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# **VIBE-RATERS**

Natalie Imbruglia remains in the "Middle" of the action, while soul divas Davina and Rebekah take their places at the starting line.

#### 6 ALBUMS

"Titanic" won't spring a leak despite Madonna's "Ray of Light," while Eric Clapton and Natalie Imbruglia bow in the Top Ten.

#### 28 DIALOGUE

A HITS Oscar music special, featuring an exclusive chat with Quentin Tarantino, conducted by HITS' own Le Big Mac, Iain "N Out Burger" Blair.

# POST MODERN

Ivana heads to Austin for SxSW, where she's resplendent in her nifty Dolce & Gabbana chaps and Kenneth Cole cowboy boots.

#### 63 KUUK

Marcy's Playground finds "Candy" is dandy, while a debuting Stabbing Westward and Life of Agony perfectly describe HITS' aggro-vating rockhead "Welcome to the Five & Dime" Jimmy Barnes.

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Def Jam VP Urban Promotion Johnnie Walker mixes drinks, and a few metaphors, with JAMZ's own potent cocktail, Kandace "Lord &" Taylor.

Celine Dion goes on and on ad infinitum at MPS and REQUESTS, POP MART says pop diversity equals high numbers for Top 40 as Zapoleon

Media Strategies radio guru Guy Zapoleon's golden rules of radio prove more effective than counting sheep... which, for some reason, makes the authors of WAVELENGTH incredibly horny.

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# **BOW-WOW...**



RCA President Bob Jamieson had his organization trained like Nipper to fetch a bone with this week's unprecedented Top Ten album debut for Pop Alternative diva Natalie Imbruglia's "Left of the Middle." Every department in the company delivered big results, from the breaking of "Torn" at radio and aggressively stocking the retail shelves to a historic "Saturday Night Live" appearance three days before the album release. But it was Jamieson himself who pulled the trigger and threw the dice.... until he crapped out with this HITS Contents nod.



# ON THE COVER

CA Records' breakout act Natalie Imbruglia is "Torn" between this HITS cover and a trip to the dentist to mark the Top Ten debut of her new album, "Left of the Middle."

# VIBE-RATERS

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

NATALIE IMBRUGLIA • RCA

1 LW 1 2W 4 3W



album: LEFT OF THE MIDDLE track: TORN

LP debuts at #10 on nat'l. chart! Smash! Over 750k out. Still ripping thru multiformat radio. Top 20 PoMo, Top 15 APM, Top 10 Pop. 21 MTV Heavy/Buzz Clip, 19 VH1 Large spins, big at Box. Letterman 4/2, Rosie 4/3, MTV Livefull band 4/3, Mod. Rock Live 4/5. Spin cover in May. Mgmt: Anne BarretHnt'l Mgmt.

BARENAKED LADIES • REPRISE

3 LW 3 2W 3 3W



album: ROCK SPECTACLE track: BRIAN WILSON

Added at VH1! Accepted at MTV, M2. Sales climb higher for Gold-plus LP as multi-format radio continues to sizzle. Top 20 PoMo. Big at APM, Top 40, Mod. Adult. Adds include WTMX. Big play: WHFS, WPLY, WRLT, WSTR, KFMB. "12 Angry Viewers" soon. Letterman 4/1. HORDE this summer. Mgmt: Netwerk.

DESTINY'S CHILD . COL/CRG

5 LW 5 2W 9 3W



album: DESTINY'S CHILD track: NO, NO, NO

LP sales get hotter as Top 40, Rhythm/Cross. and R&B radio keep giving up the love. Over 270k shipped. Big at M'land, B'buster, W'house. Platinum single. Huge play: WPOW, KYLD, KQKS, WBBM, WILD, KKBT, WHTA. MTV, Box, Top 10 BET, M2. Planet Groove 4/7, Soul Train 4/18. Mgmt: Music World Mgmt.

MONO • ECHO/MERCURY

4 LW 4 2W 6 3W



album: FORMICA BLUES
track: LIFE IN MONO

Continuing to infect PoMo radio as Top 40, Mod. Adult heat up and retail reacts. #56-46 W'house, #86-81 B'buster. 150k out. #1 at KROQ, WHFS, WFNX, KITS, CIMX. Big at KIIS, KBKS, KBBT. MTV, M2, Box. Promo dates start late March. R. Stone NY Fashion Show 3/25. Excellent press. Mamt: Gary Boorman UK.

6 CHERRY POPPIN'... • MOJO/UNI

6 LW 6 2W 7 3W



album: ZOOT SUIT RIOT track: ZOOT SUIT RIOT

Retail upswing continues w/over 300k out as PoMo radio jumps and APM, Mod. Adult grow. #89 M'land, #83-75 B'buster, #23-16 W'house. Top 15 at KROQ, 99X, WFNX, KEDJ, KITS, WPLY, KOME, KNRK, KTCL. MTV, M2, Box. On tour. SXSW 3/19. WARPED tour. Mgmt: Howard Libes/Space Age Bachelor Pad.

NEXT • ARISTA

7 IW 7 2W 12 2W



album: RATED NEXT track: TOO CLOSE

Single goes Gold as love stays hot at Top 40, Mod. Adult, R&B radio. LP sales climb w/over 300k out. #79-67 M'land, #84-76 W'house, #76 B'buster. Huge at WILD, Z90, KUBE, KQKS, WBLS, WJMN. MTV, Top 10 Box, BET. Promo dates ongoing. M.J. Blige/Usher dates 3/25-end April. Mgmt: Flava Unit Mgmt.

**SEMISONIC •** MCA

8 LW 9 2W



album: FEELING STRANGELY...
track: CLOSING TIME

Radio picture igniles ahead of 3/24 release. 100k shipping. PoMo panel closing as Active Rock, APM grow. Top 10s: 99X, KROQ, CIMX, KEDJ, KWOD, WFNX, WWDZ, WDVE, WRLT. Adds include WXRT, KISS, KEGL. Video due 4/6. Tour starts April. WXRK show 4/9, WHFS 5/16. Mamt: Jim Grant/JGM.

FASTBALL . HOLLYWOOD

9 LW 11 2W 15 3W



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

Added to MTV and VH1! Huge first-week sales, including #33 W'house, #51 B'buster, #95 B'Buy. PoMo flying high as Mod. Adult, APM climb. Top 10 at KROQ, 99X, WHFS, XHRM, KITS, KEDJ. Adds include KFMB, KTBZ. SXSW 3/21. Out w/Whiskeytown 3/24-4/11, then headlining. Mgmt: Russell Carter.

# VIBE-RATERS

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

Top 15 Active Rock, Top 10 APM radio spins ignite LP sales w/over 400k out. #82 B'buster, #92 B'Buy, #98 W'house. Tons of Top 40 adds for unplugged "Road Mix," including WPLT. VH1 Custom. On headlining tour now. Big R. Stone fashion spread 3/27, Vanity Fair spread in May. Mgmt: Ken Shepherd Mgmt.



**DAVINA** • LOUD

DEBUT



album: BEST OF BOTH...
track: COME OVER TO MY...

Detroitbased soulstress releases debut solo album 4/7 with 250k shipping. Self-produced, engineered and written. R&B radio love includes big play at KDKO, WHUR, WYLD, KJMS. Video on MTV, M2, BET. Big L.A. birthday performance 3/18. Mgmt: Tanya Heidelberg/Diversified Entertainment.



# FINLEY QUAYE • 550 MUSIC





album: MAVERICK A STRIKE track: SUNDAY SHINING

Big sales jump last week, led by W. Coast Tower and trend indie accts. Highlights include #44-20 Penny Lane jump. PoMo shining at Y107, KTCL, WFNX, WCYY, KEDJ, KWOD, KKND. Spins increasing at KROQ. APM play at KMTT, WRLT, KGSR. 12 MTV Stress/Buzz Clip spins. #1 at M2, big at Box. On tour. Mgmt: None.



# **PAREBEKAH** • ELEKTRA/EEG

DEBUT



album: REMEMBER TO...
track: SIN SO WELL

Huge multi-format radio story builds for Cleveland songstress' debut LP. Trend indies lead at retail. Top 40, Mod. Adult, APM action: WXKS, WDRV, KKPN, KBKS, KMTT, WXPN. Adds include KFMB, KSLZ. Third Eye Blind dates start 3/30. XInt. press. Mgmt: Arthur Spivak/Stuart Sobol, Spivak Entertainment.



## LIMP BIZKIT • FUP/INTERSCOPE

12 LW 13 2W



album: THREE DOLLAR BILL...
track: COUNTERFEIT

S/O tour w/Sevendust, Clutch continues to fuel LP sales. Huge Interscope marketing campaign reacts at retail w/over 200k out. Early Active Rock radio believers stay solid at WAAF, KRAD, WLZR, KQRC, WKLQ. #1 Rock video at Box. "Family Values" tour w/Korn late Aug. Mgmt: Jeff Kwatinetz, Peter Katsis/The Firm.



# WANK • MAVERICK/REPRISE

DEBUT 15 LW



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

PoMo radio story grows ahead of 3/31 LP release. Huge at KROQ, KWOD, WHFS. Adds include KOME, KITS, KEDJ, WFNX. Big requests. Kevin Kerslake-directed video submits 3/31. L.A. H.O.B. dates at end of March. With Social D. at L.A. Roxy 4/7,8,9. Mgmt: Eileen Grobe, Steve Stewart/Steve Stewart Mgmt.



## **SPACEHOG • HIFI/SIRE/WB**

14 LW 15 2W



album: THE CHINESE ALBUM track: MUNGO CITY

Firstweek sales soar, led by huge Tower and trend indie numbers as PoMo, Active Rock radio grow. #15 Newbury, #13 Pacific Coast. Big at KTCL, KNRK, WFNX, WBCN, KISS, KLBJ. 6 MTV spins, Top 10 at M2. On club tour. SXSW 3/21. Aerosmith tour starts 4/18. Mgmt: David Sonenberg/DAS Communications.



## WHISKEYTOWN • OUTPOST/GEFFEN

16 LW 16 2W

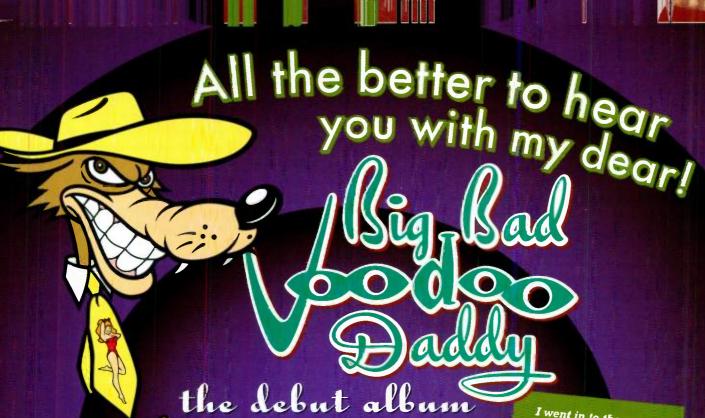


album: STRANGERS ALMANAC track: YESTERDAY'S NEWS

PoMo and Active Rock radio action continues to fuel LP sales w/over 90k shipped. Top 10 at 99X. Big at WRXQ, XHRM, KZNZ, CIMX. Solid play at KLBJ, WDVE, KTUX, WZTA. On club tour through 3/25. Austin City Limits 4/11. Excellent press. Mgmt: Chris Roldan, Jenni Sperandeo/ Jacknife.

# top50 ALBUMS

2W	LW	TW	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL	POWER INDEX	PERCENT CHANGE
1	1	1	TITANIC	SOUNDTRACK Record breaking sales	Sony CI/SMS 63213	422.2	÷11%
-	2	2	MADONNA	RAY OF LIGHT The Queen of all media	Warner Bros 46847	212.8	-41%
2	3	3	CELINE DION	LET'S TALK ABOUT Incredible run	550 Music 68861	189.2	-11%
DEI	BUT	4	ERIC CLAPTON	PILGRIM Legend	Reprise 46577	178.9	_
5	6	5	SAVAGE GARDEN	SAVAGE GARDEN "Truly, Madly" huge	Col/CRG 67954	116.6	+4%
6	7	6	K-CI & JOJO	LOVE ALWAYS "All My Life" leads	MCA 11613	111.1	+5%
4	9	7	WEDDING SINGER	SOUNDTRACK Hot movie	Maverick/WB 46840	95.9	-2%
8	8	8	BACKSTREET BOYS	BACKSTREET BOYS "Everybody" added MTV	Jive 41589	90.7	-11%
7	10	9	USHER	MY WAY "Nice & Slow" leads	LaFace/Arista 26043	87.3	-7%
DE	BUT	10	NATALIE IMBRUGLIA	LEFT OF THE MIDDLE "Torn" a smash	RCA 67634	86.1	-
-	4	11	SCARFACE	MY HOMIES "Homies & Thugs" leads	R-A-L/NT/Vir 45471	83.9	-53%
3	5	12	SILKK THE SHOCKER	CHARGE IT 2 DA GAME Hot video leads	No Limit/Pri 50716	76.4	-39%
9	11	13	MATCHBOX 20	YOURSELF "3 AM" huge	Lava/Atl/Atl G 92721	76.2	-5%
23	12	14	GARTH BROOKS	SEVENS Television	Capitol 56599	67.1	+4%
13	14	15	SHANIA TWAIN	COME ON OVER "You're" breaking Pop	Mercury 536-003	63.0	-2%
14	13	16	WILL SMITH	BIG WILLIE STYLE Smash single leads	Col/CRG 68683	61.3	-5%
10	15	17	SPICE GIRLS	SPICE WORLD "Too Much" leads	Virgin 45111	49.5	-16%
DEE	BUT	18	KILLAH PRIEST	HEAVY MENTAL Rap	Geffen 24971	47.9	_
DEE	TUE	19	TAFKAP	CRYSTAL BALL Only in some stores	NPG 79871	46.9	-
15	20	20	BRIAN MCKNIGHT	ANYTIME "Anytime" the cut	Motown 536-215	46.3	-3%
24	17	21	LOREENA MCKENNITT	BOOK OF SECRETS "Mummers'" leads	QR/Warner Bros 46719	45.9	-10%
16	18	22	MASE	HARLEM WORLD "What You Want" now	Bad Boy/Arista 73017	45.7	-10%
11	16	23	PEARL JAM	YIELD "Wishlist" starting	Epic 68164	43.6	-19%
22	22	24	MARCY PLAYGROUND	MARCY PLAYGROUND Hot cut and tour	Capitol 53569	43.3	-2%
17	23	25	PUFF DADDY	NO WAY OUT Multiple smashes	Bad Boy/Arista 73012	42.6	-3%



# STORE PLAY IT AND IT SELLS!

- 38,952 SCANNED IN JUST TWO WEEKS!
- SECOND WEEK SCANS TOTAL 16,900 CHARTING AT #79
- TOP 10 SOUNDSCAN IN LOS ANGELES & SAN DIEGO MARKETS
- HITS #1 POST MODERN TOP 20 RETAIL (UP FROM #12)
- ALBUM NETWORK #1 IN-STORE PLAY ALBUM (BEATING MADONNA AND MONO)
- ALBUM NETWORK'S #14 HOTTEST NATIONWIDE

I went in to the record shop this past Saturday looking for one thing and the guys at the shop had this fabulous tape on and I was - I swear to God dancing in the aisles. I ended up purchasing your tape and forgot who it was that I had intended on purchasing... Utterly fantastic."

- 50-Year-Old Famile Website Visitor

#### ON AIR SPIN IT AND IT HITS!

- #25 (FROM 59) IN THE CMJ TOP 200
- ENTERED AT #40 ON THE GAVIN COLLEGE CHART
- DEBUTED AT #37 IN THE CMJ CORE
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# TOUR BOOK IT AND THEY COME!

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- SHOWS CONTINUE TO SELL OUT AS THE BAND CROSSES THE COUNTRY!
- 3-18 House of Blues/ORLANDO, FL
- 3-19 Georgia Theater/ATHENS, GA
- 3-20 Variety Playhouse/ATLANTA, GA
- 3-21 Goodnight Lounge/RALEIGH, NC
- 3-22 Swing 1000/CHARLOTTE, NC
- 3.24 Fletchers/BALTIMORE, MD
- 3.25 9:30 Club/WASHINGTON D.C.
- 3-26 Quadrangle Club/PRINCETON, NJ
- 3.28 Shell-Trump/ATLANTIC CITY, NJ
- 3-30 Stone Ballroom/NEWARK, DE
- 4-1 Mohegan Sun/UNCASVILLE, CT
- 4.3 The Supper Club/NEW YORK, NY
- 4-4/5 House of Blues/CAMBRIDGE, MA
- 4.7 Club Laga/PITTSBURGH, PA
- 4.8 Mekka/COLUMBUS, OH
- 4.9 The Grog Shop/CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, DH
- 4-10 House of Blues/CHICAGO, IL
- 4-11 Mill Street Entry/PONTIAC, MI
- 4-15 The Rave/MILWAUKEE, WI
- 4-16 University of Wisconsin/MADISON, WI
- 4-18 LaFollette Field/MUNCIE, IN
- 4.20 MSU/CAPE GIRARDAU, MO
- 4-21 Granada/LAWRENCE, KS
- 4-24 First Avenue/MINNEAPOLIS, MN
- 4.25 Union Bar/IOWA CITY, IA
- 4-26 The Galaxy/ST. LOUIS, MO
- 4.27 Copper Oragon/CARBONDALE IL
- 4-29 The Juke Joint/SPRINGFIELD MO

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# top50 ALBUMS

2W	LW	TW	ARTIST	TITLE COMMENT	LABEL	POWER INDEX	PERCENT CHANGE
30	29	26	CREED	MY OWN PRISON Video upped at MTV	Wind-Up 13049	40.6	+9%
37	30	27	THIRD EYE BLIND	THIRD EYE BLIND "How's It" leading	Elektra/EEG 62012	38.7	+10%
21	26	28	LSG	LEVERT, SWEAT, GILL "Curious" the cut	EW/EEG 62125	38.3	-7%
25	21	29	CHUMBAWAMBA	TUBTHUMPER "Amnesia" now	Repub/Univ 53099	38.0	-14%
27	28	30	FLEETWOOD MAC	THE DANCE Triple Platinum	Reprise 46702	35.4	-9%
32	24	31	SARAH MCLACHLAN	SURFACING "Adia" breaking now	Arista 18970	35.4	-15%
31	34	32	METALLICA	RE-LOAD "Unforgiven II" the cut	Elek/EEG 62126	32.1	0%
39	36	33	TIMBALAND & MAGOO	WELCOME TO OUR "Luv 2" leads	BE/Atl/Atl G 92772	30.1	+3%
28	31	34	MARIAH CAREY	BUTTERFLY "My All" added MTV	Col/CRG 67835	30.1	-14%
18	25	35	LEANN RIMES	YOU LIGHT UP Single still huge	Curb 77885	29.8	-27%
42	37	36	JANET	VELVET ROPE "I Get Lonely" MTV & VH1	Virgin 44762	29.3	+3%
41	38	37	MASTER P	GHETTO D "Make 'Em Say Ugh"	No Limit/Pri 50659	28.9	+2%
12	19	38	VARIOUS	1998 GRAMMY NOMINEES Falling now	MCA 11752	28.2	-41%
26	32	39	SPICE GIRLS	SPICE Over six million	Virgin 42174	27.9	-16%
19	27	40	PAULA COLE	THIS FIRE "Me" now	lmago/WB 46424	26.9	-33%
33	33	41	THE VERVE	URBAN HYMNS "Bitter Sweet" Top 40	Virgin 44913	26.1	-21%
45	41	42	VARIOUS	HIP HOP HITS Title says it all	Polygram TV 536-204	21.8	-12%
46	42	43	AQUA	AQUARIUM "Turn Back Time" MTV now	MCA 11705	21.7	-13%
_	47	44	SMASH MOUTH	FUSH YU MANG Back up	Interscope 90142	21.0	-4%
DE	BUT	45	ANDREA BOCELLI	ROMANZA PBS	Phi/Pol/Cla 539-207	20.8	
44	50	46	THE LOX	MONEY, POWER Title track starting now	Bad Boy/Arista 73015	18.6	-7%
48	43	47	HANSON	MIDDLE OF NOWHERE New video on MTV	Mercury 534-615	17.8	-26%
43	40	48	ERYKAH BADU	LIVE Ready for new single	Kedar/Univ 53109	17.5	-30%
36	46	49	SOUL FOOD	SOUNDTRACK Falling	LaFace/Arista 26041	17.3	-22%
DE	BUT	50	MICHAEL CRAWFORD	ON EAGLES WINGS PBS	Atl/Atl G 83076	17.1	-
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"Titanic" Cruises, Madonna Radiates, Clapton Comes Alive, But The Surprise Winner Is...

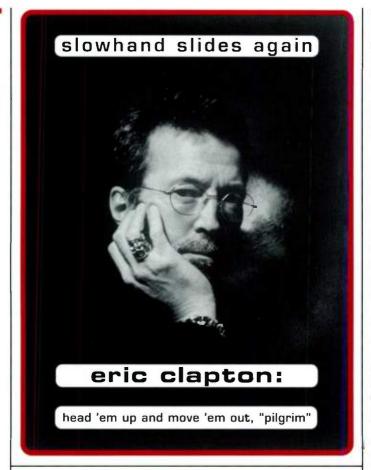
# NATTY NATALIE!!!

# Korn's Teed Off

Attorneys for Orange County rock band Korn have served a Zeeland, MI high school assistant principal with a cease-and-desist demand for making defamatory comments about the band and infringing on their civil liberties after a student was suspended for wearing the group's T-shirt. They are currently considering filing a multi-million dollar law suit, with any proceeds to go to the ACLU and various charities for the prevention of child abuse.

The action came after Eric VanHoven was suspended for wearing the band's T-shirt—with just its name on it—despite being warned two weeks earlier by assistant principal Gretchen Plewes not to. Plewes then told a local paper that Korn's body of work "intends to be insulting" and their music was "indecent, vulgar [and] obscene," before adding, "not like that nice Celine Dion."

Classmates and friends of VanHoven have circulated a petition protesting the suspension. In the meantime, he has been wearing a **Butthole Surfers** T-shirt to school.





# ACTION

The adds at MTV this week are Mariah Carey (Col/CRG), Radiohead (Capitol), Fastball (Hollywood), Backstreet Boys (live), Scott Weiland (Atl/

Atl G) and Robyn (RCA). A rotation increase goes to Creed (Wind-Up). Master P (No Limit/Priority) is named Jam Of The Week.

n a field of heavy hitters, RCA looks to be ready to knock one out of the park. With a big #10 debut for Australian altpop songstress Natalie Imbruglia, Nipper appears to be hot on the heels of a superstar winner [see story, page 14].

Indeed, this week's Album Chart packs some big talent, including a #4 debut from Eric Clapton, with "Pilgrim," (Reprise). Meanwhile, Madonna's "Ray Of Light" (Warner Bros.) holds at #2, second only to the unsinkable "Titanic" (Sony Classical) which is #1 for a tenth straight week. Talk about sea lets!

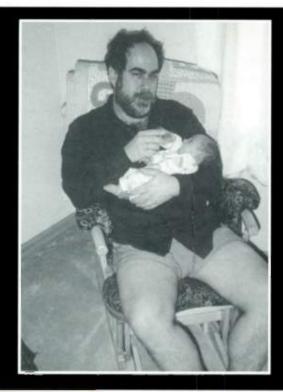
Warner also scores with the hot "Wedding Singer" soundtrack at #7, driven by Adam Sandler's nutty cinematic hijinks. Wutta knucklehead. And up at #3, the divine Ms. Dion holds down a mega-massive run for "Let's Talk About Love" (550 Music), while Columbia's Savage Garden, MCA's K-Ci & JoJo, Jive's Backstreet Boys and LaFace/Arista's Usher fill out the Top 10.

Retailers everywhere came out of post-NARM stupors to say, "Wheeeeeee-hahhhhhh! Bloooooarrrghhhh!"

Coming next week: Van Halen (Warner Bros.), C-Murder (No Limit/Priority) and Playa's Club (Priority).

# Pic Of The Week

HITS



# **Plen-ty Fertile**

If this pale, groggy, exhausted photo of **Virgin** promo kingpin **Michael Plen** and his beautiful newborn son **Everette** isn't an advertisement for finding companionship and release by checking into motels under an assumed name with a melon, then bring on the Volvo. Said Plen about the magic of fatherhood: "Changing diapers is just like working radio, except with a lot less drooling and babbling."

# TOP SELLING SINGLES

The best-selling singles this week are #1 Will Smith (Col/CRG), #2 Montell Jordan (DJ/Merc), #3 Destiny's Child (Col/CRG), #4 Wyclef Jean (Col/CRG), #5 Lord Tariq & Peter Gunz (Cod/Col/CRG), #6 Public Announcement (A&M), #7 Next (Ari), #8 Usher (LaFace/Ari), #9 2Pac (Amaru/Jive) and #10 Sylk-E. Fyne (RCA).

# WILD CARD

### LEANN RIMES ATL/ATL G

There's no running and no hiding this time, as the country crossover queen is back with the theme song from WB's animated "Quest For Camelot" soundtrack. It's a knockout ballad written by David Foster and Carole Bayer Sager, and Andrea Ganis and the redhot Atlantic promotion team are ready to knock it out of the park. Going, going..... gone!!!

# **Bunny Heat Hopping**

Things are looking up in Burbank. After a sluggish '97, Warner Music Group has unleashed a barrage of bigname albums, including Madonna, Van Halen and Reprise's Eric Clapton, while a slate of comers incuding Warner Bros.' Best New Artist Grammy winner Paula Cole, Loreena McKennitt and Maverick's "The Wedding Singer" soundtrack builds momentum. "The real headline for '98 should be not only our ability to maximize established careers," says Warner Bros. Inc. President Phil Quartararo, "but also to use the leverage of those superstars to break our new artists." Is the Bunny headed for a great '98? Here are some examples:

- Madonna's "Ray Of Light" remains at #2 this week after debuting with sensational first-week sales almost two and a half times those of her last studio effort, 1994's "Bedtime Story."
- Eric Clapton's "Pilgrim," his first new studio album of origi-

nal material since 1989's "Journeyman," debuts this week at #4, riding the radio momentum of "My Father's Eyes." WXRT Chicago PD Norm Winer says, "Our listeners couldn't wait to hear the album. They certainly haven't been disappointed."

- •Van Halen's "3," the band's first album featuring former Extreme lead singer Gary Cherone, hits the streets this week with 850k units. With first single "Without You" currently Top Five at Active Rock, the label is looking for a big debut. 1995's "Balance" sold 295k in its first week.
- Best New Artist Paula Cole has seen post-Grammy sales push "This Fire" past Platinum.
- •"The Wedding Singer" soundtrack comes in at =7 this week (up from =9), moving close to 100k units on the strength of the hit Adam Sandler movie.
- Celtic songstress Loreena McKennitt continues to sell strongly at #21, powered by the surprise radio hit "The Mummers' Dance."

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Power 106/L.A., "Where Hip-Hop Lives," offers a special message for the hearing-impaired, thanks to AllFrumTha i's Binky and Squeek and rapper Mack 10. "I feel so at home with you guys," said PD Michelle Mercer. "Most of the boys I went to school with had names like Binky and Squeek." Seen maintaining a high level of jigginess are (I-r) Binky, VP/GM Marie Kordus, Mercer, MD Damion Young, Mack 10 and Squeek."

# Thompson's Twin



Third Eye Blind's Stephan Jenkins notes a striking resemblance to Elektra Sr. VP Promotion Greg Thompson: "Look, Greg, twins! My plaque and your face!" Seen before their dignity was stripped and hosed down like a circus freak are (I-r) Sr. VP/General Counsel Michael Pollack, Thompson, 3EB's Brad Hargreaves, Executive VP/GM Alan Voss, Jenkins, CEO/Chairman Sylvia Rhone, 3EB's Kevin Cadogan and Arion Salazar, Executive VP Gary Casson, Director of Mktg Zsuzsanna Murphy and Sr. VP of Marketing Steve Kleinberg. As the band hummed "Battle Hymn of the Republic," the weasels chanted, "Thompson! Thompson!"

# Capricorn Has Bone To Pick

Industry veteran Mike Bone "Thugs-N-Harmony" has been tapped as Executive Vice President/General Manager for Capricorn Records by label founder and President Phil "E. Buster" Walden.

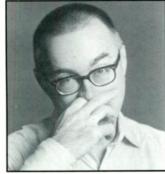
Bone will plan and oversee the label's sales, promotion, marketing and international efforts, reporting to Walden and VP Business Affairs Philip "Where's" Walden, the son, naturally, of industry legend Charles Koppelman.

The Macon, GA-born and raised Bone was most recently an international consultant to the label, working closely with its joint venture partners Mercury Records and PolyGram International. Bone began his career 25 years ago with Atlanta-based concert promoter Alex Cooley, then earned national prominence as a promotion executive at Mercury, Arista, Elektra and American Recordings. He was also Presi-

dent at Chrysalis, Island and Mercury Records.

"It feels great to be back in Atlanta and working with a label that I have admired for many years," said Bone. "And now I get to fly the Confederate flag on my car antenna without worrying about what those damn Yankees think."

Added Phil Walden: "I haven't been this excited since guzzling my first sixpack of Billy beer on the White House porch."



Mike Bone: Feeling some southern comfort.

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

- 1 NATALIE IMBRUGLIA: Big #10 debut. From down under to the top of the charts.
- 2 **EMI:** Leaving the Southgate open... Who's the boss?
- 3 **BERRY/BANDIER:** EMI's shuttle diplomats take part in another round of Board games.



- 4 **ERIC CLAPTON:** "Pilgrim" is no turkey, as Warner Bros. celebrates Thanksgiving early.
- 5 BOB JAMIESON/JACK ROVNER: A hipper Nipper increases its retail bite with exploding Natalie, Dave Matthews on deck.
- 6 VAN HALEN: Sammy who? Looking for an "Extreme" reaction in latest test of the "disposable singer" theory.
- 7 **JIM CAPARRO:** Poly wanna COO? Let the distribution of labor begin.



- 8 MIKE GREENE: NARAS inquiries becoming his royalty pain in the butt.
- 9 **TOM ROSS:** SFX appeal has him hot and bothered.
- 10 NORM PATTIZ: \$20k for this rag? If only we were as deep as his pockets...

