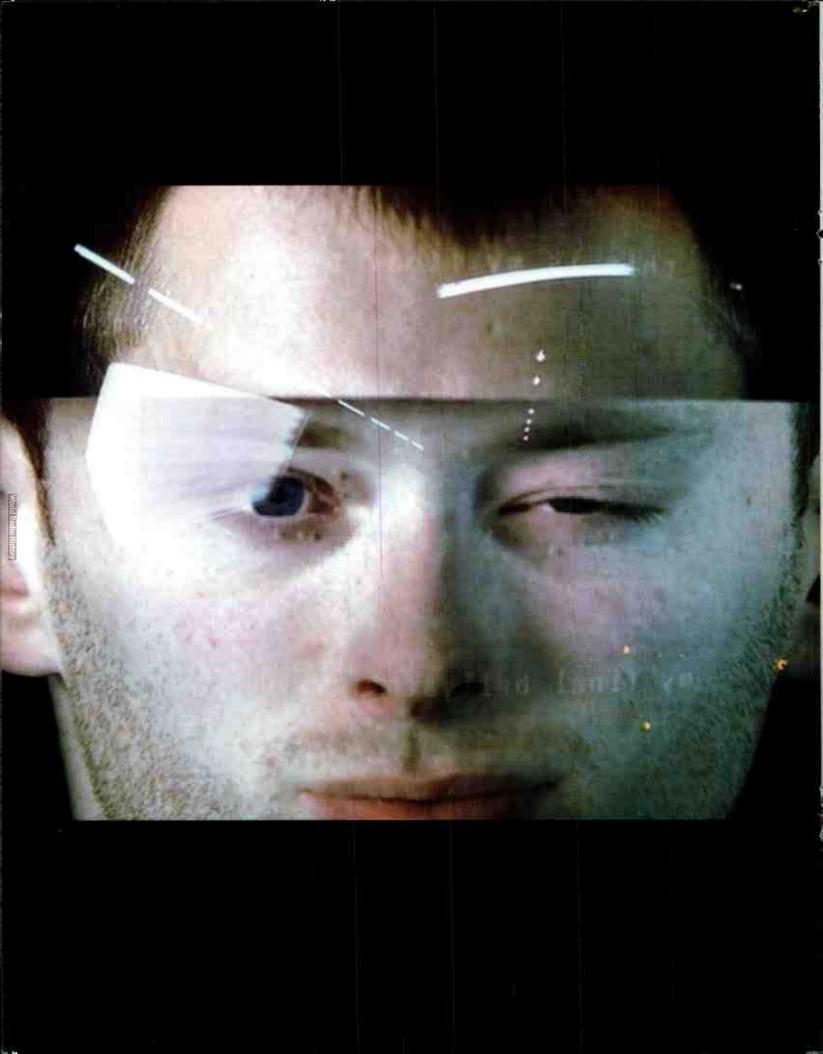


WH1 President John Sykes has several reasons to be proud this week, not only for his recently born baby girl, but as father of the channel's very successful "VH1 Honors." The live show benefits the "Save The Music" initiative for music education in public schools. Hey, even the Clintons chipped in by donating a saxophone. With VH1 ratings climbing, not even this HITS Contents appearance can burst Sykes' "Pop Up Video" bubble.



ON THE COVER

Bad Boy/Arista hip-hop superstar Mase's double-platinum-plus "Harlem World" and hit "What You Want" track have led to something he most definitely doesn't need—this HITS cover appearance.



This isn't an ad.

{It's a defining moment}

You're probably aware of the critical hallstorm that has rained down upon Radiohead's OK Computer.

The album won a **Grammy** for Best Alternative Music Performance and was nominated for **Album Of The Year**, which is what critics at Entertainment Weekly,

Guitar Player, Interview, The New York Times, Q. Vox and The Daily Telegraph all declared it.

OK Computer was also included in over 150 critics Top 10 lists and voted Best Album Ever

in the Q Reader's Poll. Rolling Stone and Spin took it one step further naming Radiohead

Band Of The Year.

YOU might be surprised to know that the critics aren't the only ones falling all over themselves.

DK Computer has already achieved WOrldwide sales of 4 million units and is certified

platinum in America. The single for "Karma Police" has been on the charts for months and is Still

spinning. Videos for Paranoid Android and Karma Police have garnered raves for their

innovation and creativity. If you think this is the end of the story, you haven't heard

"No Surprises," the single that is breaking the band World-wide and is just now

going to Tadio stations in the States. You haven't submerged yourself in the literally breath-taking video.

You haven't heard that Radiohead's North American Running From Demons Tour Sold-Out in less than 40 minutes.

We're talking phenomenon here. Don't say you weren't warned.

No Surprises

RADIOHEAD OK COMPUTER





VIBE-RATERS

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

CHERRY POPPIN'... • MOJO/UNI

1 LW 2 2W 3 3W



album: ZOOT SUIT RIOT track: ZOOT SUIT RIOT

Huge PoMo base swinging over to Pop radio big-time as sales go higher. 360k out. Top 40, Mod. Adult adds include: KZZP, WNKS, KRBE, KSLZ, WQAL. Big at KBKS, KYSR, KPLZ, KZZO. APM: WXRV, WRLT. 6 MTV spins, M2, Box. On tour. WARPED June. ABC "The View" 4/27. Howard Libes/Space Age Bachelor Pad.

NEXT • ARISTA

2 LW 4 2W 5 3W



album: RATED NEXT track: TOO CLOSE

LP Gold! Single Platinum! Huge Rhythm/Cross. and R&B play; crossing Pop now. Big: KSFM, KUBE, WJMN, KQKS, KYLD, KHTS, WGCI, WILD, WBLS. Adds include KCHZ, WQZQ, WBLI. MTV Heavy/Jam Of Week, #1 BET, big at Box. Out w/MJ. Blige, Usher thru end of April. Mgmt: Flava Unit Mgmt.

FASTBALL . HOLLYWOOD

4 LW 5 2W 6 3W



album: ALL THE PAIN MONEY...
track: THE WAY

One of the most added at Top 40, Mod. Adult from #1 PoMo base! Adds include KCHZ, Z100, WSTR, WNCI, Q105. Sales flying! Over 217k out. 13 MTV Stress/Buzz Clip spins, VH1 Med/Inside Track/Premiere. Conan 4/21. MTV Live 4/22. On club tour. Everclear dates to follow. Mgmt: Russell Carter.

A SEMISONIC . MCA

3 LW 3 2W 7 3W



album: FEELING STRANGELY...
track: CLOSING TIME

Added at VH11 Looking like breakthru record w/150k out. MTV Buzz Clip. Huge PoMo, Active Rock play: KROQ, KOME, KZON, CIMX, 99X, XHRM, KDKB, KTXQ. APM adds include WBOS. Early Mod. Adult, Top 40 action ahead of target. On tour. WHFS show 5/16. XInt. press. Mgmt: Jim Grant/JGM.

5 LIMP BIZKIT • FUP/INTERSCOPE

5 LW 9 2W 11 3W



album: THREE DOLLAR BILL...
track: COUNTERFEIT

Huge gains at retail as tour and marketing plan do the job. Radio finally starting to come ta party. 260k out. #56-45 M'land, #63-49 Camelot. Active Rock play: KRAD, WMFS, WAAF, KUFO. PoMo spins: WXRK, KEDJ. MTV, Box, M2. On s/o tour. "Family Values" w/Korn late Aug. Mgmt: Jeff Kwatinetz, Peter Katsis/The Firm.

6 MONO • ECHO/MERCURY

6 1W6 2W4 3W



album: FORMICA BLUES track: LIFE IN MONO

Going multi-format from huge PoMo base as sales on W. Coast continue to lead. Huge play: KROQ, KEDG, KNRK, 91X, WPLT, KITS, WFNX. Top 40, Mod. Adult play: KBBT, KBKS, KIIS, KLLC. Adds include WZJM, WBLI, WQZQ. 5 MTV spins, M2, Box. On s/o headlining tour. Conan 4/14. Mamt; Gary Boorman UK.

FUEL • 550 MUSIC

9 LW 15 2W



album: SUNBURN track: SHIMMER

Added at MTV! Big sales action w/95k out, 21k 5-day. Top 15 PoMo play, Top 25 Active Rock. Big at KZON, KNDD, KDGE, KEDJ, KNRK, KWOD, 91X, WAAF, KUFO, KLBJ. #1 at M2, big at Box. On club tour. *Ent. Weekly* review gives a glowing "A-"! Mgmt: David Sestak, Greg Epler/Media Five.

RENNY WAYNE SHEPHERD • REV

8 LW 8 2W 8 3W



album; TROUBLE IS... track: BLUE ON BLACK

LP Gold-plus! New commercial single starting to sell. 540k LPs out, 80k singles out. Top 10 Active Rock, Top 15 APM spins continue. Big at KLBJ, KLOS, KSJO, KFOG, KBCO, WRLT. Top 40 secondaries heating up. VH1, Box. Van Halen dates 5/13-21. Big V. Fair spread in May. Mgmt: Ken Shepherd Mgmt.

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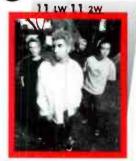
10 LW 10 2W 14 3W



album: YOUR BODY ABOVE ME track: TIME AGO

Story building as multi-format radio grows, tour continues and video readies to hit. Top 40, Mod. Adult adds include KZZP, WZPL. PoMo, Active Rock taking off. 18x at WXRKI Big: WENZ, KWOD, KZON, KNDD, KDKB, KISS, KTUX. APM play: WXRV, WBOS. Out w/Our Lady Peace. 100k out. Mgmt: Bill Graham Mgmt.





album: AROUND THE FUR track: BE QUIET AND DRIVE

New track gaining big momentum at PoMo and Active Rock radio. Adds include WXRK, KNDD, KXTE, KLZR, KXRK, WZTA. Video final edit at presstime. Headlining clubs thru mid-May; now on E. Coast. Headlining WARPED Tour starting July. LP selling w/over 300k out. Mgmt: Warren Entner.



14 LW 14 2W 15 3W



album: WHERE HAVE ALL...
track: FLAGPOLE SITTA

Big W. Coast sales continue to react to monster PoMa spins, led by Tower and trend indies. #1 KNDD, Top 10 KROQ, KITS, KOME, KEDJ, KNRK, 99X, WHFS, WFNX. Adds include 91X, KZNZ, KPNT, KROX, WXDX. Crossing to Active Rock. On WWDC, KEGL. Huge phones. Promo dates start end of April, Mgmt: AAM.



12 LW 12 2W 12 3W



album: REMEMBER TO BREATHE track: SIN SO WELL

Heating up at three formats w/massive tour kicking into high gear. Out w/Third Eye Blind. Matchbox 20 dates 5/21-6/7. Lilith in July. Video shoot in 2 wks. Top 40, Mod. Adult, APM play: KBKS, WSTW, WXKS, KFMB, KLLC, WBOS, KMTT, WRLT. XInt press. Mgmt: Arthur Spivak/Stuart Sobol, Spivak Entertainment.

AGENTS OF GOOD ROOTS • RCA

15 LW 16 2W



album: ONE BY ONE track: COME ON/SMILING...

Radio continues to root for two cuts as band rocks on the road. "Come On" big at WENZ, WBCN, WXDX, 99X, XHRM. Active Rock heating up w/play at KRAD, KLBJ. "Smiling" huge at APM, including KBCO, KFOG, KINK, CIDR. M2, 120 Min. Headlining clubs. WHFS show 5/17, 80k out, Mgmt. Red Light Mgmt.

ALL SAINTS . LONDON/ISLAND

DE-ENTRY 16 IM



album: ALL SAINTS track: NEVER EVER

Top 40 radio continues to grow as Tower accts. lead retail picture w/250k out. Big play, requests at WKTU. Heating up at KIIS, KKLQ, WPOW, WWZZ. Adds include WIOQ, WZJM, WDRQ, KGGI. Played SNL, MTV Live, Regis & K. Lee. TNT B. Bacharoch Tribute 4/15. Comm. single out 5/19. Mamt: John Benson UK.

WANK • MAVERICK/REPRISE

13 LW 13 2W 13 3W



album: GET A GRIP ON...
track: FORGIVEN

Squeezing off more W. Coast sales in LA, SF, as well as in D.C. W'house, Tower and trend indies lead. PoMo action hot at KROQ, KOME, KITS, KWOD, KEDJ, KEDG, WHFS, WFNX, XHRM. Video spinning on M2. Out w/ Goldfinger thru early May. Mgmt: Eileen Grobe, Steve Stewart/Steve Stewart Mgmt.

NAKED • RED ANT

DEBUT



album: NAKED track: RAINING ON THE SKY

Second cut, re-mixed by Tom Lord-Alge, from L.A. quartet's LP debut, tokes off on multi-format streak. Top 40, Mod. Adult play: KDMX, KALC, KLLC, KZZO, WSHE. Adds include KKPN. Active Rock: KTUX, KRAD. APM: KINK, WRLT. Marc Neal-directed video on M2. On promo tour. 90k out. Mgmt: Alex Kohner.

top50 ALBUMS

2W	LW	TW	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL	POWER INDEX	PERCENT CHANGE
1	1	1	TITANIC	SOUNDTRACK Unsinkable	Sony CI/SMS 63213	394.5	+5%
2	2	2	CELINE DION	LET'S TALK ABOUT Won't quit	550 Music 68861	205.7	+13%
DE	BUT	3	I GOT THE HOOK UP	SOUNDTRACK Master P again	NL/Priority 50745	192.8	
4	3	4	SAVAGE GARDEN	SAVAGE GARDEN Smash video leads	Col/CRG 67954	158.6	+39%
6	4	5	BACKSTREET BOYS	BACKSTREET BOYS "Everybody" hot now	Jive 41589	153.3	+55%
DE	BUT	6	GOODIE MOB	STILL STANDING "They Don't Dance"	LaFace/Arista 26047	134.5	
8	8	7	K-CI & JOJO	LOVE ALWAYS Smash single leads	MCA 11613	113.0	+45%
-	22	8	CITY OF ANGELS	SOUNDTRACK #1 movie	WS/Reprise 46867	108.4	+123%
20	11	9	GREASE	SOUNDTRACK 20th Anni, & movie	Polydor 825-095	105.9	+54%
DE	BUT	10	DO OR DIE	HEADZ OR TAILZ More Rap	R-A-L/NT/Vir 56715	95.4	-
13	10	11	NATALIE IMBRUGLIA	LEFT OF THE MIDDLE "Torn" #1 MTV	RCA 67634	94.3	+34%
5	5	12	MADONNA	RAY OF LIGHT "Frozen" the track	Warner Bros 46847	93.6	0%
15	15	13	WILL SMITH	BIG WILLIE STYLE "Just The Two" next	Col/CRG 68683	88.4	+44%
9	9	14	ERIC CLAPTON	PILGRIM Tour in progress	Reprise 46577	86.9	+21%
17	17	15	PLAYERS CLUB	SOUNDTRACK Featuring Ice Cube	H Weight/A&M 08862	85.3	+43%
10	13	16	USHER	MY WAY "Nice & Slow" leads	LaFace/Arista 26043	80.7	+24%
14	18	17	MATCHBOX 20	YOURSELF "Real World" the cut	Lava/Atl/Atl G 92721	76.9	+36%
16	16	18	SHANIA TWAIN	COME ON OVER VH1 "Divas" special	Mercury 536-003	75.7	+25%
19	20	19	GARTH BROOKS	SEVENS "Two Pina Coladas" the cut	Capitol 56599	65.5	+18%
11	21	20	WEDDING SINGER	SOUNDTRACK Hot soundtrack	Maverick/WB 46840	64.0	+21%
21	29	21	SPICE GIRLS	SPICE WORLD "Stop" the new cut	Virgin 45111	60.5	+67%
DE	BUT	22	AZ	PIECES OF A MAN "What's The" the cut	NT/Virgin 56715	55.5	_
DE	BUT	23	BONNIE RAITT	FUNDAMENTAL New producers	Capitol 56397	54.1	-
22	27	24	MARCY PLAYGROUND	MARCY PLAYGROUND "Saint Joe" PoMo	Capitol 53569	51.6	+33%
7	12	25	C-MURDER	LIFE OR DEATH More Master P family	No Limit/Priority 50723	3 51.5	-24%

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top50 ALBUMS

2W	LW	TW	ARTIST	TITLE COMMENT	LABEL	POWER INDEX	PERCENT CHANGE
24	25	26	CREED	MY OWN PRISON Acoustic mix at radio	Wind-Up 13049	51.3	+32%
DE	BUT	27	JERRY CANTRELL	BOGGY DEPOT "Cut You In" the cut	Col/CRG 68147	47.5	_
18	23	28	SILKK THE SHOCKER	CHARGE IT 2 DA GAME Hot video leads	No Limit/Pri 50716	46.3	0%
26	26	29	JANET	VELVET ROPE "I Get Lonely" now	Virgin 44762	45.7	+17%
_	14	30	MONTELL JORDAN	LET'S RIDE Title cut leads	DJ/Mercury 536-987	45.3	-28%
31	32	31	THIRD EYE BLIND	THIRD EYE BLIND "Losing a Whole" now	Elektra/EEG 62012	44.2	+39%
29	35	32	PUFF DADDY	NO WAY OUT "Victory" now	Bad Boy/Arista 73012	44.1	+60%
_	7	33	GANG STARR	MOMENT OF TRUTH First one for new label	NT/Virgin 45585	43.3	-53%
23	30	34	BRIAN MCKNIGHT	ANYTIME "Anytime" now	Motown 536-215	38.9	+17%
_	6	35	DAZ DILLINGER	RETALIATION "In California" leads	Death Row 53524	37.3	-60%
25	31	36	MASE	HARLEM WORLD "What You Want" now	Bad Boy/Arista 73017	36.5	+11%
36	36	37	SARAH MCLACHLAN	SURFACING "Adia" hot now	Arista 18970	35.3	+29%
3	19	38	CAPPADONNA	PILLAGE Another Wu Tanger	RS/Epic 67947	34.9	-37%
35	44	39	CHUMBAWAMBA	TUBTHUMPER "Amnesia" now	Repub/Univ 53099	34.8	+52%
40	34	40	MASTER P	GHETTO D "Make 'Em Say Uhhh" leads	No Limit/Priority 50659	34.7	+25%
DEI	BUT	41	HANSON	MIDDLE OF NOWHERE "Weird" the cut now	Mercury 534-615	34.0	_
42	50	42	SPICE GIRLS	SPICE Back up, won't die	Virgin 42174	32.3	+65%
12	28	43	VAN HALEN	VAN HALEN 3 "Without You" the cut	Warner Bros 46662	32.2	-14%
33	37	44	PEARL JAM	YIELD "Wishlist" now	Epic 68164	31.4	+22%
32	43	45	METALLICA	RE-LOAD "Unforgiven II" the cut	Elek/EEG 62126	29.6	+28%
37	39	46	MARIAH CAREY	BUTTERFLY "My All" the track now	Col/CRG 67835	29.6	+19%
41	47	47	WYCLEF JEAN	THE CARNIVAL "Gone Till" the cut	RH/Col/CRG 67974	27.0	+22%
28	38	48	LOREENA MCKENNITT	BOOK OF SECRETS Past platinum now	QR/Warner Bros 46719	26.7	+7%
DEI	BUT	49	TIM MCGRAW	EVERYWHERE TV Commercial	Curb 77886	25.6	-
DE	BUT	50	STABBING WESTWARD	DARKEST DAYS "Save Yourself" leads	Col/CRG 68006	25.1	

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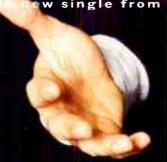
"This record sounds great on the air at Star 100.7. Immediate phones! It looks like Everclear is going the same route as Marcy Playground... all the way to the top!"

— Tracy Johnson/Greg Simms Star 100.7, San Diego





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KMXV KKPN WZEE WKRZ WERZ WSKS

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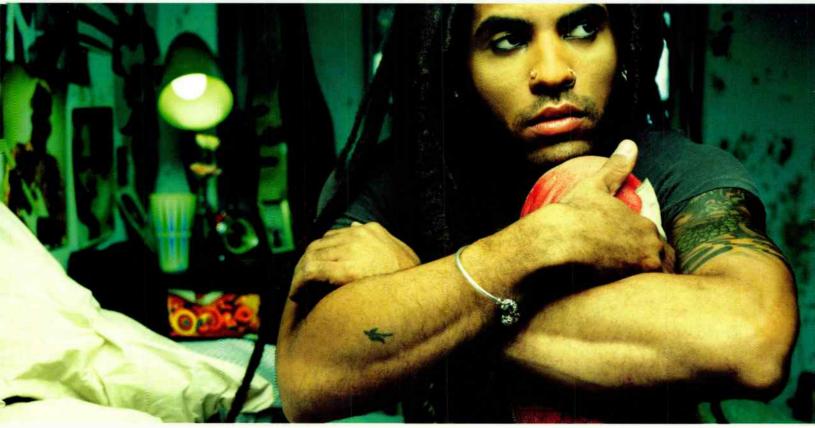


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George Michael: "Zip Me Up Before You Go-Go"





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Master P Hooked Up At #3 As Plans To Scuttle Titanic Don't Hold Water

BOAT WON'T SINK!

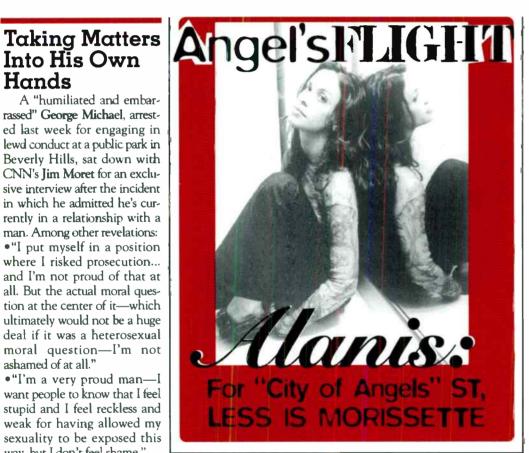
Hands

A "humiliated and embarrassed" George Michael, arrested last week for engaging in lewd conduct at a public park in Beverly Hills, sat down with CNN's Jim Moret for an exclusive interview after the incident in which he admitted he's currently in a relationship with a man. Among other revelations: •"I put myself in a position where I risked prosecution... and I'm not proud of that at all. But the actual moral question at the center of it-which ultimately would not be a huge deal if it was a heterosexual moral question—I'm not ashamed of at all."

•"I'm a very proud man—I want people to know that I feel stupid and I feel reckless and weak for having allowed my sexuality to be exposed this way, but I don't feel shame."

•"The only people I've really hurt are myself, the people who love me and my partner. I probably owe an apology to fans that have been supportive and have not wanted to believe that any of this was true. I know it really takes a little bit of the sheen off of the mystique, to put it mildly."

Pee-Wee Herman was not available for comment.





ACTION

The adds at MTV this week are Wallflowers (Epic), Garbage (Almo/Geffen), Matchbox 20 (Atl/Atl G), Mya (Int), Green Day (Reprise), Tori Amos (Atl/Atl G), Fuel (550 Music), The Verve (Virgin) and Propellerheads (Dream

Works/Geffen). Rotation increases go to Master P (No Limit/Priority), Backstreet Boys (Jive), Ice Cube (Heavyweight/A&M) and Destiny's Child (Col/CRG). Semisonic (MCA) and Fastball (Hollywood) remain as Buzz Clips.

ast week, the music industry was spewing over Master P's latest No Limit/Priority monster, "I Got The Hook Up," which hit stores last Tuesday (4/7). Indeed, many were claiming that the Master was sufficiently dialed in to finally ram "Titanic" out of its seemingly permanent berth atop the album chart.

Looks like someone forgot to tell the boat.

Adding another mind-boggling chapter to one of the most remarkable sales stories in industry history, Sony's "Titanic" went north of 390K AGAIN. virtually obliterating any serious challenge to its reign.

"Record sell much," said HITS Editor In Chief Lenny Beer, succinctly analyzing the commercial phenomenon.

But let's not disconnect "Hook Up" or deny it any concomitant mad props to the dome. The album's #3 debut in a marketplace that featured three other Rap debuts (#6 Goodie Mob, #10 Do Or Die, #22 AZ) in the Top 25 speaks volumes about the cottage industry Master P has become.

"Master P's track record speaks for itself. The new soundtrack is incredible, but everything he touches is moving. You can go to the bank on him," said retail institution George Daniels of George's Music Room. "I'm truly proud of the young man."



ic Of The Week



Mr. Tree Says, "Hey Buddy, You're My Guy."

Little Ryan Thompson is one year older, and power toddlers Ryan, Michael Poleman and Joshua Blair have gathered again to celebrate the magic of youth. As the world's youngest indie, Ryan is really in demand now that Michael's huge new book is out. Meanwhile, Joshua had such an enormous year that he's pondering new challenges: "Hey, don't get me wrong—radio's put me in a good place, but I'm really a creative guy and now I'm all about A&R." Pictured holding the future of the music biz are (1-r) Columbia's Jerry Blair, Z100's Tom Poleman and Elektra's Greg Thompson.

TOP SELLING

SINGLES

The best selling singles this week are #1 Montell Jordan (DJ/Merc), #2 Next (Ari), #3 Shania Twain (Merc), #4 Sylk-E. Fyne (RCA), #5 Public Announcement (A&M), #6 Wyckef Jean (RH/Col/CRG), #7 Mya (Int), #8 Backstreet Boys (Jive), #9 Master P (No Limit/Pri) and #10 Lord Tariq (Col/CRG).

WILD

CITY OF ANGELS REPRISE

Both the Goo Goo Dolls and Alanis Morissette cuts from the nation's #1 movie have contributed to exploding the soundtrack into this week's Top Ten. And both cuts are soaring in multiformat airplay and pulling great phones. Steve Tipp and his promo team are expertly finessing these two winners through the system, and if you're not with them, you're not with it!

Hollywood Makes Its Mark

Guess there is life after Def after all. Ex-American Recordings exec Mark "Of Zorro" DiDia has been appointed Senior Vice President and General Manager of Hollywood Records by Buena Vista Music Group Chairman Bob Cavallo "The Leader."

DiDia will oversee the operations of Hollywood Records, including sales, marketing, promotion and exporting black market Mouseketeer hats to China.

Said Cavallo: "Mark's been successfully involved in every aspect of a label's operations, and that experience, coupled with his energy, determination, good judgment and ability to get Rick Rubin on the phone, make him ideally suited for his new job."

Added DiDia: "It's both challenging and rewarding to be part of the new Hollywood Records, and it's great to be here breaking new artists. And one day I even hope to

chill with Walt.

For the past seven years, DiDia has served as GM for American Recordings in charge of keeping the bong lit for the Black Crowes. From 1988-91, he held a senior post in promotion at Geffen Records. Prior to that, he was MD at WXRK N.Y. and WYSP Philadelphia, where he put the crack in the Liberty Bell.



Mark DiDia: In the House of Mouse.

Put Your Benjamins Where My Accountant Could See



Elektra megastar Busta Rhymes (I) and Arista/Bad Boy mogul/artist/superproducer Puff Daddy refine their plan to build a hit single around a sample of their wallets being dragged across an airplane hangar by champion bodybuilders. "Ya know, Puffy," Busta mused, "Wu-Tang teaches the children. By the way, I own Brazil now—why don't you stop by?"

No Room For Rest, Or Restroom?



"George Michael must be a Yankee fan," quipped Universal recording artist Billie Myers (2nd from I), obviously overwhelmed by the degree of flair and originality that went into this special trade photo. "Like George, I really only have myself to beat," guipped MTV music man Ken Benson (2nd from r). Universal execs Charlie Foster (1) and Steve Leeds (1) just smiled and nodded their heads, because they're Promo guys and that's what they're good at.

Cliff & Peter Buy A Label

O-Prime Management's Cliff Burnstein and Peter Mensch, the mega-managers who represent Metallica, Smashing Pumpkins, Hole, Def Leppard and Bruce Hornsby, among others, in addition to co-managing Madonna with Caresse Norman, can now add "Label Moguls" to their résumé.

The duo has purchased 50% of Volcano Entertainment LLC from Clive Calder's Zomba Entertainment, which recently purchased the company. During an interview with HITS the pair would not say. how much they paid for half of Volcano, but they would say it was "half" of what Clive paid."

Volcano's primary asset, Tool, is currently in high-profile litigation to get off the label. Nevertheless, according to Burnstein and Mensh, the company will continue to receive cash flow from Tool's first two albums, and a new "greatest hits"-type project is reportedly in the works. In addition, Volcano owns the catalogs of Matthew Sweet and Akinyele.

The duo adamantly denies rumors that they paid little or nothing for their stake in the label and were recruited by Calder to attract Tool back to the fold.

"It's fucking obvious we want to keep Tool," said Burnstein and Mensch, chafing at the ignorance of the submoronic HITS interviewer. "But this is not some plan to sign Tool to the label. This is a business situation where we had the money and saw a solid return on our investment." The duo claims the catalog income stream alone would make the acquisition profitable.

Given that scenario, the question arises: Will Volcano ever be a real label again, or will it just be a logo with an income stream?

"We don't know," said the new bosses. "The big issue is Tool. What happens with them will determine what direction we go in."

