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PUBLISHER'S PAGE

We're off to a roaring start in '88! And to show you that we're serious, let me introduce you to a new feature in BRE by telling you a little story:

XHRM, San Diego's Urban Contemporary station, was put off the air for several days this week when its tower was literally twisted to the ground from a freak storm that ripped through Southern California and Northern Mexico.

Daryl Cox, GM and Engineering Supervisor for XHRM, tells BRE that on Sunday morning, January 17, 1988, witnesses saw a funnel-like cloud rip across the mountain top in Mexico where XHRM's transmitter is located. The tower made a twisting motion and fell to the ground.

Fortunately, there were no injuries. The station was off the air shortly before the disaster and there was no transmitter damage. Engineers worked around the clock erecting their old antenna system on what was left of the damaged tower.

The competitive edge in radio today is no longer the singular domain of the programmer and air personalities. The numbers game is often won, in no small measure, by the engineer—the silent wizard who is responsible for the quality of the station's signal.

Then, too, there is the whole new language of the high-tech arena into which radio and every other field has been rapidly thrust—from discs to DAT—and the imperative need for all of us to understand and speak that language.

It is, therefore, with great pride that BRE introduces "Tech Talk," a column through which much of this technical maze will be deciphered for lay readers and amplified for practitioners. And we are extremely pleased to welcome its author, Billy Paul, to the BRE editorial fold and family.

A native of the Philadelphia suburb of Germantown and, by his own admission, an inveterate tinkerer, Paul brings a diverse background—including stints as an air personality, programmer, engineer and computer specialist—to the bank of information he'll be sharing with BRE's readers in the weeks to come.

And while he is new to committing words to paper, his knowledgeable perspectives more than compensate. I am particularly delighted that BRE can now provide this vital information to our readership. Fine tune your high-tech/Q with Billy Paul...

On behalf of the entire BRE family, I'd like to extend condolences to our Production Director, Maxine Chong-Morrow, on the recent loss of her father, Napoleon Sneed, in Calgary, Alberta, Canada. Max has been part of this magazine for at least a decade of its existence and we share her sorrow...

Lidney Mille



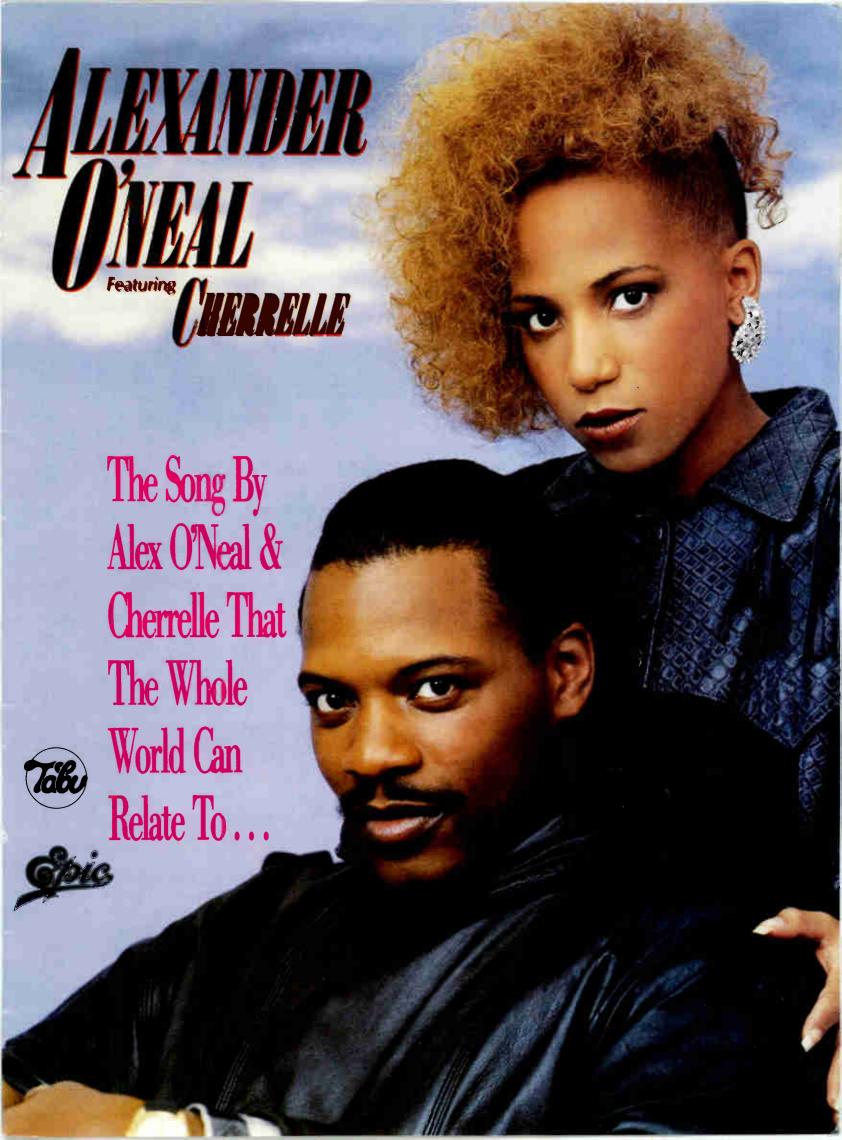
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- 1 2 2 GLADYS KNIGHT/PIPS, Love Overboard, MCA
- 2 3 2 MELI'SA MORGAN, If You Can Do It..., Capitol
- 3 5 2 KASHIF/MELI'SA MORGAN, Love Changes, Arista
- 4 2 KEITH SWEAT, I Want Her, Vintertainment/Elektra
- 5 9 2 MICHAEL COOPER, To Prove My Love, Warner Brothers
- 6 6 2 MIKI HOWARD, Baby Be Mine, Atlantic
- 7 2 LISA LISA/CULT JAM/FULL FORCE, Someone To Love..., Col.
- 8 1 2 MICHAEL JACKSON, The Way You Make Me Feel, Epic
- 9 11 2 PEBBLES, Girlfriend, MCA
- 10 10 2 STEPHANIE MILLS, Secret Lady, MCA
- 12 2 O'JAYS, Let Me Touch You, EMI/Manhattan
- 13 2 LILLO THOMAS, Wanna Make Love All Night, Capitol
- 13 14 2 THE DEELE, Two Occasions, Solar
- 16 2 PRINCE, Hot Thing, Paisley Park/WB
- 15 18 2 RAY PARKER, JR. w/Natalie Cole, Over You, Geffen
- 16 25 2 JODY WATLEY, Some Kind of Lover, MCA
- 19 2 GERALD ALBRIGHT, So Amazing, Atlantic
- 18 20 2 WELL RED, Get Lucky, Virgin
- 19 22 2 WHISPERS, In The Mood, Solar
- 20 8 2 NATALIE COLE, I Live For Your Love, Manhattan
- 21 23 2 JOYCE SIMS, Come Into My Life, Fresh/Sleeping Bag
- 22 26 2 CHRIS JASPER, SuperBad, CBS Associated
- 23 33 2 ANGELA WINBUSH, Run To Me, Mercury/PG
- 24 32 2 STEVIE WONDER, You Will Know, Motown
- 25 27 2 BABYFACE, Mary Mack, Solar
- 26 40 2 SHANICE WILSON, No ½ Steppin', A&M
- 27 15 2 ROGER TROUTMAN, I Want To Be Your Man, Reprise
- 28 34 2 GARRY GLENN, Feels Good To Feel Good, Motown
- 29 17 2 LEVERT, My Forever Love, Atlantic
- 30 41 2 TEMPTATIONS, Look What You Started, Motown
- 3 39 2 BARRY WHITE, For Your Love, A&M
- 32 42 2 GLENN JONES, Oh Girl, Jive/RCA
- 33 43 2 MILES JAYE, Let's Start Love Over, Atlantic
- 44 2 LOU RAWLS, I Wish You Belonged To Me, Gamble & Huff
- 35 47 2 PEABO BRYSON/REGINA BELLE, Without You, Elektra
- 36 48 2 BOY GEORGE, Live My Life, Virgin
- 37 49 2 CHICO DEBARGE, Rainy Night, Motown
- 38 21 2 WHITNEY HOUSTON, So Emotional, Arista
- 39 28 2 STEVIE WONDER, Skeletons, Motown
- 40 29 2 NAJEE, Mysterious, EMI/Manhattan
- 41 58 2 LACE, Since You Came Over Me, Wing/PolyGram
- 42 76 2 ALEXANDER O'NEAL, Never Knew Love Like This, Tabu
- 43 62 2 MADAME X, I Want Your Body, Atlantic
- 44 65 2 ANGELA CLEMONS, This Is Love, Portrait/EPA
- 45 61 2 STREET FARE, Come and Get This Love, Atlantic
- 46 60 2 STACY LATTISAW, Every Drop of Your Love, Motown
- 47 38 2 CHARLIE SINGLETON, Nothing Ventured..., Epic
- 48 37 2 TONY TERRY, She's Fly, Epic
- 49 36 2 EARTH, WIND & FIRE, System of Survival, Columbia
- 50 31 2 KOOL MOE DEE, How Ya Like Me Now, Jive/RCA

