

additions to the r&b playlist



KDAY ON PARADE — KDAY air personalities were recently honorary marshalls at the South Central Easter parade in L.A. KDAY won the sweepstakes prize for the second year in a row for their float. Shown above enjoying the festivities are Steve Woods and J.J. Johnson (seated in car) and Jim Maddox and Don Mac (l to r at the back of the car).

Carl Graves, A&M recording artist, dropped by the Cash Box offices last week with his latest LP. It is a monster and should help firmly establish Carl as one of the finest singers around. Hot cuts include his last single "Heart Be Still," "How Can I Be A Man," a Lee Garrett-penned composition, a lively arrangement of "Breaking Up Is Hard To Do" and one penned by Carl and Robbie Buchanan entitled "You're Gonna Be All Alone." Carl's new single, also on the LP, is the David Ruffin tune "My Whole World Ended (The Moment You Left Me)." The single is hot because it is done in a bouncy reggae style featuring some mellow synthesizer by Robbie Buchanan. Spencer Proffer produced the LP for Carl and lined up the following musicians for the LP: Ed Greene, Wilton Felder, Robbie Buchanan, Joe Sample, Larry Carlton, Tom Scott and many other fine players. Creative Source have a new LP out for Polydor entitled "Consider The Source," and a single, "Under Your Spell." Believe it or not the group is currently on tour in Saudi Arabia. Maybe they'll be able to lower the price of gasoline. Charo has been signed by Farr Records. Also be on the lookout for a new single by a new group on Farr entitled "The Song From M.A.S.H." by the New Monclairs. It's hot. The Crusaders have a new LP release for ABC entitled "Those Southern Knights." The LP contains seven new compositions by members Joe Sample, Wayne Henderson, Larry Carlton, Stix Hooper, Wilton Felder and Robert Popwell. Speaking of jazz, John Handy has a new LP release for ABC entitled "Hard Work." For the second time in two years the Rolling Stones have asked the Meters to join them on the road. The Meters will open for all the Stones' European dates, which will cover nine countries during the course of its two-month run. The group is currently in the studios with Allen Toussaint and Marshall Sehorn working on their next WB release. Aretha Franklin made her first Canadian concert appearance last week in Vancouver. She was accompanied by the Vancouver Symphonic Orchestra. Ralph Carter, one of the stars of "Good Times," has just released his new LP for Mercury entitled "Young And In Love." The O'Jays, recuperating from their highly successful "Family Reunion" tour, are set again to go out on the road for part two. The group starts touring May 13 at the Westchester Premiere Theatre and will begin working its way west. The O'Jays will be in L.A. at the Greek Theater August 4. John Tropea, a very talented guitar player, has just released a single from his "Tropea" LP, "Tambourine." It's hot. Dorothy Moore, hot on the charts with "Misty Blue," has just released her new LP for Malaco entitled "Misty Blue." Also watch for the new Olympic Runners' single, "Party Time Is Here To Stay," on London Records. Heard from a reliable source that Bobby McClure's new single, "Was It Something I Said?" also on London, looks to be a smash.

T.K. has come up with another dancing LP monster entitled "Weird World Of Blowfly," and from early indications it looks to be a killer. K.C. is currently in the studios finishing up his group's next LP along with the new George McCrae and Jimmy "Bo" Horne LPs. Mainstream Records has a monster on its hands with "The Lonely One" by Special Delivery. It is hot, hot, hot. Kessler-Grass Management has announced that their client Tyrone Davis will be a special guest performer on Johnnie Taylor's eight-week 25-city tour. Tyrone has a new follow-up smash to "Turning Point" entitled "It's So Good To Be With You." Impulse Records, distributed by ABC, has some exciting new releases. "Illusions" is the title of a debut LP by guitarist Jimmy Ponder and also features bassist Ron Carter. Keith Jarrett has a new LP out entitled "Mysteries." They're hot, hot, hot. Coke Escovedo's new LP is out and entitled "Comin' At Ya?" Cover of the LP is super. Van McCoy was recently honored by his hometown of Washington, D.C. — April 27 was declared Van McCoy Day in the nation's capitol. Al Wilson dropped by the Cash Box offices last week. His single, "I've Got A Feeling," looks to have the right groove to put it in the #1 slot. Al is awaiting the release of his new LP, which should be shipped May 17, and working on his new show. He is scheduled to appear at Knott's Berry Farm May 14 and the Etc. Club in L.A. the following week. Al has also been busy doing television on such shows as American Bandstand, Soul Train and Dinah Shore. Some of Al's favorite tunes in the upcoming LP include "Honoring," a reggae styled tune, "You Did It For Me," "Havin' A Party" and "Stay With Me." Al is glad the disco thing is winding down because he is the type of singer who is more interested in good lyrics and tunes that say something than the fast uptempo rhythm-oriented ones. When he recorded "I Got A Feeling," he got the feeling that the tune was going to be a monster because of the infectious beat and the lyrics that told a story. Al Wilson is back in the groove and is looking forward to having many more successes in the near future. That's soul.

