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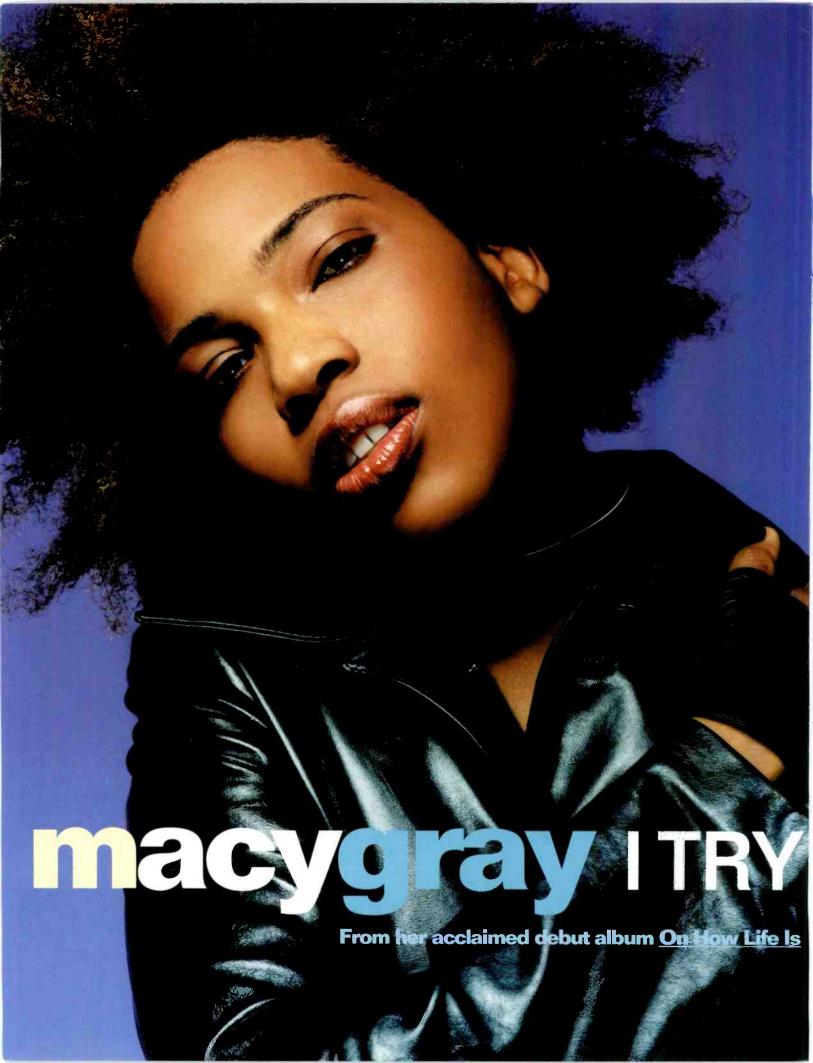
#### BERRY BERRY GOOD



For EMI Recorded Music CEO Ken Berry, life is sweet. Fresh off the announcement he'll be running a combined Warner EMI Music with his long-time pal Roger Ames, Berry enjoys the fruits of a #1 album and MPS debut for his Virgin label act D'Angelo. Maybe now he'll have enough juice to get out of this HITS Contents nod... if we don't squeeze him dry first.



**ON THE COVER**Cheeba/Virgin Records soul king D'Angelo marks his chart-topping smash "Voodoo" album by sticking pins in this HITS cover shot.



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---TOM POLEMAN, PD, Z100/NEW YORK

"Our audience has responded in HUGE numbers to Macy Gray! 'I Try' has been our #1 request record for 3 weeks with men and women, and the Soundscan is the highest ranked in the country. We moved the record up based on the overwhelming response. We need Macy Gray in our format. She is a superstar." -MICHELLE ENGEL. PD. KBBT/PORTLAND

"This is the next big pop record! It stretches the boundaries; it crosses from pop alternative to mainstream pop radio. 'I Try' is a major league hit!"

—DUSTY HAYES, PD WXPT/MINNEAPOLIS

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- Saturday Night Live aired 1/15
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- Rosie O'Donnell 2/14
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- Motown Live 2/12
- Gavin Showcase 2/17
- VH1 Inside Track

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KHTS	San Diego	33x	WBMX	Boston	32x
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KAMX	Austin	42x	WDBT	Jackson	33x
KVSR	Fresno	21x	KLLY	Bakersfield	22x
KZZU	Spokane	48x	WJJS	Roanoke	38x



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# VIBE-RATERS

OUR PICKS TO BREAK . CHOSEN BY THE HITS EDITORIAL BOARD

#### MACY GRAY . EPIC



## album: ON HOW LIFE IS track: I TRY

Gold LP exploding at retail! Massive sales at W'house, M'land, B'Buy, T'world w/over 700k shipped. Upped to Large at VH1; back into MTV rotation. On *Rosie* 2/14, Conan 2/11. Featured in Calvin Klein print ads in 35 nat'l publications. Headlining tour ongoing. Mgmt: Andy Slater/HK Mgmt.

#### **VERTICAL HORIZON • RCA**



## album: EVERYTHING YOU track: EVERYTHING YOU

Sales increase fueled by mad multi-format spins. Mad spinners: WFNX, WPLY, KYSR, WLIR, WKIE, more. 19 VH1 Inside Track spins, MTV spins kicking in. S/O tour w/Stroke 9 ongoing. Craig Kilborn 3/21. Cut featured in The Practice promos. Mgmt: Doug Thaler/Metropolitan Ent. Group.

#### STAIND • FLIP/ELEKTRA/EEG



## album: DYSFUNCTION track: HOME

Multi-format support at Rock and PoMo fuels retail sales at M'land, B'Buy. Spinning at WAAF, KUPD, KQRC, more. MTV's Choose or Lose w/Q-Tip aired 1/26. Video for new single directed by Fred Durst in post-prod. for 1/28 delivery. Korn dates start 2/18. Mgmt: Jeff Kwatinetz/The Firm.

#### MOBY • ∨2



#### album: PLAY

#### track: NATURAL BLUES

Moby's "Blues" about to turn Gold! Two Grammy nominations, 13 MTV spins, VH1 Inside Track, opening for Bush on MTV's Campus Invasion Tour beginning in March. Big spins at KROQ, KNDD, WXRK, WXRT, WFNX, WPLY, more. Calvin Klein print ads in full effect. Mgmt: M.C.T. Bold.

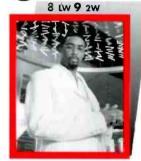
#### METHODS OF MAYHEM • MCA



## album: METHODS OF... track: GET NAKED

Gold LP retains nice action at major chains w/650k out. Spinning at PoMo and Active Rock: KWOD, WFNX, KNDD, KRXQ, KXXR, more. European tour through 2/19; U.S. headlining tour begins 3/15. T. Lee hosting MTV's Return of the Rock. Mgmt: Carl Stubner/Bobby Carlton for Deluxe Ent.

#### MONTELL JORDAN • DEF SOUL/IDJ



## album: GET IT ON TONITE track: GET IT ON TONITE

Sales remain strong at all major chains. Big TV action: hosting Motown Live; just did Russell Simmons' One World; Donnie & Marie 2/8; Politically Incorrect; Leno 2/4; BET, MTV, VH1. Spinning at KLLC, WBMX, KHTS, KFMB, WLIR, KYSR, more. Mgmt: Kristen Hudson/Mad Money Mgmt.

#### SONIQUE • FARMCLUB/REP/UNIV/UMG



## album: SONIQUE track: IT FEELS SO GOOD

Debut artist on Jimmy & Doug's Farmclub appeared on Farmclub TV debut 1/31 following WWF. LP streets 2/15 w/325k shipping. Big requests! Top 10 spins at WFLZ, WPOW, WLLD, KRBE, WXXL, KFMS, KHKS, KRBV, WHYI, more. MTV, Boxbreaker, added at VH1. Mgmt: Serious Records/Simon Belosky.

#### STROKE 9 • CHERRY/UNIV/UMG



## album: NASTY LITTLE... track: LITTLE BLACK...

Retail action going national with new action at M'land, Tower, B'Buy, W'house. Getting "Nasty" radio love at KROQ, KDGE, WPLY, KKND, KEDJ, WLIR, KBKS, WPST, more. Perpetually on the road. S/O Vert. Horizon dates through 3/2 heading Southeast. Mgmt. Tim O'Brian/TO Mgmt.

# VIBE-RATERS

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**AIMEE MANN • REPRISE** 



album: MAGNOUA (ST) track: WISE UP

Unsigned Aimee Mann scores radio smash from huge ST! Huge retail sales at all majors and indies. Who will win the signing derby? VH1 "Storytellers" streaming from VH1 Web site. Performing on The View 2/16 & Conan on 2/18. Currently on E. Coast tour. Mamt: Michael Hausman Artist Mamt.



DEBUT

**HOKU** • GEFFEN

album: SNOW DAY (ST) track: ANOTHER DUMB...

Song from "Snow Day" ST exploding at retail, setting up huge solo LP debut in spring. Big single sales at M'land, T'world. Early Top 40 action at KXME, KCHZ, KDIS ahead of official target date. MTV's TRL, Nickelodeon playing clips 5x a day. Movie opens 2/11; ST streets 2/8. Mgmt: Larry Tollin Ent.

KITTIE • NG/ARTEMIS



album: SPIT track: BRACKISH

Added at WXRK w/#1 phones! Other adds include KXXR, CIMX, Kittie's meowing at retail w/new video support. MTV, 45-36 Box. Headlining through Feb., then overseas festivals. HOB LA w/Sevendust 2/21. Ozzfest July and Aug. Huge press: Spin, R. Stone, Mademoiselle, more. Mgmt: JMA Enterprises.



**SUKIDE MACHINES • HOLLYWOOD** 



album: SUICIDE MACHINES track: SOMETIMES I DON'T ...

Big PoMo love in front of 2/15 LP release. Added at WEND, WFNX. Spinning at KROQ, KNRK, 91X, more. Bumped into MTV "On" rotation. Amplified.com 4track download promotion for pre-order customers with indie retailers. Headline club dates start 2/11 at L.A.'s Roxy. Mamt: Bruce Lorifel/Eternal Artists.

**STATIC X • WARNER BROS.** 



album: WISCONSIN DEATH TRIP track: PUSH IT

Certified Gold and "pushing" on from there with strong retail at M'land, B'Buy. Multi-format spins at Active Rock and PoMo: WAAF, WBCN, KDGE, WFNX, more. Just started tour with Powerman 5k. L.A. dates 2/2-3. On "Scream 3" soundtrack. Mgmt: Rob McDermott, Andy Gould Mamt.



INCUBUS • IMMORTAL/EPIC



album: MAKE YOURSELF track: PARDON ME

Upped into MTV Buzzworthy! Sales remain healthy at B'Buy, N'bury Comics, Dimples. PoMo and Active Rock spins at WBCN, WAAF, WPLY, KEGL, more. Sno-core tour w/System Of A Down ongoing. NY Daily News feature; Rolling Stone feature in last two issues. Mamt: MSM/Steve Renne, Mark Shoffner.



SYSTEM OF A DOWN • AM/COL/CRG

11 LW 10 2W 9 3W



album: SYSTEM OF A DOWN track: SPIDERS

Already #1 phones at KROQ, "Spiders" impacts Rock radio on 2/15. Other early PoMo action includes KUFO, KEDJ, KFMA, WNOR, more. Video on the way. Retail still strong across the board. Headlining S/O Sno-core dates. David Benveniste/Velvet Mamt: Hammer Management.



P.O.D. • ATLANTIC



album: FUNDAMENTAL... track: SOUTHTOWN

Multi-format love at Active Rock and PoMo fuels retail. Adds at KNDD. WYSP, WAZU, KWOD. Spinning at KXXR, WAAF, WRIF. MTV. Opening for Primus beginning in Feb. Lead singer on Politically Correct 1/31. Upcoming A.P. feature in March. Mgmt: Tim Cook/Cook Mgmt.

# top50 ALBUMS

2W	LW	TW	ARTIST	TITLE COMMENT	LABEL	POWER	PERCENT CHANGE
DE	BUT	1	D'ANGELO	<b>VOODOO</b> Killer video smoldering	Cheeba/Virgin 48499	298.7	_
1	1	2	SANTANA	SUPERNATURAL "Maria, Maria" smash now	Arista 19086	163.3	-14%
5	3	3	DR. DRE	DRE 2001 "Forgot" hot now	After/Interscope 90486	154.1	+6%
2	2	4	CELINE DION	ALL THE WAY "That's The" & Grammy noms	Epic/550 Music 63760	142.6	-3%
DEI	BUT	5	THE LOX	WE ARE THE STREETS "Wild Out" the song	Ruff Ryders/Inter 490599	133.6	. –
4	4	6	CHRISTINA AGUILERA	CHRISTINA AGUILERA "What" #1 MTV, VH1	RCA 67690	118.9	-2%
8	6	7	EIFFEL 65	EUROPOP "Blue (Da Ba Dee)" hot	Repub/Univ/UMG 157194	104.7	-3%
3	5	8	DMX	AND THEN THERE "What's My Name" leads	Ruff Ryders/IDJ 546933	94.8	-16%
6	8	9	NOW	THAT'S WHATVOL 3 Many hits here	UTV/UMG 545417	83.1	-15%
10	9	10	KID ROCK	DEVIL WITHOUT A "Only God Knows" hot now	Lava/Atl/Atl G 83119	77.2	-7%
9	10	11	BACKSTREET BOYS	MILLENNIUM "Show Me" hot now	Jive 41672	75.4	-7%
11	12	12	DIXIE CHICKS	FLY "Cowboy" + Grammy noms	Monument 69678	68.6	-8%
DEI	BUT	13	GUY	III "Dancin'" leads	MCA 112054	68.1	-
15	13	14	SISQO	UNLEASH THE DRAGON Two tracks working	Dragon/DS/IDJ 546816	64.6	-7%
20	15	15	DESTINY'S CHILD	THE WRITING'S "Say My Name" hot X-over	Columbia/CRG 69870	64.2	-4%
7	11	16	JAY-Z	LIFE & TIMES "Do It Again" the track	Roc-A-Fella/IDJ 546822	63.8	-16%
-	7	17	JAGGED EDGE	J.E. HEARTBREAK "He Can't Love" the cut	So So Def/Col/CRG 69862	61.9	-37%
14	14	18	BRITNEY SPEARS	BABY ONE MORE TIME Grammy noms +"From the"	Jive 41651	60.4	-11%
24	16	19	SAVAGE GARDEN	AFFIRMATION "I Knew I Loved" still	Columbia/CRG 63711	55.6	-15%
23	20	20	CREED	HUMAN CLAY "Higher" still strong	Wind-Up 13053	51.7	-15%
18	22	21	SHANIA TWAIN	COME ON OVER "Rock This" at Country	Mercury/IDJ 536003	51.3	-9%
16	19	22	BLINK 182	ENEMA OF THE STATE "All The Small" leads	MCA 11950	49.8	-19%
DE	BUT	23	SCREAM 3	SOUNDTRACK Creed the cut at radio now	Wind-Up 13056	48.9	
17	21	24	LIMP BIZKIT	SIGNIFICANT OTHER Two tracks happening	Flip/Interscope 90335	47.7	-21%
12	17	25	2PAC & THE OUTLAWZ		DR/Amaru/Inter 490413	3 47.6	-26%



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# top50 ALBUMS

2W LW TW	ARTIST	TITLE COMMENT		OWER NDEX	PERCENT CHANGE
25 18 26	NEXT FRIDAY	SOUNDTRACK Aaliyah up next	Priority 23123	46.8	-25%
21 24 27	LOU BEGA	A LITTLE BIT OF "Tricky" hot, LP past 3 milllion	RCA 67887	46.5	-11%
32 27 28	BRIAN MCKNIGHT	BACK AT ONE "Stay Or Let It Go" next	Motown 37082	45.5	-4%
13 25 29	MARIAH CAREY	RAINBOW "Thank God" #1 BET	Columbia/CRG 63800	44.6	-12%
19 23 30	METALLICA	<b>S&amp;M</b> "No Leaf Clover" leads	Elektra/EEG 62463	42.9	-19%
27 29 31	FAITH HILL	BREATHE 'Cover Girl' campaign	Warner Bros 47373	42.9	-4%
22 26 32	KORN	ISSUES On tour now	Immortal/Epic 63710	41.9	-14%
45 36 33	LONESTAR	LONELY GRILL "Amazed" hot and crossing	BNA 67762	41.7	+5%
<b>— 31 34</b>	MACY GRAY	ON HOW LIFE IS "I Try" breaking	CS/Epic 69490	39.4	-8%
30 28 35	JUVENILE	G-CODE "U Understand" leads now	CM/Univ/UMG 153162	39.4	-12%
DEBUT 36	THREE 6 MAFIA	HYPNOTIZE CAMP POSSE "Who Runnit" the track	HM/Loud 11883	38.9	-
38 37 37	EVE	LET THERE BEEVE Cut features Faith Evans	Ruff Ryders/Inter 490453	38.8	-1%
34 30 38	JUVENILE	400 DEGREEZ "Back That"still active	CM/Univ/UMG 53162	35.9	-17%
31 32 39	TOTALLY HITS	VARIOUS Hot compilation	Arista 14625	35.9	-15%
37 40 40	TIM MCGRAW	A PLACE IN THE SUN Two tracks at country	Curb 77942	31.7	-14%
<b>— 33 41</b>	ENIGMA	SCREEN BEHIND "Gravity of Love" the cut	Virgin 48606	31.1	-26%
40 45 42	MANDY MOORE	SO REAL Tour, Neutrogena campaign	Epic/550 Music 69914	30.1	0%
33 35 43	RICKY MARTIN	RICKY MARTIN "Private Emotion" next up	C2/CRG 69891	30.1	-25%
DEBUT 44	RED HOT CHILI PEPPERS	CALIFORNICATION "Otherside" the new cut	Warner Bros 47386	29.9	-
35 38 45	ENRIQUE IGLESIAS	ENRIQUE TV, "To Be", added VH1	Interscope 90540	28.2	-28%
— 48 <mark>46</mark>	THIRD EYE BLIND	BLUE "Never Let You Go" new	Elektra/EEG 62415	26.6	+6%
39 43 47	SMASH MOUTH	ASTRO LOUNGE "Morning" & Grammy nom	Interscope 90316	26.6	-16%
<b>— 50 48</b>	SOPRANOS	SOUNDTRACK A3 exploding at radio	C2/SMS 163911	26.1	+6%
<b>— 46 49</b>	BLAQUE	BLAQUE "Bring It All To Me" cut	TM/Col/CRG 68987	25.9	+2%
49 47 50	MARC ANTHONY	MARC ANTHONY "You Sang To Me" next up	Columbia/CRG 69726	25.6	+2%
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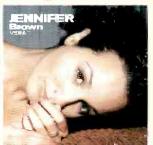
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## New Hampshire Primary—Bush Whacked

Aimee Mann: "Magnolia" Blooms



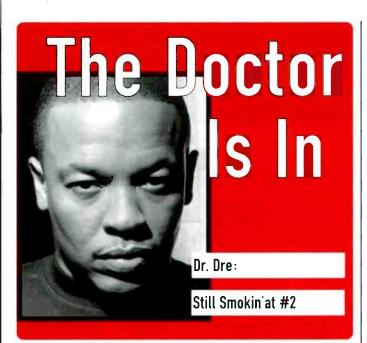
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Santana, Dre and Celine have their own magic, but D'Angelo's making...

# **VOODOO DOLLARS**



HITS



The Adds this week at MTV are 2 Gether (TVT Soundtracks), Lit (RCA), Incubus (Immortal/Epic), Smashing Pumpkins (Virgin) and Will Smith (Columbia/CRG). Pink (LaFace/Arista) and Incubus are deemed Buzzworthy.



The Adds this week at VH1 are Fiona Apple (Clean Slate/Epic), Enrique Iglesias (Interscope), Eurythmics (Arista) and Michael Hutchence (V2). Tina Turner is Artist of the Month.

ve como va. Hittin' switches in them lowlows. Hearts going on. Last week, the HITS Top 50 Album chart was all about Santana, Dr. Dre and Celine, among others. But now it's time for some serious, barechested, in-your-face, sweaty sex-o-phonic R&B to get this Y2K party started, courtesy of none other than Cheeba/Virgin's D'Angelo.



D'Angelo

D'Angelwho?

Yes, that D'Angelo, who last funked us in the bootay with 1995's "Brown Sugar." But it looks like the wait has been worth it, as his new release, "Voodoo," shoots to the top of this week's chart on sales of nearly 300k units. That'll buy a lot of sacrificial chickens.

But wait, there's more. Other big debuts turning up the heat this week include Ruff Ryders/Interscope rappers The Lox, who come back on the sophomore tip to score a #5 debut, while New-Jack Swing progentiors Guy (MCA) check in with "III" at #13.

"We closed January with a bang!" noted George Meyer of Nobody Beats The Wiz, while sticking pins into himself in order to put a hex on other retailers. "D'Angelo, The Lox and Guy all proved (ouch!) to be bigger (ow!!) sellers than we had anticipated. This was (yow!) definitely the first big (ooooweeee!!) release ..... date of the year!"



Santana

Aside from the aforementioned Santana at #2 and Dr. Dre at #3, the Top 10 sports a retiring siren (Celine) at #4, the spunky newcomer (Christina Aguilera) at #6, Italian beefcake (Eiffel 65) at #7, hardcore rap (DMX) at #8, a compilation (NOW) at #9 and white rap from Detroit (Kid Rock) at #10, once again proving what a wonderful, culturally diverse time it is to be alive.

Stick a pin in us—we're done.



# Pic Of The Week



## The Big Four

The superstars of the **Time Warner EMI Music** colossus parade their
purdy mugs for the press. "Remember
when we said this whole anline
music thing would just go away?"
chuckled CEO **Roger Ames.** "Sure do,"
replied COO **Ken Berry.** "Blimey, that
must've been way back in August, at
least." Meanwhile, Co-Chairmen **Eric Nicoli** (1) and **Richard Parsons** looked
forward to a lively afternoon of hyping records in **AOI** teen chat rooms
under the screen names "RiotGrrlNicki"
and "ChixRule50367."

#### TOP SELLING

#### SINGLES

The Top Ten Best-Selling Singles this week are #1 Santana (Ari), #2 Mariah Carey (Col), #3 Savage Garden (Col), #4 Blink 182 (MCA), #5 Puff Daddy (Bad Boy/Ari), #6 Ricky Martin (C2/CRG), #7 Missy Elliott (Elek/EEG), #8 Whitney Houston (Ari), #9 Montell Jordan (Def Soul/IDJ) and #10 Hoku (Geffen).

#### WILD CARD LONESTAR

BNA Music City mainstay Butch Waugh has begun to shepherd this buckin' bronco of a crossover ditty through the hallowed halls of big-city Pop radio and has already wrangled bushel baskets of love to take back to the dude ranch. Those stations with "Amazed" already in their saddlebags include Z100, Star 94, WXKS, KKRZ, KRBE and WKSE Throw in huge callout, great buzz and a couple of Grammy nominations and we have to brand this one a smash! (Would we steer you wrong?)

## **MTV Tunes In Three**

If you're nice, maybe they can get you Carson Daly's autograph.

Three MTV Sr. Vice Presidents have been given broader responsibilities as part of a restructuring of the marketing department by GM Van Toffler, who stopped speed-dialing requests to "TRL" for Jerry Vale's new album long enough to make the announcements.

Christina Norman "Conquests" was upped to Senior Vice President On-Air Promotion & Marketing, and "Itsy Bitsy" Tina "Weeny Yellow Polka Dot Bikini" Exharos was

boosted to Senior Vice President Communications & Music Marketing. In addition, David Cohn "Of Silence" was tapped as General Manager for MTV2.

Norman will oversee MTV's consumer and trade advertising, work closely with the affiliate sales team and system operators, oversee the channel's national promotions and contests and drop water balloons on those gathered in Times Square to see "Total Request Live."

Exarhos will continue to spearhead communications

efforts at the network, and will now take on the additional responsibilities of music marketing, promotion and maintaining Carson Daly's five o'clock shadow until six o'clock.

Previously MTV Sr. VP Marketing, Cohn will oversee all aspects of MTV2, including wearing a satellite dish on his head so he can watch it.

Commented Toffler: "These promotions reflect the tremendous contributions that each of these people has made to MTV over the years. Christina has been the driving force behind the incredibly breathrough and creative promos on our channel, Tina has helped get the world buzzing about MTV, and David had extended MTV's connection to music in innovative ways through one of our most successful marketing campaigns. Wait until they find out they'll all be living together on the next 'Real World.""



Christina Norman: Won't take calls from Beavis & Butt-head.



Tina Exarhos: Does a mean karaoke version of "I Am Woman."



David Cohn: Claims to be Sumner Redstone's nephew.



Japanese be getting together again?

As merger-mania sweeps the music industry of late, with such major players as AOL, Time Warner and EMI taking centerstage, industry insiders are eyeing potential moves that Sony and Bertelsmann need to make in order to stay competitive.

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Bertelsmann chief Thomas Middelhoff, who now has to make good on his promise that BMG will be the #1 music company by year's end, looks to be playing a high-stakes game of musical chairs, with word that the German media giant is seeking to tie up its BMG Entertainment with Sony Music. Both music congloms are finding their marketshare rank threatened by

the pairing of Warner Music and EMI Group.

The visit of BMG Entertainment Chairman/CEO Michael Dornemann to Tokyo last week fueled talk of a merger with Sony Music. BMG says the executive's visit was previously scheduled and had nothing to do with Sony, while the Japanese giant also insists that it is not about to shed its music unit. A combined Sony-BMG could run into some serious regulatory problems, but as one insider asked, "Regulations, shmegulations! How much will my stock be worth?"

Other speculation predicts closer ties between BMG and Universal Music Group, who have had distribution agreements, online connections and family ties.

#### The Conglomerates Compared

#### **Employees worldwide:**

BERTELSMANN AG: 65,000 SONY CORPORATION: 177,000

#### Total Worldwide Revenue, Fiscal 1998:

BERTELSMANN AG: \$13 billion SONY CORPORATION: \$56.6 billion

#### Revenue percentage by business:

#### **BERTELSMANN AG:**

Books: 31%

Printing, logistics & news services: 14%

Magazines & newspapers: 20%

Music: 30% Multimedia: 2%

Professional information: 3.5%

#### **SONY CORPORATION:**

Electronics: 64% Computer games: 11%

Music: 10.5% Film: 8% Insurance: 5%

#### Revenues by region:

**BERTELSMANN AG:** 

USA: 35%; Europe: 58%; rest of world: 7%

SONY CORPORATION:

USA: 32%; Japan: 28%; Europe: 24%; rest of world: 16%

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- 1 **ROGER AMES:** Nice comeback. He's no Cher, of course, but leading a consolidated multinational megalith will have to do.
- 2 AHMET ERTEGUN: With the kind of career he's had, maybe AOL will name a chat room after him.



- 3 **D'ANGELO:** Doing that Voodoo that he do so well with a #1 album chart debut.
- 4 **DR. DRE:** "Chronic" album sales maintain chart heat. Think Eminem will let PricewaterhouseCoopers take care of all that money?
- 5 **ISLAND DEF JAM:** Caparro and company wearing the rap triple crown. DMX, Jay-Z and Sisqo fought the law... and Lyor won.
- 6 **CLIVE DAVIS:** You mean there's bigger news? Maybe there's a place for him at AOLTWEMI.
- 7 **SONY/BMG:** Japan and Germany would make an odd couple, but why does the idea sound so familiar?
- 8 **STEVE STOUTE:** Interscope exec scores with The Lox, Drag-On. Just hope Puffy's priest doesn't object.



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- 9 PETER KOEPKE: Will his Ames be true to London?
- 10 JOHN BARBIS: His first job in "mainstreaming" Priority will be translating Bryan Turner's hockeyspeak for the rest of the company.



#### **ACTION**

The **Top Ten Most-Requested Videos** this week at **The Box** are #1 **Dr. Dre** f/**Eminem** (Afermath/Int), #2 **Eve** (Ruff Ryders/Int), #3 **Notorious B.I.G.** (Bad Boy/Arista), #4 **Pink** (LaFace/Arista), #5 **Santana** (Arista), #6 **Hot Boys** (Cash Money/Universal), #7 **D'Angelo** (Virgin), #8 **LFO** (Arista), #9 **Eiffel 65** (Rupublic/Universal) and #10 **Ginuwine** (Sony Music Soundtrax/Columbia).



## Sony In NARM's Way EWS: Retail Trade Association Sues A Major

Back

Stop 🐼

Smoke 👄

Reload @

Drink .

Crash 💋

Bail

#### THIS BYTES

Your world is about to be rocked again. this time without all those pesky wires. Exhibit A: Texas Instruments CEO Tom Engibous, addressing a company seminar in Tokyo on 1/31, noted that wireless Net devices are replacing the PC as the engine of the electronics business -thus validating what many techheads have been sputtering about for some time, and observing that such devices, with continuous broadband connectivity, will offer previously unimagined possibilities. As the top supplier of Digital Signal Processors (DSPs) for such devices, TI certainly stands to gain from the perception that the wireless revolution is upon us. But that doesn't mean it isn't. Exhibit B: Last month, News Corp. chieftain Rupert Murdoch journeyed to Helsinki to talk with cell phone titan Nokia, presumably about some kind of joint venture. Murdoch is a long-time believer in wireless delivery, and his massive content holdings are a nice fit with Nokia's huge manufacturing base and global wireless infrastructure—especially in Asia. How will the new cable-based media oligopolies respond to the challenge? Stay tuned...

ust three weeks before its annual convention, U.S. retail trade group the National Association of Recording Merchandisers has filed a lawsuit against Sony Music that, in effect, seeks to stop the record company from bundling with its CDs hyperlinks to retail sites it owns, controls or directs.

The lawsuit is the first shot in what could be a long battle over music companies' use of the Internet to sell directly to consumers, and insiders believe the retailers may be making a "preemptive strike" by filing the suit.

The suit, filed this week in the U.S. District Court on behalf of NARM's more than 1,000 retail members. charges Sony with unfair competition and alleges that the company is illegally forcing retailers to carry CDs with software and promotional inserts directing consumers to Sony's competing retail locations. The complaint further alleges that Sony has engaged in illegal price discrimination by favoring its own record club, Columbia House, and on-line retailer CDNow (merging with Columbia House), over other retailers.

"We've looked at all the music companies, but Sony's combination of practices caused the most con-

cern," said Pamela Horovitz, President of NARM, who pointed out this is the first lawsuit the organization has ever filed. "NARM is hoping for a permanent injunction and is not looking for punitive damages."

Horovitz said NARM is not ruling out taking action against other music companies as well. "Our intent. however, is to let this one lawsuit lay some ground rules," she said.

The NARM convention, which takes place Feb. 27-March 1, has several Sony participants scheduled to attend. NARM also is bestowing one of its highest honors on Gloria Estefan, a Sony recording artist. No word as to whether Sony will boycott the event.

A spokesperson for Sony said the company "cannot comment until we have fully reviewed the suit."



NARM says the timing of the suit was coincidental. "We tried to get this done before the end of last year," said Horovitz.

Murphy Sez: "I jes' don't see why they's makin' such a fuss about a bunch o' dang ol' coasters, anyhoo!!"

#### No Such Thing As Free Launch

Michael Ovitz, the renowned Hollywood dealmaker, has again set his sights on the Internet and its potential for the distribution of music.

Launch Media Inc. and Ovitz's partly owned online startup CheckOut.com have entered into a partnership making Wherehouse Online Stores the exclusive e-commerce partner for Launch.com.

As part of the pact, Launch will provide content to CheckOut, which recently incorporated WOS into its sites after a \$20 million investment from Wherehouse and will operate the WOS under the CheckOut.com umbrella. In addition, CheckOutMusic.com will become a partner site in Launch's Online Music Group.

"The partnership with Launch allows CheckOutMusic.com and the WOS the opportunity to further reach the growing base of entertainment fans online," said Richard Wolpert, CheckOut's CEO. "Now, are the pitted prunes in heavy syrup on aisle three or aisle five?"

#### **Amazon Finds It's A** Jungle Out There

Leading online retailer Amazon.com said last week that it laid off 150 employees-2% of its total 7,500strong workforce.

The cuts are nearly across the board, affecting such departments as auctions. books and strategic growth. The company claims the downsizing is in no way a reflection of any change in its overall strategy. After successfully bursting on the scene with such high impact, sources said, the company simply staffed up too quickly and is now trimming away some redundancies, including executive caviar for lunch and dinner and stretch Lear let service to and from airports.

At presstime, shares in Amazon closed up 2 7/8 to 67 7/16.