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- **51** 80 2 **REBBIE JACKSON**, *Play Thing*, Columbia
- 52 84 2 WORLD CLASS WRECKIN' CRU, Turn Off The Lights, Macola
- 53 30 2 VANEESE THOMAS, I Wanna Get Close To You, Geffen
- 54 45 2 SHERRICK, Baby, I'm For Real, Warner Brothers
- 55 46 2 SURFACE, Let's Try Again, Columbia
- 56 90 2 MORRIS DAY, Fishnet, Warner Brothers
- 57 77 2 TERENCE TRENT D'ARBY, Wishing Well, Columbia
- 58 78 2 EXPOSE, Seasons Change, Arista
- 59 88 2 THE JETS, Rocket 2 U. MCA
- 60 56 2 THERESA, Sweet Memories, RCA
- 61 24 2 FORCE MD'S, Touch and Go, Tommy Boy/WB
- 62 57 2 PRETTY POISON, (Catch Me) I'm Falling, Virgin
- 63 50 2 WALTER BEASLEY, I'm So Happy, Polydor/PG
- 64 59 2 THE COVER GIRLS, Because of You, Fever/Sutra
- 65 63 2 MARLON JACKSON, Baby Tonight, Capitol
- 66 79 2 JONATHAN BUTLER, Take Good Care of Me, Jive/RCA
- 67 53 2 SMOKEY ROBINSON, What's Too Much, Motown
- 68 52 2 J. BLACKFOOT, Respect Yourself, Edge
- 69 55 2 PATRICE RUSHEN, Come Back To Me, Arista
- 70 51 2 DIMPLES, I Can't Live With or Without You, Columbia
- 71 64 2 CHILL FACTOR, Never My Love, Warner Brothers
- 72 69 2 TRUE LOVE, Love Rap Ballad, Atlantic
- 73 35 2 FULL FORCE, Love Is For Suckers, Columbia
- ** -- DA 'KRASH, Wasn't I Good To Ya, Capitol
- 75 54 2 BARKAYS, Don't Hang Up, Mercury/PG
- ** -- TONY TERRY, Lovey Dovey, Epic
- 77 66 2 BARKAYS, Certified True, Mercury/PG
- 78 ** -- GEORGE MICHAEL, Father Figure, Columbia
- 79 67 2 TOTAL CONTRAST, Kiss, London/PolyGram
- 80 ** -- DEJA, That's Where You'll Find Me, Virgin
- 81 ** -- CLUB NOUVEAU, Heavy On My Mind, WB/Tommy Boy
- 82 ** -- EARTH, WIND & FIRE, Thinking Of You, Columbia
- 83 ** -- TAWATHA, Are You Serious, Epic
- ** -- GAVIN CHRISTOPHER, You Are Who You Love, EMI-Manhattan
- 85 ** -- GERRY WOO, How Long, Polydor/PG
- 86 86 2 TEEN DREAM, Toy, Warner Brothers
- 87 68 2 COLONEL ABRAMS, Nameless, MCA
- ** -- ATLANTIC STARR, Thankful, Warner Brothers
- 89 70 2 SIEDAH GARRETT, Ever Changing Times, Qwest/WB
- 90 71 2 D. RUFFIN/E. KENDRICKS, I Couldn't Believe It, RCA
- 91 72 2 TEMPTATIONS, I Wonder Who She's Seeing Now, Motown
- 92 89 2 ALEXANDER O'NEAL, Criticize, Tabu/CBS
- 93 73 2 SHALAMAR, Games, Solar
- 94 74 2 TAWATHA, Did I Dream You, Epic
- 95 75 2 ANGELA WINBUSH, Angel, Mercury/PG
- 96 81 2 MICO WAVE, Misunderstood, Columbia
- 97 82 2 MISSION, Show A Little Love, Columbia
- 98 83 2 DIONNE WARWICK/KASHIF, Reservations For Two, Arista
- 99 85 2 4 BY FOUR, Don't Put The Blame On Me, Capitol
- 100 87 2 ST. PAUL, Rich Man, MCA



BRE MUSIC REPORT

TOP 5 SINGLES

ARTIST

- 1 GLADYS KNIGHT/PIPS
- 2 MELI'SA MORGAN
- 3 KASHIF/MELI'SA MORGAN
- 4 KEITH SWEAT
- 5 MICHAEL COOPER

TITLE

- LOVE OVERBOARD
- IF YOU CAN DO IT ...
- **LOVE CHANGES**
- I WANT HER
- TO PROVE MY LOVE

LABEL

- MCA
- CAPITOL
- ARISTA
- VINERTAINMENT/ELEKTRA
- **WARNER BROTHERS**

SINGLE OF THE WEEK



EARTH, WIND & FIRE THINKING OF YOU COLUMBIA

OK, here's number two from the stunning "Touch The World" album, a fiery up tempo jam with tons of funk and dance sensibilities. Jumping out with a commanding presence, this one is piling up adds from our reporting stations, thus cementing a solid comeback for the classic crew.