# **Anarchy In The UK?**

Amid all the chatter over a pending sale, EMI boss Sir Colin Southgate appears close to assuming the "emeritus" status he was originally slated for after heir Jim Fifield's now-aborted ascension. Many expect him to retire when he turns 60 in July, with Fifield to receive a \$60 million-plus buyout of his deal, which is up in 1999.

Meanwhile, EMI Recorded Music President Ken Berry and EMI Music Publishing head Martin Bandier, neither of whom want to report to a new CEO, have shuttled across the Atlantic to address the management situation and express their views to the Board. Both Seagram's Edgar Bronfman, Jr. and Disney's Michael Eisner are said to have been hovering around the label waiting for the \$8.5 billion price tag to drop. If a move is made, EMI CFO Simon Duffy and investment banker Goldman Sachs are slated to handle negotiations.



# Tearing Up The Charts

The only thing that's silent about Natalie Imbruglia is the "g" in her surname. The RCA pop chanteuse's "Left of the Middle" album is off to a better start at retail than the likes of Alanis Morissette, Meredith Brooks or Fiona Apple, thanks to the runaway hit single/video, "Torn."

Said RCA President Bob Jamieson: "This kind of artist doesn't come along very often, but when they do, you have to be ready to move. This was a classic set-up for a great album from a great artist

and it just goes to show how this organization is capable of performing. We are looking forward to working this project for the rest of the year and helping make Natalie Imbruglia an international superstar."

Boosted by a history-making performance on "Saturday Night Live" on March 7, three days before the album's release date, "Left of the Middle" debuted in the Top Ten, selling more than 85,000 copies its first week on the street. The debut is one

of the best by a Post Modern female artist in years and has been fueled by radio's acceptance of "Torn."

RCA Sr. VP Promotion Ron Geslin said everything fell into place perfectly on the record: "The research, the requests, the advance sales figures were all there. It's a real dream-come-true project. The bottom line is, our instincts were good and we executed well. I really have to give credit to Bob Jamieson and [Exec.

VP/GM] Jack Rovner for making the call to go for the single in January instead of waiting until March. And it's always a thrill to be part of a Hitmakers cover story."

By comparison, Alanis Morissette's "Jagged Little Pill" sold just under 10,000 its first week out in June '95 before climbing to 12,000, then 26,000 and 32,000 in subsequent weeks on its way to 15 million (and counting). Fiona Apple's "Tidal" moved just under 2,000 its first week in July '96 and was selling less than 4,000 by its

> fifth week before building to 2.1 million over the counter. Meanwhile, Meredith Brooks' "Blurring The Edges" moved 34,000 in its first week of release in May '97 on its way to one million-plus units sold domestically.

> With a second, more rock-oriented single, "Big Mistake," already topping the U.K. charts and a Spin cover story on the way, "Left of the Middle" would seem to have the kind of depth that could well cata-

pult Imbruglia to multi-platinum sales.

Gushed Beth Fath of Spec's Music just prior to charging the adult pay-per-view movies in her NARM hotel room to Pearson's Gold Card: "To see a debut this high on a brand-new artist like Natalie is nothing short of phenomenal. She's exploding. We'll be selling this album next Christmas. The buzz in front of this was bigger than Meredith Brooks or even Alanis. Requests have been huge."



# ACTION

The M2 adds this week are Jungle Bros. (Gee St/ V2), Sister 7 (Arista), Getaway People (Col/CRG), Busta Rhymes (Elek/EEG),

Jimmie's Chicken Shack (Rocket/Island), Daft Punk (Virgin), Sneaker Pimps (Virgin) and Mary Lou Lord

# Quite III



Capitol Records President/CEO Gary Gersh and the Beastie Boys welcome Mark Kates (aka "The Other Funky Monkey") as President of Grand Royal by wearing their very best sweaters. Said Kates of being Grand Royal's ruling B-boy: "I strive to one day be upgraded to A-boy. It would make my mom so happy."

#### Who's got what on this week's album chart POWER POINTS: #1 LP = 50 POINTS/#50 LP = 1 POINT Power Points LABEL Top 10 Top 20 Top 50 WARNER 341 2, 4, 7 13 21, 27, 28 MUSIC GRP. 30, 32, 33 (TOTAL: 13) 35, 40, 50 BMG 233 8, 9 22, 25, 26 (TOTAL: 9) 10 31, 46, 49 EM! 228 24, 36, 37 11, 12 (TOTAL: 9) 14, 17 39, 41 SONY **224** 1, 3, 5 16 23, 34 (TOTAL: 6) UNIVERSAL 131 6 18 29, 38, 43 (TOTAL: 7) 44, 48 POLYGRAM 86 15, 20 42, 45, 47 (TOTAL: 5)

Everyone's in the No



KZQZ	75x	San Francisco	3,500 units	(#1)
KIIS	25x	Los Angeles	7,100 units	(#1)
HOT97	35x	New York	13,000 units	(#3)
B96	40x	Chicago	5,900 units	(#3)
WPGC	45x	Washington, DC	2,600 units	(#2)
KTFM	35x	San Antonio	400 units	(#4)
WHHH	42x	Indianapolis	850 units	(#6)

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WHEN RCA'S BOB JAMIESON & JACK ROVNER



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The adds this week at VH1 are Barenaked Ladies (Reprise), Fastball (Hollywood) and Sister 7 (Arista) Sarah McLachlan (Arista) is Artist of the Month.

# Pegce Meal



Columbia Records' Our Lady Peace accept Gold plaques for their "Clumsy" LP but decline the free dinner coupons to Uriah's House of Bran, having resolutely determined to live wheat-free. Pictured just before their dignity was stripped and hosed down like a circus freak are (front, l-r) manager **Keryn** Kaplan, OLP's Mike Turner, Jeremy Taggart, Raine Maida and Duncan Coutts and Sr. VP Rock Promotion Jim DelBalzo; (back, 1-r) Sr. VP Mktg Tom Corson, Sr. Nat'l Dir. Sales Rick Yaffa, GM Will Botwin, President Don lenner, Exec. VP John Igrassia, manager Eric Lawrence and Sr. VP Promotion Jerry Blair.

# New Jump Swing: Nextbigthing?

ove over electronica, the kids are all about jitterbugging, lindy-hopping and zoot suits. With bands like Cherry Poppin' Daddies (Mojo/Universal), Big Bad Voodoo Daddy (Coolsville/ E-Prop) and Royal Crown Revue (Warner Bros.) tapping into a '40s- and '50s-era jump sound and making a stir on the charts, many are wondering if they'll be swinging all the way to the bank.

Last year's surprise multiformat hit "Hell," from Mammoth's Squirrel Nut Zippers, sent their '20s jazz-influenced debut LP "Hot" past Platinum. That success story, combined with the buzz created by the 1996 indie film "Swingers"—which featured Big Bad Voodoo Daddy—led some to peg swing music as a potential musical gold mine.

Big Bad Voodoo Daddy's debut has sold over 38,000 units over the counter since its debut. The song "You, Me & The Bottle Makes 3 Tonight" was first heard in "Swingers," but a single has yet to hit radio. Says E-Prop President Bruce Kirkland, "It didn't start as a radio thing. It started as a movement, a subculture. From a radio perspective, it might be construed as novelty, but kids everywhere are turning out and supporting a club scene." Coolsville co-founder and band manager Gary Stamler notes, "There's a word-of-mouth phenomenon happening. Sales are there, and radio will surely follow."

Meanwhile, Portland, Oregon's Cherry Poppin' Daddies, who blend the jump sound with a ska-punk influence, have been climbing steadily since their album's July release and are now selling over 10k units a week OTC, with over 200k in the streets. Single "Zoot Suit Riot" is a PoMo hit, with Top Ten rotation at stations like KROQ, KEDJ, 99X and KITS. Universal Music Group Chairman/CEO Doug Morris wouldn't speculate as to the state of a swing movement, but says, "It's going to be an enormous record. I just know this group is excellent, and this particular album is an enormous hit." Mojo Records President Jay Rifkin adds,"It's not about old school. They've taken swing elements and turned them into their own thing. They've been growing musically and definitely have ska and punk roots."

At KROO's recent soldout "Kevin and Bean Singles Party," performances by the Cherry Poppin' Daddies as well as veteran hipsters Royal Crown Revue lit up the scene—a sure sign that interest is there. Combined sales of Royal Crown Revue's Surfdog and Warner Bros. releases stand at over 117k.

So, will this swing thing continue to catch on?

Says Kirkland, "There have always been musical subcultures; some stay underground and some become very commercially acceptable. It's hard to say where this is going." Mojo Director of Marketing Erik Jarvi points out, "The trend is slow-building. It grew on the West Coast, especially among ska kids, but it fits in with a lot of demographics. You have swing-dancing couples, Deadheads, college kids and the ska-punk set. It's a marketing dream."

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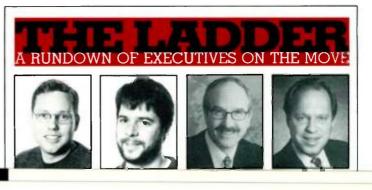
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# Kline Climbs at Geffen

Steve "The De" Kline "And Fall of Western Civilization" has been named Head of Top 40 Promotion at Geffen Records in a reorganization of the label's department announced by Head of Promotion Bob "Encolopeda Bat" Catania

future star and it was a tremendous stroke of luck that I was able to bring him to Geffen last year. He has impressed everyone with his leadership abilities and strategic thinking. (Ed. translation: He bribed us to say nice things about him.)"



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# WHEELS & DEALS

BY JOE FLEISCHER

IT IS NOW BASEBALL SEASON IN MICHIGAN: So much for the University of Michigan's Final Four guarantee or Kansas coach Roy Williams' will to live... All those who have Rhode Island and Valparaiso in their office-pool NCAA brackets may be excused. The rest of us, however, will be expected to attend South by Southwest, smile and be friendly to every weasel we meet... Though the weeks leading up to SxSW were noticeably bereft of pre-convention buzzes, the last few days have seen the emergence of huge action surrounding Portland's **Absinthe** and Canadian chanteuse Tara McClean. Last week's L.A. date at Spaceland saw Absinthe turn out the major heavies from Arista, Elektra, Sire, Columbia, WORK, Hollywood, Epic, Geffen and publisher, BMG Music. This week, the band fields offers from the majors (to go with two standing indie label offers), as they prepare for maximum weasel saturation for their SxSW at the ASCAP showcase at the Steamboat on March 20. Meanwhile, the Tara McClean appreciation society is rapidly expanding, with Warner Bros. and Elektra rumored to be leading. Look for the hardcore to arrive in Austin early enough to make the scene for Tara's Wednesday night (18) show at Tropical Isle... Elsewhere, expect droves of weasels for Boston singer/songwriter Jules Verdone's show at Fat Tuesday and the newly-signed-to-London, Harvey Danger, at Electric Lounge pavilion, both on Saturday (21)... Arista, Universal, Columbia, Reprise and Interscope are all chasing the Peter Lewitt-repped Sozzi... Congratulations to former ASCAPer Damon Booth who jumps to EMI Music Publishing on the West Coast, as Steve Backer starts to build his new team... Snoop Dogg signs in with Master P.'s No Limit Records. Look for a new Snoop LP in August... Guy Oseary inks the Brian Schallrepped Baxter, as Maverick nabs the best of the female-fronted drum 'n' bass crop... Dream-Works Publishing's Mike Badami wins the hotly contested publishing derby for Rufus Wainwright... Vapor Records inks UK sensation Catatonia, whose "Mulder and Scully" single continues to be a smash in the UK... Lots of action surrounding the Alan Mintz-repped Supermium, who packed in the weasels for their Viper Room date last Thursday (12)... With UK labels leading the way, the buzz on Laptop has hit 550, Virgin, Reprise, Capitol and Island, as the derby continues in London this week... What label is pushing the limit of a band's ability to keep a secret by setting up a quasishowcase in a Four Seasons hotel room for certain international staff? Hint: the band is not playing the festival... And speaking of secrets, will it take another screwup in message delivery at the Four Seasons to reveal the departure of one senior executive from their longtime label to greener pastures? Or will loosened lips (due

to the micro-brews) sink the ship? Will a deal in progress at SxSW be affected?.. And finally, is one "unemployed" A&R rep already on the job for their new label without the knowledge of "trusted" colleagues?... BUZZIN': Second Coming, Slack Season and the Pac-10...

## **Absinthe**



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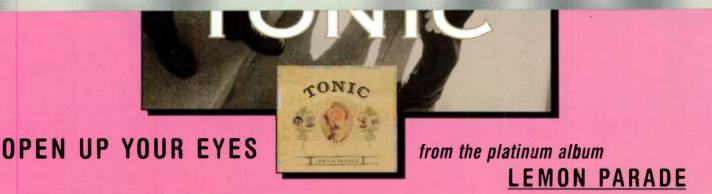
# Buzz Gigs

WHO'S BUZZIN & WHERE

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TARA MCCLEAN	March 18 tba	Tropical Isle SxSW	Getting there early couldn't hurt.
РЕТЕУ	March 18 tba	The Iron Cactus SxSW	With Swoon 23, the Minders, Tigerlillies and Gandhi in Vegas.
OLIVIA TREMOR CONTROL	March 19 tba	Electric Lounge SxSW	Flydaddy Records showcase w/ Richard Davies, Number One Cup.
ABSINTHE	March 20 tba	Steamboat SxSW	With Old Pike, Ozomatli, Extravery and Ashtray Babyhead.
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# WHEELS & DEALS

# Shoots & Scores

BY DOMINIC GRIFFIN

SLOW WEEK: The big news from the weekend BO figures showed "Titanic" and "Man In The Iron Mask" neck-and-neck, with 17.5 million apiece. Carrot Top's "Chairman Of The Board," meanwhile, brought in just over 100 grand. Who'd have thunk Carrot Top could have this impact? Meanwhile, the "Chairman..." ST is available on Surfdog Records... Music supervisor Doug Bernheim has started the search for a label to release his ST for "Six Ways To Sunday." The quirky ST to the even quirkier film boasts trax from Blondie and Schooly-D, as well as the Yiddish big-band jazz sounds of the legendary Barry Sisters. The flick was directed by vid helmer Adam Bernstein; its US premiere takes place this week at SXSW... Why are one label's STs being assigned to A&R persons rather than to the **ST department**?... As Sony's "Godzilla" and its Peter Afterman-supervised ST nears completion, people are getting

very excited about the Puff Daddy/Jimmy Page/Tom Morello collaboration on Led Zeppelin's "Kashmir." Wonderers wondering what radio formats will embrace the track... BMG Independents has picked up the domestic rights to "Just Write." The Tim Bombasupervised ST originally featured all unsigned artists, but since the movie's completion, two of the artists, Brownie Mary and The Clarks, have been signed to majors. Bomba is currently looking for a label home for the ST... SCORE'S SOARING: Apparently, score records are selling. A newly restored, resequenced and expanded version of John Williams' score from "Close Encounters Of The Third Kind" will be released April 28 in conjunction with the 20th Anniversary of the film... The set-up on Jersey's ST to the Gwyneth-starring "Sliding Doors" continues on pace as Blair's "Have Fun, Go Mad" brings in early believers at Top 40 before the offi-

cial add date... Dave Jordan is looking for a pop band to do the "Scooby Doo Theme" for an upcoming animated flick. Since the animation has already been done, the track has to have the same tempo as the original... TVT has picked the ST to New Line's Wesley Snipe-starrer, "Blade." Look for an electronic-leaning record. Meanwhile, the TVT ST to New Line's "Lost In Space" is another 'tronica fest, with such acts as Crystal Method, Death In Vegas, Apollo 440 doing the theme and Liverpudlians Space doing a track called "Lost In Space." TVT has also picked up the Pilar McCurrysupervised ST to "The Big Hit"... The line-up for the Don Was-supervised "Hope Floats" ST continues to take shape, with the Rolling Stones doing Jimmy Reed's "Honest I Do" and Sheryl Crow performing "In Need," plus tracks from The Mavericks and Bob Seger. There's also talk of a major star contribution | Jaura 7 at Fov

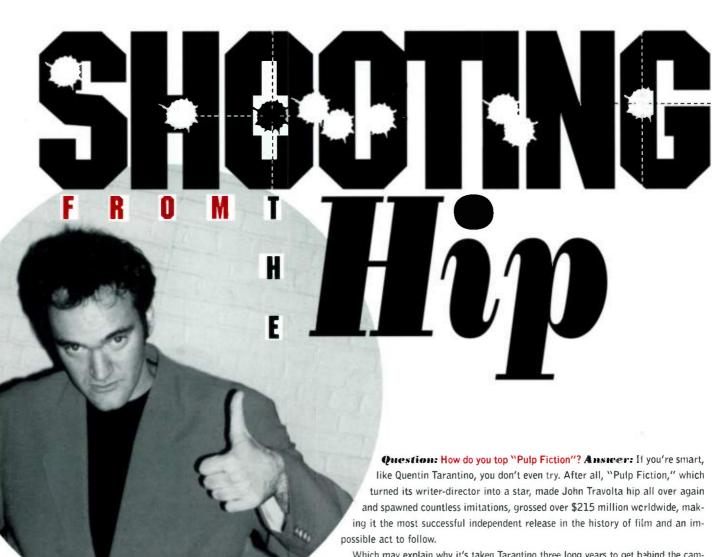
starts work on the Reese Witherspoon-starrer "Best Laid Plans." Look for a post-modern kind of ST... Julianne Kelly is music supervising the TriStar flick "Go," which is being directed by Doug Lyman. The helmer's last flick was "Swingers." This time around, the sound-track will feature "cool world-beat music." Kelly, who also supervised "Swingers," is delirious, as she explained: "Hey, stop making up those f@#\$ing quotes, or I'll sue your drunken Irish ass."

## The Crystal Method



Dushing into #Conso

# AN EXCLUSIVE HITS DIALOGUE WITH QUENTIN TARANTINO BY IAIN BLAIR



Which may explain why it's taken Tarantino three long years to get behind the camera again. Now he's back with his new film, "Jackie Brown," adapted from the Elmore Leonard novel "Rum Punch," which promises to do for ex-blaxploitation star Pam Grier (in the title role) and Oscar-nominated veteran film and TV actor Robert Forster what "Pulp Fiction" did for Travolta.

"Jackie Brown" features another typically eclectic cast that also includes such heavyweight presences as

Robert De Niro (who plays a dim ex-con), Samuel Jackson (a murderous arms dealer), Michael Keaton (a government agent) and Bridget Fonda (an over-the-hill beach bunny), who all happily betray and scam each other in pursuit of half a million dollars in illegal cash. The twisty action takes place in a world ripe with profanity but shockingly—at least for Tarantino purists—low on the body count scale.

"It's a love story," insists Tarantino, who in addition to his stellar cast has assembled another memorable soundtrack with cuts ranging from Bobby Womack's "Across 110th Street" to the Supremes' "Baby Love," the Brothers Johnson's "Strawberry Letter #23" and the Delfonics' "Didn't I Blow Your Mind This Time."

The director also wielded another secret weapon on the set—an outsized dildo named "Big Jerry." Tarantino talks about making the movie, cross-dressing on his sets, working with Bobby and "Big Jerry" and the price of fame with HITS' resident phallic symbol Iain "And Out Burger" Blair.



The film opens and closes with Bobby Womack's "Across 110th Street." Any special significance?

I chose it as the opening theme because at the end of the day I just wanted the greatest Pam Grier opening credit sequence ever, alright? A lot of her credit sequences would show her off and everything, and her walking down the street looking like a badass was a staple of her genre. So I had to do the best one I possibly could, and that song just had the right rhythm and feel.

It's also great at the end of the movie, because my favorite part of the whole film is the close-up of her face at the very end, and after you've gone through the whole thing, it almost sounds like those lyrics are her talking. So it just happened to fit her character and the mood perfectly.

"Didn't I Blow Your Mind This Time" by the Delfonics also plays a big part in the film. Did that also just happen to fit the story and mood?

No, that was written in the script from the very start. **Music is real important in your movies.** 

Crucial. Like that opening cut. It can set the tone for the whole movie. That's how important a song is to the mood and feel I'm trying to create.

This film has a lot of great vintage songs. How do you go about matching them to the scenes?

It always starts with a mood I'm trying to create, and, to tell you the truth, it goes even beyond mood. What I try to do with music and movies is to find the personality of the movie while I'm writing it. So surf music was like the beat in "Pulp Fiction"; it became the rhythm of the movie, because I always thought of "Pulp Fiction" as a sort of rock & roll spaghetti western.

"Jackie Brown" is old school soul. That's the pulse, that's the rhythm that this film plays at. So that's what I wanted and then it just became an issue of diving into my record collection and, as I'm writing, just finding the right tunes. So I'd listen and go, "That's the one. That's the one." So the music is a vital part

of the way I write.

## Your first two films were original screenplays. Why adapt an Elmore Leonard novel for your third?

I love his work and I loved the challenge of doing it. When I was a kid, Elmore Leonard was one of the first main adult novelists I began reading. It's just so life-perfect, whatever you want to call it—symmetry, Kismet—but the first book

of his I ever read was "The Switch," which is the first novel with these characters. Louis, Ordell and Melanie are all in it, and it takes place 15 years before. I loved it and read a whole bunch more, and when I started wanting to be a filmmaker way back in my early 20s, I remember thinking, "Wouldn't it be cool if every other movie I did was another Elmore Leonard novel?" So then eight years later, I finally get a career going and that was my plan.

# Did you feel much pressure in following up "Pulp Fiction"?

Everyone assumes I did, but I really didn't, because it's all about the work, right? If there's one thing this movie proves, it's something I've known, but other people didn't, and it'll be proved with time. When I did "Reservoir Dogs," everyone expected the second film to be like that, and it wasn't. It was "Pulp Fiction." You could tell the same guy made them, but they were very different movies, just as this is very different.

I intend to make very different movies throughout my career. I'm not a rock star. I don't have to do one thing a certain way. I'm going to make very individualistic films, and my next film won't be like these three and so on. I've always thought in terms of a career, not for a moment.

# How did you go about taking Elmore Leonard's "Rum Punch" and turning it into Quentin Tarantino's "Jackie Brown"?

First, I changed it from Miami to the South Bay in L.A. because I don't know Miami at all. Then I thought of making the Jackie Brown character black, and that whole depth thing, because her whole thing is being stuck in this corner. She's definitely part of the working poor class, making \$16,000 a year, but that's the best she can do with the only job left to her in the stewardess industry. And the whole thing of the cops putting the squeeze on her, and Ordell putting the squeeze on her—it just upped the stakes and made it a much deeper thing if she's also black.

So from the moment I really seriously thought about whom I'd cast, I hit on Pam.

PULP GOES THE
WEASEL: Harvey
Keitel aka Winston
Wolf makes sure the
dry cleaners don't
put starch in the
bloody sheets as
Quentin Tarantino
wonders what Hong
Kong kung-fu flick
he should rip off next
in a classic scene
from "Pulp Fiction."

# I know you've wanted to work with Pam Grier for awhile now.

She was wonderful. I can't help it, but whenever I read a book, I have a pad of paper and I make casting choices. And it's usually not one. I have a few as I don't know how the book's gonna turn out, so you keep changing as you read. So I reread the book, and made my list of who could be good in the role. And I've said this as a big joke and it's been a fun thing, but it's also the truth—I literally thought, "OK, let me see here." Most people in Hollywood would make that character younger, but that's so not what the book is about. It's about how old she is, in her 40s, and that's half the reason all this is happening, alright? That's one of the things I love so much about the bookeveryone's older. Everyone's at the end of their rope—even Melanie. She's just 33, but she's a girl who's been kept by men forever, so she's starting to get a little old for that now, and she's been reduced to Ordell and Hermosa Beach after Japan and Puerto Rico [laughs]. So there's a desperation. It's everyone's last opportunity, so I had to keep that. So I thought, "OK, she's 44, she has to look like she's 34, she has to look really attractive and like she can handle anything," which is the way Jackie gets through. She's not a criminal. She's a regular person who can keep her cool in the face of heat. And it just sounded like Pam Grier.

# You shot a lot at night for this. How do you keep everyone awake and pumped?

[Laughs]. We had a little trick we learned from Tony Scott. When you're doing night shoots, especially that first week when people are adjusting, they tend to doze off. And Tony Scott would put a rubber penis next to the sleeping person and take a Polaroid, and that'd keep everyone awake. Well, I thought that was such a great idea that I sent one of the interns to this sex shop on Santa Monica Boulevard to get the biggest dildo they had. He walks in and asks for the biggest they've got, and they say, "We'll give you the second biggest one we have-you don't want the biggest." It was about two feet long, and we called him "Big Jerry," and he became a very, very important member of the set. All of a sudden we didn't mind people falling asleep anymore. We'd look for them-[whispers] "So-and-so at craft services is asleep, OK!" And my partner [producer] Lawrence [Bender] got into it more than anyone. He turned into this Apache Indian, the way he'd sneak up on people. And we got pretty good at it, because when someone's asleep, you

"I JUST WANTED THE GREATEST PAM GRIER OPENING CREDIT SEQUENCE EVER."

# "'<mark>J</mark>ackie <mark>B</mark>rown' is <mark>old **school soul**. That's the</mark>

# PULSE, THAT'S THE RHYTHM THAT THIS FILM PLAYS AT."

don't want to sneak up on them too quietly. If it's that quiet, you'd wake them up.

### Can we run some of the photos in the story?

[Laughs] We actually kept a big collection, but decided for the safety of everyone that we'd burn them at the wrap party. But they were all presented there, the entire Big Jerry gallery.

# Talking about fun on your sets, is it true you have a ritual "Skirt Day"?

Yeah, but I didn't invent that. Skirt Day happens on a whole lotta films and it could also be called Latent Homosexual Day and it wouldn't be too far wrong [laughs]. It's the day when all the male crew members show up in a skirt or dress, and points are awarded for originality and sexiness.

# And you were shooting in the Del Amo mall on that particular day?

Yeah, but I don't pick when Skirt Day happens, you understand? We'd already had "Snappy Day," when everyone dresses in tuxedos and the more turn-ofthe-century, the better, and I'd kind of wimped out. And so I'd have lost the respect of the crew if I hadn't come through like a champ on Skirt Day. And so I went to my costume designer and told her I wanted to go as "a Catholic school girl, alright? Get me the whole costume, the blazer with the insignia, the hairclip, the plaid skirt, the knee-high socks, and I'll bring the shoes." So I dressed up and I looked pretty good, maybe like I had a glandular problem, possibly, but other than that, not bad. But one of the things I had to learn was not to sit with my legs spread. All of a sudden I was into the wonderful world of crossing my legs all the time, especially in the director's chair. Actually, one of Pam's friends took a shot of me once where I wasn't crossing my legs and she was like, "Oooh, check out those thighs!"

## Can we run that photo?

[Laughs] It's in my vault.

Have you ever been turned down in casting a part? In the case of "Pulp Fiction," a whole lot of our first choices said no. John Travolta was our second choice, and Bruce Willis sprung up out of offering it to another actor who turned it down.

#### Can you now get anyone you want?

Well, I'm in a really good position now as far as working with actors, and I think it's earned because it's by virtue of the work. I work well with actors, they're interested in doing my stuff and I have a wide selection of them.

# When you cast someone like a De Niro do you ever get nervous before working with them?

You know, it's funny and the answer to that is, no, I don't get nervous necessarily. I'd gotten to know Robert a little bit as time had gone on before we actually made the movie, and we really did want to work with each other. I was more excited at the idea of working with the actor of his generation. Who wouldn't?

# Tell us a bit about working with De Niro and how the character of Louis was created.

To speak specifically about De Niro in this movie, I remember talking to him about Louis and, from an

acting standpoint, I'm as proud of Louis as any character I've ever written. With most of my characters, people expect great dialogue, great monologues, but Louis doesn't have that. That's not who he is. And it needs to come across in body language. He doesn't have great speeches, so his character has to be expressed by the way he sits, or the way he holds a glass. I remember describing to Robert that I saw Louis' body language like a pile of dirty clothes, and I just happened to be talking to one of the greatest actors when it comes to characterization through body language that's ever been produced. And he knew exactly what I was talking about and he added his thoughts and that's what I got, and I couldn't be prouder of his work. But every once in a while, you get that moment where, it's not fear, it's not nervousness, it's just like wonder. It's like, "Wow, I'm directing Robert De Niro."

# There's that great "Chicks with Guns" sequence. Do you own one?

No. I'd have no problem owning a gun, I just haven't bought one yet. I might get a glock, a handgun. I'd sleep with it on the nightstand by my bed.

#### Do you worry about your own safety?

No, but if I had a glock, I'd worry even less. I've always said, the best home security system you can have is a big dog and a gun by your bed. That's better than all the alarms and security people in the world. There are some real romantic moments in "Jackie Brown." Are you getting more romantic in your old age? Yeah, I think so. This film definitely has more of a romantic side. When I say, "Yes," I think that's the truth, but at the same time, I wrote "True Romance" and I never intended that title to be ironic. To me, that's a very romantic film as well.

# Mira Sorvino has said you're uncorrupted by Hollywood. Do you agree, and if so, how have you gotten this far?

I do believe I'm uncorrupted by Hollywood—or by anything that I'm aware of [laughs]. How I've gotten this far? I don't think you really need to be corrupted by any sort of party line to succeed. I think people get jaded, either through fault of their own or no fault of their own. It's a process of time, and I think it starts happening more when the art you're doing becomes work. Now it can't help over a long time that you are doing a job, but I was rather proud when I did this film as I felt the most professional so far.

# You weren't happy with what Oliver Stone did to your script for "Natural Born Killers."

I never saw it. I've seen bits of it on TV, ten minutes here and there, but never the whole movie.

HALF NELSON:
Quentin Tarantino and soundtrack queen
Kathy Nelson play the roles of ChowYun Fat and Mira Sorvino as they reenact a scene from "Replacement Killers," with Quentin's

finger as the Glock.

absconded from me a little bit. But the thing about it was. I've had three instances of that-"True Romance," "Natural Born Killers" and "Dusk Till Dawn." "True Romance" I couldn't be happier with. I thought it was just a terrific flick. "Dusk Till Dawn" I was very happy with, and I was one of the producers. "NBK" I wasn't happy with. They didn't do anything more to me than they do to any other screenwriter, but I don't play by any other screenwriter's rule book, alright, and I was indignant about it. I'd rather they'd ripped me off than just take it with my name on it and monkey around with it. If more screenwriters had that attitude... I don't have much patience for screenwriters complaining and being cry babies. You can make it so they can't do that if you have balls. Anyway, so I've had two terrific instances, and one not-so-terrific, which is a pretty good record. What's next? Any plans to do something with Mira?

