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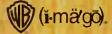
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WLNK	22x	WPTE	22x	WKSZ	40x
KQKQ	20x	WMC	21x	WWMX	20x

You want to play this new single from her GOLD (headed-to-Platinum) album, This Fire - but you're still playing the Top 5 multi-format smash, "Where Have All The Cowboys Gone?" (nearly 100,000 BDS detections). Nobody should have to wait for the next great thing. So, play both songs and make everybody happy. And look for Paula on the Lilith Fair tour and Texas Jams.

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Top 40 Monitor #6 New Airplay

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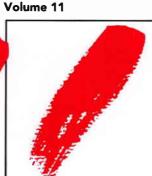
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VIBE-RATERS

Sarah smiles at #1, and Missy Elliott reigns right behind, while Our Lady Peace, Mansun, Dandy Warhols and Lauren Christy make their debuts at the Vibe Tupperware party.

ALBUMS

The "Men In Black" album overtakes Prodigy, Spice Girls and Hanson as the galaxy's best-seller, while "My Best Friend's Wedding" soundtrack grabs a Top Ten ring.

DIALOGUE

Warner-Chappell ruler Les Bider publishes while HITS' prime reason for the decline of the British Empire, "Jokes For The" John Sutton-Smith perishes.

POST MODERN

51 "Batman & Robin" are frozen in place, Smash mouth, Reel Big Fish and Radiohead bow while Ivana's off to Boston for "Das Bootcamp" and to try to crash "The Real World."

ROCK

85

Most Requested Tonic keeps the fizz, Stir's Most Added and Manbreak's the big mover while rawkin' dude Jimmy "Aggro" Barnes is last seen running up S.F.'s Telegraph Hill chasing the cab where he left his wallet.

JAMZ

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The legendary O'Jays are back with a brand-new album, "Love You To Tears," and a real reason to shed them in JAMZ's own king of the falsetto, Simon "Pick To" Glickman.

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Will Smith's "Men In Black" is out of this world, Prodigy and the Spice Girls are in orbit and Jewel gets set to take off.

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Better Never Than Early?



What a difference a day makes. Well, not really. This week's edition of HITS arrives one day earlier, allowing you to hate us a whole 24 hours sooner. Note the redesign, the introduction of several new sections—including the new "Pop Mart"—and the repositioning of the HITS' Top 50 Albums and MPS charts, all to better accomodate your needs. Of course, the best part is, you can be rid of us that much quicker.

On The Cover

Columbia's Will Smith makes his mark with the chart-topping "Men In Black" single and album before disappearing into the black hole of this HITS cover.



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

SARAH McLACHLAN • NET./ARISTA



album: SURFACING track: BUILDING A MYSTERY

Wildcard! LP hitting streets at presstime with over 500k, massive buzz. Look for a huge debut next week. Added at MTV, M2. Still #1 Most Played APM, Top 10 PoMo. Big gains at Mod. Adult. VH1 "Premier Videos" Custom rotation. Lilith Fair. Tons of press. Mgmt: Nettwerk/Dan Fraser, Terry McBride.

MISSY ELLIOTT • G. MIND/EW/EEG

7 LW 9 2W 10 3W



album: SUPA DUPA FLY track: THE RAIN (SUPA...)

Monstah-fly buzz as LP hits the streets. Shipping Gold! Look for a large debut next week. Huge at Urban and Rhythm Crossover radio—Top 10 Most Played. #5 Urban video at Box, #13 overall after weeks in the Top 5. Another 20 massive MTV Buzz Clip spins. #1 at BET. Big requests all around. Mgmt: None.

SUGAR RAY • LAVA/ATL./ATL G.

6 LW 10 2W 14 3W

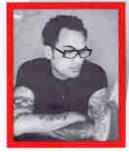
album: FLOORED

track: FLY

Sales still fly with PoMo panel closing. Total spins jump 2013-2501. Huge requests. Going to Top 40 8/4, early add at KFMB. #61-35 M'land, #50-28 Camelot, #52-21 S'side. 188k out, 64k 5-day. 25 Heavy MTV Buzz Clip spins. On WARPED now. Conan 7/24. Mgmt: Chip Quigley, Lee Heiman/Track Artists.

OMC • HUH!/MERCURY

3 LW 3 2W 3 3W



album: HOW BIZARRE track: HOW BIZARRE

Rotations keep increasing across the board as panel continues to close. Now Top 5 Most Played Top 40, Mod. Adult. Retail reacts to big spins. #82-53 Wall, #73-62 B'Buy, #60-45 W'house, #56-51 M'land, #41-31 T'world, #36-29 B'buster. 8 spins in new MTV Stress. On club tour. Mgmt: Grant Thomas Mgmt.

RADIOHEAD • CAPITOL





album: OK COMPUTER track: PARANOID.../LET...

Sales hardly dip in week two, reacting to major MTV, PoMo spins. #1 Tower Sunset and Nashville, #2 Newbury, up at M'land. "Let" on KITS, KXRK, WXRK, WBRU, 99X, Q101. "Paranoid": CIMX, KLZR, 91X, KCCX. 16 Heavy MTV Buzz Clip spins. Leno 7/25, Letterman 8/29. Tour 7/26-Aug. Mgmt: Courtyard.



album: TURN THE RADIO OFF track: SELL OUT

Still reeling in big PoMo spins and retail jumps. #80-67 M'land, #72-47 B'buster, #58-55 B'buy. Added at 99X. Top 10s: KROQ, KITS, KLZR, WRLG, WFNX, KEDG. Also breaking Active Rock. #2 Rock video at Box, M2, MTV. WARPED tour thru 8/7. "Oddville" 7/28. Mgmt: Vince Pileggi/Milano Music.

SISTER HAZEL • UNIVERSAL

REEL BIG FISH • MOJO

9 LW 12 2W 12 3W



album: ...SOMEWHERE... track: ALL FOR YOU

Huge multi-format radio story continues, retail reacts. #79-62 M'land, #69-46 S'berries, #66-51 B'buster, #60 Target debut, #42-37 B'buy. Tons of Top 40, Hot Adult and APM #1s. #3 Rock video at Box, VH1, MTV. Regis & Kathie 7/22. On Cowboy Mouth tour, then Allman Bros. Mgmt: Southland/Split Nickel.

MONACO • POLYDOR/A&M ASSOC.

DEBUT 13 LW



album: MUSIC FOR PLEASURE track: WHAT DO YOU...

Solid first week at Top 40 radio as cut starts to cross from huge PoMo base. Top 5 at WLUM, KXPK. Top 10 at WFNX. Spinning on WFLZ, WKRQ. Great early research. 80k out and strong retail sales led by Tower, Virgin, Newbury. Video done, submitting next week. Tour hits U.S. Aug. Mgmt: Steve Harrison Mgmt.



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SMASH MOUTH • INTERSCOPE

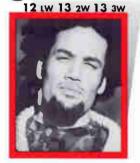


15 LW 16 2W

album: FUSH YU MANG track: WALKIN' ON THE

Smashing LP has a solid first week at retail with big W. Coast story. W'house, Tower and Virgin lead. Top 20 Most Played PoMo. Adds: WEDG, KTBZ, KCXX, WBCN, WAQZ. Top 5s: KROQ, XHRM, WHFS, KNRK. Big at 99X, Q101, Y107. M2 add. Over 50k out. Mamt: Robert Hayes/Sound Mamt.

BEN HARPER • VIRGIN



album: THE WILL TO LIVE track: FADED

Retail still reacting to multi-format radio story. 85k out. Top 20 APM, on WXRT, KKZN, CIDR, WXRV, WRLT. PoMo big at 99X, KCXX, KTCL, KXPK, XHRM. Added at KITS. Active Rock: KQRS, KDKB, KIOZ. MTV 120 Min., M2. Tour heading N.W. Played Mod. Rock Live. Mamt; J.P. Plunier/Innocent Criminals.

ABRA MOORE • ARISTA AUSTIN

11 LW 11 2W 11 3W

album: STRANGEST PLACES track: FOUR LEAF CLOVER

Continuing to cross from huge APM radio base (still Top 5 Most Played) to Top 40, Mod. Adult. Added at KDMX. Big spins: KZZP, KLLC, WTMX, WLNK, KBBT. Huge Top 5-researching record at 99X. 10 Med. VH1 spins. On Third Eye Blind tour now, then Lilith Fair and Coll. Soul in Aug. Mgmt: Tim Neece Mgmt.

OUR LADY PEACE • COL/CRG

DEBUT



album: CLUMSY track: SUPERMAN'S DEAD

Sales react to airplay for debut Columbia LP from Canadian confab. Boston, Detroit lead. 65k out. #24-15 Newbury, big at S'berries. Breaking Active Rock, PoMo. Adds: WXRK, KPNT. #2 WBRU, on WEDG, KTBZ. Top 5 phones. MTV 120 Min, Box, add at M2. On sold-out tour. Mgmt: Eric Lawrence, Rob Lanni.



R) **ARTIFICIAL JOY CLUB • INTER.**

4 LW 14 2W 16 3W album: MELT

stage. Mgmt: Doug Goldstein/BFD. MANSUN • EPIC



album: ATTACK OF THE GREY track: WIDE OPEN SPACE

track: SICK & BEAUTIFUL

Label debut released 6/24 attacks U.S. after 5 U.K. Top 40 hits. Big PoMo radio play at WFNX, XHRM, WDCN, KOME, WBRU, KNRK, KXPK, WRZX, Q101. Video on MTV 120 Min., M2. Tour w/ Seahorses starts 7/31. Headlining CMJ 9/3. Great press. Mgmt: Robert Swerdlow, David Nicoll/Rock n Roll Mgmt.

DANDY WARHOLS • T. KERR/CAP.



album:THE DANDY WAR.... track: NOT IF YOU WERE ...

Capitol debut explodes at PoMo radio as LP hits at presstime with 60k. Adds: KDGE, WLUM, KEGE, Spins: KNRK, WHFS, WBCN, Q101, WENZ, 99X, KNDD. 120 Min, M2. On tour, W. Coast swing next wk. Radio Fests: KNDD 8/4, KNRK 8/3. Great press. Mamt: Monqui/Mike Quinn.

LAUREN CHRISTY • MERCURY

DEBUT

album: **BREED** track: BREED

L.A.-based London singer-songwriter takes off at PoMo radio! LP hits 7/22 with 50k. Adds: KXPK, KEGE. Big play at WFNX, Y107, WENZ, WXDX, WRLG, WEDG. On KROQ, WXRK, WHFS, WBCN. Early Mod. Adult action: KLLC (23x). 120 Min, M2 add. Radio promo. tour. Also on "Batman" ST. Mgmt: East End.



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	2 WEEKS AGO				
	THIS WEEK				
	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL	COMMENTS	POWER
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- 2 1	MEN IN BLACK	SOUNDTRACK	Col/CRG 68169	Big movie, huge single	195.2
- 1 2	PRODIGY	FAT OF THE LAND	XL/Mute/Mav/WB 46	606 "Breathe" on MTV	136.2
1 3 3	SPICE GIRLS	SPICE	Virgin 42174	"2 Become 1" leads	130.7
2 5 4	HANSON	MIDDLE OF NOWHERE	Mercury 534-644	"Where's The Love" up now	94.9
4 4 5	TIM MCGRAW	EVERYWHERE	Curb 77886	Huge Country single leads	81.7
- 6 6	NOTHING TO LOSE	SOUNDTRACK	Tommy Boy 1169	Movie opens 7/18	71.6
11 7 7	GOD'S PROPERTY	STOMP	B-Rite 90093	Platinum LP	71.4
798	WALLFLOWERS	BRINGING DOWN THE	Interscope 90055	"The Difference" leads	68.6
15 15 9	NOTORIOUS B.I.G.	LIFE AFTER DEATH	B. Boy/Arista 73011	"Mo Money" #1 MTV	57.2
27 25 10	MY BEST FRIEND'S	SOUNDTRACK	WORK 68166	From hit movie	56.8
5 10 11	BATMAN & ROBIN	SOUNDTRACK	WS/WB 46620	Multiple cuts here	56.8
6 11 12	BOB CARLISLE	BUTTERFLY KISSES	Jive 41613	Still strong	56.7
9 13 13	JEWEL	PIECES OF YOU	Atl/Atl G 82700	"Foolish" MTV & VH1 now	55.0
21 16 14	MATCHBOX 20	YOURSELF	Lava/Atl/Atl G 92721	Hot video leads	54.7
14 12 15	GEORGE STRAIT	CARRYING YOUR	MCA 11584	Hot Country single leads	53.4
18 18 16	SUBLIME	SUBLIME	GA/MCA 1141	"Wrong Way" now	53.0
8 17	BLUES TRAVELER	STRAIGHT ON TIL	A&M 540-750	"Carolina Blues" leads	50.7
 18	PRIMUS	BROWN ALBUM	Interscope 90126	Headlining H.O.R.D.E.	50.6
17 14 19	MARY J. BLIGE	SHARE MY WORLD	MCA 11606	"Everything" now	50.1
10 21 20	WYCLEF JEAN	CARNIVAL	RH/RC/Col/CRG 68	201 "We Trying To" leads	48.7
21	ANT BANKS	BIG THANGS	Priority 50698	Rap	46.9
19 28 <mark>22</mark>	PURE MOODS	VARIOUS ARTISTS	Virgin 42186	Up again this week	46.1
16 23 23	SPACE JAM	SOUNDTRACK	WS/Atl/Atl G 82961	Huge run	41.7
12 22 24	LEANN RIMES	BLUE	MCG/Curb 77821	Up and down	41.6
8 17 25	WU-TANG CLAN	WU-TANG FOREVER	LOUD 66905	"Triumph" leads	40.6

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

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	THIS WEEK				
	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL	COMMENTS	POWER INDEX
22 24 26	MIA X	UNLADY LIKE	Priority 50705	Rap	40.4
20 26 27	MEREDITH BROOKS	BLURRING THE EDGES	Capitol 36919	Hot video and single	40.4
13 19 28	EN VOGUE	EV3	EW/EEG 62057	"Whatever" leads	38.5
20 29	RADIOHEAD	O.K. COMPUTER	Capitol 55229	"Let Down" starting PoMo	36.8
26 31 30	MIGHTY BOSSTONES	LET'S FACE IT		"The Impression" leads	33.8
40 34 31	TONIC	LEMON PARADE		"If You Could" leads	33.7
31 30 32	I'M BOUT IT	SOUNDTRACK	NL/Priority 50643	Strk to video release	32.8
33 36 33	DAVE MATTHEWS BAND	CRASH	RCA 66904	"Crash" leads	31.6
- 48 34	SUGAR RAY	FLOORED	Lava/Atl/Atl G 83006		31.5
29 32 35	ERYKAH BADU	BADUIZM	Kedar/Univ 53027	"Next Lifetime" the cut	30.3
25 37 36	CELINE DION	FALLING INTO YOU	550 Music 67541	Up again	30.2
36 39 37	VERVE PIPE	VILLAINS	RCA 66809	Title track developing	29.0
43 42 38	AEROSMITH	NINE LIVES	Col/CRG 67547	"Hole In" the cut	27.9
30 29 39	JAMES TAYLOR	HOUR GLASS	Col/CRG 67912	On tour	27.0
45 38 40	ROME	ROME	RCA 67441	Huge single seller leads	26.8
24 35 41	MEGADETH	CRYPTIC WRITINGS	Capitol 38262	Fan base	26.3
23 33 42	LOST BOYZ	LOVE, PEACE	Universal 53072	Rap	24.8
3 27 43	MOTLEY CRUE	GENERATION SWINE	Elek/EEG 61901	"Afraid" leads	23.6
38 43 44	NO DOUBT	TRAGIC KINGDOM	Trauma/Int 92580	Tour over now	23.3
41 44 45	SAVAGE GARDEN	SAVAGE GARDEN	Col/CRG 67954	"To The Moon" now	22.4
32 40 46	CHANGING FACES	ALL DAY ALL NIGHT	BB/Atl/Atl G 92720	Hot JAMZ track leads	22.1
34 41 47	K-CI & JOJO	LOVE ALWAYS	MCA 11613	Half of Jodeci	21.5
48	THIRD EYE BLIND	THIRD EYE BLIND		Back on	20.5
<u> </u>	PAUL MCCARTNEY	FLAMING PIE	Capitol 56500	Back on	20.2
50	FIONA APPLE	TIDAL	Work 67439	Hot video leads	19.4

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NEXT UP

BLACKSTREET (Interscope) OMC (Huh!/Mercury) SHERYL CROW (A&M) COMRADS (S.L./Scotti Bros.) SISTER HAZEL (Universal) PATTI LABELLE (MCA) TWISTA (Creator's/BB/Atl/Atl G) LIVE (Radioactive) SCARFACE (R-A-L/NT/Vir)

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"'Flaming Pie' debuted at the top of the charts. This is directly attributable to VH1's expansive programming support. The consumer is watching." - Lou Mann SVP & General Manager, **Capitol Records**



"Taylor had very respectable first-week sales without the benefit of heavy radio play.... Much of the credit is going to cabler VH1." - Variety SOMUCH

Paula Cole's "This Fire" hits #33*

"We would like to publicly thank VH1 for playing a critical role in the breaking of Paula Cole." - Steven Baker President, Warner Bros. Records

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Meredith Brooks's "Blurring the Edges" debuts at #25*

"VH1's tremendous early support and enthusiasm proved to be a significant factor in Meredith Brooks's explosive album debut." - Linda Ingrisano VP, Visual Marketing, Capitol Records



"The channel was the key medium in their explosive reemergence." - John Barbis President, A&M Associated Labels

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"At first a slow start, but now it's kicked in even harder. We think this will get better because 'BCN's audience is into 'Eddie Vedder'." Steven Strick WBCN, Boston "Top 5 phones, so tasty we upped the rotation." Sean Demery 99X, Atlanta "We've always thought this was the best song on the album. Just starting to react. Sounds better on the radio than in the music meeting." Bob Waugh WHFS, Washington DC



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ISLAND



"MIB" Rules, But Prodigy Stays Very Strong At #2

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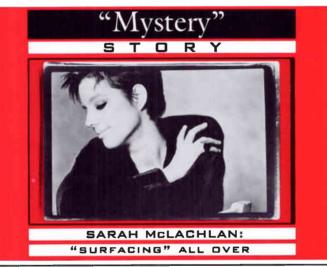
Howse Not At Home

What's the Simi Valley coming to? Rapper Stanley Howse, aka Flesh-N-Bone of Grammy-winning hip-hop act Bone Thugs-N-Harmony, has been charged with making terrorist threats against his neighbors in Chatsworth and was held last week in lieu of \$284,000 bail after prosecutors argued he was a "threat to the community."

This came after his previous week's arrest on charges of firing a shotgun early in the morning of July 4 and possessing an unregistered assault weapon and explosives, for which he was released after posting \$500,000 bail.

The latest charges came after Howse allegedly threatened his 63-year-old neighbor Steve Gambino and his wife. The rapper reportedly climbed onto the roof of his home, mooned his neighbors and shouted: "I'm going to buy your house and bury you in the backyard!"

Howse faces at least 15 years in prison if convicted of the intimidation charges. He has two previous convictions for domestic violence and the new charges could mean a probation violation.



Missy, Sarah, Maxwell, Dwight Ship

Hitting stores last Tuesday and hitting next week's chart are a number of releases that'll make retailers see more than "Men In Black."

Elektra is dropping Missy Elliot's "Supa Dupa Fly," which includes guests Busta Rhymes, Lil' Kim, Da Brat and others. The label has shipped 500K behind huge MTV play, Box play and huge Urban Crossover spins on "The Rain (Supa Dupa Fly)." This one could go Top 5 or even battle for #1.

Arista/Nettwerk hits with Sarah McLachlan's "Surfacing," the follow-up to the doubleplatinum "Fumbling Towards Ecstacy." With the massive "Lilith Fair" press, #1 Most Played APM and Top 10 PoMo and heavy VH1 on "Building a Mystery," this one could go Top 5 or even battle for #1.

Meanwhile, Columbia's Maxwell follows his platinum "Urban Hang Suite" with an MTV "Unplugged" which airs July 22. With new and reworked material, this one could make some waves as well.

And then there's Dwight Yoakam's "Under The Covers." This perennial platinum artist's latest features such covers as "Tired Of Waiting For You," "Things We Said Today," and "The Last Time." Look out to left field for this one. es folks, as expected, the out-of-this-world box office of "Men In Black" sent the Will Smith-driven Columbia soundtrack into sales orbit, propelling it to #1 on the HITS Top 50 Album chart.

And as impressive a feat as that is, last week's #1, **Prodigy**, has its own impressive tale to tell as it remains an extremely strong #2 in its second week on the street.

Are you starting to think these guys are for real?

"Prodigy is living up to every bit of the hype," gurgled Mike Fuller of Hastings. "Sales are still going strong and there's no end in sight."

Fuller gurgles just as enthusiastically over "MIB," which, he snorts, is "Skyrocketing" (Nyuck, nyuck).

"Its sales are gaining every second," he chortled.

Meanwhile, three soundtracks besides "Men In Black" are making impressive chart showings. "Nothing To Lose" (#6), "My Best Friend's Wedding" (#10) and "Batman & Robin" (#11) are proving it's the feel-good soundtrack sales week of the summer. Hey, two thumbs up.

Next week: Missy, Sarah, Maxwell & Dwight.





He's A Ho

Seen here cornering the market in PoMo chic once again is KROQ PD Kevin Weatherly, joining none other than legendary Hawaiian crooner **Don Ho** at the station's recent Weenie Roast. Impressed with Weatherly's in-depth knowledge of time-share rates along the Kona coast, Ho was moved to say, "Haole programmer knows his stuff. Hey, what are all those music executives doing with their lips on your butt?" This caption just leis there.

week are #1 Puff Daddy f/Faith Evans (BB/Arista), #2 Tim McGraw (Curb), #3 Meredith Brooks (Cap.), #4 Bone Thugs-N-Harmony (Ruth./ Rel.), #5 Backstreet Boys (Jive), #6 Coolio (tommy Boy), (BB/Atl/Atl G), #7 LeAnn Rimes (Curb), #8 R Kelly (Jive), #9 Trisha Yearwood (MCA Nash) and #10 Spice Girls (Vir.).



The Queen of the Lilith Fair is readying for her biggest hit ever as "Building A Mystery" is building a multi-format blitz that will be hard to beat. It would be easier to list the stations not yet playing this runaway smash than those on, as it is killing in Modern Adult, Post Modern and APM and developing quickly at the Top 40 level as well. Richard Palmese & his team are rolling big time and scoring up a gigantic win. Cool!

TOP SELLING SINGLES RIAA's Coming Up Rosen

Hilary "War of The" Rosen has been promoted to President/CEO of the Recording Industry Association of America by outgoing RIAA Chairman Jason "And The Argonauts" Berman, who will retire in January 1998 after ten years at the helm of the trade group.

Rosen has served as the association's President and Chief Operating Officer since 1994. Her accomplishments include amending the Copyright Act to provide for a performance right in sound recordings, the legislative resolution of the audio home taping issue and fighting against censorship. Earlier this year, she received the ACLU's Torch of Liberty Award for her advocacy of the First Amendment "with the exception of Tim White's 'Music To My Ears' column.' She is a founder and current board co-chair of Rock the Vote and also serves on the boards of LifeBEAT, Y.E.S. to lobs and the National Cancer Foundation, among others.

Commented Berman: "Hilary's succession to CEO is exactly what I had in mind three years ago when I made a decision to leave. Hilary was the first person I hired and has been learning how to do this job for 10 years. And now I finally get to shop at flea markets without my flack jacket."

Rosen's current focus is to address technology and business issues affecting the recording industry and to figure out what she'll do with all her spare time now that she gets her HITS a day early.



Hilary Rosen: The only thing this Hilary shreds is us.

Hard Core Apple



WBCN's Oedipus is seen cuddling up to WORK's Fiona Apple because he's in radio and that's much easier than trying to walk and chew gum simultaneously. In other news, a chimpanzee learned how to work an RCS Selector this week.



The adds at VH1 this week are 10,000 Maniacs (Geffen), Paula Cole (WB), Live (Radioactive) and Texas (Mercury). Abra Moore (Arista Austin) is Inside Track.

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A New Chapter For Alliance: Eleven

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As expected, Alliance Entertainment Corporation filed for protection under Chapter 11 on Monday, July 14 to reorganize the company's approximately \$322 million of long-term and revolving credit and \$204.1 million in trade debt.

Excluded from the filing are Red Ant, due to "discussions with potential buyers regarding its sale," as well as Castle Communications and St. Clair Entertainment. due to their "status as nondomestic entities.'

However, at presstime, it was not carved in stone that Red Ant would indeed be able to stay out of the Chapter 11 proceedings. Sources say that Wasserstein & Perella, who have already invested a reported \$38 million in Alliance, will be offering between \$1 and \$2 million for the ability to take Alliance CEO/President Al Teller's label elsewhere.

Questions remain: Will Apollo be putting a \$200 million offer on the table for the one-stops and INDI? Will Red Ant still be able to come up with the money for Salt-N-Pepa? Will INDI be spun off to one of the Big Six?

The possibility of a "prepack" Chapter 11 filing, which would have greatly reduced the amount of time and court costs during the proceedings. did not materialize.

Chase Manhattan Bank, which is owed approximately \$200 million, also extended

another \$50 million in debtorin-possession (DIP) financing. This surprised some analysts. who noted that, although Alliance assets are estimated at \$512.4 million (including \$93.6 million in "goodwill"), Chase must be willing to risk more exposure feeling that they would not be covered in a liquidation.

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According to a statement from Teller: "Alliance's growth through acquisition resulted in the accumulation of burdensome levels of debt and interest expense at a time of little or no growth in the domestic music industry. Operationally, our previously announced consolidation plan for the distribution-related businesses has been achieving the anticipated efficiencies. However, principal and interest payments, as well as the company's current operating losses, continue to drain cash that is needed to operate our business on a competitive basis."

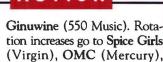
The bankruptcy deals yet another major blow to the Big Six, which are owed between \$100 and \$150 million, and could be catastrophic to some independent labels that are collectively owed between \$50 and \$60 million.

Analysts estimate that the trade will see somewhere in the neighborhood of 25 cents on the dollar, also forecasting that the \$125 million in unsecured bond holders will probably be lucky to see as much as eight cents on the dollar.

Stay tuned.



The MTV adds this week are Wu-Tang Clan (Loud). Foo Fighters (Capitol), Tool (Volcano), Sarah McLachlan (Arista), Local H (Island) and



tion increases go to Spice Girls (Virgin), OMC (Mercury), Fiona Apple (WORK) and Foxy Brown (Def Jam/Merc).



HITS

- 9 **JASON BERMAN:** "Hey buddy, here's a gold watch and a box of cleans. Happy retirement."
- 10 POP MART: Fabulous new HITS section debuts. Good enough for U2, good enough for you, too.

Don't Shoot, It's Only "Lite" Jazz



Warner Bros. artist Pat Metheny (center) participates in an exciting new concept in photo ops: People standing against a brick wall! Joining him in this daring venture are Warner Senior VP of Jazz Matt Pierson (I) and Warner Chairman and CEO Russ Thyret. After this coup. the three motored over to **Yanni**'s house and saged his front door.

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DreamWorks Banks | Fawn Over Shawn **On Bruce**

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Bruce Tenenbaum has been named to a key senior executive post at DreamWorks Records by label heads Mo Ostin, Lenny Waronker, Michael Ostin and Michael Goldstone.

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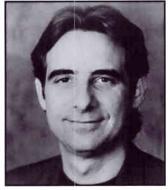
Obviously, none of the four has ever caught Tenenbaum's stand-up comedy routine.

Tenenbaum, who was previously President of the Left Bank Organization, hummed the chorus of "Walk Away Renee" upon assuming his new post, which will involve him in the long-range planning and growth of the company.

Waronker, who drew the shortest straw, was forced to comment: "We're thrilled to have someone of Bruce's caliber on board. We're counting on him to bring to Dream-Works the same kind of talent for growth and development he demonstrated at Left Bank, MCA and Atlantic. Now, what is it he does again?"

Prior to his tenure at Left Bank, Tenenbaum was Sr. VP Promotion at MCA. He started his career in college promotion at Atlantic Records, where he spent 12 years doing his Robert Klein act in his office mirror.

Added Tenenbaum: "Leaving Allen Kovac and Left Bank is the toughest thing I've ever had to do, next to reading this tripe a day early. But the opportunity to build a new company with Mo, Lenny, Michael and Goldie is something I couldn't pass up. Even if I do have to detail their Beamers every morning."



Bruce Tenenbaum: Comic relief for DreamWorks.

Garth Just Says No

There will be no Garth Brooks album to coincide with the singer's highly anticipated HBO live broadcast of his Central Park concert on August 7.

Brooks was scheduled to deliver the album of all-new material, called "Seven," to Capitol Nashville in time for the concert. However, sources claim the recent departure of Charles Koppelman and Terri Santisi and the accompanying changes at EMI prompted Brooks to withhold the album "until things settled down and [he] had a chance to survey the new landscape."

A spokesperson for Brooks would not comment on the reason the album was not being released, stating only: "As of right now, there is no release date."

Executives at Capitol Nashville would not comment, although one source inside the company referred us to former EMI Nashville topper Jimmy Bowen's book.



Garth Brooks: Hat's off.

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Columbia Records executives present Shawn Colvin with a big beautiful plaque for sales of "A Few Small Repairs" after Shawn requested to be placed in a room with "a bunch of big hairy record executives." Seen telling the singer not to worry about the gender gap because they're all actually in touch with their feminine sides are (standing, I-r) Sr. VP Sales Tom Donnarumma, Sr. VP Will Botwin, Sr. VP Marketing Tom Corson, Sr. VP Promotion Jerry Blair, Sr. VP A&R John David Kalodner. Seated (I-r) Sr. VP John Ingrassia, Producer John Loventhal, Shawn, Columbia President Don lenner and Manager Ron Fierstein.

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UNIVERSAL (TOTAL:10)	259	7, 8	15, 16 18, 19	35, 42, 44 47
EMI (TOTAL: 9)	209	3		21, 22, 26 27, 29, 32 41, 49
SONY (TOTAL: 8)	169	1, 10	20	36, 38, 39 45, 50
BMG (TOTAL: 6)	150	9	12	25, 33, 37 40
POLYGRAM (TOTAL: 4)	122	4	17	30, 31

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HOT FUN IN THE SUMMERTIME

rodigy (XL/Mute/Mav/WB) is for real, "Men In Black" (Col/CRG) is for realer and summertime sales are surprisingly healthy across the board. Soundtracks in general and "MIB" in particular are scoring and scoring big. "Batman & Robin" (WS/WB) is heading for its second month of solid sales with the explosive new Jewel cut pointing to a lengthy future, "Nothin' To Lose" (Tommy Boy) is off to a great start buoyed by hot cuts from Coolio and Lil' Kim, and the summer

sleeper hit "My Best Friend's Wedding" (WORK) is growing with a natural ease and a non-single-cut-driven momentum similar to "Sleepless In Seattle" (Epic). And then there's the fascinating "I'm Bout It" soundtrack (No Limit/Priority) to the direct-to-video film from the Master P camp. This first-ever big hit from a non-theatrically released film represents a marketing coup for the Bryan Turner camp.