Hey, they're managers. Of course we believe them.

A Blatant Rip-off of a Good Magazine

1 MASTER P: "I Got The Hook-Up" scores a large #3 debut. It's all about the tank.



- 2 BURNSTEIN/MENSCH: Will their entrance help re-Tool Volcano?
- 3 GODZILLA: Epic soundtrack breaking, with Wallflowers leading the monster madness.
- 4 IOHN SYKES: VH1 Honors, a new baby, lunching with Bill & Hillary—as good as it gets in Volvonia.
- 5 **RCA:** The hipper Nipper's on a roll. with Natalie Imbruglia, Dave Matthews, Sylk-E. Fyne and Robyn adding up to a bigger sales bite.



6 GEORGE MICHAEL: Who said he couldn't get arrested?



- 7 ALLY McBABY: You know a show's successful when even the computer-generated infant gets its own deal.
- 8 "CITY OF ANGELS": Flying high. Alanis, Goo Goos driving heavenly ST sales.
- 9 "PAY FOR PLAY": Ahh.... Nostalgia.
- 10 RETAIL CONSOLIDATION: Will less equal more for some? Catch all the (yawn) excitement in "Rerap."



ACTION

The adds this week at VH1 are the Dave Matthews Band (RCA) and Semisonic (MCA). Celine Dion (550 Music) is Artist

of the Month and Fastball (Hollywood) and Ebba Forsberg (Maverick) are Inside Tracks.



ACTION

The M2 adds this week are Hum (RCA), Wild Child (Ultra), Super Jesus (WB

Australia) and Dub Pistols (Concrete/Deconstruction).

Virgin Knocks On Wood, **Gets Moxey**

Keith Wood "If He Could" has been named Executive Vice President A&R for Virgin Records America by Co-President Ray "Super" Cooper and Ashley "Fig" Newton, while Wood and Newton have tapped Patrick "Or Treat" Moxey as Senior Vice President A&R for the label.

Previously at Caroline Records, Wood will head Virgin's East Coast A&R activities, sign and develop new talent, guide established artists and sell fake Rolexes on Times Square. He was instrumental in signing and working with acts including Smashing Pumpkins, Hole



Keith Wood: Hopes to meet Nancy Berry one day

and White Zombie.

Moxey, who worked for Russell Simmons' Rush Management before building his own Empire Management firm, will sign and develop new artists out of Virgin's N.Y. office. He was last a Virgin at 15.

Said Wood: "I am very excited at the prospect of being a part of the new team at Virgin. I just wish they'd take my calls."

Added Moxey: "I'm excited to be with a label which recognizes the importance of the underground in developing innovative new music. Which is why I'll continue taking the subway to work."



Patrick Moxey: New adventures in posing.

All Dolled Up

Looks like the New York Dolls were ahead of their time. Barbie and the computer-animated dancing baby from "Ally McBeal" are becoming pop stars. What's next? Puff Daddy remixes for the Beanie Babies?

Mattel's sturdy breadwinner has inked a record deal with Sony Music, while the famed "McBeal" tyke, known as Baby Cha Cha, has pacted with Peter Pan Records for a series of audio and video products through its creator, the S.F.-based software company Kinetix.

Barbie will sing and play guitar in her own band, with African-American pal Christie on keys and Latina chum Teresa on guitar. Sony Wonder will release the band's album. Ken will hump gear as a roadie (and meet George Michael in men's restrooms on his days off) when the group goes out on a proposed tour.

Meanwhile, the "McBeal" tot will be featured on two separate releases. "The Official Dancing Baby CD," featuring four mixes of "Hooked On A Feeling," hits stores April 28. An accompanying album will include 14 bubble-gum hits like "Sugar Sugar" and "Dizzy," along with a 3-D cover image showing the baby in action.

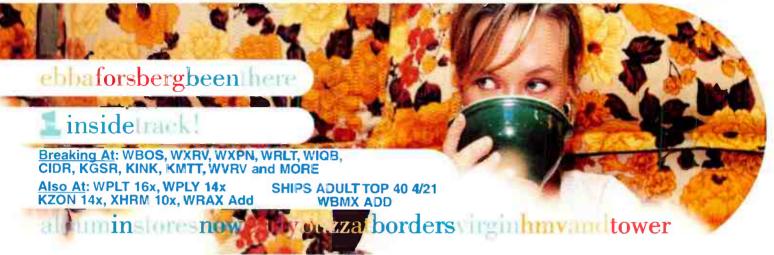
Hymn Beau



"The Lord has blessed us all with a bounty of rad sacred tuneage," enthused top-selling Rounion/Zomba Christian artist Michael W. Smith. "I thank Him for these holy hooks and for the soul-affirming flood of dead presidents that comes from selling Christian music to Christians. 1'd also like to thank these bodacious babes, who are invited to my room now." Seen having their prayers answered are (back, I-r) Blanton/Harrell Entertainment's Chaz Corzine, Zomba Music Group Dir. Int'l. A&R Steve Lunt, Zomba President Barry Weiss, Sr. Dir. Nat'l Sales Bob Anderson, Sr. VP/GM Tom Carrabba, (front) Dir. Artist Development Janet McQueeney, Smith and VP Marketing Michelle Fink

POWER POINTS: #1 LP = 50 POINTS/#50 LP = 1 POINT					
LABEL	Power		Top 20	Top 50	
EMI (TOTAL: 14)	360	3, 10	19	21, 22, 23, 24 25, 28, 29, 33 35, 40, 42	
BMG (TOTAL: 8)	239	5, 6	11, 16	26, 32, 36 37	
SONY (TOTAL: 10)	238	1, 2, 4	13	27, 38, 44 46, 47, 50	
WARNER MUSIC GRP. (TOTAL: 10)	223	8	12, 14 17, 20	31, 43, 45 48, 49	
POLYGRAM (TOTAL: 6)	159	9	15, 18	30, 34, 41	
UNIVERSAL (TOTAL: 2)	56	7		39	









DreamWorks Cops A Busby

Former Motown head and industry veteran Jheryl "Floats Like A Butterfly, Stings Like A" Busby has joined DreamWorks Records legendary staff as Head of Urban Music, it was announced by the label's Senior Executive Mo "Better Blues" Ostin.

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Busby's primary focus will be on developing DreamWorks' image and presence in urban music and entertainment and dropping mad science on the domes of Steven Spielberg, Jeffrey Katzenberg and David Geffen. Busby is best known for reviving Motown Records, creating the urban music department at MCA and building the black music division at A&M, as well as working with artists such as Boyz II Men, New Edition and Janet Jackson.

Commented Ostin: "Jheryl's here because of his experience, the respect he enjoys throughout the entire industry and

most of all, the outrageous stock options."

Added Busby: "Does this mean I get free videocassettes of 'The Peacemaker'?"

Since leaving Motown in '95, the L.A.-born Busby has been head of his own Busby Holdings, a company involved in artist and executive management and consulting.



Jheryl Busby: To sleep, perchance to DreamWorks.

He's A Little Bit (More) Country



"This is an extraordinary moment for me personally and, uhhhh, dang, where's dem barbeekewed reee-ibs?" exclaimed **Susquehanna** Director of Programming, Atlanta/Dallas **Brian Philips** (c) at a recent banquet, proudly displaying a commemorative plaque and morphing into an overall-wearin', moonshine-slurpin' yokel before the eyes of **Poliack Media Group** Chairman/CEO **Jeff Poliack** (l) and **KROQ** PD **Kevin Weatherly**, who could barely concentrate on their gold-plated hors-d'oeuvres. "This is a lovely affair," said Weatherly at last, "but I've got to go order my staff to spin an old **Burl Ives** record, just to see how many stations add it next week."

Pumpkins A Smash

Virgin Records has a comprehensive worldwide plan to break the Smashing Pumpkins' new album, "Adore," which is now scheduled for release on May 26.

According to Virgin Music Group Worldwide/ Virgin Records America Vice Chairman Nancy Berry: "Everyone who's heard the album comes away uttering one word... 'masterpiece.' Then they ask me for an invitation to one of my parties at the Bar Marmont."

• A video is currently in the works for the first single, the alternarock-oriented "Ava Adore," will be released to worldwide radio on April 29. Among the 16 tracks on the album are "Perfect" (a possible second single), "Tear," "Pug," "To Sheila," "Daphne Descends" and "Once Upon A Time."

•The band will not tour, in the traditional sense, in support of the album, but instead will play select live events around the world, starting May 14 in Europe. Among the exotic venues on the itinerary, which



Nancy Berry: Smashing.

runs through mid-July, are the Guggenheim Museum in Spain, the Cannes Film Festival, Red Square in Moscow, the Budokan in Japan, the Sydney Opera House in Australia and selected dates in Southeast Asia, South



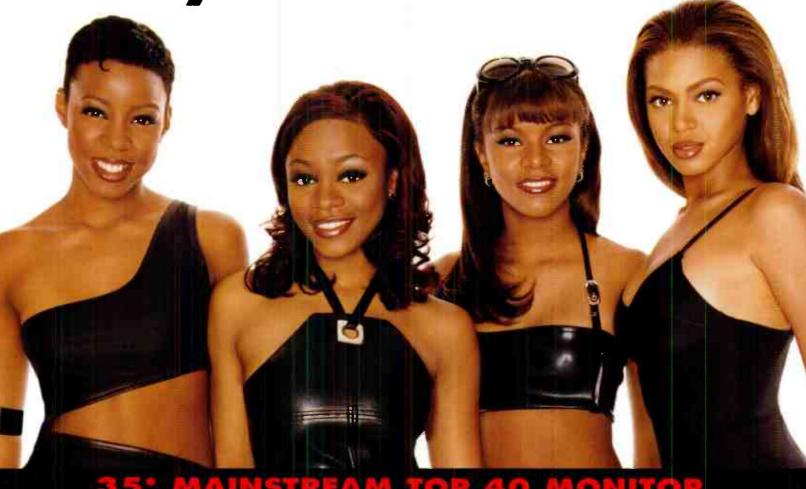
Smashing Pumpkins: Berry nice.

America and Mexico. The band, which has added veteran John Mellencamp drummer Kenny Aronoff to its line-up for the performances, will then return to play several shows in America and Canada.

• Special MTV programming is currently in the planning stages. "The record is not your typical Smashing Pumpkins," notes Berry. "It started out in a slightly more accessible direction, but it's turned into something else. This is not just a great Pumpkins album, but an all-time classic. You don't often hear a record of this caliber. Now will you please stop licking my legs?"

• The Pumpkins' last album, the double-CD set "Melon Collie and the Infinite Sadness," sold more than seven million copies worldwide.

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Elektra Says Hecht With It

"Say It Ain't So" Joe Hecht has been appointed Vice President Crossover Promotion for the Elektra Entertainment Group by the label's Sr. VP Promotion Greg "Foo Young" Thompson.

Hecht was previously VP Crossover Promotion for Arista Records, where Whitney Houston's "I Will Always Love You" was not about him. Prior to that. he was VP Promotion for Relativity Records. Hecht began his career in the music business with RCA Records in 1987, where he accidentally spayed Nipper with a letter opener.

Commenting on the appointment, Thompson gurgled: "Joe has a terrific wealth of experience which will complement our phenomenal roster of crossover artists. And he's the only one here who understands what Ol' Dirty Bastard is talking about."

Added Hecht: "I'd like to thank Sylvia Rhone and Greg Thompson for making this happen. And as soon as I meet them, I'm going to do just that."



Joe Hecht: Rhymes with wrecked

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Shriver

Nadler

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■ velyn "Back Seat" Shriver and "Suddenly" Susan Nadler have been named President and Vice President of A&R, respectively, for Asylum Records by Elektra Entertainment Group Chairman/ CEO Sylvia Rhone "Wasn't Build In A Day." Shriver previously headed her own public relations firm, which handled Randy Travis, Alan Jackson, Travis Tritt and other men in cowboy hats, while Nadler had her own management firm with clients including Lorrie Morgan and the International Chewing Tobacco & Spittoon Association... Howard Paar "For The Course" has been tapped as Head of Film & Television for V2 Records by Head of A&R "Kiss Me" Kate Hyman and V2 Music Publishing VP David Steel "Magnolias." Paar will be responsible for the placement of V2 repertoire in film and TV, the acquisition of soundtracks for both the label and music publishing companies and fooling everyone with that fake English accent... Steve "Walk Away" Rennie has ioined ARTISTdirect as President of The Ultimate Band List, it was announced by ARTISTdirect founders Marc Geiger "Counter" and "Dandy" Don Muller. Rennie comes to the company from Epic Records, where he was W.C. Sr. VP/GM and the only twohandicap golfer in the office... David Harley "Davidson and the

Marlboro Man" has been appointed Vice President of Creative Services for Motown Records by label President "Gorgeous" George Jackson. Harley will be responsible for directing Motown's creative team in the design and packaging of all album art and airbrushing Diana Ross publicity stills... Jerry Juste "Like A Woman" has been upped to Senior Director Business & Legal Affairs for Motown Records by Sr. VP Business & Legal Affairs "Yo" Adrian White. Juste will draft and negotiate exclusive agreements, advise management and department heads on various legal issues, oversee outside litigation and get label executives out of jury duty... Josh "Give and" Taekman has been appointed Vice President Special Marketing for Bad Boy Records by GM "Mutt &" Jeff Burroughs. Taekman will coordinate and oversee all sponsorship opportunities, endorsements, corporate tie-ins and business ventures for Bad Boy, including getting Puffy's face on a Cocoa Puffs cereal box... David "Run of the" Miller has been anointed Vice President of Sales & Field Marketing for Sire Records Group by the label's Exec. VP/GM Randv Miller "Lite." Miller was previously Sr. Director of Sales & Field Marketing for Red Ant Records, where he was in charge of balancing Randy Philips' checkbook.





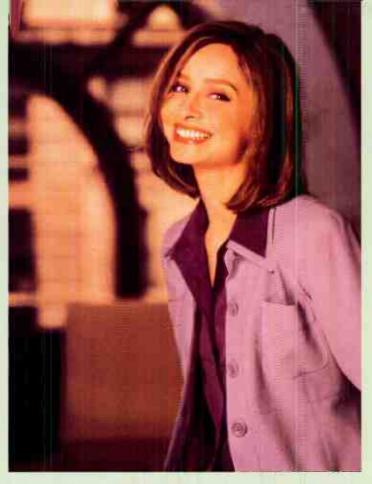




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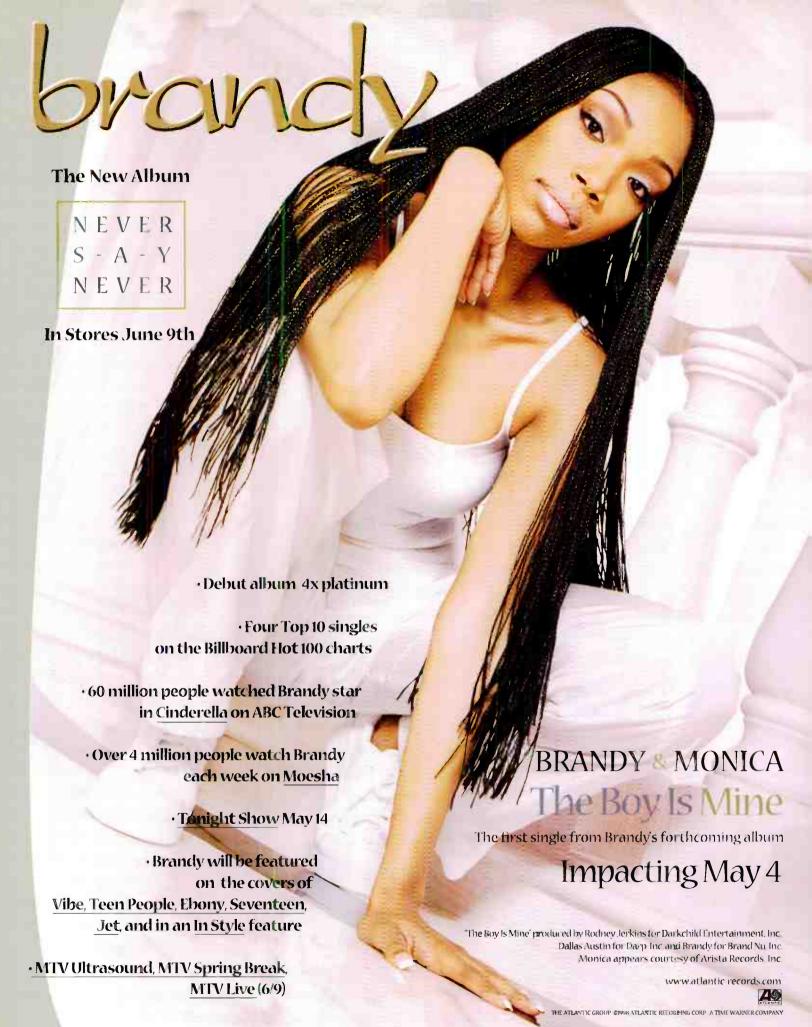
Yes folks, it could be nogo for the Trauma/Regency deal, which is packing numbers like \$15 million cash/ \$15 million stock with a \$4-5 million annual overhead. No lack of fingerpointing over players changing and overnegotiating various deal points, particularly the backend package. Barrister Peter Paterno at bat for Trauma with Gary Stiffelman handling legal chores for Regency. Naturally, there are already questions over Trauma's next move, amid rumblings of a Nomura-funded stand-alone venture... A muchanticipated joint venture buyout by the label mothership doesn't go down as participants stalemate over the Benjamins... Industry wind says a Jim Fifield/EMI exit package has been agreed to in principle with some claiming Diamond Jim will walk with north of \$15 mill. Deal could be done at this week's EMI Board pow-wow across the pond—unless Sir Colin heads south on the Fife deal again. Will Ken Berry and Martin Bandier be appointed to the

THE LATEST TRAUMA



ROB KAHANE: Action, always action.

Board at the same meeting? ...Lots of talk over the Cliff Burnstein/Peter Mensch deal with Clive Calder for Volcano, which suddenly goes from having no chance of amicably retaining Tool to at least having a shot at spilling new ink. Despite their renown for not peeling big bucks, buzz has B&M and Calder making a major push to keep Tool and establish Volcano as a real label. The question is how? Prevalent scenario has the trio leveraging a piece of Volcano and/or reversion of the band's masters as a way of competing with the elephant bucks flying in any upcoming bidding war. Meanwhile, questions over whether the managers will walk from the label if they can't close the band. Other cynics wondering if B&M put up any cash in the 50% purchase of the label from old chum Calder.... Is another big artist ready to make headlines by using the seven-year-statute to get out of their current deal?..... With "Titanic" holding at #1, eyes still peeled on Sony's marketshare as historians begin eyeing the possibility that WMG may have to relinquish its twodecade hold on the yearend marketshare throne.... On deck in the longrunning "Let's Sink The Ship" game are the fast-charging "City Of Angels" soundtrack and new releases from Dave Matthews (4/28) and Smashing Pumpkins (5/26).... Names in the Rumor Mill: John Mc-Clain, Scott Welch, Jill Berliner, Bob Flax and David Sonenberg.







LETTERS

Jail Bait

To Whom It May Concern at HITS Magazine:

I would like to receive a sample or brochure your company has to offer. I am incarcerated now, but will release November of '98. I will be reopening my record company, Romp Records and V.S.P. Entertainment. Please send me information that can help us both in business ventures. Romp is in Valajeo, CA and VSP Entertainment is in L.A.

Bernard Renfro Prisoner #95630-012 Rocky Mt. Penitentiary Littleton, CO

HITS replies: Our pleasure, Bernie. Please find enclosed a subscription form for Billboard and a birthday cake with a file inside.

LAPD Blew

To: Joe Heischer & Ray Traikin Hey... You're invited to the Cutrone show at the El Rey Theater Tuesday, April 14. Showtime is 10:30 pm. You are on the guest list, so it's free for you and your friends. See you there!

Mike Gormley LAPD Inc. W. Hollywood, CA

HITS replies: Thanks for the invite, Steve, but Heischer and Traikin want to know if you can get them out of traffic school for their latest speeding tickets.

Guster Gusto

Roy:

It would be great if we can get something in mini-mugs on Guster. They are getting a lot of buzz and their album, "Goldfly," is being released April 7. Hybrid is a new label from Sire Records and Metropolitan Entertainment Group.

Susan Makarichev Dan Klores Associates New York, N.Y. HITS replies: And we thought "Goldfly" was the title of George Michael's new album.

Letter Tells A Story

Dear Roy:

It is my great pleasure to inform you that Rod Stewart's new album, "Tongue and Cheek," will be coming out in early June. It is an even greater pleasure to inform you that this is absolutely the most incredible album he's made since "Every Picture Tells A Story." This is not an April Fool's letter, nor is it the wild ravings of yet another record company press agent. When I send you an advance, you will know.

Liz Rosenberg Warner Bros. Records, Inc. New York, N.Y.C.

HITS replies: Honestly, we haven't heard Liz this excited since Madonna let her change Lourdes' diapers.

Run of the Mills

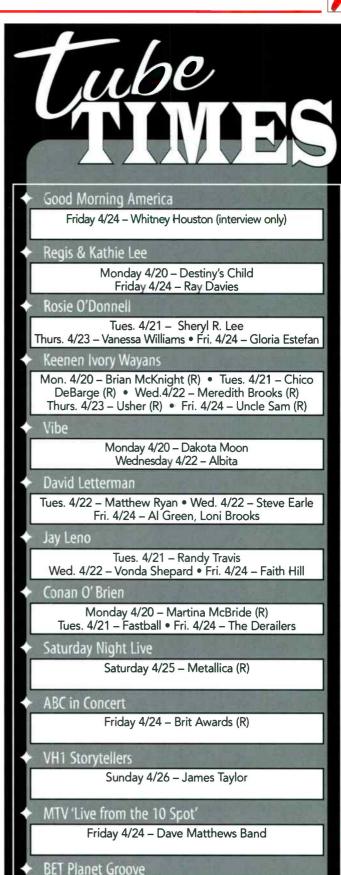
Mark:

Thought you could have fun with this pic of Fran Aliberte, Sr. VP Music Sales, WEA and Phil Q.

Jerry Sharrell WEA Burbank, CA

HITS replies: Actually, Jerry, we'd have a lot more fun with this pic of Hayley Mills, but thanks anyway.



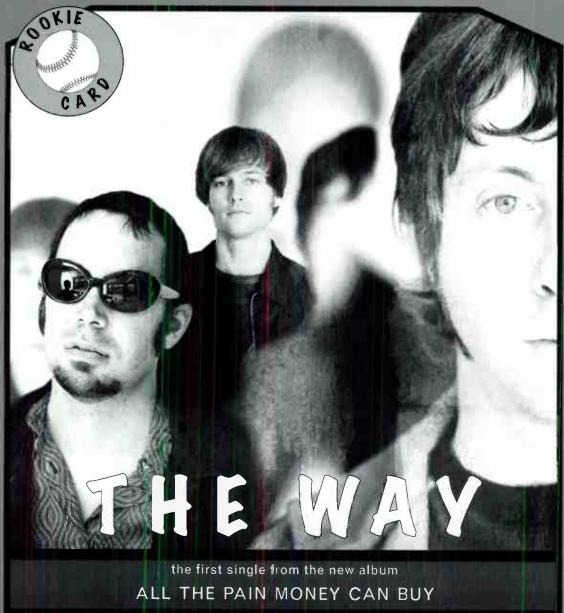


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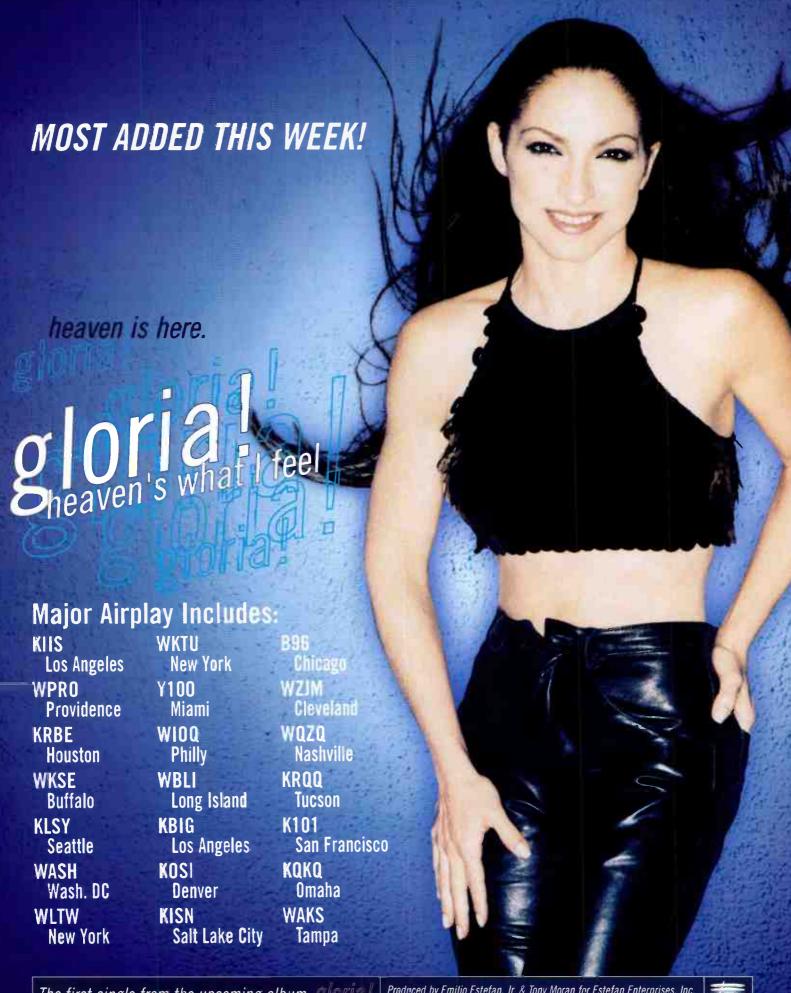


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BY JOE FLEISCHER

Q-PRIME = TOOL TIME?... With the out-of-nowhere purchase of half of Volcano Entertainment by power-hitting managers Cliff Burnstein and Peter Mensch, buzzers are buzzing overtime about what the play will mean to the Tool vs. whatever it was the former label was called fracas, and how the derby for the self-proclaimed freeagents will be affected. Irrespective of what spin anyone attaches to the purchase of the moribund imprint, two issues are clearly at the forefront: 1) Tool and their representatives are sticking to their guns that Volcano Ent. missed a contract option making the band free agents; and, 2) The band and their reps have very different feelings about Burnstein and Mensch that they do about former Volcano ruler Kevin Czinger. One source close to the band told us that the ongoing litigation will continue unless, of course, there is a settlement between the band and the new owners--which, we would think, now seems like a

much more plausible scenario than at any point before. That settlement could be either an agreement to remain on Volcano or an arrangement to pursue other interests while presumably paying Volcano cash plus points. Making nice will most certainly be at the very top of the agenda when Bumstein, Mensch, Zomba ruler Clive Calder and band reps meet next week in LA, and would not be an option if Czinger were still in charge. So where does the new development leave Epic, Elektra, DreamWorks, MCA, Virgin, Geffen, Interscope, TVT and V2, which have been pursuing the band for months with considerable tenacity? Unless the band presses on with the litigation (meaning they could not reach any accord with their new label chiefs) and, most importantly, wins, the answer is-nowhere. But let's look at the deal's wildcards. Will the band ever possibly be amenable to being on the roster of the rockless Jive? How will Burnstein and Mensch balance

the most high-profile management roster in the business against being high-profile (at least for the moment) label heads? Will Cliff and Peter build a new infrastructure for the label? Is settling with Tool only the first step of a fully rocking master plan that will include other veteran artists? How will the infamous label ball-busters. craft their role as label insiders? Will Madonna dispense wisdom on what it takes to make a successful label? Stand by... Citing too steep a price tag, Hollywood has dropped out of the Sinead O'Connor derby... Huge action surrounding LA-based pop-crossover sensation Tim James. Brian Schall will mediate the weaseltude... Warner/Chappell's John Titta and Rick Shoemaker make the preemptive strike for Elektra artist Vast's publishing... Davis & Shapiro add young legal eagles Lisa Socransky and Ian Montone to their West Coast team... WBCN's Oedipus starts spinning Plastico, as majors start salivating for the

band in joint custody of Daniel Glass and Jeff Jampol... At presstime, lots of heavies headed for MCA Music's Mister Jones show at the Continental on April 14... BUZZIN': Steve Jones and The Promise Ring.

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Burnstein & Mensch



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who /	WHEN	WHERE	HOW COME?
MICRO MINI	April 15 tba	Dragonfly LA	Only LA date.
SPINACH	April 18 tba	Dragonfly LA	Also Polar Bear and Engineer.
AIFE WELLS	April 19 9:15 pm	Viper Room LA	With special secret guests
LUXE	April 20 8:30 pm	Viper Room LA	Jackie's Drum 'N' Bass night.
JULIET'S WISHING WELL	April 21 8:00 pm	Brownies NYC	With Savoy (formerly of a-ha), Scout and Stay Gold.