Would

you ever sell

another script?

That one was kind of

I can't wait to work with Mira in a movie. I'm actually jealous of these directors who get to work with her. I think that in about six, seven years from now, just as De Niro was known in the '70s, so will Mira prove herself to be the actor of her generation—not the actress, but actor. And I'm very much looking forward to working with her; I just don't know what I'm gonna do next, and I want it to be organic. She doesn't want to just plug herself into one of my movies and I don't want to just plug her in either. I respect her talent too much for that, and that doesn't mean I have to be precious about it, but I just want it to be a character that's perfect for her, like Jackie was for Pam or Vincent was for John. •



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# black lab



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# LW/TW ARTIST/LABEL

## COMMENTS

1	1	PEARL JAM - Epic Associated
		Given To Fly, Wishlist

#1 WAVF,CIMX

MARCY PLAYGROUND - Capitol

#1 KROQ,KZON

Sex & Candy CREED - Wind-up

#1 WPLA, KOME

My Own Prison THIRD EYE BLIND - Elektra/EEG

Losing A Whole Year

WBCN, WXDX Add

#1 99X,WEQX

**NATALIE IMBRUGLIA - RCA** 

THE VERVE - Virgin

Add Lucky Man!

Bittersweet Symphony

**EVERCLEAR** - Capitol

#1 WDST,X-96

I Will Buy You A New Life

**GREEN DAY - Reprise** 

Time Of Your Life (Good Riddance) FOO FIGHTERS - Roswell/Capitol

#1 WLUM, WEND

My Hero

#1 WWCD, KEDG

FASTBALL - Hollywood

MTV Add

The Way **OUR LADY PEACE - Columbia/CRG** 

8 11

#1 WBZU,WRAX

Clumsy

GREAT EXPECTATIONS OST - Atlantic/AG KNRK, WHMP Add

C.Cornell, Mono, Poe

DAYS OF THE NEW - Outpost/Geffen Shelf In The Room

#1 KCXX

RADIOHEAD - Capitol Karma Police

MTV Add

BEN FOLDS FIVE - 550 Music 15

Add "Dumped!"

Brick 16 BLINK 182 - Cargo/MCA

#1 KNDD, WPBZ

**Dammit** 

MATCHBOX 20 - Lava/Atlantic/AG Real World

WPLY,WXEG Add

CHERRY POPPIN' DADDIES - Mojo/Univ KNDD, WEND Add

BARENAKED LADIES - Warner Bros. Crossing Pop

Brian Wilson

**SPACEHOG** - Sire/WB WNVE,KNSX Add

Mungo City

Zoot Suit Riot

MONO - Echo/Mercury Life In Mono

KENZ, WROX Add

21 22

KAEP Add

FINLEY QUAYE - 550 Music Sunday Shining LOREENA MCKENNITT - Warner Bros.

#1 WPLT

The Mummers Dance ANI DIFRANCO - Righteous Babe

see on tour!

Little Plastic Castle

WMAD, WCYY Add

SARAH MCLACHLAN - Arista Adia

# most added

THE URGE

WANK

CITY OF ANGELS OST

"Jump Right In" (A. Morissette) (Goo Goo Dolls)

(Epic)

CITY OF ANGELS OST 4. ATHENAEUM

(Reprise)

"What I Did..."

(Reprise) (Atlantic/AG)

"Inside Out" "Forgiven"

(RCA) (Maverick/WB)

# So what else is new? Diana is home sick with some strain of the "crud" that's been going around and people in the office keep pinching me because I'm not wearing green for St. Patrick's Day. At least that's

what they're telling me. Could my being such a cranky bitch lately (who's not wearing green) have anything to do with it???...... Jimmy Ray is stopping by the HITS cesspool tomorrow, so that should cheer me up. And I think I sold my house, finally. Yay. And on Thursday I'm going to SXSW for a few days. I land in Austin at 11:00 PM and imme-

POST MODERN SLEAZE: Gee, it's a Tuesday and I'm overwhelmed.

SEMISONIC:



Magically Delicious!

diately cruise over to the Mojo party for the Cherry Poppin' Daddies (my devotion to them knows no bounds!), followed by an attempt to get into the Soul Asylum show (will dropping

post toasted

Dave Watson's name get me to the front of the line?), and the Cherry Poppin' Daddies gig at 1:00 AM. Hopefully, Sara and Lloyd from KROX will be at the Daddies' show so I can hail them for adding "Zoot Suit Riot" this week. Kim Monroe's old stomping ground, WEND, and her new home, KNDD, both added "Zoot

Suit" this week, prompting Howard Leon to yell "The End is here! The End is here!" Since the singer of the Cherry Poppin' Daddies just happens to be named Steve Perry, maybe I can coax them into recording a swing version of "Oh, Sherrie." Or not..... Did you see the first week sales for Natalie Imbruglia? More than 75,000 consumers rushed out to buy her album this week, just like we predicted they would. Don't overthink it this artist has that elusive "magic factor" that happens so rarely. Suspend any disbelief and play "Torn" like it's your anthem because you need as many stars in your station's orbit as possible! KROQ re-added Natalie's version of "Torn" this week—and they're playing Ednaswap's version too! ..... Sometimes it's the songs that are magic, like Semisonic's "Closing Time." I think every little thing that Semisonic has ever done is magic, but it's "Closing Time" that is #2 phones at WXRK and Top 5 phones almost everywhere else. Maybe it's the timing. Maybe it's the song. Maybe the stars and the planets are lined up in the right order. Maybe it's Dan's hips. But whatever the reason, the song is connecting. (By the way, I vote for Dan's hips). Julia and I hung out with Dan at Jack Joseph Puig's studio last week, along with some of the Tonic and Verve Pipe guys, all of whom have experienced a bit of "magic" themselves this year. Jack has the coolest studio I've ever seen—too bad I can't play a note!..... Congrats to our dear friend Steve Strick on his new appointment as MD at WBCN. In light of his promotion, WBCN is searching for a new Assistant MD. The position includes a part-time air shift, so if you think you're qualified, send your tape, resume and references to Oedipus. Ability to recite the Real Kids discography could be a big plus in your favor.... One of our favorite programmers, Nic Harcourt, is in L.A. this week, auditioning for Chris Douridas' slot on KCRW. Tomorrow is his first on-air show and we can't wait to hear what he plays first. Will it be the High Llamas or Elliot Smith or Ebba Forsberg or Morcheeba or Beth Orton or Mary Lou Lord or Pulp? We're just scanning WDST's playlist, looking for clues. If Nic gets the KCRW gig, you'll be the first to know..... More of you are warming up to Wyclef Jean's "Gone Till November," like WPLY. Why are you fighting playing this obvious PoMo smash, especially when reggae artists like Bob Marley consistently research in the Top 5 for your radio station? I don't get it.... Speaking of obvious PoMo smashes, I hope all of you add Black Lab's "Time Ago" next week. This is their "I, Alone." But even better. This song is magic. Trust me..... I had a blast seeing Guster in Chicago this past weekend. You're going to be hearing a ton about these guys and not just from me, either!..... I'm dragging WFNX's Laurie Gail with me to have Shabbas dinner with Evan & Jaron this Friday. She'll thank me. If she's nice to me, I'll play her the new Girls Against Boys ..... BUZZIN' AT RADIO THIS WEEK: Harvey Danger, Eve 6, Goo Goo Dolls and Wank. Is that a leprechaun in your pants or are you happy to see me?

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# Modern

# **ALEX LUKE** Q101, Chicago



We woke up on Saturday and thought, it's too damn sunny in Los Angeles—let's go to Chicago for the evening and see our pal Alex Luke and his lovely co-hort Mary Shuminas! Maybe I'm exaggerating a bit about the spontaneity factor (we booked the trip a week in advance), but I'm not lying about my whirlwind 24 hour trip to the Windy City with Sherri Trahan. Saturday night we dined with the band Guster, whose lead singer used to listen to Alex on KDGE, and much time was spent heralding the virtues of our favorite Brit-pop bands, like The Lucy Show and The Toy Dolls. As much fun as it is to talk to Alex about the Golden Era of the 1980's, we love Alex because he still gets excited about new music. But if only he could've done something about the weather.....

- 1. Fastball
- 2. Semisonic
- 3. Marcy Playground (Capitol)

(Hollywood)

(MCA)

4. Blink 182

5. Creed

6. Natalie Imbruglia (RCA)

(Cargo/MCA)

WROX / AL MITCHELL /

Jimmie's Chicken Sha≤k Stabbing Westward

KEDJ / SHELLEY HART /

Cherry Poppin Daddies

CHRIS PATYK / PHOENIX

(Wind-up)

NORFOLK, VA

Radiohead

Everclear

Creed

**Fastball** 

2 Skinny J's

Semisonic

Urge

#### WHTG / RICH ROBINSON / **ASBURY PARK**

Pulp Semisonic Radiohead Pee Shy The Verve

#### WFNX / CRUZE / LAURIE / **BOSTON**

**Fastball** Bran Van 3000 Save Ferris **Propellerheads** Southern Culture On The Skids

#### WEDG / RICH WALL / **BUFFALO, NY**

Ani DiFranco Goo Goo Dolls Semisonic Ben Folds Five

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

Bran Van 3000 Wyclef Jean Blink 182 Cherry Poppin' Daddies Ben Folds Five

## Q101 / ALEX LUKE / CHICAGO

Marcy Playground Natalie Imbruglia Blink 182 Fastball Our Lady Peace

#### WWCD / ANDY DAVIS / COLUMBUS

**Fastball** Smash mouth Blink 182 Greg Garing Semisonic

#### KKDM / SOPHIA JOHN / DES MOINES, IA

Marcy Playground Ben Fold Five Barenaked Ladies Bran Van 3000 Slipknot

### WEJE / SEAN SMYTH / WEASEL / FORT WAYNE, IN

Marcy Playground Mono **Fastball** Cornershop Skavossas

#### KNRX / JOHN LENAC / JASON JUSTICE / KANSAS CITY

Insane Clown Posse Metallica Creed Limp Bizkit Fastball

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

Green Day Semisonic Fuel Fastball Blink 182

# Semisonic

WBRU / MIKE / TIM / PROVIDENCE

Natalie Imbruglia Fastball Mono Marcy Playground

#### X96 / MIKE SUMMERS / SEAN BOY / PROVO, UT

God Lives Underwater Creed Everclear Marcy Playground Cherry Poppin' Daddies

#### KITS / AARON / ROLAND / RICHARD SANDS / SAN FRANCISCO

Cherry Poppin' Daddies Radiohead Harvey Danger

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The Urge Fastball Tool Blink 182



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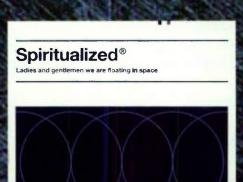


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		Sex & Candy	B* E-
2	2	GREEN DAY	Reprise
		Time Of Your Life (Good Riddance)	
8	3	FASTBALL	Hollywood
		The Way	
3	4	PEARL JAM	Epic Assoc.
		Given To Fly	
6	5	EVERCLEAR	Capitol
		I Will Buy You A New Llfe	
4	6	OUR LADY PEACE	Columbia/CRG
		Clumsy	
5	7	THE VERVE	Virgin
_	_	Bittersweet Symphony	
14	8	SEMISONIC	MCA
		Closing Time	
9	9	CREED	Wind-up
		My Own Prison	
7	10		Roswell/Capitol
	_	My Hero	
10	11	BLINK 182	Cargo/MCA
m	-	Dammit	550.14
11	12	BEN FOLDS FIVE	550 Music
42	40	Brick	A.I: /A.C.
TS.	13	CHRIS CORNELL Sunshower	Atlantic/AG
14	14	NATALIE IMBRUGLIA	RCA
10	144	Torn	RCA
12	15	THIRD EYE BLIND	Elektra/EEG
1.2	10	How's It Going To Be	Liektra/LLG
15	16	RADIOHEAD	Capitol
		Karma Police	Capitol
19	17	JERRY CANTRELL	Columbia/CRG
		Cut You In	
17	18	BLACK LAB	DGC
		Wash It Away	
18	19	DAYS OF THE NEW	Outpost/Geffen
		Touch, Peel & Stand	
	20	FUEL	550

# onew releases

## GOING FOR ADDS 3/23

IMANI COPPOLA • "I'm A Tree" - Columbia/CRG

SHIFT • "I Want To Be Rich" - Columbia/CRG

MATCHBOX 20 • "Real World" - Lava/Atlantic/AG

SPIRITUALIZED • "Come Together" - Arista



BLACK LAB • "Time Ago" - Geffen

**SMASH MOUTH •** "Flo" - Interscope

JUNKIE XL • "Billy Club" - Roadrunner

**REEL BIG FISH •** "Beer" - Mojo/Universal

ARKARNA • "Future's Overrated" - Reprise

## GOING FOR ADDS 3/30

GARBAGE • "Push It" - Almo Sounds

**SLOWPOKE** • "Lorraine" - DGC

**CORNERSHOP** • "Sleep On The Left Side" - WB

**MORCHEEBA •**"Let Me See" - Sire/WB

PURE • "Chocolate Bar" - Mammoth



BIG HATE • "Sugar Glider" - A&M

MARCY PLAYGROUND • "Saint Joe On The..."
- Capitol

TUSCADERO • "Paper Dolls" - Elektra/EEG

**DIN PEDALS • "Ashtray" - Epic** 

**GREEN DAY • "Redundant" - Reprise** 

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5 2 RADIOHEAD

Epic Assoc.

OK Computer

Capitol

4 3 WEDDING SINGER OST
Various

Maverick/WB

4 NATALIE IMBRUGLIA

RCA

Left Of The Middle

1 5 BIG BAD VOODOO DADDY

NCA

Big Bad Voodoo Daddy

E-Prop

2 6 ANI DIFRANCO Little Plastic Castle Righteous Babe

7 7 LOREENA MCKENNITT

Warner Bros.

The Book Of Secrets

9 8 SARAH MCLACHLAN Surfacing

Arista

6 9 BOB DYLAN

Columbia/CRG

Time Out Of Mind

Columbia/Ci

8 10 THE VERVE

Virgin

Urban Hymns

11 11 MONO
Formica Blues

Echo/Mercury

12 12 PAULA COLE

Warner Bros.

This Fire

Mojo/Universal

16 13 CHERRY POPPIN' DADDIES

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Zoot Suit Riot

THIRD EYE BLIND

Elektra/EEG

Third Eye Blind

15 15 MATCHBOX 20

Lava/Atlantic/AG

Yourself Or Someone Like You

Atlantic/AG

14 16 GREAT EXPECTATIONS OST

Various

Capitol

10 17 MARCY PLAYGROUND

Wind-up

18 18 CREED

My Own Prison

Marcy Playground

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All The Pain Money Can Buy

Hollywood

Come Clean

Estupendo/Universal

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Third Eye Blind

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The Verve

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Pearl Jam

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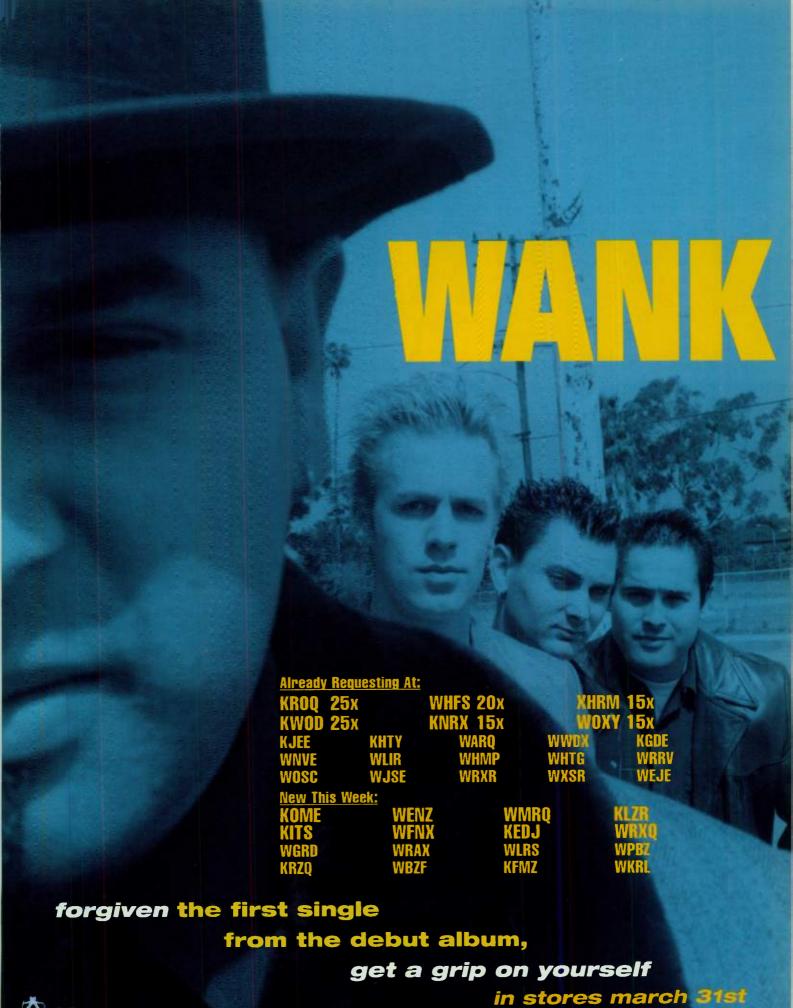
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Gov't Mule

ivana's tip of the week

It's SXSW time! When I'm not seeing bands or eating barbeque, I'm spending my free time in Austin SHOPPING! Here's where I'll be: By George (2 locations—always my first stop), Sabia, Uncommon Objects, Aqua, Charles Edwin, the cool folk art store on S. Congress where Jon Langford always plays, and Waterloo Records, one of my favorite record stores in the country!







NONE-ON-NONE: Oscar-nominated songwriter Elliott Smith tries his baseline move on someone who was also the last one picked when sides were chosen, HITS' overeducated geek Simon "Used To Yank At Oxford" Glickman.

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TIME TO GO GOOD WILL HUNTING WITH ELLIOTT SMITH BY SIMON GLICKMAN

"I'm gonna play at the Oscars; I hope it's not really ridiculous. The whole thing is so weird, I'm sort of blown out of the water by it."

inger/songwriter Eliott Smith has been an underground hero for some time, thanks in small part to his tenure in the Northwest band Heatmiser and in 'arge part to solo albums like 1997's "Either/Or" (Kill Rock Stars), a stellar collection of songs delivered with understated grace. Recently, however, Smith has been cast into the limelight. First, director Gus Van Sant used several Smith tunes (including "Either/Or" standouts like "Say Yes" and "Between the Bars") on the soundtrack of his hit film "Good Will Hunting" (Capitol Records). Then "Miss Misery," the track Smith composed expressly for the movie, was nominated for a "Song of the Year" Oscar. Though the Brooklyn-based troubadour knows he's unlikely to beat Celine Dion's "Titanic" power ballad for the trophy, he's feeling pretty OK-dokie about things,

especially now that he's inked a deal with DreamWorks Records. Though we're sure his grueling session with HITS' own Mr. Misery, Simon "Legree" Glickman, will inspire a particularly morose number.

# Tell us how Gus Van Sant wound up putting you on the "Good Will Hunting" soundtrack.

Some weird stories have been popping up about how I was supposedly discovered last year by Gus while playing in a coffee shop. Since then, I went back in time and made three records, I guess. Actually, Gus picked the songs, except for the one that was written for the movie. I knew him from Portland, because I used to live there and he'd come see me play and owned a couple of my records. We'd hang out and talk about his next movie, how he wanted it to be. He also writes songs, so we'd talk about home-recording techniques, great mics for under \$150, that sort of thing. He'd already put a bunch of my songs in the movie and wanted to see if I could write one for it.

#### Did you already have a concept for that?

He came over and I played him some pieces of things I was working on, but weren't done, and he took an interest in this one thing, which I turned into "Miss Misery."

#### What music did you listen to growing up?

I was really into the Beatles' "White Album." When I was really little, I was into "Helter Skelter" and "Rocky Raccoon." My dad had that record. On the other hand, I was really into KISS. My mom's side of the family is really musical; they're all better musicians than I am. My mom's dad is a pastor, and he'd give the sermon and then play the vibes, stuff like that. He's really good. And my mom's a singer. One side of my family is from Texas; the other's from Nebraska.

#### How'd you end up in the Northwest?

I moved up to Portland when I was 14; my dad lived up there. I like Portland a lot. I moved to Brooklyn about a year ago, but I like Portland better, in a lot of ways.

## When did you start writing songs?

I wrote a little piano song when I was about 11 for one of those sixth-grade cultural arts contests. I started making things up around then. I actually wrote that one down, with music notation, but that was the only one. A friend of mine had a four-track cassette when I was 13 or 14, and I kind of borrowed it for a year, and did a bunch of songs on that. They were all really terrible, but pieces of them

turned out all right. I'd been doing that for a long time, and then I was in a band that didn't really work. I didn't want to play my four-track stuff for anybody, because, basically, I was too chicken. At the time, everything was Nirvana and grunge, especially in the Northwest. Acoustic stuff would've made people say, "Aw, Jesus, it's too country, too folk." I like some folk, and I like Hank Williams a lot, but it's not what I'm trying to play. It's just pop, like everything else.

# "Either/Or" sounds like it was recorded late at night, and you were trying not to wake anyone up.

Well, I was in a band where I had to yell all the time, sing at the top of my f\*\*kin' lungs, and it was kind of a drag. We were playing really loud music that didn't have a lot of space for a vocal, so the vocal had to pierce through the miasma of guitars. It was fun to freak out on-stage and stuff, but it got to the point where none of the songs turned out how I wanted them to after they got this treatment. You couldn't even hear the melodies anymore.

# "Say Yes" has such an effortlessly classic feel, it's hard to believe someone sat down and wrote it in 1997. How did that happen?

In about five minutes. I was watching "Xena, Warrior Princess" with the sound off. I make up a lot of stuff watching TV that way; it keeps your eyes busy so you don't constantly look at your hands. So things can just happen, instead of "I'm playing a G, so I can go to C or D." I can't really sit down and make anything up. It's much better to take a walk. In New York, I write in bars at night, usually, because it's really noisy and there's enough distraction so I don't sit there and totally freak out. I'll think of music and write the words down. Almost every night, I'll go and write a bunch of crap. I don't go and look at it later; it's just that if I wrote anything good, I'll remember.

# It's bizarre that you're going up against Disney, Diane Warren and the Celine Dion song from "Titanic" for the Oscar.

It's strange. I'm gonna play at the Oscars; I hope it's not really ridiculous. The whole thing is so weird; I'm sort of blown out of the water by it. It'll be a kick. I'm gonna wear a white suit, and that in itself will be fun.

#### Maybe you can get a floppy, '70s hat to go with it.

Yeah, I thought I'd dress up as a pirate. I wanted to talk to [composer-arranger] Bill Conti to see if he could sort of spice up the music with a sea-chantey feel. I could swing in on a rope and make the other contestants walk the plank as I stand on the bow.•

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# NUTES Time to make a Point with Philip Glass

# by Sharon Steinbach

 $R^{\text{ecognized}}$  as one of the most important living American composers, Philip Glass' electronically crafted music is commonly spoken of with references to the avant garde and minimalism. But the composer sees his music in more vivid terms. "What's happening is combined image, story, movement and music, and that can happen on a screen, in a ballet, or in an opera house. It's what keeps the music world interesting for me, to do a piece with Aphex Twin, a ballet with Twyla Tharp, work on a film with Martin Scorsese, then do a piece with Bob Wilson. Most people think of me and somebody else. Doesn't that sound like fun?" Glass is indeed having

fun as he approaches his 60th birthday with an upcoming Nonesuch ten-CD retrospective box set. new releases from Point Music (his partnership label with PolyGram's Phillips Classics), a U.S. tour of "Les Enfants Terribles: Children Of The Game" (completing Glass' trilogy of operatic works based on works by Cocteau), a new piece of theater music called "Monsters Of Grace" in collaboration with Robert Wilson, a Tibet House benefit performance at Carnegie Hall, and the Oscar-nominated Nonesuch soundtrack of his critically praised score for Scorsese's "Kundun."

"I wanted the music to place you in Tibet, so that when you heard it, you felt like you were there," Glass says. "The thing about Scorsese's movie is that it's not a commercial movie. Within our country, there's still room for artists to do serious work and for audiences to come to the work."

These sentiments apply not only to "Kundun," but to the extent to which Glass has affected and drawn audiences for the past 30 years. Glass elaborates on his music, his interest in Tibet House, what it means to be a niche superstar, and more, for HITS' own expert in minimalism (meaning she does the least work possible), Sharon "Franken" Steinbach.

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#### How do you describe your music?

I write theater music. That includes film, opera, dance and theater. We're talking about collaborations and that's what I really do; I work with Robert Wilson or Twyla Tharp or Allen Ginsberg or Marty Scorsese. It's almost always content-oriented music. It's the Cocteau-based "La Belle et la Bete" opera or the story of the Dalai Lama. When we look at it like that, it's easy to understand. When we look at labels, it gets hard, because labels don't mean much. When you get lost in "minimalist" and "crossover," then it starts to be gobbledy-gook; it doesn't mean anything anymore. As a generic term, I say I'm a theater composer, because that covers everything.

How did you come to score "Kundun"?

We do six or seven records a year. We can do experimental music, we can do world music and we can do them together, but it's the fact that these areas are so attractive now that makes it possible for us to have a cohesive label with so much variety.

#### Are you approached often to do collaborative work?

Aphex Twin asked me to work with him on a record. People say, "I have a great idea for an opera" or "Will you work with me on this movie?" I get calls like that a lot and it's rarely people I want to work with, to be truthful. These are people with their own aspirations and I hate to disappoint them, but I can't really do all this stuff. Last year, I did the music for the movie "Bent." That surprised me, but I just wanted to do it. Things like that do happen and

# PART OF A LARGER MUSICAL ENVIRONMENT.'

It was a natural for me because I had been to northern India first in 1967 and got in touch with the Tibetan community at that time. I met the Dalai Lama in '71/'72 and played concerts for him numerous times. There's a group here called Tibet House, where I do concerts every year, so I have a good history with that community and I knew the history that Marty was addressing: the invasion and annexation of Tibet by China, the destruction of the culture.

We knew each other and I was familiar with the subject. I knew Tibetan music, and wanted to reference it into the score. I wanted the music to be a doorway for Westerners to enter into this exotic environment. In August '96, when Marty was in Morocco filming, I sent him the first 20 minutes of music. When he came back in December, I completed the rest of it while they were editing, which took eight months.

What was your involvement in Tibet House and the Tibetan freedom cause? There's a small group of Western musicians and friends of Tibet who have been working to do what they could to make the issues known in a general way, to try to put pressure on the American government to put pressure on the Chinese government to link political freedom and human rights with economics. We feel that pressure can be put on the Chinese to modify their behavior. They have been misbehaving very badly. I know all the people doing the Tibetan Freedom Concerts, and in a way, we work together. Patti Smith and Michael Stipe work with Tibet House and they'll do the Tibetan Freedom Concerts. I talk with Adam Yauch of the Beastie Boys.

they get realized.

# Do you recognize the impact of your music on both other composers and your fans?

I see now that my music has become part of the world of music. It's not some downtown weirdo trip that was happening on Bleecker Street in 1971, which is where we started. I am part of a larger musical environment. To young composers, my music is important and I see that, whether it's in Holland, London or especially in Italy these days. I have to see that it's gone way beyond being the underground New York counter-cultural thing, but it's also far from main-stream. I don't have my symphonies played at Lincoln Center, but I do play in Lincoln Center myself. People who subscribe to the Philharmonic are not my target audience. There's a very big audience for my music, but it's not a narrowly defined audience.

## What other projects are on the horizon?

One thing I've tried to do lately is find ways to use film and live performance together. We've got "Monsters Of Grace," created in collaboration with Robert Wilson. It's a projected 3D image that's resolved into a film so that you watch it with glasses. We're the first people who've taken up that technology and used it to actually make art. We're going to tour with it next spring. There's no final definition of what music theater can be because technology has given everyone a big kick in the pants. We can now think interactively.

What about your use of the Internet?

# "THERE'S NO FINAL DEFINITION OF WHAT MUSIC THEATER CAN BE

We bring those artists to Tibet House and they've put on some wonderful shows. Richard Gere, one of the founders of Tibet House, campaigns for the Tibet Fund and Freedom Concerts and they're all ways of activating the public. These are people, like Natalie Merchant, who work out of passion, who are genuinely moved by this issue. I've done my own slant on it in the concerts, by bringing people together. I had a fiddle player from Cape Breton, Nova Scotia playing violin with Patti Smith, and we had Laurie Anderson and Patti backing Emmylou Harris.

#### Have you considered recording the Tibet House shows?

It's so complicated economically. Tibet House is a small institution. Adam Yauch works in a different way with the Tibetan Freedom Concerts, and it's wonderful what he does. He has gone after bigger venues and bigger things, getting U2 and people like that. Our concerts are modest by comparison, but in terms of the public, have been deeply important. Tibet House has played a very important role in terms of making Tibet a political and social issue.

#### How is the ten-CD box set coming along?

It's supposed to be my 60th birthday year and it's Bob Hurwitz's project at Nonesuch, which I very willingly participated in. There will be releases of pieces that haven't been heard before, so it's not just reissues.

#### What's new from Point Music?

We have "Music For Airports," the Brian Eno piece that Bang On The Can has redone. We have symphonic Led Zeppelin. We have a new record of Gavin Bryars called "A Man In The Moon Gambling," which is fantastic. We're working with young composers that haven't been heard yet. We try to balance younger new artists with crossover things and world music projects.

We have a web site. I've done an online chat thing. We've been talking about cybercast concerts and that's very much in our future. We're waiting for the right time, but it will definitely happen.

#### Do you get groupies?

I get devoted people who'll say to me, "Your music has changed my life," and it's the most touching thing. I get real people who say their kid or their father listens to my music. There are times when people will follow us around from concert to concert. It's not the groupies of the old Rolling Stones days. I don't really know what that's like. These are just people for whom my work is very important.