ALBUM OF THE WEEK

WILTON FELDER LOVE IS A RUSH MCA

Tenor sax man Felder has racked up over two decades of experience in the funk and R&B flavored jazz field. This time the horn man breaks out on his own with an exciting collection of sophisticated tunes. Joe Sample teams with Felder both writing and producing the sparkling tracks.

BRE MUSIC REPORT

IMPORTANT RECORDS

SINGLES



ALBUMS

TAJA SEVELLE—WOULDN'T YOU LOVE TO LOVE ME—PAISLEY PARK—This jam is seeing action all over the U.S., with heavy adds on Black and Urban airwaves. Taja is certainly a new artist to watch. This up beat, happy sounding pop-funk dance groove was penned by his royal badness...Prince. Production by Bennett.

MICHAEL BOLTON—(SITTIN' ON) THE DOCK OF THE BAY—COLUMBIA—Bolton grabs hold of this Otis Redding original and doesn't let go, offering a fine, classic sounding rendition of the smooth R&B groover. Already breaking big with multi-format action, this one is a big winner! Jonathan Cain produces.

RUFFIN & KENDRICK—ONE MORE FOR THE LONELY HEARTS CLUB—RCA—This killer team has already proven itself to be a winning combination with their debut effort, now this second release from the "Ruffin & Kendrick" album is sure to be another hot radio pick. The mellow down tempo ballad is packed with soul!



GAVIN CHRISTOPHER

GAVIN CHRISTOPHER—GAVIN—EMI/MANHATTAN—Check out this smoking album from this exciting artist! Go for the hitbound ballad "You Are Who You Love," it's a sure chart topper. Or pump up the volume with the up beat sizzler "Can't Party Hard Enough." Whichever way you turn, it's hit city!

ONAJE ALLAN GUMBS—THAT SPECIAL PART OF ME—ZEBRA/MCA—Gumbs is a saxophonist of uncommon depth and sensitivity, offering this quiet yet intense collection of string enhanced jazz compositions. Ready for radio, these mature sounding cuts are primed for action on Quiet Storm and Jazz formats. The sax invasion continues!

THE FIT—THE FIT—A&M—Here's a smartly packaged debut album from the A&M studios. Boasting a solid, fresh sounding group of R&B material, the LP includes the mid paced jam "Just Havin' Fun" as well as the dance flavored cut "Under Your Spell." A hot, hot collection!

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"...WTLC radio
has built an
enviable record
of service as a
public trustee
in the finest
traditions of
American
broadcasting."



(Left to right): Jesus Garber, VP A&M Records; Jesse Johnson; Ricky Clark, WTLC; Ray Cooper, WTLC.



(Left to right): Frank Chaplin, CBS Records; "She's Got To Have It" star Tommy Hicks; "Miami Vice" Phillip Michael Thomas; Jay Johnson WTLC.



Seated (I-r): (1) Amos Brown, Station Manager; (2) Al Hobbs, VP/GM; (3) Jay Johnson, PD. Standing (I-r): (4) Geno Shelton, DJ; (5) Wendall Ray, News; (6) Vicki Buchanan, DJ; (7) Stan Porter, News; (8) Tony Lamont, DJ; (9) Eric Blakely, DJ; (10) Ray Cooper, DJ; (11) Delores Poindexter, DJ; (12) Kevin O'Neal, News; (13) Kevin Bradley, News; (14) Gene Slaymaker, News Dir.; and (15) Ricky Clark, DJ.



Jody Watley (left) and Jay Johnson.



WTLC 105FM—Celebrating Two Decades of Service

by Carolyn Plummer Riley

"I hope that Black radio will grow to the standard of acceptance of our counterparts and that the ineptitudes of those who seek to keep us from real success in the marketplacewill focus on the strengths of our community, the stars that come from it, and the radio stations that struggle to make ends meet on an equal basis with unequal rewards. That is a goal not only I wish for, but one that all of us in radio might want to think about." *Jay Johnson* Program Director



Jay Johnson

anuary 22nd marks the 20th anniversary of a unique institution in Indiana—WTLC (FM) Radio. Since that day in 1968 when the station first began broadcasting music, news and information at 105.7 on the FM band to the Indianapolis Black community, WTLC radio has built an enviable record of service as a public trustee in the finest traditions of American broadcasting.

WTLC began broadcasting from the old Dearborn Hotel. The first owners of the radio station included leading figures in the Marion County Democratic Party—James Beatty, John Hesseldenz, Pat Chavis, Dr. Frank Lloyd and Paul Cantwell.

The purpose of the founding owners, Calojay Broadcasting—who had bought the struggling classic formatted WAIV (FM)—was to create a full-time radio station to serve the growing Indianapolis Black community. Up to that time, several area radio stations were pro-

gramming Black-oriented music on a part-time basis, but none were providing 24-hour service.

In 1968, WTLC (FM) was one of a very few FM radio stations in America programming a Black-oriented format. Only WBLC in New York, WVKO in Columbus, Ohio, KJLH in Los Angeles and KPRS in Kansas City were formed ahead of WTLC.

In 1969, the radio station moved to studios on the southside and in 1975, the offices and studios moved to their present location on Meridian Street.

WTLC has been owned by four entities during its 20 years of service. In 1973, Community Media Corporation, an Indianapolis-based company led by Dr. Frank Lloyd, assumed control of the outlet. In 1981, the station was acquired by leading Black broadcast entrepreneur Ragan A. Henry. In 1987, the station became a part of Philadelphia-based Panache Broadcasting Corporation.

In spite of ownership changes, there has been a remarkable consistency of management styles and philosophy at WTLC (FM). And that has translated into the continued maintenance of the legacy of commitment and service to WTLC's target audience—the Indianapolis and Central Indiana Black community.

Owners, managers and staff of WTLC (FM) have over the years believed strongly in the ethic that broadcast stations exist to not only entertain, not only turn a profit, but also to serve, inform, educate, illuminate and lead a people and a community.

Because of that commitment, WTLC (FM) Radio has inaugurated many, many

different programs, activities, and enterprises designed to positively impact upon the lives of its audience and community. Over the years it has added and included different elements to its program schedule that are unequalled and not duplicated by any other radio station in Indianapolis, and by very few other FM radio stations or Blackformatted radio stations in America.