This week also sees the release of two of our favorites: First, of course, is **Sarah McLachlan**, whose Lilith Fair tour is doing brisk business, and whose last album sold and was aired seemingly forever. The cumulative effect of her efforts points to a sensational first-week sales debut and a long and successful run for her



Missy Elliott: When it's "Rain," it pours.

"Building A Mystery" smash from the "Surfacing" album. Also debuting will be Missy Elliott (EW/EEG), who blasted to the forefront with her sensational Hype Williams-directed video for "The Rain," which is already Top Ten Most Played at both MTV and The BOX. The street is covered on this one and opening-week sales should be impressive.

The summer is also primed for the release of two of rap's biggest stars, Puff Daddy (BB/Arista) and Bone Thugs-N-Har-

mony (Ruthless/Relativity). Both of these albums will score enormous first-week numbers and have long, successful runs on the charts. The retail community is also excited about two veteran acts with attractive hits packages, both scheduled to hit the stores on 8/19. Reprise comes with Fleetwood Mac's unplugged reunion set, and Columbia is readying for Billy Joel's "Greatest Hits Vol. 3."

Finally, the summer's survivors include the Spice Girls (Virgin), Notorious B.I.G. (BB/Arista), Sublime (Gas A/MCA) and Wall-flowers (Interscope), while relative newcomers from God's Property (B-Rite), Hanson (Mercury), and Matchbox 20 (Lava/Atl/Atl G) continue to be extremely pleasant surprises.

Hanson Proves Far More Than Just "MMMBop"

Anyone who dismissed Hanson as one-hit novelty wonders oughta think twice maybe even four times.

"I'm sure we'll still be working this record after the Grammys in '98. There are at least four hits on the album," said

Mercury President Danny Goldberg in between meetings with the boys' guidance counselors.

Indeed, Hanson's "Middle Of

Nowhere" has already sold more than 900,000 copies over the counter thanks to the power of "MMMBop," but it's clear this is only the beginning. The new single, "Where's The Love," is exploding behind massive major-market spins and MTV Stress rotation.

Already a #1 Most Added,

the track is making moves at such powerhouses as Z100, KIIS, KDWB, WAPE, KMXV and more.

"It's a really strong followup," screamed KMXV Kansas City PD **Jon Zellner.** "It sounds like a another #1 single."

"It's going to be one of the biggest albums in the world this year and next year," said Goldberg, stressing what is now clear

to all—this album has legs.

"The whole vision of the band and [A&R head] Steve Greenberg was to make every song strong and work with the best co-writers," said Goldberg. "And it shows. Excuse me, I've got to run to the Circle K and pick up a six-pack for the guys."

Boot Scootin' Puffy



In a moment that makes us glad to be horribly deformed victims of sheep-doning gone wrong, Bad Boy Sean "Puffy" Combs (4th from right) leads management client and new Sony ATV Music Publishing signee Chucky Thompson (5th from right) and all the swell folks pictured in a little celebratory linedance. Shown enjoying the down-home flava are (I-r) Sony/ATV Exec. VP Jody Graham Dunitz, Sr. VP Creative Affairs Kathleen Carey, Director A&R Suzettte Williams and Erica Grayson, Thompson, Combs, Chucklife Productions GM Tracie Thompson, attorney Lisa Davis and Sony/ATV President Richard Rowe.

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Sugar Ray Catch "Fly"

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Guess you can nab more flies with Sugar ... Sugar Ray, that is. The Lava/Atlantic quintet from Orange County, CA are following on the heels of their fellow SoCal ska pals Sublime with "Fly," the first track from their sophomore album, "Floored," which is rapidly climbing the HITS Top 50 Albums chart. This week, the record moves 61-35 at Musicland, 49-27 at Camelot, 16-13 at Wherehouse, 34-14 at National Record Mart and 25-13 at The Wall, with 188k on the streets and notching a 64k 5-day.

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The ska-reggae-influenced "Fly" features legendary Jamaican toaster **Super Cat** and has taken Post Modern radio and



Sugar Ray: Sweet Success

video by storm, going #1 at KROQ and attaining Buzz Clip status at MTV, where this week it is the #7 Most Played video on the channel.

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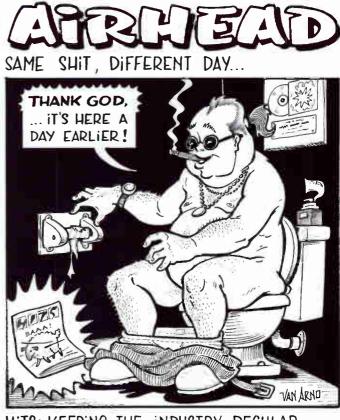
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A harder-edged version of the track, which downplays the Super Cat vocal, was added to the album for Active Rock stations, where the band first broke through with their '95 bow, "Lemonade & Brownies."

The record has now begun bleeding over to several other radio formats, including influential Modern Adult outlets like KFMB San Diego and KBBT Portland. The group are currently performing on the Warped tour and will then headline their own tour in August with Smash mouth and Plexi before a European jaunt. The band is slated to perform on Conan O'Brien next week.

Atlantic Senior Vice President Promotion Danny Buch has targeted the week of August 4 for Top 40 adds, but may not be able to hold back the onslaught. Added Atlantic Executive Vice President National Promotion Andrea Ganis: "Mmmffmmmfmmffff."



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HITS KEEPING THE INDUSTRY REGULAR

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The Top Ten Most Requested videos this week at The Box are: #1 Will Smith (Col/CRG), #2 Lil' Kim (T. Boy), #3 Puff Daddy f/Faith Evans (BB/ Ari.), #4 Hanson (Merc.), #5 Notorious B.I.G. (BB/Ari.), #6 Mary J. Blige f/Lil' Kim (MCA), #7 Various Artists "Jock Jam" (T. Boy), #8 Backstreet Boys (Jive), #9 Dru Hill (Merc.) and #10 Spice Girls (Vir.).

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LeAnn Rimes "How Do I Live"

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Mercury Moves On Millman

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Dana "The Merry" Millman has been named Senior Vice President A&R for Mercury Records by President/CEO Danny "Band of" Goldberg.

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Millman will oversee the day-to-day operations of A&R, work closely with joint ventures and affiliated labels. serve as the main contact with PolyGram's international affiliates and continue to try to prove the innocence of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg. Millman will also liaise between the A&R department and the label's marketing areas, explaining to both what "liaise" means.

Before joining Mercury, Millman was a manager with Gold Mountain, handling such acts as Tracy Chapman, the Lemonheads and the Flying Wallendas, among others.

Goldberg said: "In the past year, Dana has emerged as a key player on our senior

team. And she's the only one around here who actually knows who Norman Podhoretz is."

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Added Millman: "It is an absolute pleasure to work with Danny, David Leach, Steve Greenberg and the great team they have put together. I just hope he doesn't find out I voted for Bush in the last election. The band, that is.'



Dana Millman: Neither rain, sleet, snow nor rabid dogs will prevent her from hating us.

MOVIE SCORE

	Title	Weekend Gross	Per Screen Average	Total Gross	Sound Track
1	MEN IN BLACK	30.1m	9954	140.0m	Col/CRG
2	CONTACT	20.6m	10,705	20.6m	WB
3	FACE/OFF	12.3m	4326	71.8m	H'wood
4	HERCULES	8.3m	2846	66.5m	Disney
5	MY BEST FRIEND'S WEDDING	8.3m	3552	83.5m	WORK
6	OUT TO SEA	4.2m	2394	14.7m	Milan
7	BATMAN & ROBIN	4.1m	1513	98.8m	WB
8	CON AIR	2.9m	1717	89.9m	H'wood
9	A SIMPLE WISH	2.7m	1630	2.7m	
10	THE LOST WORLD	1.4m	950	221.1m	MCA
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ark Jaffe "Pop Popcorn" and "Mutt &" Jeff Pietrzyk have been named Senior Vice President Product Development and Senior Vice President Sales, respectively, for EMI-Capitol Entertainment Properties by President Bruce Kirkland "Before Time." Previously Exec. VP/GM of Warner Kids, Jaffe was once on a first-name basis with both Raffi and Barney. while former Warner Home Video VP Rental Product Sales Pietrzyk spends approximately six-and-a-half hours of each working day spelling his name over the telephone... Steven "No Relation to 'F Troop''s Larry" Storch has been upped to Assistant Controller Shared Accounting Services at Sony Music Entertainment by Carmine "The Godfather II" Coppola. Storch's duties will include financial analysis and cash flow, capital, balance sheet budgeting for various divisions, wearing an abacus in his pocket protector and getting revenge on all the girls who wouldn't go out with him in high school because he was a nerd... Debbie Berman "Shave" has been named Director Merchandising for Sony Music Distribution by Sr. VP Marketing "Doubting" Thomas McGuiness. Berman will recommend in-store merchandising approaches to all label Marketing staff, have an active role



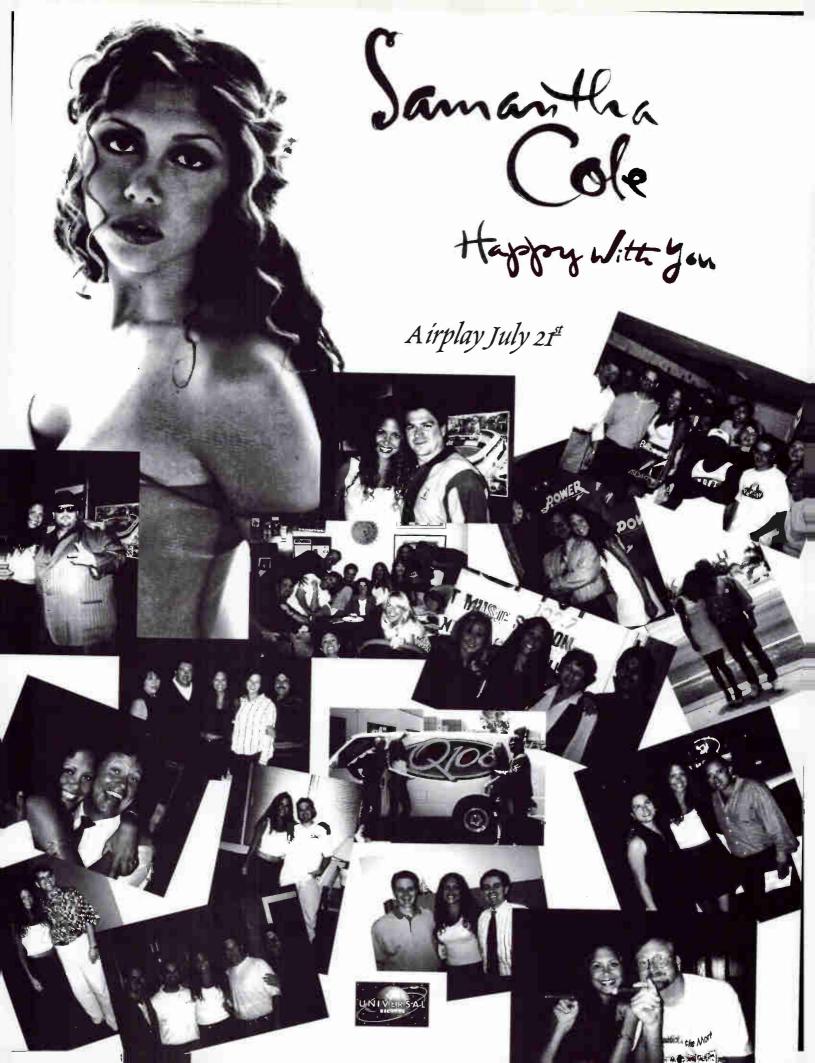


in the design and production of all POP materials and supply a lifesize stand-up of herself for display in all participating retail outlets ... "Carry Me Back To Ole Vir" Gina Harrell is appointed Head of Video Production and Leigh "Buster" Brown is named Director of Video at the Elektra Entertainment Group by the label's Sr. VP Marketing Steve Kleinberg "In County." Prior to joining the label in October '95, Harrell was a freelance producer of music videos, commercials and short films who guarded the on-set catering table with her life, while Brown was previously an Executive Producer at Woo Art International, where she produced shoots for the Roots. Spice Girls and Wallflowers without ever leaving her onlocation Winnebago... Pablo "The Man Down" Mathiason has been hired as Director of A&R at Chrysalis Music Group. Mathiason joins Chrysalis Music after seven years at Columbia Records, where he signed Sponge and pierced his body in approximately 1,984 different places... Swee "If Loving You Is" Wong "I Don't Wanna Be Right" is named Director of Operations for BMG Entertainment Int'l. Asia Pacific by Sr. VP Michael Smellie "Mel." Wong will bolster manufacturing and distributing efficiency, develop effective import services and leave you hungry for more an hour later.



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Garth Brooks' decision to withhold his album, previously skedded to coincide with his August 7th Central Park HBO concert, has lips flapping that the man in the hat wants a hands-on caretaker at the top of the corporate pyramid to oversee the rollout of the new album. Said chatter has Brooks doubting the ability of the Nashville division to handle an artist of his magnitude. Brooks is reportedly championing Pat Quigley for the helm of that division. How will this one play out?.... Buzz outta London has the much-ballyhooed sealed buyout bids for ZTT not going down between that label and WB U.K. as the Bunny agrees in principal to a \$25-40 million deal that would see Seal become a WB artist and leave ZTT's Trevor Horn and Jill Sinclair free to shop for a new home. With Seal consequently becoming a Warner U.S. signing, there's plenty of chatter about the potential fallout from this deal for some key WB Intl. execs. More to come?.... Is the Mammoth deal closer to closing at A&M

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Seal: He's all Bunny, all the time.

or has another major player stepped up to the table?... Meanwhile, A&M's recently returned John McClain making early moves in the Urban field. Is former EMI-er Dave Rosas part of the picture?... Recent staff cuts at Island have wonderers wondering about Chris Blackwell's scheduled June decision about his continuing role at the label and whether a new President would be named. Talk of Davitt Sigerson's role in this scenario appears light amid chatter that he's in play to assume David Simone's throne at Poly Publishing ... On the heels of closing the Lance Rivera/Undeas deal. Epic closes a massive deal for Bone Thugs -N- Harmony label Ruthless....Tons of talk about one East Coast #2 having tons of talk with one corporate gunslinger. Is a label presidency or a top corporate post in the offing, or is this just spin in said exec's current renegotiations?... What much-sought-after Marketing/Promo Player may be on the move soon?... Is Clarence Avant in the recruiting mode for certain Motown posts? Which ones?... Ken Hertz now repping Axl Rose and Guns N' Roses.... At presstime, Alliance/Red Ant fallout talk has Salt-n-Pepa delivering their next album to MCA with Red Ant unable to raise the funding in time to close the deal.... Maverick very close to inking a music deal with Quentin Tarantino... Names in the Rumor Mill: Ramon Lopez, Hiriam Hicks, Bob Doyle Nancy Levin and Scott Hendricks.

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On tour all Summer with Shawn Colvin

produced by upoil bine, remix by peter nashel, david leinheardt munacker it photograph by terry annihildron, courtesy of details magazine, the music ideal, july 1997





Sincoff Swims

Dear Lenny & Dennis:

I need to set the record straight. Although I like Gerry Kuster very much and would have been proud to have him a part of my team, Gerry did in fact report to Milton Sincoff and if there is one thing I do not want to do, it's deny Milton a plug in HITS.

P.S. Can I still get 25% of his salary?

Yours truly, Ken Levy Arista Records N.Y.C.

HITS replies: Not only that, Ken, you can also have 50% of that loser Trakin's take-home, too... which still doesn't come close to paying for a page of Milton Sincoff plugs in HITS.

Russ Never Sleeps

Dear Lenny:

Enclosed are some photos illustrating Maverick's retail dominance with Prodigy and Alanis Morissette (store names are on back). I would appreciate it if you could highlight this in this week's HITS. Please let me know if this is possible.

Russ Rieger Maverick L.A., CA

HITS replies: Sure, Russ, but wouldn't you rather have it highlighted someplace where people would actually read it, like Billboard?

Invading Poland

For the Editor:

I have a BIG problem to find below Record Co., Labels contact, Address details. Can you send me these telephone and fax numbers PLEASSE? THANK YOU VERRRRY MUCH IN AVANCE!

Janek Pawul Poland HITS replies: Is it possible we've finally found someone to copyedit "In Tha Mix"? Or better yet, move the 1,876,689 black market Tiffany breakdance mats we have stored in our warehouse to Eastern Europe?

Haft Mash Note

Roy:

It was a pleasure meeting you last week with Ed [Eckstine] at the Dodger game and with The Honeydogs at your office. Your humor, kindness and insight had me clinging to your every word. I really appreciated you talking to me during deadline day about the biz and how it has changed, etc. Plus you have been wonderful to The Honeydogs, which I will forever appreciate. Thanks for all the kind ink, and I hope to see you again soon.

Adam Haft Debris Records N.Y.C.

HITS replies: You know less about the biz than even you imagined Adam, if ya think kissing Trakin's expense-accountlunch-padded butt will get you anything but a snappy answer in the HITS' "Letters" section and the following pic of the Velvet Underground in their prime.







SOUL & HEELS: Atlantic Records group Collective Soul performed before a "Soul'd Out" crowd at New York City's Irving Plaza in support of their third album, "Disciplined Breakdown," shortly before borrowing \$50 from the following to get back to their hotel rooms (I-r) mgr. Arthur Spivak, the band's Will Turpin, Ross Childress, Shane Evans and Dean Roland; Atlantic Group Co-Chairman/Co-CEO Val Azzoli, the band's Ed Roland and Atlantic Sr. VP/GM Ron Shapiro. Shortly after this shot was taken, the group discovered the money deducted from their royalties.



IT'S GOT A GOOD BEAT AND YOU CAN WRITE A CAPTION TO IT: America's Oldest Living Teenager, Dick Clark, hangs with fellow Philly natives, Interscope group Huffamoose, on the set of "Politically Incorrect," where the following discuss how host Bill Maher's nose looks like it's been stung by a swarm of bumblebees (I-r) manager Doron Segal, the band's Craig Elkins and Erik Johnson; Clark, the band's Jim Stager and Kevin Hanson and road manager Gooch.



HOTHOUSE FLOWERS: RCA artists Wild Orchid rip it up at the Virgin Megastore in L.A., where things get so heated up, the outlet's sprinkler alarm went off, completely drenching (I-r) RCA's Tom Smith, the band's Stacy Ferguson, Downtown Julie Brown, RCA's Roger Widynowski, Groove Radio LA's Mohamed Moretta, the band's Stefanie Ridel, RCA's Ron Fair, the band's Renee Sandstrom, RCA's Kim Langbecker and the trio's management rep Marta Marrero.



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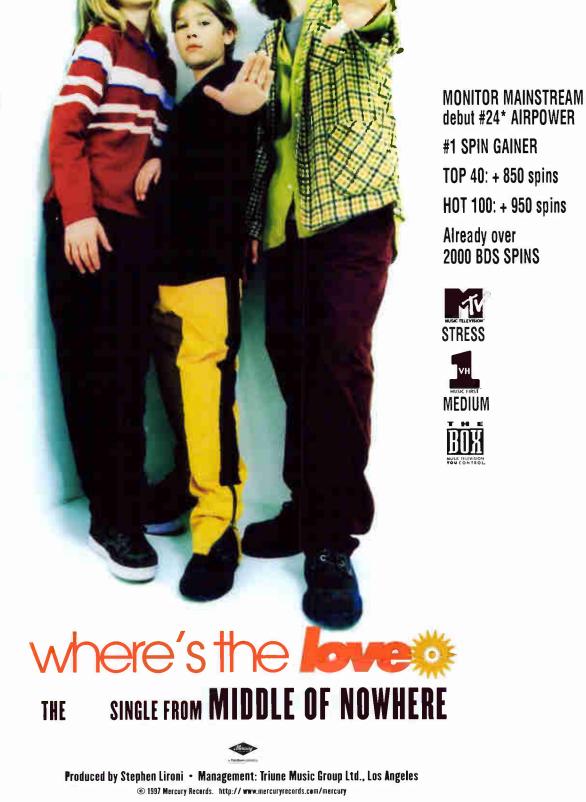
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WHEELS & DEALS

BY JOE FLEISCHER

CITIZEN KING CROWNED IN BURBANK: After a fierce signing derby, conducted in several cities and on both coasts, Milwaukee's Citizen King has opted for Warner Bros. Records. Although the Cole Studios showcases of two weeks ago brought out the heavies from several labels, making the derby look wide-open, Warner Bros. may well have led the pack from wire-to-wire due to efforts of A&R hitters Geoffrey Weiss and Joe McEwen, Alternative radio VP Tom Biery and President Steven Baker. Look for the band to record a new LP (despite the eight tracks the band already has in the can from their brief tenure on 510/MCA) for a probable second quarter '98 release... Sinead O'-Connor sure looks headed to Columbia Records now that she has secured a release from her worldwide EMI contract. Buzzers buzzing that Columbia offered to take her "Gospel Oak" EP (released one week before the fall of EMI) and work it with no strings

attached. If the relationship seems right, look for Sinead and Columbia to go to a longterm contract. Call us shameless hype-mongering weasels, but we think that's pretty cool. Stand by ... Another signing derby concludes this week, with Atlantic getting the nod from spicy pin-up boys Absolute, courtesy of Craig Kallman and Jim Welch. Look for their debut LP in Spring '98... Hot UK indie Wall Of Sound is shopping for a N. American imprint deal sans The Propellorheads (who recently inked with DreamWorks). Interscope, Columbia and Mercury are rumored to already be sniffing, with more expected to come to the party very soon... The Don Robertson/Rick Sales-repped Alien Crime Syndicate had plenty of weasel company for all their West Coast dates last week, culminating in the Opium Den blow-out Monday night in L.A. The band will then jet to NYC for a whole lot more of the same... MacFest? IntelFest? Call us loopy,

but either way you slice it, it looks like a hot, humid festival of mostly signed artists right smack in the middle of the NYC Summer. Some artists with ample buzz heading into the Fest include Emm Gryner, By Divine Rite, Ornamental, Old Pike and Blueberrie Spy. We'll be sitting in front of the air conditioner while logged onto www.thegig.com for most of the event. Come on by for some pizza... There's been plenty of action in NYC even without organized weasel confusion. Lots of action surrounding Tempe, AZ's Jesus Chrysler Supercar, who brought out reps from every major for their brief series of shows. Meanwhile, My Drug Hell turned out the major label and publishing heavies for their most recent Brownies show and Deus turned 'em away for their completely packed gig at Mercury Lounge. Add this week's influx of West Coast weaseltude and NYC is once again showing signs of life... Not to be outdone, L.A. has

two serious buzzbands drawing the weaselosity, as the straightahead rocking Sparrow and the decidedly Ziggy-like Tangerine look headed for certain signing derby status. Meanwhile, the action heats up around Mad Flower and Mudgirl... BUZZIN': Gregg Bell, Smile, THC and Darling Violetta. Email: hitslosers@aol.com.



Nothing compares to Columbia.

WHO'S BUZZIN & WHERE

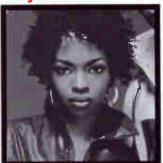
WHO	WHEN	WHERE	HOW COME?
BY DIVINE RITE	July 16	Brownies	Canadian buzzband performs with
	tba	NYC	Bloomington, IN's Old Pike.
ALIEN CRIME SYNDICATE	July 17	Brownies	This one's gonna be huge.
	8:30 pm	NYC	Grab a seat good and early.
EMM GRYNER	July 17	The Cooler	Singer/songwriter/instrumentalist/
	tba	NYC	Canadian. Need we say more?
BLUEBERRIE SPY	July 19	Arlene Grocery	To Do: Milk, bread, eggs, buzzband,
	10:00 pm	NYC	bong, marshmallows, Rice Krispies.
TANGERINE	July 21 tba	Viper Room Hollywood	Packed Billboard Live last week—just love those Timbotrons.



END TITLE, END SCHMITLE: Do you know any famous Sound Recordists? Howz about an instant recognizable Foley guy? Of course not. Because when Joe Public goes to a movie, he bolts from the theater at the end of the flick guicker than a John leaves a whorehouse during a raid. Hence, nobody fucking hears the end title song. It's a waste of your time to try and leverage an end title for your artist. The only thing you'll get out of it is a mention in this column, and we all know how useless that is... Meanwhile, Evan Dando gets the end title for Fox's "Great Expectations." The ambitious Atlantic ST, which has artists using composer Doyle's tunes as a startoff point for new songs, also features Poe and the Dust Brothers and Doug Buttleman-managed The Verve Pipe... G. Marg Roswell gets his own imprint thru Mercury. His Condor label will concentrate on STs. Look for a further announcement involving Conan O' Brien live performances... A very healthy buzz is beginning to surround New Line's "Money Talks," which has earned one of the highest test scores in the studio's history. The Arista ST is packed to the gills with potential smashes: Barry White collaborating with Faith Evans; L'il Kim produced by Timbaland; The Refugee All Starsfeaturing my newest chick, Lauryn Hill-doing "Avenues", inspired by Eddy Grant's "Electric Avenue." As you can probably imagine, Clive and McHugh are feeling like two of the dopest and phattest homies in the posse; as they explained, "Yo, yo, yo, yo, yo, yo, yo, yo, yo"... Citing an inability to come to terms with producer Alan Mruvka, Chris Violette has left "Jane" and Dondi Bastone has moved in to supervise this musicbiz twist on "Irreconcilable Differences." But don't feel bad for Violette-he just signed on for the Woody Allen-esque "Denial," starring Jason Alexander and Jonathan Silverman. He will be looking for a ST deal... Look for

Atlantic violin virtuoso Maxim Vengerov to move into STs. The 23-year-old Russian just finished up three sold-out nights at the Hollywood Bowl, and has set his sights on the movies. As he explained while downing his 247th shot of Stoli: "I vant to, how you say, boogie vit hot chix. And stuff."... After taking on Paramount's buzz-filled "Good Burger" at the prompting of her son Otis, Karyn Rachtman has assembled an urban/rock ST that includes Mint Condition, Warren G, 702, Less Than Jake backing star Kel Mitchell, The Presidents and Redd Kross. The flick also has a score from ex-Cop Stewart Copeland. The busy skin-basher now moves onto Goldwyn's "Welcome To Whoop Whoop" ... The Kraft/ Benjamin-repped Danny Elfman is working on Mickey Flix' "Flubber" (aka "The Absent Minded Professor"), with Robin Williams starring... The V2 ST to Darren Doane's "Godmoney" features a cornucopia of punk and ska artists, including Dance Hall Crashers, Pennywise, Strife and MxPx. Incidentally, the movie stars Strife's Rick Rodney... Gary Jones gets going on the ST for Universal's "Half Baked," about three pot smokers who try to bust their fellow stoner out of the joint after he accidentally feeds candy to a diabetic police horse. Music For Your Eyes: Chopper One, Old 97's, Colorifics. Email: Jimjoys@aol.com

auryn Hill



One time, two time, three time. Ahh, Yeah.

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MOVIE	LABEL	CONTACT	STUDIO			
LITTLE CITY	Mercury	Howard Paar/Spring Aspers	Miramax			
THE AVENGERS	Atlantic	Higman/Kallman	Warner Bros.			
DR. DOOLITTLE	Atlantic	Pilar McCurry	Fox			
JANE	TBD	Dondi Bastone	TBD			
DEAD MAN ON CAMPUS	Nickelbag/DreamWorks	Dust Bros.	MTV/Paramount			
THE HORSE WHISPERER	TBD	Kathy Nelson	Touchstone			
BOOGIE BOY	TBD	David Jenison/Evyen Klean	TBD			
CARNIVAL OF SOULS	TBD	Julianne Kelley	Trimark			
DENIAL	tbd	Chris Violette	tbd			
HALF BAKED	tbd	Gary Jones	Universal			



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a bi-weekly visual index of your favorite weasels



WHAT'S IN STORE: MCA duo K-Ci and JoJo attempt to shake off the effect of the mood-altering chemicals piped in to record stores to keep the general public happily consuming. "Yo, these mind-controlling fumes are off tha hook," coughed the rising stars. "They

get ya higher than tha chronic." Seen being lulled into a stupor by the sound of shifting units are (back row, I-r) VI.P. Records owner Kelvin Anderson, MCA Sr. Director of Administration and Planning, R&B Music Kevin Bass, KKBT on-air personality and House Party/Street Coordinator P-Funk, KKBT Street Team member Corn Dog, MCA National Director of Promotion, R&B Music Ken James and (front row, I-r) K-Ci, MCA VP Marketing, R&B Music Ashley Fox, Jolo, K-Ci and Jolo's manager Damon Jones and MCA A&R Manager, R&B Music Pierre Bradshaw.

MORE THAN NIL: Metro Blue/Capitol singer-songwriter Nil Lara takes a moment to commemorate his ties with publishing entity peermusic, based in oh-sosavory Miami. "I haven't seen anything, I had no knowledge, I don't recall," recited



the up-and-coming troubadour during a wacky "inititation" that he was told is now standard practice. "I had no choice, they said they'd kill me, why do you want to know?" Seen sharing a bond that can never be broken are (I-r) Matt Entertainment manager José Tillan, peermusic manager Ramon Arias, Lara and Matt Entertainment manager Jesus Lara.



FRANCES CRUISES: Because we always want to give our readers (hello, cellblock H-14!) exactly what they want, here's another riveting photo capturing all that is what we like to call that "Performing Rights Society Magic." Shown here, composer Maury Yeston stops by to taunt BMI staffers with his Tony Award for "Best Original Score" from the deep-diving hit musical "Titanic." Seen still flush from the excitement of busting a bunch of Campfire Girls for unauthorized use of "Kum By Ya" are (I-r) BMI's Norma Grossman, Frances Preston, Yeston and BMI's Jean Banks. After all, the law's the law.



SOMETHING FURTIVE THIS WAY COMES: This week, we bring you one of those photos that A) satisfies our pretentious staff's need for things that look cool and indie; B) satisfies our Editor-In-Chief's need for things that look cool and A&R-like (that whole fascinating band-at-themixing-board thing always does the trick); and C) our need for things that are cool and fill up the white space in these retarded photo captions. Seen here making all our dreams come true and being extra careful not to touch something that might completely erase all their bitchin' multi-track hard

work are (I-r) Stereolab's Laetitia Sadier and Tim Gane with Tortoise's John McEntire. Sterolab's fourth Elektra release is due September 23.



This week, we're profiling a woman who's not only a complete A&R professional, but who also has a really cool accent-the mark of an advanced poser. Yes, Virgin Records' Susan Collins has it all going for her, but this appearance in HITS should quickly put a stop to it. Starting her career at Chapell Intersong as one of the very first Acquistions Reps (remember: publishing was once just about song-plugging), Susan quickly gained notoriety for her ears and jumped to the record side with Chrysalis. After a stint with Polydor back in Old



Susan Collins She's English, so she's cool.

Blighty, Susan returned the States and publishing at Virgin Music, where she and Kaz Utsunomiya inked the likes of Nirvana, Pavement and Crystal Method. In her present job at Virgin Records, Susan has signed and made records with Blur, Sneaker Pimps and newcomer Amy Correia. Said Ms. Collins about being Premier Poser: "Make me look daft and I'll have your bollocks boiled like so many chips." Rahthuh...