WHEELS & DEALS

Shoots & Scores

BY DOMINIC GRIFFIN

BUON GIORNO, BOYS: To help celebrate the one-year anniversary of "Austin Powers," New Line Cinema will hold a midnight screening May 1 at L.A.'s Nuart Theatre. The actress who portrayed villainess Alotta Vagina will host; the Wondermints will provide the musical entertainment. The goal is to launch the flick as a cult classic á la "Rocky Horror." The 1997 release made over \$70 million at the B.O., and the ST has sold over 50,000 pieces in 1998 alone. Meanwhile, plans are being laid for a prequel to the film, with such suggested titles as "You Only Shag Twice, Baby" and "The Spy Who Shagged Me." Still no word yet if the studio will throw a backyard BBQ as a pre-party... Julie Glaze Houlihan is wrapping up Banner Entertainment's "Delivered" with Patricia Joseph at TVT. The buzzing comedy is about a serial killer and his fascination with a pizzadelivery dude. Look for the flick to bow at the upcoming Seattle Film Fest. The ST includes Vallejo.

Brian Jonestown Massacre, Plastic. Buck-O-Nine and F11, among others... After recently becoming a mommy, Liza Zambrano has opted to exit her post at PolyGram Publishing. Marisa Porter will seque from the Creative Dept. to Film & TV, where she'll work alongside Danny Benair. In a prepared statement, Porter said, "Hey, I know Lisa used to take your dumb phone calls, but all that's about to change, buster"... Irish DJ David Holmes has been tapped to coscore—along with Chris Martinez-Stephen Soderbergh's upcoming flick "Out Of Sight." The dramedy stars Jennifer Lopez (yeah, baby) and George Clooney. As you can imagine, Holmes is over the moon; as he cryptically explained, "I'm over the moon". Danny DeVito's Jersey Films will be doing the as-yet-untitled Andy Kaufman biopic, with Anita Camarata and Jersey Records handling the ST duties. DeVito will also star as Kaufman's manager. Items still up in the air: Will the flick cover

the "Taxi" years? If so, who w play Louis?... How soon will it be before the Russell Carter-managed Fastball become ST mainstays?... Music supervisor Nora Felder can now be reached at 310-398-4463 or faxed at 310-398-0274... Apocalyptica, those wacky Metallica-covering cellists, have three covers from the hard rockers in Neil La Buch's next film. "Your Friends and Neighbors." The trax are "Enter Sandman," "Wherever I May Roam" and "Welcome Home Sanitarium"... Did ya know that the "Top Gun" ST sold almost 6.000 units last week, and "Footloose" sold over 4,000? If you grab a good one, they'll keep earning and earning... STROKEY-STROK-EY, SUCKEY-SUCKEY: It would appear that all of the Event STs have locked down their records after a very heated first half of '98, which saw those involved chasing many of the same artists. Now that the dust has cleared, we appear to have some very disparate and excellent records. Let's give

big of props to Darren Higman with "The Avengers," David Was with "The X-Files," Danny Bramson with "City Of Angels" and Peter Afterman with "Godzilla." Behind The Scenes: "The Bride Of Chucky," Louchie Lou & Michie One, City Of Angels.

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Jenniter Lopez



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YOU'VE GOT MAIL	Atlantic	Higman	Warner Bros.
SOUTH PARK	Sony	Rick Rubin	Comedy Central
GO	TBD	Julianne Kelly	TriStar
BASEKETBALL	Mojo	Lisa Brown	Universal
OUT OF SIGHT	Jersey Records	Anita Camarata	Universal
DELIVERED	TVT	Julie Glaze	Banner Ent
BLADE	TVT	P. Joseph/McHugh	New Line
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GUMBEL RALLY: "The key to writing news themes," explained composer Fred Shehadi as he visited the set of NBC's "The Today Show" in New York, "is creating a motif that makes viewers receptive to the spin, hype and outright lies that pass for informa-

tion in this morally and intellectually bereft era. Mind control rocks!" Seen reading a teaser about the cutest little puppy that ever got stuck in a well are (I-r) NBC East Coast VP Advertising and Promotions Frank J. Radice, BMI VP Performing Rights Alison Smith, "Today Show" co-host Matt Lauer, Shehadi, composer Peter Primatore, "Today Show" anchor Ann Curry, composer Jay Stollman and BMI Sr. VP Performing Rights & Writer/Publisher Relations Del Bryant.



HELDT IN HIGH ESTEEM: "Being here at avant-garde music haven the Knitting Factory—with your furious, dissonant alternarock still ringing in my ears—makes me think of one thing," noted Elektra Sr. VP of Sales Steve Heldt to members of the band Scrawl, "and that thing is a '99 Lexus." Seen commenting on lower-than-ever interest rates are (I-r) Coordinator of College Radio Chris Elles, Nat'l Mgr. of College Radio Mike DePippa, Mgr. of Sales Paul Uterano, band members Sue Harshe and Marcy Mays, Heldt and band member Dana Marshall.



NO RASTA FOR THE WEARY: Artist Ky-mani celebrates signing to Gee Street/V2 Records by standing in a hallway with label staffers and invoking the spirit of his father, Bob Marley. The late, great reggae star never materialized, but Gee Street Sr. Director of A&R Neil Robertson's great-aunt called to try to get her podiatrist's

son a record deal. Seen imagining what **Richard Branson** would look like with dreadlocks are (I-r) Robertson, Gee Street Sr. Director Marketing **Maria Ma, Shang Records** President/founder **Clifton** "Specialist" Dillon, V2 Head of International Steven Abbott, Kymani, Gee Street President/founder **Jon Baker** and V2 Music Group CEO Jeremy Pearce.

Pic of the Week



TREATED LIKE ROYALTIES: Rapper-actor-spokesmodel LL Cool J feels the same rush during this weasel-op in honor of his deal with Sony/ATV Music Publishing that he did when he first picked up a rnic. And after the lengthy discussion of copyright law that followed, everyone needed a cigarette. Seen realizing that the attorney's cell phone is mightier than the glock are (I-r) Sr. VP Creative Affairs Kathleen Carey, Director A&R Erica Grayson, Executive VP Jody Graham Dunitz, LL Cool J, Director A&R Suzette Williams and VP Business Affairs and Administration Scott Francis.

premier poser.

A true A&R veteran, Nick Terzo has been through the wars and lived to tell. After breaking into the biz as a promoter for Bill Silva, Nick jumped to ASCAP, where he invented the membership rep position that became the farm league of A&R execs, launching the likes of Elektra's Tom De-Savia, DreamWorks Publishing's Michael Badami and EMI Music's Damon Booth. It was Nick who first caught the eye of the major labels when he became new Columbia President Don lenner's first A&R hire in '89. During his first tour of duty at Columbia (he



Nick Terzo So Indie.

later returned for a second tour after a brief stint at Hollywood), he signed Alice In Chains and Toad The Wet Sprocket (with Ron Oberman). At his next stop, Maverick Records, Nick worked with Me'Shell, Candlebox and Swimmer. You can now find Nick at his own indie, full-service A&R/management company, Amplitude, with partner Jonathan Daniel. Said Nick: "Now that I'm indie, I'm not paying you a dime, loser."



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hough perhaps not as widely known in America, Creation chief
Alam McGee is becoming a regular in the UK papers as a flashy and outspoken music millionaire,
a sort of Richard Branson without the hot-air balloon and just a few less zeroes on his paycheck.
McGee founded Creation Records and eventually
sold it to Sony Music, discovered the group Oasis
and is the man behind much of the current Britpop we're hearing on our airwaves.

nce a punk, then almost a dead punk tycoon, McGee is now a business and political animal parading in suits from designer pal Paul Smith and hobnobbing with Prime Minister Tony Blair. The purveyor of such acts as the Boo Radleys, Primal Scream and Jesus & Mary Chain, McGee is called by British reporters on the subject of beef subsidies and the like. He has branched into politics with a vengeance, turning Dasis into a political watershed when he encouraged the band to perform on behalf of Blair during the successful campaign which elected him Great Britain's Prime Minister.

he son of an autoworker from Glasgow, Scotland, McGee quit school to perform odd jobs. He eventually became a bass player in a band before finding his calling as a punk music entrepreneur with the nickname "Mad Dog McGee."

A self-proclaimed victim of the rock & roll lifestyle, he claims he regularly and generously dosed himself with cocaine and ecstasy before ending up in an L.A. hospital in 1994, where he started to re-build his life. As McGee told London's Sunday Times: "For the first eight years, Creation never made money. We nearly went bankrupt several times, which took a terrible toll. It turned me into a drug addict."

But then, Oasis took off big-time, and as McGee straightened up, his business went through the roof. Sony, which had bought 49% of Creation in 1992 for \$6 million, recently paid a reported \$25 million for a subsequent licensing deal. McGee had some strong words about the quality of executive that the music business breeds and about how to change the current situation. He also had some idealistic ideas on who would pay—ideas that some people may think came from the Bizarro universe, but ones that should nonetheless make a lot of would-be rockers call out a hearty "Dude!" HITS' own member of the Bizarro universe, Cubby Broccoli's son's good pal Jeffrey "Mammy How I Love You" Jolson-Colburn takes tea at three with the outspoken McGee.

With its success and sale to Sony Music, once-fiercely independent Creation Records is now very much a part of the mainstream record industry, especially in the UK. How do you feel about that?

One thing that has become more obvious as the company grows is that the record industry, although hugely successful and a massive contributor to this country's GNP, is actually staffed by an awful lot of people who don't know what they're doing!

In what way?

Most of us have had no formal training of any sort. Lawyers and accountants have some qualifications, but the rest of us have learned our trade as we went along.

You say that like it's a bad thing...

It's not always a bad thing-people start at the bottom and work

their way up as with any other business. In my experience, most people who have achieved success in the record business started off as record store clerks, sales reps or ran their own clubs. Or as in my case, started their own small labels. Then they gradually moved into positions of responsibility and influence over the years.

Isn't that how it's supposed to work?

Learning your skills by first-hand experience and chance isn't always a bad thing, but it surely isn't the most efficient way to run our industry. Nor is it a guarantee that people who reach these positions of responsibility and power know what to do with them when they get there.

But efficiency isn't always the goal in a creative industry. The business models that have worked in music were usually led by offbeat visionaries—successful with little regard for traditional business acumen or schooling. Not unlike yourself.

I accept some skills can't be taught. A lot of our success is due to a minority of visionary, creative people whose gut instinct has discovered and nurtured the raw talent that is the bedrock of our industry.

Will a scenario peopled with formally trained music executives kill off what little creative instinct most execs have?

Nobody is suggesting that we in any way stifle individualism or free thought. The real talent-spotters, not the majority of the workman-like A&R people who dominate the industry, will always be mavericks and should not in most cases be trained.

So who are we talking about?

The marketing directors, production managers, publicists and sales executives are just some of the high-

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massive contributor to this country's GNP, is actually staffed by an awful lot of people who don't know what they're doing!"

ly professional, motivated and skilled personnel who can and should be given more opportunity to improve and focus their talents.

Should band managers be sent back to school as well?

Especially them. I'm particularly speaking of band managers and agents here. They should be given the opportunity to learn some of the skills of negotiating, handling sometimes enormous amounts of money and generally dealing with complex international affairs for their artists. Managers are a crucial part of the industry. They can define and focus their artists' talent and there are a number of them who are really good at what they do. Even a few who are brilliant.

And the rest?

A shocking amount are nothing but hazards to their artists' careers.

Are you talking about people who are rip-offs or just incompetent?



Usually it's not down to dishonesty, though it would be foolish to pretend that dishonesty doesn't exist. Usually it is down to simple ignorance and a lack of understanding.

What could change that?

Teaching would-be managers even the basics of the job would alleviate so many

offering them more training at the early stages of their careers, at school, at universities, with continued education in the workplace—and by sending out a message to people that the music business is a valid career choice—we can give this industry the prominence and respect it deserves.

Who pays for everyone to go to Rock and Roll College? The government?

"We make more money for this country than the steel business and yet for most people working in the music business, their mothers are still asking them when they're going to get a proper job."

of the problems that record companies and especially artists face these days. That might address ignorance, but what about the dishonesty? In the past, you have mentioned some form of regulation.

Agents for football players pay a bond in excess of 80,000 pounds which can't be touched by the agent until his license is rescinded. Plus the agents must satisfy a panel that they have a thorough knowledge of the regulations and international law as it pertains to football. The thinking is that it will keep the shadier elements away from the game.

Will that work in music?

No, it's too Draconian. It doesn't always work with football, either. But I like the idea that managers are expected to be competent.

So what do you propose?

We have this huge amount of professional, motivated and skilled people. By

The industry itself?

The government could and should play a significant role in this education and training. The music business is a godsend to the government here in the UK. We make more money for this country than the steel business and yet for most people working in the music business, their mothers are still asking them when they're going to get a proper job.

You're talking tax dollars. Or pounds as it were.

We make a fortune for this country. We don't ask for subsidies, with all due respect to the UK film industry. The government should take us seriously and I believe that this government has the will to do so.

Even acknowledging your association with the Prime Minister, you're not concerned that some taxpayers may have an extremely strong opinion about underwriting the music business with its perceived excesses?

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The main problem is that the music industry is still seen as a cowboy operation. I accept that the music industry, because of its glamorous image and promise of reflected glory, does attract some seriously suspect people, but so

What exactly would you have the government do?

The government should foster a working relationship with us by really starting to analyze our needs and putting together a real strategy of training for the music industry. Schools, colleges and universities should be funded to set up courses devoted to the specifics of the music industry.

And the industry...

I'm sure the industry would be happy to advise the government on how best to proceed and would probably assist with sponsorship programs. Specific dialogue needs to be started before any of these things can be considered.

You've also called for the government to give unemployment pay, or dole, to people trying to become rock stars, even if they are seeking no other form of work.

It's incredibly hard to survive as a musician when you first start out. I know from personal experience that it takes time to perfect your art. It takes time to make a good-enough demo to send out to a record company. It takes time to arrange and play gigs. It's hard work. Bands like Oasis make millions for this country in export sales and taxes, but they started off like almost every other band—rehearsing hard and slogging up and down motorways in a transit van to play gigs for half a dozen people.

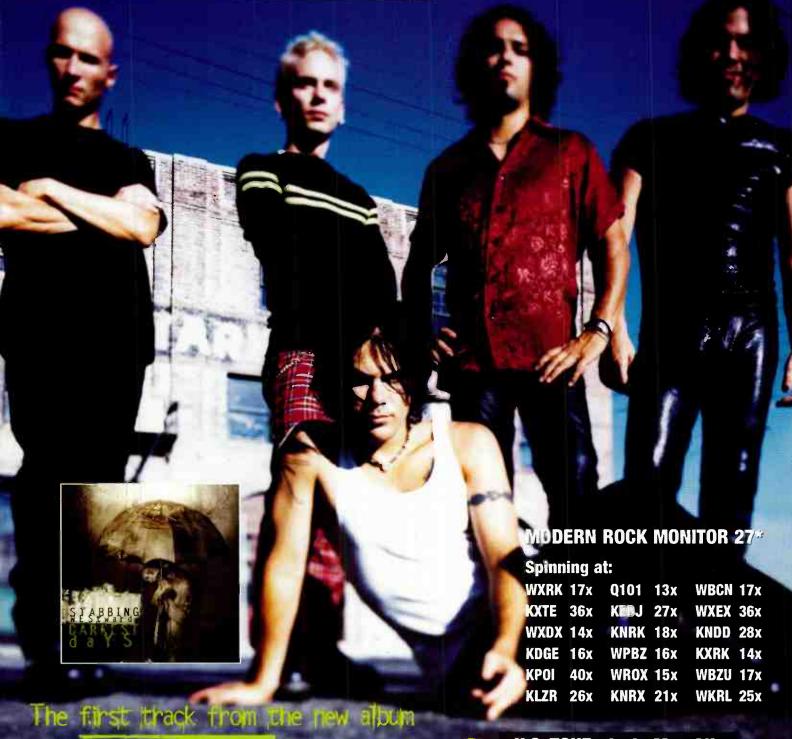
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DAYS OF THE NEW - Outpost/Geffen #1WXDG,KNRX

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Zoot Suit Riot **FUEL - 550** MTV Add

Shimmer 16 17 THE VERVE - Virgin

MTV Add Lucky Man

OUR LADY PEACE - Columbia/CRG

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post toasted

SONG FOR THE DUMPED: Many tragic deaths last week: Rob Pilatus, Cozy Powell, Wendy O. Williams (most PoMo programmers have never even heard of The Plasmatics), KGDE and WWSK all bit the dust. We chatted with departing KGDE PD, Sean Smyth, at length and he's hoping to segue from Omaha into another PoMo programming situation. As a member of the elite group of "bright, young programmers" (like McGuinn, Dan Binder, Aaron, Alex Luke, etc.), he'll doubtless find a new situation very soon..... I went to the KROQ premiere of "City Of Angels" last Thursday night (does any-

GUSTER:



Up, Up And Away:

body have a tape of "Seinfeld" I could borrow?), followed by a Goo Goo Dolls show (which gave me a chance to tell Johnny Goo that Rich Wall said "Hi"). The Goo Goo Dolls single, "Iris," looks like a big of smash, and soundtrack sales are MASSIVE (almost as big as "Meet The Deedles"), propelled by a #1 movie and multiformat radio exposure. I would've liked the movie a whole lot better if they had replaced Nicholas

Cage with Aidan Quinn or Dan Abrams from "The Today Show" (who cares if he's never acted before?), or if "Wings Of Desire" wasn't one of my all-time favorite movies, but I don't tend to have "populist" taste in movies, so what do I know?..... Here's what I do know: Sprung Monkey's "Get 'Em Outta Here" is going to be one of the biggest PoMo hits of the summer. 91X started playing the song a few months ago when it was only available on Surfdog Records (the label that brought you the incredible soundtrack from the equally incredible Carrot Top movie), but it's been picked up by Hollywood Records and already added at KROQ this week!.... Want another "Sure Thing?" Check out "Airport Song" by Guster, which got the official nod from 99X this week! This Boston band can draw anywhere from a couple of hundred fans a night to many thousands in their hometown, and all without the benefit of significant airplay! Just think, you can add a band that already has a touring base—what a concept!..... If it's sales you're looking for, Fuel is your band!.....If it's phones you're looking for, check out the action on Eve 6: "Inside Out" is #1 phones at Q101, #2 phones at KNRX and already Top 5 phones at a slew of other stations. For the trivia-minded among you, or the merely trivial like me, you might want to know that the drummer, Tony Fagenson, is the progeny of über-producer Don Was. And they're babes, to boot..... On the total babe tip, how great is the new Girls Against Boys? Many of you may remember the nervous breakdown I had trying to convince PoMo radio to play "Super-Fire," but I WILL BE VINDICATED when all of you add their new single, "Park Avenue," on May 5! I will still be laughing when they cart me away in a strait jacket...... If it's a cool "vibe" song you're looking for, especially one with "hit" potential, you should be playing Litany's "By Myself." This band is one of the founders of "Rock & Roll High School" in Melbourne, a school that teaches female musicians how to do everything from booking their own tours to releasing records to management. Tim Armstrong from Rancid brought Litany to the attention of Time Bomb after playing with them in Australia. The song has been winning "battles" at PoMo stations everywhere, including KNRK and KEDJ. Shellie Hart added "By Myself" this week, in fact! Everything about this project is completely cool, in fact!..... On April 20, Nic Harcourt starts his tenure as host of KCRW's "Morning Becomes Eclectic." As one would expect of someone with Nic's impeccable taste, he'll have Semisonic performing live on his show on April 23rd. Guess where I'll be?.... Big week on the Deftones latest, "Be Quiet & Drive," including KNDD, WXRK, WBZU, X-96, KFMA and KXTE..... I'm not sure which record I'm more excited about, the new Beasties Boy album or the new Grant Lee Buffalo album. I heard that the Beasties will be touring "In The Round," much like two of my favorite artists who I've seen in that setting, Yes and Neil Diamond.

Vlodern

SEAN SMYTH KGDE, Omaha (R.I.P.)



Last week, while digesting the news about many untimely deaths in the rock world, we heard about the tragic demise of KGDE in Omaha. This previously vital "Edge" station has now flatlined into a Classic Rock station, leaving its programming staff out of work and highly employable. PD Sean Smyth left the comfort of WEJE only a few months ago to take over the PD gig at KGDE, following Paul Kriegler's move to Kansas City. We've been a big fan of Sean's since his 'PGU days and we absolutely recommend him for any available major market programming gig. Did he at least get to play Ben Folds Five's "Song For The Dumped" right before they changed format?

1. Fastball

(Hollywood)

2. Semisonic

(MCA)

3. Garbage

(Almo Sounds)

4. Dave Matthews Band

(RCA)

5. Fuel

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5. Cherry Poppin' Daddies (Mojo/Universal)

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WRXQ / TONY WILLIAMS / JOHN MICHAEL / MEMPHIS,TN

Fastball Fuel Days Of The New Harvey Danger Semisonic

WXRK / STEVE KINGSTON / MIKE PEER / NEW YORK

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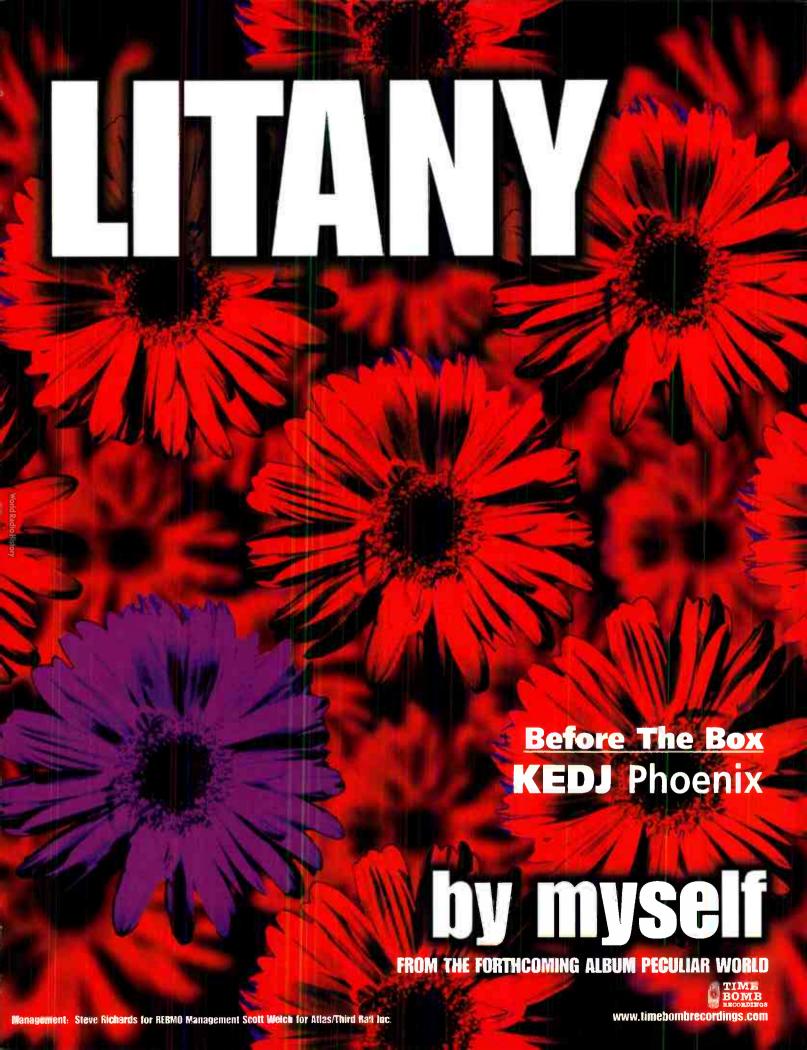
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7 7 CREED	Wind-up
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14 19 THE VERVE	Virgin
Bittersweet Symphony	
11 20 PEARL JAM	Epic Assoc.

on new releases

GOING FOR ADDS 4/20

LENNY KRAVITZ • "If You Can't Say No" - Virgin

GUSTER • "Airport Song" - Sire/Hybrid

GANDHARVAS • "Downtime" - MCA



BAD RELIGION • "Shades Of Truth"
- Atlantic/AG

LILITH FAIR • LP - Arista

WALLFLOWERS • "Heros" - Epic Soundtrax

PEE SHY • "Mr. Whisper" - Mercury

LITANY • "By Myself" - Timebomb



GOING FOR ADDS 4/27

BIG WRECK • "That Song" - Atlantic/AG

FEEDER • "High" - Elektra/EEG

MASSIVE ATTACK • "Teardrop" - Virgin

HAYDEN • "The Hazards..." - Outpost/Geffen

RIDEL HIGH • "Self Destruction" - A&M

GLORITONE ● "Halfway" - Kneeling Elephant/RCA

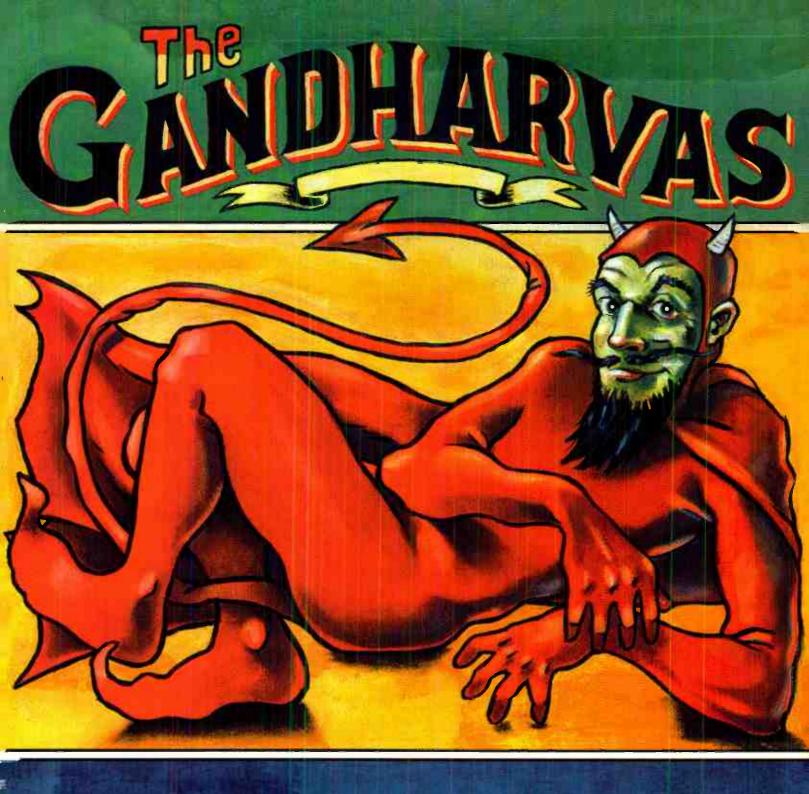
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12		Source/Caroline
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14	Space Heater TORTOISE TNT	Thrill Jockey
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While I'm anxiously awaiting the release of **Nick Hornby**'s new book, "About A Boy" (excerpted in this month's **British Elle**), I'm currently in the midst of reading three different books: "Riven Rock" by **T. Coraghessan Boyle**, "Downsize This" by **Michael Moore** (don't miss his new movie "**The Big One**" — it's genius!), and the biography of **Peter Perrett** and his band, **The Only Ones**. What are YOU reading? E-mail me: **Ivanageek@aol.com**

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A hit single can come in mysterious ways. Take Fastball's "The Way." Singer/bassist Tony Scalzo came across a news item about an elderly couple—the wife had Alzheimer's disease and the husband was handicapped—who took off in an RV for a family reunion. They never showed up. Scalzo's thoughts on what may have hap-

that has landed Fastball quite a
bit of airplay. Sadly, the couple
and their RV were later found
crashed at the bottom of the canyon (maybe
there's a sequel here?).

But "The Way" is only a small part of the Austin, TX-based quartet's wonderful second LP, "All The Pain Money Can Buy" (Hollywood Records). Every track on the album is a winner, from the Cheap Trick-like "Fire Escape" to the horn-embellished "G.O.D. (Good Old Days)" and the introspective "Out Of My Head." Scalzo and the band's other songwriter, singer/guitarist Miles Zuniga (drummer Joey Shuffield doesn't write, but is nevertheless an integral part of the group) have grown by leaps and bounds since their first, more punkish effort, "Make Your Mama Proud." "All The Pain Money Can Buy" is certainly making Fastball's label, Hollywood Records, very proud-but the company forced the guys to talk to HITS' own screwball Janiss Garza "Zu Pitts" anyhow.



Your second record realizes all the potential that the first one promised.

MILES ZUNIGA: People always talk about sophomore slump and stuff like that, but I think they say that about bands that are really popular on their first record. Like, probably on our third record, people will say, "Is there going to be a sophomore slump?" even though they can't because we've already done our first and second record. But what they're really trying to say is, "Will they be able to pull it off again? Will they be able to top it?" Because, from the business standpoint, that's all the music industry cares about—do you sell more records each time? And I hate it when an artist sells ten or 12 million records and then their next record comes out and sells three million and they go, "What a disappointment!" I'm like, "What greedy bastards you are!" How can you be upset about selling "only" three million records? What the hell are you on?

Obviously, there's a lot of experience behind the band. You guys have a lot to draw on musically.