## Swap 'Til You Drop

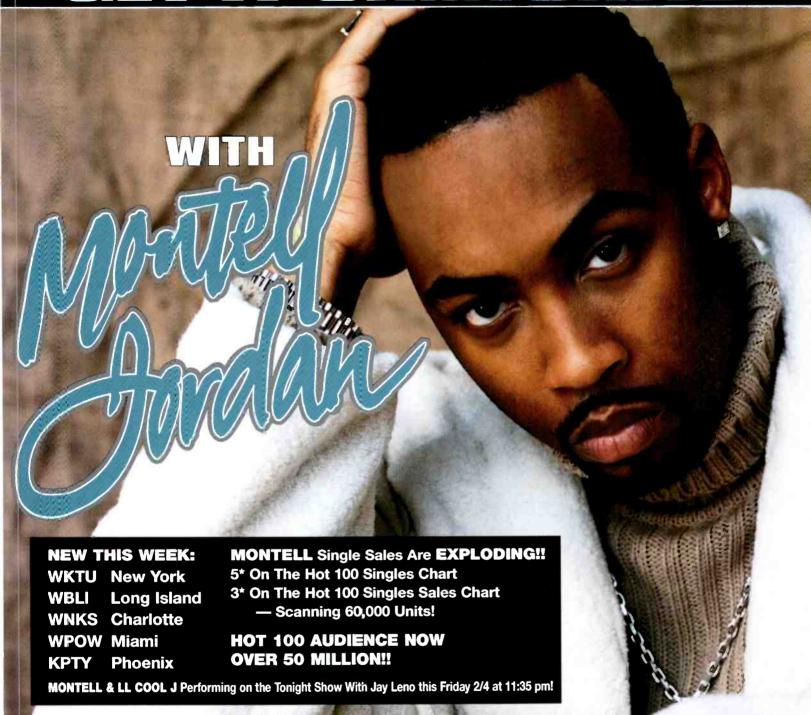
Here's a possible new wrinkle in the online copyright wars: MrSwap.com, a SF-based site allowing users to trade CDs, movies and games. Instead of taking unwanted "content" to the local retail outlet and pocketing a measly \$2, the kids can trade it online.

But what's to prevent tech-

savvy scofflaws from duping, ripping or otherwise copying said items before trading? There's gotta be some way to stop them!!! Send in the best legal strategy for suing the bastards, and we'll swap you either "Little River Band's Greatest Hits" or a VHS copy of "Police Academy 4."

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# GET IT ON...TONITE



KKRZ/Portland Top 15 Callout (19x)! WKSS/Hartford #1 25-34 Females; #1 20-29 females!; #4 overall callout!

#1 20-29 females!; #4 overall callout! Power Rotation (45x)

KHTS/San Diego #2 callout (22x)!

WXSS/Milwaukee Top 15 overall callout (43x)!

KHFI/Austin Top 15 callout (57x)! WKSE/Buffalo Great research & phones

going into Power Rotation!

Good early rotations at: KZZP/Phoenix B97/New Orleans KRQ/Tucson KDWB/Minneapolis

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RHYTHMIC TOP 40: 7-5\*! (+201 Spins! Audience +831,000 to 11.6 Million!)











Early phones at WPRO/Providence & KZQZ/San Francisco

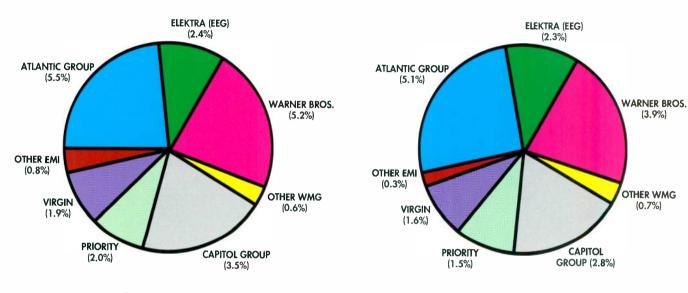


## **WMG/EMI Marketshare By Label**

WMG/EMI Total 1999 U.S. Current Album Share = 21.9%

HITS

WMG/EMI Total 2000 U.S. Current Album Share To Date = 18.2%



The above percentages represent the individual labels' U.S. marketshare

## WMG/EMI Upcoming 2000 Releases

That said, the following is a partial list of possible impact records in the Warner Music Group/EMI hoppers for release this year.

#### WARNER MUSIC GROUP

#### ATLANTIC

- •Bad Religion
- Brandy
- •The Cult
- The Cult
- •Kid Rock
- Tracy Lawrence
- •Led Zeppelin
- •Lil Kim
- •M2M
- •Matchbox 20
- John Michael Montgomery
- •Sinead O'Connor
- •Poe
- Darius Rucker

- •Sugar Ray
- Trick Daddy

#### **ELEKTRA**

- •AC/DC
- Better Than Ezra
- •Busta Rhymes
- Missy Elliott
- •En Vogue
- •Gerald Levert
- •Pantera
- Phish
- •Silk
- •Keith Sweat

#### GIANT

- Big Head Todd and the Monsters
- •Steely Dan

#### **MAVERICK**

- Deftones
- •William Orbit
- Prodigy

#### WARNER REPRISE

- Barenaked Ladies
- •Eric Benet
- Lindsay Buckingham

- •Eric Clapton+B.B. King
- Enya
- •Green Day
- Don Henley
- •k.d. lang
- Madonna
- •Bette Midler
- Ioni Mitchell
- •Stevie Nicks
- Orgy
- Paul Simon
- •Neil Young

#### HO!

#### CAPITOL

- •Garth Brooks
- •Deana Carter
- •Everclear
- Radiohead
- •Bonnie Raitt
- Robbie Williams

#### **PRIORITY**

- •C-Murder
- •El DeBarge
- Easy Mo Bee
- •Ice Cube
- •J1 Money
  •Mack 10
- JT Money

- •MC Eihr
- •Mia X
- •Mr. Serv-On
- •Sauce Money
- •Snoop Dogg
- •Silkk the Shocker

#### VIRGIN

- Daft Punk
- Perry Farrell
- •Fatboy Slim
- •Smashing Pumpkins
- •Tina Turner
- •The Urge
- Yanni

TOP 40
\*\*\*AIRPOWER\*\*\*

ADULT TOP 40
\*\*\*AIRPOWER\*\*\*

NEW YORK
Z100 30x
WPLJ 30x
WBLI 40x
WLIR 27x
Soundscan 48-34

LOS ANGELES
KIIS 20x
KROQ 21x
KYSR 38x
KACD 10x
Soundscan 51-41

## THIRD EYE BLIND

#### **NEVER LET YOU GO**

CHICAGO
WKIE 43x
Q101 18x
WTMX 43x
Soundscan 85-68

SAN DIEGO KHTS 24x KFMB 38x KXST 28x XTRA 40x

BOSTON
WXKS 38x
WFNX 33x
WBMX 31x
WBOS 15x
Soundscan 83-40

SALT LAKE CITY
KZHT 38x
KXRK 35x
KQMB 33x
KENZ 35x
KBEE 23x
Soundscan 30-24

**21-16** Mainstream Top 40

**21-18** Adult Top 40

**5-5** Modern Rock

16-11AAA

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The new single from the already platinum album Blue.

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ASSISTANT ENGINEER AT ENCORE: MAURICIO IRAGORRI



## **Hands Across The Sea: Some Key WMG/EMI Players**

A rundown of Warner Music Group and EMI's major U.S. labels and their Presidents, Executive VPs and Senior VPs (in alphabetical order by rank).

#### **WARNER MUSIC GROUP**

#### THE ATLANTIC GROUP/ ATLANTIC RECORDS

Val Azzoli, Co-Chairman/Co-CEO Ahmet Ertegun, Co-Chairman/Co-CEO Andrea Ganis, Executive VP Craig Kallman, Executive VP/ Office of the Chairman

Tony O'Brien, Executive VP/CFO. the Atlantic Group Ron Shapiro, Executive VP/GM

Iason Flom. Lava President Richard Bates, Sr. VP

Creative Services Danny Buch, Sr. VP

National Promotion Karen Colamussi, Sr. VP Associated Labels/New Media

Patti Conte, Sr. VP Media and Artist Relations Steve Davis, Sr. VP Artist Development Linda Ferrando, Sr. VP Video Promotion

& Media Development

Rick Froio, Sr. VP Sales Vicky Germaise, Sr. VP Marketing

Ronnie Johnson, Sr. VP Urban Promotion

Fran Lichtman, Sr. VP International Arif Mardin, Sr. VP/Producer

Jennifer Marwood, Sr. VP, the Atlantic Group

Samantha Schwam, Sr. VP Finance Lisa Velasquez, Sr. VP Pop/

Crossover Promotion

Rick Blackburn, Chairman Emeritus,

Atlantic Nashville

Barry Coburn, President/CEO,

Atlantic Nashville

#### **ELEKTRA ENTERTAINMENT GROUP**

Sylvia Rhone, Chairman/CEO Gary Casson, Executive VP Greg Thompson, Executive VP/GM Richard Bengloff, Sr. VP Finance/CFO Bill Berger, Sr. VP International Merlin Bobb, Sr. VP A&R Steve Heldt, Sr. VP Sales Nancy Jeffries, Sr. VP A&R Steve Kleinberg, Sr. VP Marketing Michael Pollack, Sr. VP/General Counsel Sherry Ring-Ginsberg, Sr. VP Press & Artist Development

#### RHINO ENTERTAINMENT

Richard Foos, Co-President Harold Bronson, Co-President Garson Foos, Sr. VP Marketing Colin Reef, Sr. VP/CFO Brian Schuman, Sr. VP Operations Arny Schorr, Sr. VP/GM Home Video Gary Stewart, Sr. VP A&R

#### WARNER BROS. RECORDS INC./ **REPRISE RECORDS**

Russ Thyret, Chairman/CEO David Altschul, Vice-Chairman

Marty Greenfield, CFO

Howie Klein, President (Reprise) Phil Quartararo, President

(WBR Inc./WB)

Rich Fitzgerald, Executive VP

Matt Pierson, Executive VP/GM Jazz Janice Azrak, Sr. VP A&R

(Nashville) Bill Bentley, Sr. VP

Media Relations (Reprise)

John Beug, Sr. VP Film/Video

Marketing/Promotion

Dwight Bibbs, Sr. VP Urban Promotion Tom Biery, Sr. VP Head of Promotion

John Boulos, Sr. VP Promotion

Danny Bramson, Sr. VP Soundtrack Development Phil Costello, Sr. VP Promotion (Reprise)

Cindy Finch, Sr. VP Administration (Nashville) Mark Goldstein, Sr. VP Legal & Business Affairs

David Kahne, Sr. VP A&R (Reprise)

Craig Kostich, Sr. VP/Marketing Dir. (Reprise) Paige Levy, Sr. VP A&R (Nashville)

Steve Margo, Sr. VP International

Bill Mayne, Sr. VP/GM (Reprise Nashville)

Joe McEwen. Sr. VP A&R

Bob Merlis, Sr. VP Worldwide

Corporate

Communications

Karen Moss-Lux. Sr. VP Publicity

Melanie Nissen, Sr. VP

Creative Services

Chris Palmer, Sr. VP

Progressive Music (Nashville)

Liz Rosenberg-Citron, Sr. VP Publicity

Bob Saporiti, Sr. VP/GM (Nashville) Carl Scott, Sr. VP Artist Relations

Randy Skinner, Sr. VP Video

Rick Streicker, Sr. VP Legal & Business affairs Jim Wagner, Sr. VP Sales and Marketing

#### **WEA**

Dave Mount, Chairman/CEO Dave Hendler, CFO Fran Aliberte, Executive VP Sales Alan Voss, Executive VP/GM

#### HUE

#### **CAPITOL RECORDS GROUP**

Roy Lott, President/CEO Justin Morris, Sr. VP/CFO Burt Baumgartner, Sr. VP Promotion Susan Genco, Sr. VP Operations lav Krugman, Sr. VP Domestic/Int'l. Marketing John Linton, Sr. VP R&B Promotion/Marketing Joe McFadden, Sr. VP Sales John Ray, Sr. VP Business/Legal Affairs Perry Watts-Russell, Sr. VP A&R

#### **CAPITOL NASHVILLE**

Pat Quigley, President/CEO Bill Catino, Executive VP Promotion Tom Becci, Sr. VP Finance & Operations

#### **PRIORITY RECORDS**

Bryan Turner, President/CEO Stephen Drath, Sr. Executive VP Bob Grossi, Sr. VP Sales Andrew Shack, Sr. VP A&R

#### **EMILATIN**

José Behar, President/CEO, Stephen Drath, Sr. Executive VP Bob Grossi, Sr. VP Sales

#### **VIRGIN RECORDS AMERICA**

Nancy Berry, Virgin Music Group Worldwide/ Virgin Records America Vice Chairman Ray Cooper, Co-President

> Ashley Newton, Co-President Gary Ilsley, CFO Jerry Cohen, Controller Tony Berg, Executive VP A&R Ken Pedersen, Executive VP Keith Wood, Executive VP A&R

Thomas Bracamontes, Sr. VP

Urban Promotion Susan Feingold, Sr. VP Legal/Business Affairs

Piero Giramonti, Sr. VP Marketing B.J. Lobermann, Sr. VP Sales Patrick Moxey, Sr. VP A&R Michael Plen, Sr. VP Promotion Cynthia Sexton, Sr. VP Visual Marketing/Licensing/Multimedia John Wooler, Sr. VP Commercial Marketing/President Point Blank

#### **EMD**

Richard Cottrell, President/CEO Mike Mooney, CFO Gene Rumsey, Executive VP Sales & Marketing



# SONIQUE

<u>Airplay:</u> BDS Top 40 Mainstream 33\*-24\*

BDS Rhythmic Top 40 26\*-20\*

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KHTT WZAT
WWST KLZR

WNNK And More!

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## "Sopranos," "Magnolia" Make Hot Tracks

One takes place in Jersey, the other in the San Fernando Valley. One's about an apocalyptic Mob, the other's about apocalyptic Frogs.

PlayTone/Columbia/Sony Music Soundtrax' "The Sopranos" and Reprise Records' "Magnolia" soundtrack albums are climbing the charts, thanks to a pair of artists who are currently unsigned free agents—U.K. band A3 and veteran singer/songwriter Aimee Mann. The two discs are proving the new year's first two soundtrack hits, each now selling upwards of 20k a week.

"The Sopranos" is taking off thanks to the award-winning show's theme song, A3's "Woke Up This Morning," which is proving an offer Modern Adult, PoMo, Pop and Crossover Radio can't refuse. The Brit-hop band, still known as Alabama 3 in the U.K., first put the song on their '97 Geffen album "Exile on Coldharbour Lane" before becoming one of the numerous casualties of Universal's acquisition of PolyGram.

Music has obviously been a major factor in "The Sopranos." Columbia released the album in December to take advantage of HBO's re-run of the first season and build-up for the new shows, which bowed in January with a massive instore, radio and direct-marketing TV campaign.

Columbia Records VP Marketing WC Peter Fletcher points to the Golden Globes—where the theme song was played all four times the show won awards—as a major factor in its success: "We're honored to be part of the 'Sopranos' family, so to speak. Now we get to hang out with the 'Ba-

da Bing' girls."

"Magnolia," meanwhile, is using critical kudos for the film and the integration of Aimee Mann's songs in the Paul Thomas Anderson movie to attract record buyers. The label initially tapped "Save Me" as the first single/video, but KROQ L.A.'s add on "Wise Up" has shifted the focus.

Reprise Sr. VP Promotion Phil Costello knows who's on first, but he's now more concerned with what's on second. He is preparing to make the switch to "Wise Up" after KROQ PD Kevin Weatherly championed the song.

Said Costello: "Even people who don't like the film are responding to the music, and many of them began gravitating towards 'Wise Up.' In fact, buttered popcorn sales are going through the roof when the song comes on."

Warner Bros. Records Inc. Sr. VP Soundtrack Development Danny Bramson, who was responsible for bringing the album to the label, is a long-time Aimee Mann fan. "It's just really special for me to expose people to Aimee's work and to complete Paul's vision. Best of all, I don't have to wait for a table at the Ivy, even when I'm not with my good friend Cameron Crowe."

And while Aimee is still intent on selling her new album, "Bachelor #2" (which includes four of the songs from "Magnolia"), via the Internet—could be headed to yet another major label.

Says Costello: "If we could get her into the Time Warner group, it would make a lot of people happy. She has a lot of fans here."

## Every Time I Think I'm Out, They Give Me Back End



Sony chieftain **Thomas D. Mottola** (back, r) and **Columbia** ruler **Don lenner** (back, c) congratulate **The Sopranos** on their hit soundtrack. A lively discussion ensued on the similarities between "waste management" and "content aggregation" and a joint venture to control the North Jersey streaming-media racket was proposed. Noted **Silvio** afterward, "**Tony**, those guys scare the crap outta me."

# Walet Watch HOW'S THE OL' TICKER? A SELECTION OF ENTERTAINMENT/INTERNET STOCKS AT PRESSTIME.

ENTERTAINMENT/INTERNET STOCKS AT FRESSTIME.					
COMPANY	T/W	LW	% CHANGE	52 WK HI — LO	
AMFM	79.09	78.38	+0.92	85.62—39.50	
CLEAR CHANNEL	88.19	88.63	-0.49	95.50—56.37	
CITADEL COMM.	52.38	52.63	-0.48	65.62—19.87	
CUMULUS MEDIA	38.38	49.50	-22.47	55.43—9.12	
COX RADIO	85.00	90.50	-6.08	107.00—39.25	
DISNEY	36.00	37.50	-4	38.00—22.75	
EMI (IN PENCE)	747.50	739.00	+1.15	810.00—355.50	
EMMIS COMM,	88.75	109.31	-1 8.81	124.68—39.00	
EMUSIC	9.00	9.50	-5.26	35.00—8.12	
INFINITY	32.94	33.88	-2.77	41.50—23.68	
JACOR COMM.	15.25	15.13	+0.83	16.50—8.43	
JEFFERSON -PILOT	59.06	58.00	+1,83	79.62—56.18	
LIQUID AUDIO	28.88	34.06	-15.23	49.25—17.87	
MP3.COM	27.19	31.00	-12.3	105.00—23.31	
REALNET- WORKS	157.88	157.88	0	186.00—26.50	
radio One	74.00	81.06	-8.71	97.50—28.00	
SFX ENT	31.31	34.25	-8.58	51.68—25.00	
SIRIUS SATELLITE	45.00	47.63	-5.51	51.00—19.50	
SONY	253.38	239.25	+5.9	295.87—71.68	
TIME WARNER	77.94	86.63	-10.03	102.00—57.18	
VIACOM	56.00	57.63	-2.82	61.87—36.68	
SEAGRAM	58.56	59.38	-1.37	65.00—36.62	
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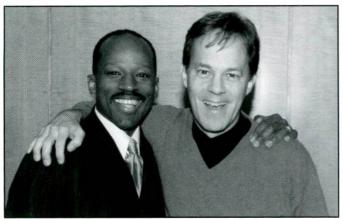






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## HITS Sticks Hicks Pic



Veteran music executive **Hiriam Hicks** (I) enters into a joint venture with Capitol Records to establish a new label at the company while President/Chief Executive Officer Roy Lott (r) welcomes the former Island Black Music head to the Tower by sending regards to his partner **Babyface**. Under terms of the exclusive agreement, Hicks will seek out and develop new talent, executive-produce selected Capitol artists and teach Lott how to kill a mockingbird with a pool cue. Said Lott: "How could you do this to Clive? You know, we invented the concept of the industry trade shot together back in '87. Now will you excuse me while I go check my AOL Time Warner stock?"

#### Retailers Take A Leap of Faith

The only one happier than Sadie Hawkins about leap year 2000 are record retailers.

No, they're not celebrating HITS Sr. Pubescent Roy Trakin's 12th birthday, but the new millennium's first big release day of the year on February 29.

The schedule is topped by multi-Platinum rappers Bone Thugs-N-Harmony's "BTNH Resurrection" on Ruthless/ Epic, Ruff Ryders/Interscope hip-hop star Drag-On's "Opposite of H2O" and Ice Cube's "Ware & Peace Part II" on Priority.

On the Post Modern rock front, there's Smashing Pumpkins' "MACHINA/the machines of God" on Virgin and Oasis' "Standing on the Shoulder of Giants" from Epic. Classic rockers Steely Dan return with Giant's "Two Against Nature," the first studio album from Messrs. Becker and Fagen in nearly two decades. Other acts with releases include Bloodhound Gang, Coco Lee, Tara MacLean, John Oszajca and The The.

The crowded release schedule is already being thinned out, however, as rappers, Mystikal and Big Pun have moved the dates of their new albums, "Let's Get Ready to Rumble" and "Yeeeh Baby," to March.

Valley Media's Kevin Hawkins was practically chortling with glee, but that's just because he won his office Super Bowl pool and had John McCain plus 35,000 in the New Hampshire primary: "It's nice to see a huge release date coming that might drag everyone out of their winter doldrums. There's a little something for everyone. Definitely the first Super Tuesday of the year, and hopefully we won't have to wait another two months for another one. Now, who's seen my Popeil pocket fisherman?"

### Ain't Nothin' but a G Thang

A court date will be set this week for the trial of rapper Dr. Dre vs. accounting firm PWC (PricewaterhouseCoopers).

Dr. Dre has filed a multimillion-dollar claim against the company for fraud and breach of fiduciary duty in connection with the alleged looting of tens of millions by his accountants, who diverted the funds to other PWC clients, claims Dre's lawyer, Howard E. King.

The case, originally filed February '98, has been slowed because PWC partner Steve Cantrock, Suge Knight (Dre's former Death Row partner) and DR lawyer David Kenner have all taken the Fifth Amendment.

Former Death Row recording artist Snoop Dogg is also suing the company on similar charges.

In other rap legal news, the Manhattan DA's case against Puffy Combs on weapons charges is apparently sprouting holes. Sources report the second gun found on the street was not thrown from Puffy's Lincoln Navigator and won't be used as evidence. Also, the three witnesses who claimed they saw a gun in the Puffy's hand at Club New York are all from the same Brooklyn gang and were "out to get Puffy."

Meanwhile, Jay-Z was indicted Monday (1/31) in N.Y. Criminal Court on charges stemming from the December stabbing of record executive Lance "Un" Rivera. The rapper will be arraigned on Feb. 22.

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BMG (TOTAL: 9)	280	2, 6	11, 18, 20	23, 27, 33, 39
<b>WEMI</b> (TOTAL: 9)	190	1, 10		26, 30, 31, 40 41, 44, 46
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dam "Raised a Cain" Owett has been named Senior Vice President Creative Services for Sony Music by Sr. VP Ron Urban "Contemporary." Owett will supervise the department's creative staff, have overall responsibility for developing the imaging for packaging, advertising and toilet stall graffiti... Barry "Licensed To" Ilberman has been tapped as Vice President Global Human Resources for Sony Music Entertainment by Sr. VP Global Human Resources & Administration Frank "N Beans" Calamita. Ilberman will assist Calamita in placing Prozac in all office vending machines... "Thick As A" Rick Rosenberg has been upped to Vice President of Sales for Edel America Records by E.A.R. President Jonathan First "Come, First Served." Rick was previously National Director of Sales and a huge Liberace fan... Kathy "Spic &" Spanberger has been hired as President of peermusic's U.S. Companies by Chairman/CEO Ralph "Took A Long Walk Off A Short" Peer II. Spanberger will be responsible for the firm's U.S. companies and charging performance royalties for singing catalog songs in the shower... Cybele "Du Jour" Parsignault has been tapped as Director Media & Artist Relations for the Island

Def Jam Music Group by Sr. VP Media & Artist Relations Lauren Murphy "Fi Fo Fum." Cybele will oversee day-to-day media operations for the West Coast and post bail for label artists... Tom "Hate To" Eaton "Run" is raised to Associate Director Motion Picture & Television Music for Universal Music Publishing Group by Sr. VP Film, Television & New Media "Dred" Scott James. Eaton will be responsible for soliciting Universal copyrights, pitching songwriters for film and TV projects and recycling the used creamers in the office kitchen... Marisa "The Night" Porter is promoted to Associate Director Motion Picture & Television Music for Universal Music Publishing by Sr. VP Film, Television & New Media Scott James "Gang." Porter will solicit Publishing Group copyrights and TV projects and pitch Universal Music Publishing Group President David Renzer for a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame... Dana "Vodka" Collins has joined Direct Management Group, Inc., as an artist manager, it was announced by company heads Steve "Of Destruction" Jensen and Martin Kirkup "Up and Away." Collins will be involved in artist management and storing Adam Duritz' dreadlocks between public appearances.



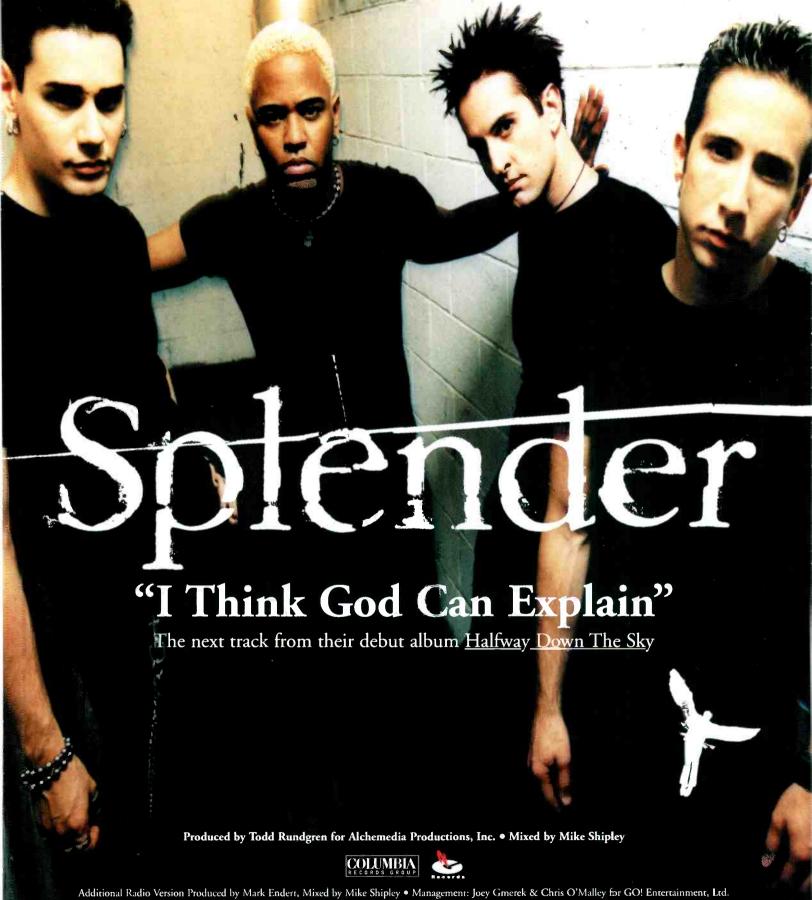








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# NEAR TRUTHS

BY I.B. BAD, LOS ANGELES

he mind-numbing action surrounding AOL, TW, WMG and EMI has the rumor mill spinning at hyperspeed over a possible Sony/ Bertelsmann deal. The trouble with all these rumors is that music industry Einsteins are questioning whether either company is really a seller. Regardless of whether it's fact or fiction, Wall Street insiders say the Warner/EMI deal has pushed valuation to the 20x earnings mark, putting BMG's value at \$9-10 billion and Sony's value at \$11-12 billion (Universal's music division would be valued at \$20 billion under the new index). Navsayers claiming cultural differences between Sony and BMG rule out the possibility of an entertainment merger a la the culturally compatible WMG and EMI, while others point to regulatory problems for a straight buyout-a combined Sony Music and BMG would mean a marketshare north of that magic 30% number in the U.S. If something really does happen, it's clear that it would go down in the corporate suites of Tokyo and Gütersloh, with Thomas Mid-

#### A YEN FOR MORE?



Thomas Middelhoff: Will he march on Japan?

delhoff and Nobuyuki Idei talking the universal language of money. Action to come? Depends on who's spinning... Oh yeah, about that whole Warner EMI thing, where Roger Ames is being heralded for an incredibly quick and truly remarkable industry comeback: Naturally, rumors are running rampant over consolidation at a post-regulatory Warner EMI. With said approval not expected until the fourth quarter of this year, many claim the company will avoid making any premature, destabilizing moves until at least the first quarter of 2001—a scenario some say bears an uncanny resemblance to the Universal/PolyGram merger one year earlier. Naturally, the time frame doesn't stop various outrageous and unlikely scenarios from flying fast and furious. Most revolve around the combined Warner EMI in the U.S. having two majors on each coast. Of course, exactly which two is a matter of some intense, hysteria-based debate. Among the smoke being blown this week is a pairing of Elektra and Atlantic, or one of them pairing with Virgin, Capitol or Reprise. Or how about WB/ Reprise pairing with Virgin or Capitol? Or a Virgin/Capitol combination that enables WB/ Reprise to remain on its own? And what about WB/Reprise with Priority, which suddenly becomes a possible fix for the Urban problems currently faced by a number of labels under the new umbrella? And, of course, WHO'S GOING TO **RUN THESE COMPANIES?** Obviously, lips are flapping about such names as Val Azzoli, Jason Flom, Craig Kallman, Sylvia Rhone and Ames loyalist Peter Koepke in the East. In the West, the talk centers around Roy Lott, Russ Thyret, Bryan Turner, Cooper & Newton, Phil Quartararo and Howie Klein. And amid all that talk is new chatter about such recently concluded deals as Hiriam Hicks/Capitol, Chris Schwartz/WB, Happy Walters/Virgin, Barry Hankerson/ Virgin and John Barbis' consultancy deal with Priority. And if that's not enough, there's escalating chatter over Clive Calder's Jive/Zomba being an acquisition target of the combined Warner EMI. Numbercrunchers saying the Calder empire could go for more than \$1.5 billion. Whoa... And what about publishing? There are some who think there won't be a regulatory problem when the world's two largest music publishers come together, while others strongly disagree. Many wondering if EMI's Martin Bandier has the advantage in this game since he is on the EMI Board and part of the merger process. With most agreeing there will be one publishing company when this is done, there's much nervousness among the royalty of the mechanical royalties. With all the publishing action, has the value of the Rondor deal increased as the bar is raised and companies look to bolster their holdings in the new era? It's only the beginning, folks... And finally, amid all this earthshaking action, there's no lack of conversation about the lack of participation by the industry's celebrated superstar attorneys, who are conspicuabsent from ously AOL/TW and Warner/EMI pro-

ceedings... Over on the Clive

#### WILL HE WALK, MAN?



Nobuyuki Idei: All those rumors start to smell fishy.

Davis/BMG front, negotiations are continuing, though many say that when the smoke clears, Davis will no longer be affiliated with the German conglom. So what's happening at LaFace amid all this tumult? How does the Toni Braxton camp feel about a spring release, given all the angst and less-than-hidden sentiments of some Arista execs over the pending coronation of L.A. Reid to the label throne this summer?... Names in the Rumor Mill: Allen Grubman. John Branca, Don Passman. Gary Stiffelman, Joel Katz and Arthur Indursky.

#### THE COMEBACK KID



Roger Ames: From London to the world in no time.



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# LETTERS

#### **Ari Upped**

Lenny:

It was very nice meeting you last week with Daniel. I hope your arm feels better soon and I look forward to working with you in the coming year.

Ari Chazanas Artemis Records N.Y.C.

HITS replies: The feeling's mutual, Ari. In fact, Lenny's arm is feeling a lot better the more he uses it to slap Trakin upside the head.

#### **Vivid Section**

Roy:

Enjoy some of our new, hard-core Vivid Video releases. If you want to dive into the classics, let me know. I enclosed an invite and photo from the party last week. If you need anything else or ever want to come out to a set, let me know.

David Schlesinger Vivid Video Van Nuys, CA

HITS replies: Trakin's most grateful for the promo package, David. He doesn't really need any more titles, though—he only watches them 30 seconds at a time.

#### Child's Play

Roy:

Attached, please find some background information on Desmond Child as well as a recent *Billboard* issue that spotlighted his career.

Rick Gomes KSA N.Y.C.

HITS replies: Thanks for the Billboard, Rick. It makes marvelous fireplace kindling. As for Desmond Child, we're still awaiting the Miami Bee-och sequel to his best-selling smash, "Livin' La Vida Boca."

#### Mitchell, Brother

Lenny:

Here's the Joni Mitchell album I promised. One copy's for you; one's for Dennis.

Howard Klein Reprise Records Burbank, CA

HITS replies: Thanks, Howie, but we've already downloaded it from Napster.

#### **List-less**

Hey Roy, baby!

Here's a tape of your appearance on VH1's "The List."

Leah Horwitz "The List" L.A., CA



HITS replies: Thanks, Leah. We especially enjoyed the part when Trakin's head spun 360 degrees and he spewed linguini and clam sauce all over the studio audience.

#### **Getting Jobbed**

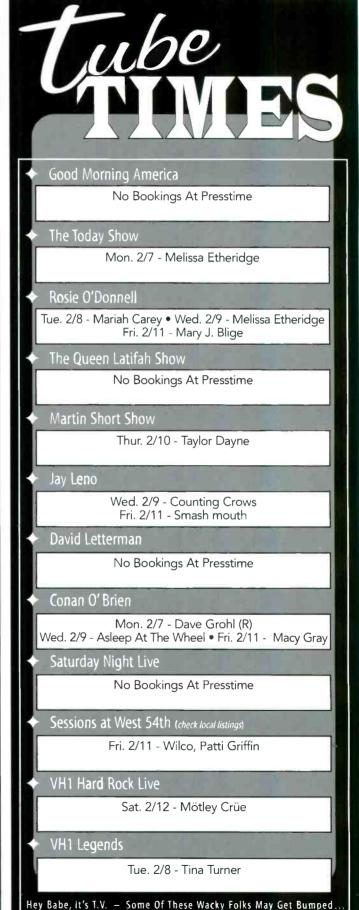
Dear HITS:

If you get sued for sexual harassment, there's a 50% chance you'll lose. In our complimentary workshop, you'll learn what employers need to know, what managers need to know, how to conduct a sexual harassment investigation and you'll leave with policies and proceedures you can implement immediately.

Pavlo, Weinberg & Assoc. Woodland Hills, CA

HITS replies: Does that mean we have to stop the wet T-shirt contests in the conference room? Speaking of harrassment, running this pic of Rabhan, Griffin & Portnow may well bankrupt us.