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WTMP — TAMPA
Foxy Lady — Crown Heights Affair — DeLite
Yes, Yes, Yes — Bill Cosby — Capitol
Sara Smile — Hall & Oates — RCA
Baretta's Theme — Rhythm Heritage — ABC
Sophisticated Lady — Natalie Cole — Capitol
Get Off Your Aah! — Foxy — Dash
I'll Be Good To You — Brothers Johnson — A&M
Let It Shine — Santana — Columbia
Night Walk — Van McCoy — H&L

Love To Love — Al Downing — Polydor
9 To 4 — Kiss & Say Goodbye — Manhattans
15 To 10 — Fooled Around — Elvin Bishop
26 To 20 — Get Up & Boogie — Silver Convention

WOL — WASHINGTON
I'll Be Good — Isley Bros. — T-Neck
Open — Smokey Robinson — Tamla
Strokin' — Leon Haywood — 20th Century
You're My Everything — Lee Garrett — Chrystalis

WAOK — ATLANTA
Who Loves You Better — Isleys — T-Neck
Let It Shine — Al Green — London
Happy People — Tramps — Atlantic
Could It Be Magic — Donna Summer — Casablanca

WEBB — BALTIMORE
No new additions
10 To 2 — I've Got A Feeling — Al Wilson
42 To 12 — You Need Love — Bobby Williams

WBUL — BIRMINGHAM
Let It Shine — Al Green — London
Who Loves You Better — Isleys — T-Neck
Let Your Mind Be Free — Brother To Brother — Turbo
39 To 17 — So Good To Be Home — Tyrone Davis
40 To 16 — Love Hangover — Diana Ross

WUFO — BUFFALO
No new additions
Hot — Could It Be Magic — Donna Summer
Hot — Wherever You Go — Skip Mahoney
Hot — Words — Donny Gerrard
Hot — I'll Be Good To You

WQIV — CHARLOTTE
Let It Shine — Santana — Columbia
Who Loves You — Isleys — T-Neck
I Get Lifted — Sweet Music — Scepter
Keep Coming Back — Soul Cop — Norfolk Int'l

WBMX — CHICAGO
Strokin' — Leon Haywood — 20th
Who Loves You Better — Isleys — T-Neck
Night Life — Miracles — Motown
Get Off Your Aah! — Foxy — Dash
Open — Smokey Robinson — Tamla
Slipped Up & Got Caught — Bobbie Patterson — Granite

WVON — CHICAGO
Who Loves You Better — Isleys — T-Neck
Caught In The Act — Facts of Life — Kayvette
Sunshine — Impressions — Curtom
You're Just The Right Size — Salsoul Orchestra — Salsoul
Sophisticated Lady — Natalie Cole — Capitol

WCIN — CINCINNATI
Married — Denise LaSalle — Westbound
Tear The Roof — Parliament — Casablanca
Open — Smokey Robinson — Tamla
Tubular Bells — Chamos Boys — Janus
5 To 1 — I'll Be Good — Brothers Johnson
15 To 9 — I Want You — Marvin Gaye
27 To 11 — Let It Shine — Al Green
26 To 17 — Do You Wanna — Bloodstone
34 To 20 — Friend Of Mine — Little Milton
32 To 27 — Hustle On Up — Hidden Strength

WVKO — COLUMBUS
Who Loves You Better — Isleys — T-Neck
The Lonely One — Special Delivery — Mainstream
Sunshine — Impressions — Curtom
Hot Stuff — Rolling Stones — Rolling Stone
Play That Funky Music — Wild Cherry — Epic
Could It Be Magic — Donna Summer — Casablanca