ZUNIGA: It's a good place to write songs from. Making music and writing songs are the most important things and it's totally separate from doing interviews or promotional stuff. I mean, all of that doesn't really bear on the music. You have to really keep those things separate because the music should always be pure and come from an uncalculated, spontaneous place—from the heart. We've been lucky that we've never had people trying to tell us what we should record or the way we should sound or any of that stuff, and we never will.

You guys are good enough at what you do where it would seem pointless to have an outside party messing with it.

ZUNIGA: No one has tried to say, "Go write a record that sounds like this, kid, 'cause this is what's hot right now." You know—"Go do a Matchbox 20" or "The guitars aren't heavy enough." In this day and age, that's what's so great about music... You never know what's going to be a hit. And so when you start trying to plan one from top to bottom, I don't think it works most of the time. **So you actually wrote "The Way" from a newspaper article? It's strange**

how inspiration comes...

TONY SCALZO: Yeah, it is. You cannot direct the muse. The muse comes to you

You could have read that item about that couple on another day and it may have done nothing for you.

SCALZO: That's right. As a matter of fact, that song was already written in full before the story was resolved. That was a running story because nobody knew what had happened to them. So we didn't know what the resolution to the story was until after we had already turned it into a song. The decision had been made to put it on the record before it was found out that they had actually crashed and died hundreds of miles from where they were supposed to be, because they got lost.

I don't understand why that couple was off on their own when they really couldn't take care of themselves.

SCALZO: That's what the song asks. It speculates about what they were doing. The talent is to sort of be an observer who lays down what he saw.

All good art is like that, really.

ZUNIGA: With stuff that has an easy resolution, there's no tension, and ultimately tension and release are what it's all about. In real life, there are no easy answers to most of the problems people have, so the song shouldn't be any different.

Did you see any other newspaper articles that were particularly inspiring? SCALZO: I read about a mercury poisoning in Texarcana. Some kids broke into an old neon sign factory that had been abandoned and they got a hold of maybe five or six fluid ounces of mercury, which had managed to contaminate the entire town. They found a quarter-sized puddle on the Whattaburger floor in the kitchen. Kids were reported to have been rolling it around on their hands, playing with it and doing all kinds of stuff. That's a good story to write about.

ZUNIGA: [Laughs] Our new album will be called "The Great Texarcana Mercury Poisoning"!•

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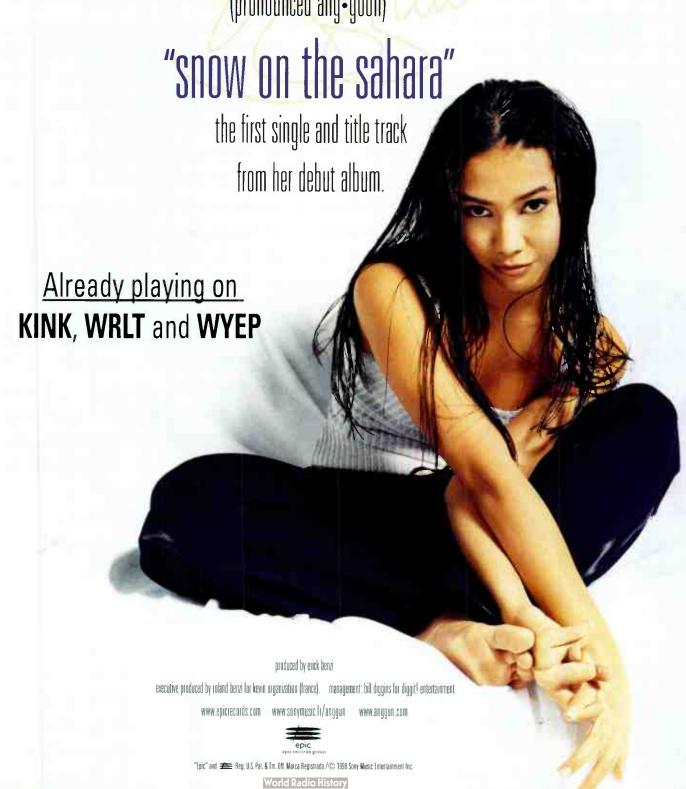
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2	2	BONNIE RAITT - Capitol	KGSR, KMTT add
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3	3.	NATALIE IMBRUGLIA - RCA	#1 WBOS, KXST
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4.	4	MARC COHN - Atlantic/AG	WVRV add
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		All The Pain Money.	ACTION AND IDE
6	6	MATCHBOX 20 - Lava/Atlantic/AG	KTHX, WHPT add
7	7	Yourself Or Someone Like You	MEDOD MEDIC 11
7	/	SARAH MCLACHLAN - Arista Surfacing	WDOD, WEBK add
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9	9	AGENTS OF GOOD ROOTS - RCA	#1 phones WMMM
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11	13	LOREENA MCKENNITT - WB	touring astral plane
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23	22	CHRIS STILLS - Atlantic/AG	big leap in spins
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_	23	SHAWN COLVIN - Columbia/CRG	WTTS, WXRT add
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- FASTBALL
- ERIC CLAPTON
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- ROBBIE ROBERTSON (Capitol)
- **GOO GOO DOLLS**
- TORI AMOS
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David Garza "This Euphoria" (Atlantic/AG): Wow. This Austin-based singer-songwriter (pronounced "Dah-veed") is a major arrival,

fusing passionate songwriting, angelic vocals and muscular rock arrangements into one of the most satisfying debuts in recent memory. Ranging fearlessly between pop genres,

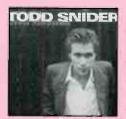
Garza always paints vibrant musical canvasses. Standouts on a consistent album include the Zep-reggae instant classic "Slave" (also on the "Great Expectations" ST), the slam-and-swoon opener "Kinder" and the symphonic, adventurous "Baptiste." You need David. (S.G.)

Ebba Forsberg "Been There" (Maverick/

WB): This Swedish chanteuse journeys you through a shadowy world, with smoky vocals snaking around melancholic minor chords and dipping into warm pools of pianos and organs. Her debut is deep with resonance and profundity, and part of the credit needs



to be given to her sister Kajsa, who adds the lyrics to Ebba's compelling melodies. The crest and ebb of "Carried" and how it moves from a haunting groove into an angry, guitar-driven power hook is a perfect match to the words. It's a song of forgiveness, as are several tracks (including the catchy "I'll Do Fine."). Light a torch for these songs, surely, but get ready to fan some mighty flames. (J.T.)



Todd Snider "Viva Satellite" (MCA): Think kick-back rock 'n' roll groove with a splash of Skynyrd and a dash of Petty and you're thinking of this southern rock crusader. With a drawl ("Can't Complain"), Jesus in his back pocket ("Once He Finds Us") and a soft spot for trailer trash ("Doublewide Blues"), this is

what you get when one fearless man dangles his music between resolve and care-free disintegration. As his fans already know, Snider's live show is equally exceptional, bristling with the same kind of passion you hear on this disc. When he blows through your town, see it and believe it for yourself. (Drew Yoder)

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If it wasn't our deadline day, we'd be up in Portland right now, noshing on Greek food and partying it up with granola godfather **Dennis Constantine** on his 50th birthday. We'd be reminding him that every day after this day is a day closer to 100. We'd be reminding him that he's almost out of the demo and that he's nearing the point where he can get a senior citizen's discount on his next pair of **Birkenstocks**. But since we're not there enjoying birthday party performances from his friends **Ron Sexsmith**, **Sara Hickman** and **David Wilcox**, we'll toast him from afar, applauding him for achieving his biggest career accomplishment in his 49th year — working at a station where people can call him "the **kinky** PD."

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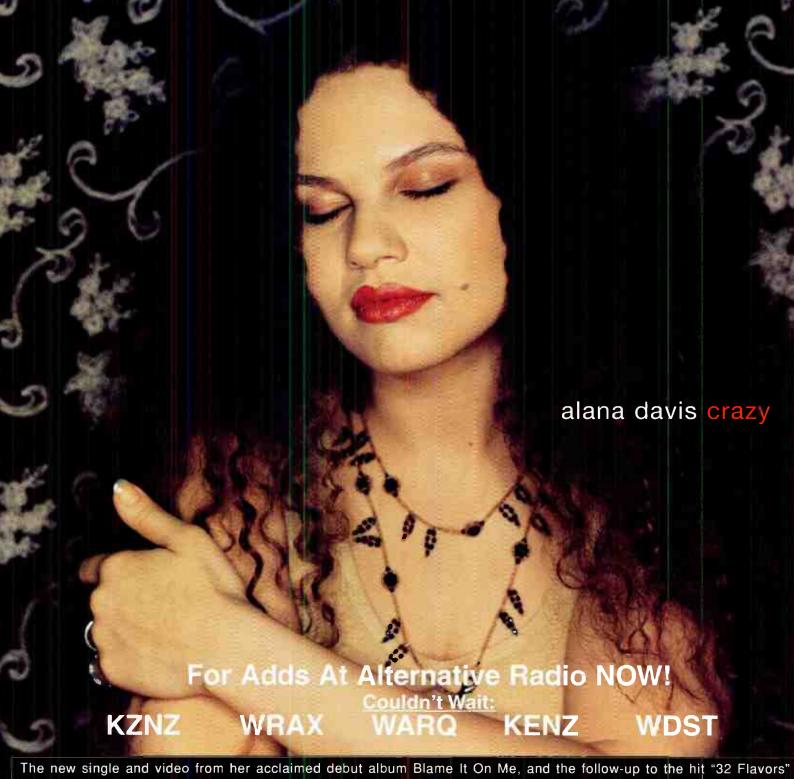
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FAMILY AFFAIR: Not only does 550 raggamuffin Finley Quaye (c) claim to be the uncle of triphop artist Tricky, his stop by the HITS smoking lounge revealed an additional list of notables that Quaye may have actually sired, including Don King, Little

Stevie Wonder, Ruth Buzzie and that little Taco Bell dog. When HITS' redneck contingency, Julia Trainor and Todd Hensley, learned of his purported canine intimacies, they squealed, "Guess that makes us family!" and smothered him with kisses, tickles and hugs. For the record, incest is not a felony in Texas, it's a handicap and you get special parking privileges.

!YO QUIERO MEG!:

While this photo has nothing to do with the Taco Bell dog and A&M artist Matthew Ryan (r) has no relationship to actress Meg Ryan, we thought we'd make use those wasted semesters of Spanish 101 we took back when



we were perky and had boundless enthusiasm for worldly affairs. A man completely disbelieving that we were ever perky, WBOS MD Cliff Nash, sits with Ryan in the Virgin Islands and discusses the relative differences between Kierkegaard and Nietzsche, as applied to modern day ethics.



TOBACK TOEJAMS:

Booked for a monthlong residency in the HITS art room, RCA wonderkind Jeremy Toback (I) and accompanying guitarist G.E. Stinson (r) strain to be heard playing their signature "Word Behind Words" over the hum of Macintoshes and all that white noise of

construction paper and Crayola stuff going on. Miraculously, Toback manages to deliver a graceful performance, even after noticing art operator **Brian Lindsey** bent over, demonstrating a creative use of the slide rule. Only at HITS, folks, open daily at seven, don't forget to tip your waitress.

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HOW STELLA GOT HER GROOVE BACK: In order to rehabilitate myself after last week's rant, I went and got jiggy. I shook my ass to Mary J. Blige and Usher and was so deliriously happy, I completely forgot about the state of the format. Let me tell you, no matter what massively huge band you're getting to play your Earth Day/Weenie Roast/Birthday Fest, they'll just suck compared to the party thrown at these Urban shows. Ask



Gefilte Fish For The Hebrewically Challenged.

a fellow jiggy-er, **Mike Richter**, and I'm sure he'll agree. (Mike just started spinning **Sister** 7's "Know What You Mean" at **WVRV**—which looks like it's going to be HUGE at Pop and Adult—so he's definitely a guy worth listening to). While in the mood to try new things, I went to my very first seder dinner (which counts as a career accomplishment in my book). A message to my gentile peers: take heart. Even Jews grew

up eating something like our Spam. It's called gefilte fish, and you must stay far, far away from it. Dizzy with B-12, I completely forgot to go to Pam Edwards' birthday party later that night. She'll forgive me, though, because what I was going to tell her in person, I'll tell her in print. "Pam! I luuuuuuuuuuv your new Neil Finn and Heather Nova records! Oh, and tell Fiona she looks much better with that extra five pounds.".... Last week, Bonnie Slifkin brought some major props home to Atlantic, muscling the #1 and #2 "Most Added" slots (Tori Amos and Page/Plant), maintaining a Top 5 record on Marc Cohn, seeing Edwin McCain get his just airplay (just added at VH1!) and driving home another Matchbox 20 single. We hope she's not too busy to show us around New York next week. We've been gushing to her for six months now about this David Garza record and plan on standing on her desk singing her Side A a capella just to prove we're serious. Wait, that might backfire, actually. NYC plans preclude me from going to the big Connells wing-ding down in Memphis. Gary from TVT is throwing a listening party for their new record. Fortunately, I've already heard the single and love it (as do early supporters KENZ and WRLT). I'm also missing the nowlegendary WBOS Earth Day Festival, but will be sure to print all the juicy backstage photos Cliff Nash sends along. By the way, WBOS and the ENTIRE RADIO WORLD added Vonda Shepard. Thanks for remembering that we told you so Take note of Meg at Vanguard's new phone: 310-829-9355..... In between spewing venomous words onto p.48 last week, I actually attended some cool events. Guster were an especially super find. The drummer plays his toms, bongos and cymbals with his bare hands, and I really dug the place being packed with hippie-dancing frat boys. I also heard spectacular new stuff from Lenny Kravitz, as well. I wasn't lucky enough to meet Lenny and his six-pack ab muscles, but left his listening party impressed, nonetheless, with his "If You Can't Say No" stuck in my brain. Meeting lead singer Paul from Black Lab was extremely memorable. I didn't think any guy could have better cheekbones than Andrew from Agents Of Good Roots, but Paul's got them. They turned really red when I went on and on about his "Time Ago" being a genius, multi-format smash. He was once a Buddhist (before converting to Judaism), so his ego was unaccustomed to flattery. Oh, and he totally agreed with me about the gefilte fish... Things to listen to when you're driving your gas-powered car, eating McDonald's and tossing your styrofoam out the window on Earth Day: Anggun, David Garza, Hub, Everything and Gerald Collier. Trust me, trust me.

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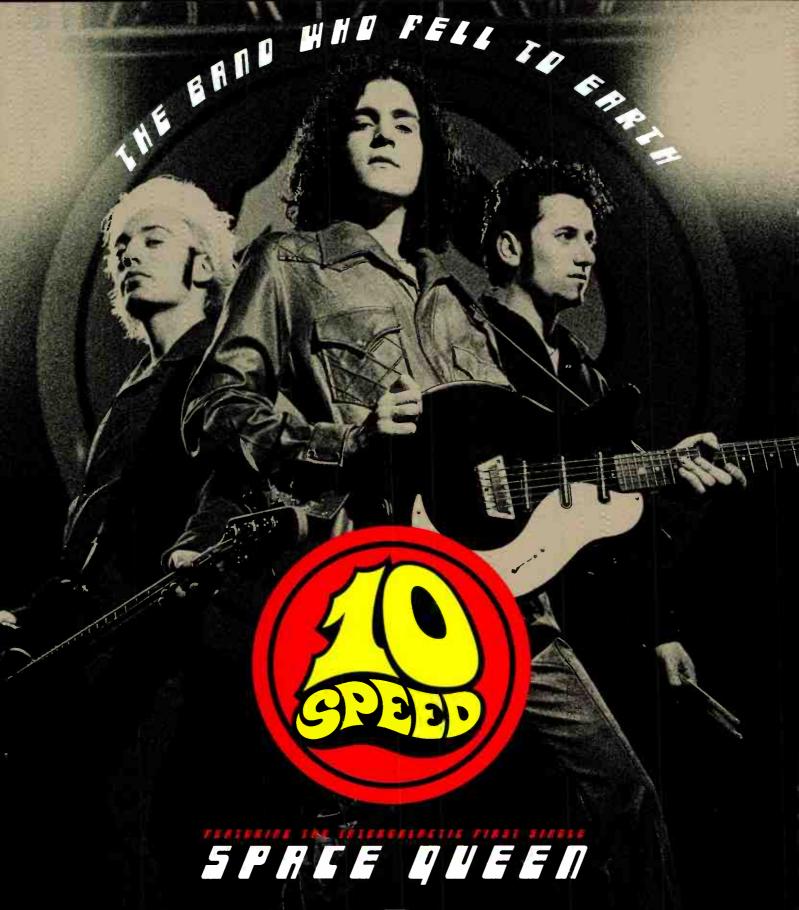
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19 3	CURVE - Universal	It's Estupendo
	Come Clean	
4 4	HARVEY DANGER - Slash/London	WBER,KTBZ Adds
	Where Have All The Merrymakers	
_ 5	SUICIDE MACHINES - Hollywood	Sp.Beat Debut!
	Battle Hymns	
20 6	MORCHEEBA - China/Sire	WIXO,KCXX Adds
	Big Calm	
_ 7	GIRLS AGAINST BOYS - DGC	Freakonica, get it?
	FREAK*ON*ICA	
8 8	SWERVEDRIVER - Zero Hour	A long run here
	99th Dream	
9 9	PURE - Mammoth	KWOD, KFTE Adds
	Feverish	
6 10	BUFFALO DAUGHTER - Grand Royal	Still rockin'
	New Rock	
7 11	CORNERSHOP - Luaka Bop/Warner Bros.	WPLY,WEQX Adds
	When I Was Born For The	
13 12	FOIL - Mute	KJEE,KPNT,WPLY
	Spread It All Around	
3 13	SAMIAM - Ignition	WOXY,WXSR Adds
	You Are Freaking Me Out	
10 14	AIR - Caroline	#1 KCRW
	Moon Safari	
12 15	ANI DIFRANCO - Righteous Babe	Top 5 WOXY,KACV
	Little Plastic Castles	
21 16	SUPERDRAG - Elektra/EEG	KHTY,WIXO Adds
	Head Trip In Every Key	
18 17	NEUTRAL MILK HOTEL - Merge	WHFS,KLZR,KTRU
	In The Aeroplane Over The Sea	

18 PROPELLERHEADS - Dreamworks

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19 ANGELIQUE - Red Ant

15 20 RAMMSTEIN - Slash/London

16 21 2 SKINNEE J'S - Capricorn

Music For The People

Ladies And Gentlemen...

Downward Is Heavenward

22 SPIRITUALIZED - Arista

24 GANDHARVAS - MCA

MAGNET - PC Music

Sold For A Smile

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23 HUM - RCA

IT AIN'T EASY BEING ME: No, it ain't easy. But then it sure as hell ain't dull either! There's actually good news out there that should muffle all the "radio sucks" comments for a few weeks. KROQ, WHFS, and X96 to the rescue—they all added the Propellerheads "History Repeating" this week! It's the perfect electronic track, especially for you guys who insist that your station is too rock-based for "techno." "History Repeating" is totally at

CHAZ KELLY



IS DELIRIOUS

home between Echo And The Bunnymen and the Foo Fighters! Oh, while I have a chance here, I hear that the Foos asked Rocket From The Crypt to tour with them this summer. Just in time for Interscope to drop the new Rocket record on your desk... Cool things that cool people have been cool enough to tell me about lately: KOME's Jeanette G: Julie Plug, Sugar Pop; KTBZ's David Sadof: Magnet, Hagfish; 92/5's Chaz Kelly: Delerium ("Silence" featuring

Sarah McLachlan); KNRK's Jaime Cooley: Sunset Valley, Creeper Lagoon; and KHTY's Deanne Saffren: Skinny. But just so you crazy radio types don't start thinking you're doper than everyone else, I have to mention that the kids right here at HITS turned me on to some pretty amazing stuff this week, too-William in the marketing department let me borrow his Johan CD which I listened to three times in a row; the Latin Prince gave me a copy of the Timbaland And Magoo "Clock Strikes" remix track (you know, the one with the "Knight Rider" sample) that I'm addicted to; and Joe Fleischer, whose "Wheels & Deals" column I'm sure you read religiously, loaned me the hal lovejoy circus, and I just can't seem to give it back to him. Thank you all. I am nothing without you. I mean, I'd still be listening to "Disco Duck" if not for you... Special Beat stars go to Jeff Raspe, who chose Tommy Keene's "Long Time Missing," from his new Matador release, "Isolation Party," as the "Indie Pick of the Week" on WHTG's "Underground" show. Look for a review of the CD in next week's Hang Suite... Who hasen't gotten their Gandharvas CD yet? "Downtime" is really

gonna be HUGE (it debuted on the chart this week and is killing on KPOI's "Road Test"), so get ahold of MCA's Rudy at 818-777-0200 if you need a copy. There's also a cover of a catchy little song called "Time After Time" for all you closet Cyndi Lauper fans. What? She's cool. We share a birthday. I feel very close to Cyndi. We have the same capacity for finding matching outfits... London Records just keeps getting hotter and hotter! Harvey Danger is taking over the entire country! Adds from the likes of WBER, KTBZ, KNRQ, WWDX,



BEING CHRIS KNIGHT EITHER!

and WENZ absolutely poured in this week, with just a few lunatics holding out. What more reason could you need to play this? It's already Top Five at KROQ, KNDD, WFNX, KNRK and KEDJ. Also, the fine folks in the Bible Belt sure as hell—I mean heck—hear it and are begging for "God Damn"-less edits. If you're really late on this one, you can spare yourself some embarrassment by just telling Bill and Adrian that your Republican listeners don't approve of cussing and ask for the Bible Belt edit, too. You'll be glad you did when you're trying to get the new Money Mark, Hub, DJ Andy Smith and DJ Icey out of them... Other records I'm currently bothering my neighbors with: Chris Knight, Bill Fox, Yo La Tengo, Girls Against Boys, the Scott Laurent Band and Antiloop. Well, I'm off to see the show I've been waiting for all month—Joe Henry's playing at Largo, and I'm celebrating Passover with Rabbi Tom Osborn at Canter's beforehand!!! Good music, good food and good friends. Don't ya just love holidays?

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KROQ.WHFS Adds

Early @ 92/5,KXTE

WXNR, WWDX Adds

Floating back up!

Chart re-entry

KPOI Winner!

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The Perils Of Pauline "If You Think You're Ready" (Exhibitionist): The Peril lies in the threat of impaling yourself on this fine Philadelphia-based quartet's wicked glam-pop hooks. Recalling early Beatles, Bowie and Kinks, these young men pack swagger, unbridled energy and a quirky dash of unique charm that's unequivocally irresistible. The crooning

rhythmic layers make this melodic bop-fest one cool package, including highlights like the la, la, la, la, la, la, la, la-driven "Pop Romance." It's dangerously addictive. (A.S.)

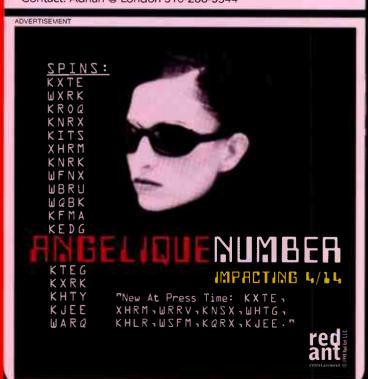
Contact: Darin Harmon @ Exhibitionist 213-655-8641

special vinyl beats

Goldie "saturnzreturn" (London/ffrr): The gold-toothed one returns with the sweeping sound of his sophomore album. This fat (in size and spectacle) 8-sided vinyl pack covers the sonic spectrum from the hip-hop/drum 'n bass of "Digital" to the guitar-driven noise of "Temper Temper." Mix an engaging vocal track like "Letter of Fate" or "Truth"



into the intelligent beats of "I'll Be There For You." Then drop back into the layers of funky beats, pianos, horns and vocals of "Crystal Clear" (two turntables required). (Evan Cerasoli) Contact: Adrian @ London 310-288-5344



special indie pics



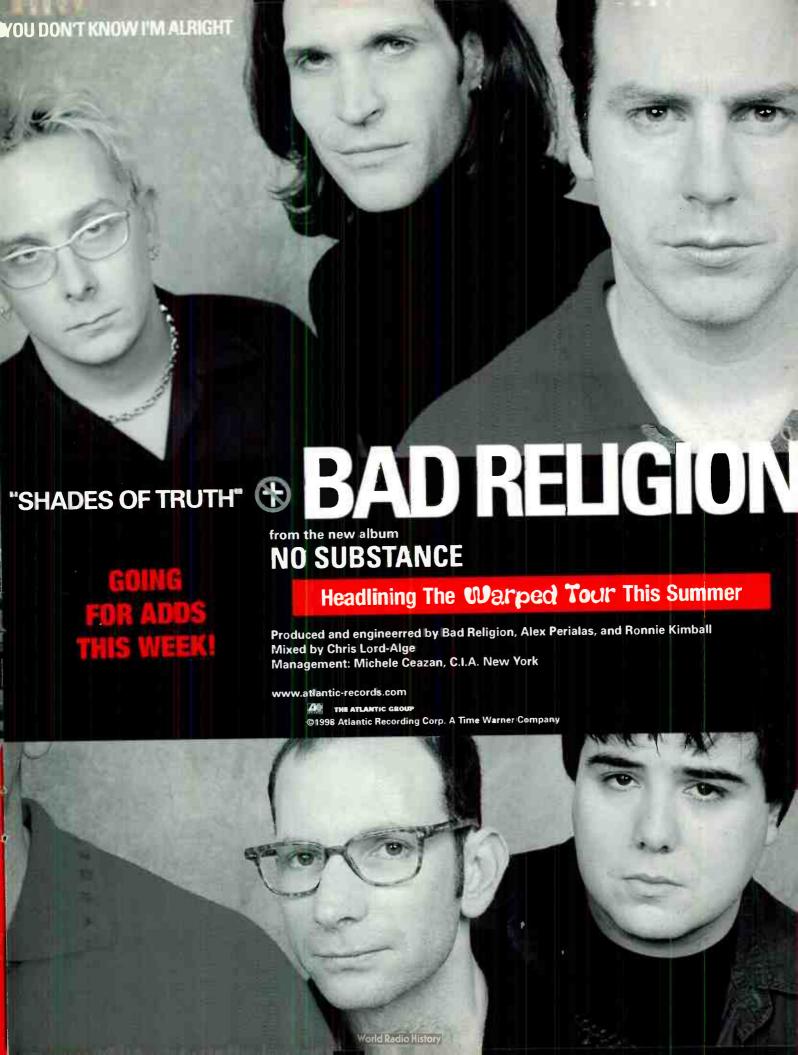
RONI SIZE AND HITS REPRAZENT: Mercury's Roni Size dropped by HITS to spin and scratch with our marketing ravers after ending his U.S. tour with two sold-out dates in Los Angeles. After this photo, Roni was overheard begging Christine Chiapetta, "These people are scaring me. Can I please go home now?"

this week's really beat person





AN ACTUAL MUSIC LOVER PLAYING ACTUAL UNDERGROUND MUSIC! What a concept! Chris Condayan hosts the brand new (the first show was this Saturday, April 11th) underground show on WJFK and plans to showcase everything from punk to hardcore to ska. "Capitol Radio" also offers listeners special guests and in-studio performances. Send stuff to Chris at 106.7 FM, WJFK, P.O. Box 229, Arlington, VA 22210 or contact him by phone at 703-812-4620 or email at spect3@clark.net.



post*Modern

picks edited by Karen Glauber



John Easdale "Bright Side" (Eggbert): The former frontman of alterna-heroes Dramarama continues to write gritty, emotionally direct pop songs, and he's assisted here by ex-bandmate Mark Englert, Blondie alumnus and skinsman supreme Clem Burke and other fine players. The E-man's barbed, clever

lyrics work briskly against the elegant hooks and insistent grooves of tunes like the title track, the edgy "Breaking Things" and opener "Call Me Dave." Do the "Bright" thing—get your hands on a copy. (S.G.)

Tuscadero "My Way Or The Highway" (Elektra): Happy days are yours and mine, thanks to this follow-up to the D.C. quartet's debut. The hyper-bop of the arrangements, combined with Melissa Farris and Margaret McCartney's vocals, leans toward all the hippest femme-fronted new wavers, but the



band adopts added dimension on this outing. Highlights include the lush and adventurous stylings showcased in the strutting, saxed-up "Paper Dolls" and orchestral-driven thriller "Dr. Doom." A thumbs-up, ayyy-plus platter. (A.S.)



Pure "Feverish" (Mammoth): Is it hot in here or is it just them? The Vancouver quartet returns with this exciting chunk of groovy, crunching candy, featuring dance-rockin' killers like "Chocolate Bar." The toe-tapping, distorted pop of tracks such as "Trucks, Campers & Trees" bend a bevy of genres to Pure's brilliant

design—almost a freakishly enticing marriage of Jesus & Mary Chain and Lynyrd Skynyrd. And don't miss the atmospheric, mood-core swaying in the melodic breeze of hypnotic cuts like "Swinger." The temperature's rising. (A.S.)