RABHAN & SIMON GLICKMAN

TWO WEASELS FOR THE PRICE OF ONE: It's the dawning of a new era at Wheels & Deals. An era of schmoozing. An era of spinning. An era of sushi lunches paid for by you. An era of winding up unsigned, unproven acts to artificially engender signing derbies. Come to think of it, it's a lot like the old era, but with one crucial difference: There are two of us. With the accelerating pace of online entertainment developments and media-oligopolyconsolidation, the definition of talent acquisition is more open-ended than ever, and we plan to address these changing circumstances by jawing on the phone all day and trying to get our bosses to pay for our monthly teen-porn downloads. Now, to business... Industry ballers are looking at each other with a collective "Huh?" as two soundtrack cuts by acts without majorlabel deals break at radio. With A3's "Woke Up This Morning" strongarming the success of Playtone/

Columbia/Sony Soundtrax's "Sopranos" ST and Aimee Mann's "Wise Up" helping Reprise's "Magnolia" grow, both have a wider variety of options than the other 999,998 acts searching for a deal. While A3's fate seems almost assured. Mann's well-chronicled history of misadventure may bring the karma wheel full circle. With a fully organized online presence (aimeemann.com), mondo TV appearances and a Golden Globe nom, will Mann be the first real player with chips to turn her back on the traditional record biz? Or will she draft a licensing deal just clever enough to make her look like a hero? And with KROQ adding "Wise Up," will Mann be the underdog to usher in the guess-what's-next sound at PoMo radio?... Fresh off the success of pre-pubescent wonders M2M. Atlantic's Jim Welch will cruise the playgrounds for Epic as the VP of A&R... TOOL TIME: Much chatter

surrounding Perfect Circle, Tool leader Maynard's bonus project, which has several majors running to the hardware store. Volcano has matching rights, but will the deal require too much lava?... The Earth and moon have aligned for BAT Management, as both Black Planet and Planet Asia feel the gravitational pull of the Weasel Galaxy. Look for a Close Encounter of the Cash Kind very soon... ROCK IS DEAD: Don't tell anyone else about the funeral, though, because Brian Schall-advised, oldschool metalhead band Sunnshine is scorching ponytails at Atlantic. Elektra, Maverick, and Dream-Works. You'll be left in the shade if you miss the February 10 West Coast showcase... You shook your ass to writer/producer Irv Gotti's hits for DMX, Jay-Z and Ja Rule. Now Famous is shaking their piggybank on a publishing megadeal, thanks to barrister Steven Shapiro... Speaking of publishing,

is every publisher speaking to hotter-than-Hades Pop Rox? You may recall the producing/writing duo's handiwork on RCA's bidding-war beauty Tarsha Vega and latest Columbia darlings J Bender... Several heavies will be vacationing in Cleveland next week to see the Lisa Socransky-repped rock act Disengage. Remember to pack those thong bikinis, folks... Don't forget to make your SXSW reservations this week because you can't stay with us... BUZZIN': Pete Robinson, Skycopter 9, Dover... E-mail: hitslosers@excite.com.

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WHO	WHEN	WHERE	HOW COME?
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DYNAMITE HACK	February 5 TBD	Lazona Rose Austin, TX	West Coast rap meets Texas.
SUNNSHINE	February 10 9:30 pm	<u>Viper Room</u> LA	Causing serious A&R sunburn.
GLEN PHILLIPS	February 11 TBD	Largo LA	Former Toad The Wet Sprocket frontman.
DISENGAGE	February 11 TBD	The Grog Shop Cleveland, OH	Big buzz building .

# WHEELS & DEALS

## Shoots & Scores

BY JEFF RABHAN

BACK AT "WORK": By now, all of you hard-working executives should be readjusting nicely to the 9-to-5 (or is that 11-to-4?) workday after the abusive sensory overload of whip-cracking bartenders in the snow-covered mountains of that hell-on-earth called Sundance. See below for the full roundup... There was another tiny consolidation last week. And while cost-cutting fingers are pointing in every direction of the Warner-EMI marriage, insiders are hinting that the publishing divisions could get the whole fist—even the highly profitable licensing departments. But waitenter Michael Eisner, who spoke loudly to the press while whispering the "M" word (that's "monopoly," folks) into Uncle Sam's ear. This one could get good before it gets worse... THE MASSAGE PARLOR: Ah, Sundance. Here goes: While everyone has hopped on the artist showcase bandwagon made famous by the incredible Art Ford. most venues are not intellectually equipped to handle the crowds, thus leaving VIPs out in the cold.

In related news, if a tree falls in the forest and no one hears it, does it still make noise? Several films garnered attention, including the Barry Cole-suped "American Psycho," 'Joe Gould's Secret"—the fine directorial effort of Stanley Tucciand Kevin Spacey's project, "The Big Kahuna." In other film news, back to the parties. While Rondor hosted a unique and intimate showcase in its condo, most soirees fell well short of the desired "film crowd" audience. Faced with throngs of local yokels instead of directors, some hosts were lucky to find a kid with a Blockbuster card in the audience, let alone a festival entrant. So just how does one get the filmies to mingle with the music lepers? A good party helps, and the DreamWorks Publishing/Cherry Lane fiesta at the Cheech Marin condo was off the hook. Kudos to Mike Badami for cruising the local high schools in order to ensure studio execs were properly stimulated. We also raise our glasses in showcase salute to Atlantic Records, BMG Entertain-

ment and ASCAP for fine evenings of blissful brainwashing. Oh, and maybe the showcases could at least try to cater to the fickle Hollywood film community. Does Sammy Hagar really belong at an independent film festival?... I DON'T CARE, BUT: Culver City is quaking over the rumors surrounding the ever-stable SPE music department. Is a major exit imminent? Moreover, have some individuals been over-zealous in their attempts to gather information and position? Also, what role will Sony Music play in said changes?... The success of the "Magnolia" soundtrack (see "Wheels and Deals" for details) is giving Danny Bramson and Warner Sunset further incentive to release a Jon Brion score album in March... While the "Scream 3" ST is posting solid numbers at retail in its first week, the buzz is on the thriller's lack of competition in theaters or in the Top 20... With no holdover blockbusters from a dismal compilation Christmas, will Interscope's new teen sensation Hoku reign supreme on "Snow

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# SLOWBURN

An exclusive HITS Grammy dialogue with

by Jonathan Grevatt

ertainly one of the more interesting categories for this year's Grammys has to be Best New Artist. Britney Spears, Christina Aguilera, Kid Rock, Macy Gray and... Susan Tedeschi? Barely a blip on the radar screens of MTV and Top 40 radio compared to the others, Tedeschi earned her nomination like most blues-rock artists: she made a great record, tours relentlessly, puts on a kick-ass live show and gets great press. Otherwise known as the hard way.

With her do-it-yourself indie debut and her second and latest, "Just Won't Burn" (Tone-Cool/IDJMG), Tedeschi's been criss-crossing the country for the past five years on Lilith Fair as well as opening for the Allmans, Buddy Guy, Jonny Lang and B.B. King, which has given her an impressive core of fans across the States. With her own sound and style, this 29-year-old strawberry blonde shreds on her Telecaster, delivering a gospel/blues vocal style in such a way that lends to an immediate comparison to a certain other red-headed Stratocaster-playing female artist that walked away with an armful of Grammys a few years back and will be inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame this year—Bonnie Raitt. HITS' own blue boy, Jonathan Grevatt "Samatter U?," gets the lowdown from Grammy's dark horse contender before a bottleneck is lodged in his throat.

#### You were formally trained at Berklee School of Music in Boston.

Ironically, my instrument there wasn't even guitar, it was voice. Lots of artists have gone there, including Melissa Etheridge, Paula Cole and Pat Metheny. Paula was actually a jazz singer when I was there. She made the "Singer's Showcase" there every year. Then, one year, I was finally in it. It was really nerve-racking and high pressure.

#### They say you can't sing the blues unless you live them.

I've always been a very emotional person. You can relate the blues to anything that hurts you deeply. I don't think you have to go out in the cotton fields anymore. When I was younger, I used to get picked on a lot. I had older brothers. I guess I looked like a good target because I was so gullible. I can't say growing up was easy. I had some issues, as we all do. These are experiences I dwelled on for a long time. Even B.B. King says, when you sing the blues, you aren't sad, you're happy because you've found your release. When I discovered blues, I initially got mad because I hadn't discovered them earlier. Why didn't anyone tell me about this great music before? The record stores around me didn't have a lot of the stuff that really changed my life—Johnny "Guitar" Watson, Freddie King, Otis Rush, Etta James, Little Walter, Jimmie Rodgers or the Chess stuff.

#### Have the last five years of your life gone by quickly?

In how much I have grown and how many experiences I have had, if I had to write it down, it seems like it would take a really long time. And, on the other hand, I can't believe I have done all of this in such a short period. Also, as you experience all of this, you realize more and more that people want you to be in one musical category where I just want to grow naturally, to go wherever the journey takes me.

#### What was your reaction when you found out about your Grammy nomination?

I was in shock. I sort of had a tiny inkling because two days



before I found out, my management told me I had to go to the Chicago chapter of NARAS because they thought I might get nominated. So I was at a press conference with Kid Rock, R. Kelly and Pinetop Perkins. It was great.

#### What's the best and worst parts of your job?

The best is I get to play music for a living, meet all my idols and sometimes even play with them. The worst is all the stuff I have to do to keep this job when I'm not playing or meeting my idols. With everything I do, the day seems longer than 24 hours. Plus, I really don't have a home right now, but I'd like to live with my boyfriend in Florida. I Can't Delieve that I got this Grammy nomination because Ive done some things purposefully which thought might hurt my career, like not doing a violeo. The visual image isn't the main concern for meetit's making good records, putting on a good live done.

for me; it's making good records, putting on a good live show and being nice to people.

#### Who made you want to pick up the guitar?

Magic Sam in Chicago, Johnny "Guitar" Watson and all the Kings—BB, Freddie and Albert.

#### What is it that attracts people to your music?

My voice and how I look, which is totally different from the way I sing. Plus, I give my all on-stage.

#### Who do you want to work with most right now?

Luckily, I've gotten to meet, play or sit in with all of my favorite people so far. It's important to have lots of different influences.

#### What's on your CD player right now?

Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan and some classical music, believe it or not. Nusrat is so incredible and over-the-top singing-wise. Then there's always Mahalia Jackson, Little Walter, Ray Charles, John Coltrane and Miles Davis.

#### What's in the cards for 2000?

Make my third record. Try to get as much done on that before March when I go on tour again. Bob Dylan wants me to go on the road with him, which is so cool.

## Do you believe there is a Grammy Best New Artist jinx? Or better yet, who, out of the other four nominees will you be listening to ten years from now?

I don't listen to any of them now. I'm serious, I don't even know their songs.



## HE KIDS YOU NOT

An exclusive HITS Grammy dialogue with Kicl Rock

by Gary Graff

hen Kid Rock declared, "I'm going platinum!" on his Lava/Atlantic debut, "Devil Without a Cause," it seemed pretty bold for someone whose previous bout of national notoriety was for his sexually graphic raps and Vanilla Ice-style flat-top a decade ago. But the Kid—real name Bob Ritchie—knew what he was talking about; "Devil" has gone five-times-platinum and snared a pair of Grammy nominations, including Best New Artist. Moreover, the success of singles such as "Bawitdaba" and "Cowboy," a show-stealing performance at Woodstock '99 and the adjunct celebrity for his short-statured, long-penised (or so he says) sidekick Joe C. have made Kid the face of rock's future as we enter the new century. Now there's a scary thought.

It's been a sweet victory for Rock, a self-confessed natural hambone from rural Rome, MI, who dropped out of school and learned to rap (and sell drugs) in the urban enclaves of Detroit and Mt. Clemens, MI. before winning the patronage of Boogie Down Productions' D-Nice, which led to Rock signing his first major label deal, with Jive, back in '89. Since then, he's expanded and experimented, crafting the sophisticated fusillade that was revealed on 1996's independently released "Early Morning Stoned Pimp" (set to be re-released this year by Lava/Atlantic) and came to fruition on "Devil." Rock, the single parent of a five-year-old son, is also one of rock's leading impresarios, with hopes of putting out a new album of his own this year and a stable of talent-including Joe C., DJ Cracker and the Twisted Brown Trucker Band—due to release music via Rock's now nationally distributed Top Dog imprint. The Bullgod shovels some over HITS' full of bull fellow Detroiter Gary "Couldn't Fill The Left Side of Grant Hill's Jockstrap" Graff.

So what do these Grammy nominations mean to you?

#### Now I get to smoke Monte Cristos instead of Phillu blunts.

Ba dum bum..

Seriously, I'm blessed. I was so young when I started, I didn't have a clue about this business at all. I just kept doing it and figuring it out along the way. This is all I could imagine, could think about, for the last ten years. Now I'm there, and it's the f\*\*king best, man.

Before the Grammy stuff, was there a particular moment that defined the experience for you?

Probably Woodstock. I just felt I was finally getting the opportunity to show the whole world this image of myself I've worked ten years on. I've scaled every wall I could possibly scale, and I've proven myself time after time and time again. Woodstock was the final cap on that, where people lost that whole "He's just some white kid that raps" stuff and all the stereotypes you get thrown into. It just put everything to bed. The recognition means people can now say, "That kid is one of the most talented musicians in the world right now."



You made a bit of a name for yourself during the early '90s with some pretty raw songs like "Balls in Your Mouth." Did that make it hard for you to get a major label deal back then?

Before I signed, I told Atlantic and a few other labels, "Look, am I gonna write ten songs that say, 'suck my dick'? The answer is, no." I'm gonna write some good music, stuff that relates to, hopefully, a lot of different people. I'm not really into the politics of anything. I play for kids; it's more of a blue-collar thing. People save their money and plan to go to shows; when they come out of mine, I want to make sure we all had a good time. I don't want to give them too much to think about, just, "Let's enjoy ourselves for an hour." But I've been through shit, you know? And I can share some of that, too.

It surprises people when you crank into a Lynyrd Skynyrd or Creedence Clearwater Revival song in concert.

I got into Johnny Cash and Hank [Williams] at home, caught the Tubes and Tom Petty and all the `70s stuff from my older sister. My parents used to have all these parties and play a lot of music that I'd hear, too. I'm really into classic-rock. I love it. It's some of the best stuff ever made.

Did you envision incorporating all of that into your music someday, even though you started out as a rapper?

Oh, yeah. My problem for so many years was getting someone to open their minds to what I wanted to do, because it was so diverse. I wanted to sing on some songs and rap on others. I wanted to do it all. No one would ever let me do that; it was always "Go with rap" or "Go with country" or "Go with alternative," stay focused on just one type of music. I wanted to do everything.

You have a lot of projects on tap now. Are you after world domination in a red suit?

I want to keep a steady plane of good records coming from a lot of different angles, do good shows and, behind the scenes, run a very tight business and help out everybody in my camp. Which is what's happening. Hey, this is all I've ever wanted. I look at it like I got my doctorate; I started out in the early '90s, and my college was doing the music thing for the past years. I stayed persistent, got better and had great timing. And now I'm just loving it.

## SPEARS WITHOUT P

An exclusive HITS Grammy dialogue with  $R_{i}$ 

by Gary Graff

decade-and-a-half ago, Madonna proved that a little bit of midriff goes a long way, and during the past year, Britney Spears, the pride of Kentwood, LA, has proven that's still the case. It was a little more than 13 months ago that the urgent, sneering call of "alright alright" announced the arrival of pop's new teen queen, a "Mickey Mouse Club" alumnus (aren't they all these days?) single-handedly responsible for the first stirrings in a generation of pubescents who previously thought that "hit me baby one more time" was something to utter in a mosh pit.

Propelled by the title track and the movie tie-in "Crazy," Spears' Jive Records debut, "...Baby One More Time," was the second best-selling album of '99, racking up sales around the 10 million mark—it's still going strong—and earning two Grammy nominations, including Best New Artist, a category in which she'll compete with former "Mickey Mouse Club" pal Christina Aquilera. Spears recently smacked HITS' Detroit Rock City reject Gary "Old Enough To Be Her Father" Graff—although not nearly as many times as he deserves.

**Two Grammy nominations... Surprised? Pleased? Disappointed?** I'm so excited. I went to the announcements, and I wasn't expecting anything at all. It was, "OK, it's early in the morning, let's do this," you know?

## When they called my name, I was like, "Oh my God! This is so cool!"

After how well the album's done, though, you had to be expecting something?

I was hoping, but I really didn't... in the back of my mind, of course. But I really wasn't expecting it.

Does one of the categories mean more to you than the other? Probably Best Female Pop Performance, because I'm up against people like Madonna. Really, just to be nominated for it is amazing; I remember a year ago, I was watching the Grammys and was like, "What would I wear if I went to the Grammys?" And, now, to be nominated for a Grammy, that's amazing.

**So what will you wear?** [Laughs] I have no idea.

What's your perspective on everything that's happened for you during the past year?

The album came out January 6 of last year. I remember this time last year, "Baby One More Time" was doing really well, and I was like, "Oh my God, I can't wait for the album to come out." And now, I look back and it's like, "Wow!" The album went to #1. It's sold 10 million copies. It's been an amazing year for me. Now my main focus is on the next album and trying to make it



as successful as "...Baby One More Time."

Do you have any sense of why this album has done so well?

I think there was an open place for me, with the Backstreet Boys coming out and everything. There wasn't really a young person out there that was like a young Janet Jackson doing pop music... Someone teenagers could relate to. I think my album was funky and edgy, but it was also fun.

So what's the next one going to be like?

When I made the first one, I had just turned 16; you look at the album cover, and it was like, "Oh my lordy..." I know this album is going to be totally different, especially the material. I got finished recording the first six songs in Sweden, and the material is so much funkier and edgier, and, of course, it's more mature because I've grown as a person, too, and as an artist.

How different is it?

It hasn't completely changed; it's still pop music. It's kind of like the Backstreet Boys' second album, which showed growth from the first album. It's kind of the same as that.

So what have been the good and bad things about success and fame?

I guess I'll start with the stuff I didn't like, which is probably just the crowds surrounding me and having so many people in your face all the time. I'm the type of person who keeps her circles small; I don't let all these people just come in and be my friend. I guess that's because I'm wary of who's being my friend for me and who's being my friend for who I am. I really have good instincts about people. I don't like the fact that people are all of a sudden your friend, you know? That, and I guess just being away from my family was difficult. But other than that, my job is amazing. I really shouldn't complain at all. I have so much fun with what I do, and the best thing about it is being able to really do what you love to do, and that's to perform and to sing.



## CRAMINIY SPECIAL



## HER LIFE IS GOOD

An exclusive HITS Grammy dialogue with MACY GRAY

by Simon Glickman

acy Gray's solo debut, "On How Life Is" (Clean Slate/Epic), recalls the sterling soul of the '70s with its warm, organic grooves and tasty melodic hooks. But it tempers any nostalgia with hip-hop style and one prodigious persona. Gray's friendly rasp of a voice is a formidable and versatile instrument, and she wields it expertly on such tracks as the soaring "I Try," the funky "Do Something," the raunchy, hypnotic "Caligula" and the gospel-inflected "I Can't Wait to Meetchu."

Though she was embraced instantly by critics and fans of classic R&B, Gray had to overcome some initial resistance at radio, where having a wildly original style isn't always an asset. Heavy rotation for the Mark Romanek-directed "I Try" video helped break the ice, while Gray's recent Grammy noms—for Best New Artist and Female R&B Vocal Performance (for "Do Something," which goes up against Whitney Houston, Faith Evans, Mary J. Blige and Brandy)—should start a flood. Whether Gray's musical eclecticism and personal eccentricity will allow her to clear the neon hurdle of superstardom or not, she's undeniably a breath of fresh air, which is more than we can say from the rancid whiff we just got from HITS' own Yanked at Oxford, Simon "Flick Your" Glickman.

Congratulations on your nomination. Was it a shock?

Totally. A couple of people told me, if you're invited to announce the nominations, you probably got one. But I definitely never expected to get one for R&B Vocal Performance.

Well, you didn't figure on getting a nod in the polka category. Exactly. But I'm not typical R&B, and so far, the R&B radio stations don't think I'm R&B. But my influences are all soul and rhythm and blues. So it was just a surprise, especially with the company I'm keeping—Whitney, Brandy, Faith Evans and Mary J.—so I'm pretty excited about that. [Laughs] I'm definitely the underdog, though.

How have things like playing live changed over the past year?

Playing live is always awesome; there's nothing like being onstage. The bigger the record gets, the more fun the shows are, because the audience is all into it. Everybody's rockin'. At our New Year's Eve show on the Santa Monica pier, everybody was going nuts. Everybody was drunk, too—it was New Year's Eve. I think if we'd have stood on our heads, everybody would've gone, "Yeah!"

The record's reception abroad has been pretty strong.

I'm doing great overseas... The album's triple-platinum over in England. It came out a month earlier than it did here. But I think the musical taste is so different over there that anyone who goes there is rollin' the dice. Because anything could hit. You could be doin' a techno record or a reggae record and it'll be the hottest thing out. But I guess they sorta felt my thing—"I Try" is a big hit over there. We've been all over Europe—Germany, Amsterdam, Paris, the UK—and Japan.

Your band's become incredibly tight over the course of this tour. I've known them for awhile. [Keyboardist/co-writer] Jeremy [Ruzumna] is one of my oldest friends. Everybody's just kind of in synch; I lucked out in finding musicians who are really into their instruments. Like my guitar player [ex-Red Hot Chili Pepper Arik Marshall] stands with his guitar at an angle, his one leg sticks up and his whole body is at the same angle. He's really into it. And when you have musicians like that, you can't miss. Once you get some people together and they pour it out, it comes across. Even if it's out of tune, it's still dope, because it's got that energy.



Have you been singing all your life?

No, I didn't start singing until I got out of college. I think I made my first demo in '92. I was a writing major in college, and I used to write songs with a group of friends. This one kid heard me talking and asked me to be in his band. He had this little gig every Sunday at a hotel, doing old jazz covers—Billie Holiday tunes, stuff like that. That's how I got into it.

When did you first start doing original material?

A couple of years later, in L.A., I got my own band together and started writing for myself. We played rock, actually, because all the musicians I found were hard-rockers. It was called Tommy. We were pretty bad. I used to write all the music and lyrics. When I got better musicians—people I was really gibing with—then I started collaborating more. It's better for me that way, because I'm not an expert on chord changes and stuff like that. So the songs make more sense when somebody actually knows what they're doing. I've been working with Jeremy for a long time, and he's got a lotta flavor. He adds a lot to what I'm doing. I pretty much put it all together in my head, and when we go in the studio, I write it all down so I can remember what I'm singin'. And I'll send it to Jeremy or whomever I'm writing with and they'll put the chords together. Then we'll go in and cut it.

Your lyrics cover an impressive range of subjects. For sure. Everybody has a lotta different moods, and it's best if you can tap into different stuff. Or at least find a different way of saying things. Maybe you wanna say "I love you" again, but please don't! Try to find a cool way of getting it across.

You have a very distinctive vocal style.

It's been a blessing, because this is the voice I came with. It's nice. I feel lucky. When I was young, though, it was just a funny voice. My voice is still funny; if you listen to it, you could just crack up.

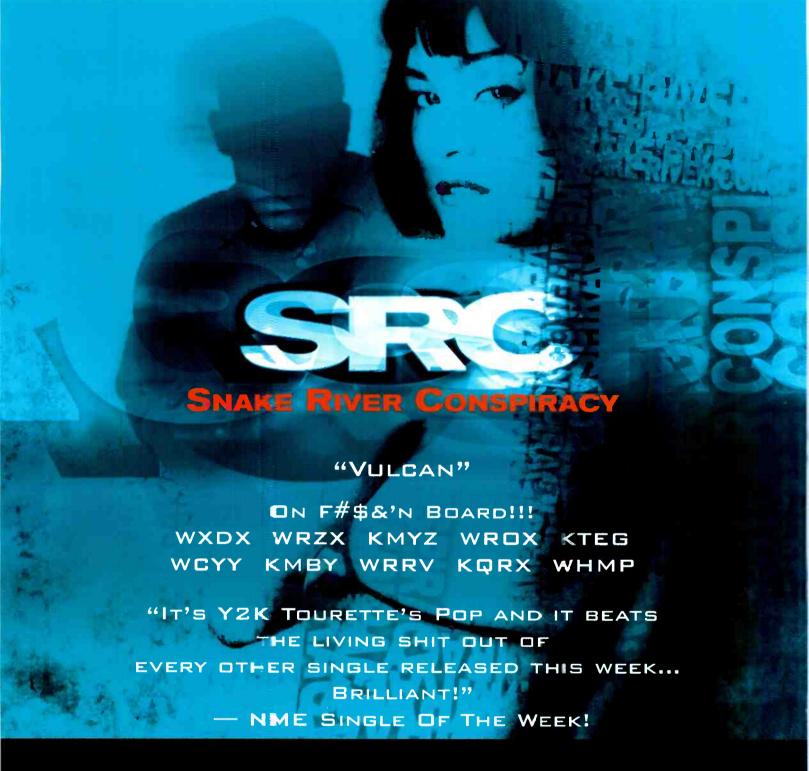
There's something intimate about it, though. People feel like you're singing directly to them.

That's what I'm after. I want to get my point across. The first thing you latch onto is the lyrics. When you first hear a song, you don't go home and sing the keyboard line. So, as a writer, you better take care in what you say. That's what people hear the most. If you say something important, or something cool, then you got it, know what I mean?

Have you decided what you're wearing to the Awards show? How about a boa?

A boa? I think I'll put on my Daisy Dukes, my lace stockings and my four-inch, neon-green stiletto heels for the Grammys.

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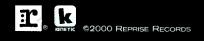
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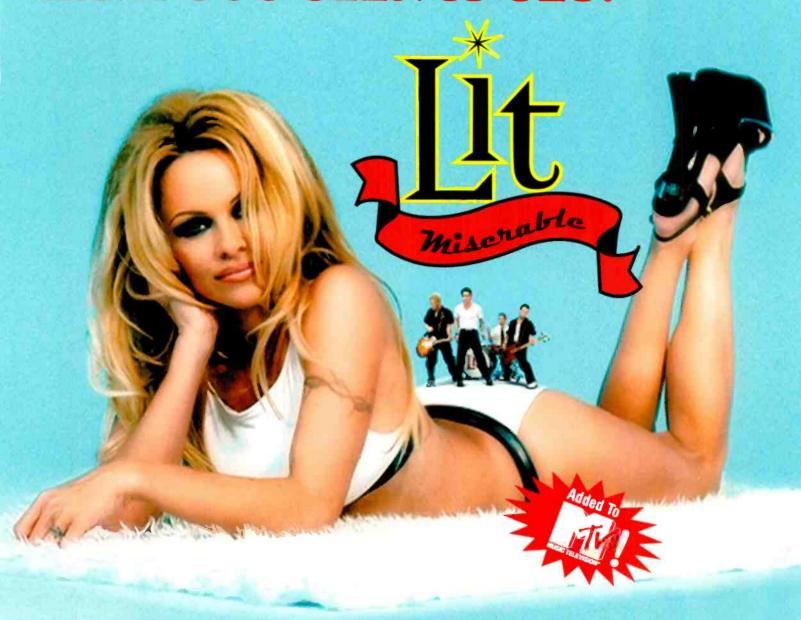


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A.O., A.O., it's off to work he goes... Alam Oreman of Mammoth Records has spent the month settling in at his new digs and gearing up

for rock radio releases from Frankie Machine and Fu Manchu. Now the Head of Promotion for Mammoth, A.O. (as everybody affectionately calls him) most recently worked for Almo in a similar post. Prior to that, Oreman was the Head of Rock for Geffen for five years and spent nearly 14 with Columbia. As for his transition to Mammoth he says, "Baby, I'm excited to be working with Sleepy, Grumpy and Sneezy, but it's really difficult to dial the phone with these three fingers and white gloves."

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5	7	Make Me Bad, Falling FILTER - Reprise	#1 KNRQ, WSFM
6	8	Take A Picture  BUSH - Trauma	WPLA, KTEG Add
10	9	Letting The Cables Sleep THIRD EYE BLIND - Elektra/EEG Never Let You Go	#1 WHTG, WRAX
11	10	RAGE AGAINST THE MACHINE - Epic Guerrilla Radio	#1 KPNT, KMYZ
9	11	FOO FIGHTERS - Roswell/RCA Stacked Actors, Learn To Fly	KPNT, WKRO Add
12	12	STROKE 9 - Cherry/Universal Little Black Backpack	#1 WMRQ, WEJE
14	13	VERTICAL HORIZON - RCA Everything You Want	Q101, KDGE Add
13	14	METALLICA - Elektra/EEG No Leaf Clover	#1 KFMA
16	15	STAIND - Flip/Elektra/EEG	#6 Most Added
15	16	POWERMAN 5000 - DreamWorks Nobody's Real	Platinum!
20	17	LIVE - Radioactive Run To The Water	WBCN, WWCD Add
19	18	<b>INCUBUS</b> - Immortal/Epic Pardon Me	MTV Buzzworthy
23	19	GODSMACK - Republic/Universal Voodoo	#1 KXTE, KMBY
18	20	MAN IN THE MOON OST Warner Bros. R.E.M.	#1 WWVV, WUBZ
21	21	<b>LIT</b> - RCA Miserable	MTV Add!
17	22	NINE INCH NAILS - Nothing/Interscope Into The Void	
22	23	MOBY - V2 Natural Blues	WBCN, KTBZ Add
25	24	BECK - DGC Mixed Bizness,Sexxlaws	#3 Most Added
	25	APOLLO FOUR FORTY - 550 Stop The Rock	WPLY, WXDX Add

based of a combination of airplay and sales

#### most added

1.	KORN	
2.	SEVENDUST	

3. BECK

4. METHODS OF MAYHEM

5. PETER SEARCY

6. STAIND

"Make Me Bad" (Immortal/Epic)
"Waffle" (TVT)

"Mixed Bizness" (DGC)
"New Skin" (MCA)

"Losing Light Fast"
"Home"

(MCA) (Time Bomb) (Flip/Elektra/EEG) post toasted

TRAVIS:

Baby One More Time!

BY IVANA B. ADORED

WRITING TO REACH YOU: From my earliest days of doing college prcmotion at A&M to the last 10 years of deadlines at HITS, I've rarely been away from the office on a Monday. Maybe twice a year—if that. Despite fevers, floods, earthquakes, plagues, panic attacks, PMS, etc., deadline looms as an unwavering fixture in my week. Missing a Monday is about as decadent as I get, so it was with equal parts fear and excitement that I decided to challenge this notion by flying midmorning to Chicago to see Travis. I was inspired to reconfigure my week while watching Fran and Dougie perform an acoustic set at KCRW. On the way back to the office, Erika kept pinching me to assure me that I wasn't dreaming (although I also suspect some latent unexpressed

aggression on her part). In that moment of post-performance euphoria, I decided to rearrange my trip to **Baltimore** to include the Travis show in Chicago. Needing a co-conspirator (with a flexible schedule, which ruled out any of you), I phoned fellow Travis-devotee **Dan Wilson** and invited him to join me for a night of rock. Although in the middle of writing the next brilliant **Semisonic** album, Dan agreed to this impromptu trip.

If you had the grand fortune to see Travis in L.A. with **Remy Zero**, I'm sure you'll agree that this is the "next wave" of music. Impassioned and warm, with gorgeous melodies and a lyrical sensibility that

embraces the listener rather than insults. Were I to "name" this genre, I'd call it "Abercrombie & Fitch Rock," duly named after attending Guster's sold-out Hammerstein Ballroom show last November. Gomez? Definitely A&F Rock. So is Ben Harper, Beck, Phantom Planet, Beth Orton, Soul Coughing, Aimee Mann, absolutely Live and yes, even blink-182. If anyone can hook me up with the Marketing Director from Abercrombie & Fitch, I think I'm on to something.... Back on planet Earth, or more precisely, Chicago, I was able to enlist Dave Richards as a willing participant in my deadline truancy. Once inside the club, Dan's heart leapt at a guitar roadie strumming the first notes of "Writing To Reach You" while I stopped breathing at the sight of Nash Kato in my peripheral vision. I had just heard Brendan O'Brien's remix of "Zooey Suicide" from Nash's forthcoming solo album, as well as Nash's cover of Steely Dan's "Dirty Work," the latter of which inspired me to brag to Nash that I'd sccred a ticket to see Steely Dan tape VH-1 Storytellers in NYC. "Kickass" was all he needed to say.... The Travis show was worth every added expense and stress (although I'm thinking of embossing "LV" on the bags under my eyes today). The crowd seemed very familiar with the new album, although Epic won't be releasing it domestically until April, and Travis' cover of Britney's "Baby One More Time" elicited massive cheering (hugely anticipated, perhaps, from occasional Q101 play?) Dan and Travis singer Fran met and declared mutual fandom, while I congratulated them both on their newly-announced Brit Award nominations, and suggested opportunities for future tours together Surrounded by such youth, talent and beauty, I couldn't help but feel a little Mamie Van Doren-meets-Yoko-meets-Isabella Blow about the post-show gathering. Here's the gist of it all: Inspiration isn't passive. While traveling halfway across the country to see a band isn't always feasible, keeping youmind open to the possibility that the next record you hear or the next band you see will change your life is.... Speaking of "life changes," Allan Fee just phoned to say that Traci Wilde is leaving KPNT and radio. Donnie Mueller will replace Traci as MD.... Also news to you is the unexpected arrival this Thurday of a BRAND NEW **U2** song, entitled "The Ground Beneath Her Feet." Produced by Daniel Lanois and with lyrics by Salman Rushdie (I kid you not), this sonc is the first single from Wim Wenders new movie, "The Million Dollar Hotel." The soundtrack features two other U2 songs, as well as two Bono songs and a new track by the movie's star, Milla. The busiest man in the format, Brian MacDonald, will have the honors of working this project.... Speaking of Briar, he and Robbie confronted the naysayers with more than 20 adds on Beck's "Mixed Bizness" this week. Please don't make me remind you that your ratings suffered from too much narrowcasting last book—Beck is a cume artist. Thank you.... MTV bumped Incubus' "Pardon Me" up to Buzzworthy. Pass it on.... SONG TO HEAR: Chemical Brothers' "Hey Boy, Hey Girl" (nominated for four Brit Awards).... PEOPLE TO WATCH: Stu Bergen, Pete Rosenblum (for his far-

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tastic job on Angie Aparo), Joel Klaiman, Bob Divney and Lisa Cristiano.