When the station began, the majority of the listeners were teenagers and young adults. But today, through the efforts in news and information, music, gospel programming and jazz, just 14 percent of the audience is teenagers. Over 16 percent are over age 55 and

the remainder between 18 and 55. According to Arbitron Ratings, WTLC (FM) regularly reaches nine out of every ten Blacks over 12, across all age and sex ranges. And of the total, WTLC (FM) audience of nearly 140,000 people, some 33 percent are white.

ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAMMING

WTLC (FM) believes in presenting music of and from the Black experience. It was the first commercial radio station in Indianapolis to present jazz on a full-time basis. "The Jazz Flight" program broadcast jazz evenings and early mornings for the past 10 years. Currently the "Jazz at 45" format exposes the audience to jazz every hour at 45 minutes after the hour, 24 hours a day.

WTLC (FM) was the first Indiana radio station to present Black Gospel music in stereo, on FM. The Sunday Gospel music programs ("Spirit at Sunrise" from 5-10 a.m. and "The Love Express" from 2:30-6 p.m.) and the weekday 5-6 a.m. morning Gospel program, "The Way Out," attracts the highest audience listening shares for any Black Gospel music program in America!

The quality of their entertainment programming has been recognized across the country. Black Radio Exclusive has honored WTLC (FM) three times as "Station of the Year" (1979, 1980, 1984). Billboard Magazine has honored WTLC (FM) twice as its "Soul Station of the Year" (1975, 1981). Lastly, just recently, The Bill Gavin Report, has nominated WTLC (FM) for "Station of the Year" for 1987!

In an industry known for "here today, gone tomorrow" staffing, the WTLC (FM) announcing staff has a longevity unique in radio. This powerful team is led by PD, "Super Jay" Johnson (who has been with the station for the past 13 years), Tony Lamont, Ray Cooper, Vicki Buchanan, Geno Shelton, Eric Blakely, Ricky Clark, Larry Evans, Delores Poindexter, Al Hobbs, Rev. Richard Hunter and Rev. Mozel Sanders have a combined tenure at WTLC (FM) of 95 years with the radio station. The announcers are visible and involved in a variety of community activities and events weekly.

Station manager Amos Brown, and general manager Al Hobbs are vital parts of the community, serving on a variety of civic and community boards, committees and commissions.

News and Information Programming

WTLC (FM) has always had a commitment to news, but it wasn't until 1976 that the commitment was upgraded and strengthened. The addition of Gene Slaymaker as news director, a veteran



- Sugar Babies



WTLC's Booth at Annual Indiana Black Expo.



All smiles after a recent Michael lackson contest.

journalist and writer with the Time-Life stations, brought a degree of commitment and professionalism to the WTLC (FM) news operation.

Under Slaymaker's stewardship, WTLC (FM) began to build a department of individuals, trained in quality journalism and news-gathering. Also under his leadership, the station began to build an award-winning record of service and quality that is now unmatched in Indianapolis radio.

Over the 20 years, WTLC (FM) has received more awards for quality journalism than any other radio station in Indiana, or any other FM or Black-oriented formatted radio station in the nation.

When it comes to news and information programming, WTLC (FM) is the only radio station in Indianapolis to air a live, local two-way telephone talk show featuring local community issues and activities ("Info 88," aired Sundays in prime time at 2 p.m.).

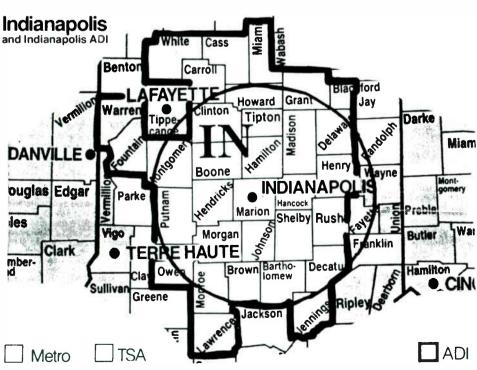
WTLC (FM) is the only radio station in Indianapolis to air a weekly review of the week's news stories, again in prime time ("Like It Is," the weekly news magazine, Sundays at 1 p.m.).

Indianapolis is the only city in the country where the city's mayor hosts a monthly two-way telephone talk show with the Black community to hear their comments and concerns and answer their questions. WTLC (FM)'s "Morning with Mayor William H. Hudnut" program, begun in 1978, airing in morning drive time monthly at 8 a.m., is the only program of its kind in the nation.

Over its 20-year history, WTLC (FM) has created some memorable and lasting public service campaigns. This year will be no exception! Coming the end of January, the newest public service campaign will come to life. "Baby Love for Healthy Babies" is a year-long public service informational and educational campaign designed to affirmatively deal with the problem of Indianapolis' obscenely high Black infant mortality rate!

Since January, 1968, WTLC (FM) has set the pace for radio in Indianapolis. In the next 20 years the radio station will continue to lead the pace, setting new standards for responsible broadcasting in Indianapolis and the nation!

Congratulations, WTLC (FM), on your 20th Anniversary from all of us!



WYLC PERSONNEL

Al Hobbs, VP/GM Amos Brown, Stati

Amos Brown, Station Manager
Jay Johnson, Program Director
Gene Slaymaker, News Director
Russ Dodge, Sales Manager
John Wilson, Sen. Account Executive
Jeff Dinsmore, Chief Engineer
Barbara Robinson, Traffic Director
Suzanne Graham, Business Manager
Kathy Edwards, Continuity Manager
Joan Bryant, Billing Manager
Natalie Mitchell, Receptionist
Vicki Buchanan, Acting MD

PROGRAM LINEUP

Monday thru Friday:

Midnight-2am, Ray Cooper Show 2am-5am, Vicki Buchanan Show 5am-6am, The Way Out with Rev. Mozel Sanders

6am-10am, Eric Blakely Show
10am-2pm, Tony Lamont Show
2pm-6pm, Super Jay Johnson Show
6pm-10pm, Geno Shelton Show
10pm-Midnight, Ray Cooper Show

Saturdays:

Midnight-2am, Ray Cooper Show 2am-6am, Ricky Clark Show 6am-11am, Eric Blakely Show 11am-Moon, Operation Breadbasket/ Public Affairs Show Noon-4pm, Vicki Buchanan Show 4pm-8pm, Geno Shelton Show 8pm-Midnight, Tony Lamont Show

Sundays

Midnight-Sam, Ricky Clark Show Sam-1 Oam, Spirit at Sunrise/Gospel with Delores Poindexter

10am-1pm, Local Church Programs 1pm-2pm, Like It Is/Local NewsMagazine 2pm-2:30pm, Info 88/Local Talk Show 2:30pm-6pm, The Love Express/Gospel with Al Hobbs

6pm-10pm, Larry Evans Show **10pm-Midnight**, Ray Cooper Show

Special Programs:

Tuesdays, 4:15pm, Quiet Storm with Jay Johnson

Thursdays, 4:05pm, Watt Love Count-

Mondays, 9pm, Album Premiere Hour Monthly, 8am, Morning with the Mayor with Indianapolis Mayor William Hudnut III

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ANTHONY BOUNCES BACK



Warner Bros. Records' artist Anthony Malloy (c.), founder and frontman for one of New York City's most exciting new groups, Anthony and the Camp, has fully recovered from a severe auto accident. Producer Jellybean Benitez (l.) and Marcus Miller are ecstatic over product to be included in Malloy's album, "Suspense," set for release in March.