Cornelius "Fantasma" (Trattoria/Matador): This sonic rollercoaster ride comes to you courtesy of mad scientist Keigo Oyamada, whose wildly eclectic compositions weave live and looped beats, easy-listening vocals, distorto guitars, sound effects, symphonies, noise and just about everything else into strangely



cohesive pop collages. However exotic, "Fantasma" is an endlessly inventive treat for the ears. The slammin' "New Music Machine" is a safe bet, as is the bouncy "Chapter 8—Seashore and Horizon." Escape to his planet now. (S.G.)

pomomugs



DISEASED TO MEET

YOU: Now we know why the HITS marketeers have seemed so lethargic lately. When Mercury band Mono came by the Sherman Oaks cesspool to spread their infec-

tious vibe, everyone had a chance to be exposed to their catchy, even contagious good nature. Fortunately, extra chromosomes and dead brain cells aren't dangerous to be around, and the band was able to return to the real world unharmed.

HEAVY WEATHERLY:





Elektra sensation Feeder pal around with dear friend and Elektra PoMo emissary Margie Weatherly and crew. Seen (I-r) are some dude with a brew, Feeder's Jon Lee and Taka Hirose, Weatherly, Seattle promo chick Lara Woodward and Feeder's Muckley and Grant Nicholas. Later, Weatherly told the band that while their four-figure beer tab was recoupable, she'd take care of developing this photo herself.



LAYIN' EGGS: "Didja hear the one about the chicken what crossed the road? Hyar hyar, whoowee," offered WCYY MD Guru (I) to members of Island's Jimmie's Chicken Shack. "Hell, I got me a million of 'em, honest I

do." Meanwhile, Island's **Lori Rischer-Backus** (3rd fr l) rides out the misery as the 'Shack's **Jimmy HaHa** (2nd fr r) tries desperately to inhale enough highlighter to make him forget where he is. Also seen are Shackster Double D (2nd fr l) and WCYY resident Barrel O' Laffs **Shawn Jeffrey**.

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-	3	FOO FIGHTERS My Hero	Capitol	M2, Lots of Top 5s	5
	4	CREED Torn	Wind-Up	Up 2K to 40K per	1
	4 5	MARCY PLAYGROUND Sex & Candy	Capitol	Heavy MTV, Over 40K per	6
	6 6	METALLICA The Unforgiven 2	Elek/EEG	Active MTV, Still Top 5 @ some	
	2 7	VAN HALEN Without You	WB	Stress MTV, 41K T.W.	
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2	24 25	LIFE OF AGONY Tangerine	Roadrunner	Fresh Format Fruit	1
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FROM THE PIT

By Jimmy Barnes

Cold



Preaching sucks, Cold eases the pain.

STEPPIN' OUT: Another week goes by and, as usual, I sit here along with every rock radio PD and MD sifting through stacks of CDs, searching for the future of our ever-evolving Active Rock format. Many of you can be proud of the bands that you started at rock radio and, maybe in some cases, broke all by yourselves. Bands like Days Of The New, Creed, Kenny Wayne Shepherd all started with you. With that said, why not build on that concept and continue to further develop this format into a real powerhouse, together, with all the great music available to the new, supposedly accepting, Active Rock format? It seems about every few months though-I hate to even say it—this concept gets lost. Once in a while, but still rarely, do PDs and MDs really step out and

champion a band. In this era of rock music and format status, with all the elements it takes to break an artist, you've got to listen to your gut instincts and have some balls! Don't get me wrong, there are those who do this and do it well. Boston's WAAF and PD Dave Douglas comes to mind right off the bat, as do stars with names like J.J. Jeffries in Pheonix @ KUPD, Dave Richards in Chicago @ WRCX and Kieth Hastings @ WLZR. It doesn't take a huge market either-look at KAZRs Troy Hanson, KRADs Kenny Mann or WAMXs Debbie Wylde. The point is, the climate has never been better for us to take our format to the next level by exposing artists that truly rock! Yes, there are a lot of artists at the format going for precious little space and much-needed cumulative spins, and some of 'em are worth you giving them a shot. Let's go forward and expand our horizons by taking a few chances now and then, I'll bring the toilet paper... And now that my fire and brimstone has pissed off at least somebody somewhere, I'll move on to others things like the impressive new Monster Magnet (A&M). The songs I've heard, like the single, "Space Lord," which is getting spins already via

some cassette sampler, are tighter than ever before and this one is an automatic (see above preaching). Basically, it's as if you were just popped with a shotgun and blown against a wall. In other A&M news, via Flip Records, comes the future of rock—COLD! Re-member a few years ago when I was behaving like your own, personal, human enema with a little band called KoRn, or last year with Limp Bizkit, among others? Well, just look at the current big picture, and remember this column a year from now.... Virgin's Brother Cane continues to spin

Deftones



Deafening

hard at Active Rock with "I Lie In The Bed I Make" moving well into the Top 10 this week. With Ray Gmeiner's rock radio blitz now revving high, we'll see what happens at retail. Also, Lenny Kravitz's latest "5" LP is looking like a nuclear bomb. The single slated for radio is "If You Can't Say No," and you won't be able to refuse it when it hits (excluding leaks) 4/15... Maverick's Deftones really reel in solid action with the "Be Quiet And Drive" single KUPD has been spinning to break for weeks. WJRR, WAMX and others are in, with other major markets very close and ready to feel the powerful vibe. Nice job, Darren Eggleston... RCA's Kim Lang-becker stirs up more action, not only for the Dave Matthews Band, but also Agents Of Good Roots and HUM. The latter has the great new "Green To Me" single, which really rocks. Don't let this pass you by... Still killing are Reprise's Stegasaurus, 550's Fuel, Epic's Foam & Din Pedals, Hollywood's Fastball, V2's Addict, Alert/Geffen's Caramel... BREAKING WIND: Gary Poole, Rick Sackheim... The truth is in here... somewhere...:-o

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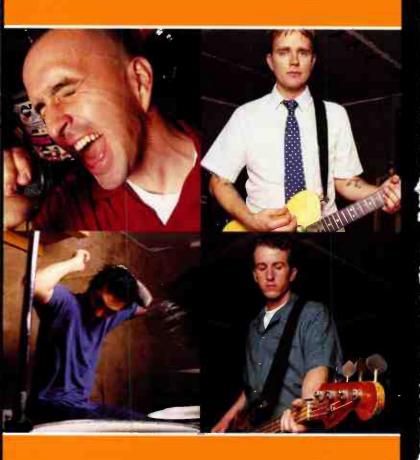
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Caroline's Spine Monsoon Hollywood

This Hollywood Records debut traces the band's journey from its 1993 beginnings to the present. A lot of the music is culled from their four self-produced releases on San Diego indie label ANZA Records—the self-titled '93 debut, the '94 "So Good



ANZA Records—the self-titled '93 debut, the '94 "So Good Afternoon" EP, the '95 "Ignore The Ants" EP and '96's "Huge" LP. Also included on this one is a new song called "You And Me" and a re-recorded version of "Say It To You." The whole thing is still very raw, with edgy guitars and hooks throughout. The "Sullivan" single, included here, had great success last year and the follow-up to that, "Wallflower," is hitting *Active Rock* in the face right now and feels just as strong. Watch and feel this one grow. Spine is fine. (JB)

Mindrot Soul Relapse

Beautiful, serene and carnivorous are three of many words that could be used to describe this California five-piece. Mindrot offers a more palatable metal variety at a time when many bands in the underground are striving to create the most extreme, fast



and sometimes non-musical sound they can come up with. Mindrot have spent many hours fine-tuning their songs, some to epic proportions—and it shows! But more structure, more melody and more goth (hey!?) do nothing to diminish the overall sound and integrity of this powerful unit. This record should only further establish them as one of America's premier metal bands.(JS)

Where Blood And Fire Bring Rest Tooth & Nail

Tortured screams, angry rhythms and indecipherable lyrics that seem to convey a sense of disoriented hatred and spiritual frustration. Oh, how I love pissed-off Christians! Other than the drummer, this is a



whole new line-up, making for a new and most definitely improved Zao. Most notable is the difference in vocals. The singer, Daniel, uses more of a black metal vocal style, but the music is straight-up, super-heavy, chunky metalcore—similar to that of labelmates Living Sacrifice (who also produced the record). If you're into bands like Today Is The Day, Will Haven and Kiss It Goodbye, but don't necessarily want to hurt yourself, you should check out this one. (JS)

ROCK

IT ONLY GETS WORSE: We apologize for any confusion caused by last week's chart mix-up. We also promise to make every effort possible to keep the level of incompetence soaring to an even greater high with each and every issue... Speaking of issues, one of the last living forefathers of metal, Motor-

head, has been confirmed to headline the second stage of this year's Ozzfest. Along with the great bernied one, you can expect to see 20-minute "side stage" sets from the Melvins, System Of A Down, Life Of Agony and many more. A cool thing they're doing this year is letting a "side stage" act open up the main stage on alternating days Cross your fingers for System Of A Down playing the BIG stage in your town. Those guys rule... In an effort to fuse the exciting worlds of extreme metal and extreme techno, Earache Records has put together the "Hellspawn" compilation featuring, among others, Morbid Angel, Napalm Death, Dub War, Brutal Truth and Godflesh. They're working with techno-extremists like Berzerker, Delta 9 and Hellsau for a Summer release... Just as the big Strife/Hatebreed/ Earth Crisis tour was set to kick off, the long-rumored Strife break-up is regrettably a rumor no more. This comes as a great disappointment for the label, the kids and the band itself, which has done more than most of its righteous peers to open up the world's eyes to the sound and message of the hardcore movement. RIP. Some of the members are already writing music for a new, yet unnamed project. More on that later... (JS)

ROCK/M.P.H.C. RETAIL

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	2	1	IRON MAIDEN	СМС	#1 Full Circle/NJ
	1	2	MORBID ANGEL	Earache	#1 Phoenix
	5	3	TWO	Not/Int	#1 Apple Emporium
	10	4	LIMP BIZKIT	Flip/Int	#1 Rock Pile
	6	5	CREED	Wind-Up	#1 JJs Ear Candy
	11	6	REV. HORTON HEAT	Interscope	#1 Underground Sounds
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	3	9	DEFTONES	Maverick	T-5 NRM One-Stop
	13	10	STUCK MOJO	Century Media	T-5 Blue Meanie
	4	11	METALLICA	Elek/EEG	#1 Phil's
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	15	16	WASP	CMC	#1 Pirate/Denver
	7	17	BLINK 182	Cargo/MCA	#1 Bionic/H.B.
	17	18	PRO-PAIN	May/Fierce	T-5 Ace's/Tampa
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	3	3	MORBID ANGEL	Earache	#1 KUNM
	7	4	SOULFLY	RoadrunneR	#1 KJHK
	2	5	CLUTCH	Columbia	#1 WSOU
	6	6	COALESCE	Edison	T-5 KMNR
	5	7	PRO-PAIN	May/Fierce	#1 WXCI
	8	8	EARTH CRISIS	Victory	#1 WNEK
	11	9	TRAINING FOR UTOPIA	Solid State/T&N	T-5 WECS
	10	10	CONVERGE	Equal Vision	#1 WJUL
	9	11	FAR	Imm/Epic	#1 KBUX
	12	12	HATEBREED	Victory	T-5 WVOF
	14	13	UNSANE	Relapse	T-5 WMCR
	15	14	NEW YORK'S HARDEST 2	Black Pumpkin	#1 WCCR
	13	15	IN COLD BLOOD	Victory	#1 CJAM
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	18	18	25 TA LIFE	Triple Crown	T-5 WGHR
	19	19	NOK	Unsigned	T-5 KSCR
	20	20	PISSING RAZORS	F.A.D.	T-5 WVKC
	17	21	MOTORHEAD	CMC	T-5 KSUN
		22	ULTRASPANK	Epic	T-5 WWSP
		23	CANNIBAL CORPSE	Metal Blade	#1 WBGU
	25	24	KING DIAMOND	Metal Blade	#1 WCDB
	24	25	RAMMSTEIN	Slash/London	T-5 WVKR
	22	26	SONS OF ABRAHAM	Wreckage	T-5 WXIN
	23	27	SPEAK 714	Revelation	#1 WVVS
	21	28	IRON MAIDEN	CMC	T-5 WVUA
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JAMZ Is Sinking, But BMG Distribution's Coy Is Buoyant After 25 Years

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Sales and marketing are rarely accorded any notoriety. Most outside of the industry think records simply pop up at their favorite retail store, but there's much more to it. An awareness has to be built beyond merely adding a record at radio, and that's where BMG Distribution's Jodell Coy comes in. This lifer has spent the past 25 years at RCA, through a variety of ownerships, quietly making sure that the real footwork gets done. She does not require bells and whistles to be effective. But how to explain why she'd sink so low as to talk with Sr. JAMZ Editor Gary "Titanic" Jackson? Luckily, BMG was kind enough to set up a fund for Coy's psychiatric care before the questioning began...

When did you start at RCA?

I started in June of 1973 in Order Service, where I moved up to the sales department as a Sales Assistant. Then,

in 1980, I became the Black Music Coordinator; in 1983, I 107 years old?! Then it looks like you're gonna be in that job for moved to Sales Rep, where I've stayed to this day.

What's your secret for longevity?

There's really no secret. It's like being paid for having fun! pretty good conversation at times. I'm a people person; I enjoy people immensely.

What contributes to the rapid movement of personnel in the I went from RCA, then General Electric bought RCA, then industry?

The younger generation comes in for the big picture. They start as interns, and all of a sudden they wanna be president of BMG. When I started, you didn't see that; you were there, you were glad to have your gig, and people just didn't move around as much, because there weren't that many jobs to go around.

Do you have to be more specialized?

Yes, I do, but it's hard when you're dealing with maybe 30plus labels. When I started, there was less product to deal with, so you got it much quicker. In this day and time, with all that overload. So you have to specialize, because marketing and last 25 years.



Jodeil Cov-Big Fish In BMG's Pond

sales are all one and the same. Do you have a family?

Yes, I've been married twice: I have a husband and a daughter.

How do you balance family life with the demands of the corporate world? Well, my husband kinda thinks I'm crazy, because sometimes I act like I'm by myself. Maybe that's selfish, but I think that's the only way you can survive. It's not that your job comes first; your family does. But I leave the job where it is when I can, and I deal with family when I can. I do what comes first, and it works for me.

What do you do on your down time? I'm a busy person; I have to stay busy. I like to paint ceramics. I have a business on the side, selling jewelry. I like to go camping, to be out and away from things when I get a chance. And I take care of my grandmother, who's 107 years old.

[Laughs] She was born in 1891. She can articulate and hold a

How many regimes have you been through?

BMG bought RCA from GE. I must express that Bertelsmann has been the best.

What have they done right?

Caring about their employees They didn't buy the corporation for somebody else. GE bought us because they wanted NBC. Bertelsmann bought us because they wanted to get into the US; they wanted to grow. [BMG President of Distribution] Pete Jones is a people person in the way he runs the company.

What will you do if you decide to leave?

Just work in my own business. I just want to do things that you deal with, it's pretty hard to maintain all that information I want to do or haven't done, or wasn't able to do over the

Sizzling Singles

Week Of April 17, 1998

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10	9	7	USHER		LaFace/Arista	39	33	32	PLAYA	,	Def Jam
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9	10	12	PUFFY	It's All About Me Been Around The	Bad Boy/Arista	41	38	37	VOICES	Do For Love DF THEORY Say It	H.O.L.A.
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16	14	14	TAMIA	Party Ain't A Party Imagination	Qwest/WB	42	41	39	IMMATUR	Come On Over RE Extra, Extra	MCA
14	15	15	BRIAN M	CKNIGHT	Motown	28	29	40	MARY J.	BLIGE	MCA
21	19	16	JAGGED	Anytime EDGE Gotta Be	So So Def/Col/CRG		44	41	BIG PUNI	Seven Days SHER Still Not A Player	Loud
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8	12	18	KP & EN	Reality VYI Swing My Way	EastWest/EEG		45	43	DR. DRE/	What You Want LL COOL J Zoom	Interscope
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23		21	EBONI F	OSTER	MCA	TOP	SPINZ	46	MASTER	P	No Limit/Priority
26	23	22	THE LOX		Bad Boy/Arista		47	47	LUKE	I Got The Hook-Up Raise The Roof	Island
TOP	SPINZ	23	KEITH W	Money, Power ASHINGTON	Silas/MCA	TOP	SPINZ	48	LSG		East West/EEG
31	25	24	CHICO D	Bring It Back DEBARGE No Guarantee	Kedar/Universal	30	28	49	JD	Door #1 The Party Don't Stop	So So Def/Col/CRG
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KMJQ, Carla Boatner/MD

"We have strong phones already. Great for adult women."

WHUR, Dave Dickerson "This is a very good record, Xscape has definitely expanded its base."

WKYS. Lisa Ivorv

"Xscape has always been one of my favorite groups. 'The Arms...' has taken them to another level."

> WCDX, Shannon Drive "This record is a SMASH!"

THE ARMS OF THE ONE WHO LOVES YOU Executive Produced and Written by Diane Warn

WPEG, Andre Carson "This is definitely the record of the spring. It crosses all demos.'

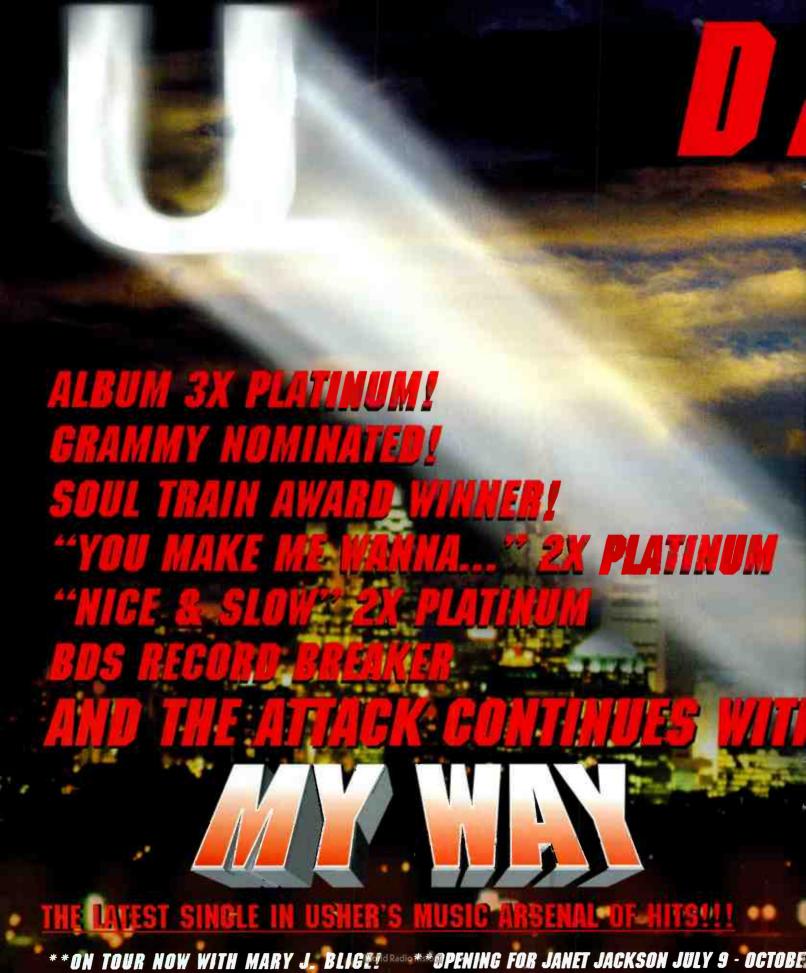
WWWZ, Terry Base "If this record is an indication of what's to come on the album, everybody better watch out."

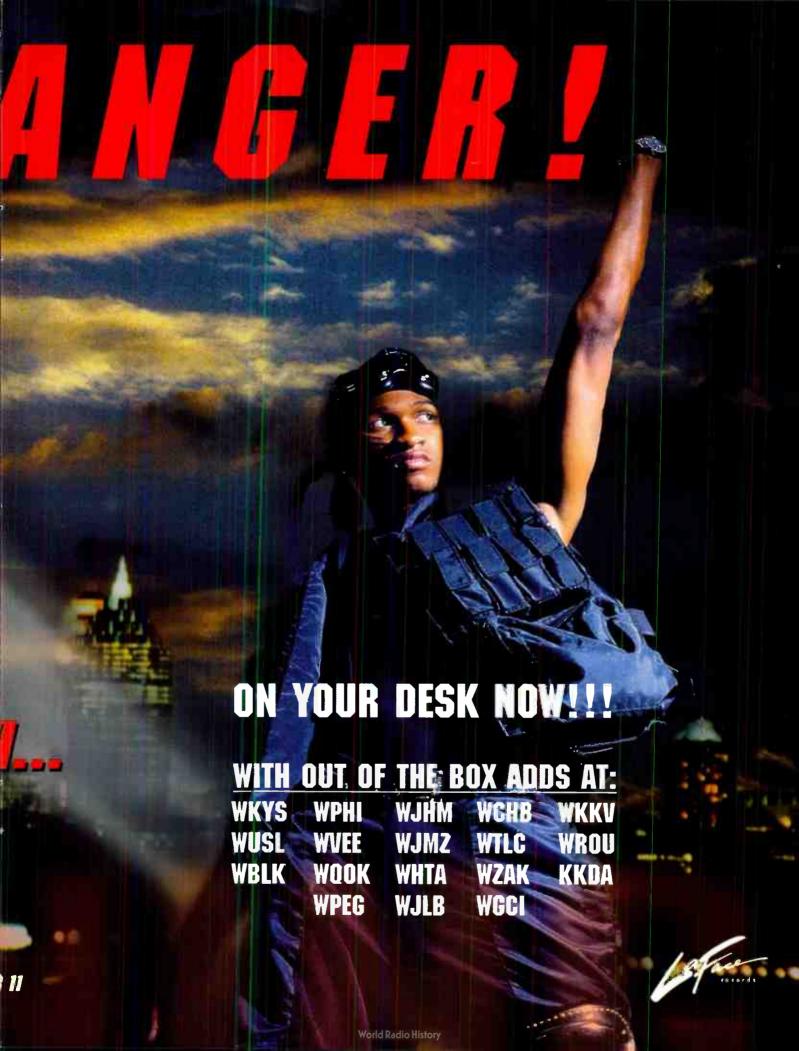
with an incredible record."

KMJK, Tim Higgs/MD "This is a monster hit ... Xscape can run into my arms anytime."

WSOJ, Kevin Kofax "I'm definitely feeling the expansion of Xscape."

Traces Of No. Single from Scape's New Album Album in stores Tuesday, May 12. COLUMBIA. "Columbia" Reg. U.S. Pat. & Tm. Off. Marca Registrada./© 1998 Sony Music Entertainment Inc.
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Singled Out

By Gary Jackson



Montell Jordan: In For A Long "Ride".

Xscape Heats Up Cold 'Lanta: It was Atlanta, on the weekend of 4/3. The occasion? A listening party for Xscape's hot, multi-formatted "The Arms Of The One Who Loves You" (SoSo Def/Columbia/CRG). After enduring torrential rains, miles-long traffic jams, tornado warnings, cold weather and three room changes (culminating in a suite at the Renaissance Hotel), we finally buckled

down to some good old Southern hospitality, thanks to the host promotion team of Columbia Records' Cynthia Johnson-Harris and Jon Stockton, SoSo Def's prez & resident superstar Jermaine Dupree and the label's Jay Michaels, who organized the event to celebrate the song's status as the most added of the week. In the house was a gang of radio, record and trade folks that included WHTA's Sean Taylor (didja know he was an outside linebacker on Auburn University's undefeated 1993 football team?), WVEE's Tony Brown, consultant Harry Lyles, WPHI's Egypt, Urban Network's Miller London and Priority Records' Brian Harris (thanks for the great conversations). The event went off without a hitch, as close to 100 people enjoyed a Shark Club buffet that was off the hook. The showcase culminated with Xscape's LaTosha, Tamika, Tiny and Candy performing "The Arms..." so passionately that Tamika broke down and cried onstage, which solicited a warm, supportive



RCA's Kevin Evans Has A "Moore-Savage" Attitude

and encouraging round of applause... Fully two weeks before Christión's "I Wanna Get Next To You" (Def Jam) officially goes for adds (4/20), several stations have decided they couldn't wait, including WGCI-FM Chicago and KDKO-AM Denver... Montell Jordan's "Let's Ride" (Def Soul/Def Jam) is still the #1 Soundscan single. Now, with the release of the album of the same title, look for radio to check out "When You Get Home" and

"Don't Call Me." Def Jam stalwart and recent JAMZ cover subject Johnnie Walker says that Playa's "Cheers To You" is about to cross big-time, with the album on its way to gold and beyond... Wassup with SWV's resurgence? "Rain" (RCA) woke up after a sluggish phase several weeks ago. Sylk-E Fine's "Keep It Real" features Too \$hort kicking with a tight rap. Hey, we thought he retired. And speaking of RCA, Sr. VP A&R Kevin Evans says the final mixes are ready on albums by Chantay Savage and Tina Moore... Expect increased requests on the following: Sylk-E Fine's "Romeo & Juliet"; Next's "Too Close" (Arista); Busta Rhymes' "Turn It Up" (Elektra/EEG)... Just when we thought the "Titanic" frenzy would start to sink, comes news that Interhit Records will release a dance version of "My Heart Will Go On," which will be contained on "Mega Hits Dance Party, Volume 2"...

Caught!



COMBS AND COMB-OVER: "Speaking as a vertically challenged, overpaid, middle-aged Italian-American actor, I have a great deal to teach you about what kids are looking for in hip-hop," noted thespian Danny DeVito (r) told Bad Boy/Arista moneymaker Puff Daddy. "And what they want is cartoon animals—like kangaroos—wearing sunglasses. Because sunglasses are 'cool,' as I believe the youngsters are saying these days."



TAKE AN INCOMPLETE: A&M artists 4.0 have had a lot of thrills on this roller-coaster ride called fame, but nothing quite compares to being photographed with our own babe magnet and intellectual behemoth Gary Jackson (c), who fascinated the young vocalists with a riveting yarn about getting wasted on Near-Beer before a Chambers Brothers concert in 1973. Welcome to the big time, guys!



COPPING A "TUDE: "I love the name of your station," enthused Los Angeles Police Chief Bernard Parks (r) to KKBT The Beat's Dominique DiPrima. "Which leads me to the message I want to get out about the new LAPD—from now on, the savage, indiscriminate beatings we administer will not just be racially motivated. You have my word on it!"

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Information Update

At **Bad Boy Records**, **Josh Taekman** is appointed to Sr. VP, Special Marketing. In this capacity, he'll be responsible for coordinating and overseeing all ads that are fit to print in *HITS*... At **Arista Records**, **Tagere Southwell** is appointed to Manager Urban Videos. In this capacity, Southwell will be



Bad Boy Takes Josh Taekman, Please

responsible for catching on tape all JAMZ employees sleeping at their desks-piece of cake... Janine **Coveney** exits *R&B Monitor* to take over the mainstream column at Gavin Magazine, beginning 5/1... Chancellor Media seeks VP/Client Marketing Services for its Los Angeles area. Must have 5-10 years radio selling experience and be computer-literate. Send resumes to Chancellor Media, 5900 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 525, Los Angeles, CA 90036... Is 550 Music's Randy Franklin ready to take over the reins as **Epic Records**' VP Black

Music Promotion?... WFXA-FM Augusta's recent blood drive resulted in the local blood bank receiving double the usual amount... WKYS-FM Washington, D.C. air personality EZ Street has developed a web site to get music played via Real Audio. Check out the site at takeitez.com... the "Spring Holiday Gospel Music Event" will air 4/25 on KCAL-TV. After that date, the show will be offered for syndication... The Urban Focus Music Conference will be held in Los Angeles 6/27-28 at the Musician's Institute. Mentoring sessions, workshops, listening panels and a showcase have been planned. Registration is \$50 before 6/1; \$75 after. For more information, call (310) 289-6350... Legendary songwriting team Brian Holland, Lamont Dozier and Eddie Holland are following in the footsteps of **David Bowle** by hitting the stock market. The team is taking its share of HDH's 300-song catalog and offering it to the public. Overseeing the structure is David Pullman, architect of Bowie's \$55 million deal. HDH has taken out a \$30 million bond loan from the investment banking firm of Fahnestock... The second annual Catalina Island Blues Festival will be held 5/1-3. Appearing will be **Buddy Guy**, **Jonny Lang**, Taj Mahal and others to be announced. According to the press release, guitarist Albert Collins is part of the lineup; Collins has been dead for over a year... The Artist Formerly Known As Prince, aka The Artist, has joined the campaign to crack down on illegal use of his music on the Internet. Lawvers for The Artist have fired off cease-and-desist orders to web sites that allow users to download his music. "The Artist has been one of the most bootlegged artists in history,'

said L. Londell McMillan, The Artist's lawyer. "Such infringement has gone on for years, but at some point you say enough is enough." Some web sites have voluntarily changed their content... Go To Jail, Make A Film: Incarcerated filmmakers Howard Daniel and Trent "Mister Jelly" Daniels, both heads of Drop Zone Entertainment, will film "Freaknik 98: The Movie" for release in the fall. The feature will reportedly be filmed on location in Atlanta beginning 4/18. How the makers will achieve this while in the pokey has yet to be explained. At least, unlike Albert Collins, they're not dead. In any event, the movie will go directly to video when wrapped. The soundtrack-with no names settled yet-will be on Popular Records... Me'Shell Ndegeocello will do the music for the movie "How Stella Got Her Groove Back," starring Angela Bassett. Look for it on Jimmy Jam & Terry Lewis' new Flyte Tyme imprint... Jazz artist Jeff Lorber's album "All The Colors" (AV Experience) will be released 6/9, and features vocalist Sonny Southon... Also on 6/9, trumpeter Nicholas Payton will release his third Verve album, "Payton's Place"... Rapper Yankee B's debut Gee Street album, "Mucho Dinero," will be released 6/30... Industry veteran Kathy Acquaviva forms Kathy Acquaviva Media. Reach out to her at (818) 893-8458. While she's on the line, ask about her husband Terence's pastry... The May issue of Vibe Magazine features the dynasty of rapper/entrepreneur Percy

Miller, aka Master P, as well as a great interview with Nobel Prize-winning author Toni Morrison... An "expanded" reissue of the smash 1983 Motown soundtrack "The Big Chill" will be released in August. The remastered disc will include three new catalog tracks, as well as a mega-mix of the album's original songs... The MTV Video Awards returns to Los Angeles after a four-year stay in New York City. The show will be held 9/10 at the Universal Amphitheatre... Look for



Tagere Southwell has Arista Video By The Tail

a **Tupac Shakur** tribute album on 9/13, the two-year anniversary of the rapper's death... On 4/28, **Legacy Records** will celebrate its 40-year alliance with super-crooner **Johnny Mathis** by launching the 18-song comp "The Ultimate Hits Collection"... Finally, why did the **Smithsonian Institute** shut down its very important "Collection of Recordings" division when the government just announced a \$50 billion surplus? The division oversaw the preservation of music from all popular genres, including jazz, blues, R&B, pop and country...