WABO — CLEVELAND
I'll Be Good To You — Bros Johnson — A&M
Sing A Happy — Miz Davis — Now
Open — Smokey Robinson — Tamla
Touch And Go — Ecstasy, Passion & Pain — Roulette

WYLT-FM — CLEVELAND
HB — Shop Around — Captain & Tennille
Love Is Alive — Gary Wright — WB
I'll Be Good To You — Brothers Johnson — A&M
Sing A Happy Funky Song — Miz Davis — Now
High Energy — Supremes — Motown
Down The Nile — Lee Oscar — UA
Play That Funky Music — Wild Cherry — Epic

KKDA — DALLAS
This Is It — Melba Moore — Buddah
Nine Times — Moments — Stang
Born To Get Down — Muscle Shoals Horns — Bang
Winners Together — George & Gwen McCrae — Cat
Strokin' — Leon Haywood — 20th

WDAO — DAYTON
The Lonely One — Special Delivery — Mainstream
Nine Times — Moments — Stang
Good For The Soul — Luther — Cotillion
Right Back — Maxine Nightingale — UA
Let It Shine — Santana — Columbia
Hope We Get To Love — Marilyn McCoo & Billy Davis — ABC
Soul Dog — Soul Dog — Amherst
Sing A Happy Funky Song — Miz Davis — Now

KOKO — DENVER
Sunshine Day — Osibisa — Island
Let It Shine — Santana — Columbia
Touch & Go — Ecstasy, Passion & Pain — Roulette
Could It Be Magic — Donna Summer — Casablanca
Foxy Lady — Crown Heights — DeLite
Just The Right Size — Salsoul Orchestra — Salsoul

WCHB — DETROIT
Somebody Touch Me — Eddie Drennon — Friends & Co.
Sophisticated Lady — Natalie Cole — Capitol
Whole New Thing — Rose Banks — Motown

WJLB — DETROIT
You'll Never Find Another Love — Lou Rawls — Phila Int'l
Spirit Of 76 — Booty People — Calla
Somebody Touch Me — Eddie Drennon — Friends & Co.
11 To 2 — Tear The Roof Off — Parliament
12 To 7 — Love Hangover — Diana Ross
35 To 29 — Kiss & Say Goodbye — Manhattans
14a — I Want You — Marvin Gaye
14b — After The Dance — Marvin Gaye

WAMM — FLINT
This Is It — Melba Moore — Buddah
Misty Blue — Dorothy Moore — Malaco
Hot — Kiss & Say Goodbye — Manhattans
Hot — Married — Denise LaSalle — Westbound
Hot — Livin' For The Weekend — O Jays

WCKO — FT. LAUDERDALE
Love Power — Rocking Horse — RCA
So Good To Be Home — Tyrone Davis — Dakar
Make Me Twice The Man — Notations — Gemiro
Moonlight Serenade — New Ventures — UA
In The Groove — Joneses — Mercury

WRBD — FT. LAUDERDALE
Somebody Touch Me — Eddie Drennon — Friends & Co.

At The Hop — Herb Lane & The Rhythm Makers
So Good To Be Home — Tyrone Davis — Dakar
Who Loves You Better — Isleys — T-Neck
L.A. Sunshine — Sylvia — All Platinum
Love Power — Rocking Horse — RCA

KNOK — FT. WORTH
Tak'n It To The Streets — Doobie Brothers — WB
Sophisticated Lady — Natalie Cole — Capitol
Yes, Yes, Yes — Bill Cosby — Capitol
Be For Real — Marlena Shaw — Blue Note
I Can't Seem To Forget — Heaven & Earth — 20th
Nowhere To 12 — Baretta's Theme — Rhythm Heritage
19 To 1 — I Want You — Marvin Gaye

KCOH — HOUSTON
It's Better Than Walkin' Out — Marlena Shaw — Blue Note
Strokin' — Leon Haywood — 20th
Love — Graham Central Station — WB
Who Loves You Better — Isleys — T-Neck
You Know The Feeling — Steve Wightman — Farr

WTLG — INDIANAPOLIS
Searching — Soul Train Gang — Soul Train
Kiss And Say — Manhattans — Columbia
Who Loves You — Isley Bros. — T-Neck
Looking For #1 — BTO — Mercury
33 To 5 — Yes, Yes — Bill Cosby
16 To 1 — Misty Blue — Dorothy Moore
37 To 27 — Sophisticated Lady — Natalie Cole