## Postmodern

#### top 20 airplay

1 w	tw	artist	label
1	1	BLINK - 182	MCA
		All The Small Things	
4	2	RED HOT CHILI PEPPERS	Warner Bros.
		Otherside	
3	1	FILTER	Reprise
		Take A Picture	
2	4	LIMP BIZKIT	Flip/Interscope
		Rearranged	
8	3	THIRD EYE BLIND	Elektra/EEG
		Never Let You Go	
5	6	SMASHING PUMPKINS	Virgin
		The Everlasting Gaze	
6	7	STROKE 9	Cherry/Universal
		Little Black Backpack	
7	8	KORN	Immortal/Epic
a		Falling Away From Me	
9	9	FOO FIGHTERS	Roswell/RCA
		Learn To Fly	
10	10	RAGE AGAINST THE MACHINE	Epic
		Guerrilla Radio	
14	2.7	BUSH	Trauma
		Letting The Cables Sleep	
11	12	BUSH	Trauma
		Chemicals Between Us	
15	13	VERTICAL HORIZON	RCA
		Everything You Want	
12	14	NINE INCH NAILS	Nothing/Inter.
		Into The Void	
18	15	LIT	RCA
	,	Miserable	
13	16	CREED	Wind-Up
		Higher	
17	17	INCUBUS	Immortal/Epic
- 1		Pardon Me	
_	18	NO DOUBT	Interscope
		Ex-Girlfriend	
19	19	KID ROCK	Lava/Atlantic/AG
	-	Only God Knows Why	
20	20	OASIS	Epic

#### upcoming new releases

#### GOING FOR ADDS 2.7

THE BLOODHOUND GANG • "The Bad Touch" - Geffen

DIDO • "Don't Think Of Me" - Arista

FLAMING LIPS • "Waitin' For A Superman" - Warner Bros.

GOMEZ • "We Haven't Turned Around" - Virgin

MOLLYS YES • "Scares" - Republic/Universal

**OVERSEER** • "Stompbox" (Any Given Sunday OST) - Atlantic/AG

THE PILFERS • "Agua" - Mojo/Universal

RADFORD • "Don't Stop" - RCA

**RAGE AGAINST THE MACHINE** • "Sleep Now In The Fire" - Epic

SMASHING PUMPKINS • "Stand Inside Your Love" - Virgin

STIR • "New Beginning" - Capitol

TAM! • "Punctured Brain" - Roadrunner

#### GOING FOR ADDS 2.14

**EELS** • "Mr. E's Beautiful Blues" - DreamWorks

FIONA APPLE • "Limp" - Clean Slate/Epic

**TRACY BONHAM** • "Behind Every Good Woman" - Island/IDJ

LIMP BIZKIT • "Break Stuff" - Flip/Interscope

PORTABLE • "What's Wrong" - TVT

THE ROCKFORDS • "Silver Lining" - Epic

**SUMACK** • "Metaphysical" - Push/V2

**SYSTEM OF A DOWN •** "Spiders" - American/Col/CRG

TONIC • "Mean To Me" - Universal

#### GOING FOR ADDS 2.21

AIR • "Playground Love" - Astralwerks

CATATONIA • "Road Rage" - Atlantic/AG

**CHEMICAL BROTHERS •** "Hey Boy, Hey Girl" - Astralwerks

CHUMBAWAMBA • "She's Got All The Friends"

Republic/Universal

PATTI SMITH • "Glitter In Their Eyes" - Arista

STEREOPHONICS • "Roll Up And Shine" - V2

UNAMERICAN • "She's The Bomb" - Universal

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Q101	X96	WKRL	KFMA	WEQX	WHTG	WWCD	WSFM
WHIFS	WFNX	KJEE	WEJE	KROX	KNRQ	WARQ	<b>KBRS</b>
KNDD	CIMX	WDST	WJSE	KLEC	WXZZ	WMAD	WEEO

Video Premier and Making of Video on MTV beginning February 21 Appearing on the Conan O'Brien show February 17

## Post modern

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#### DOM CASUAL KAEP Spokane, WA



Feeling the need to find your inner self? Well, take a tip from **Dom Casual**, who escaped to the wilds of Joshua Tree (which is home to his favorite Pioneer Town hangout of **Pappy and Harriet**'s and **Gram Parsons**' ashes) before reemerging as the Program Director of **KAEP** at the end of last September. While on his road to "zendom," Dom found the Yucca Valley Swap Meet a perfect place to keep an income coming in by selling off his infamous gun collection and a few choice promo CDs. "I'm a lover not a fighter" was the truth Dom found, along with the value of a **Wonder Stuff** CD! Now after settling into Spokane and the tranquility of surrounding himself with some of his old friends from **KXRK**—like Music Director **Kari Bushman** and new morning show host **Cousin Brad**—he's a good person to call if you are having a stressful day. Or if you need a place to stay while in the desert!

#### requests

- 1. Kid Rock (Lava/Atlantic/AG)
  2. Korn (Immortal/Epic)
- 3. Red Hot Chili Peppers (Warner Bros)
- 4. Incubus (Immortal/Epic)
- 5. Limp Bizkit (Flip/Interscope)
- 6. Vertical Horizon (RCA)

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#### KTEG / SCOTTIE PAPEK / ALBUQUERQUE

Slipknot Korn Incubus No Doubt Powerman 5000

#### WHTG / MIKE SAUTER / ASBURY PARK

Moby Stroke 9 The Sheila Divine The Cure 311

#### WBCN / OEDIPUS / STEVEN STRICK / BOSTON

Limp Bizkit "N 2gether Now" Korn Red Hot Chili Peppers Rage Against The Machine Incubus

#### WKRL / MIMI GRISWALD / BRIDGEPORT, NY

Filter Kid Rock Red Hot Chili Peppers Stroke 9 Moby

#### WBTZ / STEPHANIE / PICARD / BURLINGTON, VT

Korn The Zambonis Incubus blink-182 Rage Against The Machine

#### WPGU / ED SIEBERT / CHAMPAIGN, ILL

Bloodhound Gang Vertical Horizon Kid Rock Red Hot Chili Peppers Oasis

#### WAVF / GREG / DANNY / CHARLESTON, SC

Vertical Horizon System Of A Down Limp Bizkit Kid Rock Creed

#### WWCD / ANDY DAVIS / COLUMBUS

Gay Dad Oasis Ani DiFranco Moby Apollo 440

#### CIMX / MURRAY BROOKSHAW / VINCE /MATT / DETROIT

Korn Kid Rock Limp Bizkit Stroke 9 Suicide Machines

#### WJBX / LEE DANIELS / FT. MEYERS

Our Lady Peace Korn Lit Kid Rock Incubus

#### WEEO / AUSTIN DAVIS / HAGERSTOWN, PA

Eiffel 6S Kid Rock Smashing Pumpkins Third Eye Blind Vertical Horizon

#### WNFZ / DAN BOZYK / BONER / KNOXVILLE, TN

Kid Rock Methods Of Mayhem Powerman 5000 Godsmack Red Hot Chili Peppers

#### KFTE / ROB SUMMERS / SCOTT PERRIN / LAFAYETTE, LA

3 Doors Down Incubus Kid Rock Creed Stroke 9

#### WMAD / PAT / AMY / MADISON, WI

Apollo 440 Nine Inch Nails Red Hot Chili Peppers Kid Rock Smashing Pumpkins

#### KMBY / CHRIS WHITE / RICH BERLIN / MONTEREY

Slipknot Limp Bizkit Smashing Pumpkins 3 Doors Down Coal Chamber

#### WXRK / STEVE KINGSTON / JOHN / MIKE / NEW YORK

Metallica No Doubt Godsmack Korn "Make Me Bad" Korn "Falling Away From Me"

#### WBER / ANDREW CHINNICI / JOEY GUISTO / PENFIELD

Splashdown Korn Static-X Staind James

#### WCYY / HERB IVY / BRIAN JAMES / PORTLAND, ME

Vertical Horizon Incubus Rage Against The Machine Korn Stroke 9

#### X-96 / MIKE SUMMERS / TODD NOKER / PROVO, UT

Nine Inch Nails Vertical Horizon Incubus Staind Third Eye Blind

#### KITS / JAY TAYLOR / AARON AXELSEN / SAN FRANCISCO

No Doubt
The Cure
blink - 182
Rage Against The Machine
On

#### KJEE / EDDIE / JOHN / SANTA BARBARA

No Doubt
Basement Jaxx
Rage Against The Machine
The Cure
Red Hot Chili Peppers

#### WGMR / MIKE EVANS / STATE COLLEGE, PA

Kid Rock Limp Bizkit Korn Macy Gray Filter

#### WXSR / SCOTT PETIBONE / KENZIE/ TALLAHASSEE, FL

Fuel
Joydrop
Oleander
Incubus
Suicide Machines

#### WDST / RON / ROGER / WOODSTOCK

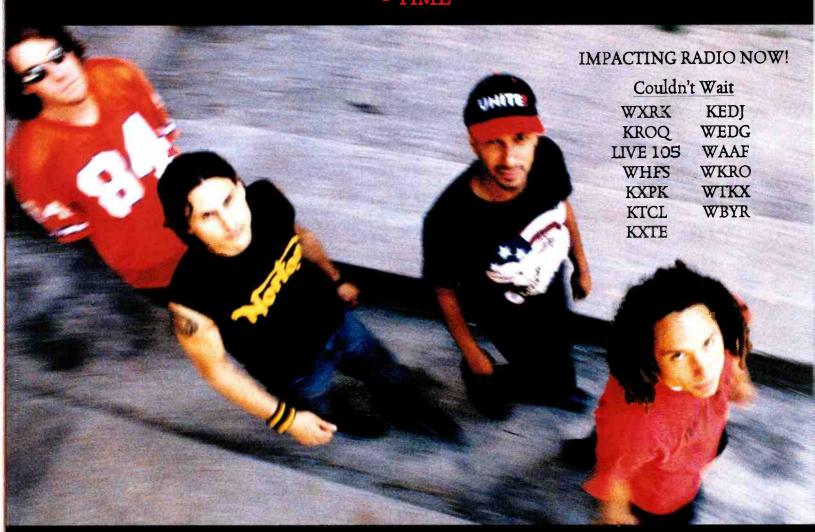
The Cure Shivaree Macy Gray Angie Aparo Oasis "ARTIST OF THE YEAR"

"ALBUM OF THE YEAR"

- ROLLING STONE

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- SPIN

"#1 ALBUM OF THE YEAR:
THE BATTLE OF LOS ANGELES"
- TIME



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#### top 20 retail

	-		MOST .
1 w	tw	artist	label
1	1	SANTANA	Arista
		Supernatural	
2	2	BECK	DGC
		Midnight Vultures	
_	3	SNAPCASE	Victory
1		Designs For Automotion	v.00.y
_	4	D'ANGELO	Virgin
		Voodoo	
6	5	AIMEE MANN	Reprise
		Magnolia OST.	'
11	W	KITTIE	Ng/Artemis
		Spit	3
7	7	MODEST MOUSE	Up
		Building Something Out Of Nothing	
4	8	MOBY	
		Play	
8	9	KORN	Immortal/Epic
		Issues	•
16	10	RAGE AGAINST THE MACHINE	Epic
		The Battle Of Los Angeles	
3	11	MACY GRAY	Epic
		On How Life Is	
5	12	METALLICA	Elektra/EEG
		S&M	
_	12	THE CLASH	Epic
		London Calling	
12	14	ENIGMA	Virgin
	10.50	Screen Behind The Mirror	-1
	15	DOPE	Flip/Epic
	36	Felons & Revolutionaries	1464
	10	METHODS OF MAYHEM	MCA
9	17	Methods Of Mayhem FIONA APPLE	Class Class /Fair
	17	When The Pawn	Clean Slate/Epic
20	12	BLINK 182	MCA
20		Enema Of The State	IVICA
19	19	NOFX	Epitaph
17	17	The Decline	српарп
	20	SLIPKNOT	Roadrunner
		Slipknot	Noadi di li lei
100		Suprifice	

#### ivana's secret

One of the most exciting sites on the Internet, Boo.com, is offering 40% off on EVERY purchase until Feb. 10. Word to the wise: Don't attempt to visit this site with anything less than a 56k modem. Part of its appeal is the spectacular graphics, which take FOREVER to download without a T1 line. This site features the trendiest sportswear designers, ranging from Puma to Fred Perry. I took advantage of the sale and stocked up on sneakers from Royal Elastic, Acupunture and New Balance. If they don't fit, Boo.com offers free shipping and free returns. The sale was announced to generate traffic to the site, which is especially needed after the company announced post-holiday layoffs. Expected to launch this past summer, Boo.com's entrance into e-commerce was delayed until the bugs in the system got worked out, nearly six months late. I think the site will find a bigger audience, but until that time, it's our little secret.

#### retail top 5 s

#### RHINO RECORDS / DENNIS / CHUCK / CLAREMONT, CA

D'Angelo Lagwagon Snapcase Modest Mouse Magnolia OST.

#### CD EXCHANGE / RUFUS / CONOVER, NC

Methods Of Mayhem Kittie Crazy Town Guano Apes Kid Rock

#### PIRATE RECORDS / RYAN MANNON / DENVER, CO

Snapcase Metallica Korn Kittie Scream 3

#### TWIST & SHOUT / BRAD / DENVER, CO

Santana D'Angelo Moby Miles Davis Reck

#### OTHER MUSIC / TOM C / NYC

Modest Mouse Yo La Tengo Clinton Will Oldham Os Mutantes

#### AMOEBA MUSIC / R. PETERSON / SAN FRAN.

D'Angelo Macy Gray Moby Modest Mouse

Beck

#### post modem

SonicNet gets it. Cool celebrity programming, check out what the likes of Eminem, Kenny Wayne Shepherd or Buddy Guy would like to play you if you were hanging at their place. The new "it girl" Aimee Mann gets her PD stripes and gets to show you how it's done and program her own radio station. Golden Globe nominee and driver of the "Magnolia" sales explosion, Aimee gets to create her own online station, programming gems from Sinatra to Oasis to share with fans and SonicNet users. And if you're not suffering from work overload and you're feelin' creative, get crazy and develop your very own station. There are thousands of titles to choose from so, get nuts and just think there's no consultant, group music meeting, independents, call out research, selector...

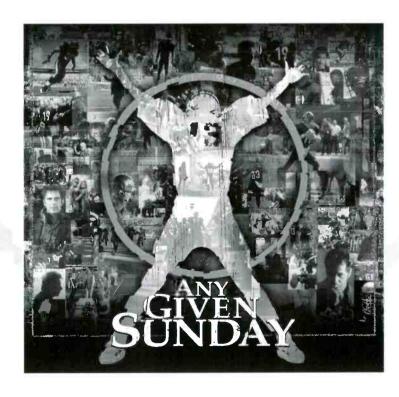
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#### top 25 specialty airplay

lu	, tw	artist-label	comments
1	1	KITTIE - Ng/Artemis	Top 5 @ WPLA
_	2	Spit <b>THE CURE</b> - Elektra/EEG	in stores 2/15
		Bloodflowers	
8	3	MDFMK - Republic/Universal	Top 5 @ KXTE, WPLA
100		"Rabble Rouser" (single)	
2	4	<b>BLOODHOUND GANG</b> - Geffen	www.bloodhoundgang.com
		Hooray For Bo*bies	
25	5	BECK - DGC	Top 5 @ WEEO
9		Midnite Vultures	
5	6	FOO FIGHTERS - Roswell/RCA	upcoming tour w/RHCP
		There Is Nothing Left To Lose	
-	7	SRC - Reprise	look for this!
		"Vulcans" (single)	
3	8	BEATSTEAKS - Epitaph	"Shiny Shoes"
		Launched	
11	9	RADFORD - RCA	play "Don't Stop"
		Radford	
6	10	OASIS - Epic	We LOVE them!
		Standing On The Shouders Of Giants	
17	11	THE SOPRANOS OST - C2	the reason to get cable
	60.00	A3	_
15	12	COLLAPSIS - Cherry/Universal	www.collapsis.com
1	400	Dirty Wake	
L	13	NO DOUBT - Interscope	in stores 4/11
	44	Return Of Saturn	B
12	14	3 DOORS DOWN - Republic/Universal	Biloxi boys!
		The Better Life	0 0(7) 0
	15	HEAVY METAL 2000 OST - Restless	+ Queens Of The Stone Age
-	4.	Coal Chamber, System Of A Down	
L	16	SLOWRUSH - Epic	www.slowrush.com
1	and the same of	"Junkie" (single)	

**ROLLINS BAND** - DreamWorks

**THE JUNGLE BROTHERS** - V2

"Mr. E's Beautiful Blues" (single)

**RAGE AGAINST THE MACHINE** - Epic

US CRUSH - Immortal/Virgin

JIMMIE'S CHICKEN SHACK - Rocket/Island/IDJ Feb tour w/Live

Get Some Go Again

KORN - Immortal/Epic

Bring You Own Stereo

311 - Capricorn

"Bleed" (single)

The American

**EELS** - DreamWorks

ANGIE APARO - Arista

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beauty school drop out

#### ΒY ERIKA STRADA

BABY, ONE MORE TIME: So what happens when you're standing in a room in Los Angeles full of semi-jaded music industry types, various radio programmers and members of various bands? (Did you see all those cute boys from Phantom Planet?) Well, if you put stellar talent like Remy Zero and Travis (sigh) onstage, the chitchat quickly fades and everyone becomes mesmerized. (Very special thanks to Epic's Jacqueline Saturn and Stu Bergen for EVERYTHING!) How unbelievable and hypnotic... I'm ready for a British invasion again, are you? Come on! Bring on Gomez's "We Haven't Turned Around," soothe me with Catatonia's coolness and fill me up with Oasis' "Go Let It Out."

PERFECT HOSTESSES: Atlantic's Kris Metzdorf & Epic's Jacqueline Saturn

Let's listen again to the next Muse single "Cave" and Scritti Politti anywhere/anytime. And isn't everyone ready for new Radiohead record? I think the time is right here, right now (as Jesus Jones once crooned). It already has a foothold on the HITS offices. I think this Travis record has been looped into our stereo system since Ivana purchased the import. Wait till you all get to hear this one, it's absolutely superb.

Those in the know-both Live 105's Aaron Axelsen and WLIR's Jerry Rubino can certainly wax poetic about this gem (as many others can, I'm certain)—made sure they

were first on the block with the import. Jerry can also be heard singing the praises of Catatonia after seeing them in New York and becoming mesmerized with lead singer Cerys! Thanks to Kris "Dee-troit in da house!" Metzdorf and Krystal from Atlantic for kicking off the evening's fantastical musical journey by hosting the Catatonia show and filling the room with smiling faces! How nice to finally see Dom Casual from KAEP again and hear about how he's settling into Spokane, Mark Hamilton from KNRK (who impressed me with his Scritti Politti knowledge!), KROQ's Lisa Worden (with her lovely pink glittered eyes!), Gene Sandbloom and Daris Lee (who was excited to go see the Jungle Bros.), Buzz Fitzgerald (who happily compared notes about our favorite tracks on the latest Crowded House compilation "After Glow"), Nic Harcourt (who was still wondering if Travis' "Granny" comment was flattering), Chris Patyk (who needs a copy of the Crowded House CD!) and too many more to mention! A night of pure musical bliss. So while relating stories of various other shows (I am still raving about Fono!), events and favorite new songs I got to hear that KFTE's Scott Perrin chooses Owsley and A3 as two of his favorite records. How could I argue? Our favorite programmer in Manchester—yeah, you guessed it—John Allers at WEQX is so busy right now that he has no time to get cold from all the snow! He's busy preparing for when ESPN's Winter X-Games come and invade Mt. Snow with various acts playing, such as Godsmack and Eminem. But the highest praise coming from John right now is about a local band (from Clifton Park, NY) called The Wait, which found a spot on his station's playlist. I am looking forward to hearing what's got them all buzzing. I guess in the meantime I'll try and find myself a copy of the other tune bringing a smile to his face: The Cardigans with Tom Jones! Maybe I'll get inspired enough to add Tom Jones into my current karaoke repertoire? If you have any more suggestions, please e-mail them to me at pinktipps@aol.com. While you are on the Web, check out the column that our young Ed Siebert at WPGU slaves over. You can find it at www.illinimedia.com, look under the Daily Illini section. I also know Ed is looking forward to seeing the fabulous Foo Fighters and Red Hot Chili Peppers tour that's coming up, how could you not? Amy Hudson from WMAD also let me know about future their stop in Madison. I wonder why everyone is telling me about upcoming Foo Fighters shows? I just hope that soon I'll be mesmerized again by some fabulous goosebump-inspiring show, and I hope the same for you. Until next week...hugs and kisses.

21 25

10 20

## "NEW BEGINNING"

THE NEW SINGLE FROM THE FORTHCOMING ALBUM:

HOLY DOGS
IN STORES MARCH 14

Going For Adds This Week!

"It's going to be great to see the rest of the country catch on to something that we already know in the home of the Super Bowl Champs. Stir's 'New Beginning' is a big record and it sounds awesome on the radio. Be part of this one."

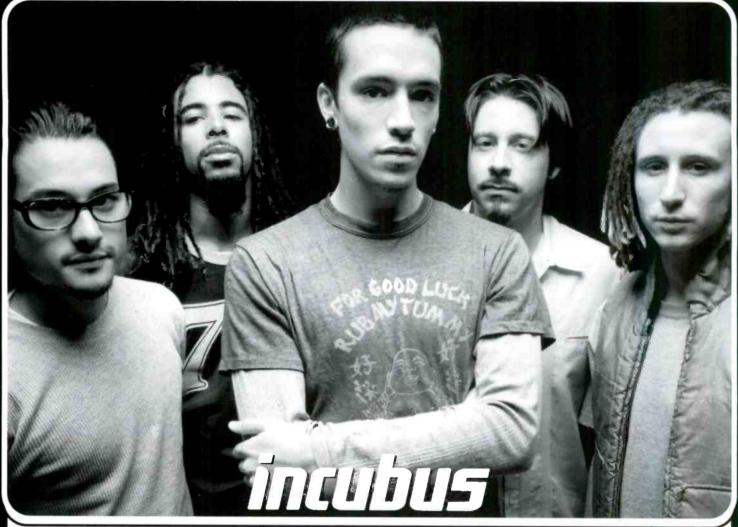
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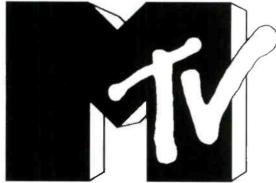
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**KIOZ Top 5 Phones** 

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## PRAISE THE LOUD!

## OP 20 LOUD AIRPLAY

label

Wind-Up

Epic

Immortal/Epic

Flip/Interscope

Elektra/EEG

Warner Bros.

Lava/Atlantic/AG

Flip/Elektra/EEG

DreamWorks

Immortal/Epic

Roswell/RCA

Nothing/Interscope

Virgin

Reprise

Atlantic/AG

Radioactive

Capitol

MCA

Trauma

Republic/Universal

w tw artist

2 GODSMACK

Voodoo CREED

What if **KORN** 

Falling Away From Me

3 4 LIMP BIZKIT Re-arranged

6 RAGE AGAINST THE MACHINE

Guerrilla Radio
METALLICA

No Leaf Clover
7 RED HOT CHILI PEPPERS

Otherside 5 8 BUSH

Letting The Cables Sleep

8 9 KID ROCK Only God Knows Why

10 10 STAIND

Home, Mudshovel
11 11 POWERMAN 5000

Nobody's Real

16 12 INCUBUS
Pardon Me

14 13 SMASHING PUMPKINS

The Everlasting Gaze

12 14 FOO FIGHTERS

Stacked Actors

15 15 NINE INCH NAILS

Into The Void

13 16 FILTER

Take A Picture

17 17 BLINK 182

All The Small Things

1B STONE TEMPLE PILOTS

Heaven & Hotrods

19 19 LIVE

18

Run To The Water

MEGADETH

Breadline

based on a combination of pomo and active rock airplay

### P.T.L.powertool

This week our Power Tool worked hard to be recognized. Willie B., the Music Director of KBPI Denver, caused quite the commotion in the Mile High City. He recently pulled a stunt having an intern



ride a go-ped (motorized skateboard) through a local mall scattering people all over the place until he finally crashed. Then during the National Western stock show (a week of cowboys and livestock), Willie borrowed a goat as a stunt. A brown goat was reported missing from the event and Denver police (after hearing it on the air) thought

they had their guy. Upon their arrival, they realized Willie and the garg had a black goat and had to release them on the technicality. Now that's good radio! Willie, who's been at the station for 7 years, holds down 7pm-midnight and is #1 with men and women ages 18-34. Barnyard animals beware!

## ROCK squawk



#### NICOLE SANDLER, MD KACD, LOS ANGELES, CA

"'Delerium' by **Euphoria** is just such a unique track. The way the slide guitar lays over the beats gives it such a 'stand-out vibe.' And the fact the phone lines light up every time it's played, confirms why songs ike this should be on the radio! It's very cool."

#### SEAN ELLIOT, PD KAZR, DES MOINES, IA

"I'm diggirg P.O.D.'s 'Southtown' and
Toxic' from Crazy Town; both right up our
alley for night airplay. From the 'going to
be huga' category, 3 Doors Down has the
right ingredient with 'Kryptonite.' And
we're also on 'Stacked Actors' by the Foo
Fighters, which is doing well!"



## ANDY ALVEY, METAL DIRECTOR WJXQ, LANSING, MI

"The Pit" Specialty Show

"Machine Head, Sevendust and Slipknot have been our meat and potatoes since their release. Kittle gives us all that special tingly sensation that we haven't felt since Slipknot blew up the phoned You know, the kind of phone action you get when the CD skips."

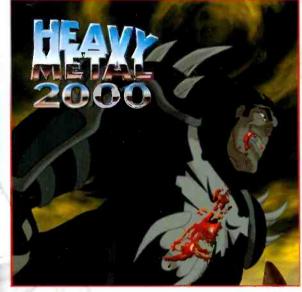
#### PEGGIE SWEET, PD WHMH, ST. CLOUD, MN

"I really like the Union track 'Dc Your Own Thing'! It has great driving guitar and you can't go wrong with Kulick and Corabi. I also really like Chevelle's 'Point #1' and 3 Doors Down 'Kryptonite.' You know the mecord is going to be big when several record stores call you consistently asking when it's going to be released.'



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## BOCK

#### top 25 active rock

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1 tw artist-label comments

1 CREED - Wind-Up WTFX add What if

2 GODSMACK - Republic/Universal #1 KAZR, WGIR

Voodoo

METALLICA - Elektra/EEG #1 KQRC, WXTB

No Leaf Clover

RED HOT CHILI PEPPERS - Warner Bros. KNCN add
Otherside
KID ROCK - Lava/Atl/AG #1 KTNP

Only God Knows Why

BUSH - Trauma

WHJY, WBZX add

Letting The Cables...

KORN - Immortal/Epic #1 Most added

Make Me Bad, Falling Away... **LIMP BIZKIT** - Flip/Interscope

Re-Arranged

Top 5 KRZR, WJRR

11 FOO FIGHTERS - Roswell/RCA KEGL, WMFS add Stacked Actors, Learn To...
12 STAIND - Flip/Elektra/EEG WXTB, WTFX add

Home, Mudshovel
FILTER - Reprise #1 WQWK, WGBF

Take a Picture

RAGE AGAINST THE MACHINE - Epic #1 KIOZ, KRXQ

Sleep Now In The Fire, Guerrilla...

MEGADETH - Capitol #1 KISW

10 MEĠADETH - Capitol #1 KISW
Breadline
STONE TEMPLE PILOTS - Atlantic/AG Top 5 KLBJ

Heaven & Hotrods

15 THE SMASHING PUMPKINS - Virgin MTV add

The Everlasting Gaze
POWERMAN 5000 - DreamWorks Top 5 KAZR, KXXR

Nobody's Real

SANTANA - Arista
Put Your Lights On

Top 5 WRIF, WROV

**LIVE** - Radioactive WTPT, WBUZ add Run To The Water, Dolphin's...

DAYS OF THE NEW - Geffen WYSP add Weapon and The Wound

GUÁNO APES - RCA Top 5 KIOZ, KLFX
Open Your Eyes

3 DOORS DOWN - Republic/Universal KISS, KUPD add Kryptonite INCUBUS - Immortal/Epic MTV Buzzworthy

Pardon Me
NINE INCH NAILS - Nothing/Interscope WRAT add

Into The Void **BUCKCHERRY** - DreamWorks KUPD add

Check Your Head
CHEVELLE - Squint Entertainment WXTM add
Point #1

based on a combination of airplay and sales

#### most added

1. KORN "Make Me Bad" Immortal/Epic 2. SEVENDUST "Waffle" TVT

3. METHODS OF MAYHEM "New Skin" MCA will definitely be able to s

4. LIVE "Run To The Water"
5. 3 DOORS DOWN "Kryptonite"

6. FCO FIGHTERS "Stacked Actors"

Radioactive Republic/Universal Roswell/RCA

### the couch trip, tony couch

in the same city. This bi-coastal shit is getting really old... But, I will say my Super Bowl Sunday was spent cruising from Los Angeles to San Diego on Todd Hensley's (of HITS) boat, watching the game and eating ribs that were flown in from Alabama. In fact, for the first time in many years, the game was better than the commercials... I'm very much looking forward to seeing Stir at their upcoming showcase in Chicago. Tommy Daley of Capitol hooked me up with an advance of their CD "Holy Dogs," and I've been listening constantly. Radio's response to the single "New Beginning" has been very positive. They start collecting adds this coming

THE FIRST MONTH OF THE MILLENNIUM IS ALWAYS THE WORST:

Hopefully there's light at the end of the tunnel for my wife and me to live

ginning" has been very positive. They start collecting adds this coming Tuesday... It looks like **Atlantic** has been taking the proper strides to break **P.O.D.** The band's album, "Fundamental Elements of Southtown," sold nearly 6k last week. This, from exposure at rock radio and **MTV** is an early detector that "the kids get this band!" **Curtiss Johnson** of **KRXQ** told me that after he opened up one day-parted category with "Southtown," he watched the sales in the market go from 20 a week to 40 to 60 to 80 and

then over 100 in consecutive weeks. Interesting! You might try the same thing... Oh, by the way, the other night after having the most delicious sushi on Ventura Boulevard. **WB's Mike Rittberg** played me a band from

sushi on Ventura Boulevard, **WB's Mike Rittberg** played me a band from Palo Alto, CA named **Brougham** (weren't they in **Wheels & Deals** last year?) that made my ears perk up. It's a rap-rock band with **AC/DC**-

sounding guitars. I think Active Rock will eat this one up. "Murked Out," the first single, will be shipped your way at the end of February. Rittberg also told me **Static-X** has two sold-out shows at The Palace in L.A. this week, where they'll be awarded their certified Gold record. We tip our hats to the band,

Warner Bros., Rittberg and of course both Rob McDermot and Andy Gould for this accomplishment. Next stop: Platinum! "I'm With Stupid" and Ozzfest 2000 will help...

MOKE:

MOKE: Ultimatum's <u>Must</u> See

As I head back to the Big Apple this week to see my lovely bride, I'm also looking forward to sitting with Elektra's George Cappellini and Al Tavera. They are heating things up with Staind, Metallica and Third Eye Blind at radio right now. And by the time you read this, you'll have new AC/DC too! In addition, I hear Pantera has a blistering single that's very radio-friendly. It will be on your desk February 22nd. Another Elektra band up headed our way is The Deadlights, who are touring with Coal Chamber and Type O Negative for the next two months. You might want to pull this one out of the stack and check it out... Congratulations to Turner Watson of WGBF Evansville, who ascends from the APD position to PD. I hired Turner as a part-timer in '93 and he's lived through three ownership changes and rolling the station van, which made it possible for a Humvee. He's a good man and I'm sure he'll do a great job. OM Mike Sanders remains at the station, focusing on the day-to-day of the five-station cluster. Bands to watch include: C2/Portrait's Mars Electric from Birmingham-they have been out pounding the pavement on a promo tour... Moke goes for adds this coming Wednesday with "Wheel In Motion," and radio is (finally) spreading the word on how fantastic they are live... If you're going to Gavin catch The Flys on Friday at Slim's. Jimmy Barnes ran down the street last week and played me their new single, "Losing It." Rock radio will definitely be able to sink its teeth into this... If you look up at a Calvin Klein billboard and see Josh from Buckcherry stylin', you're not seeing things. A multi-million dollar campaign is currently in progress. Email the scoop to Hitsrock2k@aol.com.