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2	GOODIE MOB	LaFace/Arista
3 2 3	Still Standing K-Cl & JOJO	MCA
5 5 4	WILL SMITH	Columbia/CRG
5	DO OR DIE	Rap-A-Lot/Virgin
4 4 6	Headz Or Tailz USHER	LaFace/Arista
7 8 7	SOUNDTRACK	Heavyweight/A&M
8	AZ	Noo Trybe/Virgin
11 15 9	Pieces Of A Man PUFF DADDY	Bad Boy/Arista
2 6 10	No Way Out C-MURDER	No Limit/Priority
10 12 11	JANET	Virgin
6 10 12	SILKK THE SHOCKER	No Limit/Priority
7 13	Charge It To MONTELL JORDAN	Def Soul/Def Jam
1 14	Let's Ride GANG STARR	NOO TRYBE/VIRGIN
8 14 15	MOMENT OF TRUTH BRIAN MCKNIGHT	Motown
9 13 16	Anytime MASE	Bad Boy/Arista
18 17 17	MASTER P	No Limit/Priority
1 9 18	Ghetto D CAPPADONNA	Razor Sharp/Epic
13 16 19	Pillage MARIAH CAREY	Columbia/CRG
3 20	Butterfly DAZ DILLINGER	DEATH ROW
16 21 21	WYCLEF JEAN WYCLEF JEAN	Ruffhouse/Col/CRG
20 25 22	The Camival TIMBALAND & MAGOO	BE/Atl/Atl G
19 23 23	Welcome To Our HIP-HOP HITS	PolyGram
12 19 24	Various ARETHA FRANKLIN	Arista
29 24 25	A Rose Is Still	RCA
11 26	Robyn Is Here COCOA BROVAS	Duck Down/Priority
23 26 27	NEXT Rude	Arista
15 22 28	Rated Next SCARFACE	Rap-A-Lot/NT/Virgin
14 20 29	LSG My Homies	EastWest/EEG
30	JON B.	Yab Yum/550

Now Ya Know



Tami Hert "Hert So Good" 550 Music

Tami Hert's label calls her "Sexy, sassy, sultry, seductive and scintillating," and who are we to argue? We've met her in person, and we're

feeling sweaty, squirmy and stimulated. You'll have a similar response when you listen to the smoldering bedroom suite that is "Hert So Good," this confident young vocalist's solo debut. With material by Diane Warren (the turbo-ballad "Time Will"). Betty Wright ("Not Like Me") and Hert herself ("Believe In Yourself")—and production by Tony Rich, Nick Martinelli and J.R. Swinga, among others-it's bound to steam up the charts with the same effortless charm Hert displays on every cut. The first single, "If You Were Mine," boasts a hot video that will no doubt swell the membership in her fan club. The Kansas-born and bred Hert sang with her mother and aunt (under the name The Love Sisters) by the time she was three; she was directing the church choir at 12 and fronting her own group, The Love Singers, two years later. After smoking the competition at regional talent shows, she scored a vocal scholarship to the University of Missouri. She later joined the group 3 X Luv (which released a record on the independent label Sunshine); when it broke up, she launched her solo career. "This album is just the beginning for me," pledges Hert. "I have so much more to offer." We'd better slip into something more comfortable.



Various Artists "James Brown's Original Funky Divas" Polydor

You say you want to check out some amazing female soul singers you've never heard before? How about **Bea Ford**, **Lyn Collins**, **Marva Whitney** and **Vicki Anderson**? No.

they're not fifteen-year-olds weaned on Mariah; they're just a few of the mature women who made the recordings on this extraordinary two-disc compilation during the '60s and '70s. Working under the auspices of James Brown's People label-and produced by Brown-these divas served up funky R&B with a kind of grit that's rare indeed nowadays. All these singers performed in Brown's revue, and they've got the stuff not only to share the stage with Soul Brother #1, but to steal his thunder on occasion. Collins, known as "The Female Preacher," is particularly compelling, bringing Brown's badass early-'70s band to a fever pitch with her wailing on such rump-shaking tracks as "Mama Feelgood" (which appears here in a longer version than on previous comps), "Think (About It)" and "Rock Me Again & Again & Again & Again & Again (6 Times)." The '60s disc is no less exciting, thanks to volcanic performances by the likes of Ford, Sugar Pie DeSanto, Yvonne Fair, Tammi Terrell (then recording under the name Tammy Montgomery), Whitney, Anderson, Elste Mae and others. You can hear Brown and **Bobby Byrd** testifying in the background, as Brown's evocative organ barks and swells and the band grooves like mad. Let these mamas make you feel good.

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15	7	4	ICE CUBE	We Be Clubbin'(rmx)	Heavyweight/A&M
6	6	5	BLACK EYED PEAS	Fallin' Up	Interscope
10	8	6	POLYRHYTHM ADDICTS	Not Your Ordinary	Wreck
3	4	7	CAUGHT UP	Soundtrack	Noo Trybe/Virgin
25	10	8	IRON SHEIKS	Allumaniti	25 To Life
5	5	9	RUFUS BLAQ	Out Of Sight	A&M
16	9	10	COCOA BROVAS	Black Trump	Duck Down/Priority
18	12	11	ONYX	Shut 'Em Down	Def Jam/Mercury
8	18	12	BUSTA RHYMES	Turn It Up (rmx)	Elektra/EEG
12	13	13	SCARFACE	Homies And Thuggs	R.A.L/Noo Trybe/Vir
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27	21	16	CAPPADONNA	Run	Razor Sharp/Epic St.
		17	AZ	Trading Places	Noo Trybe/Virgin
		18	TOO SHORT F/KEITH M.	Independence Day	Short Records
26	22	19	BEDROOM WIZARD	Skillz In '98	Sneak Attack
17	23	20	KILLAH PRIEST	One Step/Fake MCs	Geffen
9	11	21	THE WHORIDAS	Never Heard	South P/Delicious V
24	24	22	X-ECUTIONERS	Raidas Theme	As phodel
		23	BIG PUNISHER F/JOE	Still Not A Player	Loud
4	15	24	SUNZ OF MAN	We Can't Be Touched	Red Ant
13	20	25	BULLWORTH	Soundtrack	Interscope
	30	26	C-BO	Money By The Ton	AWOL/N.T./Virgin
		27	ALL NATURAL	Phantoms Of	All Natural Rec.
		28	CAM'RON	357	Untertainment/Epic
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NASTY NEWS BY NASTY-NES

Happy belated Easter! It's official, underground headz—Kool Keith has signed to Ruffhouse Records. Look out for his album "The Elephant Man," dropping late this summer... Atlanta remains in full effect with DreamWorks recording artists P.A. Their single, "Like We Do," picks up more radio support every week, so peep it... The buzz is on with All City's "The Actual."



Flashing back with KCMU's "Rap Attack" video show!

Check yo' mail, cause it's the bizomb... What's the deal at Buzztone Records? OO7 (a.k.a. Chris Barnett) is a free agent & lookin' for a new gig. Help a brotha out at (888) 380-8951... MCA Records has signed Geffen's entire hip-hop roster, except for Killah Priest. Props to Davey-Dave and Marvyn Mack for showin' us love... I'm feeling the new Sunz Of Man joint, "Shining Star" featuring Ol' Dirty Bastard and Earth, Wind & Fire (Red Ant). Wyclef produced this hot single, and I predict radio will be all over it.

Call Ty-C for a copy at (310)-247-1133... WRAS-Atlanta has new office hours for tracking. Contact Randall Moore from 9A-1P (EST) or Chris Hall from 1P-5P on Tuesdays at (404)-651-2240... KWUR-St. Louis' J-Grand and a few of our rap radio reporters are screamin' bout the Yah Supreme joint, "Old & Wise" on Son Doo Records. If ya need to be laced with the vinyl, ask for Danny at (718)-832-1767... Big Will is the new GM & Marketing director at The Label Records in New York. I hear Big Daddy Kane's about to come out wit' some new & hard sh#t! Peep it out at (212)-765-3655... Big up to Dennis Murphy, Arista's new National College/Street Rap promo man. I'm feelin' the Goodie Mob's "Still Standing" album. Give Dennis a call and parlay wit' him at (212)-830-2176... It's now

official: WNWK-New York's hot, five-hour Saturday-night lineup of hip-hop radio programs has ended. I have to thank Hank Love & 1/2 Pint—as well as the Awesome Two—for all their support, dating back to my early days at Nastymix Records. I wish my brothas in hip-hop the very best... SHOUT OUT TIZIME: Jackie Paul at Impact (see you in a few weeks), the staff of Breakaway Entertainment (congrats to their new peeps, Baby-C!),



PARIS

Southpaw Records, DJ Kazzeo at KHDC-Salinas, CA, Allen Garland at WECS-Willimantic, CT (what up, biyaatch!), Eddie Araya at WMUC-Washington, D.C. and KAZI's Pepper outta Austin, TX... KUNG-FU FLICK OF THE WEEK: Bruce Li in "The Soul Brothers of Kung-Fu" on Arena.

<u>TOP FIVE MOST ADDED</u>

30 HIEROGLYPHICS The Last One

Artist RAS KASS DEF SQUAD AZ MOKA ONLY

NIGHT BREED

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Trading Places
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TOP FIVE MIX TAPE SONGS

Artist
DEF SQUAD
HIEROGLYPHICS
RASCALZ
ILL ADVISED
INDELIBLE MC'S

Title Full Cooperation The Last One Northern Touch 1986 Weight

Label
Def Jam/Merc.
Hiero Imperium
Figure IV
Quake City
Rawkus





Headin' up North to Vancouver, B.C., Canada, we shine the spotlight on CJSF's Matt Chan, It was a 1985 installment of Dick Clark's classic show "American Bandstand" with quests Run-DMC & The Beastie Boys that

got this Vancouver native into hip-hop. "Vancouver is well known as a rock town," says Matt. "Back in those days, we had no hip-hop outlet on radio or TV, so I had to rely on what they sold at retail here for any new rap releases." He's done it all, from spinning at house parties to mobile gigs through Vancouver's Juice Promotions and at the Purple Onion club, where you can see him on the wheels on Wednesday and Saturday nights. A recent graduate from Simon Fraser University, Matt debuted the campus station CJSF's first-ever hip-hop show back in 1992. "Straight No Chaser" airs Friday nights on 93.9FM from 8P-10P. Hosted by Matt and his brother **Trevor**, it highlights rap cuts from the U.K., breakbeats, a lot of underground, independent hip-hop and 15 minutes of booty music! Matt's an avid comic-book collector, and you can catch him shopping at used record stores in his free time. Five years from now, he wants to be running his own record label and DJing all around the world. "It's all about playing good music to a good crowd," he says. "I get a high off of it." A well-rounded music lover, Matt digs Latino music, house, jungle, jazz, blues, rock and, most of all, RAP. Give him a shout at (604) 293-1651. Pictured above (I-r) are Matt, Noo Trybe/Virgin artist Guru and Trevor Chan. Shoutouts: the "Straight No Chaser" Boys at CJSF, Jammin' John at Noo Trybe/Virgin, Ralph at Universal, Al at Jive and Spice at Ch'rewd.



HITS' own Nasty-Nes (I) and Epic artist Cappadonna screaming loud and proud, "Wu-Tang...Wu-Tang...Wu-Tang"!



Let us bow down to the women of hip-hop. Seen are (I-r) The Poetess from KKBT-L.A., Breakaway Entertainment's Baby-C and KKBT's DJ EQ.

BY NASTY-NES & DJ B-MELLO

Straight outta Canada comes mix tape reporter Kemo from

DJ B-MELLO'S TOP 5:

1. AZ Trading Places Noo Trybe/Vir 2. CANIBUS Second Round K.O. P.D./Universal 3. COCOA BROVAS Black Trump D.D./Priority 4. CAM'RON 357 Unter/Epic

5. FAT CAT KAREEM Megaton Casino Enter

the Rascalz with a fat tape, "49th Parallel." I've known this kid for years, and believe me, he's been paying mad dues. I've known for a long time about his production skillz, but haven't had a chance to check out his tapes until now. This well-rounded mix has soundbites blended and scratched in throughout; Kemo also remixes a number of joints, adding extra lyrics to a chorus or switching it up totally. His mixes are on point, and he has new cuts from Gang Starr, Rakim, Jay-Z, N.O.R.E., DV Alias & Mobb Deep, Money Boss, Liks and KRS, fly Canadian joints from Kardinal Offishal, Red-1 and Check-

mate and tight freestyles by some new kids, Consise & Amazon. You can get info on Kemo at Figure IV Management, (604)-945-2940... Pictured above is the must-have mix tape/CD from the legendary King of Bass himself, DJ Magic Mike. "Bootyz In Motion" features classic joints from Soul Sonic Force, Afro-Rican and Sir Mix-A-Lot, not to mention the off-the-heezy remix of Bone's "Tha Crossroad." Call Third Level's Jerome Mas at (818) 501-0084 for more info.

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THA MIX



BY RICKY LEIGH MENSH

BIRMINGHAM ... Could ya be anything but saddd watchin tha wreckage that happened in Alabama az a rezult of tha largest-scale tornado there iz—an F-5? It became even more personal for me & all tha folks tha day after az Chris Coleman (WBHJ-Top right) got on tha confer-

ence call to describe tha carnage & itz affect on hiz own: "It'z like a whole community iz gone—wiped off tha face of tha earth. It looks like tha military napalmed tha area like we did when I waz in tha Persian Gulf War. My first cuzzin Freddy waz buildin a new house for hiz family. He waz almost dunn. Tha tornado destroyed it & tha old house they waz stavin in across tha street. He haz nuthin left. He lost everything. My undle Roderick lost hiz house, too. He lived ten miles from Freddy. This shit bringz tearz to your eyes. I waz @ home. It came to my back door & went around me. I waz lucky. One of my best friendz, who waz @ werk, lost hiz whole family." FEMA'z gonna help. But theze folks need more. Call your local Red Cross & tell em ya wanna donate whatever ya can to tha victimz in Birmingham. Get @ Chris @ (205) 889-0336. Our prayers & luv are w/him & all tha families there... lz ya PD/MD/etc. aware that Big Pun (LOUD) iz #1 conf. call pic now for 4 straight weeks? Shove sum espresso & this CD up their asss already—it'z time for regular ro... On tha unda, congratz to new #I Def Squad (Def Jam/Merc)... Hortt new conf. call debuts by Sparkle f/R. Kelly (Rockland/Interscope), Rell f/Jay-Z (Roc-A-Fella/Def Jam/Merc) & Do or Die (Rap-A-Lot/NooTrybe/ Virgin)... & to former HITS retail dept. slumdawg & now "Wake-Up Show" mixmeister DJ Revolution, who should have a lil extra for redecoratin hiz trailer after he getz mixshow coord. title @ KKBT... Getcha Destiny's Child f/Master P (Columbia) 12s yet? It'll be a conf call pic along w/Pras/ODB/Maya (Interscope) kut az full service kix in... Best of to two more of our kamp who depart KSFM, including Trejo, who getz 1p-4p duties @ KYLD & JB, who getz PM drive @ KLUC. Here's hopin JB can get Vegas more in tha mix... Give new PI) B. "Tha Redneck Kingpin" Brian (WJWZ) sum slack. He's so buried ova at hiz new gig, he called in for tha conf call on a Wed. Nice goin, smart guy... How big an impact will three new major casinos in Detroit have on tha mix community? Will McDonald's be included so Kim James (WJLB) & hiz momz feel @ home?...E-mail me @ Intheemix@AOLCOM... Jackie Paul (Impact): "I understand tha Reno trailer park iz acceptin overflow for any DJ who can't get into tha Crazy Horse." Remember: Mix Show Panel @ Impact iz Sat. 5/2 @ 9:30 am, hosted by Lorenzo "Ice T Thomas (WKYS). Ya can getcha badges til 8p Thurs/Fri... How bout Lady Most doin nites w/Al B. Silk (WEDR)?... When ya get McGruff (Universal) f/Mr. Cheeks (Lost Boyz), va might az well just clear room on ya 1200s... Did our own Latin Prince really give hiz slot last wknd in tha mix @ KMEL to Nick V (Tha Baka Boyz/KPWR/KISV) in support of hiz & brutha Eric's first-ever mix tape/CD, "Cali Kings" (V-wax), cummin Cinco De Mayo? Did Joey Arbegey (PD/KMEL) express immediate concern over a possible downtrend in this daypart az a rezult?... Congratz, Tony Monte, who departz S.I.N. for VP Xover duties @ RCA... Lucious Ice (KBXX) openin a new record pool called ArkLaTex, servicin Arkansas, Louisiana & Texas @ (281) 589-8888 for more info. PS. What'z up w/him & Cash \$?... Get a copy of comedian Bobby Slaton's LP. This iz truly one of tha funniest muthafukkaz ever!... Luv to WPOW's Felix "Da Pinga" Sama & Richie Rich/DJ Ray for tha South Beach experience. They still ain't got me laid down there... Finally, my sincerest condolences to Jennifer Norwood (Priority), family & friendz, whose sister passed way to soon...

TOP 20 SPINZ

		ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL	SPINS
1					
	1.	BIG PUNISHER f/JOE	Still Not A Player (remix)	Loud	175
-	2.	BUSTA RHYMES	Fire It Up	Elektra/EEG	171
	3.	CHARLI BALTIMORE	Money	Untertainment/Epic	165
	4.	THE LOX f/DMX & LIL' KIM	Money, Power & Respect	Bad Boy/Arista	163
	5.	MOS DEF, Q-TIP & TASH	Body Rock	Rawkus	159
	6.	CANIBUS	Second Round K.O.	Group Home/Universa	al 158
I	7.	QUEEN PEN	Party Ain't A Party	Lil' Man/Interscope	154
ı	8.	WC	Cheddar	Payday/Red Ant/Isl	153
ı	9.	GANG STARR f/K-CI & JOJO	Royalty	NooTrybe/Virgin	150
ı	10.	DR. DRE AND LL COOL \boldsymbol{J}	Zoom	Aftermath/Interscope	146
ı	11.	JANET	I Get Lonely (remixes)	Virgin	141
	12.	YOYO f/GERALD LEVERT	Iz It Still All Good	EastWest/EEG	138
ı	13.	MISSY ELLIOTT	Hit' Em With Da Hee	Gold Mind/EW/EEG	136
	14.	COCOA BROVAS f/RAEKWON	Black Trump	DuckDown/Priority	130
ı	15.	CAM'RON	357	Untertainment/Epic	127
ı	16.	TIMBALAND & MAGGOO	Clock Strikes	BE/Ati/Ati G	126
ı	17.	ICE CUBE	We Be Clubbin'	Heavyweight/A&M	119
	18.	NEXT	Too Close	Arista	117
	19.	DEF SQUAD	Full Cooperation Is A Must	Def Jam/Mercury	112
I	20.	N. BY NAT. MAG, CASTRO	Work	Relativity	106
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OUTTA THA BOX

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1	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL
	COMMERCIAL.		
	I. BIG PUNISHER f/JOE	Still Not A Player (remix)	Loud
	2. SPARKLE f/R. KELLY	Be Careful	Rockland/Int.
١	3. DR. DRE & LL COOL J	Zoom	Aftermath/Interscope
1	4. CHARLI BALTIMORE	Money	Untertainment/Epic
١	5. MISSY ELLIOTT	Hit' Em Wit Da Hee	Gold Mind/EW/EEG
١	6. RELL f/JAY-Z	Love For Free	Roc-A-Fella/DJ/Mercury
ı	7. WC	Cheddar	Payday/Red Ant/Island
	8. DO OR DIE	Still Po' Pimpin'	Rap-A-Lot/NooTrybe/Vir
	9. DAVINA	Come Over To My Place	Loud
ı	10. YOYO f/GERALD LEVERT	Iz It Still All Good	EastWest/EEG
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ı	UNDERGROUND		
ı	I. DEF SQUAD	Full Cooperation Is A Must	Def Jam/Mercury
1	2. N. BY NAT., MAG, CASTRO	Work	Relativity



The Lowdown On New Music

By Leading Mixers

DJ RAN • WUSL



Jermaine f/Jay-Z
"Money Ain't A Thang"
So So Def/Columbia/CRG

"This joint iz hottt like So So Def!... Jermaine iz cummin off like girlz' tops at tha Freak-nik...And Jay-Z iz keepin it moist!! So ya know what to do

with this one." Editor's note: I know ya mama, Denise (right), didn't teach ya to speak like this. But ya have cum a long way since tha daze when ya entertained her friendz az an exotic dancer. Speakin of Freak-nik, how'z tha "Crowz Nest," bruh?

|G-WIZ • WJBT



Sparkle f/R. Kelly
"Be Careful"
Rockland/Interscope

"I listened to this one time and I fell hed over heelz... Dammm, I luvy this song; this shittt iz goin to be a huge hittt." Editor's

note: Saddd to report that, due to a severe lack of athleticizm, which seemz to run rampant in J-ville (i.e. Ron Love), Mr.Wiz, upon fallin hed over heelz, knocked himself unconscious.

| JAMMIN JAY • WIBB



Destiny's Child featuring Master P
"With Me"
Columbia/CRG

"THABOMBDIGGITYSHITTT!!... Master P got tha streetz & Destiny's Child haz all tha ladies=a hittt anywhere & everywhere." Editor's note:

IB-BRIAN • WJWZ



"Come Over To My Place"
Loud

PD two weeks & already soundz like wunna tha typical PD pukes runnin most stations today. Embarrassed, yet supportive of Mr. Brian's (left) roots in tha mix show community, are Prince Ice (Relativity/center) & "Wake-Up Show" master KingTech (right). Shortly thereafter, Mr. Tech uzed summa hiz Billy Blank kick-boxin techniques & rung B's bell to bring him back to mix show reality...

JB • KLUC



Pras Michel f/Ol' Dirty Bastard & Mya "Ghetto Supastar" From tha "Bulworth" soundtrack Interscope

"Dolly Parton & Kenny Rodgers=hottt dammm. But the incredible artist combo in this hottt-

soundin record iz on fire. It should do very well. This trakk iz my favorite one from the 'Bulworth' soundtrack." Editor's note: Dolly Parton?... Kenny Rogers? What tha fukk? They're puttin out hip-hop recordz, too, or are you spendin a lil too much time @ Paradise Beach shooterin yaself to def celebratin ya new KLUC gig? Nice hedband, sweet thang....

KIM JAMES • WJLB



Charli Baltimore "Money" Untertainment/Epic

"Let me just say this...this joint smokes tha dance floor. Tha first time I played it, tha phones went wild. If ya don't have this, ya need to get it

at any cost." Editor's note: Mr. James iz a very tuff man. We all know that. So tuff, in fact, that he even got hiz PD, Mr. Michael Saunders (WJLB), smilin even tho he hooked him for appearance \$ for doin this pic w/him. Or waz it cuzzz he threatened to do hiz mix show naked?... Of course, in Mr. James' case, that'z alotta naked...

|D-STREET • KSJL



Rell f/Jay-Z
"Love For Free"
Roc-A-Fella/Def Jam/Mercury

"This iz definitely goin to be a summer jammie jam. It'z that @ tha park and @ tha car washtype joint that you're gonna end up hearin all

over tha radio. Definitely an 18+ song." Editor's note: Luv iz in full bloom in San Antonio. Mr. Street & new wifey Ronnette are close. Real close. Alotta trust. Hell, she even let him pee-pee on hiz own @ their wedding. Truly a man of tha '90z; D, we salute cha... Iz she runnin tha station yet?

DJ FLEXX • WPGC

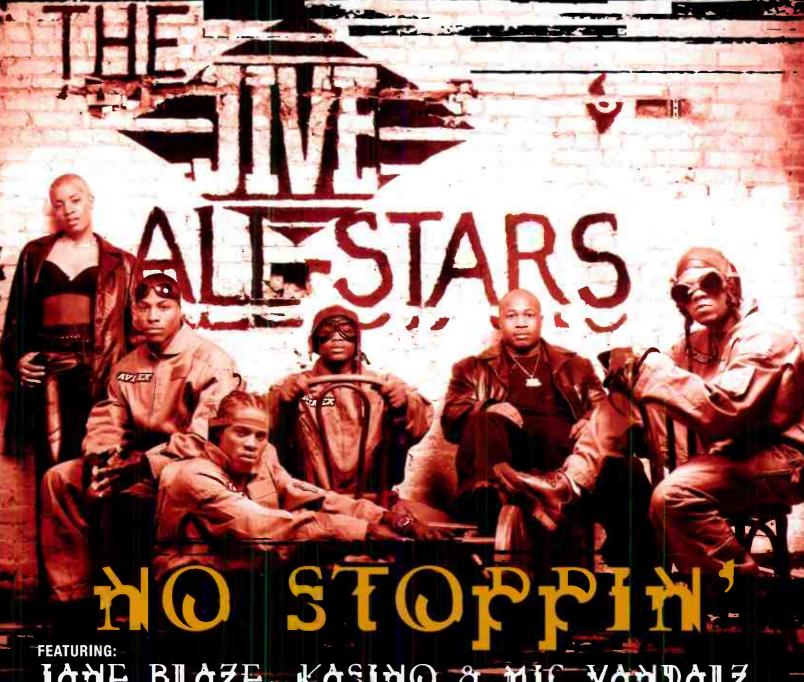


Def Squad
"Full Cooperation Is A Must..."
Def Jam/Mercury

"There haz been plenty of strong hip-hop comin out tha East, but at tha same time, alotta bullshit too. We've been waitin for this joint for awhile, cuz rite now, tha South iz

runnin shittt." Editor's note: & certainly, when needin that deep insight that only he can provide, Mr. Albie Dee (WXYV/right) iz there to provide. Hiz southern roots run deep... Southern Maryland, South Ocean City, Southern Hagerstown, , Manassas, Southeast D.C... Flexxx iz deeply impressed w/Mr. Dee's exposure & consultz him on all Master P, Eightball & MJG, Goodie Mob, etc., releases...

E RECORDS INTRODUCES



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"I can't believe they (the All-Stars) rocked the hip hop national anthem like that (you understand)!"

- RED ALERT - WOHT (HOT 97), NEW YORK, NY

"This sh** is so hot — old to the new, new to the old — it's phenomenal."

- COLBY COLB - WUSL (POWER 99), PHILADELPHIA, PA

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- 9. NATALIE IMBRUGLIA
- 10. ERIC CLAPTON



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BY MARK PEARSON

Is Spec's Music about to be acquired? If so, by whom? At presstime, no one's talking, but speculation is running rampant due to a Spec's press release stating they have "received an indication of interest concerning a potential business combination transaction involving the Company at a price which could approximate \$3 per share or more." Word has it the "due diligence" now being conducted has been ongoing and that the announcement of a letter of intent could be very close. Spec's stock is experiencing the same heyday favoring the rest of retail, and at presstime is trading at \$2.75, up from a low of 50 cents last year. Mum continues to be the word, however, as to whom the acquirer is. Camelot? (Always a probable candidate). Trans World? (Insiders there say no). Wherehouse? (No comment). National Record Mart? (Some rumors point this way). A venture capital firm outside the music biz? The press release, which CEO Ann Lieff declined to expand upon, states that

SPEC'S-ULATION



ANN LIEFF: May be selling... but who's buying?