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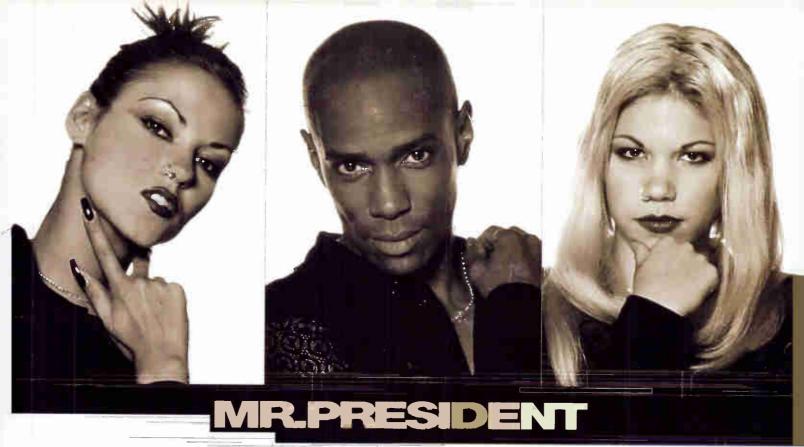


John Denver calls in for "Let's Get Drunk And Screw."

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2	2	HANSON	МММВОР	MERCURY	58	KHKS WHZZ	XL106 WWXM	WKQI JET-FM	38
3	3	VERVE PIPE	FRESHMEN	RCA	46	B97 WSKS	KLLC WLSS	WDBZ WBIZ	30
8	4	WILL SMITH	MEN IN BLACK	COL/CRG	43	KHTS WRHT	KHMN WSPK	KKRZ WFBC	28
5	5	OMC	HOW BIZARRE	HUH!/MERCURY	41	Q102 WPLL	PRO-FM WZJM	KMXV WMC	27
7	6	PUFF DADDY	MISSING YOU	B BOY/ARISTA	39	KBXX XL106	WBLI KS107	WWZZ WHHH	26
6	7	THIRD EYE BLIND	SEMI-CHARMED LIFE	ELEK/EEG	33	KMXV WRFY	B97 KHTQ	KDMX KHTW	22
11	8	ROBYN	DO YOU KNOW	RCA	32	93Q WIFC	CK105 WHZZ	KBFM WFHN	21
13	9	B STREET BOYS	QUIT PLAYING GAMES		28	B96 WLVY	WZJM WNNK	Z100 WYOY	18
	10	SPICE GIRLS	2 BECOME 1	VIRGIN	27	XL106 98PXY	KHFI WZYP	B96 WRHT	18
4	11	SPICE GIRLS	SAY YOU'LL BE	VIRGIN	25	B97 WZNY	WNCI KGRS	WZJM KIOC	16
12	12 13	SISTER HAZEL	ALL FOR YOU	UNIVERSAL	24	G105 WRFY	WRQX WKSI	WZPL KVSR	16
9	13	MATCHBOX 20	PUSH	LAVA/ATL/AG	23	KBKS KMXV	KCCX WZST	KMXB WALC	15
10	15	MARK MORRISON	RETURN OF THE	ATL/ATL G	22	B96 WZJM	KBFM WDJX	KBXX WHHH	14
18	16	SHAWN COLVIN	SUNNY CAME HOME	COL/CRG	21	KKRZ	WZPL	PRO-FM WVAQ	14
	17	TONIC		A&M	17	KCCX WLSS	KLLC WWXM	WALC G105	11
16	18	HANSON	WHERE'S THE LOVE	MERCURY	16	XL106 WRHT	WABB KESR	WWXM KHTW	10
15	19	R KELLY		JIVE	12	KMXV WHTS	KS107 WZYP	WKTU WHOT	8
20	20	AZ YET	HARD TO SAY I'M		10	KKMG WFBC	CK105 KGRS	PRO-FM KZII	6
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Total stations reporting this week: 150

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ARTIST	MTV SPINS	VH1 SPINS	BOX RANK	T40 MKT PLAYS	T40 MKT RANK	REQ	LP RANK	SINGLE RANK
WILL SMITH/MEN IN BLACK (ST)	27	0	ON	1825	10	10	1	
PRODIGY/FIRE/BREATHE	26	0	42	129	138	9	2	0
SPICE GIRLS/SAY	1	0	ON	1197	20	8	3	10
HANSON/MMMBOP	0	0	19	1934	9	10	4	16
R KELLY/BATMAN (ST)	12	2	39	675	36	7	11	8
МАТСНВОХ 20	20	5	ON	1134	21	8	14	-
WALLFLOWERS	28	16	ON	995	24	6	8	-
MEREDITH BROOKS	181	30	ON	2059	7	10	27	3
COOLIO/NOTHING TO(ST)	9	0	8	226	96	5	6	6
BOB CARLISLE	0	0	0	323	74	4	12	-
GOD'S PROPERTY	17	2	29	626	42	7	7	-
JEWEL/BATMAN (ST)	0	16	ADD	790	33	3	11	-
BONE THUGS/BATMAN (ST)	21	0	14	430	55	7	11	4
EN VOGUE	5	15	40	931	28	5	28	11
WALLFLOWERS	1	32	ON	2272	4	7	8	-
MONICA/SPACE JAM (ST)	1	0	ON	645	38	3	23	29
DAVE MATTHEWS BAND	10	23	ON	1425	16	6	33	
LIL' KIM	8	0	2	331	73	8	88	32
MIGHTY MIGHTY BOSSTONES	20	0	ON	750	34	7	30	-
TONIC	11	4	ON	932	27	7	31	82
SUBLIME	2 5	0	ON	196	106	6	16	-
S. PUMPKINS/BATMAN (ST)	8	0	ON	191	109	4	11	0
BLUES TRAVELER	11	8	ON	38	252	1	17	-
WYCLEF	9	0	7	99	161	6	20	45
MARY J. BLIGE	-	-	-	293	81	7	19	-

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NOTORIOUS B.I.G./HYPNOTIZE	4	0	ON	348	70	6	9	57
CHANGING FACES	11	2	25	593	45	5	46	15
WU-TANG CLAN	0	0	ADD	7	414	3	25	. <u>1</u>
SHERYL CROW	13	24	ON	1636	12	6	56	-
	2	29	ON	2178	5	9	37	39
SUGAR RAY	23	0	28	338	72	5	34	-
HANSON	11	11	4	657	37	4	4	
NOTORIOUS B.I.G./MO'MONEY	29	0	ADD	829	32	6	9	
FIONA APPLE	17	10	47	181	112	2	51	-
SISTER HAZEL	3	5	33	2091	6	8	68	49
JEWEL/YOU	1	0	ON	1217	18	5	13	25
THIRD EYE BLIND	8	10	49	2370	2	8	48	18
MASTER P/I'M BOUT IT (ST)	2	0	16	5	424	5	32	80
SAVAGE GARDEN	1	2	ADD	625	43	4	45	7 8
AEROSMITH	20	0	20	96	163	4	38	-
LOST BOYZ	1	0	ON	35	264	3	42	
RADIOHEAD	18	0	0	0	0	3	29	-
K-CI & JOJO	2	0	ON	194	108	4	47	22
K'S CHOICE	0	0	ON	133	135	5	126	-
LIVE	12	0	ADD	385	62	4	64	-
ROME	12	0	ON	995	25	7	40	14
D. KING/BEST FRIEND'S (ST)	0	7	0	203	101	1	10	0
REEL BIG FISH	7	0	45	179	114	5	74	-

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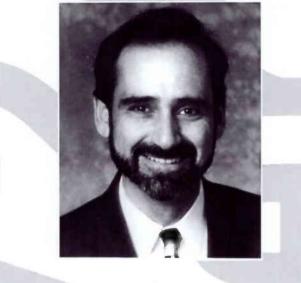


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An exclusive HITS interview with Warner/Chappell Music Chairman/CEO Les Bider

Les Bider grew up in Chicago with aspirations of a Broadway career. After graduating from University of Pennsylvania's prestigious Wharton Business School, he combined his love of songs and accounting acumen to fand at Warner Bros. Music. During his stint there, he helped turn the company into the world's most powerful publishing concern through the merger with Chappell and Intersong Music Group ten years ago. Les has been CEO of Warner/Chappell Music since then, adding the title of Chairman a year later. In that time, the company's influence both domestically and globally has continued to grow and revenues have seen a ten-fold increase.

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JOHN SUTTON-SMITH

Bider is currently basking in the glow of a hot year in '96 with Donna Lewis, Jewel and the Wallflowers, all of which are expected to stay strong through '97. Add a "Batman and Robin" soundtrack to the mix, and a revitalized catalogue department in this, the centennial year of Ira Gershwin, and no wonder Les is singing, "Nice Work If You Can Get It," "S'Wonderful" and "Summertime" all year round while HITS' own song-plugger John Sutton "Place"-Smith struggles to stay in tune.

ABOVE AND BEYOND WHAT THE NORM IS TODAY."

FEARSOME FIVESOME: Five of the scariest people in the music business get a lot scarier as they battle to leave Warner Chappell Chairman/CEO Les Bider with the \$13,987 lunch check (I-r) mgr. Doug Goldstein, CAA's Tom Ross, Bider, mgr. Doc McGhee and Ticketmaster's Fred Rosen.



"THERE'S MORE OF A STRONG WORKING has a material impact on the bottom line. We're not in the RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE MUSIC PUBLISHERS of business of putting ourselves out of business. Our problem as an AND THE RECORD COMPANIES TODAY THAN WE act early on, that doesn't necessar-HAVE HAD IN THE LAST 20 YEARS," publishing deal.



OWNING A PIZZA OF THE PIE: Warner Chappell Chairman/CEO Les Bider (I) explains the concept of sub-publishing rights as the following wonder which knob to push to connect them to Domino's so they can charge their lunch to Bob Daly's Platinum card awardwinning tunesmith Carole Bayer Sager (2nd from left) and (standing) W/C's Judy Stakee and Rick Shoemaker.

WHAT CHANGES HAVE TAKEN PLACE AT WARNER/ CHAPPELL OVER THE LAST YEAR?

As the record business has not been growing at the kind of rate that it had before, we've been more cautious about the deals that we're doing. When the opportunity arises to get something that we feel has the capability of selling around the world and provide different sources of revenue for us as publishers-where there are mechanical royalties, but a high degree of performance royalties as well-then we'll get into a bidding war.

When you listen to the Wallflowers album, you say, I'll get in a bidding war over this any day. This is the real deal. Jewel is the real deal. Shawn Colvin's the real deal. Fortunately, with the Wallflowers, we won the bidding war. I usually say there's never any winners to a bidding war. The person who wins usually has paid too much, so the rest of the industry suffers because the attorneys involved

tend to set the standard just a little bit higher for the next deal ... meaning larger advances, shorter terms, thinner splits. I've been complaining about the larger advances for years and I think we've finally hit the limit because we can't give any thinner splits. We love music, but it is the music business.

BUT CAN YOU REALLY AFFORD NOT TO BID FOR SOMETHING LIKE THE WALL-FLOWERS?

Certainly we can always afford not to go for an act, because when you're the size of the major music publishers, no one act

industry is that when we find an ily mean we can sign them to a

When Judy Stakee in our creative staff was onto Jewel 18 months before she had a hit, we still couldn't close the publishing because the lawyer saw the excitement in the rest of the industry and realized that all he had to do was wait a while and he could make a better deal. We are very happy with our deal with lewel. If you take these two examples, Jewel and the Wallflowers, you're talking about albums that are going to be gigantic albums for the balance of 1997 and into 1998; they both have a lot of singles left. We just had a new single released by lewel from the "Batman and Robin" soundtrack, a remix of a song on her current album.

DO THESE TWO ARTISTS SUGGEST A TREND TO MORE ADULT, LITERATE SONGWRITERS?

I think we've experienced enough of the one-hit wonders. When you're talking about the kind of artist that generates a bidding contest, you want someone that is four singles deep in an album, because you're going to need that to recoup.

It's no different today than in the '20s or '30s, when you wanted to sign a writer who was going to have a career as a writer. Whether you are signing George Gershwin or Jewel, it's the same issue. You'd want to sign Cole Porter just like you'd want to sign Jakob Dylan, because these are people who write above and beyond what the norm is today. These are the future superstars as evidenced by the sales levels that they're achieving and building

steadily. We're not talking about something that's been a runaway hit. Jewel didn't hit the Top 10 until her 52nd week on the charts, and the Wallflowers took a long time to build. It's the same kind of thing we experienced with Sheryl Crow.

HOW HAS YOUR RELATIONSHIP CHANGED IN WORKING WITH A PARTICULAR LABEL IN BUILDING AN ARTIST?

There's more of a strong working relationship between the music publishers and the record companies today than we have had in the last 20 years that I've been in the business. A good example of that would be on Donna Lewis, where Kenny MacPherson worked close-ly with Andrea Ganis on "I Love You Always Forever." That became a giant single, with the most spins of any song of the last ten years.

WHAT HAS AND HASN'T CHANGED IN TERMS OF **MAINTAINING MARKET SHARE?**

I don't think that our business has a fair way of calculating market share among music publishers. Actually, I'm rather notorious in the UK for being anti-market share. I changed management in the UK in order to reduce our market share, but increase our profits, and we've been very successful at that. It surprised people, because we at Warner/Chappell had spent so many years being #1 in the UK. It seemed like we were taking a U-turn. What really happened was that I had looked at the financial performance in the UK and saw that in relation to market share, we weren't getting enough for the kind of money we were spending. It didn't make sense, so we've reversed that trend. And it's worked because we're far more profitable now.

HOW INVOLVED ARE YOU IN THE PROJECTS ON A DAY-TO-DAY BASIS?

The communications up and back are very open. With Email and faxes, there's an incredible amount of information you can toss around a company without getting stuck on people's desks. We communicate extremely well within Warner/Chappell because we don't have the middle level that certainly Chappell had years ago, and that some of the record companies have decided they're going to eliminate, as we just saw with EMI. The move they've made to streamline their operations, and reporting and communications, is somewhat similar to the way we've looked at it here. We flattened out our organization at Warner/Chappell back in 1987 and I attribute a lot of our success to that. The ability to give people autonomy, and let them do their thing, because they're eminently qualified to do it, is dependent on hiring qualified people. We have qualified people. It doesn't mean we don't have midmanagement; we don't have superfluous management.

ASIDE FROM THE WALLFLOWERS AND JEWEL. WHO HAVE BEEN THE OTHER BIG RECENT SUC-**CESS STORIES?**

Sammy Hagar's new album is his highest-charting record as a solo artist. "Little White Lies" is a #1 rock track. Shawn Colvin looks like she's on the verge of becoming a major star. It's exciting to have your kids tell you that they were listening to "Bitch" on the radio, a Meredith Brooks/Shelley Piken song. I think we'll have a lot of success this year with Sugar Ray. We're getting the same feedback from Andrea Ganis and Val Azzoli at Atlantic as we got on Donna Lewis. I'm looking at a great record coming from Radiohead; the Charlatans' new record opened at #1 in the UK; Republica is doing really well; there's Robert Miles, Abra Moore.

YOU HAVE SUCH A HUGE CATALOGUE, WHAT ARE SOME OF THE MOST VALUABLE JEWELS IN THE VAULT?

The biggest obviously is always George and Ira Gershwin. And now that we're in the Gershwin centennial, starting now with Ira and in a year-and-a-half with George, there will be a number of Gershwin-oriented projects coming out. Their compositions as a collective body of work clearly earn more than anything else we've got. Gershwin, Cole Porter are consistent money-makers... A song like "As Time Goes By" is constantly licensed, as are a vast number of standards, whether it's Sammy Cahn, Cy Coleman, Lerner And Loewe, Jimmy Van Heusen, Johnny Mercer.

SEALED WITH A KITSCH: Warner-Chappell Chairman/CEO Les Bider greets luminaries at the '96 BMI Pop Music Awards shortly before the following send him back to the kitchen to fetch some ice (I-r) Seal, Bider, Linda Thompson, David Foster and BMI's Rick Riccobono.

YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT A NEW SYSTEM OF MARKETING YOUR BACK CATALOGUE.

We've identified our 50 largest catalogues and matched them with product managers. We're doing them in two blocks of 25 at a time, because we want to be able to do it correctly. In renewing the Led Zeppelin agreement, we realized that we didn't allocate product managers to back catalogue. We now know that we can better exploit their repertoire if we have a better relationship with them, and we would not lose back repertoire.

It is in our best interest to exploit our back catalogue, because we have better splits and we usually have longer retentions, which results in more money to us. We had a tremendous first and now second quarter, in synchronization licensing, which has made up for the stagnation in record mechanicals. Record mechanicals are flat, because record sales are flat. Why are our earnings up?

We're getting income from somewhere else. It wasn't a market share issue, it was an exploitation issue. We went out and got more commercials because, frankly, we needed to.

AND YOU'RE HEAVILY IN-VOLVED IN FILM SOUND-TRACKS AND TV.

Obviously, we have a huge "Barman & Robin" soundtrack out. We had a huge "Space Jam" soundtrack, which was the result of tremendous teamwork between all the Warner music and film entities together. The cooperation is at an all-time high, which is obviously a result of the music group reporting to the same people as the film group. We're all finally in

the same ballpark, where everybody can play by the same rules and work together as one team. We even finally got invited to the company screenings for the first time.

HOW EARLY DO YOU GET INVOLVED IN FILMS?

Brad Rosenberger gets involved from day one with the film companies. He gets lots of scripts, he's in on the casting meetings and all the other creative meetings that film studios have, but our issue becomes the clearance and the fee. The argument always is, "We need it in the film, we need it cheap." Instead of "Let's work together like we

did in 'Sleepless In Seattle' or 'When Harry Met Sally,' where the songs worked in the films and you sold a lot of records, because you had the time to put together the right recording in the right packaging for the right film." HOW ARE YOU LOOKING TO MEET NEW TECH-NOLOGIES, SUCH AS THE INTERNET?

All of us are involved in the problem of licensing, the problem of policing, the problem of where this is headed. The bottom line is nobody knows how to deal with someone uplinking from one territory that has a different royalty rate and structure than where you're downloading from... it creates trade problems. So if you happen to be based in a country which has no copyright laws, no protection, no rate structure, and you conduct commerce over the Internet and you sell in territories that have these structures, where is the exposure? Where is the liability? We've been working hard to get a bill that defines where the liability lies. This is going to have to be resolved in the legal community. We don't want to stop the progress of commerce, but we want to protect our rights. If you can have free access to what we've got, to our assets, then their value is diminished. One of our obligations is to protect the assets with which we're entrusted here.

WHAT OTHER LEGAL ISSUES ARE OF PRIME CON-CERN TO THE PUBLISHING INDUSTRY RIGHT NOW? We've got a bunch of bills before the Congress. The largest issue currently is the Restaurant Bill, as far as what kind of performance royalties are to be paid in bars, taverns and grills, who want to be exempted. We're also trying to get term extension to have our life of copyright in the U.S. fit that of the EU. They are life plus 60 [years]; we are life plus 50. We need to make them common in order to have a reciprocity.

DESPITE ALL THE PROBLEMS, THE NEW TECHNOL-OGY IS ONLY GOING TO AFFORD YOU NEW OP-PORTUNITIES.

Clearly, this is a wave of the future for music publishers. My fear is not for music publishers, because I think that we will benefit from it. My fear is for record companies, which are put at risk of having their wonderful distribution systems invaded. The different levels of profits will dry up if you can simply load music into the computer and downlink it onto your home system.

We as an industry need to find ways to attract other buyers. The buying public for the music business is much bigger than whom we reach, because we've gone along with our placid marketing and promotion activities. We fight for space in record stores instead of trying to bring people into record stores by creating a demand for music.

LET'S TALK ABOUT THE INTERNATIONAL MARKET. WHAT CHANGES FOR YOU WHEN YOU LEAVE U.S. SHORES TO DEAL WITH TERRITORIES AROUND THE WORLD?

The hard thing for English-speaking markets to realize is that, when they go into a country, that country's market share of local repertoire exceeds 50%, and the local repertoire doesn't sell anywhere else. You can say, if l get \$1 worth of profit in one country or another, it doesn't matter. The difference is, if l can get it from repertoire that can cross the borders, then that \$1 becomes \$2 next year. I can take it and be truly global, because music crosses borders so easily. Then I'd be really happy, because we've got a great deal of foreign repertoire.

In Spain, you had this little band called Los Del Rio, who had a song called "Macarena," which was a hit in Spain in 1991. All of a sudden, in '96, it's a hit all over the world. Jackie Chung in Southeast Asia sells 5 million records. The local market is very important, and if you take what you have in France with Angelique Kidjo, or in Italy with Laura Pausini, it adds up.

WHERE WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE WARNER/CHAP-PELL TEN YEARS FROM NOW?

I'd love to see the company five times the size with the same number of people, because technology has helped us in ways that we can't even think of today. Between Bill Gates and Andy Grove and all those geniuses north of here, they're going to invent things to make our job easier, and make it easier for kids to create music. You can make music today a whole lot easier than you could ten years ago. Ten years from now, will you need a record company, will you even need a publisher? You'll be making music at home and uplinking it on the Internet and even viewing a performance at home because they've got some kind of video screen. Andy Grove calls it the battle for the eyes. Who's gonna be watching, and where are they gonna watch?

WHERE WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE YOURSELF TEN YEARS FROM NOW?

Probably here. I won't be an old man ten years from now. I won't be an old man 20 years from now. I love doing what I do. I love being involved with both catalogue artists of music I grew up with and I love hearing new music, because I think everyone who's successful in this business came because they love music. It's about the music.



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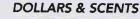


THE LOW SPARK OF HIGH HEELED GEEKS: Warner-Chappell honchos Les Bider (r) and Rick Shoemaker (l) reveal to W/C artist Steve Winwood they just placed Traffic's "Feelin' Alright" in a Pepto-Bismol commercial.

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TV TOONS: The late-night TV talk show wars are heating up with the most opportunities for music since the heyday of Leno/Letterman/Arsenio. "The Keenan Ivory Wayans Show" and Quincy Jones' "VIBE" bow on August 4. Ex-MTV Online's Robin Roth will be booking music for the former, while actress Holly Robinson's brother Matt will be handling similar duties for the latter. Former "Entertainment Tonight" booker Alicia Gichon is now a segment producer for the Wayans show while her erstwhile colleague Clay Smith has returned from his Nashville exile as a producer at "Access Hollywood." THREE DOTS AND A CLOUD OF DUST: Liquid Audio is about to announce they are hooking up with several record labels to offer on-line downloading of singles... People are buzzing about Connie Bruck's should-be-a-movie story about the life

and death of Tupac Shakur in the New Yorker... Elektra west coast publicist Joel Amsterdam gets his VP stripes... Six-year Roadrunner PR whiz Susan Marcus is at Mercury, replacing the exited Bruce Hartley... Veteran publicists Cary Baker and Sheryl Northrop have teamed up to create Baker/Northrop Media Group with first client Rising Tide's Delbert McClinton. They'll also specialize in building and promoting artist websites and Internet content. Northrop's exit creates an opening at All American Music.... Arista's Mark Young





Sarah McLachlan: Sweet smell of success.

is looking for a Publicity Director for the West Coast.... Island Records Associate Director W.C. Janette Baxa exits the label. Call her at (213) 464-5534... Arista E.C. publicist Cathryn Swan will be hawking her B-girl aromatherapy potions at the N.Y. stop of Lilith Fair. The product comes in Destress, Love&Bliss, Empower, Focus, Cash Flow and Sleep modes and has already found devotees in Sarah McLachlan, Patti Smith and Aretha Franklin... Bill Holdship and Chris Morris are being bandied about for the open Music Editor slot at L.A.'s New Times as Robert Wilonsky moves back to Dallas and Jim DeRogatis turns down the gig to remain in Minneapolis. And what's going down with Rhoda Penmark's "My Black Pages"?.. All three Bay Area dailies -- S.F. Chronicle, Oakland Tribune and San Joses Mercury-News--have openings for rock critics, though they're all having trouble attracting candidates with salaries in the \$30-40,000 range... The National Music Critics Association will post a Top Ten of its membership's favorite release of the week on its web-site (www.musiccritics.org), which launches within the next two weeks.

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



GEE WHIZZES: Wu-Tang Clan creative force RZA (center) begins work on his first solo album for Gee Street Records before discovering the budget includes enough money for label Founder/President Jon Baker (r) to singlehandedly pull Barney's out of bankruptcy as Frontline Marketing and Promotions CEO Sincere Thompson (I) learns the hard way the meaning of "recoupment." RZA has also just completed producing fellow Gee Street act Gravediggaz (of which he is also a member) and re-attaching Evander Holyfield's earlobe.



JON BON SECADA: Mega-mega-super-super pop heartthrobs Jon Bon Jovi (left) and Jon Secada (right) discover they have absolutely nothing in common except the home phone numbers of Heather Locklear and Connie Breeze in one of those moments both probably are glad appeared here, where no one will ever see it. The two chatted backstage at ths year's WXKS KISS 108 Concert in Boston shortly before realizing they were wearing one another's shirts. Instead of a day earlier, don't you wish we didn't come out at all? Tough luck.



AN UNREAL WORLD: Mercury recording artist Rebecca Blasband (r) and WORK Group's Chris Whitley (I) reminisce about the unsavory personal habits of both Dominic Griffin and Puck before their appearance in Philadelphia at Tower Records' 10th Anniversary celebration on South Street and at the WXPN Music Festival. Little did they realize they were being filmed the entire time for "Real World XXX: The Reunion."





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

WINNERS

1	JEWEL	Foolish Games	(Atl/Atl
2	WILD ORCHID	Supernature	(RCA)
3	S. McLACHLAN	Building A	(Nett/A
4	MONACO	What Do You	(Poly/A&
5	LIVE	Turn My Head	(Radioa

G)	6	SUGAR RAY	Fly	(Lava/Atl/Atl G)
	7	PAULA COLE	I Don't Want	(Imago/WB)
Arista)	8	HANSON	Where's The Love	(Mercury)
&M Assoc.)	9	WALLFLOWERS	The Difference	(Interscope)
active)	10	TEXAS	Say What You	(Mercury)

JACKO CK105/FLINT Live/Hanson/Ziggy

HITMAN KBFM/BROWNSVILLE Los Umbrellos/L Stansfield

JIM ALLEN KFFM/YAKIMA Wallflowers/N BIG

J.R. AMMONS STAR 94/ATLANTA Tonic/Jewel/F Apple

JON ANDERSON WVAQ/MORGANTOWN V Williams/S Cole

JEFF ANDREWS KHTW/LA CROSSE P Daddy/Matchbox 20

RICH ANHORN KHMX/HOUSTON Tonic

MARC ANTHONY TOWER RECORDS/CHICAGO Ver Dena/Slo Burn/Mekons/L of Acid

WALLY B WWXM/MYRTLE BEACH S Ray/Tonic/Sublime/Robyn

STEPHANIE BATLEY WALL RICHMOND/RICHMOND Tonic/S Hazel/S McLachlan/Maxwell SANDY BEAN HARMONY HOUSE/DETROIT Texas/Jon B

DAVE BEASING DAVE BEASING/CONSULTANT/LA S McLachlan/Jewel/L Christy

KEN BENSON KKRZ/PORTLAND Hanson/Jewel

VINNIE BIRBIGLIA TRANSWORLD/ALBANY W Orchid

FRANKIE BLUE WKTU/NEW YORK W Orchid/INOJ

JT BOSCH WRHT/MOREHEAD CITY Live

BILL BRAVO WEOW/KEY WEST W Orchid/P Kings/Hanson

FRED BUCHALTER WKQI/DETROIT Hanson/Aerosmith

LEE CAGLE KS107.5/DENVER INOJ/Laurnea

TOM CALOCOCCI 92Q/BALTIMORE F Brown

SHANNON CARR TOWER RECORDS/CHERRY HILL S Ray/Erasure/W Orchid/Machinehead

KEVIN CASEY WYOY/JACKSON 98 Degrees/P Cole

BILL CATCHER WSKS/UTICA Wallflowers/Hanson

ADAM COOK XL106/ORLANDO 98 Degrees/Wallflowers

BOBBY D WHTO/WILLIAMSPORT G Property/Jewel

BOB DAVIS WALC/ST. LOUIS L Christy/S McLachlan

CHAD ELLIOT WCIL/CARBONDALE P Daddy/Jewel

BRETT ESSLER TRANSCONTINENT/BUFFALO M Elliott/L Stansfield/Primus/P Daddy

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MICK FULGHAM KISX/TYLER Live/S Ray

TOM GALLAGHER KESR/LITTLE ROCK Monaco/Live/Texas

CHUCK GEIGER WLSS/BATON ROUGE Jewel/Matchbox 20

RON GERONIMO KHTS/SAN DIEGO N B.I.G./Ginuwine

MIKE GIBSON WZST/CHATTANOOGA 98 Degrees/Monaco

JOEY GIOVINGO B97/NEW ORLEANS Matchbox 20/P Cole

DAVE GOIST NAT'L RECORD MART/PITTSBURGH S McLachlan/Radiohead/Coolio/B Joel

JAMES GREGORY WMGB/MACON Hanson/Mr President

RON HANCOCK TOWER/ATLANTA Monaco/10K Maniacs/Radiohead/B Harper

MICHAEL HAYES WKSI/GREENSBORO S Garden/P Cole

SEAN HICKEY BORDERS BOOKS & MUSIC/BRYN MAWR S McLachlan/D Williams/D Yoakam/E Reader

WOODY HOUSTON WHZZ/LANSING Los Umbrellos/Mexico 70/Monaco

JAMES HUNTER TOWER RECORDS/LONG ISLAND Monaco/W Orchid/Erasure/Jon B

CLARK INGRAM WPXY/ROCHESTER N Ranger/Jewel ANITA JUDD CAMELOT/RICHMOND S Hazel/G Strait/S Ray/J Lang

TERRY KEARNS GENERAL RECORD SERVICE/SEATTLE S Deluxe/Monaco/L Rock/Cake

CHRIS KERR WXPT/MILWAUKEE Jewel/C Soul/Mexico 70/Pretenders

KEVIN KOSKE KMXB/LAS VEGAS S McLachlan/L Christy

BEAU LANDRY WBIZ/EAU CLAIRE S Pimps/Jewel/Live

JIM LASPESA TOWER/LOS ANGELES Muffs/W Party/R Kross

STARR LEIVAS CAMELOT MUSIC/TULSA B Thugs/S Ray/B Manilow/Wave Form 7

AL LEVIN WBLI/LONG ISLAND W Orchid/Jewel

DANA LUNDON JET-FM/ERIE F For Trees/L Rimes/Tonic

TONY MANN WAPE/JACKSONVILLE Texas

TOMMY MATTERN WALC/ST. LOUIS P Cole/S McLachlan/S Ray

JEFF MCCARTNEY KC101/NEW HAVEN Wallflowers/Tonic/Jewel

TODD MEEHAN TOWER/LOS ANGELES G By Voices/T Fanclub/C Wheel/L Christy

BILL MITCHELL U93/SOUTH BEND Live/Matchbox 20/A Grant

JJ MORGAN KIXY/SAN ANGELO Mr President/G Property MR ED KHKS/DALLAS Hanson/W Orchid