LEVERT'S UNIVERSAL CONVERGENCE



As part of their recent North American tour, Atlantic recording group LeVert performed at the Universal Amphitheatre in Los Angeles. Shown backstage after the show are, from left, LeVert's Sean and Gerald Levert; LeVert's manager Harry Coombs, fellow Atlantic recording artist Gerald Albright, Atlanta Black Music VP/GM Sylvia Rhone, and LeVert's Marc Gordon.

ELEKTRA HOOKS FISHER



Lisa Fisher, who many feel will become one of the hottest new stars in the music business, recently signed a contract with Elektra Records. Welcoming her to the label are, from left, standing, Raoul Roach, director, A&R; Gary Casson, senior VP, Business Affairs; Daniel Marcus, Fisher's manager; and Brad Hunt, senior VP, Promotion. Seated with the singer known primarily for her work with Luther Vandross, is Bob Krasnow, Elektra chairman.

BRE-FLICKS



WHODINI APPEARS ON VIDEO SOUL

Jive/Arista recording group Whodini recently made a guest appearance on Video Soul. During the visit, Whodini asked Video Soul host Donnie Simpson to become a permanent member of the group. Simpson declined, but tried on the "magic" hat for size anyway! From left are green-eyed Grandmaster Dee, Ecstasy, Simpson and Jalil Hutchins.

TINA KNOCKS 'EM DEAD



Capitol Records star Tina Turner, currently touring in South America, recently killed them at the fabulous Forum in Los Angeles. Shown with the shapely one are, from left, Step Johnson, VP, Black Promotion; Howard Geiger, Black Promotion; Tina, Michael White, Local Promotion; and, John Fagot, VP, Promotion, Capitol Records.

GOOD LOVE SPREAD AT KACE



Marvelous Meli'sa Morgan, who's been visiting radio stations across the country as part of a promotional tour, stopped by Los Angeles' KACE-FM to visit with program director Pam Wells (r.). Accompanying the star is promotion man Howard Geiger, who is rejoicing over the fact that Miss Morgan had two back-to-back No. 1 songs on her album "Good Love."

IN BRIEF

Bob Marley Day Set

LOS ANGELES, CA: Reggae for Cultural Awareness and New Directions will present its seventh annual "Bob Marley Day" concert at the Santa Monica Civic Auditorium on Feb. 7 at 2 p.m. Set to appear are Michael Rose (former Black Uhuru lead singer), Al Campbell, Leroy Sibbles, the Mighty Diamonds and Swelele. For info. call Henry Thomas. (213) 293-6900.

Radio Talk Show Is Topic Of Conversation

PENSACOLA, FL: The "Moving Up With Les Humphrey" show, broadcast live from the H&O Cafe each Tuesday (WXFP, 980AM Stereo: 7 to 8 p.m.), is fast becoming the talk of the town because of its unique format. Humphrey, publisher of the Pensacola Voice, and co-host Allen Travis "make for a wellbalanced program filled facts," according to devoted radio listeners.

Sylvia Charts Course

NEW YORK: Sylvia Robinson, a woman associated with the sales of over 40 million records to date, has started Bon Ami Records and released her version of the Johnny Nash European hit "Rock Me Baby" as the first single. Robinson previously had All Platinum Records and Sugar Hill Records, which were both to quote the New York Times "the hottest independent recording companies in the country."

Mizell Recuperating

NEW YORK: Jason Mizell, a.k.a. Jam Master Jay of the top rap group Run-D.M.C., is recuperating in Manhattan's St. Vincent Hospital from head injuries suffered in an automobile accident in late December, Mizell collided with a car while driving his jeep at 3 a.m. the day after Christmas. The 22-year-old rapper was hit by a car being driven the wrong way on a street in lower Manhattan.

MCA Records Restructures Black Music Division







Louil Silas



Ron White

Music, has announced restructuring within MCA Records' Black Music division.

Music. He previously served as years. vice president, A&R, Black Music.

Jheryl Busby, president Black the post of director, National Promotion. He moves to MCA's home office in Los Angeles from Dallas, where he served as Louil Silas has been pro- National Field Promotion moted to senior vice president, Director. Washington has been A&R Artist Development, Black with the label for almost 10

Ron White, newly-appointed National Field Promotion A. D. Washington assumes Director, was previously MCA

Black Music regional representative for the Mid-Atlantic states. White will continue to work out of the label's Washington, DC office.

Mike Halley takes over the job of Co-National Field Promotion Director/East Coast. Prior to this selection, he was the label's regional representative for the Northeast area. Halley retains his former duties while taking on wider-ranging responsibilities as well.

Sara Melendez has been upped to National Marketing Director. She previously served as Regional Promotion Manager/West Coast.

Beverly Lias assumes the title of National Administrative Director of Promotion.

The restructuring of the MCA Black Music division comes at a time of notable success for its artists. As of this month, Gladys Knight and The Pips reached the number one spot on the Black music charts with "Love Overboard." Also in the Top 10 of the Black charts were Pebbles with "Girlfriend" and Stephanie Mills with "Secret Lady."

"Having a number one record and two more records in the Top 10 is an incredible way to open the year," Busby said. He added that 1988 is going to be a great year of opportunity for the MCA Black Music division and "we're constantly working to develop our professional staff.

"The MCA system is designed to keep moving people up, rather than simply bringing people in," he said. "We're putting together a very strong team.'

ARBitron Ratings
The following information represents the latest ARBitron ratings

for average quarter hour shares, metro survey area, Monday through Sunday, 6 a.m. - Midnight, for the Fall '87 rating period. The Summer '87 rating period is also shown as a point of comparison.

The following information represents ratings from urban, black and some contemporary formatted stations. More markets detailed next week.