## ROCK

#### top 20 specialty airplay

lw tw artist label

1 KITTIE Ng/Artemis

Spit

THE DEADLIGHTS QED/Elektra/EEG

Afterbirth

4 SLIPKNOT Roadrunner

Slipknot

2 4 SNAPCASE Victory

Designs For Automotion

11 5 ANNIHILATOR CMC

Criteria For A Black Widow

8 6 CRO-MAGS Cro-Mag Recordings

Revenge

15 PRIMER 55 Island/IDJ

Introduction To Mayhem

TVT

Retarder

7 9 ANTHRAX Beyond

Attack Of The Killer A's

6 10 DANZIG E-Magine

6:66 Satan's Child

Till COAL CHAMBER Roadrunner

Chamber Music

13 WCW OST Tommy Boy

Various Artists

TU MANCHU Mammoth

King Of The Road

9 14 INDECISION Mia

Release The Cure

SEVENDUST TVT

Home

16 ROLLINS BAND DreamWorks

"Illumination" (single)

🖪 📅 GARDENIAN NBA

Soulburner

**13** A.N./CONVERGE (SPLIT) Relapse

The Poached Diaries

**19 EYEHATEGOD** Century Media

Southern Discomfort

10 20 FULL DEVIL JACKET Enclave/Island/IDJ

A Wax Box...

#### upcoming new releases

#### GOING FOR ADDS 2/7

CRAZY TOWN • "Toxic" — Columbia/CRG

LIT • "Miserable" — RCA

MOKE • "Wheels In Motion" — Ultimatum

MOLLY'S YES • "Scars" — Republic/Universal

OVERSEER • "Stompbox" (Any Given Sunday OST.) — Atl/AG

THE PILFERS • "Aqua" — Mojo/Universal

RAGE AGAINST THE MACHINE • "Sleep Now In The Fire" — Epic

**STIR** • "New Beginning" — Capitol

#### GOING FOR ADDS 2/14

LIMP EIZKIT • "Break Stuff" — Flip/Interscope

PORTABLE • "What's Wrong" — TVT

THE ROCKFORDS • "Silver Linings" — Epic

SYSTEM OF A DOWN • "Spiders" — American/Col/CRG

#### GOING FOR ADDS 2/21

CAROLINE'S SPINE • "Nothing To Prove" — Hollywood

FULL DEVIL JACKET • "Now You Know" — Enclave/Island/IDJ

KORN • "Make Me Bad" — Immortal/Epic

STEREOPHONICS • "Roll Up And Shine" — V2

#### specialty pick



DROWNINGMAN "How They Light Cigarettes In Prison" (Revelation): Burlington, VT's best kept secret is out of the bag as Revelation's newest addition hits all the right notes with its debut EP. With tracks like "Black-Tie Knife-Fight" and "How They Light Cigarettes In Prison," this caustic blend of spastic metal entangled within

melodic interludes and dark sarcasm is destined for greatness. This summer's full-length will, no doubt, be a keeper. Drown Jason @ Revelation with your phone calls (714) 375-4264 x222.

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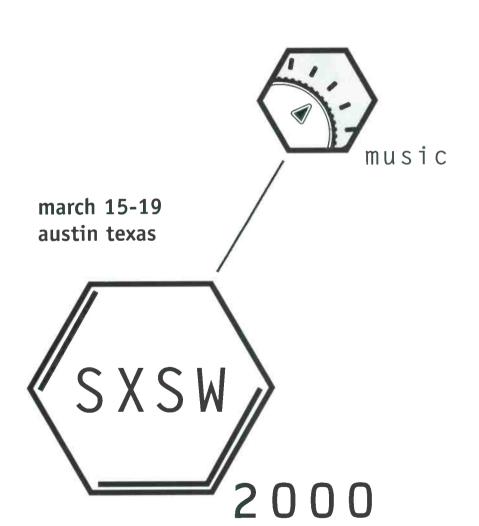
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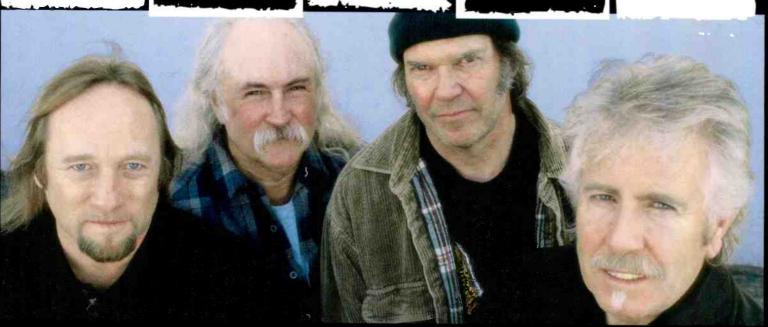












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## APUTOST MODERN

#### top 25 adulterated

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	1	1	MAN IN THE MOON OST - WB	#1 WMMM!
	5	2	REM TRACY CHAPMAN - Elektra/EEG	Uluma anin inauganal
	5	4	New Beginning	Huge spin increase!
	3	3	SANTANA - Arista	The Energizer CD!
			Supernatural	
	2	4	COUNTING CROWS - DGC	#1 KBCO!
			This Desert Life	
I	6	5	STEELY DAN - Giant/Reprise	Buzz on PBS special
			Two Against Nature	
	4	6	FILTER - Reprise	a KODAK moment
	7	7	Title Of Record  STING - A&M	#1 VINIVI
	1	1	Brand New Day	#1 KINK!
	9	8	VERTICAL HORIZON - RCA	Great live show!
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	8	9	FOO FIGHTERS - Roswell/RCA	Keep belt fastened
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Ì			Live On	
	15	11	THIRD EYE BLUE - Elektra/EEG	Feeling it at KFOG
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I.	13	12	SMASH MOUTH - Interscope	35 Spins @ WDOD
Sales Co.	10	13	Astro Lounge MOBY - V2	#1 KACD!
	10	13	Play	π I NACD:
1	20	14	THE SOPRANOS OST - C2	Sales kickin' in
			A3	
	16	15	RED HOT CHILI PEPPERS - WB	Top 5 Alternative
			Californication	
	14	16	TRAIN - Aware/Columbia/CRG	Sold 625k Albums
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	19	17	BEN HARPER - Virgin	Add WMMM!
	12	18	Burn To Shine FIONA APPLE - Clean Slate/Epic	Cool new video
-	14	10	When The Pawn	Cool Hew video
4	17	19	GUSTER - Hybrid/London	New single soon
			Lost & Gone Forever	
1	21	20	BRUCE COCKBURN - RYKO	Format staple
			Breakfast In New Orleans	,
1	22	21	MICHAEL HUTCHENCE - V2	In-Store Feb 22
		25	Michael Hutchence	. I I
	18	22	BURLAP TO CASHMERE - A&M	Add KXST!
ľ		23	Anybody Out There  MELISSA ETHERIDGE - Island/IDJ	Chart Debut!
N.		23	Breakdown	Chart Debut!
1	24	24	WARREN ZEVON - NG/Artemis	Add KACD!
			Life'll Kill Ya	
		25	OASIS - Epic	Chart Debut
1			Standing On The Shoulder of Giants	

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#### BY NICK BEDDING

MEANWHILE, BACK IN SCENE CITY: L.A. was definitely the place to see some of the most talked about shows so far this year! Vertical Horizon kicked the week off, and you should believe the hype: This band throws down. Amazing performance! An enthusiastic crowd proved airplay in Smog City was revving people up. Art Philips, during sporadic pogo dancing, gave me some scoop that's good for us to know. Overall sales are up 30 percent (over 141k albums scanned to date) and multi-format spins have hit an impressive 4500 detections. "Everything You Want" is connecting! The action continued on Thursday with Catatonia. Atlantic's new signing is a cool alternative female-fronted Scottish band, that threw down some serious flavor. Then it was off to see Epic's Travis and the unsigned Remy Zero. Travis rocked their Radiohead-style sound in a huge way. And if you swore you'd never like Britney's "Baby One More Time," I promise their cover will turn you around! I still can't believe Remy Zero is unsigned! Speaking of unsigned, Aimee Mann's "Magnolia" soundtrack is going through the roof—already 60,000+ sold! Collectively we've got to get it together. KINK, KGSR, WMMM and WNCS are leading the APM charge on "Save Me." Modern AC

flag new we "Tl this

"SO MOBY..."
"No Jody, it's me, BRUCE!"

flagship KLLC has already recognized this hit! The new hot soundtrack we'll be hearing about this week is "Wonder Boys." **Bob Dylan**'s lead track "Things Have Changed" comes in #1 Most Added this week, including KTCZ, CIDR, WXRV and KGSR. Look for this film to hit hard on Feb. 25.

Look for this film to hit hard on Feb. 25. With a cast that includes Michael Douglas, Tobey Maguire and Robert Downey Jr., they've got all demos covered! **Gamez** 

continues to break into new territory; KFOG, KGSR and WXRV cave in this week! The "new school" atmospheric flavor records like Euphoria, Afro Celt Sound System and Moby are certainly making phones ring. Nicole Sandler is feelin' these records: "They are a part of today's musical environment and programming these songs makes 103.1 feel fresh and unique." She's not alone. KINK added Euphoria into active rotation. WXRT and WMVY are already spinning Afro Celt Sound System, so jump in, the water's warm. Moby's summer release "Play" continues to heat up January with a gold album! My girl Shelby Lynne hit the road last week. Visiting Bruce "The Sundance Kid" Warren where the in-studio performance was said to be off the hook...that crazy Bruce. Also Jody Denberg was lucky enough to share sake and sushi with our new starlet. Will everyone please just add "Life Is Bad!" On the coldest day of the year in Martha's Vineyard last week, WMVY's Barbara Dacey hosted her station's annual Chili Cook-Off. Whoa, Nellie! That's some chilly chili. We love you here at HITS, but here's a tip: Next time have it in August and in Texas. Melissa Etheridge continues to gain new ground with spin increases at WRNX (+6), WMMM (+6) and CIDR (+9) and a chart debut of 23\*. Even though the rocket scientists at the Recording Academy booked Rosie to host the Grammys, there's still a good reason to tune in: Sting. He'll be performing "Desert Rose." Amy Brooks at WBOS reassured me that 'BOS will maintain its focus and direction as a valid APM station in Boston. Tara MacLean is making new friends this week out on her residency tour, look for her in Portland, OR, Los Angeles and San Diego. Another change at WRNR... Mike Wade exits and Mike Cortwright is now sitting in the PD chair. Ex-independent Jim Robinson leaves Minneapolis and heads to Austin to program Modern AC KAMX. KAPM heavies: CSN&Y, Counting Crows, Chantal Kreviazuk, Peter Searcy, The Pretenders and Billy Ray Cyrus. You and me together, G.I.D.

## 

#### rock2k picks

EDITED BY KAREN GLAUBER.



The Exies "The Exies" (Ultimatum): Don't be fooled when Scott Stevens wraps his vocals around the sweetly twisted melodies provided on The Exies' debut. Even though the band's guitar-driven rock brings to mind British popsters such as diverse as Badfinger and Spacehog, The Exies are actually from Los

Angeles. Singable, instantly accessible choruses and thick, buzzing guitars characterize the dozen songs here. Highlights include, but are certainly not limited to, "Baby's Got A New Revelation," "All The Pretty Ones" and "Bighead." (J.D.)

Hank Williams III "Risin' Outlaw" (Curb): Following the outlaw tradition that is his family legacy, Hank III takes more cues from his famous grandfather than his father. The lone-some twang of Hank's voice and the choice of tunes (a mixture of originals and covers) hearken back to 1930s-era honky tonk. From the



opening strains of "I Don't Know" to the TJ Arnall classic "Cocaine Blues," this Hank's music earns the moniker "cowpunk." If this debut is a true indication of what Hank's capable of, this outlaw is truly on the rise. (J.D.)



Kelly Hogan And The Pine Valley Cosmonauts "Beneath The Country Underdog" (Bloodshot): Backed by the country music masterminds that are the Pine Valley Cosmonauts, Hogan (formerly of The Jody Grind and The Rock\*A\*Teens) delivers her trademark haunting torch singer vocals that can bring even the roughest trailman to

tears. From the sadness and pain of the Willie Nelson cover "I Still Can't Believe You're Gone" to the honky-tonk pop of "Mystery" and the straightforward old-school country on "Easy Loving" this LP digs deep to set the cowboys and cowgirls in all of us free. (C-BOB)

Arling & Cameron "Music For Imaginary Films" (Emperor Norton): Looking for a groovy sound-track reminiscent of the flicks of the '60s and '70s? Well, the Dutch pop duo of Gerry Arling and Richard Cameron have provided the score. With funky bass lines, blaring horns and syncopated mythms, Arling and Cameron (with a



handful of guest artists) present a kaleidoscope of songs from fictional action, romance and spy films. From the retro-tech disco of "1999 Space Qub" to the impulsive orchestral brass of "Le Flic at La Fille" to the snezky jazz of "Hashi," every track is Oscar-worthy.

#### rock2k mugs

PREVENTING TOOTH DECAY: According to the latest information provided by the American Dental Association, three out of four people associated with the record industry—represented here by RCA's Bruce Flohr, head Foo Fighter Dave Grohl

and Radford drummer Kane McGee are proud to show off their freshly brushed and flossed teeth. The other 25 percent—represented here by Radford singer Jonny Mead—are either British or just ate a poppy seed muffin.



HIGHER EDUCATION: When stopping by WFNX Boston, rock bad boys Tommy Lee (r) and TiLo (2nd fr. l) of Methods of Mayhem showed their serious side for the station's Julie Kramer (l) and Angie C (2nd fr. r)." Our concern for the declin-

ing state of public education in the United States has so far been totally ignored by the mainstream press," said TiLo. Lee agreed but chose to express his complex political stance in a more nonverbal way.



THE DATING GAME: Down to her final questions, HITS' own Ivana B. Adored (I) tried to decide her dating fate among three lucky bachelors: (I-r) JB Dunckel of the band Air, KCRW's Ni: Harcourt and Nicolas Godin of Air. Sadly, all her potential

dates were baffled by her question: "If you were a major market PoMo station and I was a smash single, how often would you spin me?" The event was sponsored by the HITS Employee Social Assistance Foundation.







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### Ground Zero

#### Flippin' The Script With Bat L. Axe

AOL-Time Warner-EMI—this is just the beginning of some OTHER shit, as major labels continue to switch up quick to get in on some www-dollars. But it ain't all about digital music sales and distribution, that is just the tip of the iceberg. We haven't even begun to feel the marketing flex of the Internet. We haven't broken a record exclusively from there yet. The movie business got clocked when "Blair Witch Project" became a commercial success off of ridiculous dotcom buzz. Most of y'all now have the obligatory Web site, but with basic point and click shit. If you wanna be in the game for real, you gotta WORK the Web. Case in point: LaFace/Arista recording artist, Pink. A 22-year-old whose whole sassy **Seg**a vibe is straight up Web generation to begin with, she's taken new artist Internet presence to the next level, and is speaking directly to her core audience in the process. Her Web site, www.pinkspage.com, is EXTRA. An online interactive fan club, it lets you preview new tracks from her forthcoming album. You can follow her national radio promotional tour (her visit to KMEL San Francisco sparked a flurry of postings), write messages directly to her or interact with other Pink fans. It's some forward-thinking flava, just how street teams were back in the day. Plus, it's creating a unique and cool new awareness that will ultimately swell right through to radio. "A lot of kids are at home after school and instead of watching TV, they get on the computer, go into chat rooms, set up their own fan pages and hang out

online," says Pink. "I wanted people to know who I am and what I'm about as soon as possible and the Internet is the best way to do that. My favorite part of the site are the fan postings. I read them every night and try to e-mail everybody back. "This is probably why her single "There You Go" is rocketing up the airplay charts... Bye Bye Bye: NSYNC is singin' it, but Bad Boy is feelin' it. Seems like a lot of the Bad Boy crew is bouncin' outta there. A few weeks back, GM Jeff Burroughs resigned with rumors flyin' that he's gonna end up with a phat new deal at Capitol. Now, Director of Promotion Justin Cruz and VP of Special



HARRELL: Bad Boy's good man.

Marketing Josh Taekman have stepped. Meanwhile prez Andre Harrell is trapped like a rat in a weird flux. With Puff's legal situation seriously precarious, and their big project of the year, Shyne, currently shelved by BMG, it's gotta be DRAMA at that label... Don't cry...dry your eyes: There is still some sunshine for Puffy. Ya'll know that L.A. Reid's got mad love for him and has always looked out. It was Reid, after all, who linked up Puff with Clive Davis. Now Reid is gonna be runnin' Arista. If Puffy gets busted for this lastest round of stupid-ass shit, will Reid run interference for him at BMG? This company did, after all, advance P-Diddy over 50 million dollars against future album sales, not knowing the bricks that lay ahead. There's some bling missing, ya feel me? And despite the XL ego, when he's focusing as a scout or producer and not an MC—he's got bankable skills. Very few people can come for Puffy on a production level when his head is in it. Will he reinvent himself or self-destruct? Hold that hammer—game's not over... E-mail: Hitsdrama@aol.com

### Street Snap



WEEDING IS FUNDAMENTAL: TLC's Chilli greeted Freeworld/Captiol artists Vega and label CEO Dallas Austin (3rd fr. r) after a concert earlier this year. The Vega boys listened tertatively to the Grammy-winning singer, hypnotized by her ndustry knowledge and not at all by her midriff-bearing top, while Austin pondered a smokin' new joint venture. Shortly after this photo, Austin ransacked the catering truck, devouring vats of warm potato salad.

#### Phat Five

The Hype On The Street This Week

- **DAVE DARUS** 
  - "Restless" exec gettin mo' Gs-GM.
- BAD BOY BAILAGE

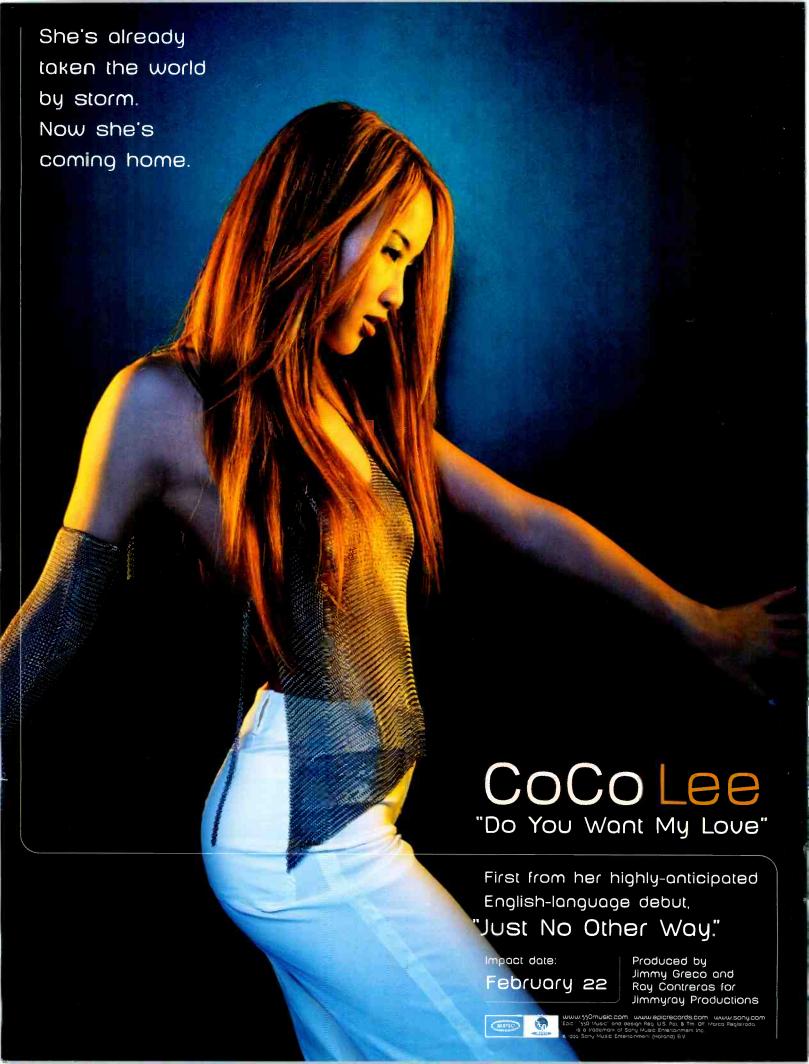
Burroughs, now Cruz, Taekman bounce out.

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New world order of brand new artists.

- Indicted on weapons charges.
  Hard knock may become hard time.
- New-groove gospel Mary Mary crossing over to our evil side with smash.

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2	4	4	CHRISTINA AGUILERA	What A Girl Wants	RCA
11	7	5	EVE F/FAITH EVANS	Love Is Blind	RR/Interscope
8	6	6	MISSY ELLIOTT	Hot Boyz	GM/Elektra/EEG
9	5	7	MARIAH CAREY F/98°	Thank God I Found	Columbia/CRG
18	9	8	DR. DRE/EMINEM	Forgot About Dre	Aftermath/Inter
10	8	9	EIFFEL 65	Blue (Da Ba Dee)	Repub/Univ/UMG
17	12	10	GINUWINE	None Of UR Friends	Epic/550 Music
6	10	11	SISQO	Got To Get It	Def Soul/IDJ
	17	12	D'ANGELO	Untitled	Cheeba/Virgin
21	15	13	JOE	I Wanna Know	Jive
12	13	14	DONELL JONES	U Know What's Up	LaFace/Arista
5	11	15	OL' DIRTY BASTARD F/KELIS	Got Your Money	Elektra/EEG
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	29	23	BACKSTREET BOYS	Show Me The	Jive
_	23	24	JAY-Z	Do It Again	Roc-A-Fella/IDJ
		25	PINK	There U Go	LaFace/Arista
		26	AALIYAH	l Don't Wanna	Priority
13	20	27	PUFF DADDY F/R. KELLY	Satisfy You	Bad Boy/Arista
		28	JENNIFER LOPEZ	Feeling So Good	Epic/Work
		29	SONIQUE	It Feels So Good	FC/Repub/Univ/UMG

#### R\*E\*S\*P\*E\*C\*T THIS WEEK

1.	Brian	McKnight	
2.	Bone	Thugs-N-Harmo	'n

SISQO

3. Aaliyah

4. Method Man/Redman "Y.O.U." 5. Guy

"Stay Or Let It Go"

Thong Song

"Resurrection" "I Don't Wanna"

Label Motown

Def Soul/IDJ

Ruthless/Rel/Epic Priority Def Jam/IDJ "Why You Wanna..." MCA

by Michelle S.

HOW DOES IT FEEL? It's clear when you check album sales that there is a shift in music tastes at the Rhythm and Crossover formats. Hip-hop has burned a bit, a resurgence of dance-pop has clearly infiltrated the fabric of rhythm radio, and at crossover—long known to be the tastemaker format, HENCE the name—there is a definite musical metamorphosis goin' down. Everybody who knows what's up is feelin' the same thing: The hot shit these days is most definitely R&B. Aside from the explosiveness of established acts like D'Angelo, Sisgo or Brian McKnight, there's a fledgling crop of breakthrough artists that are about to be tearin' up the spot in a minute. If you ain't checkin' for Angie Stone, Mary Mary, David Hollister, Lucy Pearl or Spooks you should be, straight up. This is some real R&B. We're not talking about producer-driven, pop-urban sounds like Shek'spere or Rodney Jerkins that have a mainstream flavor and radio-ready callout hooks. No disrespect to them, they are the new David Fosters and Walter Afanaseiffs. The new breed of R&B is embodied by artists who often write and produce their own stuff. It is some saucy, sexy, insatiable SOUL music-in the vein of the Isley Brothers, Stevie Wonder and Marvin Gaye—that's makin' a comeback, and been here for years. Plus, new albums from Joe, Aaliyah, Jagged Edge, plus Tamar AND big sis Toni Braxton will only lend to the domination of R&B in the Y2G. The trend is even causing street smart MDs to search through albums from current R&B artists out, like with WPGC diggin' into Mary J. Blige's album for the female anthem ballad "Your Child," and KMEL finding the Chico DeBarge/Joe track, "Listen To Your Man," on Chico's new album. Or Hot 97 putting back IN the Jagged Edge hit "He Can't Love U" cuz their current album sales are so on fire. Or maybe we should point to the number one callout scores Angie Stone is scoring at 92Q with "No More Rain." Just two years ago, when hip-hop was on top, records like this were performing middle of the pack. Now they dominate. And please—wait until you hear miss thang's new hit, "Everyday" - OVAH!! It smells like a trend to me... Musically this week: Sisqo is rippin' it up right now with "Thong Song." This is an INSTANT reaction record that's Top Five phones everyplace it's getting love, and has the goods to cross all the way. If you're not playin' it yet, you certainly will be soon... Pink is living up to everyone's enthusiasm and generating #2 phones at places like B96, Power 96, Z90 and KTFM. Majors like Power 106, KUBE, KXJM, WLLD and Power 92 are all down for the hit-factor of "There U Go" with solid rotations. By summer, everybody on the planet is gonna want this artist for a show, so be in the game now and REP-RESENT. You know Maffei will torture the shit outta you over this... Lots of positivity about 702's new jam, "Gotta Leave," as well as Da Brat's "That's What I'm Lookin For." Keep your eye on both they're comin' up fast... Don't forget about Bone Thugs N Harmony's "Resurrection." Blazin' #1 phones at Power and The Beat, #2 phones in Portland, Top Ten phones in DC. If you battle this record at night, it wins big time. "I'm not afraid to admit that I'm a Bone fan," says KIKI PD Frederico, "They always end up doing well in the end." Brian McKnight is back for a round-two blast with "Stay Or Let It Go." Hot 97 and 92Q lead in airplay on this jam, #1 Most Added this week with all the majors down outta the box... Don't underestimate this Nas/Ginuwine "You Owe Me." Ginuwine's got an amazing track record at radio... You gotta get down with this Mary Mary "Praise You" record on C2. It is off the HOOK... Shout outs: Brad Davidson—Blackground's new Director of Crossover—congrats! Caroline Bazbaz—Happy birthday miss thing!... I'm out!

## CROSSOVER

### NEWRELEASES

#### **GOING FOR ADDS 2/8**

702 "Gotta Leave" Motown Mark Anthony Columbia/CRG "You Sang To Me" Sisgo "Thong Song" Def Soul/IDJ Luke's Freak Fest 2000 "Loving You" Loud Deborah Cox "September" Arista Hurricane Soundtrack "So Amazing" MCA

#### GOING FOR ADDS 2/15

The Murderers "Vita, Vita, Vita" Def Jam/IDJ
Anastacia "I'm Outta Love" Epic
Ice Cube f/Krayzie Bone "Until We Rich" Priority
Rashaan Patterson "It's Alright Now" MCA



#### MOST REQUESTED JAMS

Destiny's Child "Say My Name" Columbia/CRG
 Sisqo "Thong Song" Def Soul/IDJ
 Dr. Dre/Eminem "Forgot About Dre" Aftermath/Int
 Eve "Love Is Blind" RR/Interscope

## 5. Hot Boys "I Want A Hot Girl" CM/Univ/UMG BIG WILLIE

of the week



A work of art.

#### PICAZZO MD KISV Bakersfield

Picazzo is one of those radio rarities—he actually went to broadcasting school. "It was cool. They had a lot of guest speakers and | learned a lot," he remembers. A Riverside, Cali native, he spent a ton of time around the halls of local powerhouse KGGI. "I hold the re-

cord for returning the most often to one station—three times!" But other gigs have been in the mix too, including B95, KDON, B100, KMCG and the most recent, KISV. "The cool thing about Bakersfield is that it's close to L.A.," he says laughing. "But seriously, it's nice to be able to hang down there and check the radio out." Picazzo's long term goals include movin' up, majormarket style. "I have a full-time airshift (middays), but programming is my goal," he says. "But if I could just get Bob Lewis to quit calling me Bruce, I'd be really happy."



TICKLED PINK: HITS' Jamz Editor Gary Jackson flashes a humongous grin after being granted the opportunity to pose with new LaFace sensation, Pink. "I have absolutely loved you since I was a little boy, Annie. Do you think maybe I could play Daddy Warbucks? I totally have the bald thing going." Embarassed by her co-worker's mistake, Crossover guru, Michelle S. blankly stared concluding that Gary was obviously dropped as a baby.

### FREESTYLE

MUSIC QUOTES FROM INDUSTRY LEADERS



BUTTAHMAN APD/ MD 92Q Balitmore Tamar

"If You Don't Wanna..." DreamWorks

"There's a gang of slow jams out, but this is HOT—I'm definitely feelin' this one."

THEA MITCHEM MD WPGC Washington, DC Bone Thugs-N-Harmony "Resurrection" MT/Rel/Epic

"This is doing very well in requests for us, and it's developing nicely."





ERIK BRADLEY
MD B96 Chicago
Pink "There You Go" LaFace/Arista

"The reaction on this is immediately huge, #2 requested right now and closing in fast on NSYNC."

TRAVIS LOUGHRAN MD B95 Fresno Sisqo "Thong Song" Def Soul/IDJ

"This is the best record out there to me right now. R&B with a hip-hop flow, humorous lyrics. It's just crazy. What is this? The bomb!"





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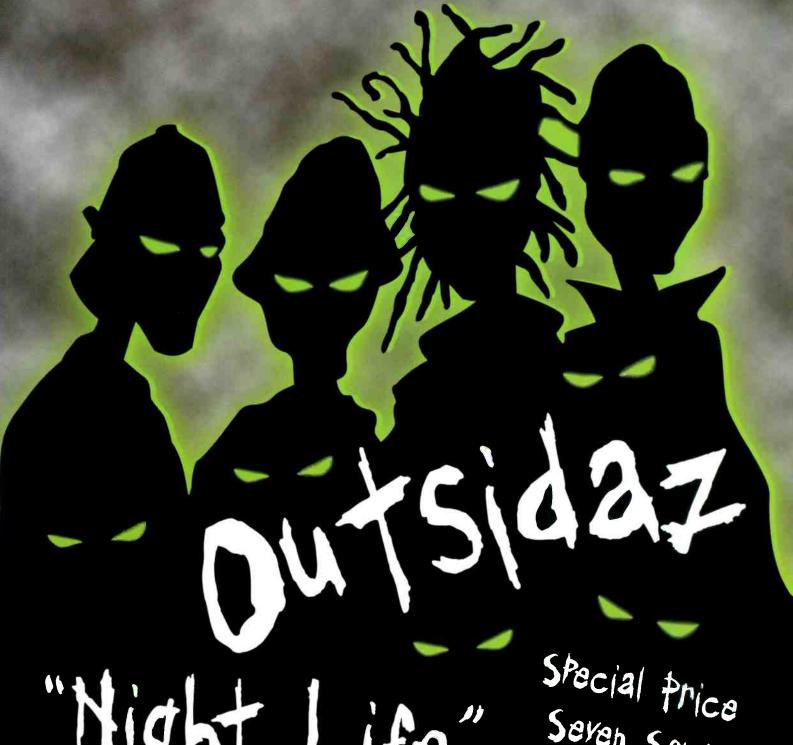
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Tha "Ski-Zer"

SKI SEASON... & like tha well-known weather condition of our beluwed Northeastern turf of late, there's anutha "it'z about time"- type situation that's plowin tha streetz of Philly on tha industry tip. That'z tha announcement eight-yr radio mix vet Jay "Don't Call Me AT&T" Ski (WPHI) haz been made tha station's first-ever mix show coordinator. Ski: "I would like to thank sumbody for recognizin' me after eight yrz. of slavery! All kidding aside, biggg ups to Radio One, esp. Steve Hegwood, Maurice DeVoe, tha entire 'PHI staff & Mic Fox for breakin new ground for mix shows in Philly. Shoutz also to my ill mix squad @ 'PHI-DJ

Touch Tone, DJ Kam, Baby D.S.T. & Greg Nitty, az well az all my folks on Ricky's mix show conf. call, aka 'Tha Rap Vatican.' & last but definitely not least, to my luvving parents for puttin up w/all my bangin noize thru my early yrz cummin up az a DJ; I wouldn't be here w/o you!" We understand that Mr. Ski will make a futile attempt to have sum regular office hrz for record folks to reach him. He intends them to be M-F, 2p-6p @ (215) 884-9400 x317. Jay's PD, Mr. DeVoe, when axed to comment on puttin him in the coord. slot, sed: "I wazn't really a biggg fan of hiz when we were @ WIOQ together & he really ain't dunn nuthin to change my opinion. Truth iz, what waz I gonna do? Give it to Touch Tone & have to listen to him whine every fukkin day? & while I'm @ it, fukk Ricky Leigh, too! Thank you for makin this up for me." On behalf of all of

us in the mix: CONGRATZ, SKI-ZER!... Def Jam became even more dominant this wk in tha mix w/SEVEN OUTTA ELEVEN COMM CONF. CALL PIX, while DMX (IDJ) retains #1 Spinz on tha Top 20 for tha fourth wk in a row w/"Party Up" already on tha way up tha chart! & to new #1 pic on our weekly mix show conf. call, Sisqo (Def Soul/IDJ), w/Dr. Dre (Aftermath/Interscope) holdin down tha #1 slot for the fourth wk in a row on the unda. & to new pix this wk: IDJ'z Jay-Z w/"Big Pimpin" & "Anything," w/12z just shipped; Warren G (G-Funk/Restless); Montell Jordan (IDJ) & Pharoahe Monch (Rawkus)... I'm hearin talk of our favorite meatball in tha mix, DJ Skribble (MTV). & tha WWF doin a lil sumthin sumthin after Skribz & hiz boy Slinky tore it up @ tha



Skribz, Daddy Russell & Ricky Leigh. Congrats Simmons family...