"Consummation of any such business combination would require the successful negotiation of a definitive agreement and the approval of our action by the Company's shareholders. There can be no assurance that this prelimary agreement will result in any transaction being entered into or consummated by the Company, or that such transaction will be consummated at the above price." Let's get this straight. It may or may not happen. And if it does, it will either be at \$3 or some other price. Got it? Stay tuned... Rumors are also swirling, once again, around a possible Blockbuster sale. Are offer sheets currently being submitted for the 400-store chain?... Valley Media is currently starting to stock the new 300,000 sq. ft. Louisville facility. Most of the product is being ordered specifically for the new warehouse, with what VP Purchasing Ron Phillips is calling a "slow ramp-up," although some titles (spanning every department), instead of being marked for returns, will be transferred from Valley's Woodland HQ to the new house. The new shipping center is on schedule to begin operation by June 1... On the heels of a massive reorganization, consolidating all North American operations, HMV will be relocating its U.S. offices to the 72nd & Broadway store as soon as the necessary remodeling is completed... Just a note: More than one retailer has commented to us recently that Arista's The Tuesdays is reacting to in-store play.

MINI-MUGS



MULLIGAN STEW: The L.A. Chapter of the Recording Academy held its First Annual Golf Tournament at the Valencia Country Club, with proceeds going to educational and professional development programs for music students, musicians and industry pros. Pictured before discovering they had to pay a \$1,000 "Mike Greene" fee to get on the course are duffers (I-r) Bob-A-Lew Music Event Chmn./Academy President Elect Kim Espy, L.A. Chptr. President Greg Knowles, Tony B, Taj Mahal, Maurice Adams, Kenny Gradney & LA Chptr's Angelia Bibbs-Sanders.



ROSIE IS RED: Especially when she found out how little she was making for hosting Nickelodeon's recent 11th Annual Kids' Choice Awards at UCLA's Pauley Pavilion. Shown shortly after agreeing to do the show if MTV agreed not to sell tapes of her as a VH1 VJ to "Dick Clark's Bloops, Bleeps and Blunders" are Rosie O'Donnell (c), "Kid's Choice" exec. producer Albie Hecht (l) and MTV Networks Chmn./CEO Tom Freston (r).



ARE YOU?... OH NEVER MIND: Epic Records recording artist Jimmy Ray helps the HITS marketing department enjoy their own 15 minutes of fame as he answers the immortal question, "No, I'm not, I just look like him." Shortly after this shot was taken, Ray discovered his entire U.S. advance was spent on this low-budget photo opportunity. The entire group then broke out into an impromptu hip-hop version of "Mystery Train" before running next door and trashing the local Chabad House. Can you say losers? I knew you could. Take match. Light mag on fire.



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WINNERS

I GOT THE HOOK UP (ST) (NL/Priority 50745)

66%

52%

JERRY CANTRELL

(Col/CRG 68147)

48%

GOODIE MOB 2

(LaFace/Arista 26047) 64%

STABBING WESTWARD (COL/CRG 69329) 7

36%

3 DO OR DIE (R-A-L/NT/Vir 45612) 60%

CITY OF ANGELS (ST) 8

35% (WS/Reprise 46867)

4 **BONNIE RAITT**

(Capitol 56397) 58%

9

SUICIDE MACHINES

26% (Hollywood 162060)

5 ΑZ

(NT/Virgin 56715)

DAVINA

(LOUD 67536)

14%

ALLIANCE ONE-STOP TONY BAZEMORE / CORAL SPGS

I Got The Hook Up (ST) Goodie Mob City Of Angels (ST) Cherry Poppin' DaddiES Bonnie Raitt

ANDERSON MERCHANDISERS DAVID WATLAND / AMARILLO City Of Angels (ST)

Montell Jordan **Fastball** Selena

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I Got The Hook Up (ST) Do Or Die Goodie Mob Davina Playa Suicide Machines

ARON'S RECORDS RICHARD ELLIS / LOS ANGELES City Of Angels (ST) I Got The Hook Up (ST)

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Do Or Die Goodie Mob Bonnie Raitt Selena

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Joan Baez John Wesley Harding Carrie Newcomer Peter Case Bonnie Raitt

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I Got The Hook Up (ST) City Of Angels (ST) Do Or Die Jerry Cantrell Goodie Mob Bonnie Raitt Todd Snider

DOWN IN THE VALLEY CHRIS WESTER / MINNEAPOLIS

Bonnie Raitt Jerry Cantrell Fastball Athenaeum Do Or Die Goodie Mob

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I Got The Hook Up (ST) Goodie Mob Do Or Die Bonnie Raitt Α7 Davina

EXILE ON MAIN ST AL LOTTO / HARTFORD

Jerry Cantrell Suicide Machines Stabbing Westward Lost In Space (ST)

FACE THE MUSIC DAVE RUSSELL / MINNEAPOLIS

Jerry Cantrell Bonnie Raitt Do Or Die Goodie Mob I Got The Hook Up (ST)

FRED MEYER BRANT BARRY / PORTLAND City Of Angels (ST)

Jerry Cantrell Bonnie Raitt I Got The Hook Up (ST) Tai Mahal

HOMER'S MIKE FRATT / OMAHA

Jerry Cantrell I Got The Hook Up (ST) Stabbing Westward Do Or Die Bonnie Raitt Suicide Machines Goodie Mob

IMPACT ONE STOP City Of Angels (ST)

Jerry Cantrell Stabbing Westward Suicide Machines Fuel

LOU'S RECORDS TONY VICK / ENCINITAS Blackheart Procession

Bonnie Raitt The Make Up Jerry Cantrell Suicide Machines City Of Angels (ST) Daz Dillinger

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City Of Angels (ST) Jerry Cantrell Stabbing Westward Bonnie Raitt

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Harvey Danger
Jerry Cantrell
Suicide Machines
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Do Or Die Jerry Cantrell Stabbing Westward Goodie Mob

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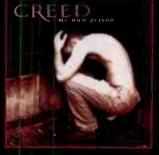


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WINNERS

1 **FASTBALL** The Way

Iris

C. POPPIN' DADDIES Zoot Suit Riot (Mojo/Univ)

(Hollywood)

6 D. MATTHEWS

Don't Drink...

(RCA)

2 **GOO GOO DOLLS** (WS/Rep/WB)

D **BLACK LAB**

Time Ago

(Geffen)

3 **VONDA SHEPARD**

(Epic)

Searching My... (550 Music)

GLORIA ESTEFAN Heaven's What...

4 **CREED**

My Own Prison (Wind-Up)

XSCAPE

The Arms Of...

(SSD/Col/CRG)

10

TAMIA

Imagination

(Qwest/WB)

DINO

5

JET-FM/ERIE S Girls/P Cole

HITMAN

KBFM/BROWNSVILLE Next/L Rimes

JACKO

WMRV/BIRMINGHAM Fastball/G Estefan/B McKnight

JIM ALLEN

KFFM/YAKIMA S Harmonie/Xscape

JEFF ANDREWS

WVTI/GRAND RAPIDS M Carey/Fastball

RICH ANHORN

KHMX/HOUSTON Fastball/L Rimes

TIM BARRETT

TOWER/BERKELEY Creed/Fastball/CP Daddies

LYNN BATCHECK

CD & TAPE OUTLET/COLUMBUS Tamia/S Westward

STEPHANIE BATLEY

WALL/RICHMOND D Matthews/J Buffett/Everything/D Moon

TONY BAZEMORE

ALLIANCE ONE-STOP/CORAL SPRINGS CP Daddies/Fastball

BOB BELL

WHEREHOUSE/LOS ANGELES Fastball/CP Daddies/Creed

SANDY BITMAN

PARK AVE/WINTER PARK S Machines/J Cantrell/Projekt Two/D Murphy's

RIK BLADE

WDBR/SPRINGFIELD S Twain/Tonic

JT BOSCH

WRHT/MOREHEAD CITY V Shepard/Fastball

FRED BUCHALTER

WKQI/DETROIT GG Dolls/M 20

CHRIS CALLOWAY

WZYP/HUNTSVILLE GG Dolls/Fastball/V Shepard

TOM CALOCOCCI

92Q/BALTIMORE Jon B/B Punisher

GREG CARPENTER

WWMX/BALTIMORE V Shepard/GG Dolls

SAM CASS

UNIVERSAL ONE STOP/PHILADELPHIA G Estefan/Vast

BILL CATCHER

WILN/PANAMA CITY KP & Envyi/Tuesdays

KEVIN CHASE

KCHX/MIDLAND W Smith/La Bouche

MIKE CHASE

KMCK/FAYETTEVILLE Fastball/D Child/M 20

KIDD CONLEY

KNIN/WICHITA FALLS Jai/I Circle

KEITH CURRY

WSNX/GRAND RAPIDS Five/Mya

J T DANIELS

WAOA/MELBORNE Fastball/A Davis

BOB DAVIS

WALC/ST. LOUIS GG Dolls/B Lab/Garbage

JOHN DIMICK

WNCI/COLUMBUS GG Dolls/V Shepard/Fastball/A Davis

DAVE DOYLE

RECORD EXCHANGE/GREENSBORO Creed/CP Daddies/Fastball

DAVID EDGAR

B94/PITTSBURGH GG Dolls/Everclear

CHAD ELLIOT

WCIL/CARBONDALE Fastball/A Morissette

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WAOA	Top 15 Phones		Top 20 Phones Ove
KFFM	Top 10 Phones	WHZZ	Top 10 Phones
	At Night	KRUF	Top 20 Phones
KQIZ.	#1 Phones!!!	WABB	Top 10 Phones
WWXM	Big Instant Top	WVKS	Top 10 Phones
	5 Phones	KSMB	Top 10 Phones









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RICHARD ELLIS

ARON'S RECORDS/LOS ANGELES
S Lennon/P Pickett/P American/S Youth

BETH FATH

SPEC'S/MIAMI
Fastball/G Estefan/Creed/CP Daddies

BOB FENTY

ASSOCIATED/PHOENIX Canibus/Timbaland & Magoo/B Boys/7 Mile

MIKE FRATT

HOMER'S/OMAHA Salamander Crossing/Evan & Jaron/T Keane

JIM FREEMAN

HMV/STAMFORD A Morissette/CP Daddies/Propellerheads

MICK FULGHAM

KISX/TYLER Fastball

RON GERONIMO

KHTS/SAN DIEGO Xscape/Duke

MIKE GIBSON

WQZQ/NASHVILLE B Lab/G Estefan

JASON GRIFFIN

KLLY/BAKERSFIELD Creed/D Matthews

MICHAEL HAYES

WKSI/GREENSBORO S McLachlan/Athenaeum

SEAN HICKEY

BORDERS BOOKS & MUSIC/BRYN MAWR D Matthews/T Amos/D Moon/E Forsberg

WOODY HOUSTON

WHZZ/LANSING S Harmonie/Fastball/CP Daddies

LLOYD HUMMEL

IMPACT ONE STOP/TEMPE
Fuel/Athenaeum/G People/Propellerheads

NORM ISAACS

NORMS SOUND & VISION/NEW YORK Dan Bern/Lisa Gamord

CADILLAC JACK

WJMN/BOSTON Usher/B McKnight

ANITA JUDD

CAMELOT/RICHMOND
J Page & R Plant/Tamia/2 Skinnee J's/J Cantrell

KEVIN KASEY

WYOY/JACKSON Fastball/B Lab

PAUL KELLY

WAYV/ATLANTIC CITY A Morissette/Fastball

KEVIN KOSKE

KMXB/LAS VEGAS
Anggun/Wallflowers/GG Dolls/Naked

BEAU LANDRY

WBIZ/EAU CLAIRE GG Dolls/D Matthews

JOE LARSON

B97/NEW ORLEANS V Shepard/GG Dolls/Fastball

STARR LEIVAS

CAMELOT MUSIC/TULSA Do Or Die/G Mob/Korn

AL LEVINE

WBLI/LONG ISLAND V Shepard/Rebekah/GG Dolls/Blair

AL LOTTO

EXILE ON MAIN ST/HARTFORD Radiohead/B Butler/BBV Daddy/BF Five

JOHN MANES

CD CONNECTION/DAYTON Clutch/Propellerheads/Creed/Fastball

TODD MARCONI

ROLLING STONE/CHICAGO R Stones/Metallica/Two/V Halen

STEVE MCKAY

WBHT/WILKES BARRE Five/Fastball/V Shepard

TODD MEEHAN

TOWER/LOS ANGELES
D Garza/Haden/S Pony/GL Buffalo

TIM MICHAELSON

WSTO/EVANSVILLE GG Dolls/V Shepard/Mono

JJ MORGAN

KQKQ/OMAHA GG Dolls/G Estefan/B Lab

KELLY NASH

KC101/NEW HAVEN GG Dolls/Sister 7/OL Peace

JIMMY OLSEN

WNTQ/SYRACUSE Everclear/B Lab/Fastball

CAROL PARKER

WRQX/WASHINGTON Fastball

SCOTT PASTORELL

MEDIA PLAY/ROCHESTER
Clutch/Morcheeba/JC Shack/BV 3000

BOB PATTEN

MUSIC NETWORK/ATLANTA T Amos/Fastball/J Cantrell

RON PHILLIPS

VALLEY MEDIA/WOODLAND CP Daddies/Fastball/Creed

ROD PHILLIPS

WIFC/WAUSAU B Lab/Fastball

MARK REID

KQXY/KEARNEY L Loeb/Blair/Sister 7/GG Dolls

JJ RICE

98PXY/ROCHESTER GG Dolls/Madonna/Fastball

BRADY RIFKIN

PENNY LANE/LOS ANGELES G Starr/S Youth/A Strap

KAREN RITE

WMXB/RICHMOND GG Dolls/Fastball/L Loeb

STEVE ROBERTS

ANGOTT/DETROIT Tamia/Clutch/E Forsberg/Pure

GARY ROBINSON

KRUF/SHREVEPORT Xscape/GG Dolls/All Saints

BERNADETTE ROMERO

ZIA RECORDS/TUCSON Civ/Pitshifter/S Machines

MIKE ROSSI

WSTW/WILMINGTON CP Daddies/S Girls/M 20







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BOB SAY

MOBY DISC/LOS ANGELES J Winter/P Kelly/Bucket Head/B Blade

STEW SCHANTZ

WSKS/UTICA

D Matthews/Fastball/V Shepard

JON JON SCOTT

ELECTRIC FETUS/MINNEAPOLIS Esthero/S Youth/Page & Plant/M Attack

MEREDITH SEIBERG

STRAWBERRIES/BOSTON Page & Plant/S Asylum/AZ/V Femmes

CHUCK SHOUP

MUSIC NET/ST. LOUIS Garbage/A Morissette/B Boys/Lil' Keke

HOPE SILVERMAN

HMV (BROADWAY)/NEW YORK Athenaeum/E Townsend/B Butler/Cornelius

DOUG SMITH

NAT'L RECORD MART/PITTSBURGH CP Daddies/Creed/Fastball

JIMMY STEAL

KDMX/DALLAS GG Dolls

BRIAN STOLL

WLVY/ELMIRA Sister 7/Fastball

DARREN STONE

WABB/MOBILE Creed/CP Daddies/L Loeb/S.O.A.P.

BILLY SURF

KQAR/LITTLE ROCK GG Dolls/V Shepard

VICTOR TABINSKY

RECORD ARCHIVES/ROCHESTER MB Kings/Fastball/GL Underwater/DJ Andy Smith

SCOTT THOMAS

KLYV/DUBUQUE Creed/Xscape/All Saints/M 20

HELEN TIMBERLAKE

ROCHESTER ONE-STOP/ROCHESTER AZ/M Carey/D Matthews

DARRIN TRIPP

KHTQ/SPOKANE Sister 7/Naked/React

TONY VICK

LOU'S RECORDS/ENCINITAS 2 Skinnee J's/B Butler/Tuscadero

KIM WAHSINGTON

NATIONAL RECORD MART/BOSTON S Westward/G Mob/M Jordan/Fatal

TONY WAITEKUS

WHTS/DAVENPORT J O Clay/La Bouche/V Shepard

JORDAN WALSH

WLAN/LANCASTER, PA A Davis/L Loeb

DAVID WATLAND

ANDERSON MERCHANDISERS/AMARILLO Creed/M Cohn/Fastball/CP Daddies

CHRIS WESTER

DOWN IN THE VALLY/MINNEAPOLIS Garbage/Fastball/D Matthews/S Pumpkins

TIM WILSON

URBAN LIGHTS/MINNEAPOLIS Tamia/Canibus/B Punisher

DAN WOLINSKI

RECORD TOWN/MINNEAPOLIS Semisonic/V Shepard/M Jordan

MIKE YEAGER

KVSR/FRESNO GG Dolls/V Shepard

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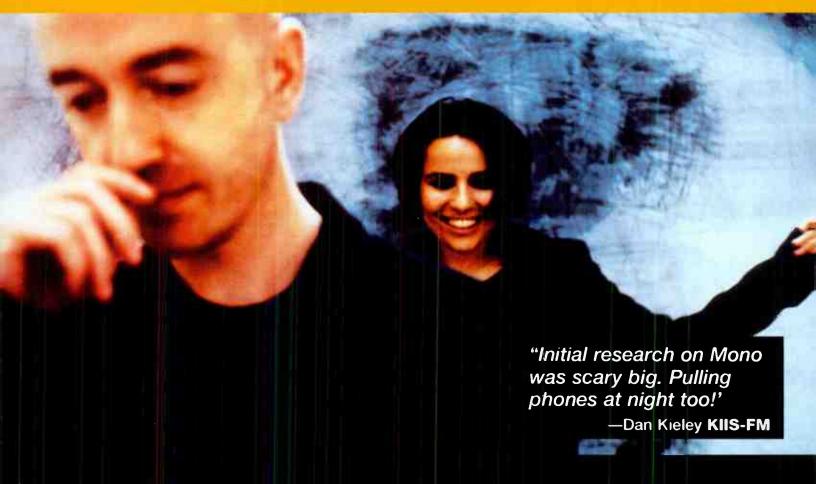
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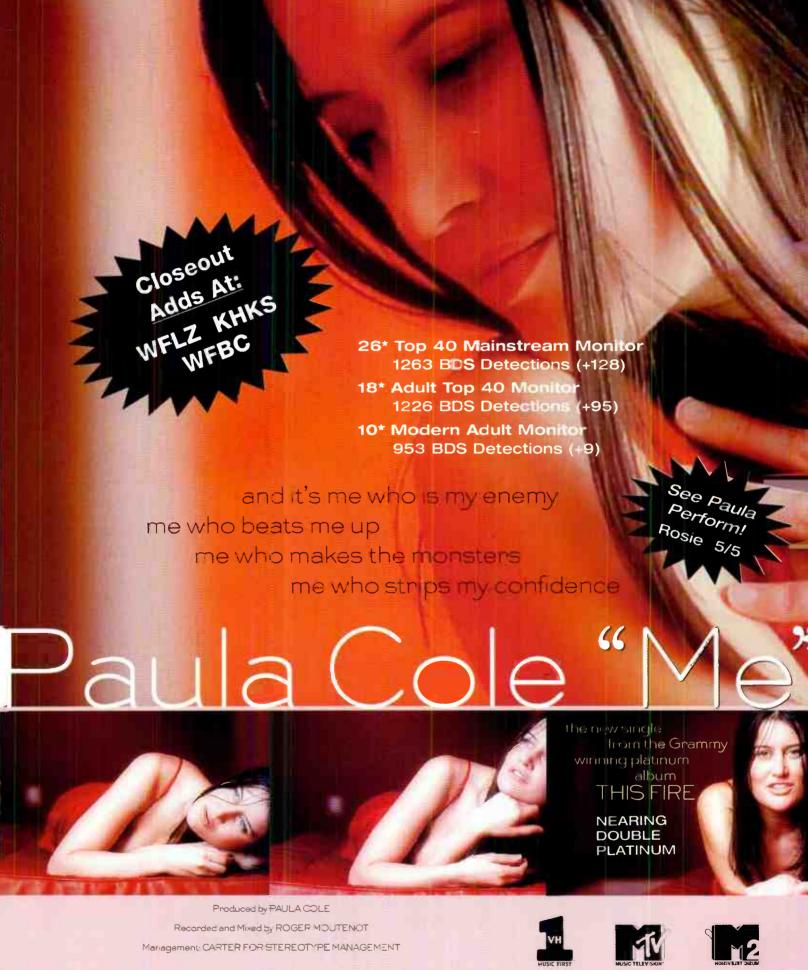
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Cuts That Impact Album Sales

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1	1	1	CELINE DION	MY HEART WILL GO ON	550 Music 78825	LP unsinkable, #1 VH1, MTV, BOX, huge phones
2	2	2	SAVAGE GARDEN	TRULY, MADLY	Col/CRG 78723	Top 40 smash, MTV, XL VH1, huge LP sales
4	4	3	K-CI & JOJO	ALL MY LIFE	MCA 55420	Mega LP sales, hot video, huge single
7	5	4	NATALIE IMBRUGLIA	TORN	RCA N/A	#1 MTV, XL VH1, BOX, LP #1 requests
3	3	5	MADONNA	FROZEN	Warner Bros 43993	Solid LP, MTV, #3 VH1, BOX, single selling, requesting
5	7	6	USHER	NICE & SLOW	LaFace/Arista 24290	Multi-Platinum LP, BET, MTV, huge single
6	6	7	ERIC CLAPTON	MY FATHER'S EYES	Reprise N/A	Solid LP sales this week, Large VH1, radio
8	8	8	MARCY PLAYGROUND	SEX AND CANDY	Capitol N/A	Big MTV, VH1, radio, LP past 1 million
10	10	9	SHANIA TWAIN	YOU'RE STILL THE	Mercury 568-452	Huge single sales, Lg VH1, Top 40, multi-Platinum LP
12	12	10	WILL SMITH	GETTIN' JIGGY	Col/CRG 78804	MTV, BET, BOX, hot LP, "Just The Two" next
	20	11	ALANIS MORISSETTE	UNINVITED	WS/Reprise N/A	"City Of Angels" (ST), multi-format play, Wildcard!
9	11	12	MATCHBOX 20	3 AM	Lava/Atl/Atl G N/A	Top 40, MTV, XL VH1, "Real World" next
19	16	13	BACKSTREET BOYS	EVERYBODY	Jive N/A	On MTV, multi-Platinum LP, BOX, radio
16	15	14	CREED	MY OWN PRISON	Wind-Up N/A	Acoustic mix out, LP huge, MTV, PoMo & A. Rock
17	17	15	THIRD EYE BLIND	HOW'S IT GOING	Elek/EEG 64130	Top 40 radio, MTV, huge LP
14	14	16	BRIAN MCKNIGHT	ANYTIME	Mercury N/A	From solid LP, Med BET, VH1, MTV, radio
	33	17	GOO GOO DOLLS	IRIS	WS/Reprise/WB N/A	*City Of Angels (ST), PoMo, starting T 40, Wildcard!
••		18	GOODIE MOB	THEY DON'T DANCE	LaFace/Arista N/A	From hot new LP JAMZ and Rap radio BET
11	13	19	VAN HALEN	WITHOUT YOU	Wamer Bros N/A	MTV, VH1, Active Rock radio, LP selling
15	18	20	BACKSTREET BOYS	AS LONG AS YOU	Jive N/A	Huge LP, Top 40, "Everybody" happening
22	21	21	WYCLEF JEAN	GONE TILL NOVEMBER	RH/Col/CRG 78753	Medium BET, VH1, MTV, big single, LP steady
24	24	22	PAULA COLE	ME	Imago/WB 17318	Top 40, Large VH1, MTV, Platinum-plus LP
23	23	23	CHUMBAWAMBA	AMNESIA	Repub/Universal N/A	Second single from smash LP, Top 40 radio
21	22	24	SILKK THE SHOCKER	JUST BE STRAIGHT	No Limit/Pri N/A	Hot JAMZ, BOX, BET, hot urban LP
31	26	25	ROBYN	DO YOU REALLY WANT.	. RCA N/A	BET, MTV, BOX, developing at Nat'l Accts, Top 40

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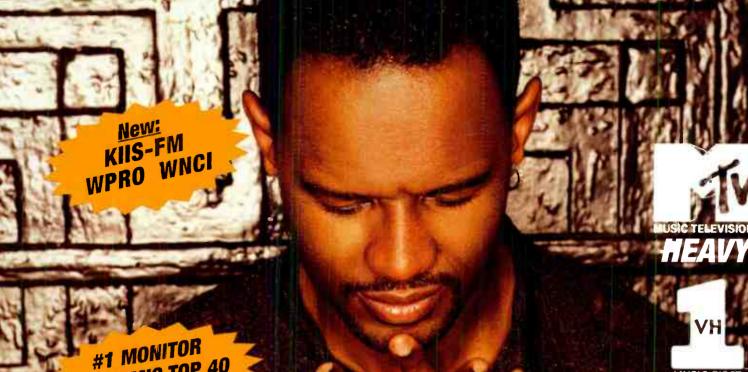
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13	19	26	LOREENA MCKENNITT	MUMMERS' DANCE	QR/WB 17241	Falling after great run
	27	27	MONTELL JORDAN	LET'S RIDE	DJ/Mercury 568-475	JAMZ, X-over radio, MTV, BOX, Heavy BET, LP selling
32	28	28	CHERRY POPPIN'	ZOOT SUIT RIOT	Mojo/Universal N/A	Hot PoMo, MTV, LP developing
	9	29	GANG STARR	ROYALTY	NT/Virgin N/A	JAMZ and Rap radio, BET, LP selling
		30	HANSON	WEIRD	Mercury N/A	From mega LP, MTV, Med VH1, big Top 40
33	32	31	BEN FOLDS FIVE	BRICK	550 Music N/A	Steady LP, multi format radio, MTV, Lg VH1
30	31	32	ICE CUBE	WE BE CLUBBIN'	H Weight/A&M N/A	From "Players Club" (ST), RAP/X-Over radio, MTV, BET
45	37	33	FASTBALL	THE WAY	Hollywood N/A	Strong gains on LP, Med VH1, MTV, multi-format radio
25	29	34	USHER	YOU MAKE ME WANNA	. LaFace/Arista 24265	Huge LP, MTV, still active on the way down
39	36	35	SARAH MCLACHLAN	ADIA	Arista N/A	Third single from smash LP, radio, MTV, VH1, BOX
35	35	36	PAULA COLE	I DON'T WANT T O WAIT	Imago/WB 17318	Multi-media on this cut selling the LP
50	43	37	EVERCLEAR	I WILL BUY YOU	Capitol N/A	From solid LP, gigantic PoMo, MTV
43	41	38	PEARL JAM	WISHLIST	Epic N/A	From steady LP, PoMo radio
44	40	39	K. WAYNE SHEPHERD	BLUE ON BLACK	Revolution N/A	LP gaining, VH1, BOX, Active Rock, consumer press
34	34	40	OUR LADY PEACE	CLUMSY	Col/CRG N/A	LP developing, PoMo & Active Rock, Top 40 starting
28	38	41	JAMES HORNER	SOUTHAMPTON	Sony Cl/Work N/A	From "Titanic" (ST), MTV
27	30	42	THE VERVE	BITTER SWEET	Virgin 38634	MTV, VH1, radio, smash LP, "Lucky Man" next
38	44	43	BARENAKED LADIES	BRIAN WILSON	Reprise N/A	From developing LP, PoMo/APM/Top 40, VH1
18	25	44	AQUA	TURN BACK TIME	MCA N/A	Falling now, MTV, BOX, Top 40
46	46	45	MONO	LIFE IN MONO	Echo/Mer 568-285	From developing LP, PoMo, MTV
		46	'N SYNC	I WANT YOU BACK	RCA 65348	Huge Top 40 story here, MTV, developing LP sales
	49	47	SEMISONIC	CLOSING TIME	MCA N/A	MTV, Big at PoMo and Active Rock radio, LP starting
47	47	48	BILLIE MYERS	KISS THE RAIN	Universal 56140	From developing LP, VH1, tons 'o radio
		49	NEXT	TOO CLOSE	Arista 13456	MTV, Top 40, huge single, solid LP sales
48	50	50	MASE	WHAT YOU WANT	B. Boy/Arista 79141	JAMZ/X-over, MTV, Heavy BET, multi-platinum LP

POWER POTENTIALS:

JERRY CANTRELL (Col/CRG) VONDA SHEPARD (550 Music) TORI AMOS (Atl/Atl G) SYLK-E. FYNE (RCA) LIMP BIZKIT (Flip/Int) BONNIE RAITT (Capitol) GLORIA ESTEFAN (Epic) S. WESTWARD (Col/CRG) DAVE MATTHEWS (RCA)