DANNY OCEAN WBHT/WILKES BARRE Live/N Ranger/P Cole

CAROL PARKER WRQX/WASHINGTON V Pipe/Wallflowers

MIKE PHILLIPS PHILLIPS ENTERPRISES/RALEIGH Erasure/Monaco/M Jackson

ROD PHILLIPS WIFC/WAUSAU S Girls/Aerosmith

TOM POLEMAN Z100/NEW YORK Jewel/Mr President

MIKE PRESTON KBKS/SEATTLE P Cole/M M Bosstones

STEVE ROBERTS ANGOTT/DETROIT M Elliott/O'Jays/Maxwell/S McLachlan

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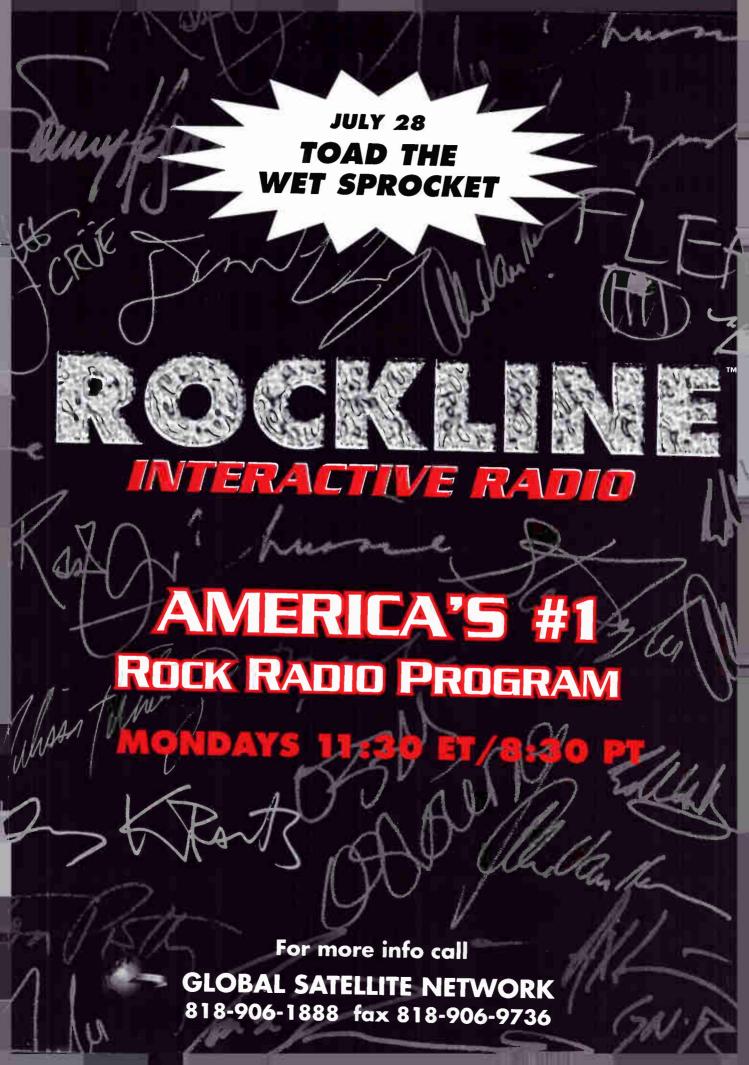
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LINDA SILVER WDBZ/NEW YORK Jewel/S McLachlan/Live

JIMMY STEAL Q102/CINCINNATI Hanson

BRUCE STEVENS WZNY/AUGUSTA Live/D King







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DARREN STONE WABB/MOBILE Jewel/W Orchid/L Christy

MARK SUMMERS WDDJ/PADUCAH A Grant

MARC SUMMERS WZYP/HUNTSVILLE Jewel

CRAIG SWEDIN VIRGIN RECORDS/ONTARIO L Stansfield/U - Zik/J Fordham/R Ocasek

VICTOR TABROSKY **RECORD ARCHIVES/ROCHESTER** D Parton/B Lee/Blink 182/M Elliot

TODD TANGUAY TOWER PORTLAND/PORTLAND Jon B/M Bolton/M Crue/Erasure

CHRIS TAYLOR WHPT/TAMPA Pretenders/S Jackson/Radiohead

LISA THOMAS KDMX/DALLAS Tonic/A Moore/P Cole/S Pimps **MIKE THOMAS** WHOT/YOUNGSTOWN INO.J/Jon B/Live/Blackstreet

HELEN TIMBERLAKE ROCHESTER ONE-STOP/ROCHESTER Primus/S Ray/K-Ci & JoJo/M Elliot

FERNANDO VENTURA KHFI/AUSTIN Los Umbrellos/Jon B/L Rimes

WALTER VILLACRESES ARON'S RECORDS/LOS ANGELES L Christy/Spiritualized

TIM VIRGIN WLUP/CHICAGO S. McLachlan/S. Nut Zippers

TONY WAITEKUS WHTS/DAVENPORT P Andre/Monaco/M M Bosstones

PAUL WALKER KGOT/ANCHORAGE Matchbox 20/Hanson

JORDAN WALSH WLAN/LANCASTER, PA D Matthews Band/Wallflowers/Jewel DAVID WATLAND ANDERSON MERCHANDISERS/AMARILLO Texas/W Orchid/P Benetar

BRUCE WAYNE WMC FM/MEMPHIS P Cole/D Sheik/N Ranger

CHRIS WESTER DOWN IN THE VALLY/MINNEAPOLIS Testament/L Bizkit/A Joy Club/S Ray

MIKE WHITE MUSIC MILLENIUM/PORTLAND Wallflowers/Charlatans/E/Bunnymen/Texas

TERESA WHITE TOWER BEAVERTON/BEAVERTON Radiohead/E/Bunnymen/S Horses/Charlatans

DAN WOLENSKI **RECORD TOWN/MINNEAPOLIS** S McLachlan/S R Vaughn/L Bizkit/Pantera

MIKE YEAGER KVSR/Fresno L Christy/P Cole

JON ZELLNER KMXV/KANSAS CITY Pretenders/S McLachlan

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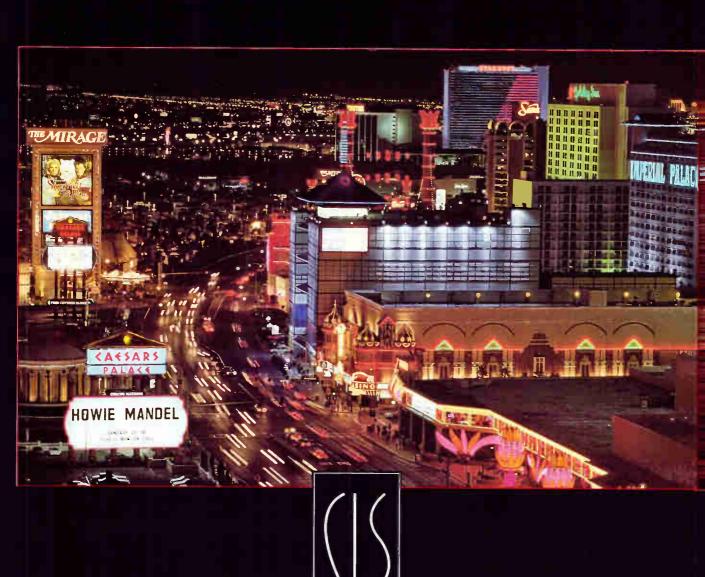
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1	1	BATMAN & ROBIN OST - WB/Sunset	This Bat has legs
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	-	Push	
3	3	WALLFLOWERS - Interscope The Difference	#1 WAVF, WHMP
9	4	SUGAR RAY - Lava/Atlantic/AG	#1 KROQ, WENZ
4	5	Fly SUBLIME - Gasoline Alley/MCA	WBZU, WXDX Add
8	6	Wrong Way LIVE - Radioactive	mod.rocklive 7/20
		Turn My Head	
5	7	THIRD EYE BLIND - Elektra/EEG	#3 Most Added
		Graduate	
0	8	MIGHTY MIGHTY BOSS Big Rig/Merc Rascal King	#1 Most Added
7	9	TONIC - Polydor/A&MA If You Could Only See	#1 99X, KCXX
10	10	DAVE MATTHEWS BAND - RCA Tripping Billies	KNDD Add
11	11	PRODIGY - XL/Mute/Maverick/WB	Huge Sales Again!
12	12	Breathe, Firestarter U2 - Island	#1 WRLG
15	13	Last Night On Earth THE VERVE PIPE - RCA	WEND, WXEG Add
_		Villains	
14	14	BLUR - Virgin Song 2	#1 WQXA, KXTE
13	15	FOO FIGHTERS - Roswell/Capitol Everlong	MTV Add
16	16	COLLECTIVE SOUL - Atlantic/AG	#1 WXRA, KHLR
17	17	Listen K'S CHOICE - 550 Music	#1 KAEP, WMAD
	18	Not An Addict	Phones Colord
	10	SMASH MOUTH - Interscope Walkin' On The Sun	Phones! Sales!
20	19	BLUES TRAVELER - A&M	share food w/Fiona
-	20	Carolina Blues REEL BIG FISH - Mojo/Universal	99X, WNVE Add
22	21	Sell Out	MANDE CINAN A dal
		FIONA APPLE - CleanSlate/WORK Criminal	WXRK, CIMX Add
19	22	SNEAKER PIMPS - Virgin	#1 KTCL, KFMA
18	23	6 Underground SHERYL CROW - A&M	see on Lilith
	-	A Change Will Do You	
23	24	ECHO & THE BUNNYMEN - London	X-96 Add
	25	I Want To Be There	
	25	RADIOHEAD - Capitol Let Down	KROQ, KOME Add

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1. MIGHTY MIGHTY 8055. "Rascal King" (Big Rig/Merc.) 1. BECK "Jack Ass" (DGC) THIRD EYE BLIND "Graduate" (Elektra/EEG) BATMAN & ROBIN OST Goo Goo Dolls (WB/Sunset) A. SMASH MOUTH "Walkin' On The Sun" (Interscope) 6. CHARLATANS UK "One To Another" (MCA)

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CALL ME UP: It's so like me to try to kick my caffeine habit during the first week of our new deadline. Is that the "Anvil Chorus" playing in my head or a song off the Prodigy album? What I wouldn't give for an intravenous drip of English Breakfast Tea right now. I'm not an addict, my ass.... For all you naysayers who said, "so the Prodigy had a big first week, but what about the second week?" — does another 100,000+ impress you now? YOU SHOULD BE PLAYING "BREATHE" LIKE IT'S YOUR STATION'S THEME SONG! Geez, when are

KROQ'**S** KEVIN & BEAN (WITH JEWEL):



you going to "get" it..... On a considerably less cranky note, the big news of the week is the STELLAR ratings of some of our favorite major market PoMo players. F'rin-

stance, KROQ had their best book since the summer of '95, increasing from 3.4 - 3.8 12+ and from 6.1 - 6.8 18-34 (they're the #1 English speaking station in that category). The BIG news about KROQ is the growth of the morning show: Kevin & Bean jumped from 3.6 - 4.3 12+ ranking them at 5th in the market! This is especially impressive when you consider that they were 18th in the not-so-distant past. Also, KROQ had

Howard? Howard Who?

their strongest extrapolated month (4.4 12+ and 7.5 18-34 for June) in years. Mucho congrats to Trip, Kevin, Gene, Lisa, Zeke, Diana and of course, the KROQ airstaff..... Additional Huzzahs to WBCN on their HISTORIC book: 4.8 - 5.8! We're not sure if Oedipus' feet have touched the ground since he heard the news. Will we have to tie string around his ankles to bring him back down to earth or will he just float above us during the entire Boot Camp Not only is our pal, Bob Waugh, quoted in the new issue of Time (the issue with Jewel on the cover) but WHFS rebounded strongly this book from 2.3 - 2.6. The station also WHOMPED DC101 in Men 18-34. We hail Robert, Pat and Bob WXRK moved up 3.6 - 3.8 12+ (we love when Howard talks about Booker on-the-air), KITS moved up 1.8 -2.1 12+ in San Francisco (did they just cut loose their morning host, Alex Bennett, after a zillion years?) and KOME moved up 4.2 - 4.4 12+ in San Jose. Got an exciting ratings story of your own? Call me and I'll make sure it gets in print!..... I fear that it will be too hot in Boston this week to even care about shopping. After watching the new Fiona Apple video, I'm willing to risk wilting from the humidity to go buy the girl a shirt. Or a meal. Or both. Maybe I'll get lucky and be "discovered" and be a late addition to the Boston cast of the "Real World." While I'm waiting for my big break, I'll be joining the radio-types at the scheduled showcases (you don't actually think I'd ever attend a panel), and I'm most excited about seeing Buck-O-Nine (big adds this week on "My Town" from KDGE, KNRK, KPOI, X-96 and KFRR), Fountains Of Wayne, Tonya Donnelly and World Party. Speaking of the latter, "Call Me Up" sounds like a big SMASH to me. And I know more than you do because I'm old enough to run for President. So there..... Lots of stations are reporting phones on the Our Lady Peace single, "Superman's Dead" and KPNT, WQXA, KTOZ, WWDX, WAVF and WXRK added the song this week AIRPLAY = SALES: Smash mouth's album is BLOWING out of stores this week - over 5,000 pieces! Check your local action.....On the Boston tip, we love the new Jen Trynin record. Other CDs making the cross-country journey with us tomorrow include Ben Folds Five, Ivy, Jonathan Fire Eater, Chris Botti, Luna, Beth Orton, The Wannadies, Kim Fox and Lauren Christy...... E-mail your favorite Gianni Versace anecdote to me at Ivanageek@aol.com.

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OEDIPUS WBCN, Boston



As **Boot Camp** approaches and the best and brightest descend on **Boston** to partake in boundless opportunities for higher learning and endless rounds of free booze, you'll notice a bright light shining over the **Back Bay**, right over the offices of **WBCN**. It's not the **Citgo** sign. It's the klieg lights we've set up to congratulate **Oedipus** on his most recent ratings (**5.8** 12+, **#1** persons 18-34!) and his huge two-day **River Rave**. We hail Oedipus on his open-mindedness — he KNEW his audience wanted to see the **Spite Girls** perform, even if it was out-of-format! He's also one of the few PDs who has nurtured his on-air talent for years (we'll now see how **Albert O.** functions in the "daylight" hours of **10PM-2AM**). While everyone is basking in Oedipus' aura during Boot Camp, his personal valet, **Jonathan Lev**, may be distracted by other conventioneers. If you want to make yourself useful, maybe you can offer to pick up his drycleaning.

1. Sugar Ray (Lava/Atlantic/AG)

- 1. Prodigy (XL/Mute/Maverick/WB)
- 3. Sublime (Gasoline Alley/MCA)

WQBK / DAN BINDER / ALBANY, NY Batman & Robin OST (Pumpkins) Lughead Our Lady Peace Sarah McLachlan Matchbox 20

KOXR / TIM JOHNSTONE / BOISE, ID Ben Harper Smash mouth Dandy Warhols Prodigy Artificial Joy Club

WBCN / OEDIPUS/CARTER ALAN / BOSTON Third Eye Blind Dave Matthews Band Mighty Mighty Bosstones Sneaker Pimps Sublime

KXPK / ERIK SCHMIDT / GARY SCHOENWETTER / DENVER Finn Brothers Artificial Joy Club Smash mouth K's Choice Monaco

KKDM / SOPHIA JOHN / DES MOINES, IA Meredith Brooks K's Choice 311 Sugar Ray Jewel

WWDX / CHRIS BRUNDT / JACENT / E. LANSING, MI Sugar Ray Cowboy Mouth Prodigy Smash mouth Dandy Warhols KBRS / BO SHANNON / WIN PATTON / FAYETTEVILLE, AR Souls Our Lady Peace Tool Soak Dandy Warhols

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KFRR / DON O'NEAL / FRESNO The Verve Pipe Meredith Brooks Sublime Matchbox 20 K's Choice

WMRQ / DAVE HILL / HARTFORD, CT Sugar Ray Third Eye Blind Sublime Prodigy K's Choice

KPOI / NIKKI BASQUE / HONOLULU, HI Blur Cowboy Mouth Matchbox 20 Sublime Third Eye Blind

KFTE / ROB SUMMERS / FAST EDDIE / LAFAYETTE, LA Our Lady Peace Prodigy Sublime Spank The Monkey Faith No More

- 4. K's Choice (550 Music)
- 5. Smash mouth (Interscope)
- 5. Matchbox 20 (Lava/Atlantic/AG)

KROQ / KEVIN / GENE / LISA / LOS ANGELES Prodigy Sugar Ray Smash mouth Sublime Forest For The Trees

Y-107 / SANDY HOROWITZ / LOS ANGELES Sugar Ray Sublime Third Eye Blind Matchbox 20 K's Choice

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WRLG / JULIE FORMAN / JASON MOON / NASHVILLE Prodigy Sugar Ray Primus Faith No More Batman & Robin OST (Pumpkins)

WROX / AL MITCHELL / PERRY STONE / NORFOLK, VA Blur K's Choice Mighty Mighty Bosstones Third Eye Blind Batman & Robin OST (Pumpkins)

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KFMA / SUZIE DUNN / PHOENIX Smash mouth Prodigy Sublime Radiohead Mansun

91X / MALCOLM/ BRYAN SHOCK / MUCKLEY / SAN DIEGO Korn Sugar Ray Buck-O-Nine Blink 182 Marcy Playground

KITS / AARON / ROLAND / RICHARD SANDS / SAN FRANCISCO Sugar Ray Blur Prodigy Dandy Warhols Batman & Robin OST (Pumpkins)

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	Push	
1 2	THIRD EYE BLIND	Elektra/EEG
	Semi-Charmed Llfe	
3 3	MIGHTY MIGHTY BOSSTONES	Big Rig/Mercury
	The Impression That I Get	
7 4	LIVE	Radioactive
	Turn My Head	
9 5	SUGAR RAY	Lava/Atlantic/AG
	Fly	
4 6	WALLFLOWERS	Interscope
	The Difference	
67	TONIC	Polydor/A&MA
	If You Could Only See	
58	SMASHING PUMPKINS	WB/Sunset
	The End Is The Beginning	
10 9	SNEAKER PIMPS	Virgin
	6 Underground	
20 10	OASIS	Epic
	D' You Know What I Mean	
11 11	U2	Island
	Last Night On Ea r th	
8 12	BLUR	Virgin
	Song 2	
14 13	SUBLIME	Gasoline Alley/MCA
	Wrong Way	
15 14	311	Capricorn/Mercury
	Transistor	
12 15	K'S CHOICE	550
	Not An Addict	
18 <mark>1</mark> 6	SARAH MCLACHLAN	Nettwerk/Arista
	Building A Mystery	
- 17		Interscope
	Walkin' On The Sun	
16 18	COLLECTIVE SOUL	Atlantic/AG
	Listen	
13 19		Roswell/Capitol
_	Monkey Wrench	
17 20		RCA
	Tripping Billies	

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GOING FOR ADDS 7/21

MIGHTY JOE PLUM • "Live Through This" -Atlantic/AG

OLIVE • "You're Not Alone - RCA

STAR 69 • "Burning Down The House" Radioactive

VALLEJO • "Shining Sun" - TVT

JAMIROQUAI • "Alright" - WORK



MORRISSEY • "Alma Matters" - Mercury

LAUREN HOFFMAN • "Rock Star" -Virgin

SPIRITUALIZED • "Electricity" -Dedicated/Arista

FOO FIGHTERS • "Everlong" -Roswell/ Capitol

LONDON SUEDE • "Beautiful Ones" - Columbia/CRG

HONEYRODS • "Love Bee" - Capricorn/Mercury

COUNTING CROWS • "Have You Seen Me Lately?" -DGC

KENICKIE • "In Your Car" - Warner Bros.

NO KNIFE • "Testing The Model" - Time Bomb

FILTER & CRYSTAL METHOD • "(Can't You) Trip Like I Do" - Epic

GOING FOR ADDS 7/28

BLUR • "M.O.R." (New Version) - Virgin

ORBIT • "Bicycle Song" - A&M

FAITHLESS • "Don't Leave" - Arista

MELONY • "Big Dipper" - DGC

LUNA • "IHOP" - ELEKTRA/EEG

APOLLO FOUR FORTY • "Ain't Talkin' 'Bout Dub" -550

BLINK 182 • "Dammit" -Cargo/MCA

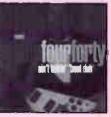
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COOL FOR AUGUST • "Trials" -Warner Bros.

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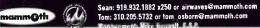
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1 1	PRODIGY	XL/Mute/Maver/WB
_	Fat Of The Land	
2 2	RADIOHEAD	Capitol
	OK Computer	
6 3	BLUES TRAVELER	A&M
	Straight On Till Morning	
— 4	PRIMUS	Prawn Song/Interscope
	Brown Album	
4 5	SUBLIME	Gasoline Alley/MCA
	Sublime	
36	BATMAN & ROBIN OST	WB/Sunset
_	Various	
12 7	SUGAR RAY	Lava/Atlantic/AG
_	Floored	
9 8	k.d. lang	Warner Bros.
	Drag	
89	WALLFLOWERS	Interscope
	Bringing Down The Horse	
10 10	MIGHTY MIGHTY BOSSTONES	Big Rig/Mercury
_	Let's Face It	
11 11	SQUIRREL NUT ZIPPERS	Mammoth
-	Hot	
5 12	BEN HARPER	Virgin
	The Will To Live	
14 13	DAVE MATTHEWS BAND	RCA
	Crash	() () () () () () () () () () () () () (
20 14	MATCHBOX 20	Lava/Atlantic/AG
	Yourself Or Someone Like You	
18 15		Mojo/Universal
	Turn Off The Radio	C 11-1
17 16	MEREDITH BROOKS	Capitol
	Bluring The Edges	tradition
17	ECHO & THE BUNNYMEN	London
	Evergreen	Dedicated/Asiate
<mark>— 18</mark>	SPIRITUALIZED	Dedicated/Arista
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Ben Harper Sublime Sleater-Kinney Prodigy Radiohead

RADIO KADS / RANDY WAGNER

STEVENS POINT, WI Primus Sugar Ray Radiohead Brad Marilyn Manson

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ivana's tip of the week

Hopefully, you'll accrue many frequent flier miles on your journey to **Boston** for **Boot Camp** (we've already upgraded our friend, **Tami**, from **Epitaph**). You can check out the weather forecast on **AOL** before you travel (keyword: Boston). We also suggest that you pack only **ONE** color scheme (black works for us, even in 95 degree weather) with another color for accent (we like purple it matches our varicose veins) and only **TWO** pairs of shoes, eliminating any idea you may have had about checking luggage. If the weather changes and you've woefully underpacked, maybe **Jonathan Lev** will lead a fieldtrip to **Banana Republic**.

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TIME FOR THE BLIND TO LEAD THE BLIND WITH AGNES GOOCH'S MAT BAKER AND JOHNNY LONELY

BY JANISS GARZA

Although Agnes Gooch formed in L.A., their sound has a universal appeal. Perhaps that's because of the diverse natures of the group's members. Singer/guitarist Mat Baker, a high school metalhead, rediscovered music when he moved to Boston for several years and listened to bands such as the Lemonheads. When he came back, he hooked up with guitarist Nathan Ehrenfeld (who, incidentally, positively hates heavy metal). The two recruited ex-Liquid Jesus bassist Johnny Lively and drummer Scott Bushkin, who's a typical Hollywood kid (his step mother was actress Joyce DeWitt from the sitcom "Three's Company"). The four very different musicians have created a debut album, "Blind" (Revolution), that's loaded with moody and whimsical pop-rock melodies, from the

breeziness of "Movie" to the eerie strains of "Cool Beans" (which relates a lunatic's desire to kidnap Frances Bean, the progeny of the late Kurt Cobain and Courtney Love). Baker's lyrics are very literal... "Baby In Green" really is about a baby in a green jumpsuit, while "Mom's Secret" is the story of a miscarriage that Baker's mom had (she saved the results in a Tupperware container to give him a lesson in reproduction when he got home from school). Clearly, this is not your typical girls, booze and party-type band. Mat Baker and Johnny Lonely hammer the point home to HITS' own Goddess of Hellfire Janiss "An Sentra" Garza.



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"MAT'S THE PRE-MIER SONGWRITER BECAUSE HE'S PRETTY MUCH THE ONLY ONE THAT KNOWS HOW TO WRITE SONGS." JOHNNY LIVELY

WITH AGNES GOOCH, IT SEEMS THAT EVERY MEMBER IS ESSENTIAL TO WHAT THE BAND IS ABOUT.

Johnny Lonely: Yeah, there's definitely no dictatorship in this act. [Laughs] Mat's the premier songwriter because he's pretty much the only one that knows how to write songs. Everybody else can write music to a certain degree, but Mat's definitely the songwriter. Nathan is more like a music writer and arranger, and I'm a riff guy. [Laughs] Scott's just a drummer.

THIS IS RARE FOR A ROCK BAND, BUT THERE ARE TWO-AND-A-HALF SONGS ON THE RECORD ABOUT BABIES.

Mat Baker: Well, you know what? The whole time those songs were being written, I was teaching preschool to second grade. So maybe subconsciously, I was influenced by being around kids.

Lively: "Baby In Green" is about a baby, definitely. "Cool Beans" is more about this psychopath looking for the baby.

I CAN'T IMAGINE COURTNEY'S GONNA LIKE THAT ONE.

Lively: That'll be her problem.

THEN THERE'S THE HALF-BABY SONG, "MOM'S SECRET," ABOUT THE MISCAR-RIAGE MAT'S MOTHER HAD WHEN HE WAS A CHILD. I CAN'T BELIEVE SHE AC-TUALLY KEPT IT TO SHOW TO YOU AFTER YOU CAME HOME FROM SCHOOL

Baker: It was just kind of like, "Hey, look, check it out. This is life... and death!" But it was a positive thing, I think. I knew that was a subject I wanted to write about, but I was always waiting for the perfect little melody.

BEFORE YOU WERE SIGNED, YOU TRIED TO KEEP YOUR SHOWS LOW-PRO-FILE, AS FAR AS THE INDUSTRY IS CONCERNED.

Baker: We tried to do free shows. That was the main thing.

Lively: Our manager didn't like that too much. But we were doing free shows before we signed on with him. Being in bands for so long, I just never could understand why anybody would purposely set up a showcase for the record industry. It just seems so opposite of why you're doing it in the first place. It's ridiculous... Why start a band with your friends and people you like, you know? Why not just create a group that will be aesthetically pleasing, like the Spice Girls?

IT'S INTERESTING TO NOTE THAT ALTHOUGH THREE-QUARTERS OF THE BAND WAS INTO HEAVY METAL AT ONE POINT OR ANOTHER, THERE IS ABSOLUTE-LY NO METAL WHATSOEVER ON THIS RECORD. Baker: There's a metal detector on the record.

Lively: We kind of have our own built-in metal detectors. But we've gone through so many more influences since then. In 1991, when I discovered what Funkadelic was, everything metal went right out the window, and has been hard-pressed to return. Baker: When I first heard Soul Asylum in '87-88, I packed up my metal bags. I always thought punk-rock was the two-chords-fast thing, and there was never imagination to it, until I discovered bands like Soul Asylum, Hüsker Dü and Bad Brains.

REVOLUTION'S A FRESH LABEL. THEY CLEANED HOUSE WHEN THEY CHANGED FROM GIANT.

Baker: And they changed decor, too.

Lively: It's all pictures of Thelonious Monk and Sid Vicious and shit like that. It's like a teenager's wet dream office. It's all toy furniture, plastic guitars.

Baker: You can play basketball and there's a Simpsons chess game.

Lively: It's our kind of record company, that's for sure.

SO IN A WAY, IT'S AS MUCH OF A CRAP SHOOT FOR THE LABEL TO ESTABLISH ITSELF AS IT IS FOR YOU GUYS BEING A NEW BAND SIGNED TO THEM.

Baker: It's nice, that kind of symbiotic relationship. As hard as we work, the harder they're gonna work. That's the nice thing about this label. It's very keen.

ONE OF THE LA. MYTHS IS THAT PEOPLE COME OUT HERE PURELY TO ACHIEVE ROCK STARDOM, WHICH OVERLOOKS THOSE HERE WHO ARE RE-ALLY SERIOUS ABOUT THEIR MUSIC AND HAVE SOMETHING WORTHWHILE TO EXPRESS.

Lively: I think most everybody who listens to rock music and goes to rock concerts starts out thinking, "God, wouldn't that be great to play the friggin' Forum!" I played a little air guitar myself. But at some point, you figure out what it's really about. Of course, some people never figure it out.

Baker: When you start out as a kid, it's just to play, to have a name, to get shows and to get girls. It's more of an image thing in a strange sense. But the more you do it, it's just like, wow, this is not as carefree as it was when you were a child. It's a lot more serious.

THAT'S WHEN PEOPLE USUALLY START GETTING GOOD.

Lively: So the truth comes out—we're a bunch of serious stiffs. We're not into having fun. No fun, no show, serious stiffness— [Laughs] Hey, I'm just kidding! Don't write that!

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The members of Brad are busy boys juggling multiple projects. Their eclectic mix of blues, soul, funk, pop and rock comes from the collaborative efforts of vocalist/keyboardist/guitarist Shawn Smith and drummer Regan Hagar (both of Satchel), guitarist Stone Gossard (of Pearl Jam) and bassist/keyboardist/vocalist Jeremy Toback (now supporting his own RCA solo debut, "Perfect Flux Thing"). Brad's 1992 Epic debut was entitled "Shame," which would have been the band's name, except that someone already owned the rights to it—someone named Brad. Coincidence? We think not.

Pesky details aside, a swelling base of fans can now frolic with glee as the band launches its first tour ever under the Brad moniker, drawing from a strong and extensive repertoire. They'll be supporting their second Epic album, "Interiors," a thumbs-up, super-keen collection of jams. The power-pop of "Secret Girl" and the solid groove of the first single, "The Day Brings," are most traceable to Satchel's sensibilities. Toback penned and sang "Circle and Line" and one of the five b-side tracks, contributing his unique acumen, while Gossard's huge influence rocks the boat as well. HITS' own very neat-o Alexa "There Is No" Joy "In Mudville" Sherman plays the swine before Loosegroove ruler Gossard's pearls of wisdom.



HOW ARE THINGS SHAPING UP FOR THE TOUR?

It's exciting—we're rehearsing now. We've never played together live before, so it's going to be interesting. Jeremy has a record out, and he'll probably be on the road around the same time as us, so we're going to tour with Satchel's bass-player, Mike Berg. We'll be going back through the Shawn Smith catalog and pulling out all the goodies that we want to hear. Satchel hasn't played together for four or five months. Regan and Mike have been playing in Meth Lab—a local, f***ing superheavy metal band, so they've been getting their musical chops lately, but I think all of us are ready to go out and do something.

HOW DO YOU DISTINGUISH THIS AS A BRAD EXPERIENCE, SEPARATE FROM SATCHEL?

We don't really. We do in the sense that it's going to be called Brad, but it's just sort of coming together in a very organic way, so we're not going to think about it too much. We're going to play some Satchel hits and a lot of old Brad stuff... It'll be fun.

AT THE BEGINNING, DID YOU BRING JEREMY INTO THE BAND, WITHOUT HAVING HEARD HIM, TO MIX THINGS UP A LITTLE BIT? That's right. A friend said he knew a great bass player and we just said, "OK send him up," and the fact that it worked out was great. Technically, he's probably the best musician in the group, as far as knowledge and musicality. It's pretty extreme—the knows all the notes. He was a real find, a great bass player.

AND HE'S SO INTENSE. DID THINGS COME TOGETHER IN THE STUDIO BECAUSE OF SOME COSMIC ARTISTIC CONNECTION? [Laughs] That's going pretty deep. You know, we all got along pretty good and it was very easy to write songs together. Everyone came up with a part pretty quickly... It's just a group of people that got the job done.