	SUM.	FALL		SUM.	FALL		
	'87	'87		'87	'87		
WASHINGTON, D.C.			PITTSBURGH, PA				
WKYS	5.1	6.5	WAMO	5.6	5.2		
WHUR	5.3	5.0	CINCINNATI	ОН			
WDIY	5.7	3.6	WBLZ	3.4	4.4		
WOL	1.5	1.7	WCIN	1.4	1.3		
DETROIT, MICHIGAN			BOSTON, MA				
WILB	7.8	8.6	WILD	2.8	3.0		
WJZZ	1.8	2.1	BALTIMORE,		-		
WCHB	1.1	1.1	WEBB	2.6	1.8		
WOBH	1.3	1.0	WWIN	3.0	1.5		
CLEVELAND	The second second	4.4500	DENVER, CO		11.000		
WZAK	9.8	8.9	KDKO	3.0	.9		
WIMO	1.8	1.5	BUFFALO, N				
ST. LOUIS, MO.			WUFO	1.0	1.4		
KATZ-FM	1.8	1.2	DALLAS, TX				
KMJM	5.7	8.2	KKDA-FM	10.6	8.6		
est give		0.2	KDLZ	1.4	1.6		
NEW HAVEN	CT		HOUSTON,		1.0		
WNHC	3.0	4.4	KMJQ	10.3	7.8		
		7.7	KYOK	1.4	1.7		
HARTFORD,		.9	KCOH	1.2	1.4		
WKND	1.4	.9	KCOH	1.2	1.4		

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Top Music Stars Featured In "Family Reunion" Show

LOS ANGELES, CA: "Family Reunion-A Gospel Music Celebration" featuring more than 30 top entertainers, will be taped at a special in-concert session at the West Angeles Church of Christ on Jan. 28.

Multiple award-winning TV and music producer and writer Jonathan Stathakis will produce the show which will star such luminaries as Jeffrey Osborne, Jennifer Holliday, The Four Tops, Richie Havens, Edwin Tramaine and Walter Hawkins.

Andrae Crouch is musical director for the event and Cliff Rocquemore is writing the script for the special. Tony Singleterry is director.

30th Annual Grammy Awards Nominations Announced

Nominations in 71 categories for the 30th Annual Grammy Awards were announced at a press conference on Thursday. Jan. 14 at the Sheraton-Universal Hotel in Universal

Presiding over the event was Alfred W. Schlesinger, president and chairman of the Board of Trustees of the National Academy of Recording Arts and

Billy Crystal, who picked up a Grammy nomination in the Best Comedy Recording category in 1986 with his bestselling A&M single, "You Look Mahvelous," will host the Grammy Awards telecast for the second year.

Superstar Michael Jackson, with four nominations, heads an impressive list of Black performers vying for the coveted awards that honor outstanding artistic and technical achievement in the field of recording.

Jackson, with 11 wins out of 21 nominations, was cited for Best Pop Vocal Performance (Male), Best R&B Pop Vocal Performance, Producer of the Year for his "Bad" album, which was nominated for Album of the Year.

Others competing for Album of the Year honors include Whitney Houston for "Whitney" and Prince for "Sign O' the Times." Whitney, a past Grammy winner, is also up for Song of the Year honors with her "Didn't We Almost Have It

The "Grammy Awards Show" will be telecast live by CBS Television from the stage of Radio City Music Hall in New York on March 2.

Other entertainers of color nominated for the cute gold statuettes, and the categories are:

Best New Age Performance: Yusef Lateef, "Yusef Lateef's Little Symphony."

Best Rock Vocal Performance (Male/ Female): Tina Turner, "Better Be Good To Me.

Best Rock Instrumental Performance: Herbie Hancock, "Wipe Out."

Best R&B Vocal Performance (Female): Aretha Franklin, "Aretha"; Natalie Cole, "Everlasting"; Whitney Houston, "For the Love of You"; Nancy Wilson, "Forbidden Love"; and, Jody Watley, "Looking For A New Love."

Best R&B Vocal Performance (Male): Michael Jackson, "Bad"; Wilson Pickett, "In the Midnight Hour"; Smokey Robinson, "Just to See Her"; Jonathan Butler, "Lies"; and, Stevie Wonder, "Skeletons"

Best R&B Performance by a Duo or Group with Vocal: LeVert. "Casanova": Aretha Franklin and George Michael, "I Knew You Were Waiting (For Me)"; Club Nouveau, "Lean On Me"; The Whispers, "Rock Steady"; and, Prince and Sheena Easton, "U Got the Look." Best R&B Instrumental Performance: Stanley Turrentine, "Boogie On Reggae Woman"; Jonathan Butler, "Going Home"; and, Najee, "Najee's Theme."

Best Jazz Fusion Performance: George Benson and Earl Klugh, "Collaboration." **Best Jazz Vocal Performance (Female):** Carmen McRae, "Any Old Time"; Sarah Vaughan, "Brazilian Romance"; Diane Schuur, "Diane Schuur and the Count Basie Orchestra"; and, Ella Fitzgerald,

Best Jazz Vocal Performance (Male): Billy Eckstine, "Billy Eckstine Sings With Benny Carter"; Joe Williams, "Every Night"; Arthur Prysock, "This Guy's In Continued on page 20



Gwen Guthrie shares her joy with, from left, Oscar Fields, VP, Black Music Sales; Chairman Mo Ostin; WB president Lenny Waronker: Ernie Singleton, VP, Black Music Marketing; and, Bob Caviano, Gwen's manager.

Warner Bros. Inks Gwen Guthrie

Gwen Guthrie, the acclaimed singer, songwriter, producer and arranger responsible for

KDAY Radio Personality Will Host Variety Show

KDAY Radio public affairs director Rory Kaufman will guest emcee the Sugar Ray Robinson Youth Foundation's annual Variety Show, Jan. 30, in the Grand Theatre at Los Angeles Trade Technical College.

Kaufman will host the 1 p.m. display of talent from elementary and junior high school students from the Southern California area who involved in the Foundation.

For information, contact the Sugar Ray Robinson Youth Foundation, (213) 936-2121.

such dance smashes as "Ain't Nothin' Goin' On But the Rent," "It Should Have Been You" and "Outside In the Rain," has been signed to an exclusive recording contract with Warner Bros. Records.

The pact was announced by Warner Bros. Records president Lenny Waronker and Guthrie's manager Bob Caviano. Gwen's new product, "Lifeline," is scheduled for release this spring.

"Can't Love You Tonight," from the upcoming "Lifeline" album, is a hard-hitting original honestly addressing the dangers of casual sex in the AIDS era. An activist in the field, Gwen Guthrie has recently thrown her Newark.