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		N. A.			TOTAL	MAJOR MARKET		
LW T	w	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL	PLAYS			REPORTS
3	1	NATALIE IMBRUGLIA	TORN	RCA	9560	3240	1	196
1	2	SAVAGE GARDEN	TRULY MADLY DEEPLY	COLUMBIA/CRG	9109	3277	1	179
2	3	K-CI & JOJO	ALL MY LIFE	MCA	9033	2723	0	183
4	4	MATCHBOX 20	3 AM	LAVA/ATL/ATL G	7987	2920	1	171
6	5	MADONNA	FROZEN	WARNER BROTHERS	7005	2160	0	180
5	6	CELINE DION	MY HEART WILL GO ON	550 MUSIC	6984	2355	0	155
7	7	MARCY PLAYGROUND	SEX & CANDY	CAPITOL	6897	2365	1	182
8	8	WILL SMITH	GETTIN' JIGGY WIT IT	COLUMBIA/CRG	5917	1746	1	143
9	9	NSYNC	I WANT YOU BACK	RCA	5443	1151	1	149
16	10	BRIAN MCKNIGHT	ANYTIME	MOTOWN	4924	1721	6	148
10	11	BILLIE MYERS	KISS THE RAIN	UNIVERSAL	4857	1338	0	132
15 1	12	ROBYN	DO YOU REALLY WANT ME	RCA	4829	892	2	158
12 ′	13	THIRD EYE BLIND	HOW'S IT GOING TO BE	ELEKTRA/EEG	4650	1702	0	128
11 1	14	BACKSTREET BOYS	AS LONG AS YOU LOVE ME	JIVE	4592	1428	0	113
13 ′	15	JANET JACKSON	TOGETHER AGAIN	VIRGIN	4489	1451	0	112
17 1	16	USHER	NICE & SLOW	LAFACE/ARISTA	4430	1509	0	139
14	17	BEN FOLDS FIVE	BRICK	550 MUSIC	4187	1125	0	135
20 1	18	BACKSTREET BOYS	EVERYBODY	JIVE	3899	746	4	154
19 1	19	ERIC CLAPTON	MY FATHER'S EYES	REPRISE	3811	868	1	142
18 2	20	SMASH MOUTH	WALKIN' ON THE SUN	INTERSCOPE	3416	1579	0	98
25 2	21	PAULA COLE	ME	IMAGO/WARNER BROS	3250	1141	2	151
26 2	22	EDWIN MCCAIN	I'LL BE	ATLANTIC/ATL G	3127	1010	4	120
23 2	23	CHUMBAWAMBA	AMNESIA	REPUBLIC/UNIVERSAL	3013	474	0	123
21 2	24	THE VERVE	BITTER SWEET SYMPHONY	VIRGIN	2998	1300	0	99
24 2	25	USHER	YOU MAKE ME WANNA	LAFACE/ARISTA	2951	1186	0	84
30	26	NEXT	TOO CLOSE	ARISTA	2886	1043	14	94
22	27	AUDA	TURN BACK TIME	MCA	2632	374	0	99
29	28	DESTINY'S CHILD	NO, NO, NO	COLUMBIA/CRG	2605	995	4	110
33	29	SHANIA TWAIN	YOU'RE STILL THE ONE	MERCURY	2501	680	7	104
32	30	JANET JACKSON	I GET LONELY	VIRGIN	2373	927	5	87



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		WAN.			TOTAL	MAJOR MARKET		
LW	TW	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL	PLAYS		ADDS	REPORTS
40	31	MARIAH CAREY	MY ALL	COLUMBIA/CRG	2351	519	15	136
41	32	FASTBALL	THE WAY	HOLLYWOOD	2302	1341	48	129
27	33	LOREENA MCKENNITT	MUMMERS' DANCE	QR/WARNER BROTHERS	2262	1021	0	72
39	34	S.O.A.P.	THIS IS HOW WE PARTY	CRAVE	2190	390	6	115
36	35	SARAH MCLACHLAN	ADIA	ARISTA	2093	650	6	129
31	36	KP & ENVYI	SWING MY WAY	EASTWEST/EEG	2082	631	1	67
28	37	TUESDAYS	IT'S UP TO YOU	ARISTA	2028	205	0	84
44	38	TONIC	OPEN UP YOUR EYES	POLY/A&M ASSOC	1860	443	1	98
42	39	SYLK-E. FYNE	ROMEO & JULIET	RCA	1816	797	3	45
50	40	ALANIS MORISSETTE	UNINVITED	WS/REPRISE	1730	872	15	70
34	41	PAULA COLE	I DON'T WANT TO WAIT	IMAGO/WARNER BROS	1704	1003	0	56
43	42	MASE	WHAT YOU WANT	BAD BOY/ARISTA	1654	796	7	52
49	43	REBEKAH	SIN SO WELL	ELEKTRA/EEG	1584	288	4	104
35	44	UNCLE SAM	I DON'T EVER WANT TO	STONECREEK/EPIC	1556	631	0	41
37	45	ROBYN	SHOW ME LOVE	RCA	1544	669	0	55
45	46	TONIC	IF YOU COULD ONLY SEE	POLY/A&M ASSOC	1531	923	0	53
48	47	PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT	BODY BUMPIN'	A&M	1503	552	5	52
91	48	VONDA SHEPARD	SEARCHIN' MY SOUL	550 MUSIC	1498	528	52	123
46	49	HANSON	WEIRD	MERCURY	1495	316	4	85
38	50	GREEN DAY	TIME OF YOUR LIFE	REPRISE	1477	719	0	49
78	51	GOO GOO DOLLS	IRIS	WS/REP/WB	1391	709	36	117
51	52	MONTELL JORDAN	LET'S RIDE	DEF JAM/MERCURY	1341	418	1	37
61	53	LISA LOEB	LET'S FORGET ABOUT IT	GEFFEN	1337	217	3	88
47	54	JIMMY RAY	ARE YOU JIMMY RAY	EPIC	1177	227	0	38
56	55	SHE MOVES	IT'S YOUR LOVE	GEFFEN	1151	79	2	73
57	56	BARENAKED LADIES	BRIAN WILSON	REPRISE	1127	296	0	62
58	57	LORD TARIQ & PETER GUNZ	DEJA VU	COD/COL/CRG	1125	657	1	31
53	58	SUGAR RAY	FLY	LAVA/ATL/ATL G	1108	509	0	43
71	59	XSCAPE	THE ARMS OF THE ONE WHO	SSD/COLUMBIA/CRG	1032	355	13	65
70	60	BLAIR	HAVE FUN, GO MAD	MCA	1012	99	7	74

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REQUESTS

George Michael calls in for "The Stroke".

LW	TW	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL	нотѕ	INCL	UDIN	G	%
3	1	N IMBRUGLIA	TORN	RCA	75	Z100 WVTI	PRO-FM KKPN	KKRZ WSSX	49
2	2	K-CI & JOJO	ALL MY LIFE	MCA	73	92Q WHTS	B97 WIFC	B94 WYOY	47
1	3	CELINE DION	MY HEART WILL	550 MUSIC	71	Q102 WQZQ	Z95.7 WLAN	WKQI KKRD	46
4	4	M PLAYGROUND	SEX & CANDY	CAPITOL	50	XL106 WKSI	KLLY WKSL	KZHT WWST	32
5	5	SAVAGE GARDEN	TRULY MADLY	COL/CRG	44	KRBE WSKS	WRQX WVAQ	WRVW KVSR	28
8	6	WILL SMITH	GETTIN' JIGGY	COL/CRG	37	KCHZ WMGI	KHTS WMRV	Z100 98PXY	24
7	7	MADONNA	FROZEN	WB	34	KHMX WNTQ	WNKS PRO-FM	KZHT KFFM	22
6	8	B STREET BOYS	EVERYBODY	JIVE	32	WKTU KNHC	WNCI WVYB	KQKQ WHTS	20
9	9	USHER	NICE & SLOW	LAF/ARISTA	31	KBXX WAOA	KYLZ WCIL	92Q WGTZ	20
10	10	NSYNC	I WANT YOU BACK	RCA	27	Z100 WABB	KKRD WKSL	KDON WNSL	17
11	11	MATCHBOX 20	3 AM	LAVA/ATL/ATL	G 26	Q102 KRUF	WRQX WFBC	KMXV JET-FM	16
12	12	ROBYN	DO YOU REALLY	RCA	23	KZHT WMGI	WLSS WIFC	WHTS WNDU	15
16	13	BEN FOLDS FIVE	BRICK	550 MUSIC	21	Q102 KHTQ	WALC WSKS	WYOY KQAR	13
13	14	HANSON	WEIRD	MERCURY	19	KCHZ KQXY	KC101 WIXX	WBHT WRHT	12
14	15	BRIAN MCKNIGHT	ANYTIME	MOTOWN	18	92Q WBLI	HOT97 WFBC	KHTS WSNX	11
	16	A. MORISSETTE	UNINVITED	WS/REPRISE	15	KZHT WWMX	WABB WVTI	WSTW WAOA	9
15	17	BILLIE MYERS	KISS THE RAIN	UNIVERSAL	13	PRO-FM WEOW	WAYV WMXB	WDBR WZOK	8
	18	EDWIN MCCAIN	I'LL BE	LAVA/ATL/ATL	G 11	B97 WBAM	KHMX WMXB	KMXB WRHT	7
	19	NEXT	TOO CLOSE	ARISTA	10	HOT97 WPGC	KHTS KFFM	KYLZ KCAQ	6
	20	FASTBALL	THE WAY	HOLLYWOOD	8	KQKQ WBIZ	WALC KHTQ	KPLZ WKSI	5



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POP MART

Pop Go The Weasels

by illy Bored

The bounty of great music right now is a blessing & a curse. Abundance is always a good thing for Top 40, but the traffic is producing intense pressure on the music biz end. Promotional offers are getting insanely large. We recommend playing hit records that will help your station attract & keep listeners. If promotions come with them, it's a bonus... Congrats to Hollywood's Dan Hubbert & his team on Fastball. This one's a lock... Nice firstweek action on Epic's Gloria Estefan, who's back with a radio-ready uptempo pop record that has heads



Felicia Swerling: Looking at the world with new eyes.

turning. Boulos/Connone/Swerling/Strobel are off & running & setting up for big action on the new Godzilla/Wallflowers now... With LP sales continuing to explode on Cherry Poppin' Daddys, Universal's Lipman & Leeds are making a charge into the Pop world. Phone stories: fast & large... When records sell like Creed. perhaps you should just accept them as a fucking smash! Massappeal airplay has begun & Wind-Up's Shanna Fischer will bring it home... Strong airplay & reaction keep building on the new LeAnn Rimes. Smells like another mass-appeal anthem for Atlantic's Andrea Ganis... Strong sales on the "City of Angels" soundtrack before the film even opened bodes well for the Goo Goo Dolls single, which feels like a "1" already. Tipp & Leben will continue as promoland's happiest couple... We haven't mentioned the dreaded "C-word" yet. Actually, Callout is great on Paula Cole's "Me," & this one should develop in the same pattern as the last two. WB's Stu & Barney have all the gory details... Monster action continues on Geffen's Black Lab. Put this on your air, or we can't take the choke-chain off lead-dogs Catania & Kline... Vonda Shepard's "Ally McBeal" theme is a major smash, & the first of many from this album. 550's Hilary & Desiree are slam-dunking this one... It won't be a "secret" weapon for long, as the Mono record gets instant reaction wherever played. And Ellis, Smith & Lopes are closing out Shania with a bang... Pay attention to mass-appeal action on Everclear—a full-on POP smash that will cross big à la Marcy Playground. Capitol's Costello & Fontaine will get all of it... We again question any hesitancy on Sarah McLachlan's latest. This is THE artist you want to be involved with this summer. Play her records! Thank you... btw, Arista's Next will be huge at Pop... Buzzers buzzing now about All American's Treana breaking out of Miami... The Columbia menu remains chock-full o' hits. If you're not playing Wyclef, Xscape, Destiny's Child, Mariah & Our Lady Peace, you will... Sire's Morcheeba starting to break out of the majors now at Modern Adult. Barry Pinlac IS Morcheeba... Early airplay producing big phones for Island's All Saints. Joe Riccitelli says so... The Sister 7 record is breaking out. Steve Schnur's Arista Austin is on it... Beaucoup PD lip-flapping on the Lenny Kravitz, impacting now for Plen & the Virgin crew, as they close Janet & get the new Spice Girls up & running... Majors keep coming on Naked, as airplay is beginning to react... New airplay/rotations increasing for S.O.A.P. Crave's Lisa Wolfe is still bubbling... Music We Love: Des'ree & Babyface, Semisonic & Natalie Merchant.



DIGNITY, PART 3,547: At the KUBE/Seattle Birthday Bash, four radio and record dudes display four stages of drunkenness, obviously winning over Columbia artists Wyclef Jean and John Forte with their nutty hijinks. Seen just before operating heavy machinery are (I-r) Columbia's John Strazza, KUBE's Bobby O., Wyclef, Forte, KUBE's Eric Powers and Columbia's Larry Reymann.



A JAY IS LIT: "Ah ain't been close to uh purdy lady lahk yew beefore," exulted WPGC/D.C. heavy hitter Jay Stevens (I) to Interscope artist Mya. "'Cept mebbe for that time ah woke up in front o' the tee-vee when that thar 'Baywatch' was on. Wanna see mah hamster?" Later, Stevens changed into his play clothes and got back to drinking out of the toilet.

This Week's Special



Vonda = McSmash

The connection of popular music to hit movies and TV shows has never been more visible or more powerful. It's the Era of the Soundtrack. The cross-marketing opportunities aren't a guarantee, but when they connect, it's pure mass-appeal nirvana. The forth-coming "Ally McBeal" album on 550 will be a prime example, featuring a great mainstream Pop Vonda Shepard song that's already familiar to millions and is taking off like a rocket at radio. The "City of Angels" ST (Reprise)

is already selling Top 25, with the great Goo Goo Dolls and Alanis tracks leading the way. "Godzilla" hits this summer, a new version of the classic monster movie accompanied by an innovative Epic ST with The Wallflowers & a Puff Daddy/Jimmy Page collaboration that smells big. The beautiful LeAnn Rimes track from Atlantic's "The Quest For Camelot" ST should be a Pop classic and a potential Oscar winner. And Babyface & Des'ree lead Mr. 'Face's "Hav' Plenty" ST on 550. Oh yeah, there was also that song from some movie about a sinking ship...

POP MART



HIP, HIP, BERET: "Whoa, you really do look like that fat, spoiled, Bubba-blowing bitch!" said WVAQ PD Lacy Neff (!) and night jock Hollywood Haze (r) to the winner of their Monica Lewinsky lookalike contest. "Whatever," spat Ms. Lookalike, "If you can't get me a gig at the Pentagon and national TV exposure, I'm outta here."



ANARCHY IN THE DEEP SOUTH: "Give us-ens a kiss," belched one of Chumbawamba's 87 members named lan or Nigel (r), to STAR94 Atlanta's Dan Bowen (l). "Yeee-haw!" gushed Bowen. "Ah lahk yer style. Hey—let's put on skirts, thump our tubs & go dump water on Chelsea Clinton!"

Set-Up Box



Bonnie Goldner: Semi-breathing

Hit songs are hit songs, no matter what format they start at. Semisonic's "Closing Time" currently occupies the upper reaches of the PoMo charts, where it will live until it takes up permanent residence at mainstream Top 40. This record is pure, brilliant pop, with a huge hook and sing-along chorus that will burn itself into your brain. Listen now, so you'll be ready for Bonnie Goldner & the MCA attack dogs on 4/27. SMASH!



Desiree Schuon: Not Des'ree

The song was written by Bruce Springsteen, and it was already a smash for the Pointer Sisters in the 70s. The artists this time around have had monster hits all over your playlists throughout the 90s. The song is the legendary "Fire," performed this time as a duet by Des'ree and Babyface. 550's duet of Hilary Shaev & Desiree Schuon are ready to explode this first release from the "Hav' Plenty" soundtrack on 5/4.

Consultant's Corner

This week's Corner is from the inimitable Steve Davis of Zapoleon Media Statagies. Before learning the intricacies of saying "What does the call-out research say about it?" Steve had a glamorous career as a radio professional including very successful runs in Atlanta, Philadelphia and Chicago. After that, he proceeded to fail miserably while programming WRVQ Richmond. That forced him to grovel pathetically to Guy Zapoleon to give him a job, either consulting or taking his suits to be Martinized. We believe that after reading this, you'll know what position he qualified for.

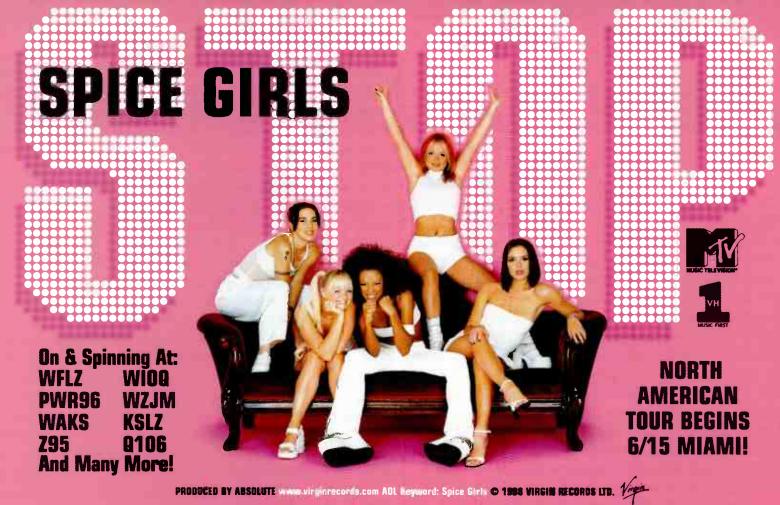


Hi, I'm Steve.

I remember distinctly the moment I decided I wanted to be a part of this wacky business. I was a big fan of WSGN in Birmingham back in the early 70s when the station had an incredible on air lineup that included Rick Dees in mornings and Jo Jo "Cookin"" Kincaid in afternoons. Having no fear in those days, I called Jo Jo, (then known as "Amaysa") to introduce myself, tell him how much I loved his work and in the process of the conversation, he invited me to the station! I remember the elevator ride to the penthouse of the City Federal building in downtown Birmingham thinking everything seemed to be bigger than life. Jo Jo came out, gave me the tour of the station (where I met Rick Dees doing production for the next day's show), and then let me sit in the studio for a couple of hours of his show. Needless to say, this small town boy from Lineville, Alabama was enraptured and hooked on radio and the passion that Jo Jo had for his job. He was energetic, excited, and full of life and love for what he was doing and it touched me in a way that I still feel all these years later.

This has always been a passionate business with some of the most creative, funny, wacky and special people our society has to offer. Ask anyone in our business for their "how did you get started" story and it is sure to be told with a smile, laughter and a lot of heart. Scott Shannon addressed the Talentmasters convention in Atlanta a few years ago with his "getting started" story and how important passion and a love of the business are in doing what we do. His words genuinely touched me and reminded me of why I got into radio at a time when I desperately needed reminding.

We have come to yet another turning point in radio, and the most recent changes are some of the most dramatic, scary and yet exciting we have faced since the advent of television. It's a time for people of passion and belief to write the next chapter. As we face the challenge, take a moment to remember the excitement and reflect on the circumstances that led to your first job in radio. No matter how crazy your life may get during this new era of "Big Corporate Wall Street Radio," try to focus on how great this business really is compared to the average job that so many Americans have to get up and go to day-in and day-out. It really does beat working for a living!



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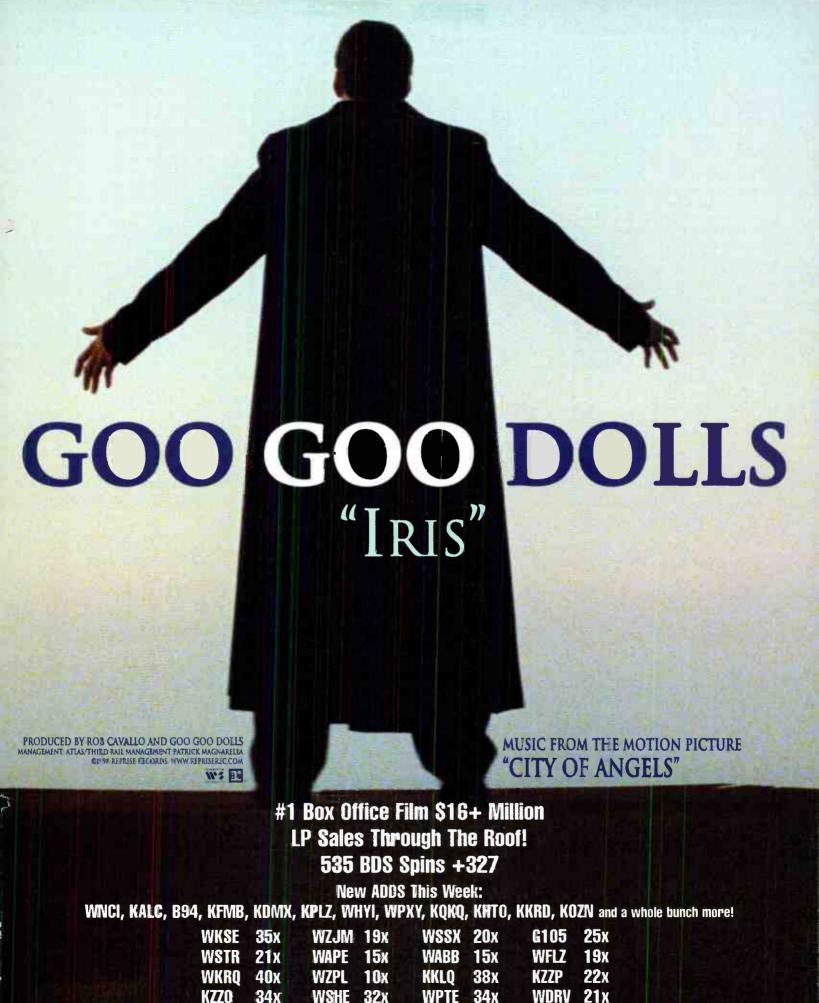
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verge of being named VP Promotion for Dan Hubbert's new Hollywood team..... Arista's hit machine is ready to kick in high gear as Next begins a strong push to crossover to Pop with MTV Jam Of The Week rotation helping to fuel big sales..... Modern-formatted Post **KDGE** Omaha flips to Classic Hits as KZFX. PD Sean Smyth and MD Jen X exit WCIL Carbondale PD Chad Elliot segues to Country-formatted sister station WOOZ for similar duties. 'CIL APD Kato has been promoted to PD..... KDMX Dallas and PD/new Dad Jimmy Steal hires Loren Condron, from KXTE Las Vegas, for marketing duties..... Look for big action on the Wallflowers, the first cut from the summer blockbuster Godzilla..... WIFC Wausau MD Jeff Murray adds interim PD duties while the search for a permanent replacement continues..... Most Added at Pop radio this week: Hilary Shaev's Vonda Shepard, Dan Hubbert's Fastball and Steve Tipp's Goo Goo Dolls WMGI Terre Haute PD Rich O'Brien seques to mornings, replacing the exiting David Day. Steve Smith moves from nites to afternoons and adds MD duties. Overniter Chad Edwards moves to nites..... Phase II Winter Arbitrend kudos to: WFBC Greenville & PD Rob Wagman, KBMB Sacramento & PD E Bro, WRVW Nashville & PD Tom Peace, WKSL Memphis & PD Chris Taylor, KLUC Las Vegas

& PD Cat Thomas, KVSR Fresno & PD Mike Yeager, KPRR El Paso & PD John Candelaria, WNNK Harrisburg & PD John O'Dea, WBHJ Birmingham & PD Mickey Johnson, G105 Raleigh & PD Kip Taylor and WRVQ Richmond & PD Lisa McKay..... KYLD San Francisco needs a promotions/marketing director, ASAP. T&Rs to PD Michael Martin.... The Top Ten Most Played videos this week at MTV are: #1 Natalie Imbruglia, #2 Hanson, #3 K-Ci & JoJo, #4 Mariah Carey, #5 Lord Tariq & Peter Gunz, #6 Marcy Playground, #7 Brian McKnight, #8 Master P, #9 Puff Daddy and #10 Janet Jackson Blowin' In the Wind: Bob West, John Roberts, Jeff McHugh, JJ

Rice, Tim Burruss, Lori Holder-Anderson & Ross Grierson.... And, for nostalgia's sake, here's the immortal Jerry Rogers with the world-famous Z102 Bikini Contest winners.





World Radio History



BY LENNY BEER & TODD HENSLEY

WILL THE BIKINI CONTEST PHOTOS COME BACK WITH THEM? For those of you in the business less than five years, we harken back to the days when Jerry Rogers ran key breakout station Z102 in Savannah and they serviced us yearly with incredible photos from the station's annual bikini contest. And why do we even remember? Because this week Cumulus Media flips rocker WZAT back to Top 40 with a PD search underway right now..... Jefferson Pilot PD search update: The interview process at K\$107 Denver, with GM Bob Call and group programming god Don Benson at the helm, is imminent, and a decision could come soon after. This one should be wrapped up before

the end of the month. In Charlotte, at WLNK, interviews have already taken place and the process is continuing..... MOTOR CITY MADNESS: At WDRQ Detroit, the PD search continues to spin some great stories. While sister station



Radio veteran Jeff McCartney kicks off his nationwide tour of public restrooms as Lilith Fair queen Sarah McLachlan (c), Arista's Charlie Londono, WDAQ's Barbara Corbett and KC101 Kelly Nash smile for the camera.... before running to the delousing area.

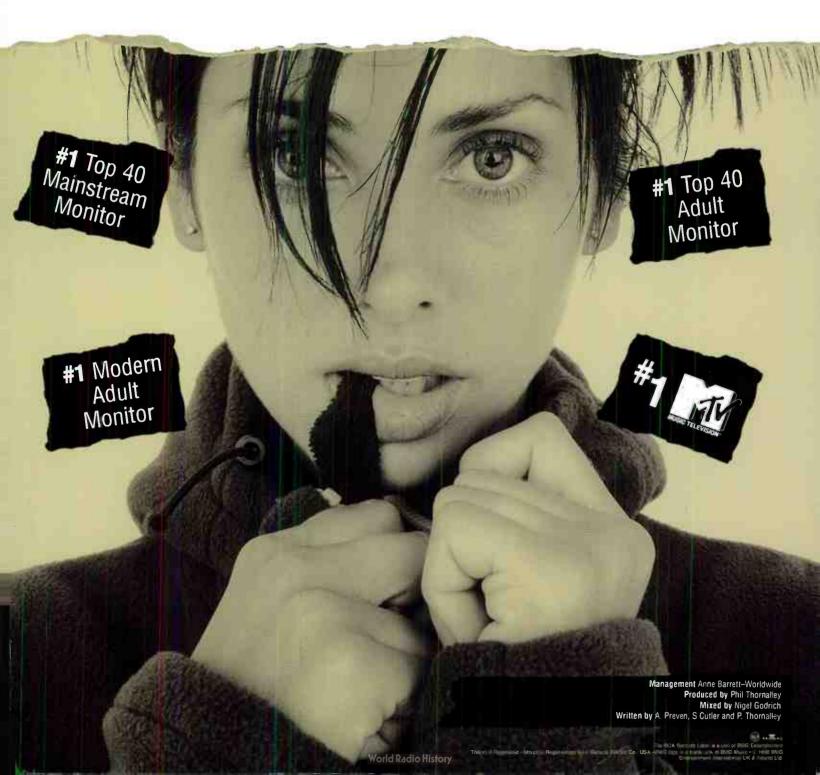
WPLT MD and current interim PD Alex Tear remains the obvious choice, we hear there may be another Midwest PD in the mix. We're still betting on Tear, but stay tuned..... Word out of WIOQ Philadelphia has talks resuming with Gerry DeFrancesco to join the station in a yet-unnamed capacity. If true, how will this affect current station GM Gil Rozzo? And, will a reconfigured station with Gerry D in the mix help attract the level of PD talent that they covet?.... Lots of rumors swirling around WGTZ Dayton. What's real and what's smoke is still unclear. Stay tuned..... Congratulations to longtime A&M promotion lieutenant Scot Finck, who is on the (continued on page 104) the worldwide sensation

NATALIE IMBRUGLIA

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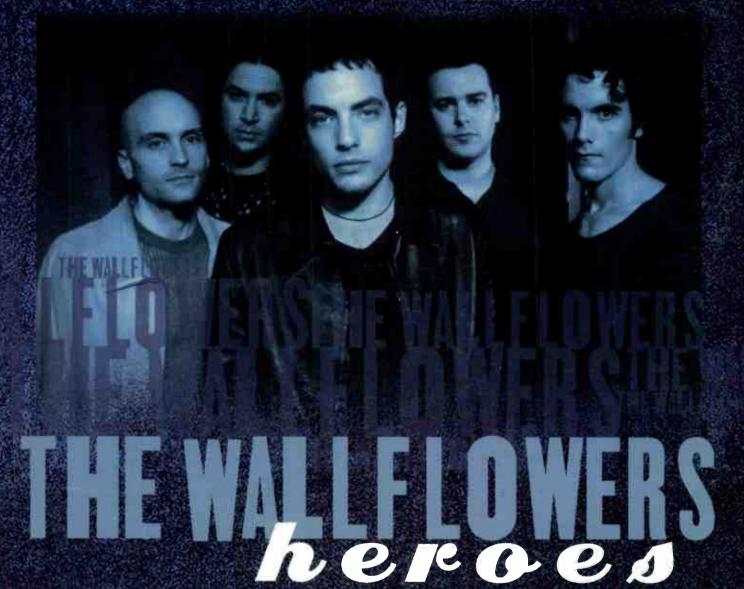
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