THE FIRST ALBUM WAS A PRETTY SPONTANEOUS SESSION. WAS IT DIFFERENT THIS TIME, SINCE YOU'D ALREADY HAD THAT EXPERIENCE PLAYING TOGETHER?

It was pretty much the same thing. We had about five days of writing, so we just kind of got in there. Everyone started throwing out riffs and we demoed all the various ideas. We had about 20 rough sketches and then Nick Didia, who produced the record, flew up to go through and hone down the ones we wanted to finish. The process is basically the same. You do as much work as you can in a limited amount of time and,

when you run out of money, the record's done.

THERE'S SO MUCH GOING ON, STYLISTICALLY, ON THIS RECORD. We never talk about that stuff, really. If you have a band of individuals with pretty strong tastes about what they like, and you're able to work together collectively, you're going to come up with stuff that's a hybrid. If you have one guy writing and controlling a song, then it's going to be less diversified. In general, the odds of coming up with some really diverse material with a group of individuals contributing to the writing is much higher. We just wanted to make a cool record and by the nature of the things that we like and our styles, it came out. I think the record's pretty cool and Shawn Smith has just got a voice that people haven't heard that much of. There aren't many people that sound like him out there and I think the world needs a new singer and sound.

WILL BRAD CONTINUE TO BE A PRIORITY AMIDST ALL OF YOUR OTHER PROJECTS?

I have no idea what the future will hold. The idea of making more records with Brad is totally interesting to me. How that all comes together is not something I can really look into the future and see. Certainly, Pearl Jam's scheduling is not too intense, so I feel like I have plenty of time and energy to do both.

HOW DO YOU AVOID TOTAL EXHAUSTION WHEN YOU'VE GOT SO MUCH GOING ON?

I just take time out when I need to, and I only play music for fun. There are times when I get stressed out and kind of lose it, but I don't feel like I work that hard. It's playing music and hanging out with friends, and that's what I like to do.

DO YOU EVER SEE YOURSELF TIRING OF PLAYING MUSIC AND DOING SOMETHING ELSE?

I never tire of projects. If it's not music, it would be something else. But music is a great medium to collaborate in and I have a lot of friends who play. As far as creative projects, there are probably a number of things that I could be doing. I have other things in my life that are important to me, but music's great... I just love it.

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AFTER TOURING TO THE POINT OF EXHAUSTION, AT WHAT POINT DO YOU START LOOKING FORWARD TO GOING ON THE ROAD AGAIN?

We're very much a touring band. We were on the road in support of "Foma" for over two years. We were physically exhausted from being out that long. We took just a couple of weeks to rest and then we started writing. And honestly, we didn't think about the road because we were into a mode of writing songs that we hadn't been in for a while. It was really refreshing and a high point for me to just be able to, with my best friends and bandmates, start creating again and basically do what a band is supposed to do.

HOW SOON AFTER THAT DID YOU GO INTO THE STUDIO?

We wrote for about a month or so. And we also tried out bass players. We made a big change there [Ricky Brooks was replaced by Ricky Wolking]. We tried out tons of people over a several week period and this guy from Los Angeles flew in and we jammed with him and it was instant. It was love at first sight or whatever you want to call it. He was like a long-long brother. It just fell into place.

WHAT WAS IT LIKE AUDITIONING FOR A NEW BASSIST?

Logistically, it's a pain in the ass. And letting this person go was emotional. It's like a relationship breaking up. We knew that it wasn't right for awhile and he knew it, too. He was moving in a different direction, he liked different things and felt strongly about them, both musically and personally. For the last several months on the road, I barely had contact with him. It was us and him. We separated because we needed to and it was unhealthy for him to be in the Nixons.

The first proof of that was when the three of us—me, Jesse [Davis] and John [Humphrey]—got together at the rehearsal place without a bass player and these songs—the best we've ever created—just started pouring out of us. The new Ricky came along and accentuated that. For all the pain we went through in the separation, we're healthier and happier as a band. The songs that we created are our children, so there's still some sort of bond. But we're in love again with the new person in our lives.

SOUNDS LIKE A DIVORCE.

It's like a family. That word "family" pops up all the time. Our management are like our big brothers and we're a pretty close-knit unit. That expands to our actual families, too. They have barbecues for us here in Oklahoma City before we head out on the road and all the parents get together, like a PTA for rock & rollers.

The One

Oklahoma City, OK quartet the Nixons released the hard-rocking "Foma" on MCA back in 1995. They kicked around on the club circuit, eventually hooking up with KISS for some arena dates. Radio plays the heck out of their single, "Sister," and the album nudges gold. Not bad for the first time outta the gate.

Fast forward to two years later, the Nixons—which includes singer/songwriter Zac Maloy along with guitarist Jesse Davis, new bassist Ricky Wolking and drummer John Humphrey—boast a veritable cornucopia of road stories to cull from while crafting their follow-up album—tales of the vapid women they met along the way ("Miss U.S.A."), about the sweethearts they left behind ("December") and about trust ("...At The Sun"). Taking a jet-propelled leap beyond the alternative-edged "Foma," the Nixons' newest selftitled sophomore MCA effort rumbles mightily with sharply honed hooks and power-pulsed melodies.

In the midst of rehearsals for some regional dates, prior to hooking up with the R.O.A.R. tour on the east coast, the Nixons' Maloy vowed not to let HITS' own politically incorrect Adrianne "Romancing The" Stone kick him around any more.

Time to wear a Republican cloth coat with the Nixons' Zac Maloy by Adrianne Stone

IT'S A NATURAL PROGRESSION THAT, WHEN YOU TOUR AS RELENT-LESSLY AS YOU DO, YOUR MUSICIANSHIP IMPROVES.

I don't think we see that when we're out on the road because you're out there just playing every night. But when we started writing, it was like, "Wow! Did we just write that song? We're actually pretty good at this!"

When we went in to record these songs, we were like, "I sang *that*? We did *that*?" It's really satisfying, after all these years of playing and going through what you have to go through on-stage, to become closer musically and philosophically with these people that you live with day in and day out. That does eventually come through in the music, despite what we may have thought at any given time.

IT SHOWS ON THE NEW ALBUM, THERE'S MORE CLARITY, MORE PRE-CISION, THAN BEFORE.

I agree. We recorded at a farmhouse, in a barn, in Massachusetts, in the middle of nowhere, with no distractions other than the horses that we'd take for a ride in the morning. It was as clear and as clean as you can get. Back to basics.

WHAT WAS THE DAILY REGIMEN LIKE?

We didn't get to ride horses that much because there was thick snow. We woke up in the farmhouse and a cook would prepare us a huge breakfast. Then we'd just play. We'd set up live, play the songs and then go back and redo whatever needed to be redone until 4 in the morning, if we wanted to. This was a very live, spontaneous and magical album that caught a little bit of something special that we all put into the pot and were able to help create. It was a very soothing environment where all we had to think about was the music.

CONSIDERING HOW RELATIVELY QUICKLY YOUR SUCCESS CAME, DO YOU FEEL LUCKY?

Yeah. But it wasn't exactly the overnight success you hear about. People talk about how much we toured... that we had vans we drove to the ground which broke down a million times. It wasn't anything that hasn't happened to a whole lot of other struggling artists. Even the guy that goes to law school puts in time working in the mailroom, struggling to pay his dues. We did that, too. But we've sure had fun and it has been a good thing for us.

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APM profile



Whiskeytown: The band-breeding ground of North Carolina gave birth to this quintet in 1994, when a former punk rocker from the Patty Duke Syndrome (Ryan Adams) returned to his childhood passion for country music (Hank Williams, Loretta Lynn, Johnny Cash) and enlisted the aid of his twentysomething music companions. "Loretta Lynn *is* punk rock...it's the same pathos,"

says Adams. The band's indie LP "Faithless Street" kicked off a furious bidding war (which **Outpost** would eventually win), as they amassed an army of regional fans and launched into the often sold-out **No Depression Tour**. In addition to their new LP, "Strangers Almanac," they appear on an upcoming **Big Star** tribute (with fans **Chris Starmey** and **Jody Stephens** sitting in on rhythm) and on the soundtrack to **Wim Wender**'s new film, "The End Of Violence." Whew. We're done now. But Whiskeytown, my friends, has just barely begun.

APMpicks_



John Hiatt "Little Head" (Capitol): On the heels of his moody previous effort, "Walk On," the absurdly consistent Hiatt delivers his current work, "Little Head," with sparkle and efferevescence. It's Happy John who sends this record over the top and into summer with bouncy, sing-along choruses and witty lyrics. Is that such a surprise? The title track appeals

to the male libido with a vicious groove and direct, Hiatt-esque humor ("I'm feeling like Eddie Vedder/Only twice as cool"). Topnotch songwriting ("Sure Pinocchio" and "Pirate Radio") that proves it's not the size of the head—it's how you use it. (Jay Hedblade)

Ron Sexsmith "Other Songs" (Interscope): Somebody start a support group—Sexsmith addiction is setting in. Count Elvis Costello in for the meetings, since he's a big fan of the Canadian's swoon-worthy tunes. On his second LP, this unassuming singer-songwriter continues to craft soulful pop, even recalling the aforementioned fan on tracks like "Aver-



age Joe." His humble melodies are lulling on such songs as "Thinly-Veiled Disguise" and swinging on tracks like "Honest Mistake." Sexmith's songs may be habit-forming, but it's an addiction worth having. (A.S.)

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Glenn Roberts WNCS ("ThePoint"), Burlington, VT



Like the brave-hearted pioneers of yesteryear, our young hero **Glenn Roberts** has heard the call of fame and fortune and has decided to go west. His three-year programming run at **The Point's** Vermont/New Hampshire triumvirate (**WNCS**, **WSHX** and **WRJT**) has been hugely successful—especially with all the rosey-cheeked ski-bimbettes who have come to enjoy Glenn's "instant request" home phone number ("We'll do annnnnnything to hear some **Phish**, Glenny!"). But he's got the bug to get back to where he once belonged. Remember college grad Glenn— the waiter/ski instructor/overnighter-turned PD at **KFMU**? Will he be returning to Steamboat Springs or Denver to land his new gig? Or will it be someplace much closer to the Pacific Ocean? Rumors are flying high as this hot commodity continues to soar in value.

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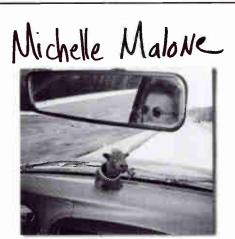
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JONNY LANG:

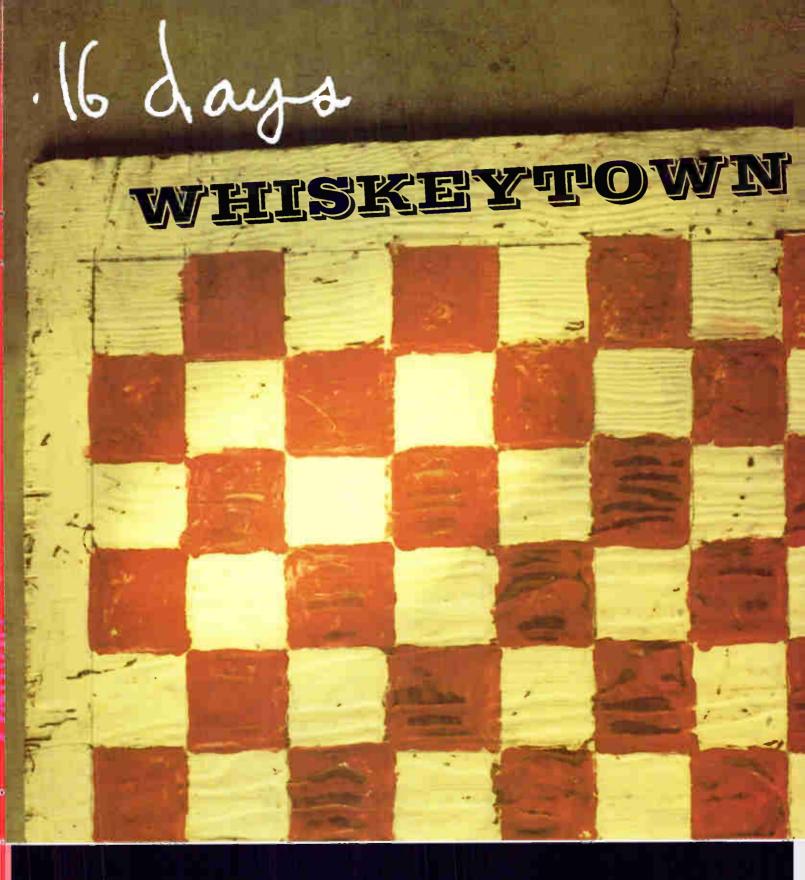


out whenever Ivana organizes a shopping spree, I hope someone (Mul-Ianey? Nash? Buczynski?) can find time to take me to my birthplace in TRAINO

Framingham, where, it's been said, Mark Sandman from Morphine was also visiting when he broke two bass strings writing a song for me. He was so bereft, he refused to replace them, and thus, has evolved into his signature two-string sound. True story. But on to something a little more true. The

The "Other" Prodigy.

Lilith Fest is proving to be the concert festival of the summer, easily outselling Lollapalooza. Paula Cole, Sarah McLachlan and Jewel are the only star acts on Lilith who have new singles at radio, so it boggles the mind how many stations are giving up ownership of Paula and Jewel to their competition just as the Fest rolls through town. In the last two weeks, Jewel's "Foolish Games" has racked up shitloads of Pop and Modern Adult adds. It's simply on its way to HUGE, yet can't get arrested at APM (except by the blessed and clued souls at WHPT and WJBX). Similar story with Paula Cole's new one. Modern Adult is fully embracing "I Don't Want To Wait"- are you? Why give away these artists you worked so hard to break? The crowds don't lie, and they love these women and the stations who play them. Cool sightings at Irvine Meadows were Matthew Perry (um, he was really into Jewel) and Cameron Crowe. Tracy Chapman came close to stealing the show, gracing us with more than a few smiles and at least a couple steps to the right and left (which may actually constitute a dance)...... The lovely Lisa Michelson stopped by this week and we both giggled with excitement (that image was for you, Paul) when we heard Modern Adult station WMXV in NYC was adding the Katell Keineg record. Apparently they just love it and have noticed sales reaction coming from WFUV and Vin Scelsa's "Idiot's Delight" show on WNEW Cumulus Broadcasting is facing off with Jacor in Toledo with their latest purchase of WXKR. We can only hope they see the bright programming genius that is Dusty Scott and keep him smoothly running things. Things weren't so lucky for Keith Murray who was given no time to vacate WOXF (reach him at home #603-224-9039) or for Don Riley, who was let go at WDOD as soon as we made him "Geek Of The Week." We didn't know we had such power. Well, actually, yes we did..... WE LOVE World Party, and as soon as you take your ear off the pillow and listen to "Call Me Up," you'll hear a great pop song with a hook at the beginning. Think about how good that would be for your call-out. Also warming our cockles and getting early adds at APM radio is Jonny Lang's "Hit The Ground Running." Have we mentioned that he's sold over 400,000 records yet? This should be a natural "in" for all of you complaining that there are no male rock records for you. See Jonny. See Jonny play. See Jonny go gold Records worth skipping the Conclave for: any. Also, new Sundays (it's godly good) and Love Spit Love. Trust me, trust me.



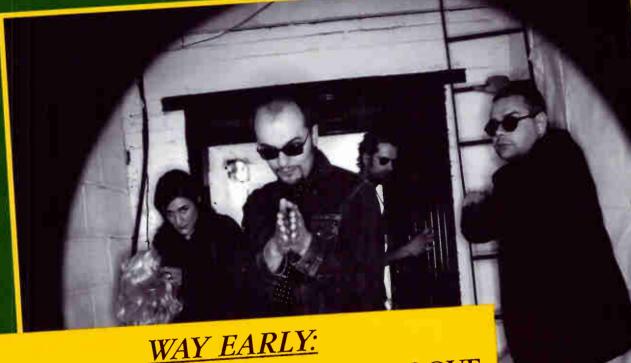
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ALICE IN FAST-FOOD LAND: It occurred to me the other day, while looking at some litter on the ground here in L.A., that life could be a lot more like a running art project (instead of the running surrealist cut-and-paste hell it often is) if fast food wrappers were labeled *Eat Me* and *Drink Me* á la Alice In Wonderland. Okay, so it was the first book I EVER read. Okay, so my family were hippie/acid freaks. Just think about those new and improved wrappers the next time you

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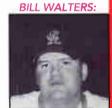


hear those garbled words "May I take your order?" through a broken speaker... Our man worldwide, Errol Kolosine at Caroline, had quite a surrealist experience at this year's Glastonbury music festival. He suggests anyone who wants to know how it was to simply read the beginning of "Howl" by Ginsberg and you'll get the idea (yikes!)... The Neilson Hubbard record "The Slide Project" is a must

Slide this in your CD player.

> listen for fans of anything pop (**Big Star**, Elvis Costello, Matthew Sweet) and anything blissfully Gram Parsons-like. It's on a par with anything else out there right now, and it's an indie release, just like my other current rave-up, Tomorrowpeople. I can't recommend either one enough for your show or your personal enjoyment... Did you know that Aaron "with a K" at WKRO once opened for the Dambuilders (as a member of a band, not a stand-up comedian or puppet show)? Now he's thinking about adding their new record. Could a *smash* be more obvious (okay, Lauren Christy, Cirrus, Jen Trynin and Lionrock are some other examples of records that are such naturals to cross over from specialty play to big-time hit status

that it's a little pathetic that label people are all on ledges over getting airplay)? Another one I can write about for the THIRD week in a row that has become so obvious is Crystal Method with Filter "Trip Like I Do." Have you HEARD this on the air? I nearly drove off the road (oh, not *again*, I just got back to work! I should NOT listen to the radio and drive!) while hearing it on KROQ last night. I think the world needs to stop fighting the hit

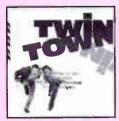


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records and get them on the air so we can concentrate on the music that comes from the deepest underground, like Majestic 12 and fluid ounces and The Lilys... Bill Walters is still out there waiting on your sorry ass to phone him. Get a grip and call the best music director in America at (313) 538-2527... Look at that enormous jump for Spiritualized on the chart this week! Just bring the CD home, put it on repeat and sleep to it. You'll wake up in a new world! Also white hot: Kara's Flowers and that new Rancid song on Hellcat (their label)... Music for airports, or just your bedroom: Brian Eno, Olive, Lamb, Alabama 3 (so bluesy!)... Email me at Indieland@aol.com. Phone (818) 501-7900.

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Various: Twin Town (Inner State/London): "...You can't blame us for trying to liven this place up a little bit, can you?" This quote, from the British movie, "Twin Town" sets up a must-own soundtrack that is, naturally, proudly in the wake of that trend-setter, "Trainspotting." After a dramatic start courtesy of Petula Clark,

"Twin Town"'s creators offer up the best of the U.K. 1997: Catatonia, Moloko and the most listenable Stereolab track to date. By the time DJ Shadow's almost-classic "Stem" comes on, you'll have lived with zest and be ready to retire. (C.B.)

New Wet Kojak "Nasty International" (Touch & Go): New Wet Kojak is an experimental side project of Scott McCloud and Johnny Temple of Girls Against Boys. On their sophomore effort, the duo builds their songs around sparse melodies and pulsating rhythmic patterns, complemented by



McCloud's distinctive and sexy vocal style. On "Love is a Sick Boat," "Kick Some Life," and "Code Windham" they replace GvsB's booming guitar sound with a saxophone, creating a dark, jazz-tinged and incredibly sexy record. (D.S.)



Talvin Singh Presents: Anokha-Soundz of the Asian Underground (Quango/Island): Talvin Singh has done production work for Bjork and Massive Attack, and played with Siouxie and the Banshees. Currently, he hosts Anokha, a weekly club in London known for combining drum and bass with traditional

styles of music from Asia and India. This compilation showcases the music he spins there, and features new artists like State of Bengal and Equal1. This is the perfect record for DJs looking for the future sounds of the London underground. (D.S.)

Splitsville "Ultrasound" (Big Deal): As In Banana Splitsville. This caffeinated pop trio—featuring ex-members of the Greenberry Woods—worships swooning hooks and scorching powers chords. "Let's Go" manages to quote everyone from the Knack to George Harrison in the time it would take most



bands to play an intro. Such manic plunder is offset by yearning (especially on "Yearbook" and the gorgeous "Home"), but Splitsville is mostly about rocking so hard you nearly split in two. Ultra-tasty. (S.G.)

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Prodigious Mayhem: When the superstar band (that broke from specialty shows) The Prodigy aren't "redesigning" the art in their hotel

rooms (look at that spray-painted glass over their heads!) they are setting junk food on fire with their radio friends after shows. Pictured right after the L.A. show and just before torching the loaded table in front of them are (l-r) **Drew** of **Grooveradio**, **Prodigy's Maxim**, **Jean-Paul and Jeff K** of Grooveradio, **Liam** of Prodigy—the man with the lighter—and his bandmates **Keith** and **Leroy**. "**Firestarter**" has a little more meaning than you may have thought.



TEST DEPARTMENT (and Music Department) KFMA/TUCSON, AZ

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Look at sweet little **Chuck**—not even old enough to balance a bicycle in this picture, and yet he manages to find EVERY single record overlooked by the music world on Test Department each week on KFMA! (Look to him to find everything from **Papas Fritas** to **Beth Orton** to **Future Bible Heroes**.) Lately Chuck's good taste and obvious good looks have paid off, with more music responsibilities (yeah, Chuck!) and a higher profile in the biz. In his spare time, Chuck shares a lopsided house with about 18 people; it overlooks the exciting city of Tuscon from a dirt cliff. He can count every streetlight, cactus and tumbleweed from his dining room window. When he grows up, Chuck hopes the other kids at the house will stop teasing him about his name and start listening to his radio show once in a while.

The Buzz You've Been Hearing Is More Than Just A Side Effect Spiritualized

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TIME TO SNIFF THE SWEET SMELL OF SUCCESS WITH MADDER ROSE'S MARY LORSON AND BILLY COTE BY JANET TRAKIN

A cross between the Velvets and Cowboy Junkies, Madder Rose forges ahead with their brooding third record, "Tragic Magic" (Atlantic/Atl. G). Although they still consider themselves a New York City band, their two main collaborators, Billy Coté and Mary Lorson, now live in upstate New York near the Finger Lakes. The group started out releasing 7" singles on three different downtown indie labels before graduating to Seed Recordings, an indie arm of Atlantic, where "Bring It Down," their first full-length album, was released in '93. It was then that the band, getting its name from a configuration of the color rose madder, was critically acclaimed by *Melody Maker* and the *Alternative Press*.

Madder Rose then took their act on the road, backing up such bands as the Sundays, Juliana Hatfield and Bob Mould. The experience of playing together live as a group for that five-month stint led to the release of their second full-length album, '94's "Panic On." It was a hit on college radio and was again hailed critically, this time by such mainstream stalwarts as *Rolling Stone* Magazine and *Entertainment Weekly*.

Gaining more experience on another 18-month tour with the likes of Hole, Bush and Belly, among others, Madder Rose promoted "Panic On" and returned to New York only to decide it was no longer for them, citing the high stress and tension level. Billy and Mary became N.Y.C. émigrés and reflected on the new direction they wanted their band to move in.

Always evolving, Coté and Lorson conveyed their ideas to drummer Rick Kubic and bassist Chris Giammalvo, who graciously accepted the challenge. The result is "Tragic Magic," a beautifully woven mosaic of smooth melodies featuring the soft but piercing voice of lead singer Lorson. HITS' own Big Apple émigré Janet "Too Young to Retire but Not Old Enough For Early Bird Dinners" Trakin found out from Mary and Billy whether they were willing to trade their old Manhattan apartment for a Delray Beach condo.

HOW DID YOU FIRST GET INTO MUSIC?

Billy Coté: I took piano lessons when I was in second grade, but I wasn't very good at it, so we cut to when I was 16, and my sister got a guitar in the house, and I taught myself to play from there.

YOU'VE BEEN COMPARED TO THE VELVET UNDERGROUND. HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT THAT?

Coté: I think the comparison was not unfounded, on our first two records especially. We did a similar thing. We took melodies and sometimes we treated them in a pretty way, and sometimes we rocked them up or made noise over them. I always thought Lou Reed was a great melodic songwriter, so it's an honor to be compared to them.

Mary Lorson: They had a mellow feel. Even when it's at its most intense, it's pretty mellow. That's how I experience our songs, too.

Coté: The Velvets' music was also pretty sinister. I don't know if we come across as sinister as them, but that's what I always liked about them.

WHO ARE YOUR OWN MUSICAL INFLUENCES?

Lorson: Stevie Wonder, Joni Mitchell and the Beatles. I loved certain pieces of music when I was a small kid. I've gone through tons of different phases of being in love with different kinds of music since then. I loved the Smiths a lot. There's music you really like, and there's music that gets to you.

YOU'VE BEEN ON A MAJOR LABEL ALMOST FROM THE START.

Coté: Seed was an indie label that Atlantic created for new bands in that genre. However, we signed first with Atlantic and then they put us on Seed. Then it was time, according to Atlantic, to record on the label proper and there you have it. Lorson: We were never really indie.

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE "OLD" MADDER ROSE AND THE "NEW" MADDER ROSE?

Coté: Our hair is shorter, but it's not really that different. It's less guitar-oriented, but I think what holds together Madder Rose I and Madder Rose II is that the songs are melodically driven. We're just producing them differently now.

Lorson: I'd say the earlier records represent the young Madder Rose, whereas now I'd say we're a more mature band. We know each other personally, and we share musical ideas. We have a system that works really well for us, and we've all contributed to it for so long. We all enjoy it and get satisfaction from it. That might not have been the case in the very beginning. We're all in it together now.

SOME OF YOU LEFT NEW YORK CITY AFTER TOURING IN SUPPORT OF "PANIC ON."

Lorson: We hoped to enhance our creative lifestyles. That has been the case. It really worked for me. We had been in New York City for such a long time and coming back to it after touring, we found the stress level pretty high. It happens to a lot of people who have lived in New York for a long time. It doesn't mean you don't love the city and all it has to offer. It was a pretty drastic move to upstate New York, but it's just as interesting in its own way.

WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE PART OF TOURING?

Lorson: I enjoy the gigs plus occasionally you have the opportunity to wander around for a few hours and check a place out. It's definitely exciting. You're the center of attention every night.

AND YOUR LEAST FAVORITE PART?

Coté: I hate waiting around to do stuff. A lot of times you get to the venue at 3 in the afternoon and then wait an hour to do sound check and another five hours to do your gig. Sometimes there's nothing to do, so you start getting on each other's nerves and drinking too early... stupid things like that.

DOES "TRAGIC MAGIC" HAVE A LYRICAL THEME TO IT?

Lorson: If anything, that phrase expresses the dichotomy of life. Both of those things are in abundance. But whether it evens out in one person's life, we won't know. That's what it means to me. The songs are about the joy and pleasurable experiences, but also the trouble.

Coté: It's about trouble and redemption. That's what it means to me. But since we write songs separately, there's really no one set theme.

DO YOU PLAN ON RELEASING A SINGLE?

Coté: The first one will be "Hung Up On You." The second one will be "My Star." YOU OPENED SEVERAL SHOWS FOR HOLE. WHAT WAS COURTNEY LOVE LIKE?

Lorson: I had fun with her, but I wouldn't say I got to know here. She was really good to us. Very friendly and very accommodating.

Coté: She rode with us in our van to the shows when she didn't want to go in her bus because of schedules. She was so cool. Very talkative. She never shut up. Very funny, very honest and very frank. In an odd way, she didn't take herself as seriously as you would think. She was in on the joke of Courtney Love.

Lorson: She was self-revelatory.

"WE HAVE A SYSTEM THAT WORKS REALLY WELL FOR US, AND WE'VE ALL CONTRIBUTED TO IT FOR SO LONG... THAT MIGHT NOT HAVE BEEN THE CASE IN THE VERY BEGINNING." MARY LORSON



avid Byrne co-founded the Talking Heads in 1975 with a bunch of like-minded art school students at the Rhode Island School Of Design. They were arguably the premier art-rock band of the '70s and '80s, through ten albums, until Byrne's desire to go out on his own and other internal tensions caused the band to break apart. The former head Head, who began to explore African, Latin and other beats in the group's later years, delved more deeply

into world music, both on his subsequent solo projects ("Rei Momo," "The Forest, " "Uh-Oh," David Byrne"), and through the records he put out on Luaka Bop, the world music label he founded in 1988.

Among Byrne's other projects were "Stop Making Sense," a live concert recording and movie, a Twyla Tharp-choreographed video, experimental work with Robert Wilson, the score for the "Catherine Wheel" and "My Life In The Bush of Ghosts," and ahead-of-their-time sound collage collaborations with Brian Eno, who had practically become a member of the Heads in the band's last few years. Oh yes, and there was the Oscar Byrne received for his contributions to the soundtrack for Bernardo Bertolucci's award-winning "The Last Emperor."

Byrne's constantly evolving sound finds its most eclectic manifestation yet on "Feelings" (Luaka Bop/WB), co-produced in parts by Morcheeba, touching on the '70s white hot funk of the Heads, but also offering Latin rhythms and even electronic textures. Just goes to show that while you can take the boy out of art school, you can't take the art school out of the boy. HITS' own journalism school dropout Chris Rubin "Noos" adds the requisite pseudo-intellectual touch.



Chris Rubin bv

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YOU'VE BEEN RECORDING FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS NOW. DO YOU HAVE MORE FREEDOM THESE DAYS?

We had freedom in the beginning. We wanted to be successful, but completely on our own terms. Nobody was telling us what to do, like add more uptempo numbers, or bring in a slick producer. Once you get known and have a history, it's hard to get a straight answer on anything. They're not going to say, "Oh, that really sucks, you better bury that." There's a lot of ass-kissing, but that's the business.

YOU FOUNDED THE LUAKA BOP LABEL IN 1988. HOW DO YOU LIKE THIS PART OF YOUR WORK?

It's incredibly satisfying. Nobody told me you could have these kinds of jobs, putting out records of the kind of music you like. We do OK, and for some, we do very, very well.

DO YOU THINK WORLD MUSIC WILL EVENTUALLY CATCH ON HERE?

We're not competing with the big commercial stuffbut in my mind, we are. I think Zap Mama's record could sell as much as the Fugees. As to the quality of music, and how soulful it is, I don't see any difference. You never know what's gonna happen. Who could have predicted that the Fugees would be #1? At some point, we're going to crack the nut and have a #1 record. Or it will be someone like us.

In Europe, all the neighbors speak different languages. I think "Rock en Español" will change that here. Soundscan told the record companies that Garth Brooks was selling more than Michael Jackson. I think the same thing will happen at some point with Latin. The record companies will look at sales and see they've had their backs turned to it.

YOU STARTED OUT TWO DECADES AGO WRITING SONGS ABOUT "BUILDING AND FOOD." WHAT'S **ON YOUR MIND THESE DAYS?**

Feelings.

WHAT KINDS OF FEELINGS ARE YOU DEALING WITH ON "FEELINGS"?

You sound like a psychiatrist! The picture on the cover has me as a doll with a pretty much tranced-out stare. There are three more images of me inside: happy, pissedoff and crying. And that's it-the gamut of my feelings. THERE ARE SOME DISTINCTLY NEW SOUNDS HERE. WHAT INSPIRED YOU, AND HOW AND WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN LISTENING TO?