KGFJ — LOS ANGELES
Happy People — Tramps — Atlantic
This Is It — Melba Moore — Buddah
Baretta's Theme — Rhythm Heritage — ABC
Born To Get Down — Muscle Shoals Horns — Bang

KOKY — LITTLE ROCK
Party Down — Willie Hutch — Motown
I Destroyed Your Love — Special Delivery — Capitol
Married — Denise LaSalle — Westbound
Let Your Mind Be Free — Brother To Brother — Turbo

KDAY — LOS ANGELES
Mystic Voyage — Roy Ayers — Polydor
Wonderful World — Johnny Nash — Epic
Who Loves You Better — Isleys — T-Neck
Kiss & Say Goodbye — Manhattans — Columbia
Born To Get Down — Muscle Shoals Horns — Bang
You'll Never Find Another — Lou Rawls — Phila Int'l

WLOU — LOUISVILLE
Sophisticated Lady — Natalie Cole — Capitol
Love Gives — Hosea — A&M
Do You Wanna — Bloodstone — London

WNOV — MILWAUKEE
The Lonely One — Special Delivery — Mainstream
Uno Esta — Bobbi Humphrey — Blue Note
Touch & Go — Ecstasy, Passion & Pain — Roulette
Movin' Like A Superstar — Jackie Robinson — Anola
Who Loves You Better — Isleys — T-Neck
You'll Never Find Another — Lou Rawls — Phila Int'l
Double Exposure — 10 Per Cent — Salsoul

WYLD — NEW ORLEANS
I Want You — Marvin Gaye — Tamla
Breaking Up — Jimmy Dee — Calla
This Is It — Melba Moore — Buddah
Baretta's Theme — Rhythm Heritage — ABC
16 To 6 — Party Down — Willie Hutch
29 To 16 — Cadillac Assembly — Albert King
38 To 1 — Younghearts — Candi Staton

KDIA — OAKLAND
Open — Smokey Robinson — Tamla
Yes, Yes, Yes — Bill Cosby — Capitol
The Lonely One — Special Delivery — Mainstream
Tear The Roof Off — Parliament — Casablanca
Easy Lovin' — Bo Kirkland/Ruth Davis — Claridge

KIQV — PORTLAND
Gonna Be This Way — Hampton & Banks — WB
Happy Man — Impact — Atco
L.A. Sunshine — Sylvia — All Platinum
Poinciana — Joe Thomas — Groove Merchant
Rainforest — Biddy — Epic
Wonderful World — Johnny Nash — Epic
Give It Up — Heywood Cash — Epic
I Wanna Be With You — Doc Severinsen — Epic

KATZ — ST. LOUIS
Open — Smokey Robinson — Tamla
This Is It — Melba Moore — Buddah
Easy Lovin' — Bo Kirkland/Ruth Davis — Claridge
Who Loves You Better — Isleys — T-Neck

XEAZ — SAN DIEGO
Who Loves You Better — Isleys — T-Neck
Love — Graham Central Station — WB
Gotta Bad Feeling — Smoke — Casablanca
After The Dance — Marvin Gaye — Motown
Baretta's Theme — Rhythm Heritage — ABC
31 To 16 — Younghearts — Candi Staton
12 To 6 — I Got A Feeling — Al Wilson
Hot — Wish Love Was Magic — Street Corner — Bang

WSOK — SAVANNAH
Who Loves You Better — Isleys — T-Neck
Somebody Touch Me — Eddie Floy — Malaco
Let It Shine — Santana — Columbia
Cloudy — Tamiko Jones — Atlantis
For All We Know — Esther Phillips — CTI
Midnight Groove — Love Unlimited Orchestra — 20th
From My Heart To Yours — Charles Earland — Mercury
3 To 1 — Movin' — Brass Construction
21 To 11 — I Want You — Marvin Gaye
16 To 6 — Kiss & Say Goodbye — Manhattans
18 To 7 — Younghearts — Candi Staton

KYAC — SEATTLE
Who Loves You Better — Isleys — T-Neck
You're My Everything — Lee Garrett — Chrystalis
Tak'n It To The Streets — Doobie Brothers — WB
Strokin' — Leon Haywood — 20th
12 To 16 — Younghearts — Candi Staton
Hitbound To 20 — Fooled Around — Elvin Bishop
Hot — I Can't Seem To Forget — Heaven & Earth
Hot — Wanna Make Love — Sun
Hot — Baretta's Theme — Rhythm Heritage