#### Did you ever think in the early '70s that you'd be where you are today?

I didn't think it would happen in my lifetime. I was completely wrong. Bob Wilson and I ended up by accident and by good fortune, of having the right people at the Metropolitan Opera ask us to do "Einstein On The Beach" back in 1976. We were a special event presented by the Metropolitan Opera. We did not rent the house as some people thought we did. Then I did "Koyaanisqatsi" in 1983, and that was another big event. You don't get discovered once; you get discovered over and over again.

There are people in my end of the world who don't really get famous. I've been on "Letterman," I've been on "Saturday Night Live," but I don't play in stadiums or arenas. I'm a whole decimal point away from that kind of thing, maybe two decimal points. I maybe sell 200,000 records, but in the world that I operate in, that's unusual. We're in a society devoted to entertainment and consumerism. It's not the world I live in, but it's the world America is and within that large definition, there's still room to do work that touches people, moves, surprises and inspires them. •

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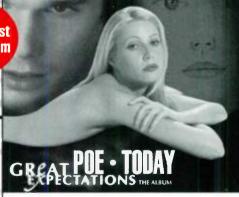


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### APMprofile



Fastball: Now that you're all wising up to their hit, "The Way," it's time to know a few things about the band. The trio—guitarist Miles Zuniga, bassist Tony Scalzo and drummer Joey Shuffield—hail from of Austin, TX, a city which is currently scraping a squirrely mass of Jaegerjuiced weasels from its streets this week at

South By Southwest. They formed in 1994 and released a "nifty, cheek-poking" debut (*Trouser Press*) called "Make Your Mama Proud." Zuniga and Scalzo trade songwriting duties on their current LP, "All The Pain Money Can Buy," with Scalzo penning "The Way" (F.Y.I.: it's a story about a Texas couple who get lost in their RV on their way to a family reunion). Top 5 phones at KKZN, KTCZ, KMMS, WXRV and WAVF.

### APM picks



Marc Cohn "Burning The Daze" (Atlantic/AG): NYC's Marc Cohn has the kind of songwriter's grace that finds rhyme in walks, rhythm in highways and stories in the restlessness of a breeze. Even a phone call from a friend in California ("Lost You In The Canyon") unfolds into a memorable metaphor of personal emptiness. After four years, this deeply soulful

artist returns with intoxicating melodies and lots of star APM cameos (Patty Griffin, Chris Botti, Rosanne Cash). We love "Already Home," but search out "Turn On The Radio" for some gloriously nicked lyrics from the Beatles' "I've Got A Feeling." (J.T.)

Robbie Robertson "Contact From The Underworld Of Redboy" (Capitol): Taking the sting out of an ethnic slur, "Redboy" Robbie Robertson comes forth with a socially, politically and musically powerful record that combines the enchanting motifs of Native American music together with the underground sounds of electronic grooves. He employs the master hands



of Howie B. (U2) and Marius de Vries (Massive Attack) to rhythmically underscore a set of organic and spiritually heady songs that guarantee to move you to another plane. Pop some peyote and plug into "Making A Noise" and "Unbound" for your own private sweat-lodge romp. (J.T.)

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#### CHRIS MAYS KMTT, Seattle



We bet the Spice Girls had someone like Chris Mays in mind when they coined the slogan "Girl Power." In fact, maybe from here on out we should bestow the title of Queen Spice on Chris, now that she has become one of the only female APM programmers to rise to the position of General Manager. Whoo-hoo! A chick in charge of the purse strings, just as it should be! What wonderful timing, too, as KMTT (her very special baby from the get-go) celebrates its 7th birthday in a couple of weeks. Queen Spice's first duties as GM will be to take her Spice Boys, MD Dean Carlson (Chai Spice) and APD Jason Parker (Soy Spice) to do marketing "research" with the corporate credit card at Nordstrom's. You go girl!

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### APM<sub>mugs</sub>



NO-BULL SAVAGES: Elektra/EEG singer-songwriter Alana Davis (c) catches a Rocky Mountain High from lightheaded KXPX/Denver PD Gary Schoenwetter (I) and APD Eric Schmidt, who pose with her in front of their shrine to the

Chicago Bulls. "We always root for the home team," explained Schoenwetter. "Did you know Denver is the 'Windy City'?" Added Schmidt, "I've been a Michael Jordan fan ever since that song 'Beat It' came out."

TOO HOT FOR RADIO: "You folks are too wild for me," pleaded ex-Smithereen and Velvel solo artist Pat DiNizio (back, 2nd from r) as he was dragged into a photo op with the staff of WYEP/Pitts-



burgh. "The bean-bag toss, the pie-eating contest, the macramé—I feel spent and cheap and dirty." Hey, that's the decadent rock life you chose, Pat. Now put on your dancing shoes, 'cause the Yeppers are ready to do the hokey-pokey.



CHEEK TO CHEEK, POLTZ TO PULSE: Here's Mercury songsmith Steve Poltz so overjoyed at being back in his homeland of Canada, he imparts on CIDR's Ann Delisi his special "Halifax

Hug." After rocking back and forth for 45 minutes swigging Moosehead beer and praising the brilliance of Bryan Adam's hair, the two locked themselves in Ann's private vinyl library and played all her April Wine and Triumph records until their collective I.Q. points fell far too low to be let back across the border.

#### adulterated

YOU CAN TAKE A GIRL OUT OF TEXAS: But you can't take the Texas out of a girl. My mother is making the trek from Houston to L.A. this week to remind me of such wisdom. Translation: she's checking up on me to make sure that I haven't been ruined by the music business (ah, but, Mom, I choose who and what ruins me, not the other way around)! I figure she'll be as excited as me to see Tex-patriots Steve Earle and David Rice, both of whom are playing in town, and

**EVAN & JARON:** 

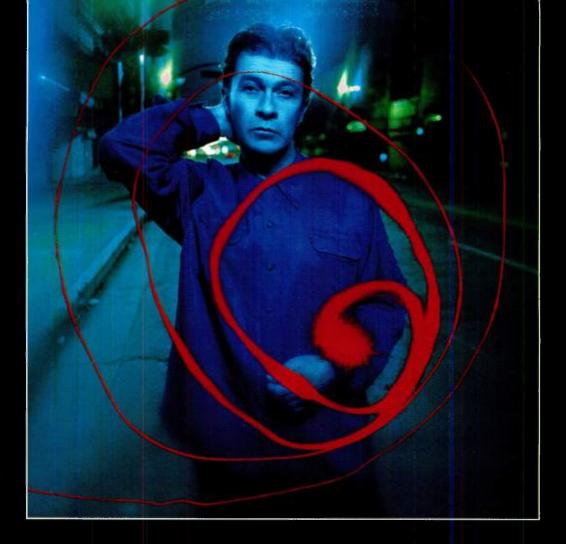


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one of which, I guarantee you, she'll want to set me up with. Can you guess which one? Uh-huh. All of this means I can't go to South by Southwest and will miss the opportunity to hang with Jody Denberg and Susan Castle as they herd some amazing talent into the KGSR studios: Bruce Hornsby, Nils Lofgren, Jules Shear, Ian McLagan, David Poe, Cheri Knight, Nick Lowe and Billy Bragg, to name a few. I'm going to make Mom sit with me and listen

over the internet. For your chance to hear some quintessential radio moments, just look for KGSR at www.audionet.com..... It's only fitting that since I'm preparing to drive Mom through La-La land ("here's where Robert Downey Jr. fell off the wagon, here's where Monica Lewinsky went to school"), the "City Of Angels" soundtrack is also touring through radio with MAJOR fanfare. There is a whole lotta love for the anthemic guitar ballad "Iris" by the Goo Goo Dolls (um, "Name," part deux... don't sleep and miss this one) and, of course, the album cut by Alanis Morrissette. We love that the Goos are back with another smash..... Speaking of smashes, first-week sales on Natalie Imbruglia are even bigger than Texas hair (and believe me, that's pretty damn big). Have you seen what she did in your market?..... Since Third Eye Blind has been one of your mostspun artists of the last six months, you should probably know that Rebekah will be touring with the band for the next few weeks, playing in front of massive amounts of people. You should also probably know that she had a HUGE week at Pop and Modern Adult. You should also probably know that we always say "I told you so" when we're right. This time's no different..... New faces that continue to build at APM are Jolene (WNCS and KTAO add to the list of believers) and Mary Lou Lord. (Actually, neither Lord nor Jolene are new faces, and the hipper of you knew their indie releases from before). Anyway, WXPN's Bruce Warren just e-mailed me that the station did a sold-out show with her and that the average age of the audience was 40-years-old! Sales followed, as well..... We hear that HBO has been taping the likes of Mary Lou Lord, Steve Poltz, David Poe, Chris Whitley and Pete Droge for a 13-part series called "Reverb" that will begin airing in May. Each show will do an interview and a few songs from the artist, with almost all the performers coming from our granola world. Don't you think this will be a great piece of national imaging for the format? Load your sales staff up with VHS copies when the time comes...... Loved meeting twin strummers Evan & Jaron last week. I totally adore their single "And Then She Says," but it was their footwear that really slayed me. Evan wore these Nike-like Birkenstocks and Jaron, well, he was all about resurrecting the lost fashion item: flip-flops. Gotta love it..... Records that make us happier than Mom's peach pie: Black Lab "Time Away," the Goo Goo Dolls, Morcheeba, Everything, Kyle Davis (O.T.B at WBOS), and every single cut off Semisonic. Trust me, trust me.

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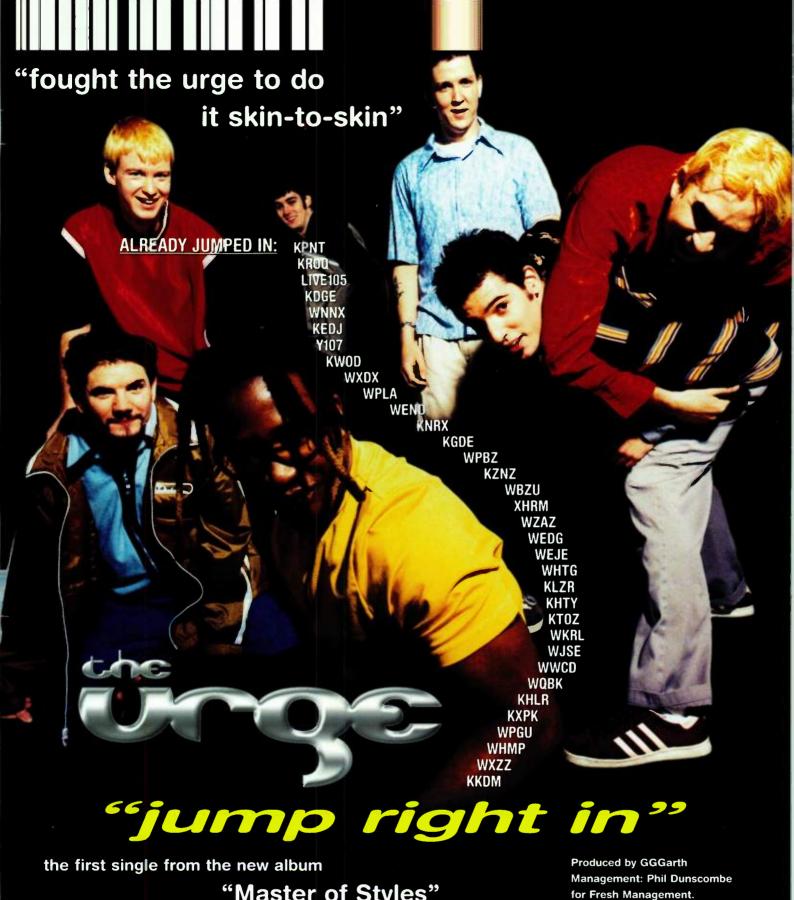
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#### exile in Di-ville

HEY, THAT'S GREAT! NO, THAT'S SUPER! Once again, I'm a woman possessed. I absolutely cannot stop listening to the brand-new-there's-no-way-you've-heard-this Lucy's Fur Coat CD, "How To Survive An Air Crash." In the realm of rock bands today, Lucy's is the shit. Several labels are already courting them, and for good reason. Charlie is at his hot rock-throttle best, the guitar riffs are infectious and there are

LUCIFER'S



more patented LFC "woo-hoo's" and "bana-ba's" than you can mosh a pit at. Halloran at 92/5 added the power-ballad "El Cajon" way early this week (who needs a label?) and "Myself" is in heavy at my house. John Lenac, I'm waiting for your call, brother...

Have I ever told you about my insomnia problem? I just can't sleep at night. I lie awake obsessing over this crazy column. Spelling errors stalk me. Run-on sentences chase me across

delta waves. But this week my wee hours were soothed by Finley Quaye's appearance on Late Night With Conan O'Brien, and then by Ozomatli's great performance on VIBE. Big thanks to Finley and Charlie Tuna for saving me from yet another late-night episode of "Columbo..." People are gonna be quick to tell you that Island's new project Evan and Jaron are awfully "cute," so let me spare you that gush and focus on their amazing voices and beautiful songs! They might look like they're still gestating, but these are actually two very cool, extremely impressive guys. I was equally floored by their HITS performance and their knowledge of good music—they were down with artists from Money Mark to Peter Himmelman. Evan and Jaron are an investment in the future of this business. If the music industry were the stock market, these guys would be a really hot tip... It was fun hangin' with the fine folks from Interscope at the Space Monkeys show last week. Lynn, Robbie, Yigal, Lenny and Xavier all had their hands in the

air for "Sugar Cane"'s "hey-ho's!" They're a really great live act—I especially enjoyed the pyrotechnics... The rest of L.A. was at the Opium Den for Zeke's Backyard Night on Monday to watch Fluoroscein and God Lives Underwater rock the house. Lisa and Golden from KROQ saved me from the unbelievable line outside (gracias, chicas!) and everyone from Terry Anzaldo to Christopher "The Minister" smashed up against me at some point in the

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night. I mean, that show put the "crowd" in "crowded," but was well worth it... I'm really super jealous of all of you who are going to SXSW next week. Someone please let me know how the Get Up Kids and Spacehog shows are! My only consolation is that I get to see Steve Earle play that weekend, which is always a nearreligious experience for me. Other records that are moving me lately: Elliott Smith, WildChild, Whiskeytown, Tommy Keene and the Getaway People, which apparently got amazing research from one of the best stations in the format—Q101. Also, Leann from Atlantic was so kind to send me the Dimitri From Paris disc to keep my fascination with all that is French alive. If you haven't gotten this fun little nugget yet, either give Leann a ring or call my home answering machine for a sample... Don't forget to email me music tips and your lovely show lists to hsuitegal@aol!

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### disks special indie



Hello I'm A Truck "Hello I'm A Truck" (Framed!): 10-4, good buddy! Speeding out of L.A.'s Silver Lake scene comes this wildly inventive pop quartet, boasting skittery-but-danceable rhythms, tweaked synthesizer countermelodies and adventurous basslines. But HIAT isn't just a new-new-wave trifle—they've got

really catchy songs, too. From the bouncy singalong opener "Ultrasonic Cotton Candy" through future classics like the sumptuous "Double Love Chew," this debut album is a yummy, peculiar assortment. Take the highway to "Hello." (S.G.) Contact: Andrew Magilow @ Framed! Records 512-474-1666

The Law Of The Land (Thrive): This past year we've seen the emergence of an underground sound in America that has permeated British culture for some time. As the drum 'n' bass junglists like Goldie and Roni Size gain in popularity, American artists are busy creating their own interpretations (after all, the roots



lie in American hip-hop, ya know). Here now is a collection of home-grown d'n' b tracks for you to get your ears on. Don't miss track eight, featuring RZA of the Wu-Tang Clan. (J. Deed) Contact: Josh @ Thrive 213-512-0001



Monte Montgomery "1st and Repair" (Heart Music): San Antonio-bred singersongwriter and guitarist Montgomery wears his heart on the sleeve of his strumming hand, as his songs of love, loss and redemption demonstrate. Working with a crackerjack rhythm section, he offers up soulful folk-pop on this

debut release-standouts include rocker "Pocket Change" and the determined "Last Goodbye." His fretwork, meanwhile, is electrifying—especially since it's played on the acoustic. Repair to the phone and reach out for your copy. (S.G.) Contact: Heart Music @ 512-795-2375

Chocolate Weasel "Spaghettification" (Ninja Tune): Marc Royal, better known as UK drum 'n' bass producer T-Power and Chris Stevens teamed up for this amazingly humorous and technically adept creation under the moniker "Chocolate Weasel." Somewhere in the land of electro-funk or intelli-hop (for lack of



better names), this project is a perfect labelmate for the genius of Coldcut. On tour in the US soon with DJ Vadim, Neotropic and Cabbagebody. You'd better be there. (Richard Winn) Contact: Jeff @ Ninja 514-937-5452

# special indie pics



ALL THAT CHAZ: No more running South of the Border for legal beers! 92/5, San Diego's Chaz Kelly celebrated her big 21 with a humungous sundae and an even bigger smile! DJ Chazzy Def has a lot to be happy about these days—she lives in America's most beautiful city, is Music Director at one of the format's most forward-sounding stations (try Spiritualized. Propellerheads and Wyclef on for 92/5's top three records!) and a mid-day airshift, too! The next time your boss tells you to get on the road, make sure you make a stop in Chaz-country! Oh yeah, some Halloran dude works at the station, too.

### this week's really





MARK WAGNER

Caroline Records Los Angeles, CA

WAG THE DOG: Wonder how bummed Caroline's Mark Wagner was about that movie title? Mark's frown turned upside down, though, when he got the good news that he is This Week's Really Beat Person. "Me?" exclaimed the giddy guy. "I can't believe it! I'm the number one most beat person in the whole entire industry? What an honor!" Caroline's been known to pump out funky-fresh tunes like Fatboy Slim and Air, so you might want to give Mark a call at 213-468-8626 and schedule your own personal "Moon Safari"!

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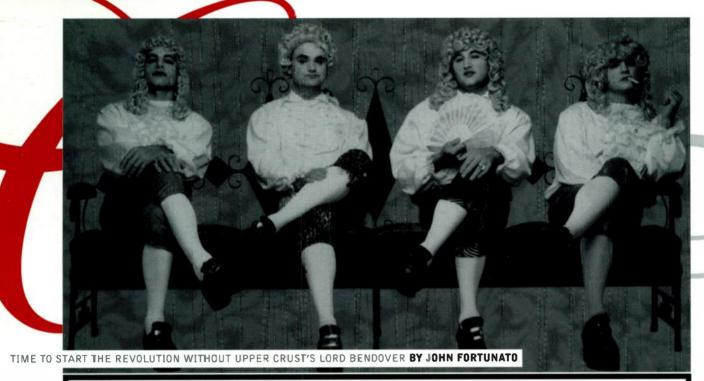
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Straight out of the 18th century comes the Upper Crust, a Boston-based combo bent on the elitist European tradition of yore. They plan to conquer the masses with their boisterous "The Decline Of The Upper Crust" (Emperor Norton Records). Dressed in royal 18th century garb, the Upper Crust proudly wear powdered gray wigs. knickers, platform shoes and puffy shirts. They thumb their noses at the "ne'er do well" of society, playfully mock "highfallutin" aristocrats, and complain about tasteless "gold-plated radio." At New York's Brownies, half-naked wenches serve cookies as drinks flow from the bar. Meanwhile, guitarists Lord Bendover, Duc Distortion and Lord Rockingham, bassis Marquis De Roque and drummer Jackie Kickassis rook the poppy-fueled patrons with rustic slammers like "Cream Of The Crust" and "Persona Non Grata." At SoHo's Blue Ribbon restaurant, Lord Bendover discussed music, politics, history and drugs with someone who ingests all four, HITS' John "There But For" Fortunato.

#### How did the Upper Crust form?

We met at a massive ball. We thought there would be lots of women there, but we all woke up with each other between crusty sheets instead. So we decided to form a rock band.

That wasn't one of our prouder moments, but we rose above it. Every time we go to practice, we have to work from the ground up, as it were. Just going through the motions.

#### And no doubt the lotions. What's with all the 18th century garb?

We wear clothes from the epoch from which we rock. The 18th century was the heyday of rock & roll, but a lot of disc jockeys short-change that glorious period. If you go back through the history of radio, you'll find the golden age of rock & roll was during that time frame. We continue to celebrate that century through our music.

#### What did the Upper Crust originally sound like back then?

The technology was different then. We used the ordinary instrumentation of a Chamber music ensemble, but in no way was our sound any different. We conceived and executed the first rock. All we had was violins, cellos and small pianos. My motto has always been "too much pianist makes you a flautist."

#### What's your opinion on slavery and women's rights?

In the high-profile circles we move in, we're so far above those issues. In the higher level of society, everything is so politically incorrect that it comes full circle and obviates any issues of sex and class.

### Why did the Upper Crust choose Boston as its colonial settlement? We relocated there because we consulted the facts and figures and since we're very superstitious, we decided Boston was a fortuitous place. That's where we began our rock & roll career. Since our memories are

not what they once were, we're not sure where we're originally from. Perhaps your memory was blurred by strong poppy sedatives available during the 18th century?

I was a big ether head myself. Opium took its toll as well. I guess you could say I don't know when to stop.

Do you have respect for the lower class at the other end of the spectrum? Oh, you mean the proletariat. They're good on dirt... not too good on grass.

#### Do you stand by the American Constitution?

Well, obviously not presently, since I'm sitting here by you. I like the calligraphy, but I quibble with its particulars. But it does make excellent wallpaper. It's important to remember the founders of our countries were elitist snobs.

How has the U.S. advanced as a nation since the Revolutionary War? We haven't at all. The fashions of the exterior have changed, but the spirit of the Revolutionaries is still pervasive. It's the root cause that informs our society today. What we're trying to do with the Upper Crust is elevate the entire small world culture back to the level of the very elite that ruled Europe in the 18th Century. It's a high ideal, but we swear by it.

If the  $\dot{\text{U}}.\text{S.}$  had nuclear weapons during the Revolution, should we have blown up Great Britain after pillaging the land and scarfing up the women?

That's an interesting historical hypothesis which I'll have to study.

Do you accept or reject the Beatles and Elvis as cultural icons?

I'm willing to give them their props. I think history will find they were fine exemplars of rock & roll.

Will the half-clothed wenches on the back cover of "The Decline And Fall..." negatively affect troubled youth?

It's worth noting the late Jimi Hendrix's "Electric Ladyland" had nude women on it. Everyone has to eventually make an album with nude women. I'm sure Alanis Morissette will discover this in due time.

Should Johnny Cochrane handle the Latrell Sprewell case?

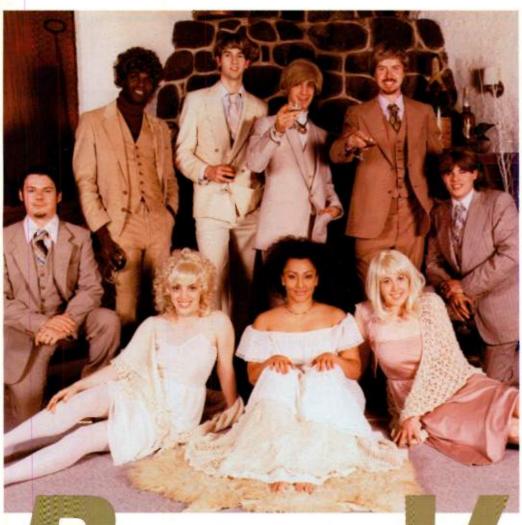
Now that's a very interesting point of jurisprudence. In my opinion, this issue is best dealt with through the science of "juris-prurience."

How does the Upper Crust handle its prurient sexual urges when teenyboppers try to take out your shafts?

We don't handle it at all. That's why we have special-fitting knickers. They protect the garment from getting soaked with semen, which makes a nasty paste.

What does the future hold for the Upper Crust?

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"I was tired of singing about living in pissy, rainy London—I wanted to get to Vegas and see where it's at."

And here we thought most Brits despise the States. But you wrote a song like "Going To Vegas," which you've said was inspired by watching the flick "Casino" and listening to old Elvis records.

Then I basically sat down at my computer, got this little bass thing going, some loops, and did the song right there at home. I've got this really small one-bedroom flat in London, and I have to sleep on the floor because I don't have room for a bed. But I've got my studio there, and I thought, "Let's just do it." I wanted to live the dream for three minutes; I wanted to be in Vegas and sing about all the things that go with that. I was tired of singing about living in pissy, rainy London—I wanted to get to Vegas and see where it's at. I love the glamor, the bright lights, the general vibe I got from "Casino." But I seriously had no idea that we'd eventually end up over there at the tables, doing a video.

Given that you teamed up with the songwriting Svengali for girl-poppers Shampoo for your techno-rockabilly sound, have you gotten a lot of "prefab" putdowns? Do serious music folk not take you seriously?

I'm kind of aware that criticisms like that are in the cards. But I know the kind of music I was listening to at nine years old and what got me going. I remember buying my first guitar and what pictures I had on my wall when I was a kid. But I also don't feel the need to name the most obscure rockabilly bands ever, because that's not who I am. I'm someone who heard that music, understood that it was the beginning of rock as we know it, and understood that never before in the history of music has there been a time when it was so real, so from-the-heart and kicking. So it's just within me—my sister and my family have always been into the sound. This kind of music is a dream for me... both the imagery and the look. I remember being in pottery class at school, and when everybody else was making a coat hook, I was making a rockabilly puppet with a blue cap, a blond coif and blue suede shoes. I certainly wasn't trying to set myself up for a career later on as some pseudo-wannabe rockabilly guy. It was just something that came out of me at the time.

The fact is, I do play guitar. I've played gigs before, and I've always had this urge to sing, although I was aware at a young age that it wasn't my strongest point. But singing was what I wanted to do more than anything else in the world, so that's the thing I pursued. And my approach is, "Hey! I know a few chords! Therefore I can write a few songs!" And if you don't have the natural ability, then that, in a way, makes you more determined to succeed. I want to do this, more than I'm actually made to do this.

Elvis Presley's "Sun Sessions" is one of the greatest rock 'n' roll records ever.

Stick-thin British rockabilly rascal Jimmy Ray spends a good deal of his self-titled techno-Presley debut (Epic) kowtowing to Americana, crooning Yank-inspired odes like "I Got Rolled" and "Goin' To Vegas." Even the kid's addictive first single, "Are You Jimmy Ray?," namechecks nothing but Stateside icons—Link Wray, Fay Wray, Johnnie Ray and so on. So where did Ray go to film his latest video? You guessed it. Las Vegas. Which taught him a few harsh lessons in short pocket-emptying order. "I lost 800 bucks on my first night there—I just couldn't settle with losing only \$400," the 23-year-old Ray grouses. Welcome to Nevada, son. Leave your stoic London pride at the door.

But Ray went on with the vid shoot, in which he pranced with scantily clad showgirls, played the role of a pompadoured high roller, and also got rescued by a phalanx of pink 'Jimmy Ray" helicopters. On the final day of filming, he returned to the tables, wiser, warier. "So on that last night, I'm pleased to say, I kinda made 80% of my loss back. I'd learned my lesson by then and walked away. And it was great, because I actually got the guy at the roulette wheel a little nervous, like 'Why is this guy winning so much?' And it was nice not to walk outta there totally humiliated." Which is exactly how he felt after subsequently losing his shirt to HITS' own rambling, gambling fool, Tom "Viva Oy Vegas" Lanham.

Oh yeah! And what always stunned me about the "Sun Sessions" was that it was just so... mature. I don't know how old he would've been... 18, maybe? But he had the voice of someone much older, much more experienced, and he didn't sing a single note even slightly out of tune. It was just a miraculous session.

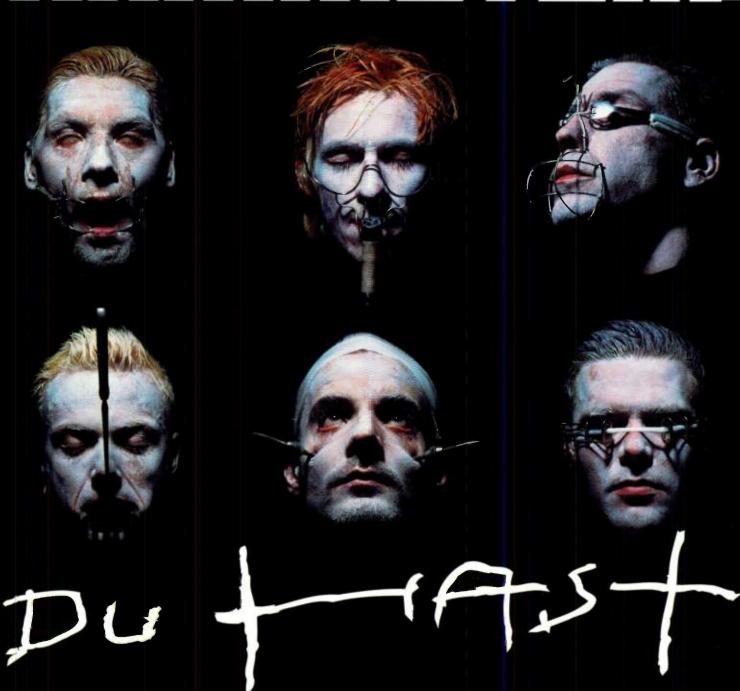
Guys like Gene Vincent, Eddie Cochran—they were kids when they were writing all those classic songs. I don't know how they matured and had an understanding of everything so young. I've always been so envious of that, because I'm 23 now. Positively ancient by comparison!

And you also helped your career along by working at the Virgin Megastore on Oxford Street.

I used to work just behind the counter in the video department. It was my first job after school. I got it through an agency. I said I needed some dough, and they suggested Virgin. And it was great. It was a job, but it was music at the same time, so it was right up my street. I really enjoyed it—we got loads of tourists, loads of beautiful Italian girls. But I wasn't so great for the shop, because I used to go out on breaks a lot, and I didn't like carrying boxes. I did enjoy just being behind the counter and getting to choose records. There's an actual radio station in the store, and I used to be constantly on the run, getting records for DJs—"Play this! Play that!"

Worst day in retail?