Rod Butler

Art Turner, former local RCA merchandiser in Chicago, has been named Midwest Regional R&B promotion manager for A&M Records. Label's R&B promotion chief Jesus Garber says Art will be based in Chicago ... Mike Sikkas, former creative manager in charge of A&R/Talent Acquisition, is manager, West Coast A&R for Arista Records ... Alan Voss, who joined the label in 1978, has been named director of national sales for PolyGram Records ... Frances J. Jones, a member of the New York and New Jersey bar who received her law degree from New York University in 1985, has been named Attorney, PolyGram Records by Lisa S. Rothblum, vice president, Legal for the label. Jones formerly served as a corporate and securities associate for the NY law firm of Dornbush, Mensch, Mandelstam & Silverman ... Former director, Media Relations for Atlantic Records, Patti Conte, has been appointed vice president, Press and Publicity for EMI-Manhattan Records ... Jonathan Mann, president of Jumpstreet Records, appointed Gregg Fore to the post of vice president of Special Projects for the New York-based label. Fore was once instrumental in planning marketing strategies for Warlock Records ... Patricia support to AIDS prevention Drosins has been named vice president, Advertising and Creative programs in both New York and Services, PolyGram Records, according to Harry Anger, senior Continued on page 30

EAST COAST SCENE

NEW YORK: Super superstar Michael Jackson has been nominated for four 1988 Grammy Awards and classical vocalist Kathleen Battle is up for five. Jackson and Ms. Battle deservingly lead the Grammy list of nominees. It is disturbing, however, that no rap artist (not even L.L. Cool | or Run-D.M.C.) was nominated! It's high time that the music industry accept rap as pop music and not as an alternative musical style. We need to unite to address this issue now! (Call me so we can do some planning.) Wilson Pickett was nominated for his re-release of "In The Midnight Hour"-a classic that he recorded 22 years ago and ignored by the Grammys.

Nelson George of Billboard has an upcoming book, The Death of Rhythm & Blues, part of which deals with Black radio giants Jack Gibson, Eddie O'Jay, Del Shields and Gary Byrd. It includes the evolution of WHUR, WBLS & WDIA...Gospel programmers throughout the country are excited about Bonnie Gatling's "Thank You, Lord," on the LuBon Music label, Bonnie has performed with Mahalia lackson. Sam Cooke and lames Cleveland as well as having sang the National Anthem before millions during the televised Mets and Yankees games. Plans are underway now for her European tour to promote her Grammy-deserving album. Bookings: (212) 982-6988...1 spoke with rapper **Heavy D** and he wants Black radio stations everywhere to know that he really appreciates your support. He has two new videos, "Money Earning Mt. Vernon" and "Don't U Know," due the end of this month... Horace Taylor of General Tee Mgt. has an unusual rapper named Eniqueity who takes on the persona of Elvis Presley, Eniqueity has recorded "Jam House Rock," "Crack, Don't Do It" and "Gangster." Horace's other acts are MC Chris, One Step Beyond, Lady Ice, D-V-S and Pajama Girls. Horace's number is (718) 284-8937...Van Silk and Melle Mel's Youth Day Across The World has been changed to April 18. Their first benefit at The World Disco was a tremendous success and starred DI Red Alert of WDKS, Grandmaster Flash, Melle Mel, Carlos Flores, Joeski Love, Afrika Bambaataa, Chris Rock, Sparky D., The Rangers, Spider D., Audio II, MC Lyte, Giggolette, Vandy C. and Bill Blast and Wanda D . .

IN MARYLAND: Scott Jantzen of WOCQ in Ocean City informed me that they brought '88 in by switching to their ABC affiliate in NY for the Times Square

celebration. WOCQ sponsored a contest throughout Dec. and awarded 44 winners with compact discs, the grand prize winner receiving an all-expense paid two-night trip, courtesy of Motown, for two to Atlantic City to see Smokey Robinson appear at Bally's and \$104 in cash...Deek DeBerry, president of Creative Funk Music and his assistant, Juliet Walker, (301) 441-2661, proudly announce that the label has released limmy Castor's "I Could Never Break Away (From You)" and "Stay With Me (Spend The Night)." Also on the label are Fat Back Band, Creative Funk, Zero Hour, Tyrone Burwell, DJ Kool & Mighty Rap Specialist. Many may remember DeBerry, based in Greenbelt, when he worked for Atlantic Records-... Steven Franco is busy working with such acts as Go Go Lorenzo, New Mark, Jeanee Harris, WEO (Wizard Electronic Orchestra), Deandre, Gary DeBerry Ensemble and Ron Anderson in his 24track Eastover studio. Franco's studio number is (301) 839-7999...

IN THE CAROLINAS: Tim Greene, formerly of WZFX, is putting the Carolinas on the map. Tim, a super songwriter and producer has enjoyed such top of the chart hits as "Two of Hearts" by Stacey Q, "Please, Please Me" by Soft Touch, "Party Freak" by Cash Flow and "I Need Love Now" by Frosty on the Tommy Boy label. He's also written and produced for L.A. Stars, Fresh Air, Candi Lloove, Phase II, The New Kid and Valerie Blackwell. Tim will be airing a new cable program "Carolina Video Countdown" in Raleigh and Charlotte



Najee

soon and he's producing the movie, "Faded Dreams," due this fall. Tim's at (919) 834-8040....Not quite on the East Coast but...

IN OHIO: J. Rick McEachern, producer of "Telejam" TV show hosted by Chuck Conners, Jr. on WOIO in Shaker Heights, is now accepting videos from East Coast artists. Promoters may want to know that his club, Vices: The Nightclub, books national acts. Rebbie Jackson was just there and coming soon are Miki Howard, Najee, Clarence Carter, Chaka Khan and Johnny "Guitar" Watson. Rick manages The Latest, Tonya Stewart, Niles McKinney and Avatar and is looking for deals. His associates are Mike Nelson, Curtis Davis, Atty. Lenza McElrath, Major Hudson, Verna Craighead, Charlotte Morgan and Lynn Tolliver of WZAK. Call Rick at (216) 561-8847....

IN NEW JERSEY: Paulette Jones at (201) 824-7525 is now managing DeBoice who recorded "Broken Hearted" and Flight, whose hit is "Let's Get Jazzy." DeBoice was at the Limelight last week.

MIDWEST REPORT

By Jerome Simmons

In town for the WGCI Christmas party was Epic's **Don Eason** with a number of CBS artists like **Tawatha** and **Mtume**. Tawatha performed her latest recording for the SRO merry makers. Elektra Records artist **Keith Sweat** performed for the Xmas party.

Fletcher's One Stop and Barney's One Stop Records also held gala Christmas parties. Lee Michaels and James Cochran of Motown Records gave a New Years Eve party. Bringing in the New Year in a live performance was Alexander O'Neal, Ramsey Lewis and Maze.

One of the best shows to hit the market in some time featured the **O'Jays**, **Millie Jackson** and **LeVert**.

Restructures in the record industry are: James Cochran, Midwest RPM, has been named Midwest National Promotion Mgr., Motown Records; Manhattan Records' Reggie Barnes has been transferred to Baltimore. He is replaced by James Boyce who held the position of local promotions manager in Detroit.