WWF's openin' of their new theme restaurant in Time Square last wk. Iz a regular TV slot, ala DJ Ran & WCW, possible? Are labelz also huntin hiz "Skribness" for a new deal in tha midst of a rumored departure from hiz current label situation? Az always, it'll be here first. Count on it... How bout Chris Coleman (WBHJ)?... Just heard a new Killah Priest (MCA) kut, "What Part of the Game," cummin in a few wks. You must check tha way he putz current hip-hop bizness in perspective. I'm luvvin this shittt!... Corrections: (1) Outsidaz (RuffNation) will join Meth & Redman this spring on tour & then go out w/Cypress Hill, Eminem, etc. this summer. (2) WVHT's DJ Debonair's address: 2680 Blue Heron Cir., Building I-7, Talahassee, FL 32304. I sukk. Sorry... Violator's Chris Lighty, on hiz & Mona Scott's new venture w/Mike Ovitz called AMG: "We're gonna elevate hip-hop from Madison Ave to Hollywood & all tha ghettos in between, while



Super Bowl champ coach Vermeil & Tha Smash: Gotta Go To Work!

keepin its validity & nuances intact." Translation: Me & Mona are gonna keep fukkin shittt up w/alotta hittt jointz az alwaze! More Mr. Lighty: "I've grown up

w/Lyor & Russell & we've dunn pretty well together. Now it'z time for 'tha son' to make hiz own"... Congratz to DJ "Victuh Lee" Lynnwood, who resigns w/KGGI for what should be tha rest of hiz career, millions & on-air puke lessons from PD Mark "Smartfood" Feather... Recently departed Bad Boy exec Jeff Burroughs on hiz new company, "Rise"; It'z been my longtime dezire to build a rec co. w/my own vizion. I consider this tranzition a new beginning & feel optimistic about the prospect of pursuing my ambitions." Translation: I'm bout to make sum serious fukkin noize, muhfukka now that I'm doin my own shittt!... Bout-to-be conf. call pix: Spooks (Antra/Artemis), Big Pun (LOUD), The Murderers (Mur-

der Inc/IDJ), Three 6 Mafia (LOUD), Mos Def (Rawkus) & Drag-On (Ruff Ryders/Interscope), whoze 12z'll be in your hottt lil mix handz shortly... & to Rah Digga (Elektra) on biggg MTV add!... Look for mix showz cummin in near-future to Boston's new Hot 97.7. Airshifts & mix slotz available w/T&Rs & your best mix tape to Tom Calococci @ 60 Main St., Brockton, MA 02303. W/Roy Barbosa (WJMN) now mixin 31 hrs./wk & "Hot" suppozedly gearin up for direct battle, action in U.S.' #10 market will be blazin. Will Barbosa be a sought-after free agent?... Anutha former Bad Boy, James "Just Luv Me" Cruz, iz tha object of much action az this one seems to be down to RCA, Epic & Violator... & lastly, to my man tha Smash (KSD), tha fukkin radio mayor of St. Louis & my first radio/industry mentor, on hiz Rams Super Bowl victory in 

top 20 spinz # ARTIST TITLE LABEL SPINZ						
#	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL S	SPINZ		
1.	DMX	What's My Name?	Ruff Ryders/Def Jam/IDJ	236		
2.	Q-TIP	Breathe & Stop	Arista	217		
3.	SISQO	Thong Song	Def Soul/IDJ	215		
4.	2PAC + OUTLAWZ	Baby Don't Cry	DR/Amaru/Inter	208		
5.	DR. DRE	Forget About Dre	Aftermath/Inter	206		
6.	HOT BOYZ	1 Need A Hot Girl	Cash Money/Uni/UMG	197		
7.	RAH DIGGA	Imperial	Flip Mode/Elektra/EEG	193		
8.	LOX	Wild Out	Ruff Ryders/Inter	186		
9.	GOODIE MOBB	Get Rich To This	LaFace/Arista	185		
10.	METHOD MAN	Y.O.U.	Def Jam/IDJ	183		
11.	THA EASTSIDAZ	G'd Up	DH/ES/TVT	180		
12.	JAY-Z	Do It Again	Roc-A-Fella/IDJ	174		
13.	WARREN G/SNOOP	Game Don't Wait	G-Funk/Restless	170		
14.	YOUNGBLOODZ	. 85	LaFace/Arista	169		
15.	OUTSIDAZ	Rah Rah	RuffNation	166		
16.	<b>EVE f/FAITH EVANS</b>	Love Is Blind	Ruff Ryders/Inter	155		
17.	MONTELL JORDAN	Get It On Tonite	Def Jam/IDJ	153		
18.	LL COOL J	III Bomb	Def Jam/IDJ	151		
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1.	SISQO	Thong Song	Def Soul/IDJ
2.	JAY-Z	Big Pimpin'	Roc-A-Fella /IDJ
3.	JAY-Z	Anything	Roc-A-Fella/IDJ
4.	THA EASTSIDAZ	G'd Up	DH/ES/TVT
5.	2PAC + OUTLAWZ	Baby Don't Cry	DR/Amaru/Inter
6.	DMX	Party Up	Def Jam/IDJ
7.	THE LOX	Ryde Or Die	Ruff Ryders/Inter
8.	METHOD MAN	Y.O.U.	Def Jam/IDJ
9.	LL COOL J	III Bomb	Def Jam/IDJ
10.	WARREN G/SNOOP	Game Don't Wait	G-Funk/Restless
11.	MONTELL JORDAN	Come Home	Def Soul/IDJ
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1.	DR. DRE	Xxplosive	Aftermath/Inter
2.	RAH DIGGA	Imperial	FM/Elektra/EEG
3.	OUTSIDAZ	Rah Rah	RuffNation
4.	PHAROAHE MONCH	Right Here	Rawkus/Priority
5.	COMMON	The 6th Sense	MCA
6.	FUNKMASTER FLEX	If I Get Locked Up	DefJam/IDJ
7	TASH	NightFall	Loud

the lowdown on new music...



#### ...by leading mix show DJz

#### dj ran • wcw/syndiated



#### Funkmaster Flex f/LL Cool J "I'll Bomb" Def Jam/IDJ

"So much for that second-round KO. It'z good to see that LL still rockz tha bellz in 2000. Yo, L, can you make me a multi-plaque with all your albums from tha first to your latest? I'm goin to hang it up next to Kevin

Liles' trainin bra." Editor's note: On tha topic of trainin bras, bruuhh [pronounced: br-uuhh], since you fukkin stole that ole pic of you & your brother from back in tha day that we had while LP waz eatin or otherwize occupied, leave it to your man to get on ya w/tha ole homewrecka photo of you & summa tha WCW "Nitro Girls" after an "elongated" study session @ tha LAX Marriot. So Ran, just how waz room service @ tha hotel anyway? Just axin...

#### dj revolution • wake-up show



#### Outsidaz f/Pace Won "Rah Rah" Ruffnation

"Tha song definitely lives up to itz title; it'z that old 'Rah Rah' shittt. So be on the lookout for theze catz. Tha B-side iz bangin, also. I'm feelin this Outsidaz shittt in a big way." Editor's note: For yearz now, we've rankled tha incredibly luvvlee & talented Mr. Revolution about hiz

rootz in summa America's finest trailer parks. But hiz iz so much a story like Kurt Warner's, we felt tha need to further celebrate him rather than pubicly chastize him for doin thingz like lowerin hiz trailer for "Lowrider" competitions. Naaaah. No more razzin about hiz penchant for a hottt plate of Spam before mix-time. Or hiz recent order of tha "Best Of Hee Haw" from QVC for that matter.

#### big von richards • kyld



## Drag-On f/DMX "Die For Me" Ruff Ryders/Interscope

"Tha beet iz hott!!! Tha minute tha package got here, I took it to tha airwaves... Tha Ruff Ryders look like they are unfukkable." Editor's note: "Unfukkable?" Ya mean "unfukkwittable"? What're you, tha fukkin Yogi

Berra of hip-hop?! Though it sure seems like you got Yogi-sized luvvv in tha Bay. Look atcha. Like tha proud poppa surrounded by hiz litter... Or iz it your look-alike contingent from the Eagle on Folsom St. in San Fran? One question, tho. Duz tha chaps cum w/tha face mask? How 'bout lip balm? Condumz?

#### jay-ski • wphi



#### Common "The 6th Sense" MCA

"Primo & Common together... Need I say more? Immediately bangin in tha mix on sum true hip-hop shitt. I luvvv tha ill sample on tha hook. Definitely an underground banger w/crossover appeal." Editor's note: (L-r): DJ "Tha Rock" Ran (WCW/syndicated) & Jay "Sting" Ski share

glorious momentz while hangin @ tha Outsidaz (RuffNation) gig @ Brave New World in Philly of tha ole Power 99/WIOQ "battle" daze, thinkin of what head-case female from their ole stables they can hook up w/certain friendz of theirs in tha mix that would create enuff drama for them to be able to script their own fukkin soap opera. [FYI: inside joke—just ask them]. I'm missin' Philly.

#### justyn tyme • the box



## Spooks "Things I've Seen" Antra/Artemis

"Just like tha Digable Planets, Fugees & the Roots before them, this group iz scarin' tha shittt outta me w/originality. Definitely hottt shittt for tha klubz & tha crib!! PS. I really liked tha "Things I've Seen," especially after seein' tha Skinz get their

asses taken out a couple of weeks ago." Editor's note: In our continuing efforts to show how much we really do care, we've cum to find that we can get you that interview w/ABM you were hopin for. & even if nuthin happens there, werd iz both Peter Cohen and Les Garland have sum home-maintenance opportunities available on South Beach, even for a misplaced punk-asss Pats fan like you, "Chippy"!

#### corey hill • wiiz



#### Bone Thugs-N-Harmony "X-Tasy" Ruthless/Loud

"Bone Thugs-N-Harmony are back once again with sum heat. No need to promote tha drug, but this X-shittt iz off the meter. Nice to see that they came correct w/out any collaboration of any kind. I'm lookin forward to tha album. Bone Thugs-N-Harmony are definitely on sum next millennium

shittt." Editor's note: While Bone iz on sum "next millennium shittt," it'z obvious, Mr. Hill (right), that you & Mr. Ty "MacDeez" C (MCA), by lookin @ this pic, haven't exactly spent alotta time @ any 12-step meetings lately. Then again, we've seen many a mix show promo weez have that Ty C look after a four-hr. marketing meetin' w/Benny Pough (MCA). Oh, & Corey... That leavin- tha-price-tag shittt on your hattt went out w/"fades."

#### touch tone • wphi



## DMX "Party Up" Def Jam/IDJ

"Definitely a hottt joint for tha klubz & blazin tha air now & very soon elsewhere. Tha record iz startin to set Philly ablaze, so DJz, feel me & educate your audience, cuz this shittt iz electrifying." Editor's note: To tha self-proclaimed "Stevie Wonder" of tha mix

show community, w/luvvv from all tha folks who get to either hear him whine or fall asleep on tha phone weekly... Touch Tone, YOU ARE BLAZIN! PS. I hear Jay Ski's gotta braille map of where he'd like hiz asss kissed now that he's tha biggg mix show coordinator for tha station...

#### ron love • wpyo



#### Warren G/Snoop... f/Xzibit "Game Don't Wait" G-Funk/Restless

"Ready or not, it'z tha return of tha 'Regulator.' All DJz betta get on it or get regulated by the rap Vatican. One of tha West Coast's finest once again reprezentin on a Dre-esque track, seasoned with lyrical magic." Editor's note: I actually think this iz one

of thoze moments where yours truly iz dumbfounded enuff by a pic to just give ya tha factz. Real Talent: Tommy Davidson (right). Self-proclaimed Talent (?): Ron "Yes I'm Tha Greatest, Just Axe Me" Love (right). Oh, & there iz a PS after all: Dear Ron, Your Jaguars obviously sukked a biggg one. Obviously. It'z just too much fun to rezist.

# VARRENI C. (GAME DON'T WAIT)



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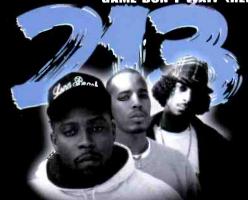
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1	5	2	SELF SCIENTIFIC	Best Part	BL/Tommy Boy
5	4	3	THA EASTSIDAZ	G'd Up	Dogghouse/TVT
1	2	4	KARDINAL OFFISHALL	Husslin'	Figure IV
9	9	4	CORMEGA F/HAVOC	Angel Dust	Casino Ent./LS
1	6	6	MR. LIF	Farmhand	Grand Royal/Capitol
2	10	7	TASH	Nightfall	Loud
	17	8	DWELLAS	Launch A Rocket	Stimulated/Loud
2	1	9	MISSING LINX	What It Is	Stimulated/Loud
-	19	10	VISIONARIES	Reach	Up Above
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		12	OUTSIDAZ	Rah Rah	RuffNation/WB

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Ghetto Queen 14 14 14 SNOOP DOGG Just Dippin'

Money Stretch

The Imperial

2000 B.C.

Wildout

Trylogy

Crookie Monster

18 12 15 LIL' ZANE

26 16 16 ELIGH Night Life

26 17 VARIOUS ARTISTS Hurricane

8 18 2 PAC + THE OUTLAWS Hell 4 A Hustler

24 13 19 SKARD FA LYPH Acapulco Heat 20 COMMON The 6th Sense

27 21 21 CITIZEN KANE Monopoly

Blue Light Special Buca

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**28** 23 RAH DIGGA

**24** CANIBUS

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3 20 30 GRAND AGENT Mingling

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Tree House

Elektra/EEG

Universal/UMG

RR/Interscope

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Loud

Game

What's upper? I'd like to welcome aboard a couple of our new radio and mix tape reporters. Here's their 411: DJ Spynz from the BEAT Internet show, www.beatbandit.com, 10 Chicopee Court, Kitchener, Ontario N2A-3E2, Canada; DJ Kiz (aka Bernard Williams) can be reached at 2524 Troost, Apt. 102, Kansas City, MO 64108, (816) 471-4503. Representin' on the mix tape tip is DJ Topspin from my old stomping grounds, KCMU! His mix tapes, from hip-hop to R&B slow jams, are hot and selling. Topspin is also busy guest DJing at a lot of hip-hop functions. Reach him at 3337 Hunter Blvd. South, Seattle, WA 98144, (206) 683-3900... D. Cherie at WNAA needs your help in supplying the station with the latest videos for their new video show. Give our homegirl your support at WNAA-FM, Suite 200 Price Hall, Greensboro, NC 27406, (336) 334-7936... Mack A. Docious is now lockin' it down at Reprise Records! Be sure to peep his Rowdy Rahz joint "Nev-ah" (WB). It's the first single off of Queen Latifah's "The Takeover Soundtrack." You can reach Mack at (212) 275-4667... You can hear WRFG Atlanta's Jayforce live on the Web every Saturday night from 9p.m.-midnight (EST) at www.L5P.com... Outta Seatown, KCMU's Mr. Supreme has a new mailing address. You can send him your vinyl at: Conception Records, 220 Queen Anne Avenue North, #8, Seattle, WA 98109. Rumor has it that Mr. Supreme will be starring in a triple-X motion picture later this year. Lookout Son Doobie!... On a similar note, I got a chance to see an advance screening of Christopher Stokes directorial debut, "Down To The Last Minute" starring IMX. I'd describe this movie as "Ferris Bueller" meets "House Party"! It is hilarious and my part did not end up on the cutting room floor! Be sure to check for this movie, coming out sometime in mid-2000... Mix tape reporter DJ A.P.'s 'bout to drop his new tape, "Sudden Impact #3." Meantime, forward any mail to A.P.'s new address: 165 Miller Avenue, Elmwood Park, NJ 07407-2223... 3XKrazy are back. Yeah baby, Yay Area's own has a new album comin' out called "Real Talk 2000" on Dubble Barrell Records. Their first single will be "Big League" and it's good to hear my West Coast potnahs back on the spot again. For more info, call (510) 551-3880... Sub Verse Music, Inc., the underground hip-hop label featuring recording artists Bigg Jus, Blackalicious, Micanots, Rubberoom and Scienz Of Life, has announced the completion of an exclusive U.S. retail distribution deal with Caroline Distribution. Props to Fiona B. who's makin' this happen! You can shout out to her at (212) 539-4554... Look out for: Rowdy Rahz (WB), Warren G (Restless), Self Scientific f/Krondon (Big City), Spooks, Kurupt (Antra/Artemis) and get ready for Gang Starr's "Piece Maker" off of Tony Touch's new album, featuring a phat and all that b-side called "Diaz Brothers" with Doo Wop! (Tommy Boy)... My show "TPLN Rap Attack Flashback" on www.TPLN.net returns with all new shows this Saturday night at 11p.m. (PST)... CONFERENCE CALL PICKS: 1. Common (MCA) 2. Dilated Peoples (ABB/Capitol) 3. Reflection Eternal (Rawkus) 4. Spooks (Antra/Artemis) 5. Cocoa Brovas (Duck Down) 6. Outsidaz (RN/WB) 7. Temple Of Hip-Hop (WB; conf. call debut) 8. Brass Monk (Brass Monk Report) 9. Mass Influence (Fat Beats) 10. Rowdy Rahz (WB; conf. call debut)... SHOUT OUT TIZIME: Prince Ice & Ryan Reyes at Restless, Big Phil at WB, Fut—running things at Impact Record Pool, Mike Heat at Interscope, Wesley E outta NC's WQFS, Strong Islands' Wildman Steve, Drama (my kung-fu flick buddy!) and Arista's Kevin "Aktapuss" Cooper... KUNG-FU FLICK OF THE WEEK: Phillip Kao in "Goose Boxer," Brooklyn Zoo Collection...

#### TAPE SONGS FIVEVIX

Artist KARDINAL OFFISHALL **PHAROAHE MONCH RAH DIGGA VARIOUS ARTISTS** COMMON

Title Husslin' Livin' It Up The Imperial Hurricane 6th Sense

Label Figure IV **Priority** Elektra/EEG MCA MCA

**REFLECTION ETERNAL** 

Artist COMMON MOST WANTED

**SPOOKS** 

## Miack

## WINS IT M

Rick Betemit's love for hip-hop started in 1983, around the time the movie "Beat Street" came out. The movie, as well as the song, inspired Rick to start break-dancing, but after Kool G Rap dropped "It's A Demo" and "Poison," Rick decided rapping was more for him. He wrote rhymes and made songs all the way through high school, but found that rhyming

wasn't enough. He wanted to learn more. In the fall of '97, Rick enrolled in the Institute Of Audio Research where he learned about sound recording and the logistics of the music business. After graduating, Rick landed an internship at MCA Records performing numerous jobs under Charles Dixon. Shortly after learning the tricks of the trade from Charles, Rick acquired a job doing client services at Sony Studios where he learned how to deal with artists and their labels. In 1998, Rick was referred by a friend to Atlantic Records where he took on the job of Rap Promotions Assistant. One year later he was promoted to Rap Manager. Besides rapping, Rick also enjoys shopping for sneakers and watching wrestling and basketball. "My role model is my aunt. She is always supportive and always believes in me." To get in touch with Rick Betemit call 212-707-2947. SHOUTS: "Crystal Issacs, Samira Hall, Dwight Willacy, Sydney Margetonn, Ronnie Johnson...



HAWAII 5-OH NO! Tying the knot on December 20, 1999, were newlyweds Evelyn and Tom Craven from Bellingham, WA's KCWU. Rumor has it that the legendary MC Don Ho was in the house spittin' lyrics to his classic joints "Tiny Bubbles" and "Pearl Shells." Tom was also on the wheels cuttin' it up after a few too many bubbles!



THE WAKE UP SHOW? Sorry wrong show. We caught Good-Vibe recording artist Spontaneous vibing to DJ Creativity's beats while in the studio. In the meantime, any DJs suffering from a sleeping disorder can contact Creativity for an advance exclusive of his "Best Of Cre Remixes!"

#### DJ KEMO'S TOP 5

- 1. KARDINAL OFFISHALL
- 2. CHECKMATE
- 3. RAH DIGGA
- 4. N.W.A.
- 5. COMMON

Mic Thugs Longshot **Imperial** Chin Check 6th Sense

Figure IV Double Up Elektra/EEG Priority MCA

Comin' outta the "Dirty South," DJ Eddie Two Tables and The A.I.M. Unit introduce their newest mix tape, "Underground



SH!T Vol.3" This 90-minute cassette is jam-packed full of blazin' underground joints and pure unadulterated skills. Songs like Zion I's "Critical," Big L's "The Heist" and Kardinal Offishall's "Mic Thugs" are a few worth mentioning. "Underground SH!T Vol.3" is extremely well put together with nothing but clean mixes and bangin' cuts. Be sure to check this one out. For more underground shit contact (225) 334-1311. This week's SHOUT OUTS: Cory Hill, Tony Toca, Intel, Immortal Fader Fyters, Lee L'heureux,

Joey Slick, Wildman, Vishnu and G Force. Attention DJs! Want your mix tape in "Tales"? Send your tapes to HITS Magazine at 14958 Ventura Blvd., Sherman Oaks, CA 91403 Attn: Nasty Nes and Creativity. (Please include two tapes.)

#### PICK HIT OF THE WEEK

DJ KAZZEO, KHDC/SALINAS, CA **ROWDY RAHZ** "NEV-AH"

**WB** 

#### INDERGROUND

# ARTIST 1. MASS INFLUENCE

2. GROUCH

TITLE Analyze

Simple Man

County Jail

3. COCOA BROVAS Super Brooklyn

4. BIG U THE EXQUIZITE **Ballistics** 

5. SPOOKS Things I've Seen

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# Jamz

Queen Latifah Has A Talk Show... And, Surprise! It Got Renewed.



Just Getting Ready For Another Day Of Fun Filled Frolic At HITS.

# Hey, Why Are Britney Spears' Breasts So Big?

# JUICE

We say goodbye to KACE-FM Los Angeles, which was recently purchased by Hispanic Broadcasting. The station programmed R&B Oldies with a fervor that reflected a true love of this rich format. But slipping ratings and the sale pointed to certain change. KACE, which may change its call letters, flipped to a Spanish format on 2/1, but won't re-broadcast until the end of the month. PD Kevin "Peggy" Fleming and his staff, including legends Gillian "'s Island" and JJ "Dynomite!" Johnson, are to be commended for keeping the R&B/Soul torch burning... Congrats to Tom "Ode To" Joyner, who was recently elected to the National Advertisers Bureau's Hall of Fame. Joyner will

be inducted during the NAB's spring conference in Las Vegas on 4/11... AMFM ups Jerry "You've Got A" Frentress, former Director of Sales, New Orleans cluster, to VP/GM, replacing Gary "San Antonio" Spurgeon. One of the stations Frentress will oversee is KMJJ-FM Shreveport... Radio Group seeks aggressive, sales-oriented GM for its Palm Springs seven-station cluster. Send resume to Bruce "Has A Huge" Johnson, Morris Communications Corp., Radio Division, P.O. Box 1626, Palm Springs, CA 92263... WDAS-FM Philadelphia PD Joe "Hey Mr." Tamburro adds OM duties... KCMG-FM Los Angeles seeks a part-time engineering assistant for regular studio maintenance, remote broadcast planning and setup. Fax resume to Barry "Er Reef" Thomas, Technical Director, (323) 651-1448... Citadel Communications flips smooth jazz KCYI-FM Oklahoma City to hip-hop/urban, with PD Steve "Please Speak" English remaining at his post... Radio One has began syndication of the Les "You Know, The Better" Brown morning show. The show is now heard on WMMJ-FM Washington, DC and WAMJ-FM Atlanta... Although Emmis has bid on several Clear Channel markets, the company is still being blocked from purchasing KKBT-FM Los Angeles. Sources say Clear Channel, which wants to prevent market competition, hopes to sell the station to the combo of Radio One and BET... K-Ci & JoJo, Gin-



Quincy Jones: Here's News, He's Getting Yet ANOTHER Award!

uwine, Ideal and Donell Jones kick off a series of concert tour dates, beginning with a 2/3 show in Houston... Quincy Jones will receive the World Economic Forum's Crystal Award for his work at promoting global unity through cultural diversity. The egendary producer will be spotlighted on VHI's "Behind The Music" on 2/6... Virgin Records Urban Music and Imhotech, Inc., creator of MusicTabs, have joined in a new Internet music promotion venture. The initiative enables program directors and music directors instant access to digital music and video clips, while allowing labels realtime feedback on their new products. For info, contact Jasmine "Tea" Vega at (310) 288-

2748... Steve "Me Alone" McKeever, former GM at Motown Records, resurfaces with Hidden Beach Records, a joint venture with basketball legend Michael "The River" Jordan. First artist is Jill Scott, who wrote The Roots' "You Got Me" single last year... Congrats to super mogul Russell Simmons "Mattress" and wife Kimora on the 1/21 birth of Ming Lee Simmons. A start-up rock station in the Northeast seeks a GM. Candidate must be sales-driven with strong leadership and recruitment skills. Rush your resume package to Blind Box Ad "GM-25," P.O. Box 204, 3232 Cobb Parkway, Atlanta, GA 30339... Monster Media seeks PDs in the Rock, Alternative, CHR and News/Talk formats to run major market radio station Internet sites. Candidate should have some Internet experience or familiarity. Send resumes to Dave "Eddie" Kendrick, President, FTM Media, 303 N. Glenoaks, Ste. 900, Burbank, CA 91502... Radio Lisney/Hibernia Communications seeks a GM for Radio Disney AM 1480 in Charlotte, NC. Candidate must have a strong sales background, non-traditional revenue experience and an entrepreneurial spirit. Fax resumes to (212) 486-9332... The "Queen Latifah Show" has been renewed despite rumors of its demise due to less than impressive ratings... Look for the return of Sade, who is in the studio putting the finishing touches on an as-yet-untitled album. Expect a June release ...

# Singled Out

## The Top Thirty

### Week Of February 4, 2000

2W	LW	TW	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL
1	3	1	MISSY ELLI		GoldMind/Elektra/EEG
2	2	2	DESTINY'S		Columbia/CRG
13	5	3	D'ANGELO	Say My Name	Virgin
10	6	4	JOE	Untitled	Jive
6	8	5	EVE	I Wanna Know	Ruff Ryders/Interscope
8	7	6	JAGGED ED		SoSo Def/Col/CRG
3	4	7	GINUWINE	He Can't Love You	Epic/550 Music
4	1	8	MONTELL J		Def Soul/IDJ
29	22	9	SISQO	Get It On Tonite	Def Soul/IDJ
5	9	10	DONELL JO		LaFace/Arista
9	11	11	BLAQUE	U Know What's Up	Columbia/CRG
7	10	12	MARIAH CA		Columbia/CRG
28	15	13	DR. DRE/EM		Interscope
11	12	14	SISQO	Forgot About Dre	Def Soul/IDJ
	26	15	AALIYAH	Got To Get It	Priority
17	16	16	ANGIE STO		Arista
22	21	<b>17</b>	J. SHIN	No More Rain	Atlantic/Atl G
21	20	18	GINUWINE,F	One Night Stand	Columbia/CRG
14	14	19	JUVENILE	The Best Man I	Cash Money/Univ/UMC
16	17	20	Q-TIP	U Understand	Arista
12	13	21	MARY J. BL		MCA
19	19	22	JAY-Z	Deep Inside	Roc-A-Fella/DJ/IDJ
	27	23	нот воуѕ	Do It Again	Cash Money/Univ/UMC
20	25	24	DMX	I Need A Hot Girl	Def Jam/IDJ
18	18	25	LIL' WAYNE	What's My Name	Universal/UMG
23	23	26	KELIS	Tha Block Is Hot	Virgin
	30	27	DRAMA	Caught Out There	Atlantic/Atl G
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## By Gary Jackson



44/44

D'Angelo: Replaces Gary Jackson As Office Stud Muffin

The much-hyped Lucy Pearl project is wrapping up with rapper Q-Tip adding production touches on the last song. If you haven't felt the hype yet, the LP consists of Raphael Saadiq, Dawn Robinson and former A Tribe Called Quest member Ali Shaheed Muhammad. Look for a 5/16 album release, with a tour scheduled for this Spring... WPAL-FM Jae Jackson calls Destiny's Child's "Say My Name" (Columbia) "Unbelievable! Calls still pour in." J. Shin's

"One Night Stand" (Atlantic) and Kelis' "Caught Out There" (Virgin) seem to be making some noise, as well as Ginuwine. RL, Tyrese & Case's "The Best Man I Can Be" (Columbia)... Master P as "Nino Brown," Silkk The Shocker as "Vito" and Mystikal as "G Money" make up Goodfellas. Their No Limit Records album will be in-stores 3/21. (Still waiting to see the day when Italian rappers use African-influenced names.)... Tawala Sharp, AMD of KKBT-FM Los Angeles, sat down with us recently to talk music. He's digging Rah Digga's "Imperial" (Flipmode/Elektra): "After three to four listens, people are like zombies!" Sharp gushed over 702's "Gotta Leave," calling it, "Simply a SMASH!" He's also high on Jay-Z's "Anything" (Def Jam), LL Cool J's "Shut Em Down" (Atlantic) and Nas f/Ginuwine "You Owe Me" (Columbia)... No Surprise: D'Angelo's "Voodoo" album (Virgin) has shipped Gold, with over 800,000 units hitting retail last week. Any suprise it's #1 on our Active Albums charts? Feeding the frenzy were recent in-store appearances in frigid Brooklyn and Manhattan... Due to recent adds on BET, look for increased requests on the following: Master P, featuring Jermaine Dupri "Big Ballers" (No Limit), Group Home "The Legacy" (Replay), Chico DeBarge "Give You What You Want" remix (Motown) and Deadly Venoms "Venoms Everywhere" (Dreamworks)... Mariah Carey's "Rainbow" tour kicks off in Los Angeles on 2/6... Keep an eye out for N'Dambi, a sensual and very interesting vocalist who sang on Erykah Badu's first album. N'Dambi has taken the bold step of releasing her first solo album, "Little Girl Lost," independently with the aim of allowing her to grow at her own pace without being a slave to major label whims. We touted her early last year, and the momentum is building nicely. For more info, call Cheeky-i Productions at (972) 668-5894... Looking for producers? Check out Tim & Bob, who have been responsible for hits from Jon B ("They Don't Know"), Tamia ("So Into You"), and such artists as Sisqo, Tamar Braxton, 112, Destiny's Child, Boyz II Men, TLC, Monica and Deborah Cox. Tim said of their success, "We strive daily to follow in the footsteps of Jimmy Jam & Terry Lewis. We want to carry on the tradition of being an innovative writing/production team and, like Babyface, we want to have everything we touch turn PLATINUM!" They're certainly off to a great start...

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# Active Albums

## The Top Thirty

Week Of February 4, 2000
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	1	D'ANGELO	Voodoo	Virgin
	2 1 2	DR. DRE	Dr. Dre 2001	Aftermath/Interscope
1	3	THE LOX	We Are The Streets	Ruff Ryders/Interscope
80	1 2 4	DMX	And Then There	Def Jam/IDJ
Safe Contraction	<u> </u>	GUY		MCA
V	6 5 6	SISQO	Guy III	Def Soul/IDJ
H	3 4 7	JAY-Z	Unleash The Dragor	n Roc-A-Fella/IDJ
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1	5 9 18	MARIAH CA		Columbia/CRG
1	16 17 19	COMPILATIO		UTV
9	14 16 20	NOTORIOUS		Bad Boy/Arista
	20 19 21	BLAQUE	Blaque	Trackmasters/Col/CR0
	10 13 22	SOUNDTRA		Warner Sunset/Atl G
	25 22 23	EMINEM	The Slim Shady LP	Aftermath/Interscope
	19 20 24	ANGIE STO		Arista
1	17 21 <b>25</b>	LIL' WAYNE	Tha Block Is Hot	Cash Money/Univ/UM
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### Now Ya Know



Al Jarreau "Tomorrow Today" GRP

Al Jarreau is one of the true vocal icons of this generation. His live shows are so energy-charged with bold vocal explorations

and sweetly memorable pop melodies that they are not to be missed. But Jarreau has been invisible on the recorded front for six years. (Hello, D'Angelo!) As with D'Angelo, the time Jarreau spent sculpting his brilliant comeback made the wait worthwhile. Faves include the vibrant, salsa-laced title cut, as well as "Something That You Said," a lyrical treatment based on Weather Report's "A Remark That You Made." Check the Andrea Martin-scripted "Last Night," a tune that will bridge generations with its bouncy rhythms and silky background vocals. Vanessa Williams joins Jarreau on "God's Gift To The World," an inspiring and soaring cut that is projected to receive a major push via video and special television appearances. Quiet Storm and Urban Adult formats will appreciate "Last Night" and "Just To Be Loved," where Jarreau warms his vocals to a soft, smoldering level. The album closes with an a cappela riff called "Puddit," a take off of The Crusaders' "Put It Where You Want It." The genius of this song is Jarreau in the studio alone, hand-clapping and improvising the words, joyous in the knowledge that, despite everything, he can make music all by his lonesome self. And isn't that what music should be: A pure celebration. (Gary Jackson)



Guy "Guy III" MCA

As originators of "New Jack Swing," Teddy Riley, Aaron Hall and Damion Hall's musical experiment turned into a sound that

captured the spirit of listeners everywhere. Using heaps of the era's popular disco-edged beats and melding them with a soulful sensibility, Guy spearheaded a movement towards a more R&B-oriented sound that maintained a club appeal. After branching off to work on separate projects, the group has reconfigured and released an album that incorporates their old-school qualities with new-school allure. The funk-fused tracks "We're Comin," "Teddy's Jam III" and "Do It" are fine showcases of their trademark vocals, which take their cues from crooners of the past. Tunes like the dramatic "Why You Wanna Keep Me From My Baby," "Rescue Me," and the aurally pleasing "Not A Day" are standouts as well, along with tracks like "Spend Time," which borrows from the hit "New York, New York," and "Don't U Miss Me" which has a grounded salsa influence. If you're looking for something buoyant and positive, check out the two songs "Fly Away" and "Someday," the latter of which is reminiscent of their classic hit "Let's Chill." A decade later, Guy proves they're capable of creating a more contemporary sound, without losing the foundations that initially earned them their place in music history. Where groups from the same era attempted a comeback and failed miserably, Guy remains at the forefront of success stories. (Therese Quiambao)

Anthology

**Amplified** 

The Tunnel
METHOD MAN & REDMAN

Blackout!