Probably the day I was in a really good mood and I took my guitar in because I wanted to get a new one. So I brought in this Les Paul copy that I had, and for some reason, sold it to a friend for 30 pounds. Which, when I left the store a few weeks later, I eventually realized was a really bad idea. My money started to disappear really rapidly, and I suddenly found myself without a nice guitar. Big mistake!•



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### picks edited by Karen Glauber



Junkie XL "Saturday Teenage Kick" (Roadrunner): Talk about the funky shit. Amsterdam-based remix-master Tom Holkenborg employs guests like Fear Factory's Dino Cazares and Urban Dance Squad's Rude Boy to fuel his mega-hybrid album debut. Fusing rock, techno, hip-hop, funk and more, it's no

wonder Junkie XL gets respect from The Prodigy. This guitardriven, dance-frenzied groove-fest takes another giant step for electronica, particularly with killer cuts like "X-panding Limits" and the title track. You'll be addicted, big time. (A.S.)

The Specials "Guilty Til Proved Innocent!" (Way Cool Music/ MCA): Try and find one '90s ska-punk artist not influenced by these originals. When today's hit-makers were unpierced, tattoo-less babes on training skateboards, these skanksters were crashing Britain's dancehalls with their politically fueled,



horn-driven stylie. Their first new material in over15 years sounds as fresh as the early smashes, full of suave style. From the swinging pop of "It's You" to the raucous edge of "Fearful," these guys are guilty only of greatness. (A.S.)



Liquor Giants "Every Other Day At A Time" (Matador): A slug of gusty poprock. L.A.'s Giants—fronted by ex-Gun Club member and local legend Ward Dotson—score big time on this, their third album. Dotson's hook-heavy tunes come across with a boozy intensity and depth that separates them

from the work of his jingle-jangle peers, but he still crafts glittering melodies that'll bring a tear to your eye. Standouts include "It's Raining Butterflies" and "Kentucky Lounge." Chug it. (S.G.)

Steve Poltz "One Left Shoe" (Mercury): We're glad this "Shoe" dropped. You already know gifted troubadour and ex-Rugburn Poltz's whimsical, folksy anthem "Silver Lining" (co-written with guest Jewel), which this discincludes; he offers up 14 other shiny compositions here, showcasing his



lovely, lived-in voice and down-to-earth romanticism. Lining up behind "Lining" for standout status are the incandescent "Good Morning (Waking Up With You)" and "Impala," featuring Bosstones horns and Jewel's backups. This one's got sole. (S.G.)

## pomo mugs



VARIETY IS THE SPICE OF LIFE:

Shown enjoying some quality time with little plastic dolls while making their way through our Sherman Oaks cesspool are Inter-

scope's Space Monkeys. Intrigued but disturbed by the latest Spice Girl models, including Gimpy Spice, Oedipal Spice, Ichibod Spice and Lefty Spice, are (I-r) Interscope's Yigal Dakar, the band's Tony Pipes, Chas Morrison and Richard McNevin-Duff, HITS' Queen Ivana, Tami Packley and Diana D'Amato and Space Monkey Dom Morrison.

PEACE AND LOVE: Epic's Save Ferris Did the big thing by playing a show to help out a little Burbank radio station, and everyone felt really good



about themselves afterward. Pictured enjoying all of the many benefits of artist/radio symbiosis, in which everyone gives and keeps giving and then gives some more are (l-r) SF's T-Bone Willy, Eric Zamora and Marc Harismendy, KROQ's Christian Bastain and Amy Stevens, SF's Monique Powell, Bill Uechi and Brian Mashburn and Epic's Ann Carloss.



MUNGO CITY MADNESS: Nothing rocks like a Q101 in-studio photo op. Nothing. Not now, not later. Proving that a little afterlunch line dancing is a good way to work

off those extra trips to the deli tray are (I-r) Warner Bros.' Colleen Taylor, Sire's Sherri Trahan, Q101's Alex Luke, Spacehog's Royston Langdon and Ant Langdon and Q101 "talent" Tim Virgin.

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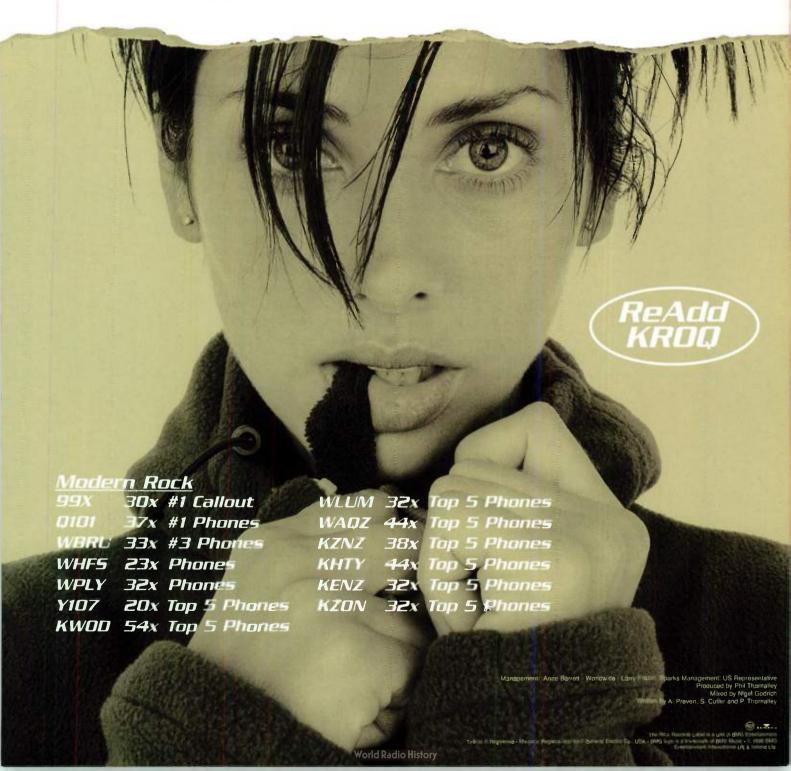


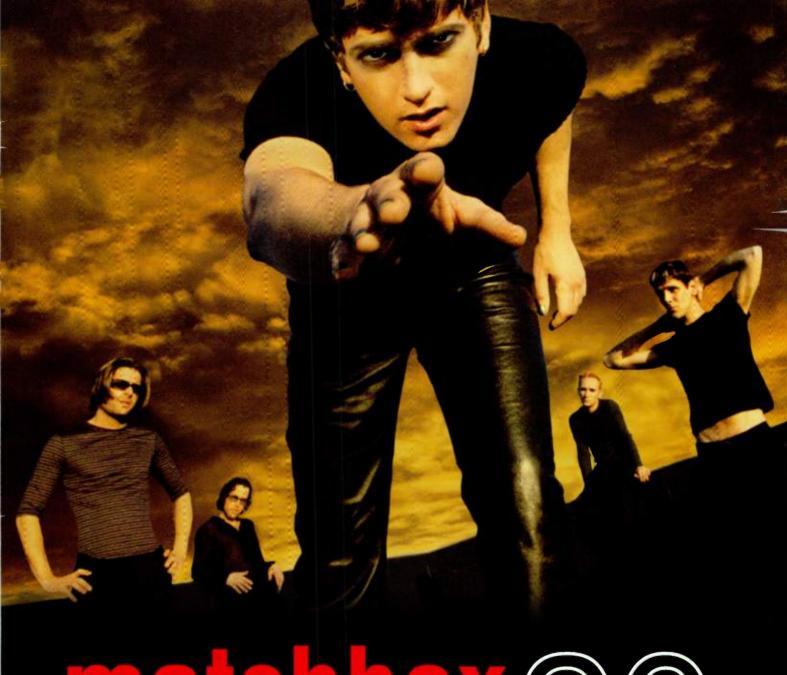




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ΓW	TW	BAND LA	BEL	COMMENTS
1	1	MARCY PLAYGROUND Sex & Candy	Capitol	Heavy MTV, 44K this week
2	2	METALLICA The Unforgiven 2	Elek/EEG	Heavy MTV, #2 Phones
3	3	VAN HALEN Without You	WB	Heavy MTV, +36x
4	4	DAYS OF THE NEW Shelf in The Room	Out/Gef	Active MTV, +108x
6	5	FOO FIGHTERS My Hero	Capitol	Stress MTV, M2, Top 5 Phones
5	6	PEARL JAM Given To Fly	Epic	61K this week
7	7	JERRY CANTRELL Cut You In	Col/CRG	Active MTV, M2, +92x
9	8	CHRIS CORNELL Great Expectatations OST/"Sun Shower"	Atl/Atl G	Lots of Top 10s
8	9	CREED My Own Prison	Wind-Up	Active MTV, #2 @ WRCX
11	10	CREED Torn	Wind-Up	38K this week, +59x
10	11	OUR LADY PEACE	Col/CRG	Stress MTV, M2
13	12	KENNY WAYNE SHEPHERD Blue On Black	Revolution	#7 @ WMMS
. 15	13	MEGADETH Use The Man	Capitol	+29x, #4 @ WHMH
17	14	TWO I Am A Pig	Not/int	New @ KNCN, KISW
18	15	EVERCLEAR I Will Buy You	Capitol	Stress MTV, M2
. 12	16	GREEN DAY Time Of Your Life	Reprise	#5 KNCN
14	17	COOL FOR AUGUST Walk Away	WB	M2, Top 10 @ KILO
19	18	DAYS OF THE NEW Touch, Peel	Outpost	Re-ignites this week!
23	19	SPACEHOG Mungo City	HiFi/Sire/WB	Active MTV, M2, +50x
16	20	BIG WRECK The Oaf	Atl/Atl G	Still #1 @ KQRC
24	21	FEEDER Cement	Elek/EEG	+37x, New at KSJ0
20	22	THE VERVE Bittersweet	Virgin	Heavy MTV, KEGL add
25	23	OZZY OSBOURNE Back On Earth	Epic	#3 WYSP, Tour soon
26	24	PEARL JAM In Hiding	Epic	Misc. new adds
6	25	STABBING WESTWARD Save Yourself	Col/CRG	+196x, Most Added again!
22	26	CAROLINE'S SPINE Sullivan	Hollywood	KRXQ add
21	27	BLINK 182 Dammit	Cargo/MCA	Still getting good spins
	28	LIFE OF AGONY Tangerine	Roadrunner	+40x. Misc new adds

#### FROM THE PIT

#### By Jimmy Barnes

#### Fastball



Spring!

SPRING FORWARD: This week, Capitol's Marcy Playground, again, stay atop the heap at Active Rock, making it three-in-a-row! Looks like the infectious, slower-paced "Sex And Candy" single does work in the heavy rock arena-proving many doubters wrong now with numerous spin increases, heavy MTV action and a 44K+ sales week. It's cavity time! Especially when you look at how rockin' the artists on the chart are right now.... Cool to see that my Portland, Oregon friends

can now tune into KUFO and hear Howard Stern put them in their places. I love when he syndicates to a new market, especially when Don Imus is in the same market. Good luck to 'UFOers Dave Numme and Al Scott. You might need it if Howard's L.A. appearance is any indication of things to come in your future... Just in time for Spring and the return of baseball are Hollywood's Fastball. They were at L.A.'s Viper Room the other night, so I'll give ya the rundown next week. Why, you ask? Because the new Hollywood boys are takin' it to rock ASAP after watching this home run-hitting band murder the ball with their "The Way" single over in the PoMo league. Our pals, new to the Hollywood team, as you should know by now, are Mark Di Dia, recruited as Senior VP/GM, as well as one of Canada's best puckheads Joey Vandetta, recruited as the Wayne Gretzky of Rock for the team. I can't wait 'til we all hit the ice together... I wonder how the above-mentioned label feels about letting loose the now Island-repped Insane Clown Posse and their recent Gold record status? Another artist proving that radio isn't always a necessity... Tons of killer shows to be had at this year's SxSW in good of Austin. As you read this, your label's A&R guys & gals

are partying their asses off on the strip with about 400 bands, not to mention another 400 salivating salivators (read A&R geeks). And for the first time ever, attendees can hail Satan himself as my metalman Jimmy Stewart will be making his first trip to the Country of Texas to rep the HITS Rock Dept. Give him a bong hit and maybe he won't put a hex on your butt... Last week's shows that rocked Hollywood included Creed/Big Wreck [Wind-Up & Atlantic), the HiFi/Sire/WB-repped Spacehog at the H.A.C., while Crystal Method (Geffen) electrified all in attendance and Immortal's

Debbie Wylde



PD/MD @ WAMX

Far really kicked some BIG ass at their LP ["Water & Solutions"] release party at the Whisky... Barry Lyons sailed east to a new post at Island as you now surely know. He's just in time to throw down on Rammstein, the latest German sensation to hit the good of USA, via Slash/Island. "Du Hast" is the track and its thicker than bongwater. Check it out... Can't wait to see the Van Halen (WB) and Two (Not/Int) opening-week sales. We'll chat about this after the #ers are in next week... Nice to have Doug Ingold in place at V2, especially with Addict hitting Active Rock. Good luck, not that you'll need it by the sounds I heard... Rookies hitting grand slams at radio: Universal's The Hunger, Roadrunner's Life Of-Agony, WB's Spacehog, Flip's Limp Bizkit, 550's Fuel and Virgin's Brother Cane, to name a few... Don't miss Black Lab's (Geffen) "Time Ago" impact date of 3/24, OK!?! BREAKING WIND: Jordan Schur... The truth is in here... somewhere. :-]

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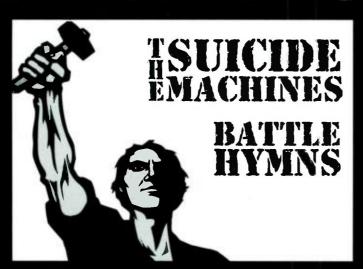
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#### Making Waves



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Chad grew up in the jungles of Papua New Guinea, where his father ground donkey-dung into insect repellent so that his only son, Uwaabu [Chad], could flee the bush in search of an equally meaningless life in the distant land of Seattle. Once he settled in, Chad's natural assimilation instincts kicked in and he found himself working in the mailroom at Tooth & Nail, where he learned the ropes of American punk-rock. After his handlers noticed his capitalist potential, Chad was quickly promoted; he now oversees independent sales & distribution and handles certain A&R duties that his dear, old, plate-lipped dad would never have imagined. And you wondered why civilization is teetering.



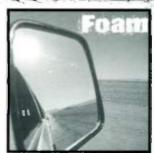
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It only takes one listen to Foam's debut album and its unique, compelling style on song after song to see why they didn't need a huge story before being signed to Epic by A&R exec David Massey. This quartet is grounded in the



songs and vocals of guitarist Jason Teach. Lead guitarist Scott Fischer co-wrote most of the music with Jason, including the recent Active Rock burner "Rollercoaster." The Michael Beinhorn production adds huge sonic impact, while Jason's vocals remain incredibly distinctive and rich. The LP opener, "Head Not Love," will fire your rocket and let you know this is a hard rock band for today! "Poster Girl" and "I Can Hardly Wait" prove the point further. A must-get. (JB)

#### 35" Mudder Definition Of Purpose Unsigned

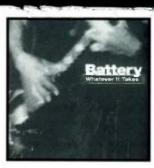
It's in the MONSTER rock vein, and boy, are they a shot in the arm. The overall vibe is heavy as a tank, and fires just as hard. The chorus of opener "Reactive Pacifis" is lacerating in both lyrics and sound, while the body of the track stays



clean and hypnotic-there are plenty of speed changes. "It All Comes Back" is a little more rap-rock in sound (similar to old Rage), as is "Fight The Opposition," the third track here. "21 Years Of Pain" has a relentless, muddy, bottom-end groove that refuses to let up, thanks to Chad's phat finger method. The energetic singing is courtesy of Dusty and the stick-handling by Dave. Tim shreds his quitar like a pro cheese-grater dreams of. Check this one out real soon. It's a winner. (JB)

#### **Battery** Whatever It Takes Revelation

Battery play a medium-to-fasttempo, straight-edge hardcore more reminiscent of the New York style than that of their own hometown and center of world disease, Washington, D.C. This probably has something to do with the fact that



all the members play in-or have played in-such past and present hardcore notables as Better Than A Thousand, Damnation A.D., Shelter and Frodus. The list goes on. What you end up with is a professional, contemporary-sounding version of a tried-andtrue hardcore tradition-aggressively positive mental conditioning. Today's clean-living youth have something new to celebrate. Now if they can just learn how to celebrate... (JS)

# KOCO CONTRA

LIVING IN INFAMY: The death metal underground lost one of its most loyal supporters recently when Josh "Jagger" Heatly died way too early due to complications related to diabetes. Josh, who played in Brainstorm and more recently Infamy, was known for his love and dedication to not only the LA. scene, but the entire

death metal scene worldwide. LA will pay respects at the Roxy (3/29) with Engrave, Mutilation and other locals playing sets in honor of this tragic loss. R.I.P.... Those wise enough to attend last week's Today Is The Day/Bloodlet/Hatebreed show at the Whiskey were witness to one of the best shows of the year for sure. All the bands had great sets, and rumor has it Satan himself was seen carousing backstage, so you know it was special. Catch any of these bands any chance you get... Lost Disciple Records are doing their best to promote extreme music awareness. Their latest effort is a compilation featuring many of the most promising blasphemers in the metal underground, including Cryptopsy, Pessimist, Oppressor, Avulsion and many more, so do your part and seek out this record... The Vans Warped Tour has announced the line-up for this year's traveling music/lifestyle festival. Bad Religion, Rancid, NOFX, the Specials and Rev. Horton Heat will reign on the main stage, while local and international favorites occupy side stages. More to come... Adds for this week: Sam Black Church, Scissorfight, Rorshach Test and One Minute Silence... Don't fight the power. (JS)

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

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LW	TW	BAND	LABEL	COMMENTARY
3	1	MORBID ANGEL	Earache	#1 Toys
4	2	DEFTONES	Maverick	#1 Zia/Tucson
1	3	BLINK 182	Cargo/MCA	#1 Exile On Main
8	4	KING DIAMOND	Metal Blade	#1 Shattered
10	5	HATEBREED	Victory	T-5 CD Exchange
9	6	EARTH CRISIS	Victory	#1 City Lights
	7	WASP	CMC	#1 Record Country .
2	8	UNSANE	Relapse	T-5 FBC
7	9	METALLICA	Elek/EEG	#1 Pirate
	10	DIO	May/Fierce	T-5 Bone Daddys
6	11	COAL CHAMBER	RoadrunneR	T-5 Apple Emporium
15	12	CREED	Wind-Up	T-5 Rock Pile
17	13	PRO-PAIN	May/Fierce	T-5 Skinnies
R	14	DROP KICK MUPHYS	Hellcat/Epitaph	T-10 Sam Goody
	15	STUCK MOJO	Century Media	T-5 Mushroom
14	16	GOOD RIDDENCE	Fat	#1 Bionic
R	17	AVAIL	Lookout	T-5 3DCD
	18	SOILENT GREEN	Relapse	T-5 Trash American Style
19	19	RAMMSTEIN	Slash/London	T-5 Zia

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	LW	TW	BAND	LABEL	COMMENTS
,	1	1	MORBID ANGEL	Earache	#1 KNON
	3	2	OVERCAST	Edison	#1 WPUM
	2	3	PRO-PAIN	May/Fierce	#1 KMSA
.*	4	4	HATEBREED	Victory	#1 WCCR
	6	5	COALESCE	Edison	#1 WJUL
	5	6	UNSANE	Relapse	#1 WONY
	10	7	STUCK MOJO	Century Media	#1 WIJS
	7	8	CONVERGE	Equal Vision	#1 WMCR
	21	9	EARTH CRISIS	Victory	#1 WNEK
	8	10	NEW YORK'S HARDEST 2	Black Pumpkin	T-5 WGHR
	11	11	RAMMSTEIN	Slash/London	T-5 KJHK
	12	12	TWO	Not/Int	T-5 KUPD
	9	13	25 TA LIFE	Triple Crown	#1 WRHU
	14	14	COURSE OF EMPIRE	TVT	T-5 WVBR
•	15	15	GOD DETHRONED	Metal Blade	T-5 WFAL
	16	16	NAPALM DEATH	Earache	T-5 WOBC
	25	17	MOTORHEAD	CMC	#1 WTFX
	13	18	SONS OF ABRAHAM	Wreckage	#1 WUNH
-	22	19	DEICIDE	RoadrunneR	T-5 WGLS
	19	20	KING DIAMOND	Metal Blade	#1 KPFT
1	20	21	DEFTONES	Maverick	T-5 WSOU
	23	22	SHAI HULUD	Revelation	T-5 WDWN
	30	23	IN COLD BLOOD	Victory	T-5 WPUM
	17	24	IN FLAMES	NBA	T-5 WFCS
	26	25	JUDAS PRIEST	CMC	T-5 KRZZ
•	18	26	MILHOUSE	Wreckage	T-10 KUNV
		27	PISSING RAZORS	F.A.D.	T-5 WXTB
	24	28	INCUBUS	Imm/Epic	#1 WSOU
	29	29	AMON AMARTH	Metal Blade	T-10 WUBR
,	27	30	MOONSPELL	Century Media	#1 WKPS
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JAMZ Is Drinking Up Def Jam's VP Urban Promotions—AKA

# JOHNNIE WALKER: RED HOT!

Who would have imagined that a little girl from Grenada, MS would grow up to take a bite out of the Big Apple? That's Def Jam VP Urban Promotions Johnnie "Guitar" Walker's real-life story. Her break came at country station WNAG/Grenada; after running the gamut of positions from phones to on-air, she leapt to KRNB/Memphis in 1984 as the morning-show co-host, receptionist, news person and take-out girl. Over the next six years, she held various onair slots; she was elevated to Promotions Director, Music Director and, finally, Program Director. In 1990, Wes "Not So Magic" Johnson brought her to Def Jam as Central South Regional. She initially turned the job down because she didn't want to uproot her daughter and relocate to Cleveland, but-as her grandmother used to say-"When God is in the plan, you just step back and let him work." Walker did just that and was able to stay in Memphis. She has since been promoted to Co-National, National Director, Sr. National and, recently, to her present position. But nothing pre-

pared her for the sleep-inducing chat of our own Kandace "Backward" Taylor Phyall.

#### Tell us about working at a country radio station.

There weren't a lot of openings for black females at radio stations in Mississippi. One day I caught Mr. Hope outside the station and re-approached him with my tape. WNAG gave me my first break; I started out answering phones. When I got comfortable in the control room, I got my own slot as Lady J. With my pitch and tonality, listeners didn't know I was black. I approached the GM about having two hours of R&B. He laughed initially, but finally said yes—if I could sell it. I went to local businesses, because a lot of them depend on black customers to stay in business. The show became the most incredible thing. Two years later, the FM



Def Jam's Johnnie Walker-Moonlights As Cigar Runner For Lyor Cohen

WQXD bought us and my show was expanded to four hours. Three years later, I approached the GM about a copywriter position; the sales team was supportive because I wrote copy in conversational tones. Two weeks later, he officially offered me the position.

When you foined Def Jam, did you realize that the rap genre was going to explode? I was one of those PDs who thought it was a fad. I didn't understand the art form or the culture. But when I called stores and went to clubs and parties, rap was always hot. Last year, rap accounted for the largest percentage of record sales. Hip-hop consumers are the most active buyers. They will purchase a Snoop, an Onyx or an LL Cool J project without having heard it.

#### Why did Def Jam decide to flip the script and venture into the urban world?

It's a natural extension of what we do. We're targeting younger demographics. We wanted to offer them a variety like Montell Jordan, good hip-hop and R&B flavor combined. We're in the embryonic stage. But as we put our pieces in

place, the R&B part of the company will develop.

#### How has the Motown deal affected you?

Well, we've always been distributed through a major label. We'll have a different staff to work with, but it's still business as usual.

#### What hot music do you have coming this quarter?

Be on the lookout for Playa, Christion's version of "I Wanna Get Next To You," an incredible track from Cormega called "One Love" and the re-entry of Onyx's dynamite project. I feel like on "Let's Ride," Montell found Montell. Erick Sermon's camp, Def Squad, is back. Rell's "Love For Free" and Memphis Bleek on Roc-A-Fella are dropping next month.

Name your favorite breakfast cereal and evening drink.

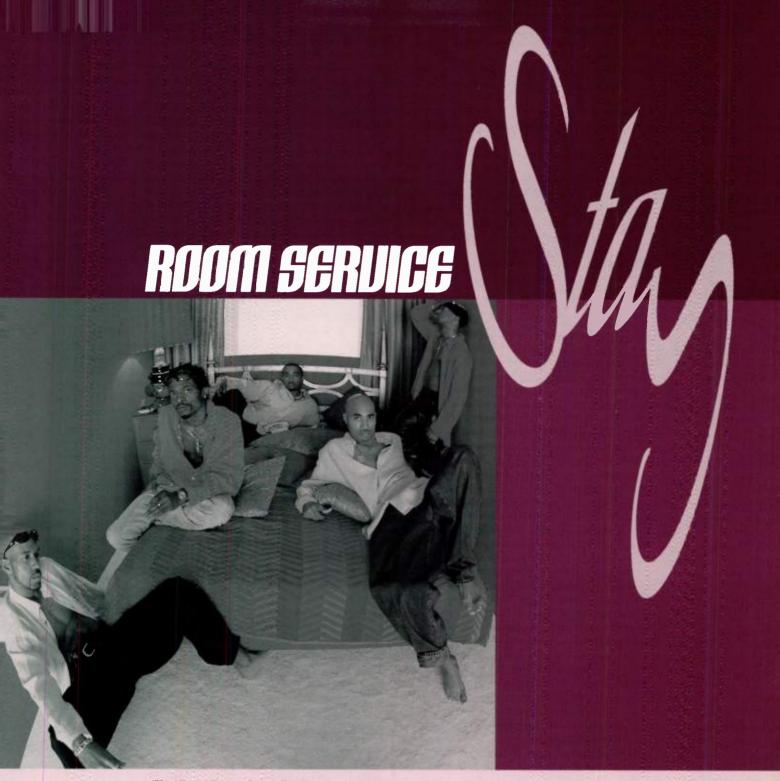
That's easy: Frosted Flakes and white Zinfandel.

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Week Of March 20, 1998

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2W LW TW	ARTIST TITLE	LABEL	2W LW TW	ARTIST TITLE	LABEL
2 2 1	DESTINY'S CHILD	Columbia/CRG	34 30 26	JANET	Virgin
5 4 2	No, No, No K-CI & JOJO All My Life	MCA	22 22 27	I Get Lonely  2PAC  Do For Love	Amaru/Jive
7 6 3	NEXT	Arista	25 28 <b>28</b>	UNCLE SAM	Stonecreek/Epic
8 7 4	Too Close  PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT  Body Bumpin'	A&M	41 33 29	I Don't Ever TIMBALAND & MAGOO Clock Strikes	BE/Atl/Atl G
1 1 5	USHER	LaFace/Arista	33 32 30	MYSTIKAL	No Limit/Jive
3 3 6	Nice & Slow  KP & ENVYI  Swing My Way	EastWest/EEG	36 34 <mark>31</mark>	The Man Right ICE CUBE We Be Clubbin'	Heavyweight/A&M
23 21 7	MONTELL JORDAN  Let's Ride	Def Jam/Mercury	47 32	EBONI FOSTER  Crazy For You	MCA
11 9 8	PUFFY	Bad Boy/Arista	40 37 33	ELUSION	RCA
14 11 9	Been Around The  LORD TARIQ & PETER  Deja Vu	Codeine/Col/CRG	46 39 34	Reality THE LOX Money, Power	Bad Boy/Arista
20 18 10	SYLK-E. FYNE  Romeo And Juliet	RCA	39 38 35	MASTER P  Make 'Em Say Uhh	No Limit/Priority
10 10 11	BRIAN MCKNIGHT	Mercury	43 41 36	H-TOWN	Relativity
16 15 12	Anytime WYCLEF JEAN Gone Til' November	Ruffhouse/Col/CRG	24 25 37	Natural Woman SOMETHIN' FOR THE All I Do	WB
4 5 13	MASE	Bad Boy/Arista	38	JON B.	Yab Yum/550 Music
9 12 14	What You Want MISSY ELLIOTT Beep Me 911	Gold Mind/EW/EEG	43 <mark>39</mark>	They Don't Know SILKK  Just Be Straight	No Limit/Priority
12 13 15	SWV	RCA	49 46 40	SALT-N-PEPA	Red Ant
19 19 16	Rain ARETHA FRANKLIN A Rose Is Still	Arista	TOP SPINZ 41	Gitty Up GOODIE MOB They Don't Dance	LaFace/Arista
17 16 17	JODY WATLEY	Atlantic/Atl G	49 <mark>42</mark>	IMMATURE	MCA
21 20 18	Off The Hook SMOOTH Strawberries	Perspective/A&M	<b>45 43</b>	Extra, Extra  SCARFACE  Homies & Thugs	Rap-A-Lot/NT/Virgin
13 14 19	MARY J. BLIGE	MCA	47 44 44	SNOOP DOGGY DOGG	Noo Trybe/Virgin
15 17 20	Seven Days MARIAH CAREY	Columbia/CRG	TOP SPINZ 45	PLAYA  Character To Variable And Character T	Def Jam
35 31 21	JAGGED EDGE	So So Def/Col/CRG	TOP SPINZ 46	Cheers To You BUSTA RHYMES	Elektra/EEG
28 27 <mark>22</mark>	Gotta Be JD  The Party Don't Stop	So So Def/Col/CRG	30 35 47	Tum It Up PATTI LABELLE Someone Like You	MCA
18 23 23	LSG	EastWest/EEG	TOP SPINZ 48	DAVINA	Loud
32 26 <mark>24</mark>	Curious TAMIA	Qwest/WB	TOP SPINZ 49	Come On Over MYA	Interscope
31 29 <mark>25</mark>	Imagination QUEEN PEN Party Ain't A Party	Interscope	38 42 50	Its All About Me LSG My Body	EastWest/EEG
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# Singled Out

#### By Gary Jackson

An interesting development has taken place with Busta Rhymes' "Turn It Up" (Flipmode/Elektra) and Timbaland & Magoo's "Clock Strikes" (BE/Atlantic/Atl G)—each song has the exact same rhythm track, a sample of the theme song to



Busta Rhymes & Timbaland & Magoo -Battle Royale With The Same Beat

the old TV series "Knight Rider." There is a story floating about how the tracks crossed paths, but that will have to remain in the ether. In any case, the general consensus is that Busta is the superior rapper,

while the Timbaland/Magoo track excels on the production side. Either way, both songs are enjoying equal exposure at radio, getting their chance to court the judges who really count-listeners. "There's been positive reaction on both," reports Steve Gousby, MD at WILD-AM Boston. "Each hit really well, and we took into account the fact that our listeners may get confused. So we play them at least three hours apart to give them a chance to breathe." Wayne Swann, PD at WKGN-FM Knoxville, says: "We really haven't had any confusion. One thing is that Busta just dropped, while Timbaland was released two weeks before, so 'Clock Strikes' has received more airplay at this point. But both are getting their respect." Egypt, Music Coordinator at WPHI-FM Philadelphia, makes one obvious point: "The beats on both are blazin'! We don't play them back-to-back, but I feel Busta is the surefire hit. We're giving 'Clock' more spins, so a buzz is being created. Each of the songs has a totally different style, and I believe each act has addressed those differences. But we haven't had any listeners call to complain." So there are enough differences to make "Turn It Up" and "Clock Strikes" stand apart. Now another factor needs to be included: videos. An Elektra Records executive, who requested anonymity, says: "Busta's video (which will be released in several weeks) is very futuristic, very political, and very conscience-aware. Busta has been very committed to his music and his fan base. It's a thing where the artists make the songs, and they're totally different from each other." Manny Bella, Atlantic Records Sr. VP Promotion, Black Music, concurs saying: "Obviously, time will tell. It's a wait-and-see situation as to which song the public accepts"... We want to point out a new group, Imajin, that's getting a buzz behind them. Their first song, "Shorty (You Keep Playin' With My Mind)" (Jive), will be on your desk 4/20, and features the distinctive rap of Keith Murray. We saw the video, and our reaction is extremely positive. Check it out... Singled out for radio reaction: Joi "Ghetto Superstar" (Rowdy/Arista), Nadanuf "6 A.M. (We Be Rollin')" (WB), Voices Of Theory "Say It" (H.O.L.A.), Kompozur "Take Your Time" (All Net), By Chance "Baby It's On" (Persona)...