I'm listening to such a wide variety of things. Morcheeba, for one. There's a new record by Marisa Monte, a remix record by Ruby-their stuff is great-and the new Paula Cole. Dance stuff is starting to happen in clubs in New York, which is great for me, because there's more of a musical collage mentality than in straight techno or straight house, which is a little formulaic. Beck is about the only American doing it. In other places-Sweden, England they're doing it. Get going, America, you're falling behind.

IS THIS THE WAVE OF THE FUTURE?

Until the millennium. Then we all have to stop and come up with something new. We can't keep sifting through the past any more. I'm still just sifting through stuff like everyone else.

WHY SHOULD SOMEONE CARE ABOUT YOU TODAY. IN THE LATE '90S?

Half the music I listen to is being made by the younger generation. Those are the people I feel I have something in common with. We read the same magazines. A lot of people in my own generation buy only one record a year. I tell them what I'm listening to and I get a blank stare, so I move on to other topics. When I want to hang and talk about music, there's a new generation-with energy, spontaneity and enthusiasmthat I feel a kinship with.

IN A COVER STORY A FEW YEARS BACK, TIME MAG AZINE LABELED YOU A "RENAISSANCE MAN." WAS THAT HARD TO LIVE UP TO?

When that first came out, I left the country for a few weeks. I didn't want to be around until it had blown over. I was hounded about it for years after. People came up to me and said, "Hey, renaissance man!" I didn't write that. It's a compliment, and it's very flattering, but at the same time, people think you're bragging. They think you said it about yourself.

THE DEFINING VISUAL IMAGE OF YOU IN YOUR TALKING HEADS DAYS IS PROBABLY THE GIANT SUIT YOU WORE ON-STAGE AND IN "STOP MAKING SENSE." WHERE IS IT THESE DAYS?

It's in the San Francisco Museum Of Art, in an Icons show, along with toasters and other things that are stuck in your mind. It's a couple of inches too wide to fit in my closet-I tried-so I'll probably put it back in storage when they return it to me.

THERE WAS ACRIMONY, EVEN LEGAL ACTION, BE-TWEEN YOU AND THE OTHER FORMER TALKING HEADS OVER THEIR USE OF THE NAME THE HEADS. WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THEIR RELEASE, "NO TALKING, JUST HEADS," AND WHAT TITLE WOULD YOU HAVE GIVEN THE CD?

I thought that if they were starting something new, they should not refer to the past in their name. I haven't heard it, so I can't say what it sounds like.

IS THERE A CHANCE THAT YOU'LL WORK WITH THEM AGAIN?

There's a very, very slim chance of a reunion. With their record and the subsequent legal stuff, it's all the less likely. Finally, you all can just forget about it and move on.

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TIME TO BLIND YOU WITH SCIENCE AND HOOVERPHONIC'S ALEX CALLIER BY JOHN FORTUNATO

Belgian quartet Hooverphonic make intimate, imagery-laden songs with lush atmospheric textures and voyeuristic shadiness on their U.S. debut "A New Stereophonic Spectacular" (Epic). Striking singer Liesje Sadonious croons mystical revelations and transcendental meditations over programmer/keyboardist Alex Callier's swirly nocturnal ambience and engineer/keyboardist Frank Duchene's billowy electrowaves. Meanwhile, patient guitarist Raymond Geerts loops airy, drifting notes through the hazy surroundings.

Led by the flickering "2Wicky" (anchored by Isaac Hayes' sampled guitar from his '69 version of "Walk On By"), the eerie "Inhaler" and the warped, CB-entangled, beat-heavy "Revolver," Hooverphonic wire adventurous faux-soundtrack music through a transparent smokescreen. Much like Stereolab, Sadonious meshes and twists English lyrics with foreign lingo, tempering the spellbinding songs with lush, erotic sensuality. Which is kinda what HITS' own word-mangler John "There But For" Fortunato does to the mother tongue in this conversation with the band's Alex Callier.



WHAT DIFFERENTIATES HOOVERPHONIC FROM OTHER EUROPEAN TRIP-HOP/TECH-NO BANDS WITH FEMALE LEAD SINGERS, SUCH AS MORCHEEBA, SNEAKER PIMPS AND BABYFOX?

The main difference is we try to be a more chemical crossover combination, blending influences like Julee Cruise, 4AD bands, Slowdive and My Bloody Valentine with lots of soulful trip-hop. We were interested in having Liesje join us because she had a soundtrack-like, angelic voice. We felt we needed a naive, tiny voice that's also mellow. It's so important in music to find the perfect voice. **HOOVERPHONIC ORIGINALLY HAD A DIFFERENT FEMALE SINGER.**

Our first singer only did it as a hobby. She wanted to be an actress and went on to pursue that. Liesje went to acting school, but she wanted to become a singer.

YOU WERE PREVIOUSLY INVOLVED IN BELGIAN BANDS THAT PLAYED SURF MUSIC AND SONIC YOUTH-DERIVED MATERIAL. DID YOU AND YOUR BANDMATES SHARE A DIVERSE RANGE OF MUSICAL INFLUENCES AS YOUNGSTERS?

When I was 16, I listened to Dinosaur Jr., the Pixies and Buffalo Tom. But I had already been into music earlier. I just didn't have the money to afford expensive technology to produce my own projects. I worked at a factory and I had never been on a holiday. I bought a guitar instead of a sound booth. I think I've always unconsciously mixed influences as diverse as the Beatles, Cocteau Twins and Miles Davis. Our guitarist, Raymond, is now 37. He's much more into the '70s stuff he grew up with, like Sweet, KISS and Gary Glitter. And our keyboardist Frank is into ska and new wave. So we all have varied influences.

HOW DOES HOOVERPHONIC'S LIVE SHOW COMPARE TO THE RECORDS?

We're more eccentric in concert. We use samples, but it's much more rock & roll, with live drums and live bass. When we started, we played close to the record with samples and programmed stuff. On-stage, there were just keyboards, guitar and a singer. But no one knew our songs back then. People now know the tracks and it's boring if you don't evolve. Giant Sand always played differently in concert to keep the audience surprised. American Music Club did, too. People have different ideas, though. Some think it's cool to switch things around and others think it's disappointing because the atmosphere of the album is missing.

IS THERE ANY WIDESPREAD BELGIAN SCENE HAPPENING NOW?

they've received some international attention. Our keyboardist, Frank, was a sound engineer on their "In A Bar, Under The Sea" album. There's also K's

Choice, an all-out rock & roll band. There are plenty of guitar bands in Belgium, but not many trip-hop bands like Hooverphonic. **"EACH OF OUR SONGS HAS ITS OWN SOUND AND ITS OWN UNIVERSE."** DO YOU HAVE ANY GOOD TOUR STORIES?

Once in Germany we were playing with Apollo 440, who makes drum and bass music. I was dancing on the floor and got a painful stomach ache. I had to go to an East Berlin emergency hospital. For four hours, I sat there while no one spoke English. Finally, their first question after examining me was, "What are you doing here?" I said I was in a rock & roll band and they got upset because they thought that meant I was f***ed up on drugs.

In Zurich, we played a festival and when our drummer came back from the toilet, he said there were two people in there f***ing. A few hours later, he saw the girl in the venue and asked what she was doing in there. She said, "Oh, I was working." And our drummer said, "Oh I see!"

Another time in Switzerland, we were supposed to play this weird club surrounded by mountains, snow and trees, called Criminal. We thought, "Who the f**k is going to go up there?" Well, 300 people came and we were surprised as hell.

TELL ME ABOUT THE NARCOTIC DREAMSCAPE "2WICKY."

The funny thing is, we were all Portishead fans. And I was always trying to figure out what was so brilliant about them. Was it the sampling or the songs? And I realized they had used some Isaac Hayes samples. So we got some Isaac Hayes records and found a sample we really liked. We called our singer at 10 in the evening and the next day recorded "2Wicky" in the studio. We were pleased with the results. It had a nice atmosphere, but we worried that it sounded too much like Portishead. After a month, we still liked the song and thought it deserved to be on our LP just the way it was. I thought it was one of those moments that you could only capture once. In fact, I think each of our songs has its own sound and its own universe.

WOULD HOOVERPHONIC CONSIDER DOING FILM SOUNDTRACK SCORES?

Definitely. We have done soundtrack work for the Bernardo Bertolucci movie "Stealing Beauty." It was quite a nice intimate movie featuring Liv Tyler, the beautiful actress and daughter of Aerosmith's Steven Tyler, and Jeremy Irons. But it didn't get good reviews.

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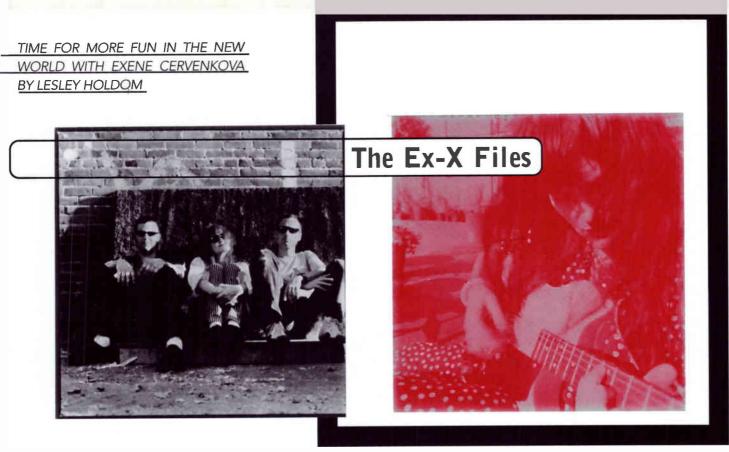


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Exene Cervenkova is arguably the godmother of all things punk-rock. For the last 20 years, she's consistently written songs and poetry about what she believes in; First, with seminal punk-rock band X, later with the Knitters, and also through her spoken-word performances and the three books she's penned.

Her new band Auntie Christ, which also includes compadres in punk, longtime X drummer D.J. Bonebrake and Rancid bassist Matt Freeman, is a trip down memory lane to the days of vintage late '70s-early '80s X. Their debut album, "Life Could Be A Dream" (Lookout), musically exudes raw energy, while simultaneously pointing out that society is rapidly going to hell in a hand-basket.

"Auntie Christ" is the nickname given to Exene by fellow punk pioneer Lydia Lunch. In fact, according to Exene, having the name was one of her motivating factors in starting the band. And whether or not you believe in Exene's politics, anybody around in the '80s who had access to a radio should be familiar with just how important a band like X really was back then— and remains in the present.

Perhaps the biggest change in rock & roll now as compared to then is how even the artists themselves seem to have given up on rebelling against conformity. And Exene has not let that one pass her by... in fact, she's pretty darn appalled by it. Almost as appalled as having to share it all with HITS' newly betrothed flack-turned-rock critic Lesley "You Got To Know When To" Holdom ne Zimmerman.

HOW DID YOU FORM AUNTIE CHRIST?

Well, D.J. and I wanted to do this type of band together, so we decided to look for a bass player. I threw a party at the Masque for my record label Year One. Matt and Lars from Rancid came and we hung out quite a bit. When they were leaving, I said to them, "D.J. and I are starting a band and we're looking for a bass player. Do you know anyone?" And Matt just said, "I'm a bass player." Just like that, "I'll do it." Without hearing a song or knowing the name of the band, because he's such a big D.J. fan, I think the thought of playing with D.J., how bad could it be?

X WAS A MAJOR FORCE IN PUNK ROCK HIS-TORY, YET NEVER GOT THE RECOGNITION THAT IT SHOULD HAVE. WHY DO YOU THINK THAT IS?

Well, being the philosophy major that I am, I understand all of the reasons for that. It was a form of censorship. The media during the day when we first started was real protective of the scene of what we called "dinosaur bands," like Fleetwood Mac and the Eagles, and they didn't want a bunch of young people coming along saying it sucked and they were gonna destroy it. That was as far as we could go, because no one would let us open for them. It wasn't like now, where you see two or three bands opening for a major band all the time. It was just this horrible quicksand feeling of begging these people to let us play so we could reach a new audience. That led to the end of X, because you can't play to an audience that's getting older without replacing them with younger people. They eventually drift away and lose interest. They've heard you. They've seen you. DO YOU THINK THERE'S AN ABSENCE OF BANDS WHO WANT TO CHANGE THINGS OUT

THERE NOW?

Oh definitely. X wanted to change things, to make things better. You just don't find that anymore. People aren't concerned about the way the culture's headed— they're too busy settling down comfortably into their role. It seems like their main goal is to get product endorsements. It should be a battle between art and commerce. The artist should hold out for what they believe in. But it's the whole "rock star" thing again. It's everything we were fighting against in the '70s and early '80s.

SO THEN DO YOU THINK THERE WILL BE A BACKLASH TO ALL OF THIS AT SOME POINT?

BACKLASH TO ALL OF THIS AT SOME POINT? There's this whole thing going on right now with bands and the media—I describe it as a high school dance. There's the pretty girls and cute boys everybody's separated by gender and by cuteness. I mean, look at the cover of *Rolling Stone*. All the women either have their finger in their mouth, or they're naked, or they're crouching down.... there's this whole Lolita/JonBenet Ramsey rock womanchild kind of thing happening. Wait a minute: you're allowed to sing about child abuse or spousal abuse, but as far as politics go...

I just don't see much real political change coming out of these women's mouths. Here's the thing: there used to be a lot of respect given to X and bands like us because we weren't on the cover. Because it was for a good reason—you're too political, you're too controversial, you believe in something. And now if you're not on the cover, it's like you're just a loser! There's not a lot of respect anymore for people who stand apart. And the artists? They're thinking, "Why should I fight for some nebulous concept of artistic independence?" It's really scary to me. Yeah, there'll have to be a backlash, because it's getting worse and worse. WHEN YOU'RE WRITING SONGS, DO YOU TEND TO LOOK TO REAL LIFE FOR INSPIRA-TION OR ARE YOU MORE OF A POET?

Real life is poetry. That's the most real you can get. If you can translate an event into something poignant, or make fun of something really tragic that happened to you and get someone who hears it to laugh out loud because they know exactly how it feels to be in that situation, then it's definitely real. **THE FIRST RADIO TRACK**, "BAD TRIP," IS GREAT.

It's about the bad trip that is the United States Of America. It's about sports and crack and the CIA; it's about AIDS, about people being sedated by Prozac and denial and bad music, and it's about how there's not a shared reality in this country.

WHAT WAS THE BEST PART OF TOURING FOR YOU?

When you'd get to a town at 4 in the afternoon, pull up and there'd be a couple of hundred people all dressed up in various punk-rock stuff waiting to see what you looked like. I really miss that. Now, you don't have to go see the bands like that because with MTV and stuff, that tradition ended with punk...

WELL, HOPEFULLY THIS ALBUM WILL GET YOUR MESSAGE OUT TO PEOPLE WHO NEED TO HEAR IT.

I don't know if it'll change anybody's view, but I think there's a lot of people out there who know all this stuff and will be glad to hear someone saying it. Let's hope they find it.

"X WANTED TO CHANGE THINGS, TO MAKE THINGS BETTER. YOU JUST DON'T FIND THAT ANYMORE."



- WBCN/Boston 20x Soundscan #83, 470 pieces
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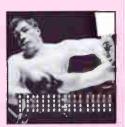
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Super Deluxe, "Via Satellite" (Revolution): This one comes via Seattle, which has lately produced catchy power-pop at the rate it once spawned grunge. This quartet's second album is a space needle full of melodic adrenaline in the Jellyfish/Redd Kross vein; singer-guitarist Braden Blake and company know

the value of a slammin' hook and a clever lyric. Standouts include leadoff rocker "Your Pleasure's Mine," the dreamy "Farrah Fawcett" and "What's Up With Me." Get in the orbit of this "Satellite." (S.G.)

Tenderloin, "Tenderloin" (Time Bomb): Vegetarians beware: these beefy dudes serve up rock tartare. Singer/harpblower Ernie Locke's guttural tones suggest a thousand years of hard living, and the band's down-and-dirty mix of blues, rock and punk could cook a burger faster than a microwave. Cuts



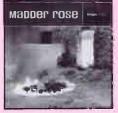
like the rollicking "So Cold" and "Fat Side Up"—which could be the mutant child of Jon Spencer and John Popper—are keen slices of 'Loin. Red-blooded, juicy and raw. (S.G.)



The Dandy Warhols "...The Dandy Warhols Come Down" (Capitol): This Portland quartet's pop culture influences are as up-front as a banana in the trousers and they're every bit the cocky purveyors of glam-rock exposed on 95's Tim/Kerr debut. Frontman Courtney Taylor practically *is* Lou Reed on the

trancey "Good Morning," and when they shoot up the pop jangle, as in debut single, "Not If You Were The Last Junkie On Earth," it's entirely addictive. Take one hit of this hashy psychedelica and Coming Down may not be so easy. (A.S.)

Madder Rose "Tragic Magic" (Atlantic/ AG): With their third LP, this New York quartet flows richly textured melodies into rhythmic grooves. The bass-heavy opening track, "My Star" verges on trip-hop hypnotics and "Hung Up In You" is funk-tinged melancholy beauty. Keyboards, vibes and loops are a mysti-



cal complement to Mary Lorson's plaintive, emotionally heartwrenching vocals, which recall Hope Sandoval and Juliana Hatfield. This "Tragic Magic" is more spellbinding than a double-bill of David Copperfield and Siegfried & Roy. (A.S.)

pomo mugs



FEEBLE ATTRAC-TION: "Get off of me now or I'll jump," threatened The Enclave's Mary Dew (c), overcome by the crushing humiliation of posing with drooling, panting KROX MD Lloyd Harcutt (I)

and Assistant Promotions Director **Lynn Hernandez** (r) from a sky box high above the **Blockbuster Texas Jam**. Fortunately, a small flock of sheep nearby distracted the pair and no charges were filed.

DYSFUNCTION AT THE JUNCTION: Being even a minor Baldwin has its perks, as actor/professional sibling Stephen (2nd fr r) demonstrates here. Yep, that's right: He gets to hang



with supercool radio dudes at wacky outdoor fests like WXRK's "Dysfunctional Family Picnic" and even gets his own laminate giving him the run of the all-you-can-eat muffin bar. Shown being heavy backstage (except for Stephen, who, after all, is Alec's brother) are (I-r) WXRK's Altar Boy, PD Steve Kingston, Baldwin, and WXRK's Cane.



U2, ME TOO: Though you might

not know it, this is a picture of a kinda big band. If you concentrate, squint real hard and use a powerful microscope, you can tell the stars from the primordial radio scum: (back,

I-r) Island's Sue Waters, KROQ's Gene Sandbloom, Island's Vicki Leben, KROQ's Jed "The Fish" Gould; (middle, I-r) KROQ's Wayne Jobson, Principle Management's Paul McGuinness, U2's Larry Mullen, Adam Clayton, Bono and The Edge, Island's Howie Miura and KROQ's Lisa Worden; (front, I-r) KROQ's Carson Daly and Tami Heide, Island's Hooman Majd and Principle Management's Keryn Kaplan.

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ì	3	2	COLLECTIVE SOUL	Atl/AG	Stress MTV, Huge
ŀ	5	3	METALLICA Bleeding	Elek/EEG	Big phones
ľ	2	4	FOO FIGHTERS Monkey Wrench	Ros/Capitol	HUGE! "Everlong" now
}	7	5	MEGADETH Trust	Capitol	Another 33K this week!
1	9	6	NIXONS Baton Rouge	MCA	#1 @ WXRA, #2 @ KILO
	8	7	WALLFLOWERS The Difference	Int'scope	Heavy MTV, Over 2.5 mil
5	4	8	BATMAN & ROBIN OST S. Pump/The End	WB	Active MTV, Another 74K
1	10	9	MÖTLEY CRÜE Afraid	Elek/EEG	Active MTV, 40K this week
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)	11	11	FAITH NO MORE Last Cup	Reprise	Active MTV
ŀ	6	12	MATCHBOX 20 Push	Atl/AG	Upped @ MTV
Ì	18	13	OUR LADY PEACE Superman's	Col/CRG	#3 @ WBUZ, #6 @ WXTB
1.	14	14	AEROSMITH Hole In My Soul	Col/CRG	Heavy MTV
1	15	15	THE OFFSPRING Gone Away	Col/CRG	Up to 700K this week
という	. 22	16	MANBREAK Ready Or Not	Almo/Geffen	Breaking! Up to 700K now!
5	12	17	LIVE Freaks	Rad/MCA	Already Platinum
2	16	18	BLUR Song 2	Virgin	#1 @ KBER, #3 @ KBPI
1	21	19	BLUES TRAVELER Carolina Blues	A&M	Stress MTV, M2
	-	20	JACKYL Locked & Loaded	Epic	BIG-n-phat @ radio
1	20	21	SUGARTOOTH Booty Street	Geffen	Tasty
1	26	22	U2 Last Night	Island	Tour continues
	24	23	TOOL Anema	Volcano	Title track pushes them up
-		24	LIVE Turn My Head	Radio/MCA	Debuts after strong radio week
J	-	25	BATMAN & ROBIN OS Goo Goo Dolls/Lazy Eye	Г WB	Awesome song, awesome band
1	13	26	SAMMY HAGAR Little White Lie	T.F./MCA	Tour continues towards Cabo
	-	27	SEVEN MARY THREE Make Up Your	Mam/Atl/AG	2nd single hits radio hard
1	-	28	REEF Place Your Hands	Epic	Adds turn to spins this week
2	29	29	311 Transistor	Capr/Merc	A sure thing
1	25	30	SUMMERCAMP Drawer	Maverick	Short lived at rock
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FROM THE PIT By Jimmy Barnes



grinds nicely with the Crystal Method

STRANDED: Well, I really did it this week while in San Francisco for the Vans Warped Tour. The venue was really cool, right on the water under the Bay Bridge and all the bands were great in their own right. However, the crowd response was all about Limp Bizkit (Flip/Int'scope), Pennywise (Epitaph), Sugar Ray (Atlantic/AG) and Blink 182 (Cargo/MCA). Now for the fucked part of this particular trip. My pal Jordan Schur (Flip) and I grabbed a taxi to head for the wharf for lunch (crab, shrimp,

lobster, clam chowder in that bread bowl thing- yummy). Traffic was pretty backed-up on the way there, so about four blocks away, we decided to jump out in the middle of the street and walk the rest of the way. Little did I know that I would be screaming my head off, chasing the taxi up a hill a few minutes later --- I left my pack in the taxi with everything from my cell phone to my wallet in it! Unfortunately, I wasn't fast enough on this particular day to catch him and my shit was gone. Needless to say, from this point until about Friday, life's been fucked. Ever try and get on a plane without I.D.? Trying to get back to L.A. was just the start. If you have ever lost your wallet, you know what I mean; for those who haven't--don't! Polydor/A&M's Tonic continues to dominate the chart and sell records (another 30K this week/four weeks at #1). Collective Soul's (Atlantic/AG) "Listen" moves past the Foo Fighters for the #2 slot today. Radio is really bangin' this one. Now that the Foos' (Capitol) "Monkey Wrench" single has been burned into our minds from all the radio play, their second track from the album, "Everlong," starts to hit the airwayes now and will soon be at the top of the charts as "Monkey Wrench" exits How about the Blues Traveler (A&M) sales debut of

67,000 copies last week?!? Nice.... The Batman & Robin OST (WB) continues to kick butt at retail, with another 73,000 copies going over the counter this past week on the power of the Smashing Pumpkins (Virgin), Goo Goo Dolls (WB), Lauren Christy (Mercury), Jewel (Atl/AG), R Kelly (Jive) and others.... The Wallflowers' (Interscope) sales are outta control with well over two-and-a-half million copies of "Bringing Down The Horse" sold.... The Verve Pipe (RCA) are doing well also, with



is an automatic!

about three quarters of a million units sold and a couple of BIG singles from their "Villains" CD. A Rockline appearance (7/14) this week tops it off..... Speaking of Rockline, don't forget Capitol's **Megadeth** will be the show's guest on Mon. (7/21).... Looking for radio action: Alice Cooper (Guardian), Chronic Future (Beyond), Squirrel Nut Zippers (Mammoth), World Party (The Enclave), Jamie Blake (A&M), Plexi (Atl/AG), Cry Of Love (Col/CRG), The Dambuilders (EW/EEG), Outhouse (Mercury), Handsome (Epic), Fig Dish (Poly/A&M), Dokken (CMC) and the Misfits-(Geffen).... PuNkAdDs: Handsome, Outhouse.... BLuErOoMbUzZ: Midwest Conclave, John Hammond, Genesis... Surfpunk@earthlink.net is the mailzone.... TRUST this taxi chaser! ;-]

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COULD IT BE A CONSPIRACY?: A couple of weeks ago, we reported the story of the crazy vegan with a gun at an Earth Crisis show. Now, there's a new story of a recent Snapcase show in Dayton where some jealous straight-edgers pulled the singer, Daryl (pictured), off the stage and fucked him up pretty good. What ever happened to

the unity? Can't we all just... ahh, never mind... Keep your ears open for the new lowercase record out now on Am/Rep. They have been compared to the likes of Joy Division and godheadsilo and will be performing with the Melvins this summer... Heard that there will be a new Soilent Green record sometime soon. No confirmation, as of yet, on who will put it out... The "world-famous" Whisky-A-Go-Go seems to be taking the heavy music torch and running with it. Upcoming shows include Exodus/Skinlab/Sadistic Intent, Deicide, Malevolent Creation/Oppressor/Deeds Of Flesh, Electric Hellfire Club, Napalm Death/System Of A Down, Immolation/Mortician and the huge hardcore event with Agnostic Front, Ignite, Strife and Snapcase. Awesome!... If you get the chance, check out the Non Compos Mentis on Pressure Point Records. The guys are a good, wholesome bunch from the foothills of Vermont, but don't let that fool you. The music is anything but wholesome... Live fast and difference.

(Jimmy S.)

ROCK/M.P.H.C. RETAIL

LW	TW	BAND	LABEL	COMMENTARY .
	1	PRODIGY	Maverick	#1 Moby Disc
1	2	MEGADETH	Capitol	#1 Phil's
2	3	SUBLIME	MCA	T-5 Zia
5	4	BLINK 182	MCA	#1 Ragin'
3	5	MÖTLEY CRÜE	Elek/EEG	#1 NRM
4	6	MIGHTY BOSSTONES	Mercury	T-5 Homer's
9	7	TESTAMENT	Burnt Offerings	#1 Ace's
	8	RADIOHEAD	Capitol	T-5 Atomic
6	9	FOO FIGHTERS	Ros/Cap	Hong Kong Fooey
16	10	SUGAR RAY	Atl/AG	#1 Bionic
7	11	FAITH NO MORE	Slash/Reprise	T-5 Pirate
13	12	MACHINE HEAD	RoadrunneR	T-5 Most Pit
8	13	FEAR FACTORY	RoadrunneR	#1 F.B. & C.
11	14	PENNYWISE	Epitaph	Ruled @ WARP
12	15	MISFITS	Geffen	Tour w/Megadeth
14	16	SNAPCASE	Victory	T-5 Record Stop
10	17	INTEGRITY	Victory	T-5 H.O.T.H.
17	18	OFFSPRING	Col/CRG	T-5 Rock Bottom
1	6 19	REEL BIG FISH	MoJo	T-5 Mad Platter
18	3 20	SEPULTURA	RoadrunneR	T-5 Rasputins
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8	5	MEGADETH	Capitol	#1 WKTA
5	6	SNOT	Geffen	#1 WVUD
15	7	NOVEMBER 17	Slipdisc	T-5 WKNH
10	8	LIMP BIZKIT	Flip/Int	#1 KRZZ
9	9	CAST IRON HIKE	Victory	T-5 WPCR
12	10	INTEGRITY	Victory	#1 WRFL
11	11	OBITUARY	RoadrunneR	#1 WEOS
6	12	SNAPCASE	Victory	t-5 wnyu
7	13	MISFITS	Geffen	#1 WFCS
13	14	MACHINE HEAD	RoadrunneR	#1 WMPG
16	15	FLOTSAM & JETSAM	Metal Blade	T-5 WODU
14	16	BRUCE DICKINSON	СМС	T-5 KSCR
17	17	FEAR FACTORY	RoadrunneR	#1 WIDB
	18	PANTERA	EW/EEG	#1 WSOU
	19	FALL FROM GRACE	Fierce	T-10 WRUV
22	20	POWERFACE	Heavy Jack	T-5 WMHW
20	21	KISS IT GOO DBYE	Revelation	#1 WECS
19	22	WASP	Castle	T-5 WXCI
24	23	AMORPHIS	Relapse	T-5 WNYU
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We At JAMZ Can Only Bow Down As The

O'JAYS RETURN Few, if any, male vocal groups shine as fiercely in the R&B firmament as The O'Jays. Since their formation as a quintet in the late 1950s, they've achieved a rare combination of grace and grit. During the 1970s, in collaboration with the master songwriting team of Gamble and Huff. they unleashed a series of stunning tracks that helped broaden the scope of the form. Original members Eddie Levert and Walter

Williams have persevered through various personnel changes in the years since; the newest incarnation features tenor Eric Grant. Their new album, "Love You To Tears." is the maiden release on Global Soul (through Volcano Records), the label headed by Eddie's son Gerald, who enjoys a co-production credit on the disc. Eddie and Walter recently dropped some science on JAMZ loser Simon "Says" Glickman, who struggled to

Why did you decide to sign with Global Soul?

Walter: After we left EMI/Capitol, Eddie and I decided that instead of looking for a glorified [conventional] record deal, we'd take a chance. We own a small percentage of Global Soul. That seemed to make more sense, to put our efforts into something we own a little piece of, instead of signing with a major record company. How did Eric Grant end up in the group?

Walter: Eric was in a local group in Cleveland a good ten years ago, and I liked them very much and became their manager for four or five years. They never really got to the mainstream, but Eric became pretty good friends with Gerald, who recommended him for the group. We interviewed him, and then got him together with Cholly Atkins, our choreographer, and decided that if he could pass the test with Cholly, he could be an O'Jay.

What was the overall production concept for the album?



(I-r) Eddie Levert, Eric Grant and Walter Williams

Eddle: We wanted to go back to a time in our career where it wasn't about the horns, the strings or the big orchestra; a time when music was really made up of the rhythm section. We wanted to go back to the earthiness of the music, so people could feel the songs, the music, the total picture-instead of clouding it up with a lot of extra elements. How did the last decade's devel-

opments affect your approach?

Walter: You have to reflect the community and the times if you want to stay programmable on radio. And Eddie and I produced two of these songs apiece, but having the young minds around helped us tremendously to stay where we needed to be, musically. We didn't go totally hip-hop, but I think there's enough of that to ensure young people can feel what we've done.

Eddie: You can't say you're not influenced by elements like rap and hip-hop. And if you're going to compete, you have to know what you're competing with. We knew that the edge rap has is very raw, and that's what we tried to capture with this record. In the past we tried really intensely to bring in younger elements, but now we're past the desperation point and back to doing what we do best. The songs are more folksy than anything else. We tried to go back and grab some of that feel, and I think we did a pretty good job. We're gonna get better at it, though!

Tell us a little about working with Gerald this time out.