Grand Royal/Capitol

Arista

Def Jam/IDJ

Def Jam/IDJ

**BEASTIE BOYS** 

FUNKMASTER FLEX...

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For MINT CONDITION, LIFE'S AQUARIUM just keeps growing...



# IS This Pain Our Pleasure The new single from LIFE'S AQUARIUM and the follow-up to their smash hit IF YOU LOVE ME

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<b>WBLK</b>	WEUP	WJMI	KTCX	WJLB	WZAK
WILD	NLLW	KJMM	WHRK	WDTJ	WIZF
WNEZ	WHBX	KVSP	KIPR	WKKV	WCKX
WCDX	WJTT	WQUE	WKGN	WDZZ	WROU
WOWI	WHNR	WESE	WQOK	WNOV	WGZB
<b>WIBB</b>	KBCE	WACR	WWDM	<b>LVQHH</b>	WJKS
WFXE	KDKS	WJZD	WFXA	WTLZ	<b>KJMS</b>
<b>WEAS</b>	WJMZ	KRRQ	WBAV	WKPO	WTMG
WTMP	WEMX	KIIŽ	WDAL	WAMO	

BASED ON SALES OF ALBUMS, TAPES AND CD'S FROM THE NATION'S LEADING RECORD MERCHANDISERS

# **WINNERS**



### MOST #1's

- D'ANGELO 2. SANTANA
- DR. DRE

### **MOST TOP 5's**

- 1. D'ANGELO 2. **SANTANA**
- 3. DR. DRE

### **MOST TOP 10's**

- 1. SANTANA
- 2. D'ANGELO
- DR. DRE 3.

## WHEREHOUSE 545 Retail Stores (Torrance)

KEVIN MILLIGAN

### WHEREHOUSE MUSIC

- 1. D'ANGELO
  - 2. DR. DRE
  - 3. SANTANA
  - 4. THE LOX
- 5. GUY
- 6. DMX
- 7. NEXT FRIDAY (ST)
- 8. JAGGED EDGÈ
- 9. CHRISTINA AGUILERA
- 10. EIFFEL 65



JOHN MICHAEL 351 Retail Stores (Eden Prairie, MN)

### **BEST BUY**

- 1. D'ANGELO
- 2. DR. DRE
- 3. SANTANA
- 4. LOX
- 5. CELINE DION
- 6. DMX
- 7. EIFFEL 65
- **CHRISTINA AGUILERA**
- 9. GUY
- 10. KID ROCK

# DAVE WATLAND 1,800 Wal-Mart Locations

### ANDERSON MERCHANDISERS

- 1. CHRISTINA AGUILERA
- 2. CELINE DION
- 3. MARIAH CAREY (VALENTINES)
- 4. BACKSTREET BOYS
- 5. SANTANA
- 6. EIFFEL 65
- 7. BRITNEY SPEARS
- 8. DIXIE CHICKS
- 9. NOW COMPILATION #3
- 10. SHANIA TWAIN



DICK ODETTE 927 Retail Stores (Minnetonka, MN)

### SAM GOODY

- 1. D'ANGELO 2. DR. DRE
- 3. THE LOX
- 4. SANTANA
- DMX
- **CELINE DION** 6.
- EIFFEL 65
- **CHRISTINA AGUILERA**
- 9. DESTINY'S CHILD
- 10. SISQO



MIKE FULLER 150 Retail Stores (Amarillo)

### **HASTINGS**

- 1. SANTANA
- 2. DR. DRE
- 3. D'ANGELO
- 4. KID ROCK
- **EIFFEL 65**
- **DIXIE CHICKS**
- CREED
- 8. DMX
- 9. 2PAC+OUTLAWZ
- 10. SCREAM 3 (ST)



KEN FELDMAN 18 Retail Stores (NYC)

### HMV

- 1. D'ANGELO
- 2. THE LOX
- 3. SANTANA 4. MACY GRAY
- 5. CELINE DION
- 6. AIMEE MANN 7. ENIGMA
- 8. SISQO
- 9. DR. DRE
- 10. GUY

TONY BAZEMORE 5.000 Accounts AEC ONE STOP GROUP (Coral Springs, FL)

### ALLIANCE

- 1. SANTANA
- 2. D'ANGELO
- 3. THE LOX
- 4. NOW COMPILATION #3
- 5. DR. DRE
- 6. CHRISTINA AGUILERA
- 7. MACY GRAY
- 8. MAGNOLIA (ST) 9. LOU BEGA
- 10. EIFFEL 65



SAM CASS 4000+ Accounts (Philadelphia)

### UNIVERSAL ONE-STOP

- 1. THE LOX
- 2. D'ANGELO
- 3. DR. DRE
- 4. GUY
- 5. DMX
- SANTANA 6.
- SISQO 8. MACY GRAY
- 9. JAGGED EDGE
- 10. FIONA APPLE



**RON PHILLIPS** 10,000 Accounts (Woodland)

### VALLEY MEDIA

- 1. D'ANGELO
- 2. THE LOX
- 3. SANTANA 4. GUY
- 5. AIMEE MANN
- 6. DR. DRE
- 7. SCREAM 3 (ST) 8. THREE SIX MAFIA
- 9. MACY GRAY
- 10. WARREN ZEVON

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GEORGE MEYER 39 Retail Stores (New York)

### WIZ

- 1. D'ANGELO
- 2. THE LOX
- 3. GUY
- 4. SISQO
- 5. SANTANA
- 6. JAGGED EDGE
- 7. JAY-Z
- 8. CELINE DION
- 9. DMX
- 10. CHRISTINA AGUILERA



JOHN GRANDONI 185 Retail Stores (Pittsburgh)

### NATIONAL RECORD MART

- 1. D'ANGELO
- 2. DR. DRE
- 3. THE LOX 4. EIFFEL 65
- 5. DMX
- 6. SANTANA
- 7. CHRISTINA AGUILERA
- 8. CELINE DION
- 9. KID ROCK
- 10. JAY-Z



BRANT BERRY

### FRED MEYER

- 1. SANTANA
- 2. CELINE DION
- 3. NOW COMPILATION #3
- EIFFEL 65
- 5. DR. DRE
- 6. SAVAGE GARDEN
- 7. CHRISTINA AGUILERA
- 8. DIXIE CHICKS
- 9. DMX
- 10. TOTALLY HITS (VAR)



AMY BANNING 7 Stores (Grand Rapids)

### BELIEVE IN MUSIC

- 1. JAGGED EDGE
- 2. D'ANGELO 3. DR. DRE
- 4. LOX 5. DMX
- 6. GUY
- 7. NEXT FRIDAY (ST)
- 8. 2PAC+OUTLAWZ
- 9. SANTANA
- 10. JAY-Z

### CENTRAL SOUTH **MUSIC SALES**

TONY BOSS 1500 Accounts (Nashville)

### CENTRAL SOUTH

- 1. DR. DRE
- D'ANGELO
- 3. JAGGED EDGE
- 4. SANTANA
- 5. THREE SIX MAFIA
- **KID ROCK** 6.
- 7. DMX
- 8. EIFFEL 65
- 9. NEXT FRIDAY (ST) 10. DAVE HOLLISTER



(Chicago)

### **CROW'S NEST**

- 1. D'ANGELO
- 2. THE LOX
- 3. JAGGED EDGE
- 4. GUY
- 5. SANTANA
- 6. ANGIE STONE
- JAY-Z
- 8. DR. DRE
- 9. DMX
- 10. MARY J. BLIGE



DAVID LANG 10 Retail Stores (South Plainfield, NJ)

# COMPACT DISC WORLD 1. THE LOX

- 2. D'ANGELO
- 3. SANTANA
- 4. SOPRANOS (ST)
- 5. GUY
- 6. SISQO
- DR. DRE
- 8. SCREAM 3 (ST)
- 9. ENIGMA
- 10. MACY GRAY



**BOB SAY** 7 Stores (Los Angeles)

### MOBY DISC

- 1. D'ANGELO
- 2. AIMEE MANN
- 3. SANTANA
- 4. MACY GRAY
- 5. MOBY
- 6. DR. DRE
- 7. FIONA APPLE
- 8. RED HOT CHILI PEPPERS
- 9. BECK
- 10. BOB MARLEY



STEVE BICKSLER 8 Retail Stores (Los Angeles)

### PENNY LANE

- 1. D'ANGELO
- 2. AIMEE MANN
- 3. MOBY
- 4. MACY GRAY
- 5. PROJECT PAT
- SANTANA
- **VISIONAIRIES**
- 8. MOS DEF
- 9. DR. DRE
- 10. KURUPT



ROSS HEWSON 8 Retail Stores (Baltimore)

### RECORD & TAPE TRADER

- 1. D'ANGELO
- 2. MARK KIRK & LOPEZ
- 3. DR. DRE
- THE LOX
- 5. DMX
- 6. SCREAM 3 (ST)
- SANTANA
- 8. RED HOT CHILI PEPPERS
- 9. SISQO
- 10. THIRD EYE BLIND



PAUL BROCKMAN 900 Accounts (Houston)

### S.W. WHOLESALE

- 1. D'ANGELO
- 2. TWISTA (VAR)
- 3. DR. DRE
- THE LOX
- 5. GUY MR. POOKIE
- JAGGED EDGE 7.
- DMX
- 9. LONESTAR

10. MISTA MADD Neubary Comes NATALIE WERLIN
19 Retail Stores

(Boston)

- **NEWBURY COMICS** 
  - 1. DR. DRE
  - 2. D'ANGELO
  - 3. MACY GRAY THE LOX
  - SCREAM 3 (ST) 5.
  - 6. EIFFEL 65
  - SANTANA 7. KID ROCK
  - 8. 9. DMX
  - 10. MAGNOLIA (ST)





HOT NEW OR RESURGING ALBUMS AS REPORTED BY THE NATION'S LEADING RECORD MERCHANDISERS

## **WINNERS**

70%

56%

32%

6

- D'ANGELO
- (C Sounds/Virgin 48499) 100%

20% (RCA 67818)

LOX

- (R Ryders/Inter 490599) 76%
- **MOBY** 7

(V2 27049) 16%

**GUY** 3

- (MCA 112054)
- 8 KITTIE
- (Na/Artemis 751002) 14%

- 4 **SCREAM 3 (ST)**
- (Wind-Up 13056)
- **SNAPCASE**
- (Victory 100) 12%

- 11%

- - THREE 6 MAFIA... (Var) (HM/LOUD 11883)

**BEST BUY** 

Scream 3 (ST)

D'Angelo

Lox

Guy

10

DISC JOCKEY

D'Angelo

Scream 3 (ST)

Guy

Lox

Kittie

**BRENT STARNES / HARRISONBURG, VA** 

**VERTICAL HORIZON** 

**SHELBY LYNNE** (Merc/IDJ 546177)

# ALLIANCE O-S TONY BAZEMORE / CORAL SPRINGS

## D'Angelo Scream 3 (ST)

### Shelby Lynne Sisqo

**ANGOTT** 

D'Angelo

Lox

Guy

### Three 6 Mafia Presents... (Var) CD & TAPE OUTLET LYNN BATCHECK / COLUMBUS

DAVID LANG / S. PLAINFIELD, NJ

JOHN MICHAEL / EDEN PRAIRE, MN

### D'Angelo Lox Guy Evé

Lox

Guy

D'Angelo

Morrissey

Snapcase

Youngstown

Scream 3 (ST)

### Donnell Jones CD WORLD

# DOWN IN THE VALLEY CHRIS WESTER / MINNEAPOLIS

Kittie	
D'Angelo	
Snapcase	
Corey Stevens	
Full Devil Jack	e

D'Angelo

Van Morrison

Reel Big Fish

Scream 3 (ST)

Modest Mouse

Snapcase

The Clash

Guy

Lox

Moby Corey Stevens

JON JON SCOTT / MINNEAPOLIS

Three 6 Mafia Presents... (Var)

EXILE ON MAIN ST AL LOTTO / HARTFORD

# ARON'S RECORDS RICHARD ELLIS / LOS ANGELES

**BAKER & TAYLOR** 

LORI DRELICHARZ / CHICAGO

Three 6 Mafia Presents... (Var)

Hipnotic Camp Posse MC Breed

M2K Gospel (Var)

STEVE ROBERTS / DETROIT

### D'Angelo Kiss Me Kate (ST) Shelby Lynne Apollo Four Forty Clinton

Sopranos (ST)

D'Angelo

Lox

Guy

### Warren Zevon CENTRAL SOUTH

### TONY ROSS / NASHVILLE D'Angelo Three 6 Mafia Presents... (Var) lox

# Scream 3 (ST) Vertical Horizon

# CROW'S NEST TODD HUPE / NAPERVILLE

### D'Angelo Lox Guv Three 6 Mafia Presents... (Var) Scream 3 (ST) Snapcase

### **FACE THE MUSIC** DAVE RUSSELL / MINNEAPOLIS Kid Rock

### D'Angelo Youngbloodz Stroke 9 Scream 3 (ST)

### RUSS STUTE / WYOMING, MI Jagged Edge D'Angelo

**BENWAY MUSIC** 

**RON BENWAY / VENICE** 

**BELIEVE IN MUSIC** 

## Lox Angie Stone

D'Angelo

Clinton

Modest Mouse

### **DIMPLES EVELIN LARIOS / SACRAMENTO**

### D'Angelo Eiffel 65 Metallica Guv Scream 3 (ST) Lox

# FRED MEYER BRANT BARRY / PORTLAND

### Scream 3 (ST) D'Angelo Enigma Alan Parsons Red Hot Chili Pepper

### **GALLERY OF SOUND** JOE NARDONE, JR / WILKES-BARRE

### Lox Scream 3 (ST) D'Angelo Reel Big Fish Life of Agony Warren Zevon

### **GENERAL RECORD SVC TERRY KEARNS / SEATTLE**

D'Angelo
Lox
Guv
Scream 3 (ST)
Three 4 Matie Presents Man
Three 6 Mafia Presents (Var

### HARMONY HOUSE SANDY BEAN / DETROIT

D'Angelo Lox Scream 3 (ST) Three 6 Mafia Presents... (Var)

# HASTINGS MIKE FULLER / AMARILLO

D'Angelo Scream 3 (ST) Three 6 Mafia Presents... (Var) Guy Lox

### **HMV** JESSE JEREZ / NEW YORK

D'Angelo OX Macy Gray Guy Third Eye Blind

# IMPACT ONE STOP CLANCY HOLM / TEMPE

D'Angelo Lox Apollo 440 Snapcase Kittie Guy



# BREAKDUTS

### HOT NEW OR RESURGING ALBUMS AS REPORTED BY THE NATION'S LEADING RECORD MERCHANDISERS

### INDEPENDENT REC JUDY NEGLEY / COL SPRINGS

D'Angelo Lox Guy Three 6 Mafia Presents... (Var)

# LAST UNICORN JASON CLIFFORD / WASHINGTON MILLS

Lox D'Angelo Stroke 9 Staind Scream 3 (ST) Derranged Guy

### LAST UNICORN THOM WALKER / NEW HARTFORD

Lox Staind D'Angelo Lit System Of A Down Enigma

### LOU'S RECORDS TONY VICK / ENCINITAS

Modest Mouse Magnolia (ST) The Clash Moby Counting Crows

### MOBY DISC BOB SAY / LOS ANGELES

D'Angelo Moby Enigma Magnolia (ST) Modest Mouse

# MUSIC MILLENIUM MIKE WHITE / PORTLAND

D'Angelo Moby Warren Zevon Shelby Lynne Vertical Horizon Guy

# MUSIC NET CHUCK SHOUP / ST. LOUIS

D'Angelo Scream 3 (ST) Hypnotic Camp Posse Lox

### NATIONAL RECORD MART DOUG SMITH / PITTSBURGH

D'Angelo
Lox
Guy
Scream 3 (ST)
Three 6 Mafia Presents... (Var)
Snapcase
Vertical Horizon

### NEWBURY COMICS HAROLD LEPIDUS / BOSTON

D'Angelo Lox Scream 3 (ST) Kid Rock Guy Vertical Horizon

## OLSSONS BOOKS & RECORDS JON BASS / WASHINGTON DC

D'Angelo Shelby Lynne Magnolia (ST) Enigma Third Eye Blind Sweet & Lowdown (ST) Moby

### PEACHES OTT WHITE / MIAMI

D'Angelo Lox Guy Three 6 Mafia Presents... (Var) Lonestar Scream 3 (ST)

### PENNY LANE STEVE BICKSLER / LA

D'Angelo Magnolia (ST) Moby

## PLAN 9 CLAY ROBERTSON / RICHMOND

D'Angelo Guy Lox Moby Rage Against The Machine

## RECORD & TAPE TRADER ROSS HEWSON / BALTIMORE

D'Angelo Lox Scream 3 (ST) Kittie Vertical Horizon Staind Stroke 9

## RECORD ARCHIVES ALAYNA HILL / ROCHESTER

Lox D'Angelo Guy System Of A Down Vertical Horizon

### RECORD EXCHANGE DAVE DOYLE / GREENSBORO

D'Angelo Lox Guy Scream 3 (ST) Moby

# ROLLING STONES IRENA SROMEK / CHICAGO

Sopranos (ST) Eiffel 65 Stroke 9 The Clash Warren Zevon D'Angelo Kittie

# SOUTHWEST PAIGE MANN / HOUSTON

D'Angelo Lox Guy Scream 3 (ST) Jagged Edge

### STREETSIDE NEIL LANDOW / ST. LOUIS

D'Angelo Three 6 Mafia Presents... (Var) Lox Guy Jagged Edge

## THE WIZ GEORGE MEYER / NEW YORK

D'Angelo Lox Guy Angie Stone Macy Gray Scream 3 (ST)

### TOWER BOB WALSH / BOSTON

D'Angelo Lox Guy Kittie Moby

## TOWER MARC ANTHONY / CHICAGO

D'Angelo Magnolia (ST) Guy Vertical Horizon Femi Kuti Shelby Lynne

### TOWER

### MARISA SULLIVAN / SAN DIEGO

D'Angelo Enigma Moby Guy Incubus Scream 3 (ST)

## TOWER-WOW JOHN MONTES / LAS VEGAS

D'Angelo Macy Gray Lox Three 6 Mafia Presents... (Var) Guy

## TRANSWORLD VINNIE BIRBIGLIA / ALBANY

D'Angelo Lox Three 6 Mafia Presents... (Var) Scream 3 (ST) Guy

### UNIVERSAL O-S SAM CASS / PHILADELPHIA

Lox D'Angelo Guy Scream 3 (ST) Kittie

# VALLEY RECORDS RON PHILLIPS / WOODLAND

D'Angelo
Lox
Guy
Scream 3 (ST)
Three 6 Mafia Presents... (Var)
Shelby Lynne

### WHEREHOUSE BOB BELL / TORRANCE

D'Angelo Lox Guy Three 6 Mafia Presents... (Var) Scream 3 (ST) Warren Zevon





CURRENT FAVORITES AS CHOSEN BY MEMBERS OF ALL SEGMENTS OF THE MUSIC INDUSTRY

# **WINNERS**

**KID ROCK** 1

Only God Knows... (Lava/Atl/Atl G)

٨ **A3** 

Woke Up This... (C2/SMS)

2 **LENNY KRAVITZ** I Belong To You

**MADONNA** 

(Virgin)

**TRACY CHAPMAN** Telling Stories

(Elektra/EEG)

3 **RICKY MARTIN**  Private Emotion

JENNIFER LOPEZ Feelin' So Good (Epic/WORK)

American Pie

(C2/CRG)

**SONIQUE** 

It Feels So Good (FC/Repub/Univ/UMG)

**FAITH HILL** 

**Breathe** 

(Maverick/WB)

**MACY GRAY** 

Try

(C Slate/Epic)

### **KOZMAN**

KALC/DENVER Madonna/L Kravitz

### SHARK

KMXB/LAS VEGAS Oasis/Bush/L Naess/F Hill

### DINO

WXPT/MINNEAPOLIS A3/K Rock/T Chapman/Oasis

### MD THROB

WXYV/BALTIMORE Aaliyah

### JASON ADDAMS

WHZZ/LANSING REM/M Town/Stroke 9/F Hill

### **RONNIE ALEXANDER**

WKZL/GREENSBORO, NC M Jordan/A3/B Gang

### JIM ALLEN

KRSK/PORTLAND T Bachman

### **MATTHEW ALLEN**

WQSM/FAYETTEVILLE Filter/TE Blind/F Hill/M Etheridge

### JOE ARNOLD

WJET/ERIE L Kravitz/T McLean

### **TOMMY AUSTIN**

KKRZ/PORTLAND B Gang/M Jordan

### WALLY B

(WB)

WWXM/MYRTLE BEACH TE Blind/E McCain/Steps/Sasha

### **BEAU BENNETT**

KCIX/BOISE Sasha/N Doubt/T Chapman/Oasis

### RIC BLADE

WDBR/SPRINGFIELD K Rock/R Martin

### FRANKIE BLUE

WKTU/NEW YORK M Jordan/R Martin

### JT BOSCH

WRHT/GREENVILLE R Martin/L Kravitz/F Hill

### LORI BRADLEY

KHMX/HOUSTON M Gray/Lonestar/Eurythmics/MW Smith

### **ADAM BURNES**

KSLY/SAN LUIS OBISPO L Kravitz/M Gray/B Gang

### **DAVID BURNS**

WIXX/GREENBAY A3/Sasha/L Kravitz

### GREG CARPENTER

WWMX/BALTIMORE S Mouth/T Turner/TE Blind

### SCOTT CHASE

WSSR/TAMPA Train/Wood/A3/K Rock

### TRACY CLOHERTY

HOT97/NEW YORK DMX/LV

### **JOEY COMBS**

KHTT/TULSA IMX/Madonna

### ADAM COOK

XL106.7/ORLANDO Madonna/D Child/M Gray

### BARBARA CORBETT

WDAQ/DANBURY F Hill/BN Ladies/M Grav

### **WAYNE COY**

KQKQ/OMAHA K Rock/B Gang/F Hill

### **JEFF CUSHMAN**

WKSI/GREENSBORO L Kravitz/S Ray

### **BOBBY D**

WRFY/READING J Riddle/R Martin/N Doubt

### VINCE D'AMBROSIA

WLAN/LANCASTER, PA B Gang/T Bachman/A3

### **BOB DAVIS**

CONSULTANT/CHICAGO L Kravitz/Madonna

### DAVE DECKER

WZPL/INDIANAPOLIS L Kravitz/M Gray





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### PETE DEGRAAFF

XL106/ORLANDO Madonna/D Child

### DAVID EDGAR

B94/PITTSBURGH K Rock

### MIKE FORTE

WYKS/GAINESVILLE B Meyers/Pink/P Stone

### TR FOX

WMXL/LEXINGTON
F Hill/T Chapman/B Boys/E McCain

### TOMMY FRANK

WWHT/SYRACUSE K Rock

### JACK FROST

KLAZ/HOT SPRINGS V Horizon/P Stone/Sonique

### ANDREA GAPPMAYER

KENZ/SALT LAKE CITY A Aparro/Sting

### **JASON GRIFFIN**

KLLY/BAKERSFIELD Bush/M Yes

### ALISA H

KPLZ/SEATTLE M Gray/BN Ladies/F Hill

### JOHNNY HARTWELL

B94/PITTSBURGH TLC/Splender/F Hill

### MICHAEL HAYES

WPHH/PITTSBURGH Lonestar/C Aguilera

### **CHAZ HENDERSON**

WJLK/OCEAN, NJ K Rock/J Riddle/T Bachman/TE Blind

### **WOODY HOUSTON**

WKFR/KALAMAZOO Sonique/J Lopez

### DAVID J

WZOK/ROCKFORD Westlife/M Jordan

### **TERRY JAMES**

WMSR/FLORENCE, AL NSYNC/Sonique

### **CHRIS K**

KDND/SACRAMENTO R Martin/L Kravitz/Madonna

### MIKE KAPLAN

WJLK/OCEAN, NJ K Rock/M Anthony/T Bachman/A3

### MIKE KASPER

KZMG/BOISE E McCain/T Bachman/A3

### PAUL KELLY

WAYV/ATLANTIC CITY
J Lopez/N Doubt/R Martin

### **JASON KIDD**

WWHT/SYRACUSE A Moon/K Rock/B Gang

### STEVE KING

WBAM/MONTGOMERY Cure/N Doubt/A3

### JENNIFER KNIGHT

WAEB/ALLENTOWN Hoku/T Bachman/M Anthony/L Kravitz

### **RANDY LANE**

CONSULTANT/LA L Kravitz

### **RANDY LEE**

WMT/CEDAR RAPIDS V Horizon/S Ray

### HARRY LEGG

WKIE/CHICAGO B Gang/K Rock/S Garden

### **ROXY LENNOX**

KMXS/ANCHORAGE Eurythmics/F Apple/T Chapman/R Martin

### **DENNY LOGAN**

WNNK/HARRISBURG F Hill/Steps

### JAY LOVE

B97/NEW ORLEANS D Child/J Riddle/R Ma**rti**n

### MIKE LOWE

WAOA/MELBORNE L Kravitz/Sasha/Hanson

### DAVID LOZZI

WMRV/BINGHAMPTON
B Gang/R Martin/Bosson/Sonique

### **CHRIS MANN**

WAEZ/TRI CITIES K Rock/A3/J Lopez

### **CRAIG MARSHALL**

KKXX/BAKERSFIELD M Anthony/K Rock/L Kravitz

### **MICHELLE MATTHEWS**

KTOZ/SPRINGFIELD R Martin/Bush/K Rock/BB & Candle

### JIM MATTHEWS

KZZO/SACRAMENTO K Rock/T Chapman/B Kenny

### **KEVIN MATTHEWS**

WRZE/CAPE COD M Jordan/R Martin/J Lopez

### JEFF MCCARTNEY

KZHT/SALT LAKE CITY T Bachman/Madonna

### JASON MCCORMICK

WNKS/CHARLOTTE E McCain/K Rock

### **WES MCKANE**

WIFC/WAUSAU L Kravitz/RHC Peppers/F Hill

### **RICK MCKENZIE**

WZNE/ROCHESTER L Kravitz

### **RAY MICHAELS**

KHTO/SPRINGFIELD D Child/K Rock

### **DAVE MICHAELS**

WKFR/KALAMAZOO J Lopez/C Wumba/R Martin

### JAY P. MILLER

KSTZ/DES MOINES M Gray

### TOM MITCHELL

WNTQ/SYRACUSE K Rock/M Jordan/P Stone

### TIM MOORE

WJBQ/PORTLAND, ME K Rock/TLC/Sonique

### **DAVEY MORRIS**

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# EARPICKS

### CURRENT FAVORITES AS CHOSEN BY MEMBERS OF ALL SEGMENTS OF THE MUSIC INDUSTRY

### MIKE MULLANEY

WBMX/BOSTON L Kravitz/M Yes

### **CHASE MURPHY**

WSSX/CHARLESTON B Gang/K Rock/J Lopez

### **COURTNEY NELSON**

KSII/EL PASO REM/M Etheridge

### **SIMON NIGHTS**

KTOZ/SPRINGFIELD Train/Bush/Cure/A3

### **NIKKI NITE**

WFBC/GREENVILLE D Child/F Hill/Santana

### JOHN O'DEA

WNNK/HARRISBURG F Hill/STops/K Lee

### MIKE O'DONNEL

WRZE/CAPE COD M Elliott/J Lopez

### NORM ON THE BARSTOOL

98PXY/ROCHESTER
B Gang/M Anthony/Westlife

### **JERRY PADDEN**

WKRZ/WILKES-BARRE L Kravitz/F Hill

### **KEVIN PALANA**

WQGN/NEW LONDON L Kravitz/R Martin/Sasha

### **GENO PEARSON**

WKSI/GREENSBORO F Hill/Bush/K Rock/Lonestar

### JEFF POHJOLA

KEYW/TRI CITIES, WA BN Ladies/B Boys/V Horizon/S Ray

### TOM POLEMAN

Z100/NEW YORK TLC/R Martin

### **CHRIS PUORRO**

WPST/PHILADELPHIA
K Rock/Sonique/V Horizon

### **RONNIE RAMIREZ**

KHTT/TULSA Sonique/IMX/Madonna/L Kravitz

### **RENEE REED**

WOST/FT. MEYERS
B Meyers/T Chapman/M Etheridge

### JOHN REYNOLDS

WNKS/CHARLOTTE T Braxton/Madonna/K Rock

### JJ RICE

WBLI/LONG ISLAND
M Anthony/D Child/Madonna

### JIM RONDEAU

KRUZ/SANTA BARBARA T Chapman/Lonestar/K Rock

### **STEW SCHANTZ**

WSKS/UTICA R Martin/L Kravitz

### MIKE SCOTT

KCDU/SALINAS Wood/T Bachman/Eurythmics

### SCOTT SHARP

WGTZ/DAYTON
J Lopez/L Kravitz/R Martin

### **NEAL SHARP**

WLNK/CHARLOTTE Madonna/S Ray

### BRETT SHARP

WVSR/CHARLESTON J Lopez/A3

### **RICK SPARKS**

KMXS/ANCHORAGE M Gray/A3

### **AARON STEELE**

KBEE/SALT LAKE CITY
T Chapman/K Rock/J Lang

### **SCOOTER STEVENS**

KZMG/BOISE Monica/K Rock/Sasha

### **NIKKI STEWART**

WBAM/MONTGOMERY BB & Candle/Cure/A3

### JULIE STOEKEL

KLLC/SAN FRANCISCO M Gray/A Mann/Moby/M Yes

### **MARC SUMMERS**

KZZP/PHOENIX M Anthony

### SCOTT SUMMERS

WNOK/COLUMBIA Madonna/R Martin/Joee

### **DAVE SWAN**

KSRZ/OMAHA F Hill/M Etheridge/T Chapman

### MICHAEL T

WDBR/SPRINGFIELD R Martin/J Lopez

### **DEVON THORNTON**

WPTE/NORFOLK T Chapman/A Mann/BF Five/L Naess

### **TONY TRAVATTO**

WFAT/KALAMAZOO V Horizon/Filter/TE Blind

### **EJ TYLER**

KMHX/SANTA ROSA K Rock/TE Blind/M Etheridge

### SALLY V

WYCR/YORK K Rock/Sonique/E McCain

### GABRIELLE VAUGHN

WPST/TRENTON K Rock/Sonique/V Horizon

### **TONY WAITEKUS**

WHTS/DAVENPORT C Kings/B Harper/Westlife

### **JORDAN WALSH**

WLDI/W PALM BEACH Madonna/R Martin

### **BRUCE WAYNE**

WMC/MEMPHIS
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### **ROB WEAVER**

WKPK/NORTHWEST, MI Sasha/Madonna/B Gaylor/F Hill

### **RANDY WILLIAMS**

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### **DANNY WRIGHT**

WIFC/WAUSAU F Hill/Sasha

### **MIKE YEAGER**

KVSR/FRESNO L Kravitz/K Rock/F Hill



One Sony insider, on hearing that NARM had brought suit against one of its biggest members (see p. 16), used the term "flabbergasted." Just when you thought that it might be business as usual at this year's NARM confab, the association is making headlines across the nation. Is the timing just coincidental? "We took our time with the decision, and were trying to get this done before the end of last year," says NARM Prexy Pam Horovitz. "But with DVD Audio and digital downloading becoming a reality, now is the time to get the ground rules resolved. It just didn't make sense to wait until after the convention." Why Sony? All of the Big Five have hyperlinks on at least some of their product. "We looked at all of the companies, but Sony's combination of practices [Columbia House/CDNowl cause the most concern." NARM has never brought suit against anyone before. Why now? Horovitz said that addressing the topic during any seminar with all parties involved (i.e.

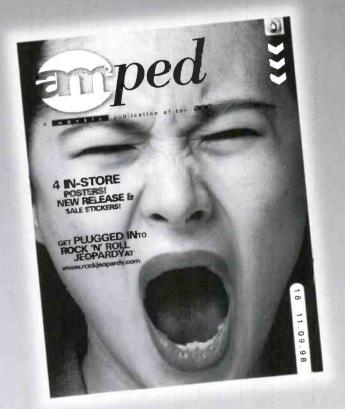
### NARM GETS ARMED



**PAM HOROVITZ:** Trying on a new suit against Sony.

competing retailers and suppliers in the same room) was fraught with legal problems and really not an option. Her hope is to put this in the hands of the lawyers so "we can stay focused on the business of selling music. Either we get a permanent injunction and everyone has to abide by it [NARM is not looking for any punitive damages] or we don't get one and we'll stop whining." Although NARM was not obligated to take a formal vote of its retail membership to pursue a lawsuit on their behalf, Horovitz believes they have "a very good sense of the membership's wants," and have not received a single dissenting call on the matter... When Alliance Entertainment Corp. decided to discontinue the e-zine division of its All Music/Movies Guide (AMG), some construed the info to mean that AEC had "pulled the plug" on the entire operation. Fat chance. E-commerce companies' ability to tap into the deep database of AMG has been one of the big (if not the biggest) reasons Alliance has been able to so successfully ramp up its Internet fulfillment business. The fact is, the e-zine side of AMG accounted for less than 1% of the total operation. Some of the confusion might have come from word that AMG President Michael Erlewine was leaving to take an EVP post at AEC corporate. Also, the layoffs of the e-zine staff caught some reporters' eyes. But our sources tell us AMG vet Vladimir Bogdonov will take over as President, and AMG will remain a centerpiece of AEC's Net strategy... Jim Kelly, ex-Red Ant VP Sales/Mktg., heads east to take the Sales helm at V2 Records.