#### Caught!

SESSION CATS: Qwest artist Gina Breedlove (r), who currently stars in the Broadway production of "The Lion King," explains that the oxygen deprivation caused by her onstage headgear gives her all kinds of creative inspiration. Replied label head Quincy Jones (I), "That's why I never take mine off." Meanwhile, director Julie Taymor contemplated the open bar at the Tony Awards afterparty.

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PUFF DADDIES AND MOMMIES: "Hemp is a miracle product," enthused actor/comedian Tommy Chong to the KKBT/Los Angeles staff and various sympathetic musicians. "It can be used to make clothes, upholstery, rope and—hey, are those mallomars?" Seen trying to remember where they left their petitions are (l-r) Hemp World publisher Mari Cane, KKBT's Fidel Rodriguez, Chong, KKBT's Dominique DiPrima, Cypress Hill's Bobo and Tha Dogg Pound's Nate Dogg.



EVERYBODY SAY "OM": Whenever Def Jam artist Montell Jordan (r) and his label pal Mike Kyser feel overwhelmed by the lightning speed of modern life, they take the edge off by visiting Hot 97/New York, where everything's groovy and mellow and kindly folk like staffer Tracy Cloherty (c) use one-syllable words and always have plenty of sunflower seeds.

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- Don Cody, PD-WTMG, Gainsville







# Juice

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

#### **Information Update**

Look for the Federal Communications Commission to review radio-ownership rules and the paucity of women and minorities as owners, as well as how smaller stations can compete with larger corporations. Concerns were voiced recently over the control by four corporations-CBS Radio, Chancellor, Jacor and Capstar-of 90% of the major market... At WQHT-FM (Hot 97) New York, APD Tracy Cloherty replaces Steve Smith as PD. Smith has been promoted to VP Programming for Emmis/New York... KIBB-FM (Mega 100) Los Angeles is looking for a competitive morning show. 25-54 audience is the target for a team with knowledge of and passion for oldies. Send T&Rs to Harold Austin, Mega 100 PD, 5900 Wilshire Blvd, Suite 525, Los Angeles, Ca 90036... Mo' Eazy-'Bout Time: In celebration of its tenth anniversary, Ruthless Records is set to release a 21-cut compilation, "Decade Of Game," featuring such seminal Ruthless acts as J.J. Fad, NWA, Above The Law, M.C. Ren, The D.O.C. and Michel'le. But the real kicker is "24 Hours To Live," a previously unreleased cut from Ruthless founder and original punk-rapper Eazy E. "24 Hours To Live," which impacted radio this week, depicts how Eazy E would spend his last days on earth. On 3/26—the three-year anniversary of E's death from AIDS complications—BET will air a documentary special, "Eazy-Duz-It... Impact of A Legend," followed by the video for "24 Hours To Live," featuring Ruth-less act Bone Thugs-N-Harm-ony and Ren... Zomba Music Recording Corp., owner of Jive/Silvertone, is seeking to purchase Freeworld Entertainment, formerly Volcano and Zoo Records... Fox TV's "The Keenen Ivory Wayans Show" has been canceled after six months of poor ratings. Several repeats will run, with a final show planned for late April. Another reason for the cancellation is the expected June debut on Fox of "The Magic Hour" talk show, hosted by Magic Johnson. The company evidently felt this new competition, along with Keenen's poor ratings and high production costs (estimated at over \$1 million a week) were reason enough to pull the plug... It's official-rapper Snoop Doggy Dogg has signed with Master P's No Limit Records, distributed by Priority. Snoop was previously signed to Death Row Records, where he was launched into superstardom. After the much-chronicled decline of the label, however, Snoop publicly expressed his wish to leave. Look for his first No Limit release, "Da Game Is To Be Sold, Not To Be Told," in early August... The Wherehouse/Los Angeles' most popular major urban retail outlet, formerly located at La Brea & Rodeo Road, will relocate to another location on La Brea: negotiations failed to secure a strong lease... Janet Jackson's "Velvet Rope" tour begins 7/9 in Washington and ends 10/11 in NYC... "Marvin Gaye: Pride & Joy," a two-hour radio special hosted by Ron Brewington, is available by calling (818) 508-4519... Harmony Records gospel choir Bam Crawford's Purpose will join the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre in its performance of "Revelations" at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion in Los Angeles, 3/19-22... On 5/2, Double XXposure Publicity will join the Apollo Theatre to host an all-day symposium offering youth an opportunity to learn about the intricacies of the music industry from experts. Call XX's Angelo Ellerbee at (212) 757-2669... Puff Daddy and Led Zeppelin's Jimmy Page are working on a remake of the band's classic "Kashmir" for the "Godzilla soundtrack...

#### **Breakaway Forms Black Music Department**

At Breakaway Entertainment, Terry McGill "Igan's Island" has been named President of Black Music by Breakaway President/CEO David Michery "Loves Company." He previously worked at Street Life Records. Also, Gwen "High" Priestley has been named Sr. VP Publicity & Urban Marketing; former HITS staffer "Telly" Savalas Holloway is National Director of Street Promotion; Kimberly Joy "To The World' Ferren is VP Video & Artist Development; and Byron "La Brea Tar" Pitts is National Director of Promotion. Other members of the Breakaway Black Music staff include: Greg "Basketball" Jones, Northeast Regional Promotion Manager; Karen Leonard "O Di Caprio", Southwest Region; Stacy "Q" LaCroix, Southeast Regional; Bo "Jackson" Sampson, Mid-Atlantic Regional; Antero "Pass Or" Fail, West Coast Regional; Sylvia "La" DeGraff, National Manager of Urban Administration; and Alicia "Silverstone" Sutton, Executive Assistant of Publicity & Urban Marketing, McGill said of the hirings: "All I wanna know is, who gets lunch for



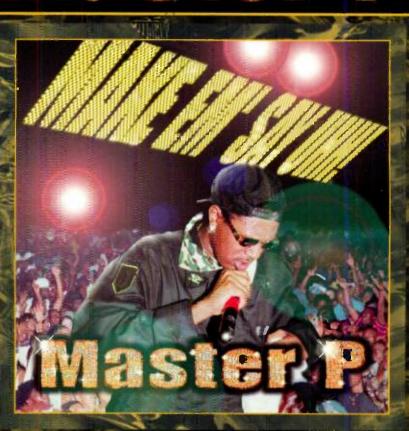
Breakaway's Terry McGill, Gwen Priestley & Savalas Holloway Score Huge Expense Accounts

me?" Michery said: "Holloway worked where?!"...

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#### RAP RADIO TOP THIRTY

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1	1	1	GANG STARR	Royalty	Noo Trybe/Virgin
4	4	2	MOS DEF	Body Rock	Rawkus
2	3	3	BULLWORTH	Soundtrack	Interscope
3	2	4	RAKIM	The Saga Begins	Universal
7	6	5	CAUGHT UP	Soundtrack	Noo Trybe/Virgin
8	5	6	ONYX	Shut 'Em Down	Def Jam/Mercury
18	8	7	KILLAH PRIEST	One Step/Fake MCs	Geffen
	11	8	RUFUS BLAQ	Out Of Sight	A&M
20	9	9	SUNZ OF MAN	We Can't Be	Red Ant
		10	BLACK EYED PEAS	Fallin' Up	Interscope
13	10	10	MOOD	Karma	Blunt/TVT
25	18	11	BUSTA RHYMES	Turn It Up RMX	Elektra/EEG
5	7	13	LUNIZ	Hypnotize	Noo Trybe/Virgin
	28	14	SCARFACE	Homies And Thuggs	RAL/Noo Trybe/Vir
26	24	15	LA THE DARK MAN	Heist Of The	Big Beat/Atl/AtlG
24	19	16	DIVINE STYLER	Before Mecca	DTX Records
	21	17	THE WHORIDAS	Never Heard	South P/DeliciousV
16	15	18	JAY-Z	The City Is Mine	Roc-A-Fella/DJ/Merc
	27	19	POLYRHYTHM ADDICTS	Not Your Ordinary	Wreck
6	12	20	2PAC	Do For Love	Amaru/Jive
	26	21	DAZ DILLINGER	California	Death Row
21	22	22	N.O.T.S. CLIQUE	Work Is Never Done	Official Jointz
		23	SPORTY THIEVZ	Mac Daddy	RAB/Ruff/Col/CRG
=		24	FUNKDOOBIEST	Act On It	Buzztone/Immortal
15	14	25	GRAVEDIGGAZ	12 Jewels	Gee Street
12	20	26	JOHN FORTÉ	Hot	Ruffhouse/Col/CRG
11	13	27	ICE CUBE	We Be Clubbin'	A&M/Heavyweight
22	30	28	EPMD	Do It Again	Def Jam/Mercury
10	17	29	CANIBUS	How We Roll	Group Home/Uni
	H	30	COCOA BROVAS	Black Trump	Duck Down/Priority

#### TOP FIVE MOST ADDED

Artist
X-ECUTIONERS
MJG
NICE & SMOOTH
JEMINI
P.A.

Title
Raidas Theme
In The Middle...
Let It Go
Who Wanna Step...
Like We Do

Label
Asphodel
Suave/Universal
Street Life
Brainchild Ent.
Geffen

#### NASTY NEWS BY NASTY-NES

Kamusta, it's the Crazy Pinoy lockin' it down in the (818)... Power outta CIUT-Toronto is all hyped up about Motion's "Use What U Got" on Blacklist Music, which gives you a chance to peep out his production skills. Need a copy?



A NASTY FLASHBACK: Harold & Nes!

Contact Blacklist Music at (416) 604-0000... Rap-A-Lot's in full effect with Scarface's double CD, "My Homies." The South is no doubt in the house! Lil Keke's "Southside" outta Houston and Do Or Die's "Still Po' Pimpin'" outta Chi-town are living proof... HOT 97-New York's own Doctor Dre recently signed an exclusive international pressing and distribution deal with Big Daddy Music Distribu-

tion for his new label, Desperate Men Recordings. His first two 12" releases will be the classic Original Concept "Can You Feel It" and new artist ROBO's "Give It To U Raw Like Dat." Jamieson Grillo's got the hook-up at (973) 761-7000... KVCM-Toluca Lake, Cali's own DJ Creativity has a new pager number: (818) 999-7463... Ran into Brian Samson at last week's Lakers game; he's screaming about the new Saukrates joint, "That's Action," on WB. I hear it's the bomb, so give the Hawaiian Punch kid a buzz for a copy at (213) 878-1100. Aloha... buzzing with our rap reporters are Ice Cube featuring

DMX's "We Be Clubbin" remix on Heavyweight/
A&M, Hieroglyphic's "The Last One" on Hiero Imperium, WC's "Cheddar" on Payday and C-BO's "Money By The Ton" on AWOL/Noo Trybe; I'm lovin' Relativity's "Work" single, featuring Naughty By Nature, Mag and Castro... Making a comeback from the old school is Best Kept Secret's own MC Twist. His new album,



Scarface and Nes.

"MVP," is ready to drop. Contact D'Jam Hassan or Chaos of KSJS-San Jose, CA at (510) 744-1700... SHOUT OUT TIZ-IME: DJ Stress at Envol-Winnipeg, Ont., Heartless Jim from WXIN-Providence, RI, Daryl Lindsey, Eotehn Alapatt of WRVU-Nashville, TN and Irene @ MCA... KUNG-FU FLICK OF THE WEEK: Jet Li in "Martial Arts Of Shaolin" (5)

#### TOP FIVE MIX TAPE SONGS

Artist
MOS DEF
CANIBUS
BEDROOM WIZARD
SHABAAM SHADEEQ
RASCALZ

Title
Body Rock
Second Round K.O.
Skillz In '98
Sound Clash
Northern Touch

Label Rawkus Group Home/Uni Sneak Attack Rawkus Figure IV



#### MAKIN' IT HAPPEN



It's a pleasure to shine the spotlight on Aisha White, Epic Records' National Manager of Rap Promotions. Born and raised in Washington, D.C., Aisha first got into hip-hop in NYC back in 1992, when artists like A Tribe Called Quest and Rakim caught her attention via parties and underground mix tapes. A '96 graduate of Cornell University in Ithaca, NY, Aisha

could be heard Friday nights on campus radio station WVBR, spinning the phattest beats on her hip-hop radio show, "Friday Flavas," from 11P-6A. She first got into the business in '95, marketing children's videos and music as an intern for Sony Wonder under the guidance of Robin Kearse, the former product manager for Epic and Aisha's role model/mentor. After her internship ended, she traveled back and forth between D.C. and N.Y., waiting patiently for a permanent job in the Big Apple. Her dream came true on July 5, 1997, when she became an assistant in Epic's Rap Promotions department; now she's busy on the phones working national college radio. Some of her favorite artists are Canibus, Common and Eazy-E; her hobbies include shopping, partying, dancing and eating (lasagna's her favorite). "I'm having the best time of my life," she says, "and I'm a firm believer in 'do unto others as you'd like them to do unto you.' Just be nice to people." Share your niceness with Aisha at (212) 833-5127... Shout outs: Nelson T. @ Gee Street, DJ Mecca over at WHCR-NY, everyone at NY's 88 Hip-Hop, Kison of Epic, Warren Peace from KUNV-Las Vegas and Mom & Dad!



Seen (I-r) are **Noo Trybe**'s **Jammin' John**, **Nasty-Nes** and **Dwight Bibbs** (Noo Trybe). AKA The Three Amigos—Greedy, Gordo and Grumpy!



Seen confessing their sins at *HITS* are (I-r) our own **Latin Prince** and **Nasty-Nes** and **Geffen's Marvyn Mack** and **Killah Priest**. Can I get an amen from Killah Priest?

#### TALES FROME TAPE DECKS

#### BY NASTY-NES & NICK NACK

#### DJ DV ONE'S TOP 5:

- 1. WITCHDOCTOR
- 2. SHABAAM SHADEEQ
- 3. COCOA BROVAS
- 4. THE DOXXMEN
- 5. GAS CHAMBER

Heaven Comin' Sound Clash

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This week's featured tape, "Illegal Broadcast" Volume One, is from DJ Fashen (big up, Phoenix!). The first thing I noticed when



I received this tape was that I hadn't even heard of half of these tracks! The tape itself is a 90-minute, super-tight, live blend of nothing but the latest hip-hop—Gang Starr, Cocoa Brovas, Fat Joe/Big Pun, Beatnuts, N.O.T.S. and many more. Fashen does an excellent job of mixing the more commercial joints with the indies, offering something for hip-hop heads of every stripe. And don't think for a second that this DJ can't flex skills—he'll prove you wrong very quickly in the intro, and for all y'all who don't understand turntablism, don't worry; it's not too overbearing. For more info, call

Fashen at (602) 705-0732. Be sure to check it out... Shout-outs to X-Man, Vishnu, Les, Swing and all of the ATX... WARNING: DJ NICK NACK'S LATEST MIX TAPE, "N-FECTION," IS CURRENTLY SPREADING AT AN EPIDEMIC RATE. This tape has been known to leave its listeners hooked and in a daze. For more info, call Nick Nack at (512) 440-7447... Pictured above is "DJ Rob-One Meats Keisha" (porn star) mix tape. This XXX mix tape is loaded with moans, blends, scratchin' and uncensored photos and can be obtained at (888) 341-1274...

PICK HIT OF THE WEEK DJ WATT, WFSS/FAYETTEVILLE, N.C.

MOS DEF "BODY ROCK" RAWKUS

#### UNDERGROUND

#	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL
1.	TONE KAPONE	Down For Mine	Freeze
			212-373-0789
2.	MAD SKILLZ	Skillz In '98	Sneak Attack
			804-320-3768
3.	JAKE-ONE	No Introduction	Conception
			206-324-7121
4.	BIG REGG	I've Got It Made	Fully Loaded
			310-586-6464
5.	SIDE 2 SYDE	Skyballin'	383 Records
٠.		Sky Summ	510-763-0652
6	MONEY BOSS PLAYERS	Area Code	Warning
٠.	MONET DODG! EXTERS	Aica Gode	212-275-4274
7	HIEROGLYPHICS	The Last One	Hiero Imperium
٠.	THEROGETTTICS	The Last One	510-251-8911
	RASCALZ	Northern Touch	
٥.	RASCALZ	Northern louch	Figure IV
0	UGLI KIDS	On The Block	888-903-2729
٧.	UGLI KIDS	On The Block	Ugli Street
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U.	SILVER SHADOW D	None Want Test	Lost & Found
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#### "Hot to death. I'm feelin' it."

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• Revolution, "The Wake Up Show"

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#### BY RICKY LEIGH MENSH

INTHEEMIX@AOL.COM... It took alotta hedbangin from summa my friendz in tha mix for me to cum outta tha dark ages & into tha werld of Internet, e-mail, sex sites & chat roomz, but I got my Gateway 2000 w/ B>A. speaks to tha side, a bass cabinet down unda & I'm fukkin addicted! I couldn't stay off tha muthafukka all wknd. DJ

Lynnwood (KGGI), who along w/wifey Sandy just had bebe #3, a lil girl named Alissa, is @ DJ Lynnwood@aol.com & sez: "Givin feedback to tha labels on their recordz iz so much easier az oppozed to tryin to return every call, which iz not possible. It'z also just a great way to communicate w/other DJs & radio people." Charles.Dixon@Unistudios.com (MCA):"It'z about time you got on, Ricky, you slow-asss! It'z tha best thang since tha telephone! I can actually werk on my computer, listen in on my conference callz & return e-mailz. DJs uze it to get me change of addresses/phone #'s, & let me know otha shit they're diggin, etc." In otha werdz, obviously, it'z an opportunity to promote further connections in tha mix.. Congratz to Janet (Virgin), who rezides @ #1 conf. call pic for tha 3rd straight wk, a testimony to the hugeness of the hit factor of this kut, while the controversial/much-discussed Cannibus (Universal) trakk blasts to #1 on tha unda and we await tha rumored LL/DJ Premiere (Def Jam/Mercury) response soon. Other strong moves upward on tha call include YoYo (Elektra) & Mos Def (Rawkus), while MJG (Universal) debuts @ #6 & Ebony Foster (MCA) & Elements of Life gain strength az well... A gimme prediction: tha Big Pun (LOUD) rmx iz a guaranteed conf call pic with DJs gettin full service az va read. Tha shit iz so fukkin hottt!... & how bout LOUD/SRC jumpin into tha TV/film werld in a BIGGG way az Steve & Jonathan Rifkind & partna Rich Isaacson have produced a new show for MTV entitled "World Famous," starring hip-hop's Fat Joe & Lord Sear of Stretch/Bobbito fame w/cameos includin Wyclef, Jermaine Dupri, Brian McKnight, Funkmaster Flex, Big Pun & a performance by Run DMC? New & well-dezervin PI) Tracy will be majorly involved. w/Scotty Marshall directin tha show, which revolves around tha hotttest klub in NYC owned by Fat Joe w/Sear az Joe's nephew/busboy. He & this otha busboy are alwaze sweatin tha stars that cum into tha klub trvin to get up into tha muzik/show biz. MTV haz a winner w/this one; you got our luy, no doubt. PS. Will we see Stephen Hill (MTV) in a waiter's capacity on tha show?... Anutha sure shot conf. call pic that'll reach that status quicker than Prince Ice'll hit a "three" on me next Sunday iz Naughty By Nature, who just inked w/Clive @ Arista. Their kut iz tha lead trakk off tha "Butta" sndtrk (Relativity) & features KG's (NBN) boyz Mag & Castro. Did I mention that Clive also hooked KG on a fattt new production deal?.. How close iz Chaka Zulu to gettin tha KKBT MD gig? Real! & Big Ones to tha Sway & Tech & Michelle S' krew if it duz; Chaka's tha goodz, no doubt...So DJRonLove@aol.com (WJBT), who pix up 8a mix duties M-F in addition to hiz new nite gig, hitz Triple Six Mafia's (Relativity) "Tear The Club Up" for about 30 sec. az folks in tha Paradome in I-ville did just that. Tha owners reemed our man after inspectin tha damage. Next day, Ron walks into tha prod. studio @ tha station to find that he had to voice a spot for sed klub w/special guests, Triple Six Mafia. Mr. Love: "Ain't thatta bitch!" Same thang happened to Jelly (WHTA) up in A-town. Must be a romantic muzikal piece... The Box's Justin Tyme (MD) on Janet's new video: "Tha cleavage iz good." ... Would have luvved to have seen Puff (Bad Boy) & Busta (Elektra) in "Lethal Weapon IV" ... Best wishes to Floyd Priest. Stan "Tha Man"'s (WFLZ) dad, who's very ill. Stan, in tha midst of hiz personal drama, sumhow managed to crank out a strong edit to a Robyn-esque "Smile & Shine" (MCA) & hit me w/tha stock tip LHSPE which should split soon...Top pic: New mix promo man @ Interscope Jean Pierre (left) & pizza consultant/mix promo/Arista Danny C. (right)... & to our man Kid Fresh, now doin AM drive 6a-10a @ KXHT w/12s to be sent to 3411 Zoyska Dr. Memphis, TN 38115... I'm diggin Timbaland's rmx of Boyz II Men's (Motown/Mercury) "Can't Let Her Go." ... Steve "Pouta" Chavez (KTFM) w/more mix time M-F 5p-5:30p & 10p-11p... Recommended readin for all ya single/formerly single lozers like me: "Dating for Dummies," by Dr. Joy Browne, who's on air WOR/NY & synd. on 300 stations. Dr. Browne: "I'm Frazier w/better hair & legz.".

#### TOP 20 SPINZ

	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL :	SPINS
1				_
1.	ICE CUBE	We Be Clubbin*	Heavyweight/A&M	173
2.	2PAC	Do For Love	Amaru/Jive	169
3.	JANET	I Get Lonely (remixes)	Virgin	162
4.	BUSTA RHYMES	Fire It Up	Elektra/EEG	159
5.	SCARFACE 1/2PAC & MASTER P	Homies & Thugs	Rap-A-Lot/NooTrybe/	fir 155
6.	THE LOX f/DMX & LIL' KIM	Money, Power & Respect	Bad Boy/Arista	153
7.	GANG STARR f/K-CI & JOJO	Royalty	NooTrybe/Virgin	150
8.	LORD TARIQ & PETER GUNZ	Deja Vu	Codeine/Col/CRG	148
9.	QUEEN PEN	Party Ain't A Party	Lil' Man/Interscope	144
10.	GOODIE MOB	They Don't Dance No Mo	Laface/Arista	138
11.	ONYX f/DMX	Shut 'Em Down	Def Jam/Mercury	136
12.	CANIBUS	Second Round K.O.	Group Home/Universa	d 133
13.	ARETHA FRANKLIN	A Rose Still A Rose	Arista	132
14.	EBONI FOSTER	Crazy For You	Hendrix/MCA	129
15.	JACKSON 5	I Want You Back (rmx)	Motown	125
16.	YO-YO FGERALD LEVERT	Iz It Still All Good	EastWest/EEG	120
17.	MOS DEF, Q-TIP & TASH	Body Rock	Rawkus	119
18.	MASE f/TOTAL	What You Want	Bad Boy/Arista	117
19.	DR. DRE AND LL COOL J	Zoom	Aftermath/Interscope	e 113
20.	WYCLEF JEAN &CANIBUS	Gone Till November	RC/RH/Col/CRG	110

#### OUTTA THA BOX

		LY CONFERENCI VINNERS
ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL
COMMERCIAL		
I. JANET	! Get Lonely (remixes)	Virgin
2. THE LOX f/DMX & LIL KIM	Money, Power & Respect	Bad Boy/Arista
3. SCARFACE f/2PAC & MASTER P	Homies & Thungs	Rap-A-Lot/NooTrybe/Vir
4. BUSTA RHYMES	Fire It Up	Elektra/EEG
5. YOYO f/GERALD LEVERT	Iz It Still All Good	EastWest/EEG
6. JODY WATLEY f/RAKIM	Off The Hook (remix)	Atlantic/ATL G
7. EBONI FOSTER	Crazy For You	Hendrix/MCA
8. ELEMENTS OF LIFE	Love The Way	RCA
UNDERGROUND		
I. CANIBUS	Second Round K.O.	Group Home/Universa
2. GOODIE MOBB	They Don't Dance No More	LaFace/Arista
3. MOS DEF, Q-TIP & TASH	Body Rock	Rawkus
4. GANG STARR	Work	NooTrybe/Virgin
5. COCOA BROVAS f/RAEKWON	Black Trump	DuckDown/Priority
6. MJG f/EIGHTBALL & TWISTA	In The Middle Of The Night (remix)	Universal
7. DJ HONDA	On The Mic	Relativity



#### <u>The Lowdown On New Music</u>

#### By Leading Mixers

#### **WAKE UP SHOW • KKBT/SYNDICATED**



Naughty By Nature, Mag, Castro "Work" "Butter" soundtrack Relativity

"Everything iz there for tha underground hedz. Only thing I would do to make this record go to mainstream and that iz to change tha hook. All tha MCs

rip shitt up and it definitely haz mainstream appeal." Editor's note:W/a major league hit syndicated werld-wide hip-hop show, new clothing lines, consulting... what'z next? Beatz that'll cure jet lag? Bandanas that'll cure tha common headache? Sleep-inducing sunglasses? DJ lessonz or top Trailer Trash Trailerpark locations for Revolution?

#### **IE-MAN · KPWR**



Delinquent Habits
"Here Comes The Horns"
Loud

"Yo! Tha record iz dope!! Great follow up to their last single... Tha horns are blaaazzzin!! Shittt iz hottt and on rota-

tion here." Editor's note: E-Man...you slut. And we wonder why we in tha mix have tha reputation we have. Damn you.... By tha way, can ya get me & Damian Young (MD/KPWR) tha phone #'s of tha one's on ya left?

#### | ERICY (THA BAKA BOYZ) • KPWR



Big Punisher f/Joe
"Still Not A Player" (remix)

"Big Pun iz back, back again, crushin MCs from tha East to tha West...Tha remix iz fattt & everyone should play this joint...PERIOD!!" Editor's

note: "We'll teach ya how to keep you're golf score just under 120," sez Tha Baka Boyz' Eric V (left) & Nick V (right) to Usher who, tho feelin hopeless about tha prospect, sed he'd show 'Tha Boyz' sum workout routines to kut up their abs like him. Yeah, & I'll be coachin tha Green Bay Packers this season.

#### **IGLENN AURE • KMEL**



WC
"Cheddar"
Pay Day/FFRR

"It'z all about tha CHEESE, BABY!! Got a chance to hear tha unfinished version three months ago and it was definitely hott!! Finally iz here on your turntables

and sure to get tha crowd goin, so don't sleep." Latin Prince note: BADDA BING BADDA BANG!! A very thirsty group of talented DJs along with a starving record rep, az we find them lickin @ LULU's in Frisco, (I-r) Rick"Dragon Style"Lee (SBC/KMEL), Glenn"The Telly King"Aure, Franzen"Bong"Wong and Sean"Pecas"Costner (GeeStreet). GOT MILK?!

#### **IWOLF D • WKKV**



Davina
"Come Over To My Place"
Loud

"Just az Uncle Ricky haz already been quoted, do not sleep on this artist, like so many of you have slept on artists like D'Angelo, Maxwell or Erykah Badu and

then jump on the bandwagon later. This song iz great for radio and the talent of this artist iz beyond werdz! If you haven't already listened to this song, put it on your turntable/CD player NOW!!" Editor's note: This pic iz so old, "Miggedy" didn't even know what a bong waz yet. He had good teachers tho. (L-r): Mr. Wolf D., Miggedy (WGCI) & Ricky Leigh.

#### DRE-SKI • WAMO



Elements Of Life "Love The Way" RCA

"A great jam with a great groove, very mellow but yet hip-hop-ish!! I especially liked tha female MC... She goes off!! These guys remind me of

Playa or Jagged Edge...Very up and coming." Latin Prince note: I just wanna give my man Mong (Loud/Center) props on tha new hottt remix of Big Punisher, az we find Mr.Ski (left) & Mr. B-Traxx (right/KMEL) trying to bribe him to for more copies....HAHAHAHA YOU BEEEOOOCCHES

#### SEAN TAYLOR • WHTA



MJG f/EIGHTBALL & TWISTA
"In The Middle Of The Night" (remix)
Universal

"Once again, tha brothaz from Memphis are reprezentin with their SOUTHERNPLAYALISTI-CADILLACFUNKINMUZICSTELO!! Pimpin my

caddy rhymes, only true playaz can play this one. Attention playaz & pimps-this one'z for you." Editor's note: Thinkin to himself what duz this muthafukka know bout playa she-it, tho you'd never know it by lookin @ him in this pic iz Naughty By Nature's Trech. Shortly hereafter, Mr. Taylor (left) waz overheard askin Trech for a loan outta hiz new Arista deal.