Eddie: It's still a father-son relationship; he still walks very softly when he's trying to tell me what to do, because he thinks it offends me. We won't say it don't, because we want to keep him walking on eggs llaughsl. But I think a consummate artist is always aiming to please the producer, as well as the public. When we go in the studio, he stops being my son and starts being the

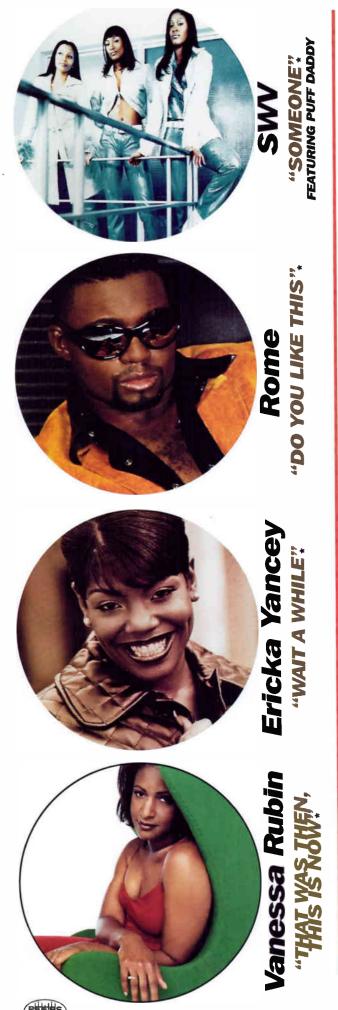
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NEXT UP: Ever wonder when Arista's amazing winning streak will end? Well, they're just getting up to full strength. Take a look at the superlabel's current projects—each and every one with an established radio presence, even if the product was released just several weeks ago: Notorious B.I.G., Debra Cox, Puff Daddy, Az Yet, Sam Salter, Dana Harris, 112, Lisa Stans-



Arista's David Linton-He's Got Next

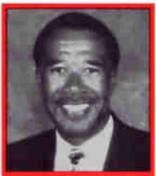
field and Usher continue to make Arista the standard-bearer. Get ready to add another hot group to the mix: they're Next, comin' at ya with "Butta Love" (Arista). David Linton, VP Promotion, chronicles their path to this level: "They're exciting and refreshing. We had a showcase for Clive Davis and all the Arista executives in Next's hometown of Minneapolis/St. Paul. After the show, it was unanimous that we wanted them on Arista. We started the set-up at the Impact Convention last April, with a showcase in front of all the industry's major players. Then we serviced a CD containing snippets of Next's flavor. Now we've serviced an eye-catching clip-with the group scaling the Brooklyn Bridge-to all video channels. And the response to our street team effort has Next poised to take radio." The group is on tour with comedian Chris Tucker, and will have a single on the upcoming "Money Talks" soundtrack... Snoop Doggy Dogg's "Midnight Love" (Death Row)

single is turning up on a number of stations, including WPEG, WHTA, WJHM, WBLX, WJMI, KRRQ and a host of others, generating serious spinz all down the line. "It's definitely the jam of the summer," declares Parrish Johnson, VP Promotion at Death Row. "The video is complete after several delays, including Snoop getting married, and should be on your desk as we speak. Everybody needs a little bit of mid-



Bill Clinton & Billy Porter—"Show Me" Just Added To The Prez's Playing List

night love!" Okay, we agree. Johnson was like butta, he was on such a roll. He commented about Lady Of Rage's "Get With Da Wickedness (Flow Like That)": We've been waiting for this particular single from Lady. 'Sho Shot' was just the set-up. Incidentally, she's filming a movie with the Hudlin Brothers, for release later this year. And her new video should also be on your desks this week"... WJFX-FM Ft. Wayne PD BJ. Steel informs us that he's all over Rome's "Do You Like This" (Grand Jury/RCA): "Our phones just lit up across the board with young and old listeners when we played the song. It was awesome." Steel is also high on Usher's "You Make Me Wanna..." (LaFace/Arista), co-written by Jermaine Dupri, Manuel Seal and Usher. "It's so smooth, the women will go for it in a big way." Finally, Steel feels Room Service's "Ain't Nuthin'



Epic's Maurice Warfield-Speaking Frankie

Wrong" (Starcyde/EastWest/ EEG). "Tell Richard Nash we're giving the song plenty of love out this way!" It's easy to hear why; "Ain't Nuthin' Wrong" expresses a lot of people's sentiments, male and female, about merely looking at a beautiful/ handsome person. Doesn't mean we wanna take him/her away, just checkin'... We like Billy Porter's "Show Me" (A&M),

thanks partly to his explosive live show. "Vocal pyrotechnics" doesn't even begin to describe this one-man choir. Hook up with this budding superstar if you haven't already. The man can SANG! Reach out to A&M's Byron Pitts, 'cause he loves to hear positive news (don't we all?)... Over at Epic Records, the label's venerable Maurice Warfield gushed over Frankie's "If I Had You" (Chuck Life/Epic), a tune about longing for a chance to prove himself in love. Warfield says of the office atmosphere: "The excitement about Frankie is taking the company by storm. He's young, cool, handsome and can sing." Radio is supporting Warfield's observations with mad spin increases at WPLZ, KMJK, WZAK and KJMH, among a slew of others... Next Week's Adds (subject to change, of course): Mark Morrison "Crazy," Next "Butta Love," Tre Lorenz "Make You Happy," Buckshot Le Fonque "Another Day," Simone Hines "Yeah, Yeah, Yeah"....

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Now Ya Know

The Lady of Rage "Necessary Roughness" Death Row

"I be comin' harder than ejaculation," snarls **The Lady of Rage** on her latest album, "Necessary Roughness." The hardcore rapper made her recording debut on the soundtrack to the 1992 film

"Deep Cover," but she first grabbed the spotlight with the infectious "Afro Puffs" in 1994. On the smash "Get With Da Wickedness" and other tracks on "Necessary Roughness"-including "Sho Shot," which first appeared on the "Gridlock'd" soundtrack—she throws down the gauntlet for all other M.C.'s, with rhymes both menacing and inspired. Thanks in part to the assistance of such leading lights as Dr. Dre. Snoop Doggy Dogg, the late 2Pac, Dat Nigga Daz and DJ Premier, among others. The Lady manages to up the ante on lyrical inventiveness--"I gotta art for linkin' letters" from "Some Shit" is a prime example-and syncopated flow. "I'm hard because I like rough stuff," she asserts. "I'm a tomboy. I'm hardcore underground, not mainstream, but I'm not some gangsta bitch, either." The album's final cut, "Confessions," closes out this edgy effort with a meditation on the costs of wildness; the song demonstrates that this rapper won't be limited by her image. "On stage I'm Rage," she explains. "Offstage I'm one of the sweetest, kindest people. But I'm rough on the mic, showing my skills kickin' lyrics."



Lisa Stansfield "Lisa Stansfield" Arista

"This album is like a storybook," says British singer-songwriter Lisa Stansfield of her third U.S. release. "It's 99% fiction. I've taken inspiration from watching people; I'm quite a nosy per-

son." Her focus on the emotions beneath "everyday situations" gives the 14 tracks on the self-titled disc a coherent theme. The music, meanwhile, is a cool blend of soul and pop that highlights her versatile, expressive voice. Though she penned the majority of the album's tracks with long-time collaborator lan Devaney, she also works her vocal magic on songs by Diane Warren and the great Barry White, among others. Born in the Northern English county of Lancashire, Stansfield forsook a career in television for music and formed the group Blue Zone with Devaney and other chums. In 1989, she scored massively with her solo debut; her 1991 follow-up yield four hits. Worldwide touring and a U.K.-only release kept her out of the limelight stateside, but her latest effort-with such dynamic tracks as "Never Gonna Fall In Love Again"--appears likely to return her to the charts. "I think it's more direct and tougher than what we've done before," Stansfield says of the new album, "but there's still that tenderness underneath that I've always had. I try to be as honest as I can.

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

Information Update

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The tribute to Bunky Sheppard, who passed away last week. forced us to postpone this Information Update. If you're smart, you may have read some of this elsewhere-so take two aspirin and bear with us... The major news is the closing of WMYK-FM Norfolk and the firing of the entire staff. The station will simulcast with urban adult WSVY-FM. OM Maxine Todd says that the staff will be given an opportunity to find positions within the Clear Channel-owned chain... A battle is brewing between the Center for Research & Advocacy on African-American Entrepreneur-ship's George Munchus and Dick Broadcasting and Cox Broadcasting over ownership of radio stations in the Birmingham area. Dick Broadcasting has a pending purchase of WENN-FM from Cox, which Munchus feels places the company over the 40% market-share limit, among other complaints. Dick President/CEO Allen Dick says the company is operating under FCC guidelines... It's official: WXYV-FM Baltimore switches from an urban format to Top 40... Joyce Gibson joins WNEZ-FM Hartford to do overnights. She comes to WNEZ from college WQGQ-FM... Broadway Joe exits KKDA-FM Dallas. Joe was previously at WEJM-FM, KDWB-FM and KIPR-FM. He can be reached at (972) 570-0006... Tony Wright is rumored to be leaving his WQOK-FM PD position to go to KANG-FM Memphis. Where does former WBLS-FM PD Reggie Rouse fit into the picture at WQOK?... Joy LaShawn exits her midday slot at KILH-FM Los Angeles and is replaced on an interim basis by Delores Thompson... All-Pro Broadcasting and Shamrock Communications have joined forces as Milwaukee Radio Alliance-a limited liability corporation that will oversee the operations of three Milwaukee area stations, including WLUM-FM, WMCS-FM and WJZI-FM. Daniel J. Manella has been named GM of the Alliance... The Economic Opportunity Board of Las Vegas' Clark County, in conjunction with KCEP-FM, will sponsor the "Business of Music Conference," September 20-21. The conference is intended to expose minority youth to opportunities in the entertainment industry. For more information, please call Kimberly Bailey @ (702) 647-7735... ASCAP is sponsoring the seminar "Real Stories: What Happens After I Get Signed" at the Lincoln Plaza in New York City on July 24. Panelists include GP Wu, Bahamadia, Heather B, the Jungle Brothers, MCA Records' Daddy O and Billboard Magazine's Theda Waller and Datu Faison. The moderators are Full Disclosure's Yvonne Bynoe and Freestyle Union's Toni Blackman. For more information, call **Tamara Francois** @ (212) 841-8119... **Tara** Griggs-Magee has been named GM of gospel-flavored Verity Records. Her responsibilities include warning the world of the evils of reading this rag... The House of Blues Foundation has awarded its "1997 Blues Ambassador Scholarship" to two Los Angeles-area high school students as part of its continued commitment to and support of higher education. The ceremony will take place July 20 at the L.A. House of Blues...

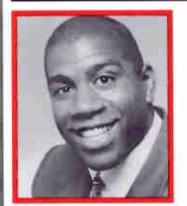
DeLana Walker exits **Arista Records** to become Talent Booker for the upcoming "Arthel & Fred" talk show. **Arthel Neville** was formerly with "Extra," an infotainment TV show, and **Fred Roggin** is a popular Los Angeles sportscaster who



Erykah Badu–Casting A Spell On The Blues Brothers hosted the nationally syndicated "Fred Roggin's Hall Of Shame" television show... Michel'le is making a comeback after an eight-year absence. Her first album, on Death Row, is titled "Single Black Female." Look for the album by the end of August... Mint Condition joins **BLACKstreet**'s national summer tour. Also on the bill are Changing Faces, 112 and Jay-Z... The KKBT-FM Los Angeles "Summer Jam '97" concert is a sell-out. It will be held at the Irvine Amphitheatre. Aaltyah, Dru Hill, Shaquille O'Neal, Foxy

Brown, Warren G., and many others are scheduled to perform... Erykah Badu will make her feature film debut in "Blues Brothers 2000." She will play a spell-casting diva who induces the Brothers to play her song... This week's Midwest Radio & Music Business Conference in Chicago will feature Brian McKnight presenting the Women's Griot Award to Gladys Knight and others...

Magic Co-Presents Amazin' "Jamizon"



Magic Says: JAMIZON, JAMZ ain't.

Earvin "Magic" Johnson, Miller Lite and Vibe magazine-in conjunction with Warner/Avalon-will present "Jamizon," an "Urban Entertainment Experience." The festival, slated to kick off its 26-city tour July 23 in Jacksonville, FL, will boast such musical acts as Keith Sweat, SWV, Kenny Lattimore. Brownstone and Mark Morrison, as well as an array of cuisine, interactive entertainment displays, film, video, comedy, memorabilia and fashion. "The Jamizon

tour is a vehicle to further the opportunity for fans of urban entertainment to enjoy a live music and cultural experience," Johnson insisted. Asked what he meant by "cultural experience," the beloved athlete replied, "the opposite of *HITS*."

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BY JENNIFER THE WORD PASS NORWOOD

A DAY EARLIER, A DOLLAR RICHER: Hey, folks. Not only have AZ and Gangstarr gone from EMI to Virgin, so have Kevin Black and Adam Favors, who will both be hooking up mixshow promotions at the label. Terry Graves exits; find this fine and able promoter by dialing 213-653-0976... CHART CHECK: See, I was right. Lady of Rage "Get With Da Wickedness (Flow Like That)" takes over the reins at #1. What a great way for Savalas to end his stint at Death Row! This must mean that rap radio is ripe and ready for the next Wu single ... Puffy's "It's All About The Benjamins" (Bad Boy/Arista) debut at #19 is a combination of getting in the top five most-added for two weeks in a row and the fact that the whole rap panel finally owns a copy on wax... **COLLEGE TRANSFERS:** There are a few tranfers of power this week. Let's have a HITS welcome to WKPS and their reporter, Mike Jax, at 814-865-7983 ... And another one to Tishawn Gayle, who will be in charge of reporting for WRBB ... You can also find KGRG's DJ Crush in cyberspace: djcrush@hotmail.com... DJ Rockafella at KROU will now be known as DJ Rocc, but his



phone number remains the same... Brother Jules' show at KMOJ has been switched to Friday nights, 10P-2A ... Be sure that you have Byze's new address: 2700 Harrison St., Oakland, CA 94612... Due to technical difficulties, the Bloodstream Audionet show will be off the 'net until September. Just keep servicing them, though, because you know it takes a month to get people officially on your mailing list!... Did you know that Shanik Mincie of

WRAS is also the Saturday overnite jock at WHTA/Atlanta?... As of Monday, Savalas will be Mr. Mixshow Promotion Man at Street Life/Scotti Bros.! Big him up at 310-656-1100. And in honor of his new gig, he is this week's Shakedown Promoter of the Week. Congratulations!... DIGGIN' IN THE CRATES: Geffen has got some butters coming down the chute. Like All City's "Basic Training"/"Move On You" and the Kutmasta Kurt remix of Dr. Octagon's "Blue Flowers." The remix is a little more accessible to rap radio, so you should be calling Eric Beasley at 212-841-8636 if you're not in possession of this record... I'm also checking for the new Voodu "Dark Regions" joint on Patchwerk Recordings. BJ and Jason have the wax at 404-249-9661 ... If you've been sending records to Zenobia Simmons at an L.A. address, they haven't reached her. She's at 212 8th St. #2, Jersey City, NJ 07302. Thank you.. DJ Pooh has got a string of listening parties lined up for the remainder of July. The dates are as follows: July 23/NYC; July 24/Atlanta; July 25/Houston; July 26/Chicago. Call either Shirlene or Just-O at Atlantic to make sure you're covered ... Top Billin': Geo @ Blunt, Cherry Bomb, Jacob York, Bajja, Robert Redd, Third Rail, The Scientist, Marlon Cross and Kelly Woo, who does his own stunts...

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4	4	LIL' KIM	Not Tonight	Undeas/BB/Atl G/TB
2	5	PUFF/FAITH	I'll Be Missing	Bad Boy/Arista
6	6	WYCLEF JEAN	We Trying To	Ruffhouse/Col/CRG
11	7	MASTER P	If I Could Change	No Limit/Priority
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5	9	JAY-Z	Who You Wit	Qwest/WB
8	10	SCARFACE	Smile	Rap-A-Lot/NT/Virg
10	11	RAMPAGE	Take It To The	Elektra/EEG
24	12	HEAVY D	Keep It Coming	Uptown/Universal
14	13	LOST BOYZ	Love Peace &	Universal
	14	BIG BUB	Need Your Love	Kedar/Universal
13	15		Jockin' My Style	SL/Scotti Bros.
17	16	SNOOP DOGGY DOGG	Doggfather	Death Row
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	22	PUNK BARBARIANS	Hooptie Car	Lethal
-	23	MIAX	The Party Don't Stop	No Limit/Priority
-	24	TRU	Fedz	No Limit/Priority
	25	NOTORIOUS B.I.G.	Mo Money Mo	Bad Boy/Arista
12	26	EIGHTBALL & MJG	Just Like Candy	Suave House/Rel
	27	TRACEY LEE	Give It Up	Bystorm/Universal
20	28	REDMAN	Pick It Up	Def Jam/Mercury
29	29	KRS-ONE	Step Into A World	Jive
16	30	NOTORIOUS B.I.G.	Hypnotize	Bad Boy/Arista

HOT NEW RELEASES

PANCHO KRYZTAL	Gal A Chat	Scratchie/Merc
FRANKIE	If Had You	Chuck Life/Epic
LISA STANSFIELD	Never, Never	Arista
EPMD	Never Seen Before	Def Jam/Merc

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EDITED BY MICHAEL PHYALL



Shaq, Ice Cube, B-Real, Peter Gunz & KRS-One Men Of Steel Qwest/WB Director: Nick Qwested

The first video single from the "Steel" soundtrack, this project has a full lineup of East and West Coast heavy-hitters. Filmed in a steel works with the background ablaze, the clip shows this crew is truly made of steel. With the East vs. West conflict squashed, these rappers drop a flurry of lyrics that's damn near unstoppable...



G-Sport f/Christopher Martin Hey, What Can I Say? G-Sport Director: Christopher Martin

First heard as Play from Kid 'N Play, Christopher Martin returns in this clip

from **G-Sport**, "Hey, What Can I Say?" This talented group of young men and women was inspired to be part of a positive change in the rap world.

GOTCHA!

Priority's Michael Cole, pictured here with Master P and **Ron Hightower** on the set of "How U Do Dat," is trying to get Master P to give him the rolls from the clip...



A LITTLE NEWS

Let's talk about dedication to your show: Harold Brown was on vacation this week, but still took time to make sure we got his playlist... Music Inner City is now expanding to channels one and 26 on TCI Cablevision Seattle/ Tacoma, WA. Call Gordon Curvey for more info: (206) 722-9160... We'd like to thank Funkee V's Monica Campbell—the hardest working lady in the midwest—for her dedication to the job... Dare TV's Chazz Bryant would like to say: Strike a pose!!!...

TOP 10 R&B VIDEOS

TW	LW	Artist	Title	Label
1	1	MARY J. BLIGE	I Can Love You.	MCA
- 4	2	R. KELLY	Gotham City	See.
-	3	REF.CAMP/L.HILL	The Sweetest-	Columbia/CRG
2	4	GOD'S PROPERTY	Stomp	B-Rite
7	\$	GINUWINE	11 Do Anything	550 Music
3	6	EN VOGUE	Whatever	
8	7	MONIFAH	1 Still Love You	Owest/WE
5	8	CHANGING FACES	G.H.E.T.T.O.U.T	Big Beat/Atl/Atl G
-	9	ROME	Do You Like This	Grand Jury/RCA
6	10	K-CI & JOJO	You Bring Me Up	MCA

IF YOU'VE BEEN WAITING IN CONFUSED ANTICIPATION

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THE ALBUM FROM THE MOST LONGED FOR HIP HOP ARTIST RETURNS WITH THE HIT SINGLE REMINDING ME (OF SEF) FEATURING CHANTAY SAVAGE AND THE UNDERGROUND SMASH 1'2 MANY... REMINDING ME (OF SEF) FEATURING CHANTAY SAVAGE AND THE UNDERGROUND SMASH 1'2 MANY...



MAKIN' IT HAPPEN



This week's props go out to Payday Records' Shadow. Brooklyn-born and raised, Shadow got his start rhyming in a local rap group in the mid-'80s. He has a Bachelor's degree in Communications from Virginia Commonwealth University, where he spun at WVCW, the campus station. In 1993, he got his first industry

gig—as an intern for Kevin Liles and Wes Johnson at Def Jam. 1995 saw Shadow head over to Nervous Records as an Assistant College rep to Just-O; upon O's departure, he became Director of College Promotions. In 1996, he moved over to Payday as National Director of Promotion. Shadow has helped break such acts as Jeru The Damaja, Big Shug, Smooth Da Hustla, Broadway, Mad Lion and, currently, O.C. He plans to start up his own production company, Fat Cat From Brook-lyn, this year. His secret for success is this: "Persistence always beats resistance. Shouts out to Chris Thomas, Just-O, the entire Payday street team, Dee from Robbins Ent., DJ Premier, Mr. Dave, Mack @ Nervous, Chris LaMonica, Funkmaster Flex, the Ruffnex, Glen Aure and Sway & Tech." On the strength.

LIKWIT SPORTS BY JRO

After being suspended by the NBA for head-butting a referee and kicking a courtside photographer in the groin, Dennis Rodman has decided to put these moves to use as a wrestler in the WCW. Yes, y'all, Rodman partnered up with the steroid hero himself, Hulk Hogan, for a tag-team bout against Lex Luger and the Giant. For those who didn't catch the match on pay-per-view, I'll tell ya: it was some funny shit. Lanky-ass Rodman against a 7'4," 450-pound giant. Rodman showed off some moves-including a few leaps over Lex's head and a couple of forearms to the chest-but it all ended when Luger got Hogan in the "torture rack" submission hold. All in all, The Worm was kinda impressive, and proved he had some heart. Too bad it was all choreographed. Rodman may be able to grab rebounds, but we all know from his movie that he can't act worth a damn. But you know-sports and showbiz, it's all the same, OUT.

NYC ALERT BY JUST-O

Funkmaster Flex had another Gold party this week at the Palladium. Puffy, KRS-One, Lil' Kim, Erick Sermon and Rampage were among the artists who performed... Hot97 recently presented a "Back And Forth Weekend," featuring the original songs that inspired the present hits played back-to-back with the current cuts. The Changing Faces show at Radio City was hot. Mint Condition, Jay-Z and Lil' Kim all came out and killed it... Big up to O.C., who had a listening party the same night... Finally, WBLS has returned to the game. Welcome back! Three of the players there are DJ Chuck Chillout, Jonathan Doncker and Dino... Check out DJ Icepac's new mixtape, "Capital Punishment"... Best cover on a mixtape this week goes to DJ Toast. One of the best posters goes out to the Beatnuts, and the album is just as on-point... Peace.

MD MUSIC PIC

WARREN STEVENS/WCKX (Columbus, OH) Rampage "Take It To The Streets" Elektra/EEG

TOP 10 RAP ALBUMS

# ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL COMMENTS
1. MEN IN BLACK	Soundtrack	Columbia/CRG
2. NOTHING TO LOSE	Soundtrack	NAS, Will Smith Tommy Boy Lil' Kim, Queen Latifah
3. SPACE JAM	Soundtrack	Sunset Warner/AtlG 3.5 million+
4. NOTORIOUS B.I.G.	Life After Death	Bad Boy/Arista Loving You Tonite
5. ANT BANKS	Big Thangs	Priority Bay Area all-stars
6. MIA X	Unlady Like	No Limit/Priority The Party Don't Stop
7. WYCLEF JEAN	The Carnival	Refugee Camp/Col/Cl We tryin' to sell record
8. WU-TANG CLAN	Wu-Tang Forever	Loud Reunited
9. I'M 'BOUT IT	Soundtrack	No Limit/Priority double-platinum+ mov
10. LOST BOYZ	Love, Peace &	Universal steady sales

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REGIONAL FLAVA



DA UNDAGROUND

# ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL
1. JIGMASTAS	Chandon/Iz You Dee	Beyond Real
	And the second	212-726-3687
2. B-ONE	Verbal Affair	Rawkus
		718-636-8688
3. RAIDERMEN	Magnetic	Raidermen Ent.
4. MEEN GREEN	Fat Sacks/LA's	800-590-7099 Patchwerk
4. MEEN GREEN	Pat Jacks/LAS	404-249-9661
5. RUTHLESS BASTARDS	Murder We Wrote	Flow Master
S. KOTTILLIS DASTARDS		212-777-0117
6. KAMAKAZEE	Snakes	Hydra
		718-784-2003
7. MOS DEF	Universal Magnetic	Rawkus
		718-636-8688
8. RAHSHEED	Industryparty	Quake City
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9. RASCO	Unassisted	Stone's Throw
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10. LIVE POETS	Respect	45 Below
		718-636-8688

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CAUGHT IN THE ACT! EGO STROKING PHOTOS OF INDUSTRY GEEKS



WAKE UP DREAM-COME-TRUE: Don't you wish you'd been there? The Jungle Brothers kick it at the star-studded Wake Up Show Seventh Anniversary Summer Tour in Los Angeles.



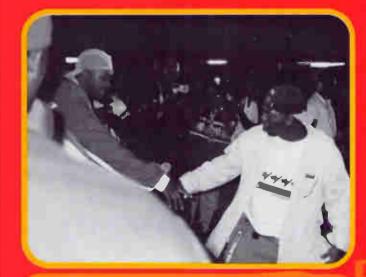
WUS UP: King Tech (I) and Method Man backstage at the WUS extravaganza, wondering how a *HITS* photographer got past security.



LET'S TAKE IT TO THE STAGE: The Whoridas' Mr. Taylor (I) and King Saan throw down at the Wake Up Show Seventh Anniversary Summer Tour. Is Quentin Tarantino lurking somewhere in the crowd?



Q. AND ZZZ: King Tech (i) and KPWR's Nick Vidal marvel at Sway's ability to give interviews even in his sleep. He later explained that reading this magazine is the perfect way to prepare.



NICE TO SEE WU: Ghostface Killah (I) and Raekwon do the secret handshake at the Wake Up Show Summer Tour.

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BY RICKY LEIGH MENSH

R&B...: There iz sum GREAT shittt that'z out there right now that I'm gonna uze this seldom-read space to get REALLY, REALLY vocal about, az well az share sum concerns about tha necessary patience that recently, I'm not seein alotta DJs usin in breakin

R&B. Miggedy (WGCI): "DJs are gettin intimidated by their reactive audiences & therefore, they feel like they gotta play tha hottt shitt all tha time to keep those phones lit. Thus, they're forgettin what I consider to be one of tha hallmarks of bein a great DJ & that iz diversification of sound, melody & styles. This takes time & patience & theze artists deserve both." D Street (KSJL): "Alotta DJs are forgettin who they're targeting. How bout all tha women who aren't in tha clubs, aren't pickin up tha phones, which in tha case of adult females, iz a majority. It'z our responsibility to expose R&B to our rap audience az R&B makes up az much of hip-hop az rap duz." Jay Ski (WPHI):"Tha original purpose of a mix show iz to break new records & artists that aren't already in rotation every hour-CORRECT?! Personally, I like to break it up into a 50/50 split between tha power hitz & new joints I feel deserve to becum power hitz such az DAVINA (LOUD/Interscope)! I felt like she dezerves this special attention." Miggedy: "She's original, innovative, extremely talented, no samples & she can sang-PERIOD!" D Street: "D'Angelo, Maxwell & Erykah Badu are artists whose company Davina belongs in-EASY!" DAVINA! I'll say it again loud & proud. She wrote, produced & played every instrument on her LP except guitar. Dr. Dre (Aftermath) wanted to sign her bad. She helped him engineer hiz "Chronic" LP. She's a conf. call pic tha 1st wk her 12 hit tha street. She's fukkin incredible & WILL BLOW THA FUKK UP!... Congratz, "How To Be A Player" sndtrk's EPMD & Foxy/Dru Hill (Def Jam), az #1 conf. call pix 1st wk on tha street. Also, Foxy went rite into MTV, BET & The BOX ... & to Melissa Ruderman, who just completed tha SWV/Puffy (RCA) video & iz now Exec. Prod. of GMS Films werkin w/ top directors Brett Ratner, Joseph Kahn, Abel Ferrara, Joel & Ethan Coen, Daniella Federici & Olivier Venturini. Melissa:"I left Bedford Falls to start tha muzik video dept here & now, we're gonna rock even more" Myron (Island), who wrote "Tell Me" for Dru Hill (Island), iz anutha R&B artist whose talents are deservedly bein recognized by DJs coastto-coast az a new conf call pic. Fukk tha homewerk, listen to tha muthafukka sing!... Best wishes: Joan lalacci, DJ Skribble's (WQHT) G-ma, Jeff Burroughs & Free (Bad Boy) & to DJ Lynnwood's Mrs.-Sandy...Wedding Bellz: Nick V. (Tha Baka Boyz /KPWR) & longtime luv Rae Perez, & Wake-Up Show's Prince "Sir Hack Alot" Ice & Yvette Garcia: "It'z been a long time cummin." Yeah, that'z what she said... & to my man Kevin Black, now handlin mix/street @ Noo Trybe @ 310-288-1444... Happy B-daze: Agnes (WPGC), Ron Love (WJBT), Sway (Wake-Up Show/KMEL), Felix Sama (WPOW), Lisa Socransky/my favorite muzik lawyer, Shawn Phillips (KZHT) & Ted Thornton (KMJM) ... Upcummin shitt bout to drop & get shortly hottt thereafter: Brian McKnight/Mase prod. by Puffy (Mercury), Luniz (Noo Trybe/Virgin), Chico DeBarge (Kedar/Universal), Chris Stokes' K-Bol (Get Hooked/WB), M'Tume's Cosmic Slop Shop (MCA) & Sammy D (550/Epic)-12 yrs ole outta Philly, plays drums & raps... Lastly, to Albie "Tha Don of D.C." D. (WPGC) & wife Nicky on baby/future MD/Three Brothers alumnus Christopher David

TOP 20 SPINZ

	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL	SPINS
i .		N U	D I D /4	147
Г. I.	NOTORIOUS B.I.G.	Mo Money	Bad Boy/Arista	147
2.	SWV f/PUFF DADDY	Someone	RCA	144
3.	LIL' KIM	Not Tonight	Un/BB/Atl G	143
4.	WYCLEF	We Trying To Stay Alive	RH/RC/Col/CRG	141
5.	WU-TANG CLAN	The Triumph	Loud	139
6.	LADY OF RAGE	Get W/Da Wickedness	Death Row	138
7.	MISSY "MISDEMEANOR" ELLIOTT	The Rain	EastWest/EEG	134
8.	FOXY BROWN f/DRU HILL	Big Bad Mamma	Vio/Def Jam/Mercury	129
9.	PUFF DADDY & THE FAMILY	The Benjamins	Bad Boy/Arista	128
10.	RAMPAGE	Take It To The Streets	Elektra/EEG	126
п.	EPMD	Never Seen Before	Def Jam/Mercury	123
12.	K-CI & JOJO f/SNOOP(remix)	You Bring Me Up	MCA	120
13.	WILL SMITH	Men in Black	Columbia/CRG	118
14.	NOTORIOUS B.I.G	Lovin 'You Tonight	Bad Boy/Arista	113
15.	DAVINA (/RAEKWON	So Good	Loud/Interscope	110
16.	GOD'S PROPERTY	Stomp	B-Rite	106
17.	SCARFACE 1/2PAC	Smile	R-A-L/Noo Trybe/Virgi	104
18.	LOST BOYZ	Love, Peace & Nappiness	Universal	103
19.	O.C. I/YVETTE MICHELE	Far From Yours	Payday/Island	101
20.	REF. CAMP f/LAURYN HILL	Sweetest Thing	RH/Columbia/CRG	97

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	CALL WINNERS		
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COMMERCIAL			
I. FOXY BROWN F/DRU HILL	Big Bad Mamma	Vio/Def Jam/Mercury	
2. PUFF DADDY & THE FAMILY	The Benjamins	Bad Boy/Arista	
3. NOTORIOUS B.I.G	I'm Lovin You Tonight	Bad Boy/Arista	
4. DAVINA f/RAEKWON	So Good	Loud/Int.	
5. BLACKSTREET	Fix	Interscope	
6. MYRON	We Can Get Down	Island	
UNDERGROUND			
I. EPMD	Never Seen Before	Def Jam/Mercury	
2. ANT BANKS	Big Thangs	Priority	
3. 3X CRAZY	Sicckaluffa	DS/NT/Virgin	
4. MOBB DEEP f/rakim	Hoodlum	Loud	

WEEKLY CONFERENCE

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

By Leading Mixers

ERIC VALDEZ • KPTY



Foxy Brown feat. Dru Hill "Big Bad Mamma" "How To Be A Playa" strk. Violator/Def Jam/Mercury

"SMASH, PERIOD! When I first heard it, I waz blown away—it sounds great all the way around.