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# **Cuts That Impact Album Sales**

÷	÷	÷	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL	COMMENTS
	_	1	D'ANGELO	UNTITLED (HOW DOES.)	Cheeba/Virgin N/A	Killer video, all channels, Top 40, X-over, hot 1st wk sales
1	1	2	EIFFEL 65	BLUE (DA BA DEE)	Repub/Univ/UMG N/A	MTV, BOX, Big requests, smash LP, lots of Top 40 air
25	10	3	DR. DRE	FORGOT ABOUT DRE	After/Interscope N/A	MTV, BOX, BET, giant LP sales, featuring Eminem, X-over air
3	3	4	CHRISTINA AGUILERA	WHAT A GIRL WANTS	RCA 65960	#1MTV, #1 VH1, BOX, requests, huge LP, hot selling single
5	4	5	DMX	WHAT'S MY NAME	R Ryders/Def Jam/IDJ N/A	LP remains strong, MTV, BOX, BET, Rap air
2	2	6	CELINE DION	THAT'S THE WAY IT IS	Epic/550 Music N/A	Multi-Platinum LP, Top 40 air, requests, MTV, VH1
8	5	7	BACKSTREET BOYS	SHOW ME THE MEANING	Jive N/A	Hot video, smash Top 40, requests, 9x Platinum LP
11	9	8	SISQO	GOT TO GET IT	Dragon/DS/IDJ 562455	More growth on LP, MTV, BOX, BET, multi-format radio
6	7	9	SANTANA	SMOOTH	Arista 13718	Radio, requests, video, multi-platinum LP, "Maria" now
7	8	10	BLINK 182	ALL THE SMALL THINGS	MCA 155606	Triple-Platinum LP, MTV, BOX, phones, multi-format radio
20	14	11	DESTINYS CHILD	SAY MY NAME	Columbia/CRG N/A	Huge at X-over radio, LP continues gaining
21	12	12	SAVAGE GARDEN	I KNEW I LOVED YOU	Columbia/CRG 79236	VH1, MTV, BOX, phones, single hot, Top 40, solid LP
4	6	13	DR. DRE	STILL D.R.E.	After/Inter 497192	MTV, BOX, BET, radio, LP sales, "Forget About Dre" breaking
18	16	14	JAY-Z	DO IT AGAIN (PUT)	Roc-A-Fella/IDJ N/A	BOX, BET, MTV, X-over radio, LP selling
17	15	15	MANDY MOORE	CANDY	Epic/550 24026	Continued growth on the LP, MTV, Top 40
9	11	16	LIMP BIZKIT F/METHOD	N 2 GETHER NOW	Flip/Interscope N/A	MTV, Rap & X-over airplay, multi-Platinum Limp Bizkit LP
28	25	17	EVE	LOVE IS BLIND	Ruff Ryders/Inter N/A	Featuring Faith Evans, MTV, BOX, BET, strong increase on LP
27	23	18	KID ROCK	ONLY GOD KNOWS	Lava/Atl/Atl G N/A	VH1, MTV, BOX, multi-format air, LP over 5 million
23	20	19	SANTANA	MARIA, MARIA	Arista 13773	MTV, BOX, VH1, smash LP, radio, #1 single sales
30	21	20	MACY GRAY	1 TRY	CS/Epic N/A	VH1, MTV, Top 40, continued progress on LP
33	24	21	LONESTAR	AMAZED	BNA 65906	BOX, hot Country, crossing to Pop, LP continues climbing
12	17	22	CHRISTINA AGUILERA	GENIE IN A BOTTLE	RCA 65692	Falling slowly after great run, still selling the LP
10	13	23	MARIAH CAREY F/98°	THANK GOD I FOUND	Columbia/CRG 79338	Hot single sales, MTV, BET, VH1, hot radio, smash LP
13	18	24	BACKSTREET BOYS	LARGER THAN LIFE	Jive N/A	Still on the radio, 9x Platinum LP, BOX
14	19	25	BRITNEY SPEARS	(YOU DRIVE ME) CRAZY	Jive 42606	BOX, radio, mega LP sales, "From The Bottom" hot now
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42	36	26	VERTICAL HORIZON	EVERYTHING YOU WANT	RCA N/A	Strong growth on LP, PoMo, VH1, phones
40	28	27	BRITNEY SPEARS	FROM THE BOTTOM	Jive N/A	VH1, MTV, BOX, 10x Platinum LP, exploding at Top 40
38	32	28	BLAQUE F/NSYNC	BRING IT ALL TO ME	TM/Col/CRG N/A	Breaking LP, featuring NSYNC, MTV, BET, X-over
16	22	29	METALLICA	NO LEAF CLOVER	Elektra/EEG N/A	PoMo and Active Rock, LP selling, MTV, VH1
	_	30	JAGGED EDGE	HE CAN'T LOVE U	SS DEF/Col/CRG 79146	Hot new LP, single selling well, X-over air, BET
32	31	31	FILTER	TAKE A PICTURE	Reprise 16889	MTV, VH1, multi-format air, requests, solid LP
35	33	32	FAITH HILL	BREATHE	Warner Bros N/A	VH1, Multi-Platinum LP, hot country and crossing
	_	33	THIRD EYE BLIND	NEVER LET YOU GO	Elektra/EEG N/A	Second cut from follow-up LP, MTV, PoMo radio
34	34	34	LOU BEGA	TRICKY TRICKY	RCA N/A	MTV, VH1, BOX, developing at Top 40, multi-Platinum LP
36	35	35	MARC ANTHONY	I NEED TO KNOW	Columbia/CRG 79250	LP continues developing, MTV, VH1, Top 40 & Modern Adult
_		36	THE LOX	WILD OUT	Ruff Ryders/Inter N/A	BET, MTV, X-over air, smash first week LP sales
49	44	37	A3	WOKE UP THIS MORNING	C2/SMS N/A	"Sopranos" (ST), breaking at multi-format radio, VH1
_		38	AALIYAH	I DON'T WANNA	Priority N/A	"Next Friday" (ST), X-Over, Top 40
	48	39	SISQO	THONG SONG	Def Soul/IDJ N/A	X-over radio with instant phones, hot LP
46	40	40	ICE CUBE	U CAN DO IT	Priority 535622	"Next Friday" (ST), MTV, BET, Rap & X-over air, hot LP
45	42	41	MONTELL JORDAN	GET IT ON TONITE	Def Soul/IDJ 562280	X-over air, hot single, LP selling, MTV, BET, BOX
		42	RED HOT CHILI PEPPERS	OTHERSIDE	Warner Bros N/A	Re-Igniting LP, PoMo air, some A Rock, MTV, VH1
	50	43	MOBY	NATURAL BLUES	V2 N/A	MTV, VH1, developing LP sales, tons o' PoMo
41	45	44	CREED	HIGHER	Wind-Up N/A	LP up again this week, still has air and VH1 "What If" now
	47	45	KITTIE	BRACKISH	NG/Artemis N/A	Breaking LP, BOX, Active Rock, beginning PoMo
47	46	46	LL COOL J	SHUT 'EM DOWN	WS/ATL/G N/A	"Any Given Sunday" (ST), X-over air, MTV, BET, BOX
_		47	GUY	DANCIN'	MCA 155657	Great first wk LP sales, BET, X-over air
26	26	48	JESSICA SIMPSON	I WANNA LOVE	Columbia/CRG 79262	MTV, VH1, BOX, developing LP, Top 40 air, single sells
15	27	49	KORN	FALLING AWAY FROM	Immortal/Epic N/A	A Rock & PoMo airplay, MTV, BOX, multi-Platinum LP
22	39	50	LOU BEGA	MAMBO #5	RCA N/A	Falling slowly after great run, "Tricky, Tricky" now

POWER POTENTIALS:

AALIYAH (Priority)
AIMEE MANN (Reprise)

JENNIFER LOPEZ (Epic/WORK) WILL SMITH (Columbia/CRG)

TLC (LaFace/Arista)

SONIQUE (FarmClub/Republic/Univ/UMG)







LW	TW	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL	TOTAL PLAYS		ADDS	REPORTS
2	1	CHRISTINA AGUILERA	WHAT A GIRL WANTS	RCA	11908	3804	1	211
1	2	SAVAGE GARDEN	I KNEW I LOVED YOU	COLUMBIA/CRG	11801	3639	1	228
3	3	EIFFEL 65	BLUE (DA BA DEE)	REPUB/UNIV/UMG	10750	3387	1	215
4	4	SANTANA F/ROB THOMAS	SMOOTH	ARISTA	9267	3422	0	192
5	5	SMASH MOUTH	THEN THE MORNING COMES	INTERSCOPE	9183	2541	1	207
8	6	BACKSTREET BOYS	SHOW ME THE MEANING	JIVE	8809	2675	4	207
7	7	BLAQUE F/NSYNC	BRING IT ALL TO ME	TRACKMASTERS/COL/CRG	8485	2521	1	175
10	8	CELINE DION	THAT'S THE WAY IT IS	EPIC/550 MUSIC	7498	2494	2	192
6	9	BRIAN MCKNIGHT	BACK AT ONE	MOTOWN	7446	2509	0	166
20	10	NSYNC	BYE BYE BYE	JIVE	6722	2280	4	192
9	11	MARC ANTHONY	I NEED TO KNOW	COLUMBIA/CRG	6700	2111	0	161
13	12	FILTER	TAKE A PICTURE	REPRISE	5932	1766	2	210
14	13	SUGAR RAY	FALLS APART	LAVA/ATL/ATL G	5839	1539	2	199
11	14	TRAIN	MEET VIRGINIA	COLUMBIA/CRG	5662	1932	0	148
16	15	THIRD EYE BLIND	NEVER LET YOU GO	ELEKTRA/EEG	5559	1907	6	208
12	16	WHITNEY HOUSTON	MY LOVE IS YOUR LOVE	ARISTA	5148	1657	0	127
21	17	BLINK 182	ALL THE SMALL THINGS	MCA	4601	1601	2	163
15	18	COUNTING CROWS	HANGINAROUND	DGC	4573	1334	1	132
23	19	BRITNEY SPEARS	FROM THE BOTTOM	JIVE	4517	1117	5	175
17	20	FOO FIGHTERS	LEARN TO FLY	ROSWELL/RCA	4461	1194	1	162
25	21	VERTICAL HORIZON	EVERYTHING YOU WANT	RCA	4308	1360	3	171
26	22	DESTINY'S CHILD	SAY MY NAME	COLUMBIA/CRG	4147	1945	14	108
22	23	ENRIQUE IGLESIAS	RHYTHM DIVINE	INTERSCOPE	3829	849	0	122
27	24	MARIAH CAREY F/98°	THANK GOD I FOUND YOU	COLUMBIA/CRG	3748	1117	1	143
29	25	TLC	DEAR LIE	LAFACE/ARISTA	3598	1022	4	165
24	26	LOU BEGA	TRICKY, TRICKY	RCA	3580	671	0	141
18	27	JESSICA SIMPSON	I WANNA LOVE YOU FOREVER	COLUMBIA/CRG	3353	893	0	109
31	28	SANTANA	MARIA, MARIA	ARISTA	3284	907	10	143
32	29	SONIQUE	IT FEELS SO GOOD	PRIORITY	3254	1323	9	148
19	30	JENNIFER LOPEZ	WAITING FOR TONIGHT	EPIC/WORK	3224	742	0	95



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34	31	LONESTAR	AMAZED	BNA	3116	1171	16	120
35	32	MONTELL JORDAN	GET IT ON TONITE	DEF SOUL/IDJ	2976	1229	11	103
30	33	GOO GOO DOLLS	BLACK BALLOON	WARNER BROTHERS	2889	1198	0	71
28	34	LEN	STEAL MY SUNSHINE	EPIC/WORK	2672	893	0	83
33	35	REM	THE GREAT BEYOND	WARNER BROTHERS	2489	808	0	100
36	36	OL' DIRTY BASTARD F/KELIS	GOT YOUR MONEY	ELEKTRA/EEG	2318	1077	0	74
37	37	AMBER	SEXUAL	TOMMY BOY	2230	996	5	95
49	38	MACY GRAY	I TRY	CS/EPIC	2161	848	14	139
51	39	MISSY ELLIOTT	HOT BOYZ	GM/ELEKTRA/EEG	1900	1104	9	73
54	40	DR. DRE/EMINEM	FORGOT ABOUT DRE	AFTERMATH/INTERSCOPE	1814	1161	4	48
38	41	BLESSID UNION OF SOULS	STANDING ON THE	PUSH/V2	1801	356	0	86
41	42	BETH HART	L.A. SONG	143/LAVA/ ATL/AG	1778	508	2	73
47	43	SISQO	GOT TO GET IT	DEF SOUL/IDJ	1764	713	1	78
45	44	STING	BRAND NEW DAY	A&M	1746	642	1	67
60	45	WILL SMITH	FREAKIN' IT	COLUMBIA/CRG	1745	479	6	96
-	46	KID ROCK	ONLY GOD KNOWS	LAVA/ATL/ATL G	1711	461	30	137
57	47	MANDY MOORE	CANDY	EPIC/550 MUSIC	1673	565	10	94
39	48	IMX	STAY THE NIGHT	MCA	1656	626	1	67
44	49	JUVENILE	BACK THAT THANG UP	CM/UNIVERSAL/UMG	1649	720	2	55
46	50	702	WHERE MY GIRLS AT?	MOTOWN	1611	795	0	43
42	51	PUFF DADDY F/R. KELLY	SATISFY YOU	BAD BOY/ARISTA	1577	811	0	48
-	52	EVE F/FAITH EVANS	LOVE IS BLIND	RUFF RYDERS/INTERSCOPE	1538	847	3	47
-	53	EDWIN MCCAIN	GO BE YOUNG	LAVA/ATL/ATL G	1537	364	6	106
-	54	FAITH HILL	BREATHE	WARNER BROTHERS	1528	469	24	131
52	55	STROKE 9	LITTLE BLACK BACKPACK	UNIVERSAL/UMG	1514	548	1	81
43	56	TLC	UNPRETTY	LAFACE/ARISTA	1472	663	0	50
59	57	CREED	HIGHER	WIND-UP	1470	395	9	84
40	58	LFO	GIRL ON TV	ARISTA	1461	292	0	62
_	59	JENNIFER LOPEZ	FEELING SO GOOD	EPIC/WORK	1345	419	37	98
50	60	SUGAR RAY	SOMEDAY	LAVA/ATL/ATL G	1310	505	0	45

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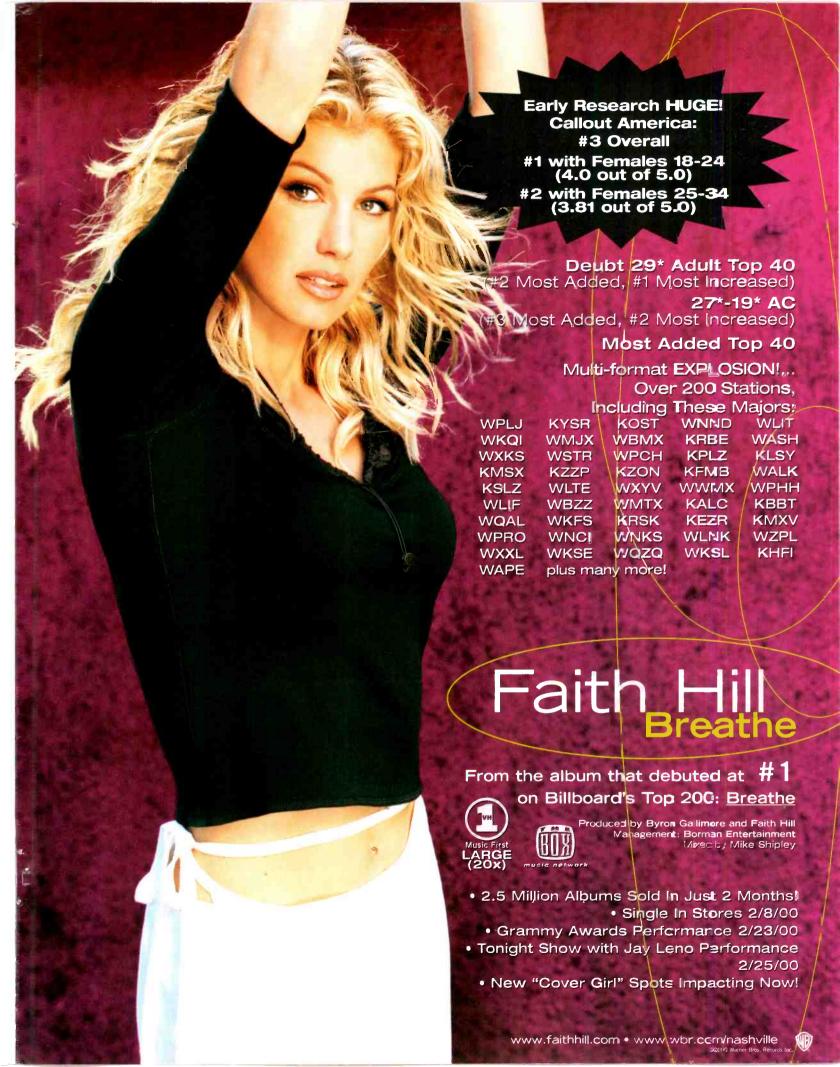




# REQUESTS

Tennessee Titans call in for "The Longest Yard."

LW	тw	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL F	IOTS	INCL	UDIN	G	%
1	1	EIFFEL 65	BLUE (DA BA DEE)	REP/UNIV/UMG	79	B94 KRQ	KRSK WBBO	WPHH WSTW	54
2	2	NSYNC	BYE BYE BYE	JIVE	72	KDWB KSLY	KMXV WKSL	WZPL WHTS	49
3	3	BSTREET BOYS	SHOW ME THE	JIVE	55	98PXY KHTT	KBEE WFBC	KZHT WYCR	37
6	4	V. HORIZON	EVERYTHING YOU	RCA	49	KHMX KRUZ	STR94 WJET	WPTE WNOK	33
4	5	C.AGUILERA	WHAT A GIRL WANTS	RCA	41	WNKS KKRD	WGTZ WSSX	WDRQ WWHT	28
5	6	FILTER	TAKE A PICTURE	REPRISE	36	WWZZ KCIX	WXPT KMXB	WBMX KZPT	24
12	7	THIRD EYE BLIND	NEVER LET YOU	ELEKTRA/EEG	34	KPLZ KMXS	WKIE WDAQ	WSSR WJET	23
10	8	MACY GRAY	ITRY	CSLATE/EPIC	32	KYSR KAMX	WRVW KCDU	WVRV WMBX	22
7	9	SAVAGE GARDEN	I KNEW I LOVED YOU	COLUMBIA/CRG	31	WPST KURB	WWMX KRUZ	WKSI KMHX	21
13	10	LONESTAR	AMAZED	BNA	30	KBEE KMXS	KRBE WJLK	WPRO WDAQ	20
11	11	BLINK 182	ALL THE SMALL	MCA	29	KKRZ WNTQ	WBLI KSTZ	XL106 KTOZ	20
8	12	BRITNEY SPEARS	FROM THE BOTTOM	JIVE	27	WXYV KSTZ	WKSL KTOZ	KKRZ WNTQ	18
14	13	KID ROCK	ONLY GOD KNOWS	LAVA/ATL/AG	24	KDND KOSO	KZHT WKFR	WGTZ WNTQ	16
9	14	BRIAN MCKNIGHT	BACK AT ONE	MOTOWN	23	WPST KLAZ	WKZL WAIA	WZPL WKPK	15
-	15	MANDY MOORE	CANDY	EPIC/550 MUSIC	20	98PXY WAEB	KLLC WDBR	WBLI WQGN	13
	16	CREED	HIGHER	WIND UP	14	WKSI WFBC	WZNE WIXX	KPEK WLAN	9
17	17	CELINE DION	THATS THE WAY	EPIC/550 MUSIC	13	B97 KSII	WLNK WRHT	WMBX WRZE	8
15	18	SMASH MOUTH	THEN THE MORNING	INTERSCOPE	12	KFMB KCDU	KZZP WMC	WQAL WRFY	8
16	19	LOU BEGA	TRICKY,TRICKY	RCA	11	KHTS KHTO	WPST WMGB	WWZZ WVAQ	7
19	20	SANTANA	SMOOTH	ARISTA	10	WRVW KZZU	WWMX WFAT	KHMX WYKS	6



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# Pop Go The Weasels

by Billy Bored

AND THEN THERE WERE FOUR. The Beatles meet the Bunny. AOL has content galore. Warner-EMI music will whack 3,000 jobs wordwide in the next three years. Is this a fun business or what?... It's action, action, action on the 25th floor of the Sony building as Columbia keeps up the endless roll. Destiny's Child is officially on its way to Pop smashdom, Mariah is proving itself again, Will Smith is rolling, new Tal Bachman is ready to launch & there's lotsa PD love on Wood—not to mention a



Ted Volk: Mr. American Pie.

monster Marc Anthony cut on the way. Charlie Walk, Lee Leipsner & Steve Kline won't be satisfied until they have all 10 of the Top 10... Virgin's Michael Plen & Linda Murdock have new Lenny Kravitz in play quickly with major support. Nice growth on Tina Turner at Adult. Look for a big commitment on Ben Harper... Madonna's "American Pie" should be in your hands & on your air as you read this. Maverick hitter Ted Volk leads the charge, with the whole Burbank crew on board. WB's Biery, Boulos & Flea have done an awesome job launching Faith Hill into the Pop world, with many saying this could be a #1... Nice start on C2's new Ricky Martin cut, with A3 proving to be the real deal now & new Splender poised for big action. Label hammer Dennis Reese is relentless... Macy Gray now has massive album sales to go with the airplay & request action, & this one is gone-ski. Kudos to Dale Connone, Debbie Cerchione & the entire Epic team for breaking a major artist... Reprise's Phil Costello & Vicki Leben have a slew of early believers in Sasha, which is in the game now & primed for a long run at mainstream Pop. Filter continues to deliver big... Check the callout action on Stroke 9 wherever played—you're missing a real one if you've never invested in this. Universal's Charlie Foster is on the case, with Sonique exploding & Juvenile now making a big charge at mainstream... 550 topper Hilary Shaev has a solid start on Jennifer Lopez, with Mandy Moore closing big now & Apollo 440 in the wings... Big action at the majors on Montell Jordan, as IDJ domo Ken Lane crosses this one to Pop. Melissa Etheridge off & growing at Adult, with mainstream action ahead... Arista's Palmese & Backer putting the hammer down & closing Santana & TLC, as they head for a zillion Grammies & few more million in sales... Get your head outta your butt & get Lonestar on the radio! All this does is go into power everywhere. BNA's Butch Waugh won't let you miss this one... Good quality & quantity happening at Adult on Tracy Chapman. Elektra's Greg, Bill & Desiree are on a mission with this one, as Third Eye Blind continues to rocket...We think Hoku is an out-&-out smash. Expect big action from the Interscope team. New Bloodhound Gang is also in play, with new Sting, Enrique, Eve, Smash Mouth & No Doubt still to come for Lopes, Grierson & Neiter... As Bosson continues to win big, Capitol's Justin Fontaine is going Goofy... Jennifer Brown impacting now for RCA's Ron Geslin, as Lou Bega & Vertical Horizon close... blink-182 going Top 10 now for MCA's Craig & Bonniebig ups... How could you not play Atlantic's Kid Rock? Just asking... Music we love: The Cure, Bobby Gaylor & No Doubt...



BRAND NEW DAY, SAME OLD SHMOOZE: Shown here surrounded by radio weasels from KYSR Los Angeles and AMFM, Interscope artist, Tantric lover and Compaq user Sting could barely get a word in edgewise. "Jeez," the singer finally managed, "I haven't been surrounded by so much dead-wood since I was last in the rainforest."



WHAT A GIRL WANTS? After a hard day at the office dealing with record industry weasels, KRBE Houston MD Jay Michaels (r) couldn't unpucker in time for this picture with teen Pop sensation Christina Aguilera. KRBE PD John Peake (I) cut out of the fun

# This Week's Special



Tom Biery: Still "Breathe"-ing.

It's a whole new world in Bunnyland. And since Tom "Grover" Biery took the reins as Sr. VP/Promotion last year, the team has been knockin' a few out of the park. Madonna re-ignited with her biggest success in several years, Cher returned with the biggest record of her entire career, & new artists like Citizen King & Static-X have started making their marks. There's new Madonna coming & long-awaited Don Henley on the way shortly, but the biggest action of the new year surrounds the launch of Pop diva-in-the-making Faith Hill. She's been an estab-

lished country superstar for years, but now you can erase the word "country" & zero in on "Superstar." WB's set-up plan was strong & beautifully executed, & the first Pop single "Breathe" is exploding at all mainstream Pop and Adult formats as we speak. Grover, John Boulos, Felecia Swerling & the team have a multi-Platinum tiger by the tail, with multiple Pop hits on this CD still to come. Biery was busy ogling Faith's navel & was unavailable for comment.

# POP-MART



**LET THE BUMRUSH BEGIN:** When that hot riew band stops by your station, you really should try to look cool. You know, so you fit in. An example of how NOT to do it is shown here, with three staff members of **WPXY** Rochester (on the left) tryin' to hang with three members of **Sony**'s **Len** (on the right).



PINK & STINK: During a recent visit, LaFace artist Pink found out she qualified for a complimentary groping by HITS' own Ricky Leigh Mensh. Always the proper host, Mensh then offered Pink a Philly cheesesteak with extra sauce he produced from under one man-breast.

# Set-Up Box



Chris Lopes: Another Dumb Blonde?

You may already be very familiar with the debut from Hoku, the latest highly videogenic song stylist to break out. Her breakthrough single, "Another Dumb Blonde," is featured in the soundtrack from "Snow Day," a Nickelodeon-produced film. The video has been running regularly on Nick & is now kicking in big at MTV. Interscope's Chris Lopes will be dying his hair and singing this one all the way to the top.



Dennis Reese: Splender in the grass?

Splender's "Yeah, Whatever" was a full-on smash for those who truly played it. But nobody should miss the next single. People are calling "I Think God Can Explain" the prom theme/wedding song of the year. This should quickly become a multiformat anthem & stay on the radio for the next year. It will also cause a generation of students to misspell "splendor." C2 domos Dennis Reese & Ed Green go for it on 2/7.

# Consultant's Corner

Once again, the 'Comer gets a literate spin as guest consultant Bob Davis of The Randy Lane Company returns and proves that radio guys CAN read. Sure, we knew they read stock tickers, charts and Ziggy, but actual BOOKS? To prove it, Bob will give a book report. Sit back, take notes and... ZzzzzzZzzzzz...



Hi, I'm Bob.

I DON'T READ business books, but one caught my eye in the airport the other day. Kevin Kelly's "New Rules for the New Economy" is a good book for radio people. Basically, Kelly discusses 10 strate-

gies for a connected world. Throughout the book he talks about the rate of change in a network economy. Things change in the blink of an eye. Whether it's the recent AOLTW deal or watching ancient grainy videotape of Alanis Morissette accepting a Grammy, things change. And fast. One minute you're reaching the top of a mountain and the next, you're screaming your lungs out as you plummet toward the ground, thinking, "Why didn't I bring a parachute!" Our primary output today, especially in this business, is information. No factories to retool. No mines to dig. No packaging to speak of. Someone like Kid Rock can change the whole landscape. The traditional process for developing programming can't keep up. The traditional marketing methods are based on the industrial economy. The basic research mechanisms in radio haven't changed significantly in 20, maybe 30, years. The focus group was developed in the early 1900s to test advertising concepts. Polling has been around since before Harry Truman. (Who?) Arbitron uses pencil and paper and the U.S. Mail. Houston, do you copy? Lately, the research has lagged so far behind reality it is of no use. It's not anyone's fault, but there it is. The marketing cycle moves so quickly today, the changes can be terrifying. Here's a scenario: You and your homeboys/girls just put a new station on the air. It's doing great. You made the supreme effort to reach the summit. Everyone loves you. You are an "Into Thin Air" kinda person. Yet as you head out for the staff party, your company puts another new station on the air, and the mountain you just climbed dissolves. You're response, "Another day in paradise..." All those tried-and-true rules of radio are sitting next to the '83 Buick LeSabre at Shorty and Swede's junkyard. What does it all mean? I have no friggin' idea, but I will say this: Our sense of what the audience needs better be finely honed and constantly fed. We need to update our thinking as often as we shower. (You do shower every day, I hope.) We need to allow room for our stations to be reinvented. We need to be careful of marketing traps and research mechanisms that brand our stations with yesterday's concepts and music everyone liked six months ago. People caught up in the old marketing cycle may be moving too slow to take advantage of a marketplace that moves at blinding speeds. The good news is we get to develop new mechanisms and new ideas. We get to be pioneers. It's like the scene from "The Matrix" when Keanu Reeves attempts to jump from building to building. You just gotta believe and have no fear! I'm outta here...there's a booth at Clark and Lincoln.

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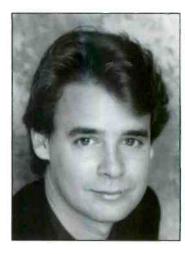
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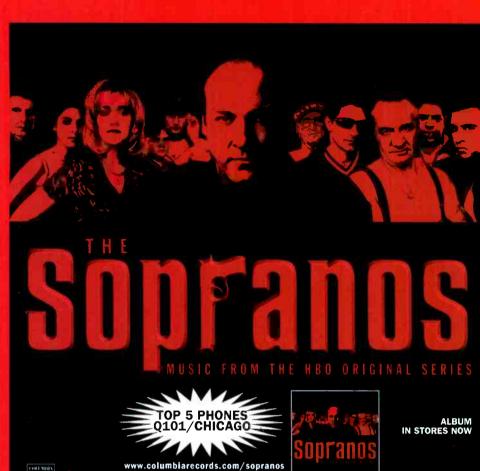
job possibilities of talented free agents like Rick Bisceglia, David Leach, Steve Ellis, Tony Smith and the much-rumored free-agent-to-be Dale Connone. While many will talk to Dale, which jobs are real and which are a bunch of hooey still remains to be determined. Meanwhile, it's business as usual for Mr. Connone as he continues breaking records. Will the Epic Records Group's current hot streak and the breaking of the super-talented Macy Gray and Mandy Moore make Connone reconsider the green pastures of his current home and the idea of remaining to share in the spoils as a key member of Dan Hubbert's new team? On other promo fronts, will Ken

Lane's new Island Def Jam team be joined in the Big Apple by West Coast heavyweight Mike Easterlin? Look for Universal to move Washington regional Dave Reynolds to New York in a national capacity on Charlie Foster's new team, Will Justin Fontaine be let out of the remainder of his Capitol contract to don his Mouse ears before or after he breaks the Bosson record? And finally, at Columbia, is Pete Cosenza on the verge of a promotion to VP Adult Formats with Elaine Locatelli sliding over to VP Adult Mainstream?..... Results from the delayed NY Fall Arbitron: WQHT 4.8-5.2; WHTZ 4.7-5.1; WKTU 4.3-3.8; WPLJ 2.6-2.7; WXRK 3.64.1.... Condolences to friends and family of urban trade publication founder Jack Gibson (Jack the Rapper), who died Sunday (1/29).... WLTS New Orleans PD Jim Hanzo has resigned. APD Steve Suter is upped to PD. Willie B takes over as APD..... Lippincott Promotions Inc. has launched two new companies, Skunkworks Music Consultants and Big Horse Records. Ric will be busy..... Top Ten Most Played videos this week at MTV are: #1 Christina Aguilera, #2 Dr. Dre & Eminem, #3 Backstreet Boys, #4 Britney Spears, #5 Korn, #6 NSYNC, #7 DMX, #8 Kid Rock, #9 Mariah Carey and #10 (tie) Blaque and Jennifer Lopez ..... Blowin' in

the Wind: Ken Benson, Steve Kline, Andrea Foreman, Johnny Hartwell, Lisa Ellis, Trevor Carey, Chuck Field and Liz Montalbano..... And here's Mr. Dale Connone, enjoying a Gray day in old NY.....







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YOU'VE GOT MUSIC....OR WHO WILL REMAIN STAND-ING WHEN THE CHAIRS RUN OUT???? Just like what radio experienced over the past two years, music is now in the midst of a major consolidation. And exactly who will remain standing is anybody's guess. So, for those of you in the wonderful world or radio, we suggest you have some extra compassion for your promotion friends. because they are going through the same insecurities you have faced in recent days..... The revolving promotion door could be coming to an abrupt halt as the Time Warner/AOL/EMI deals have put a major crimp in

corporate executives' styles,

and wonderers are wondering if those choice promo positions at Warner, Reprise and Elektra will be put on short-term or

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even perhaps permanent hold. We can't help but join the prognosticators prognosticating about whether corporate

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CLIVE EVERY MOUNTAIN: Arista chieftain and Grammy magnet Clive Davis ponders his lofty legacy, inspiring songwriting legend Diane Warren to compose a moving ballad about exit-deal structure at German-owned media conglomerates. Seen are (I-r) Arista promo guy Joe Reichling, Davis, Warren, KIIS/L.A.'s Dan Kieley and Michael Steele and Arista promo kingpin Richard Palmese.

consolidations will mean even fewer promotion jobs, as was the case in the Seagram's play last year. Promo execs on all levels inside the main office, in the field and currently out of work have reason to wonder what the Internet-dominated future will bring. Can Phil Costello still bring in a key player to fill the New York City national post? Can Tom Biery continue his search to restructure his national staff with a gunslinger from outside the system? And can Greg Thompson find "the perfect fit" player that he needs to concentrate on his macro duties as the company's #2 to Sylvia Rhone? And how does this all play out for the (continued on page 100)



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