#### GEE WIZ • WJBT



Yo Yo f/Gerald Levert
"Is It Still All Good"
EastWest/EEG

"If you're not playin it, you're fukkin slippin big time! Tha trakk itself makes tha song for you ole hedz... This one iz my joint!!." Editor's note: Mr.

Wiz iz now doin middaze full-time on-air. Here's a whole lotta folks who'd sleep in real late if they had to live in J-ville. (L-r/front): Danny C (Arista), Mr. Wiz & who knowz. (L-r/back): DJ Skno (WBTT), Bajja (Def Jam), Tess (Red Ant) & Charles Dixon (MCA). Hey Doc (PD/WIBT), @ least it ain't Jeff Lee (WHRK) doin middaze.

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- MICHAEL CRAWFORD 3.
- **MADONNA** 4.
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- **SCARFACE** 5.
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- 4. KILLAH PRIEST
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- 7. PRESIDENTS OF THE USA
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- 9. WEDDING SINGER (ST)
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#### SPEC'S

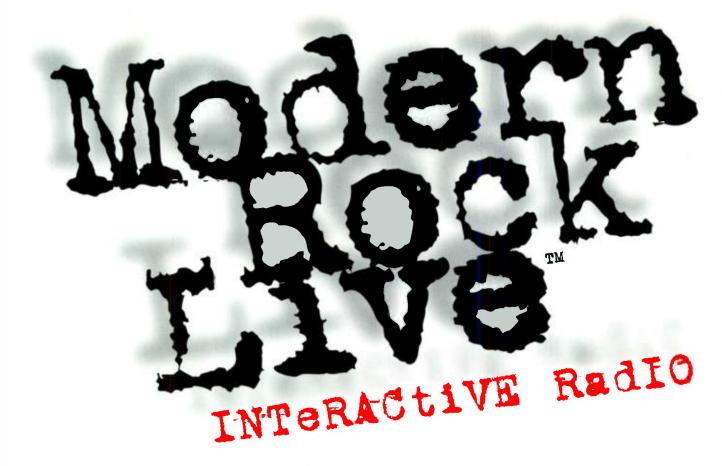
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- 10. K-CI & JOJO



CHRIS WESTER 4 Retail Stores

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- 1. RAGE AGAINST...
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- 5. SCARFACE
- 6. K-CI & JOJO
- 7. SILKK THE SHOCKER
- 8. BIG BAD VOODOO DADDY
- 9. RADIOHEAD
- 10. LOREENA MCKENNITT



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#### **IMPACT**

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- 2. NATALIE IMBRUGLIA
- 3. TWO
- 4. BIG BAD VOODOO DADDY
- 5. MADONNA
- 6. KILLAH PRIEST
- **BRAN VAN 3000**
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- 9. CURVE
- 10. PRESIDENTS OF THE USA



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- **SPACEHOG**
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- STUCK MOJO
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- 9. PEARL JAM
- 10. SCARFACE



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- 1. MADONNA
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  3. BIG BAD VOODOO DADDY
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2	N. IMBRUGLIA	(RCA 67634)	80%	7	JIMMY RAY	(Epic 69104)	18%			
3	MADONNA	(WB 46847)	56%	8	K. WASHINGTON	(Silas/MCA 11744)	17%			
4	KILLAH PRIEST	(Geffen 24971)	26%	9	CURVE	(Estupendo/Univ 53121)	14%			
5	MAVERICKS	(MCA Nashville 70018)	20%	10	BRAN VAN 3000	(Capitol 23604)	13%			

#### ANGOTT STEVE ROBERTS / DETROIT

Smooth Killah Priest Keith Washington Bran Van 3000 Ben Harper (EP) Curve

#### ARON'S RECORDS RICHARD ELLIS / LA

Curve Natalie Imbruglia Bran Van 3000 Trans Am Eric Clapton

#### ASSOCIATED HENRY LYNCH / PHOENIX Eric Clapton Natalie Imbruglia

Eric Clapton Natalie Imbruglia Smooth Killah Priest Jimmy Ray

#### BELIEVE IN MUSIC MARIO LEON / WYOMING, MI Caught Up (ST)

Caught Up (ST) C-Bo Ride (ST) Limp Bizkit Jagged Edge Destiny's Child Our Lady Peace

#### BORDERS BOOKS & MUSIC SEAN HICKEY / BRYN MAWR

Natalie Imbruglia Kathleen Wilhoite Eric Clapton Robbie Robertson Mayericks

#### CAMELOT LEW GARRETT / CANTON

Eric Clapton Natalie Imbruglia Killah Priest Mavericks Michael Crawford

### CD & TAPE OUTLET LYNN BATCHECK / COLUMBUS

Killah Priest Eric Clapton Natalie Imbruglia Marcus Miller Keith Washington

#### CD CONNECTION JOHN MANES / DAYTON

Natalie Imbruglia Eric Clapton Killah Priest All Saints Keith Washington

#### CROW'S NEST TODD HUPE / NAPERVILLE

Eric Clapton Natalie Imbruglia Killah Priest Robbie Robertson Joe Satriani

#### DOWN IN THE VALLEY CHRIS WESTER / MINNEAPOLIS

Eric Clapton Natalie Imbruglia Coal Chamber Two Curve

#### ELECTRIC FETUS JON JON SCOTT / MINNEAPOLIS Killah Priest

Killah Priest Tortoise Eric Clapton Ben Harper (EP) Spacehog The Artist

#### EXILE ON MAIN ST AL LOTTO / HARTFORD

Eric Clapton Natalie Imbruglia Curve Big Bad Voodoo Daddy Yo La Tengo

#### FACE THE MUSIC DAVE RUSSELL / MINNEAPOLIS

Eric Clapton Curve Spacehog Fastball Killah Priest

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Eric Clapton Natalie Imbruglia Silkk The Shocker Pres. of the USA Jimmy Ray Mavericks

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Eric Clapton C-Bo Harvey Danger Pres. of the USA Natalie Imbruglia Jimmy Ray Bran Van 3000

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Eric Clapton Natalie Imbruglia Killah Priest Fastball Mavericks Joe Satriani

#### IMPACT ONE STOP LLOYD HUMMEL / TEMPE

Eric Clapton Natalie Imbruglia Two Killah Priest Bran Van 3000 Fastball Curve

#### LOU'S RECORDS TONY VICK / ENCINITAS

Tortoise Eric Clapton Elliot Smith Spacehog Robbie Robertson The Who

#### MEDIA PLAY SCOTT PASTORELL / ROCHESTER

Madonna Eric Clapton Natalie Imbruglia Celene Dion Wedding Singer (ST) Loreena McKennitt

#### MUSIC MILLENIUM MIKE WHITE / PORTLAND

Eric Clapton Natalie Imbruglia Big Bad Voodoo Daddy Jimmy Ray Mayericks

#### MUSIC NETWORK BOB PATTEN / ATLANTA

Keith Washington Killah Priest Eric Clapton Smooth Lil Jon & E Side Boyz

#### MUSIC PEOPLE RYAN MILLER / OAKLAND

Ant Banks Killah Priest Ride (ST) Psycho Realm Ali

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#### NORMS SOUND & VISION NORM ISASCES / NEW YORK

Natalie Imbruglia Ani DiFranco Radiohead Cornershop Bob Dylan

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Eric Clapton Natalie Imbruglia Madonna Brown Clannad

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Eric Clapton All Saints Natalie Imbruglia Spacehog Ben Harper (EP) Jimmy Ray Killah Priest

#### **PENNY LANE**

BRADY RIFKIN / LOS ANGELES Eric Clapton Bran Van 3000 Finley Quaye Natalie Imbruglia Mavericks

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Eric Clapton **Propellerheads** Tortoise Natalie Imbruglia Fastball

## REC TOWN (MALL/AMERICA) PAUL DARULA / MINNEAPOLIS K-Ci & JoJo

Eric Clapton Natalie Imbruglia Killah Priest Madonna

#### **ROCHESTER O-S HELEN TIMBERLAKE / ROCHESTER**

Killah Priest Keith Washington Next Eric Clapton John Lennon

#### ROLLING STONE TODD MARCONI / CHICAGO

King Diamond Eric Clapton Wedding Singer (ST) Big Bad Voodoo Daddy Madonna

## SOUTHWEST PAUL BROOKMAN / HOUSTON Keith Washington Killah Priest

Eric Clapton Natalie Imbruglia Brian McKnight Caught Up (ST)

#### SPEC'S BETH FATH / MIAMI

Eric Clapton Natalie Imbruglia Killah Priest Ricky Martin Joe Satriani

#### STREETSIDE **NEIL LANDOW / ST. LOUIS**

Eric Clapton Madonna Natalie Imbruglia Killah Priest Fastball Keith Washington

#### TOWER BOB WALSH / BOSTON

Eric Clapton Ben Harper (EP) Killah Priest Natalie Imbruglia Long Journey Home (ST)

TOWER
ADAM LOWENSTEIN / LA JOLLA

Eric Clapton Natalie Imbruglia **Barenaked Ladies** Mavericks Clannad Robbie Robertson Killah Priest

#### **TOWER TODD MEEHAN / LOS ANGELES**

Eric Clapton Natalie Imbruglia Fastball Curve Mavericks Jimmy Ray Destiny's Child

#### **TOWER** JEPH JOHNSON / PORTLAND Eric Clapton

Natalie Imbruglia All Saints Mavericks Two

#### TOWER ANNIE GRUEN / STOCKTON

Eric Clapton Natalie Imbruglia C-Bo Brian McKnight Madonna Scarface Caught Up (ST)

#### **TOWER** PAUL KENNEDY / WASHINGTON DC

Kathleen Battle Madonna Eric Clapton Ben Harper (EP) Natalie Imbruglia Scarface Killah Priest

#### TOWER RECORDS DAVE STEEL / CHICO

Eric Clapton Scarface Natalie Imbruglia Joe Satriani

#### **TOWER-WOW** KRIS MARLINK / LAS VEGAS

Natalie Imbruglia Mavericks Killah Priest Keith Washington Eric Clapton

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Killah Priest Smooth Scarface Keith Washington

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BY MARK PEARSON

At presstime, NARM is still in session. Some snapshots: CD-Now President Jason Olim whacked the side of a hornet's nest when his ads on the American Music Awards and Grammy telecasts offered all the Grammy winners' CDs at half price. This sent even the most aggressive players in pricing screaming to the Big Six to "make those guys conform to MAP policies!" Of course. Internet retailers that don't accept co-op dollars are not subject to MAP. But reports of a large-scale Internet price war seem to be a bit premature. Music Boulevard's J.J. Rosen stated at a NARM panel that he has no plans to engage in a price war, and Olim has told HITS that he not only doesn't plan on running that kind of promotion again, but will soon accept the very co-op dollars that would bring him into the realm of MAP policy enforcement... Alliance Entertainment continues struggling with the daunting task of emerging from Chapter 11. Will it be a stand-alone plan? Will it be an Apollo, Chilmark, AC Israel, Bain Capital or Bruce Ogilvie

#### HOT UNDER THE COLLAR



MIKE DREESE: Playing hard to get.

acquisition? A fly in the ointment for any of these plans has been that Alliance's largest account, Barnes & Noble, is once again trying to decide whether they should go direct with the majors, taking \$90 million a year in sales out of Alliance's pocket. Insiders at Alliance now insist they'll sign a new agreement with B&N in the next few weeks, keeping all but the "minutiae" of the rapidly expanding chains business... Mike Dreese, the mastermind behind Newbury Comics, came to NARM once again packing a bombshell. Angered by what he perceives as a breach of the confidential information he supplies to Soundscan, he has given notice that he intends to stop reporting his data, and states his contract is such that he can do just that. Although Dreese makes it clear he will continue to report his Top 100 to other trade publications, including HITS, this sent a ripple through a statistic-hungry industry, suggesting that it would be hard to gauge a record in the Boston area without Newbury's numbers. Attendees watched to see if anvone else would follow his lead. Initially, that doesn't seem to be the case. Even members of the Coalition, who have long considered the smart and savvy Dreese their unofficial mentor, were hardpressed to say they'd do more than take a hard look at the situation and try to find some answers. More compensation? Delaying reports to Soundscan for a week or more? Stay tuned... More NARM next week, including Awards.

# MINI-MUGS



WOOD IF SHE COULD: Multi-platinum singer/songwriter Lauren Wood, who penned the hit "Fallen" from the 15-million-selling "Pretty Woman" soundtrack, pulls a rabbit out of her hat while kicking off her "Cyberquilt" animal rescue project at Spay Day USA, held in Orange County. Wood plans to profile thousands of animals up for adoption at her website www.laurenwood.com. Shown shortly before enjoying a heaping bunny stew are (front, I-r) KOST d.j.s Kim and Mark, and (back, I-r) Wood and Orange County Animal Shelter's Lt. Marie Hulett.



THEY'VE GOT A TICKET TO TELLURIDE: VH1 recently held its annual "Lift Ticket To Ride" celebrity ski event in Telluride, CO, featuring a concert by Joan Jett & the Blackhearts which raised \$50,000 for the network's "Save the Music" campaign for music education. Shown shortly before avoiding Sony Bono and Michael Kennedy on the ski slopes are (I-r) VH1's John Sykes, Jett & VH1 VP Music/Talent Rel. Bruce Gillmer.



SOUL SURVIVORS: Former Pioneer honorees (I-r) Gary U.S. Bonds, Ruth Brown and George Clinton gather at the recent Ninth Annual Rhythm & Blues Pioneer Awards at the New York Sheraton just prior to realizing where this picture would eventually end up. The three immediately bribed the photographer to destroy the film, but not before the outtakes were sent to Billboard, where Timothy White composed an elegaic "Music To My Ears," then was ordered to clear off the tables and bring the check. Where's Ol' Dirty Bastard when you most need him?







# EARPICKS

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

#### **WINNERS**

1 S.O.A.P. This Is How We... (Crave) 6 GOO GOO DOLLS Iris (Reprise)

2 JAI Heaven (RCA) 7 REBEKAH Sin So Well (Elek/EEG)

3 VAN HALEN Without You (WB) 8 NAKED Raining On... (Red Ant)

4 BACKSTREET BOYS Everybody (Jive) 9 XSCAPE The Arms Of... (SSD/Col/CRG)

5 SARAH McLACHLAN Adia (Arista) 10 OUR LADY PEACE Clumsy (Col/CRG)

#### DINO

JET-FM/ERIE B Boys/Rebekah

#### HITMAN

KBFM/BROWNSVILLE Chumbawamba/Janet

#### **JACKO**

WMRV/BIRMINGHAM B Boys/B Ladies

#### JIM ALLEN

KFFM/YAKIMA Blair/P Announcement

#### **JEFF ANDREWS**

WVTI/GRAND RAPIDS B Boys

#### **RICH ANHORN**

KHMX/HOUSTON Naked

#### **DON ANTHONY**

TALENTMASTERS/ATLANTA Next

#### **TOMMY AUSTIN**

KKRZ/PORTLAND
A Morrisette/P Announcement

#### **BRANT BARRY**

FRED MEYER/PORTLAND V Halen/Ru Paul/A Franklin/Savatage

#### LYNN BATCHECK

CD & TAPE OUTLET/COLUMBUS V Halen/C-Murder/M Cohn

#### STEPHANIE BATLEY

WALL/RICHMOND N Imbruglia/Fastball/B Voss/B Lab

#### JT BOSCH

WRHT/MOREHEAD CITY Sister 7/CP Daddies/L Loeb

#### **BRIAN BRIDGMAN**

WNKS/CHARLOTTE Jai

#### **CHRIS CALLOWAY**

WZYP/HUNTSVILLE B Ladies/Jai/Xscape

#### TOM CALOCOCCI

92Q/BALTIMORE V of Theory

#### TRISH CARPENTER

WBAM/MONTGOMERY Creed/Jai/Naked

#### MIKE CHASE

KMCK/FAYETTEVILLE S.O.A.P.

#### SCOTT CHASE

WZOK/ROCKFORD B Boys/S Colvin

#### STEVE CHAVEZ

KTFM/SAN ANTONIO Xscape/B Rhymes

#### DAVE COOPER

KZZP/PHOENIX B Lab/Naked

#### **WAYNE COY**

WABB/MOBILE Naked/E Lind

#### **KEITH CURRY**

WSNX/GRAND RAPIDS
Janet

#### **CHRIS DIDIER**

WMEE/FT. WAYNE
M Playground/S McLachlan

#### **DAVID EDGAR**

B94/PITTSBURGH OL Peace

#### MIKE EDWARDS

Z95.7/SAN FRANCISCO S.O.A.P./La Bouche

#### **CHAD ELLIOT**

WCIL/CARBONDALE GG Dolls/S.O.A.P.

#### RICHARD ELLIS

ARON'S RECORDS/LOS ANGELES A Franklin/Morcheeba/Olu Dara

#### MARK FEATHER

KISV/BAKERSFIELD
Ellen Dow/Dr Dre & LL Cool J

#### **MICK FULGHAM**

KISX/TYLER OL Peace/B McKnight

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WZPL/INDIANAPOLIS B Boys

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STREETSIDE/ST LOUIS Next/J Ray/A Franklin/Verve

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TOWER/PORTLAND KW Shepherd/Corrs/Jai/Next

#### **KEVIN KASEY**

WYOY/JACKSON GG Dolls

#### **PAUL KELLY**

WAYV/ATLANTIC CITY
KW Shepherd/TE Blind/Sister 7/Vaganza

#### **KEVIN KOSKE**

KMXB/LAS VEGAS
Matchbox 20/BB King & T Chapman/S McLachlan

#### **DIANA LAIRD**

KGGI/RIVERSIDE LFO/Xscape

#### **RANDY LANE**

CONSULTANT/LA
Semisonic/GG Dolls/CP Daddies

#### **HAROLD LEPIDUS**

NEWBURY COMICS/BOSTON V Halen/R Robertson/Specials/Fastball

#### AL LEVINE

WBLI/LONG ISLAND
I Circle

#### AL LOTTO

EXILE ON MAIN ST/HARTFORD
Curve/S Weiland/CP Daddies/Morcheeba

#### **JOHN MANES**

CD CONNECTION/DAYTON C-Murder/V Halen

#### **TONY MANN**

WAPE/JACKSONVILLE S.O.A.P./Naked

#### **TODD MARCONI**

ROLLING STONE/CHICAGO
Two/V Halen/BBV Daddy/E Clapton

#### MIKE MARINO

KKPN/HOUSTON
L Miguel/R Martin/Los Tigres D Norte

#### JEFF MCCARTNEY

KZHT/SALT LAKE CITY S McLachlan

#### **TODD MEEHAN**

TOWER/LOS ANGELES
L Kravitz/G Against Boys/J Cantrell

#### **TONY MESCERO**

WPLJ/NEW YORK GG Dolls/M Playground/Fastball/Jai

#### JILL MEYER

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#### TIM MICHAELSON

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#### **RYAN MILLER**

MUSIC PEOPLE/OAKLAND C-Murder/P Club/WC/Paris

#### **JJ MORGAN**

KQKQ/OMAHA S.O.A.P./Corrs

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WPRO/PROVIDENCE S McLachlan/React/OL Peace/Jai

#### **DANNY OCEAN**

Z95.7/SAN FRANCISCO Xscape/GG Dolls

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WFHN/NEW BEDFORD Xscape

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WRTS/ERIE, PA React/D Child/B Ladies

#### KAREN RITE

WMXB/RICHMOND B Raitt/S McLachlan

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ANGOTT/DETROIT C-Murder/C Winans/V Halen/Morcheeba

#### **DAVE RUSSELL**

FACE THE MUSIC/MINNEAPOLIS Curve/Polara/Morcheeba/M Harvey

#### **STEW SCHANTZ**

WSKS/UTICA Jai/OL Peace/Rebekah

#### JON JON SCOTT

ELECTRIC FETUS/MINNEAPOLIS Cappadonna/Das EFX/Polara/C-Murder

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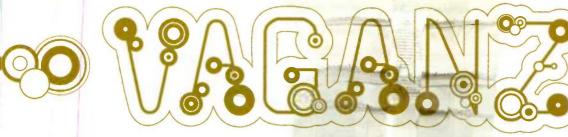
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#### JIMMY STEAL

KDMX/DALLAS P Cole

#### JIMMY STEALE

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WGTZ/DAYTON B McKnight/B Boys/D Child

#### **BRIAN STOLL**

WLVY/ELMIRA S.O.A.P./Rebekah

#### DARREN STONE

WABB/MOBILE Rebekah/React/Blair/GG Dolls

#### **BILLY SURF**

KQAR/LITTLE ROCK E McCain/Jai

#### VICTOR TABINSKY

RECORD ARCHIVES/ROCHESTER Fastball/Semisonic/Rev. H Heat/I Stradlin

#### **CHRIS TAYLOR**

WKSL/MEMPHIS No Authority/S.O.A.P.

#### SCOTT THOMAS

KLYV/DUBUQUE React/Janet/Naked

#### **MIKE THOMAS**

WHOT/YOUNGSTOWN
OL Peace/S.O.A.P./B McKnight

#### **HELEN TIMBERLAKE**

ROCHESTER ONE-STOP/ROCHESTER A Franklin/Davina/C-Murder

#### **DARRIN TRIPP**

KHTQ/SPOKANE Treana/N Imbruglia/Rebekah

#### **TONY VICK**

LOU'S RECORDS/ENCINITAS S Poltz/N Imbruglia/V Halen/S Weiland

#### SAM VOGEL

UNIVERSAL/PHILADELPHIA I Circle/Next/S.O.A.P.

#### **JORDAN WALSH**

WLAN/LANCASTER, PA S.O.A.P./Robyn

#### **BRUCE WAYNE**

WMC/MEMPHIS S Colvin/J of Clay/S McLachlan

#### **CHRIS WESTER**

DOWN IN THE VALLEY/MINNEAPOLIS Two/Semisonic/Rev. H Heat/J Garcia Band

#### MIKE WHITE

MUSIC MILLENIUM/PORTLAND B Grape/BV 3000/Rev. H Heat/LSG

#### TERESA WHITE

TOWER BEAVERTON/BEAVERTON
J Ray/Verve/Spacehog/Semisonic

#### **TIM WILSON**

URBAN LIGHTS/MINNEAPOLIS C-Murder/Paris/Cappadonna/G Starr

#### **DAN WOLINSKI**

RECORD TOWN/MINNEAPOLIS
K-Ci & JoJo/V Halen/BB King & T Chapman/D Krall

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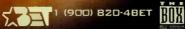
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1	1	1	CELINE DION	MY HEAFT WILL GO ON	550 Music 78825	#1 VH1, #6 BOX, MTV, radio, #1 requests
	2	2	MADONNA	FROZEN	Warner Bros 43993	From smash LP, #10 MTV, #3 VH1, BOX, radio
2	3	3	SAVAGE GARDEN	TRULY, MADLY	Col/CRG 78723	Huge LP, big requests, BOX, MTV, XL VH1
	_	4	ERIC CLAPTON	MY FATHER'S EYES	Reprise N/A	From debut smash LP, Large VH1, MTV
7	5	5	K-CI & JOJO	ALL MY LIFE	MCA N/A	Smash LP, BOX, BET, #1 MTV, VH1, radio, phones
4	6	6	USHER	NICE & SLOW	LaFace/Arista 24290	Multi-Platinum LP, BET, #8 MTV, BOX, huge single
		7	NATALIE IMBRUGLIA	TORN	RCA N/A	Broke from smash video and radio, LP out and hot
6	8	8	MATCHBOX 20	3 AM	Lava/Atl/Atl G N/A	Multi-Platinum LP, Top 40, XL VH1, #6 MTV, requests
10	10	9	WILL SMITH	GETTIN' JIGGY	Col/CRG 78804	#1 single, #4 MTV, BET, BOX, radio
3	4	10	BACKSTREET BOYS	AS LONG AS YOU	Jive N/A	Leading huge LP, Top 40, new cut starting
11	11	11	MARCY PLAYGROUND	SEX AND CANDY	Capitol N/A	LP pushing a million, radio, #3 MTV, VH1, BOX
	7	12	SCARFACE	HOMIES AND THUGS	R-A-L/NT/Virgin N/A	From hot new Rap LP, Rap radio, BOX, BET
14	13	13	LOREENA MCKENNITT	MUMMERS' DANCE	QR/WB 17241	MTV, Med VH1, Platinum LP, radio, single selling
17	16	14	SHANIA TWAIN	YOU'RE STILL THE	Mercury 568-452	Multi-platinum LP, Top 40, big single sales, Med VH1
16	15	15	AQUA	TURN BACK TIME	MCA N/A	From smash LP, Top 40 radio, on MTV, add BOX
12	12	16	BRIAN MCKNIGHT	ANYTIME	Mercury N/A	Hot LP, radio, Heavy BET, VH1, MTV
5	9	17	SILKK THE SHOCKER	JUST BE STRAIGHT	No Limit/Pri N/A	From huge Hip Hop LP, hot JAMZ, #1 BOX, BET
20	19	18	CREED	MY OWN PRISON	Wind-Up N/A	Acoustic mix hitting, LP huge, MTV, PoMo & A. Rock
22	21	19	THIRD EYE BLIND	HOW'S IT GOING	Elek/EEG 64130	Platinum plus LP, MTV, Large VH1, radio
9	14	20	PEARL JAM	GIVEN TO FLY	Epic 78797	First track from new LP, PoMo/Active Rock radio
13	18	21	USHER	YOU MAKE ME WANNA.	LaFace/Arista 24265	Huge LP, MTV, Top 40, JAMZ and X-over
15	20	22	MASE	FEEL SO GOOD	B. Boy/Arista 79122	Still on MTV, new single breaking
23	23	23	METALLICA	UNFORGIVEN II	Elektra/EEG N/A	MTV, tons of Active Rock, from huge LP, BOX
18	22	24	THE VERVE	BITTER SWEET	Virgin N/A	Gold-plus LP, #13 MTV, Medium VH1, radio
27	26	25	PAULA COLE	ME	Imago/WB 17318	From Platinum-plus LP, Lg VH1, MTV, Top 40
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24 25 26	BEN FOLDS FIVE	BRICK	550 Music N/A	Solid LP, multi-format radio, MTV, Lg VH1
- 35 27	CHUMBAWAMBA	AMNESIA	Repub/Universal N/A	Second single from smash LP, Top 40 radio
8 17 28	SPICE GIRLS	TOO MUCH	Virgin 38630	From hot soundtrack, on the way out
19 24 29	PUFF DADDY	BEEN AROUND	B. Boy/Arista 79124	MTV, BOX, Heavy BET, huge single, multi-platinum LP
38 33 30	JAMES HORNER	SOUTHAMPTON	Sony Cl/Work N/A	From "Titanic" (ST), Top 40 radio
35 34 31	WYCLEF JEAN	GONE TILL NOVEMBER		Solid LP, #9 MTV, Heavy BET, BOX, hot single
30 31 32	UNCLE SAM	I DON'T EVER		
			S. Creek/Epic 78689	BET, VH1, MTV, radio, LP developing
	CHUMBAWAMBA	TUBTHUMPING	Repub/Univer 56146	Peaking gradually, "Amnesia" now
21 28 34	LSG	MY BODY	EW/EEG 64132	Falling now, "Curious" breaking
37 36 35	MARY J BLIGE	SEVEN DAYS	MCA N/A	Smash LP, BET, BOX, MTV, JAMZ and X-over radio
32 32 36	PAULA COLE	I DON'T WANT TO WAIT	•	Falling after great run
40 38 37	OUR LADY PEACE	CLUMSY	Col/CRG N/A	Steady LP sales, PoMo and Active Rock, MTV
<b>- 38</b>	ROBYN	DO YOU REALLY WANT	RCA N A	Giant at Top 40 radio, LP developing at Nat1 accts
38 48 42 39	ROBYN BARENAKED LADIES	DO YOU REALLY WANT BRIAN WILSON	RCA N A Reprise N/A	Giant at Top 40 radio, LP developing at Nat'l accts From developing LP PoMo/APM/Top 40
48 42 39	BARENAKED LADIES	BRIAN WILSON	Reprise N/A	From developing LP_PoMo/APM/Top 40
48 42 <mark>39</mark> 42 40 40	BARENAKED LADIES MONO	BRIAN WILSON LIFE IN MONO	Reprise N/A Echo/Mer 568-285	From developing LP PoMo/APM/Top 40 From developing LP, PoMo, MTV
48 42 39 42 40 40 46 44 41	BARENAKED LADIES MONO DESTINY'S CHILD	BRIAN WILSON LIFE IN MONO NO, NO, NO	Reprise N/A Echo/Mer 568-285 Col/CRG 78618	From developing LP PoMo/APM/Top 40 From developing LP, PoMo, MTV LP selling, BET, X-over/JAMZ, big single, MTV
48 42 39 42 40 40 46 44 41 43 43 42	BARENAKED LADIES MONO DESTINY'S CHILD BILLIE MYERS	BRIAN WILSON LIFE IN MONO NO, NO, NO KISS THE RAIN	Reprise N/A Echo/Mer 568-285 Col/CRG 78618 Universal 56140	From developing LP PoMo/APM/Top 40  From developing LP, PoMo, MTV  LP selling, BET, X-over/JAMZ, big single, MTV  From developing LP, Large VH1, MTV, tons 'o radio
48 42 39 42 40 40 46 44 41 43 43 42 49 43	BARENAKED LADIES MONO DESTINY'S CHILD BILLIE MYERS SARAH MCLACHLAN	BRIAN WILSON LIFE IN MONO NO, NO, NO KISS THE RAIN ADIA	Reprise N/A Echo/Mer 568-285 Col/CRG 78618 Universal 56140 Arista N/A	From developing LP PoMo/APM/Top 40  From developing LP, PoMo, MTV  LP selling, BET, X-over/JAMZ, big single, MTV  From developing LP, Large VH1, MTV, tons 'o radio  Third single from smash LP, MTV, Lg VH1, radio
48 42 39 42 40 40 46 44 41 43 43 42 49 43 45 44	BARENAKED LADIES MONO DESTINY'S CHILD BILLIE MYERS SARAH MCLACHLAN LSG	BRIAN WILSON LIFE IN MONO NO, NO, NO KISS THE RAIN ADIA CURIOUS	Reprise N/A Echo/Mer 568-285 Col/CRG 78618 Universal 56140 Arista N/A EW/EEG N/A	From developing LP PoMo/APM/Top 40  From developing LP, PoMo, MTV  LP selling, BET, X-over/JAMZ, big single, MTV  From developing LP, Large VH1, MTV, tons 'o radio  Third single from smash LP, MTV, Lg VH1, radio  Solid LP sales, #5 MTV, Heavy BET, BOX
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POWER POTENTIALS:

SEMISONIC (MCA)
C-MURDER (No Limit/Priority)

PEARL JAM (Epic)
EDWIN MCCAIN (Lava/Atl/Atl G)

FIONA APPLE (Work)
FASTBALL (Hollywood)



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We've never 'Sinned So Well!" — STEVE MCKAY/WBHT - WIIKES-Barre/17x

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"This is a KILLER track!" — Tommy Mattern/WALC - St. Louis

"I LOVE this record!" - Woody Houston/WHZZ - Lansing

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LW.	TW	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL	PLAYS			REPORTS
1	1	CELINE DION	MY HEART WILL GO ON	550 MUSIC	10321	3495	0	195
2	2	SAVAGE GARDEN	TRULY MADLY DEEPLY	COLUMBIA/CRG	9567	3297	0	185
3	3	MATCHBOX 20	3 AM	LAVA/ATL/ATL G	8991	3038	0	186
4	4	K-CI & JOJO	ALL MY LIFE	MCA		2390	4	181
7	5	MADONNA	FROZEN	WARNER BROTHERS	6949	2145	4	190
9	6	NATALIE IMBRUGLIA	TORN	RCA	6551	2301	2	191
5	7	BILLIE MYERS	KISS THE RAIN	UNIVERSAL	6427	1761	2	159
8	8	JANET JACKSON	TOGETHER AGAIN	VIRGIN	5892	1562	2	138
6	9	BACKSTREET BOYS	AS LONG AS YOU LOVE ME	JIVE	5881	1872	1	133
11	10	THIRD EYE BLIND	HOW'S IT GOING TO BE	ELEKTRA/EEG	5530	1740	1	166
14	11	WILL SMITH	GETTIN' JIGGY WIT IT	COLUMBIA/CRG	5192	1555	2	140
10	12	LOREENA MCKENNITT	MUMMERS' DANCE	QR/WARNER BROTHERS	5158	1798	0	157
15	13	NSYNC	I WANT YOU BACK	RCA	4897	937	2	149
12	14	SMASH MOUTH	WALKIN' ON THE SUN	INTERSCOPE	4725	2289	0	127
18	15	MARCY PLAYGROUND	SEX & CANDY	CAPITOL	4653	1837	5	167
16	16	BEN FOLDS FIVE	BRICK	550 MUSIC	4616	1414	2	158
13	17	USHER	YOU MAKE ME WANNA	LAFACE/ARISTA	4127	1523	0	105
19	18	THE VERVE	BITTER SWEET SYMPHONY	VIRGIN	4086	1731	3	145
20	19	USHER	NICE & SLOW	LAFACE/ARISTA	4041	1455	4	128
28	20	ROBYN	DO YOU REALLY WANT ME	RCA	3427	834	8	145
23	21	ERIC CLAPTON	MY FATHER'S EYES	REPRISE	3319	780	1	140
27	<b>2</b> 2	BRIAN MCKNIGHT	ANYTIME	MERCURY	3278	1385	16	107
25	23	AQUA	TURN BACK TIME	MCA	3253	638	1	138
17	24	JIMMY RAY	ARE YOU JIMMY RAY	EPIC	3234	554	0	114
24	25	UNCLE SAM	I DON'T EVER WANT TO	STONECREEK/EPIC	2931	908	1	97
21	26	GREEN DAY	TIME OF YOUR LIFE	REPRISE	2890	1217	0	90
22	27	ROBYN	SHOW ME LOVE	RCA	2864	8 <b>9</b> 8	0	82
38	28	CHUMBAWAMBA	AMNESIA	REPUBLIC/UNIVERSAL	2560	547	5	137
32	29	EDWIN MCCAIN	I'LL BE	ATLANTIC/ATL G	2554	733	3	111
34	30	TUESDAYS	IT'S UP TO YOU	ARISTA	2462	375	3	115



<u>Added At:</u> **Z100** NYC

#### **Major Spins:**

WAPE 60x WNKS 38x KISS108 30x WLNK 30x KUMX 48x KHMX 32x WSTR 22x B97 30x WPRO 30x WKTI 28x

14\* SoundScan Album Last Week
12\* SoundScan Single Last Week
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#### CALLOUT RESEARCH

#3 Overall WNKS #4 Overall KRBE #6 Overall WSTR

#6 Overall **WAPE** #4 w/Women 25-29 **WLNK** #13 w/Women 25-34 **KISS 108** 

# SHANIA TWAIN





"You're Still The One"



825 TOP 40 BDS SPINS +125 1650 HOT 100 BDS SPINS +175 MONITOR ADULT 11\*



		- Mr			TOTAL	MAJOR MARKET		
LW	TW	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL	PLAYS		ADDS	REPORTS
31	31	PAULA COLE	ME	IMAGO/WARNER BROS	2396	860	4	134
35	32	KP & ENVYI	SWING MY WAY	EASTWEST/EEG	2322	982	6	76
29	33	PAULA COLE	I DON'T WANT TO WAIT	IMAGO/WARNER BROS	2236	1145	0	70
39	34	DESTINY'S CHILD	NO, NO, NO	COLUMBIA/CRG	2228	1001	5	90
33	35	TONIC	IF YOU COULD ONLY SEE	POLY/A&M ASSOC	2129	1198	0	69
30	36	SUGAR RAY	FLY	LAVA/ATL/ATL G	2057	879	0	70
64	37	BACKSTREET BOYS	EVERYBODY	JIVE	1901	452	25	125
26	38	SPICE GIRLS	TOO MUCH	VIRGIN	1820	211	0	74
43	39	NEXT	TOO CLOSE	ARISTA	1739	641	5	56
36	40	LISA LOEB	IDO	GEFFEN	1726	711	0	59
37	41	CHUMBAWAMBA	TUBTHUMPING	REPUBLIC/UNIVERSAL	1641	759	0	63
42	42	MASE	WHAT YOU WANT	BAD BOY/ARISTA	1519	785	3	43
46	43	DAKOTA MOON	A PROMISE I MAKE	ELEKTRA/EEG	1411	178	3	90
49	44	TONIC	OPEN UP YOUR EYES	POLY/A&M ASSOC	1289	377	6	89
48	45	SHANIA TWAIN	YOU'RE STILL THE ONE	MERCURY	1279	355	1	72
47	46	TIMBALAND & MAGOO	LUV 2 LUV U	BE/ATLANTIC/ATL G	1279	598	0	34
44	47	MATCHBOX 20	PUSH	LAVA/ATL/ATL G	1257	605	0	48
40	48	BOYZ II MEN	A SONG FOR MAMA	MOTOWN	1233	679	0	41
73	49	JANET JACKSON	I GET LONELY	VIRGIN	1207	416	9	62
61	50	SYLK-E. FYNE	ROMEO & JULIET	RCA	1202	571	0	33
51	51	SISTER HAZEL	ALL FOR YOU	UNIVERSAL	1145	643	0	40
45	52	AEROSMITH	PINK	COLUMBIA/CRG	1118	153	0	38
59	53	HANSON	WEIRD	MERCURY	1113	245	7	83
60	54	FIONA APPLE	SHADOWBOXER	WORK	1089	356	5	77
54	55	JAMES HORNER	SOUTHAMPTON	SC/WORK	1074	254	3	55
58	56	NU FLAVOR	HEAVEN	REPRISE	1013	416	0	32
41	57	ALL SAINTS	I KNOW WHERE IT'S AT	LONDON/ISLAND	1002	107	0	41
88	58	SARAH MCLACHLAN	ADIA	ARISTA	979	291	16	87
55	59	INOJ	LOVE YOU DOWN	SSD/COLUMBIA/CRG	978	363	0	33
65	60	WYCLEF JEAN	GONE TILL NOVEMBER	RC/RH/COL/CRG	971	412	6	49

#### WPLL/Miami-Already #3 Most Requested"

"Treana comes on with an impressive degree of energy and aggression on this power pop rocker. There's an ease in her performance that draws you in and leaves you hankering for more."

Billoard Magazine, February 28, 1998

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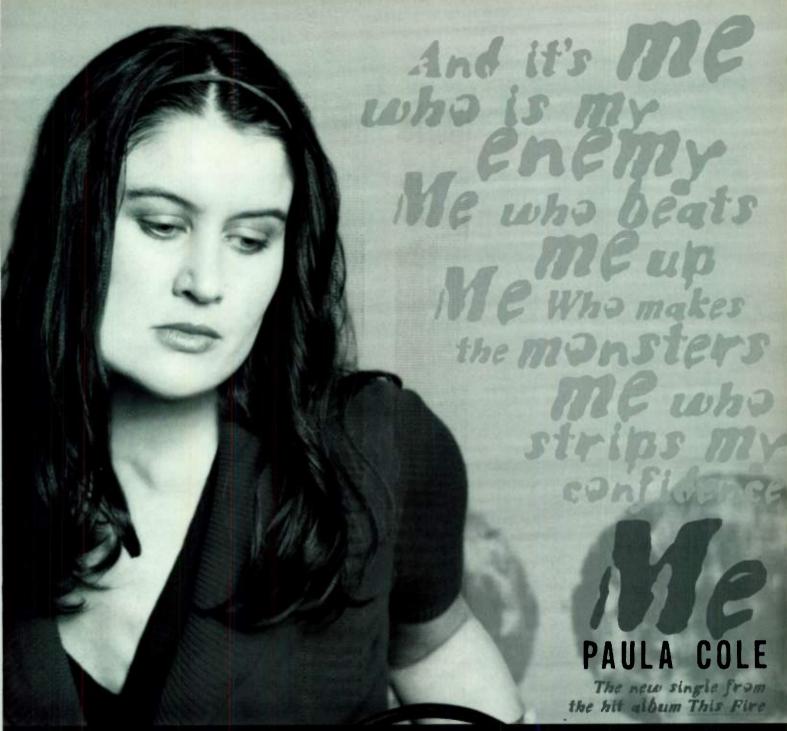




# REQUESTS

Kathleen Willey calls in for "Keep Your Hands To Yourself".

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LW	TW	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL	нотѕ	INCL	UDIN.	G	%
1	1	CELINE DION	MY HEART WILL	550 MUSIC	107	Z100 WVRT	Z95.7 WFBC	WJMN WSKS	71
2	2	K-CI & JOJO	ALL MY LIFE	MCA	63	HOT97 WRHT	KZHT WSNX	B96 W <b>X</b> KB	42
3	3	SAVAGE GARDEN	TRULY MADLY	COL/CRG	50	KCHZ 98PXY	KDMX WHOT	KRBE WNTQ	33
4	4	MATCHBOX 20	3 AM	LAVA/ATL/ATL	G 45	WRQX WVTI	Q102 WZOK	PRO-FM WMGI	30
5	5	BILLIE MYERS	KISS THE RAIN	UNIVERSAL	43	WALC WWMX	KYSR WGTZ	WVSR WLVY	28
6	6	MADONNA	FROZEN	WB	39	B96 KZHT	WPLJ WSNX	WKQI WAYV	26
8	7	USHER	NICE & SLOW	LAF/ARISTA	38	KBXX WDDJ	KHTS WSTO	WHHH WFHN	25
10	8	WILL SMITH	GETTIN' JIGGY	COL/CRG	33	WLKT WVKS	WMRV WBHT	WRHT WGLU	22
9	9	M PLAYGROUND	SEX & CANDY	CAPITOL	29	WFBC WNTQ	WKSI WYOY	WMXB WCIL	19
7	10	B STREET BOYS	AS LONG AS YOU	JIVE	27	Z95.7 WZNY	Z100 WVAQ	XL106 WSKS	18
11	11	NSYNC	I WANT YOU BACK	RCA	25	B96 WIFC	WBHT WMRV	WHZZ KHTQ	16
14	12	L MCKENNITT	MUMMERS' DANCE	QR/WB	23	B94 WABB	KHMX WBAM	Q102 WVAQ	15
12	13	N IMBRUGLIA	TORN	RCA	22	KZZP WSKS	WNKS Z104	WRQX WFBC	14
18	14	BEN FOLDS FIVE	BRICK	550 MUSIC	18	B94 WVSR	WALC KQKQ	KZHT KISX	12
15	15	JIMMY RAY	ARE YOU JIMMY RAY	EPIC	16	WABB KBFM	WLAN WSTO	WLKT KHTW	10
13	16	JAMES HORNER	SOUTHAMPTON	SC/WORK	15	<b>Z1</b> 00 KM <b>X</b> V	Z95.7 KQKQ	KFMB WBHT	10
16	17	HANSON	WEIRD	MERCURY	14	B96 WHOT	KCHX WHZZ	WFBC WRHT	9
17	18	BRIAN MCKNIGHT	ANYTIME	MERCURY	12	92Q KLUC	B96 WHHH	WPGC WJBT	8
	19	THE VERVE	BITTER SWEET	VIRGIN	10	KLLY KHTQ	WMRV KISX	KMXB KHTW	6
••	20	B STREET BOYS	EVERYBODY	JIVE	9	B96 XL106	KQKQ KHNK	WBLI KQIZ	6



36-33\* Top 40 Mainstream Monitor 24-22\* Adult Top 40 Monitor

**Over 2700 Total BDS Detections Over 21 Million Listeners** 

More Than 40,000 Albums Sold Last Week — More Than 1.1 Million Scanned To Date!







# POP MART

## Pop Go The Weasels

by Billy Bored

The Pop world looks strong across the board in the Phase I Fall Arbitrends. The diversity in the music is helping immensely. Top 40's ability to deliver Celine & LeAnn & K-Ci & JoJo & Usher & Smash mouth & Matchbox 20 is a potent mix of music that people actually have passion for. PDs did not initially want to play any of these hits, btw... Great to see the enthusiasm for RCA's Jai turn into airplay. Ron Geslin is on a mission... The walls come crumblin' down: Atlantic's Edwin McCain has broken through big



Greg—He is Rebekah

time, as the research stories are now huge. Don't miss this female monster a minute longer. Ask Andrea Ganis how late you are at this point—and ask her about the new LeAnn Rimes single while you're at it... Burt Baumgartner and Dennis Reese are getting Fiona's "Shadowboxer" this time—there are too many good stories at the majors. It's not too late to hit James Horner's "Titanic" track if you haven't already. One play = instant phones, in many cases surpassing Celine now... Majors are pouring in on Paula Cole—this one is closing rapidly. The only question remaining on Madonna-how quick will it go #1? Kudos to Stu, Barney and crew... You can now add React to Arista's hitlist, which also includes Sarah, Usher and the Tuesdays... May we suggest a novel approach—how about finding out what songs people like and then playing them? Wouldn't that be better than playing music because it "sounds" like the slot you need to fill this week? Winners play hits, not records they have to invent to fit a format... Good early radio love for Crave's Soap record—Lisa Wolf will attend to your hygiene for airplay... Love, love, love the new acoustic mix of Creed—this may be the most powerful new track around. Listen and test immediately... Revolution's Ritch Bloom is off and running with the new Kenny Wayne Shepherd track—we like this one a lot... Mercury's Brian McKnight remains on fire—this will be a full-on mass-appeal smash. Steve Ellis and Co. are all over the Shania Twain as well, amidst a surge in callout from several mainstream majors... Get ready for Geffen's next homerun—Black Lab. Bob Catania and Steve Kline impact it 4/6... Michael Plen's Virgin squad has the new Janet in action (with the last still Top 10) and the Verve, which refuses to die. PD interest in the new Sneaker Pimps track is building... We're way into the Rebekah record on Elektra. Thompson and Pfordresher continue to build the story on this future star... Reprise's Steve Tipp and Vikki Leben have more strong action on Barenaked Ladies. We repeat—this works wherever played... The Backstreet Boys' latest is flying onto radio. Slam-dunk for Jack Satter and Denise George... This is the week for Naked at Modern Adult. This PD fave sounds like a winner to us-and to Red Ant's Margret LoCicero... Add the exploding Our Lady Peace and Xscape to Columbia's slate of smashes—this future #1 Diane Warren tune hits on 4/6... Can you say Morcheeba? Barry Pinlac's first outing for Sire hits 3/30 and we dig it. Be listening now, please... Quick reaction to early spins on the BB King/Tracy Chapman duet. Next up for Nancy Levin's red-hot MCA team? Semisonic... Music we actually like: Goo Goo Dolls, Everclear, Vonda Shepard and Lenny Kravitz...



A DIFFERENT KIND OF BULL: Why are these stars posing with the waitstaff of T.G.I. Fridays? Oh, sorry—these Q101/Chicago staffers were rejected by the food-service world. Seen are (I-r) evening host Brooke Hunter, ex-Filter frontman Brian Liesgang, afternoon man Tim Virgin, MTV's Carmen Electra, Chicago Bulls superstar Dennis Rodman and Dir. Mktg. Development Alan Simkowski.



OOPS! FORGOT MY OVER-ALLS: Arista Sr. VP Promotion Richard Palmese (I) shares a chuckle with WPXY/Rochester MD JJ Rice after viewing the station's compost heap and chicken coop. "Tell me again why all the chickens are named Goober," Palmese asked. "Goober pretty name," replied Rice. "I add record. You take me for drive in shiny car."

## This Week's Special



Steve Tipp: Leaks, what leaks?

With movie-based music dominating airplay and sales for the last few months now, it's a good bet that this trend will continue in the form of the "City of Angels" soundtrack. The Meg Ryan/Nicolas Cage film opens nationwide April 10th. The entire album should be in your hands as you read this, which includes the first new song from Alanis Morissette since her record-breaking debut. Her tune is "Uninvited"-it will not be on the next Alanis LP, nor are there plans for it to be worked as a single. The runaway smash on the album should be the Goo

Goo Dolls' "Iris." Much in the vein of their previous callout monster, "Name," this one is even stronger and more compelling. Radio impact date is scheduled for 4/6. The first new track from Peter Gabriel in nearly five years is also on the CD, along with tracks from other superstars like U2, Sarah McLachlan and Paula Cole. Reprise Sr. VP Steve Tipp is at the helm, and the soundtrack is in stores March 31. Homerun.

# POP MART



FOR BETTER OR WORSE: "Shore do love that Melrose Place," said WNCI's Mark Elliot (r) to legendary fretman Richie Sambora (2nd from I), who knows a little bit about suffering for his art. "Wait a minute," chimed in PD Dimick (I) and MD Neal Sharpe (2nd from r), "Ain't you that Tommy Lee Anderson fella what made out with Heather Locklear on some awards show?"



HAT'S ENTERTAINMENT: "A is for Bruce," noted KKFR PD Bruce St. James to Elektra's Lara Woodward, impressing her with the kind of keen intellectual acuity that has won him nationwide respect in the radio community (as has his knack for natty head accessories). Brains AND style—a winning combo.

## Set-Up Box



Charlie Walk: Lipstick on the dipstick

The last time out, these girls hit it big with multiple radio hits and significant album sales. That was the tip of the iceberg. This time, they're set to detonate. The girls are called Xscape, and the first single is "The Arms of the One Who Loves You." It's one of the strongest Diane Warren tunes ever—in other words, it's a lock. Impact date is 4/6; LP "Traces of My Lipstick" hits 5/12. Even Columbia's Charlie Walk couldn't hold it back.



Andrea Ganis: The Quest for Airplay

The last time LeAnn Rimes delivered a record to Pop radio, most programmers poo-pooed it or simply ignored it. That one became one of the biggest records of the year. Poo-poo this: "Looking Through Your Eyes," a David Foster/Carole Bayer-Sager classic-in-the-making, from the forth-coming animated film "The Quest For Camelot." Andrea Ganis & her Atlantic team are on the warpath for airplay NOW. Don't snooze.

## Consultant's Corner

This week's corner comes to from longtime radio programmer, now President of Zapoleon Media Strategies, Guy Zapoleon. Roofies won't make you sleep this well.

#### ZAPOLEON MEDIA STRATEGIES MASTER STATION CHECKLIST,

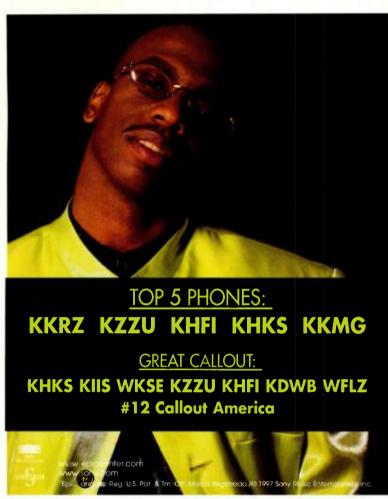
PART. I: The premise of successful radio stations appears simple: Understand the target & deliver to their expectations. It is about creating a compelling product, covering all of the three Ms (Music,

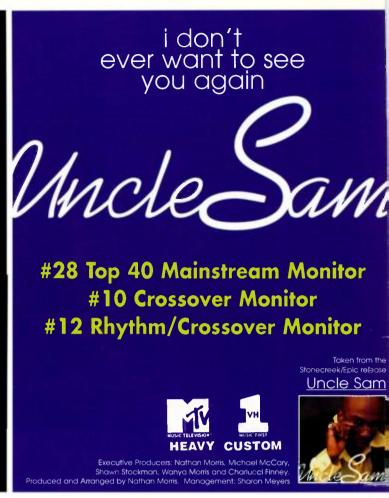


Hi, I'm Guy.

Morning & Marketing) and truly understanding your audience. Listening is habitual; you can't force listeners to change their habits and the way they use radio. Remember, the key to ARB success is threefold: 1) Top of Mind: The station must be top of mind for listeners to recall you when they fill out their Arbitron diary. 2) Time Spent Listening: More TSL is about getting more P1s in your audience since more than 70% of your share comes from P1s, which represent around 30% of your cume. 3) TSL is also about winning the "usage war"—getting more "times at bat," more listening occasions per week versus the competition. Yes, radio is simple, but it becomes much more complex in the details and execution... Here is a list of key elements you should be thinking about as we approach the spring book: 1) Target: Do you have a clear understanding of your 8 to 10-year demo cell and which music lifegroup you need to win? 2) Players: Is every member of your staff the best he/she can be? Does every member of your air-staff have a second job that assists you and makes them more a part of the station's success? Does each player clearly understand the mission? Does each player clearly understand their role and how they contribute to creating the product? Do you have a backup for each key member of your staff? 3) ARB: What are your ARB share and rank goals? Do you have goals for each quarter and are they realistic? Do you know what you need to reach your ARB share goal? 4) Branding/Positioning: Do your call letters, station name and positioning statement clearly sell the station brand? Is your station brand being sold effectively in every single quarter-hour of the day? Are you wasting opportunities? Are you teasing and recycling all key elements throughout the day? Are you hooking your listeners through every quarter-hour? Have you registered all your key identifiers with Arbitron? 5) Usage: Do you have an understanding of the needs of your demo and music lifegroup? Do you know exactly how, when, and where your P1 listener uses you? Is there anything you can do to create more? Is your brand as top of mind as it can be? 6) Marketing/Promotion: Do you know your marketing warfare position and appropriate actions? Are you in an offensive, defensive, flanker or guerrilla position? Do you have all key promotions and marketing planned for the year? Is there room to seize a market promotional opportunity when it arises? Does your marketing and promo strategy contribute to the brand? Do you have too many messages on the station at one time to be effective? Look for the answers to these questions and more, next week in Part II from Guy. Remember, the Z in Zapoleon stands for Zzzz.

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# WAVELENGTH

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is gaining familiarity and we strongly feel that it's time now for all the walls to come crumbling down..... In New York, Urban-formatted WBL\$ PD Lee Michaels has left the building. Our sources tell us that former WRKS PD Vinny Brown has the job if he so chooses. Details forthcoming..... Bob Catania and Geffen Records gearing up for a major, multi-format push on Black Lab's sensational "Time Ago." If you haven't listened yet, we suggest you do soon.... Surprise! Surprise!! Former Q106 San Diego PD Mark Todd officially joins Bill Richards consulting and will relocate to Orlando..... The Creed story, which we have been telling you about, continues to gain as album

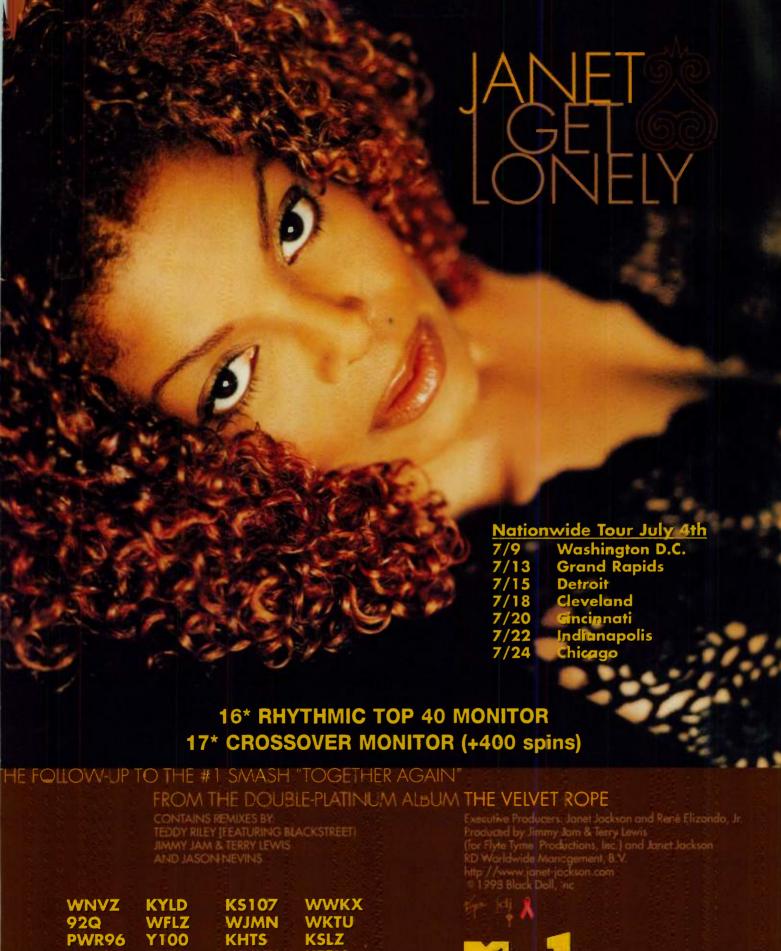
sales grow, MTV ups rotation, Modern-Adult formatted KVSR Fresno officially joins and the record begins to cross to Pop..... KDUK Eugene ups Valerie Steele to MD..... LeAnn Rimes' new single from "Quest For Camelot" is a killer. Listen and add. Thank you in advance..... Happy birthday to: Z95.7 San Francisco APD/MD Danny Ocean, 3/17, KBOS Fresno PD Steve Wall, 3/21 & our own HITS starlet Nicole Tocantins, 3/15..... The NCAA basketball tournament is absolutely great. We're still sticking with our pick of a repeat for Arizona (sorry Hilary, but Duke has no inside game)..... WHZZ Lansing nite jock Casey Waters exits. T&Rs to PD Woody Houston.... If you

haven't read "Tuesdays With Morrie" yet, you're missing the year's best book. (And, for those of you in radio, it's short & has big print)..... Great vibes are building on Hollywood's Fastball and London/Island's Harvey Danger.... Congrats to Crave's Rick Bisceglia (is he still in the business?) on this week's Most Added Pop single, S.O.A.P..... Geez, we almost made it through a whole column without mentioning Jeff Kapugi and his soaring ratings..... The Top Ten Most Played videos this week are: #1 K-Ci & JoJo, #2 Busta Rhymes, #3 Marcy Playground, #4 Will Smith, #5 LSG, #6 Matchbox 20, #7 Natalie Imbruglia, #8 Usher, #9 Wyclef Jean and #10 (tie) Madonna, Mariah Carey, Van

Halen and The Verve..... Blowin' In The Wind: Cat Collins, Heidi Stern, Joe Hecht, Tom Bracamontes and Mark Feather..... And here's the talented Mr. Don Parker, back in action in the Big City



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THE NEW PHILLIE LIBERTY CITY: In Philadelphia, WIOQ has finished its PD search and is about to name the victor. Our sources strongly feel that WPXY Rochester's Clarke Ingram, who had previously turned down the position for a lucrative deal to stay in Rochester, will be the man who will be announced. Look for the official word by week's end.... In Los Angeles, Chancellor's KCMG (Mega 100), headed by GM Bob Visotcky, has hired muchcoveted free agent and former KKFR Phoenix PD Don Parker as Operations Manager. Current PD Harold Austin will remain in place..... In Houston, look for Heftel Broadcasting to pick up KKPN from

Capstar. While insiders are predicting a format flip to Spanish, don't count The Planet out yet. A possible scenario has the current Planet format moving down the dial with PD Mike Marino and staff remaining in place. Stay



Sarah McLachlan, who's probably barefoot (though you can't tell from this photo), hangs in KYSR LA's "Star Lounge" with MD Chris Ebbot, air talent Lisa Fox and Arista's Joe Reichling. PD Angela Perelli was outside the photo hanging with her 3,467 station consultants.

tuned..... 99X Atlanta OM Brian Philips (who hasn't been honored enough lately) has been named the honoree of the T.J. Martell Music Industry Roast, to take place on May 6 in New York City. For further details, contact Kid Leo at 212-833-8605..... Christine Remme joins Jerry Clifton's C.P.R. as Director of Sales..... New KKRZ Portland PD Tommy Austin is close to a decision for an APD/afternoon drive talent. Is WABB Mobile's Darrin Stone the leading candidate?..... Wyclef Jean's "Gone Till November," which has been our favorite song for months, had an incredible major market radio score this week. It's selling, it was performed on the Grammys, it (continued on page 108)

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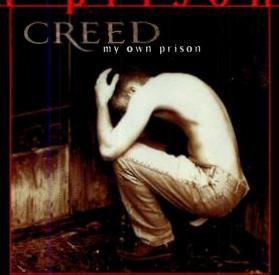
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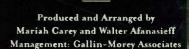












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