Went straight into rotation az a power." Editor's note: WEST SIDE, or should I say Mr. Valdez, can't spell for SHITTT. Here we find (I-r) Rube S.(KPTY) and Eric "Spell Check" Valdez tryin to learn how to throw up the "W" man... this SHITTT iz hard.

STEVE "MIGGEDY" MAESTRO • WGCI



Hurricane G "Someone Else" H.O.L.A/Island

"Not only does she flip one of my favorite oldschool tracks, but she iz tellin some NIGGA that she doesn't appreciate gettin played. This iz

a message to the young headz who like to hit it & quit it. Big with tha ladies." Latin Prince note: Can we find a betta group of gentlemen than (lr) Justin Tyme (The Box), Miggedy, DJ Ran (WUSL) and Ballin' Brando (Delicious Vynil), as they make their way into tha world- famous "Rolex" for a night of cookies & milk?

ILLEGAL • KBXX



Puff Daddy & The Family "All About The Benjamins" Bad Boy/Arista

"This joint iz HOTTT. It'z a different type of sound. Everyone I played it for LUVVS it, so don't forget it'z all about the Benjamins." Latin Prince note: I

have to give my friend, my pal, my homies, tha PUSSY WHIPPED AWARD. Everytime I call this brother, he iz doin his girl's errands...YES DEAR.

GEOFFREY C • WERQ



"Hey Az" NooTrybe/Virgin

"A very nice, happy record with a very happy hook that makes me very happy. I'm going to use this jam to sheer my crowd in tha clubs & on the

radio." Latin Prince note: Happy-happy-joy-joy, I've never seen such a happy DJ. Here we find Mr "C" takin classes in mixin'. Yo, Geoffrey, do you need some help?

KIM JAMES • WJLB



Ginuwine "When Doves Cry" 550 Music

"This record speaks for itself. If the ARTIST would let Ginuwine sample this track, it must

be HOTTT. This record iz makin lots of noise in tha clubz in my area." Editors note: Here iz a photo of what they feed Big Daddy Kim James at the local zoo.

JAZZY JIM • KYLD



INOJ "Love You Down" So So Def/Columbia/CRG

"The BIGGEST reaction record of tha year next to Puffy here in tha JAY-AREA. Smash hit, huge phones. Mixologist does it again." Latin

Prince note: I don't think that you get to see this often (I-r) Glenn Aure (KMEL), Chris "The Rebel" (KYLD), Jazzy Jim and Sway (KMEL/KKBT and much more) stuck in an elevator. Can somebody call tha Fire Dept?

MARK MAC • KWIN



3x Crazy "Sickkaluffa" NooTrybe/Virgin

"There are three steps in playin this jamm. Tha first one iz, you need to know how to read the title. Second, you need to vibe on tha wicked mix with the

smooth DJ-friendly intro done by our very own Dave "The Hitman" Meyer. And last but not least, tha record is workin in my market, so that should tell you something, It'z definitely BAY AREA flava." Latin Prince note :Tha deal of tha year (I-r) Ricky "Mix-Show Guru" Leigh and Mark Mac passin each other the product. Rick gives him tha money & Mac gives him tha tapes.

C-MINUS • KPWR



EPMD "Never Seen Before" "How To Be A Playa" strk Def Jam/Mercury "Hip-hop has now found its savid

"Hip-hop has now found its saviors for tha nine-seven. Tha original & remix shut out every other hip-hop record that believes it can touch this level. Since I've

been dancin naked to Ginuwine, I must let you in on a little secret about Mrs. Choc: when he puts on this HOTTT EPMD joint, he breaks into a sweat like no other in tha world, break-dancin with a g-string on backwards and face make-up that compares to his idol, Ru-Paul. So don't let this hip-hop SHITTT fool ya." Editor's note: Can you two little girls stop tha mad-ness? (I-r) Chris Lamonica (Loud), C- minus a dick and Roy Barbosa (WJMN).



[#]1 Gavin Rap

Top 5 HITS Rap

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The hit single: *"Far From Yours"* featuring **Yvette Michele**

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2	ANT BANKS	(Priority 50698)	60%	7	KENNY LOGGINS	(Col/CRG 67865)	19%
3	RADIOHEAD	(Capitol 55229)	42%	8	MONACO	(Poly/A&M Assoc. 537-629)	18%
4	COMRADS	(SL/S Bros 75507)	32%	9	SUGAR RAY	(Lava/Atl/Atl G 83006)	16%
5	SMASH MOUTH	(Interscope 90142)	30%	10	SISTER HAZEL	(Universal 25009)	15%

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Sneaker Pimps Wyclef Jean Smash mouth

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The question that has been haunting the industry for months has finally been answered. The Alliance Entertainment Corporation has filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection. (Please refer to the full story in this week's news section.) This ultimately raises as many questions as it answers. Will Red Ant be sold (and actually kept out of the Chapter 11 proceedings)? Will Apollo purchase everything but Red Ant for a bargain-basement price? Will the Castle and Concord labels be sold separately (currently estimated at a worth of around \$80 million)? And what is the fate of Independent National Distribution, Inc. (INDI)? Can it survive functioning in Chapter 11? Sources tell us talks have already begun to see if INDI could possibly end up operating under one of the Big Six (as RED or ADA function under Sony and WEA, respectively). Analysts estimate INDI is doing around \$50 million a year (not including any of Alliance's proprietary product, i.e. Red Ant, Castle or Concord), running

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Prodigy: Maverick lives up to their hype.

at approximately a 7 or 8% net profit margin. Figures like that could make it tempting enough for a bid, but selling a service-related company is a fairly tricky business at best. Why wouldn't someone just hire the players and whatever accounts they can bring with them? Stay tuned... Major props go to the entire Maverick sales and marketing team on the fabulous set-up for both the Prodigy LP and the new Alanis full-length video. Shipping a whopping (for video) 100,000 units (Platinum) and already having a huge 10,000 in re-orders, it's clear no one could possibly be unaware of its existence. Can we have one of those life-size cutouts for the office? And it must be heaven to have Prodigy actually live up to its hype. Not only was the first week at #1 sweet, but the drop-off is a modest 30% at most of the majors and as little as 14% at the indies. With Anderson and Handleman starting to kick in, we fully expect it to be around for a while. Sales honcho Fred Croshal and his team of Danny Ornelas (overseeing product development and the street team) and Mario Ciccone (liaison to WEA merchandising) did themselves proud... A minor shakeup at Valley Record Dist.'s newly acquired Star Video. The NJ-based video wholesaler's original principals Artie Bach and Bernie Herman are exiting as Valley President Rob Cain takes control. Cain is promoting Wayne Mogel, a 20-year Star vet recently elected Vice Chairman of VSDA, into Star's top slot.



LAME BY ANY OTHER NAME: NAIRD marked its 25th anniversary at its recent confab in New Orleans, LA by announcing its new name, the Association For Independent Music (AFIM). Shown at the convention's "Retail In The Future" panel before all changing their names to "Mud" are (I-r) Northwest Alliance of Independent Labels Alicia Rose, Newbury Comics' Mike Dreese, Border's Books & Music's Vicki Marshall, Magic Platter CD's Don Van-Cleave and Epitaph Records' Melissa Boag. The fearsome fivesome bribed us to run this photo with a box of used CDs.



TRANS MEETING: The mighty, mighty Trans World singles squad salutes ruler Vinnie Birbiglia on his 1,098,654th lifetime photo appearance in Rerap's Mini-Mugs. Shortly afterward, the following were lulled to sleep with a reading of Mark Pearson's column, which also killed off the grass and most of the remaining trees in the area (I-r) TJ Blau, Vinnie, Brenda Smith, Rich O'Neil and John Pause "That Refreshes."



ABOUT FACES: Guitar virtuoso Eric Henderson embarks on a tour of the country's Borders Books & Music chains in support of his debut album, "Faces," on the newly created JVC label JMI. The one-time student of the great Andres Segovia greeted the following label execs before OD'ing on caffe latte and the collected works of Judith Krantz in the fiction section (I-r) JVC VP Sales & Distribution Dan Davis, JMI VP A&R Steve Barri, Henderson and label GM Del Costello. Shortly afterward, Henderson received a bill from the label for 1,098,876 guitar picks.



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- 2 1	WILL SMITH	MEN IN BLACK	Col/CRG N/A	#3 MTV, leads song from huge LP, movie, lots of radio
- 1 2	PRODIGY	BREATHE/FIRESTARTE	R XL/Mute/Mav/WB 43843	Both cuts create huge LP sales, #4 MTV, radio, BOX
1 3 3	SPICE GIRLS	SAY YOU'LL BE THERE	Virgin 38592	LP closing in on 4 million, single selling
3 4 4	HANSON	МММВОР	Mercury 574-261	LP hitting 2 million, huge single, VH1, MTV, BOX, T 40
4 5 5	R KELLY	GOTHAM CITY	Jive 42473	From "Batman" (ST), #25 MTV, #39 BOX, Custom VH1
986	MATCHBOX 20	PUSH	Lava/Atl/Atl G N/A	Exploding LP, #12 MTV, Custom VH1
17 9 7	WALLFLOWERS	THE DIFFERENCE	Interscope N/A	Triple-Platinum-plus LP, #2 MTV, Large VH1, radio
7 6 8	MEREDITH BROOKS	BITCH	Capitol 58634	#16 MTV, #1 VH1, huge single sales, solid LP
- 10 9	СООПО	C U WHEN U	Tommy Boy 7785	From "Nothing To Lose" (ST), huge single sales
2 7 10	BOB CARLISLE	BUTTERFLY KISSES	Jive N/A	From multi-Platinum LP, Top 40, Custom VH1
8 11 11	GOD'S PROPERTY	STOMP	B-Rite N/A	Platinum LP, #19 MTV, Custom VH1, #29 BOX
- 35 12	JEWEL	FOOLISH GAMES	Atl/Atl G N/A	Multi-Platinum LP, plus "Batman" (ST), VH1, BOX, T40
12 12 13	BONE THUGS	LOOK INTO MY EYES	Ruth/Rel 6341	"Batman" (ST), huge single sales, #9 MTV , #14 BOX
6 13 14	EN VOGUE	WHATEVER	EW/EEG 64174	Video leads, on MTV, #40 BOX, Lg VH1, single sales
11 15 15	WALLFLOWERS	ONE HEADLIGHT	Interscope N/A	Triple-Platinum LP, XL VH1, multi-format radio
14 17 16	MONICA	FOR YOU I WILL	WS/Atl/Atl G 87003	"Space Jam" (ST), won't die
20 19 17	DAVE MATTHEWS	CRASH INTO ME	RCA N/A	LP gaining again, #34 MTV, Lg VH1, multi-format air
- 20 18	LIL' KIM	NOT TONIGHT	Un/Atl/Atl G 95574	"Nothing To Lose" (ST), selling singles, MTV, BOX
18 18 19	MIGHTY BOSSTONES	THE IMPRESSION	Big Rig/Mercury N/A	LP holding steady, #13 MTV, PoMo
22 21 20	TONIC	IF YOU COULD ONLY	Poly/A&M Assoc. N/A	LP holds steady, #33 MTV, Cust. VH1, multi-format air
26 24 21	SUBLIME	WRONG WAY	GA/MCA N/A	Double-Platinum LP holding steady, #6 MTV, PoMo
10 14 22	SMASHING PUMPKINS	THE END IS THE	WS/Wamer Bros N/A	From "Batman" (ST), still on MTV
23 23	BLUES TRAVELER	CAROLINA BLUES	A&M N/A	First single from new LP, MTV, T 40, PoMo, APM, VH1
25 25 24	WYCLEF JEAN	WE TRYIN' TO	RH/RC/Col/CRG 78602	From new solo LP, selling singles, #38 MTV, #7 BOX
31 26 25	MARY J. BLIGE	EVERYTHING/I CAN	MCA N/A	Rhythm/Crossover smash, #6 BOX, on MTV



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35	29	26	OMC	HOW BIZARRE	Huh!/Mercury N/A	Breaking LP sales, Medium VH1, MTV, Top 40 and APM
40	30	27	SPICE GIRLS	2 BECOME 1	Virgin N/A	Third cut from multi-Platinum LP, #9 BOX, #27 MTV, VH1
15	22	28	NOTORIOUS B.I.G.	HYPNOTIZE	B. Boy/Arista 79093	Multi-Platinum LP, MTV, radio
19	27	29	CHANGING FACES	G.H.E.T.T.O.U.T.	BB/Atl/Atl G 98026	LP selling, #25 BOX, #30 MTV, Custom VH1
5	16	30	WU-TANG CLAN	TRIUMPH	LOUD N/A	Hot Rap LP sales, JAMZ, RAP and MIX
33	32	31	SHERYL CROW	A CHANGE	A&M N/A	Steady LP sales, #23 MTV, Large VH1, Top 40, PoMo
24	31	32	VERVE PIPE	THE FRESHMEN	RCA 64733	Gaining LP sales, XL VH1, #28 MTV, on BOX
	38	33	SUGAR RAY	FLY	Lava/Atl/Atl G N/A	Breaking LP, #7 MTV, PoMo, Active Rock, #28 BOX
		34	HANSON	WHERE'S THE LOVE	Mercury N/A	From double-Platinum LP, exploding Top 40, #32 MTV
38	37	35	NOTORIOUS B.I.G.	MO MONEY	B. Boy/Arista N/A	Multi-Platinum LP, Top 40 and JAMZ, #1 MTV, add BOX
43	41	36	FIONA APPLE	CRIMINAL	Work N/A	LP near Platinum, #18 MTV, Med. VH1, PoMo, #47 BOX
41	40	37	SISTER HAZEL	ALL FOR YOU	Universal 56135	From breaking LP, Custom VH1, on MTV, #33 BOX
13	33	38	JEWEL	YOU WERE MEANT	Atl/Atl G 87021	From quadruple-Platinum LP, falling finally
29	39	39	THIRD EYE BLIND	SEMI-CHARMED LIFE	Elek/EEG N/A	Developing LP, #43 MTV, VH1, T 40, PoMo, #49 BOX
16	34	40	MASTER P	IF I COULD CHANGE	Priority 53273	From "I'm Bout It" (ST), MTV, #16 BOX
45	43	41	SAVAGE GARDEN	TO THE MOON & BACK	Col/CRG 78576	Solid selling LP, huge Top 40, Custom VH1, add BOX
36	44	42	AEROSMITH	HOLE IN MY SOUL	Col/CRG N/A	LP gaining this week, #11 MTV, #20 BOX, T 40, A. Rock
21	28	43	LOST BOYZ	LOVE, PEACE	Universal N/A	Still big Rap
	42	44	RADIOHEAD	PARANOID ANDROID	Capitol N/A	From new LP, #17 MTV, new cut starting at PoMo
28	45	45	K-CI & JOJO	YOU BRING ME UP	MCA 55346	New LP, selling singles, Top 40 and JAMZ
49	46	46	K'S CHOICE	NOT AN ADDICT	550 Music N/A	Selling some LPs, PoMo, on MTV
48	48	47	LIVE	TURN MY HEAD	Radioactive N/A	Steady LP, #24 MTV, PoMo
39	47	48	ROME	I BELONG TO YOU	RCA 64759	Big single seller here, #26 MTV, VH1, #22 BOX, JAMZ
	-	49	DIANA KING	SAY A LITTLE PRAYER	Work 78596	From "My Best Friend's Wedding" (ST), Top 40
		<mark>50</mark>	REEL BIG FISH	SELL OUT	Mojo N/A	From developing LP, PoMo, #44 MTV

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(See STATSHEET For A Detailed Analysis Of Each Song)

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Welcome to Pop Mart!

We're not going to start our first column with the standard "Hey, we want your input, 'cause this is your column too" b.s... It's not your column. It's ours. And it's gonna be our overview of what's *really* happening in the radio/record universe, & whatever else we think is important for you to know. The best news is that Top 40 looks healthy for right now & the forseeable future. Remember that the records you're moving into power now & for the next few weeks will be your key



KYSR/L.A.'s Angela Perelli: She is Lilith to us!

recurrents for the Fall book, & the music is incredibly strong. Jewel (from Batman) shows signs of being the biggest record of the year! It's already on 2 albums in the top 15. There are also solid followups from Hanson, Spice Girls & Wallflowers - take these to the bank... There is incredible stylistic balance amongst the hits right now - always a key to healthy Top 40. Watch the Tonic and Matchbox 20 records close out big, with call-out now humongous. PDs love the new Paula Cole — majors are flocking — same for Motown's 98 Degrees, which is reacting everywhere. No-Brainer-Of-The-Week - Sugar Ray - already a rocketship out of control... Be careful of the invisible hits in play. We're talking about the passive-only radio-driven records that test fairly well (because they don't challenge or offend) - but never really connect with the audience in any real, positive way. They don't sell worth a damn, don't get requests & are not really a factor in the pop-culture marketplace. These records are not bad for you in & of themselves — but if you have too many, or they're scheduled next to other "invisible" records, your station becomes disposable as well. Play all the hits that fit but make sure you're playing music that people are passionate about! Real Hits Sell Albums: Mercury's Bosstones record is exploding - it's time for the Top 40 & Modern Adult dam to break! Monster sales & video action are bringing this track to the masses. Ellis & Smith will be torturing you... The R Kelly single from Batman has huge single sales to go with the big request picture & should go all the way The GSM, Engineer & Office Mgr are out in the Chancellor takeover of Viacom's Modern Adult KYSR/L.A. Look for Mr. Brandmeier to move here for mornings by the fall. Everything else is status quo. The station sounds good & is trending up under Angela Perelli — we're big fans. Steve Rivers, Guy Zapoleon & Steve Davis will be involved in the whole scenario in L.A. - the future of dance B100 is anybody's guess ... Congrats to Epic nat'l Charlie Strobel, who has survived 20 years at the label... Look for the Consultant's Corner in this section — starting with an inspired piece from Randy Lane (yawn). Dave Beasing, Guy Zapoleon, Buzz Bennett, Dave Shakes, Bob Mitchell & other notables are lined up (this may be news to them!) along with the always riveting Ray Dio. You need to know how these people think & what they think of today's marketplace. Send pictures ! - we've got lots of space to fill & the more photos you send the sooner we can get to the beach... Music that makes it worth getting up in the morning: Billy Joel, Sublime's 'Wrong Way' (right track!), and the entire Sarah McLachlan CD. E-mail to BILLYBORED@aol.com.



IN-STORE GRATIFICATION: EastWest's En Vogue get into some serious photo op upside: an in-store with radio geeks and record weasels. Add thumbscrews and a colonic hose, and it's a party! Seen are (back, I-r) Chris "AxI" Nemetz, Don Coddington, Sharon Dastur & Tom Poleman, EV's Maxine Jones and Cindy Herron, Paul "Cubby" Bryant, EV's Terry Ellis, and Greg Thompson & Jeff Bardin & (fr, I-r) Bill Pfordresher & Mark Snyder.



JEWEL BE MINE: "Mom, meet Jewel. We're getting married..." These were the words of KC101/New Haven MD Jeff McCartney (r), who isn't afraid to dream big. The Atlantic artist graciously put up with his attentions, focusing on the countless spins stations like KC101 have given her record. McCartney was later dragged away and beaten by Lilith Fair security.



This Week's

Brenda Romano: Alexandra on her mind.

need someone to bother) who is already an expert on both the subjects of motherhood and killer promotion, and she'll be overseeing the label's children, like the enormous album-selling God's **Property** and follow-up smashes from multi-multi-platinum Wallflowers and BLACKstreet. Next up are the infectious Post Modern winners: Smash Mouth with "Walking On The Sun" and Artificial Joy Club with "Sick And Beautiful." They sound like "smashes" to us, but whatta we know — we bet on Tyson!

The birth of Brenda Romano's new daughter Alexandra and its effect on red-hot interscope's promotion (as well as on the sleeping habits of husband Chris Lopes) is the topic of this week's new feature. While Brenda is recovering, bonding and nesting - a process which some say will only take days because of her tenacity but which we know for sure should take quite a bit longer - Interscope promotion will be handled by their powerful department heads. Pop Mart's spotlight is on Paula Tuggey (in case you

POP-MART



That's "Men In Black" star Will Smith (c), who was ready to kick some alien butt when these freakish spineless organisms known as "radio personalities" captured him at their WKTU offices. Pictured happy and lobotomized are (I-r) 'KTU's Jeff Z, Andy Shane, Frankie Blue, Hollywood Hamilton and Goumba Johnny.



The steaming stench of HITS' **Rick Mensh's** sweaty excitement, spawned by the visit of Motown's **98°** overwhelms our radio inbreds who wanted to join them in a rendition of "Macho Man." Sadly, the Menshian fumes were too much for the band. Feeling feverish ourselves, we broke out the anal thermometers & found that we were below normal.



Tony Smith: Breeding with Lauren Christy



Bob Catania sees Forest For The Trees!

Now living in L.A., England's Lauren Christy has delivered an impressively deep LP of passionate singer/songwriter tunes led by this track from the red-hot Batman soundtrack. Lauren's own album hits stores on 7/22. "Breed" is rolling at the PoMo majors now & impacts Modern Adult on 7/21 with KLLC, KVSR & KLCA leading. The Top 40 onslaught hits 8/11 - make sure you're listening now so you're ready to propagate the species.

Forest For The Trees is the creation of L.A.'s Carl Stephenson, who co-produced Beck's "Loser." Carl has a unique talent for combining beats, sounds & bizarre sonic elements into an aural collage that becomes a compelling pop package. "Dream" is an amazing record that sticks out immediately & sounds different every time. Impact date is 8/4 at Top 40, Modern Adult & PoMo, with before-the-box action already at KROQ & KDGE.

Consultant's Corner

by Randy Lane

This week's column comes from **Randy Lane**, Pres of **The Randy Lane Co**. Lane is a leader in the fields of Modern Adult & Morning Show consulting.

The number of Modern Adult and Mainstream Top 40 sign-ons through 1997 & '98 will be staggering! We're in the midst of a creative explosion in Pop music that hasn't been experienced in nearly 15 years. Flashback to 1983... A Pop Revolution is at full speed & being fueled by innovative artists like Michael Jackson, Police & Prince. MTV fans the flame by

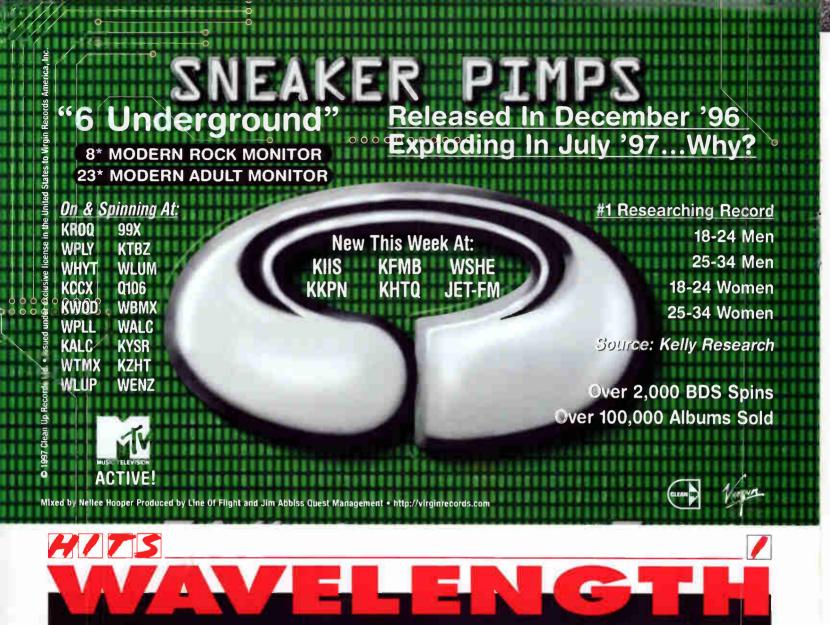


Hi, I'm Randy.

showcasing Pop Alternative artists like Duran Duran, Eurythmics & Clash. Mainstream Top 40 is flourishing & Hot Adult is born. Fast forward to 1988... Top 40 is now incorporating extreme musical styles like Rap & Hard Rock & alienating most 25+ listeners. By the early '90s, Top 40 was about as popular as Larry Flynt with Falwell followers. Hot Adult became the darling format of the 25-54 obsessed radio & media buying world. Safe & maturing '80s artists like Whitney Houston, Phil Collins & Billy Joel continued to dominate Pop. Country gained its greatest popularity in the format's history during this Pop drought. Thank God for the Spin Doctors! This twohit wonder saved us from Pop boredom & started the fire that is still raging. The door opened for Hootie & female artists like Sheryl Crow, Natalie Merchant & Alanis, who spoke directly to women. The music selection today is better then a Vegas buffet & a helluva lot more tasty. The Pop Mart menu includes:

- Pop Rock (Wallflowers, Dave Matthews, Oasis, etc.)
- Pop Rhythm (En Vogue, R Kelly, Mark Morrison, etc.)
- Pure Pop (Hanson, Spice Girls, Savage Garden, etc.)
- Female Rockers (Sarah, Fiona, Paula Cole, etc.)
- Ska (No Doubt, Mighty Mighty Bosstones, Sublime, etc.)
- Novelty (OMC, Squirrel Nut Zippers, White Town, etc.)

Modern Adult is being driven at the center by Lilith Fair artists who deal with genuine emotions; honesty & everyday realities that make an emotional connection with listeners. Plus, it has the advantage of playing all the above styles with the exception of Rhythm. Mainstream Top 40 is being propelled by high quality Rhythm, Alternative & Pop. All of this music has wide demo appeal enabling stations to excel 18-34 & to be competitive 25-54. How is this Revolution changing radio? Modern Adult is being used as the new Hot Adult/Adult Top 40 & Adult Alternative (essentially a cume version of AAA). Hot Adult is melting into Mainstream Adult. The demise of Grunge is forcing Alternative to embrace new, more Pop-oriented styles. Modern Adult & Mainstream Top 40 are the big winners due to the diversity of quality Pop music. Also, cume based formats will thrive even more in the future due to the number of media choices available. It's more important than ever that a station satisfy listeners quickly since they are less forgiving (with all the choices). The music & the lyrics are making a strong emotional connection. Radio stations that can make a positive emotional connection with the music will be the ones that take full advantage of the Pop Revolution & put big points on the board.



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has just signed on to join the station as APD/MD..... PD Tom Calococci and 92Q Balt continue to produce astounding numbers. He's now #1 12+, #1 18-34 and #1 25-54. His overall move is 8.0-10.0. He is too hot to take our phone calls.... The Midwest Conclave takes place this weekend in St. Paul. Tom Kay is in charge..... One of our longtime faves, the Sneaker Pimps, is finally moving, with big adds at KIIS, KFMB and WSHE. And kudos to new KIIS PD Dan Kieley for playing pop music and putting the "hit sizzle" back into the station (ratings jump 3.2-3.8). Other LA jumps include KROQ 3.4-3.8 & KYSR 2.1-2.8.... Down the road in

S.D., Tracy Johnson's KFMB explodes 4.1-5.3, buoyed by the addition of morning team "Jeff & Jer.".... In NYC numbers, HOT97 holds at #1, while WXRK gains 3.6-3.8 and Z100 resurges 3.1-3.5.... WHYT Detroit has officially flipped calls to WPLT to match its "Planet" moniker..... WXKS Boston Promo Dir. Melissa Beatrice seques to Dir. of Mktg & Promo at KHKS Dallas..... Most Added at pop radio this week: #1 Jewel, #2 Wild Orchid, #3 Hanson..... The impossible happened as Columbia promo gunslinger Charlie Walk married the long-suffering (and the really longersuffering-to-come) Lauren Miller this past Sat, 7/12. The

couple are honey-mooning at the Four Seasons at Ka'upulehu (Ed note: We had to write that word, it kills us)..... Congrats to WPGC Washington's Albie D. & wife Nicky on the birth of son Christopher David, 7/8..... Relativity's Pete Manriquez resigns his position at the label due to illness in his family..... KCHX Odessa ups Troy Austin to afts..... Z100 Secaucus middayer Lisa Taylor signs on for two more years.... The Top Ten Most Played videos this week at MTV are: #1 Notorious B.I.G., #2 Prodigy, #3 Scarface, #4 Sublime, #5 Wallflowers, #6 Will Smith, #7 Sugar Ray, #8 Missy Elliott, #9 Bone Thugs & #10 Matchbox 20

Blowin' In The Wind: Marc Summers, Kid Kelly, Ben Brooks, Nancy Levin, J.J. Morgan, Heidi Spiegel and Lee Cagle..... And here's Mr. Calococci, he's #1 in our hearts, too.



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BOX 2



WELCOME TO THE ONE-DAY-EARLIER HITS: There are lots of little changes that you'll notice over time, but one big change is the addition of a much-requested "Pop" music section. It's called Pop Mart and appears just before WAVE & just after the MPS chart (which has been moved to the pop section, while the Top 50 Albums chart moves to join Vibe-Raters in the front). This week's Pop Mart kicks off with a column from red-hot Modern Adult consultant Randy Lane, the first in a series of pieces from key consultants. And speaking of the whole "KROQlite" craze which is sweeping the nation, be sure to be aware of Louis Kaplan's KLLC San Fran, which is now #1 in

the market with adults 25-34, surging from 4.7 to 5.4 in the Spring Arbitron..... MY BONNIE LIES OVER THE OCEAN: After

months of speculation, the Bonneville axe fell on WPNT Chicago OM Lorrin Palagi and a dozen or so staffers this past



The incredibly lovely & talented Samantha Cole continues her crosscountry swing in search of making friends, meeting interesting people & GETTING AIRPLAY. Pictured from left with Cole are Jefferson Pilot's Mark Kanov, Clarke Brown & David Kabakoff. They have nice ties.

Monday. All air talent remains, as does MD Lynne Murray. The station remains without a GM. Rumors continue to swirl that ownership will make the station a clone of WWZZ Washington and their Rhythmic Top 40 KOYT in SF. Reach Lorrin at 630-585-1350. Also in Bonneville news, the simulcast of WTMX Chicago at KOYT has ended as the station flips to Top 40 as **Z95.7**. The station is currently jockless, commercial-free and sounding a lot like WWZZ, with Dan Vallie consulting. PD Mike Edwards is looking for an air staff to be in place by Labor Day. Send T&Rs if interested. And, Edwards' old WBHT Wilkes-Barre MD Danny Ocean (continued on page 120) the long-awaited lead single and video from her new album, surfacing

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