We welcome **James Boyce** to the market...**Jerry Butler** has been named president of the Chicago chapter of the BMA, and assumed his duties this month...The national BMA will research charges that advertising dollars for the Black media has been on a steady decline...Feb. 1 is the official date that Dorton Broadcasting takes over the reins of WBMX...

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PROGRAMMER'S POLL

SOUTHEAST

RAY BOYD WVEE-FM Jet's, "Rocket 2 U"—A hot release from the Jets! Good lyrics. A must for the dancers. Young demos.



Stevie Wonder, "You Will Know"—HOT action from Stevie. Out of the box response. Watch this one move up the singles chart.

Rebbie Jackson, "Plaything"—A super hot one from Rebbie. She sounds great. This one should receive top of the chart action. Heavy telephone requests.

Alexander O'Neal/Cherrelle, "Never Knew Love Like This"—One of the most requested songs in this area. Alexander is hot. Should move to the top of the charts real fast. Great music from these two. Hot telephone requests.

CHARLES MITCHELL WRBD

Rebbie Jackson, "Plaything"— The dancers will love this new release from Rebbie. It's danceable and funky. Should take this Jackson to the top of the charts. Hot phones.

Morris Day, "Fishnet"—Out of the box response from listeners. Morris Day has a hit! Hot and heavy phones.

Stevie Wonder, "You Will Know"—It's a hit for R&B and Pop. This one will move up the charts very fast. One of the most requested songs in this area. A super LP from Stevie.

Alexander O'Neal and Cherrelle, "Never Knew Love"—This was heavy as an LP cut. Should go quickly up the charts.

MID-ATLANTIC

HOPPY ADAMS Adams WANN

Jonathan Butler, "Take Good Care"—A hot release that should move up the charts. All demos.

Rebbie Jackson, "Plaything"—Good release from Rebbie. The kids love it. Top of the chart action.

Earth, Wind & Fire, "Thinking of You"—It's nice to have these guys back. A super song that's receiving lots of airplay. Heavy phones.

WES

LORAE JACKSON

KCE

Chico DeBarge, "Rainy Night"—A super song from this talented guy. One of the most requested songs. Should move up the charts.

Stevie Wonder, "You Will Know"—One of the most requested songs. It was hot from the first spin. Look for this to top the R&B and Pop charts. All demos.

Atlantic Starr, "Thankful"—Atlantic Starr continues to put out the best. This one is no exception. Top of the chart action. All demos.

MIDWEST

HERMAN PEARSON (PAPPA GATTOR)

KBWH

Morris Day, "Fishnet"—Morris is back with a big one. It's hot here. Should move to the top of the charts.

A must for dancers!

Gerry Woo, "How Long"—This is a super song for this new artist. Super lyrics with a great sound. I think

this one is a winner.

Peabo Bryson & Regina Belle, "Without You"—These two certainly make great music together. Should recieve great chart action.

Angela Winbush, "Run To Me"—Hit hit hit! This girl is HOT.

MID-SOUTH

AUNDRAE RUSSELL

WALT-T91



Stacey Lattisaw, "Every Drop of Your Love"—A super song for Stacey. Real hot vocals that are heating up the phones. Look for action on this one.

Shanice Wilson, "No ½ Steppin"—Take a listen to this new release from young Shanice Wilson. She's hot. Lots of phones.

Angela Winbush, "Run To Me"—A good up-tempo release from Winbush. It's a must for dancers. All demos.



Number one records in the Baltimore Washington area. Al also made Whistle's "Please Love Me" his pick hit in the R&B Report.

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WXYVENIS

V-103/WXYV awarded \$10,000 in Christmas spending money to Walter Holmes (r) of Baltimore as part of the "Winning Check Sweepstakes" contest. Close to a quarter million "winning check" folders containing checks with individual serial numbers were mailed throughout Baltimore. Holmes received his "winning check" folder just one week prior to hearing the number on V-13. He was driving to work, heard the magic number, and promptly pulled over to a phone booth to redeem his prize. Shown presenting check to Holmes is Roy Sampson, program director.

Keeping the Dream Alive



1250 K-FOX is co-sponsoring "Keeping the Dream Alive," a celebration honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., featuring Seattle City Councilman, Norm Rice, as a special guest speaker and K-FOX's Alexis Commer, as master of ceremonies.

This special event took place on Monday, January 18, at the Seattle Center House.

In addition to Councilman Rice, speakers included Dr. Charles Mitchell, president, Seattle Central Community College, and Rev. Pat Hunter of Mt. Zion

Baptist Church. Featured entertainment included "The Total Experience Choir," film festival and art exhibit. Public service information booths were set up to answer questions.

K-FOX 1250 is also pleased to announce that beginning Monday, January 11, it will air "Every Hour On The Hour" ABC contemporary network news.

It has also been over three years since any Seattle area radio station has carried this unique network. ABC Contemporary is a popular full-service network offering many newsworthy features, including correspondent reports, actualities and artist profiles.

New Changes at WQQK/WVOL!

Fred Harvey has been appointed Operations Manager/PD for WQQK/WVOL, Nashville, TN. Cy Young will hold down the Assistant PD slot and an airshift at WQQK. Tiffany Lane is the overnight air personality.

Sam Brown is the assistant PD for WVOL and mid-day air personality.

Clarence Kilcrease, formerly the PD of WVOL, has been appointed to head the community affairs department at both stations.

Saundra Newman, promotion representative for Malverene Distributors in Maryland, presented a plaque to music director Al D'Angelo of WPGC in Washing-

ton, DC for helping to make Whistle's "Barbara's Bedroom" a cult hit of 1987. "Barbara's Bedroom" was one of the

WQQK would like to welcome Terry Alexander as the Mid-Day air personality.



"Miss Mississippi," Toni Seawright (c) was made an honorary member of WKKY 105 FM in Moss Point/Pascagoula, Ms. Program director Nikki deMarks (r) and afternoon air personality, R.J. O'Shea, present Toni Seawright, a native of Moss Point, and the first Black to win Miss Mississippi title, a WKKY shirt.

Encore Club! Grand Opening

The grand opening of the New Encore Club, Pleasant Hill, NC, was a big success! The grand opening drew as many as 600 people with standing room only both nights.

Ray Charles Ramsey, owner and manager, would like to extend a sincere thank you to his entire staff and the entertainers. A hearty thanks to WOOK-FM, with their Boom Box and the Goodtime Gator and to Thomas Lytle. PD of the WMYK-FM, Virginia Beach.



Ray Charles Ramsey and Thomas Lytle, PD from WMYK-FM, Virginia Beach.



Goodtime Gator from WQOK-FM, Raleigh, NC and Ray Charles Ramsey.



Eric Coston, air personality/WDAS; Tony Terry, Epic artist; Linda Penn, Regional Promo, EPA, and Butterball, PD/WDAS.



Vanesse Thomas drops by FOXY 99 for an on-air interview and raps with program director Tony Lype and general manager Larry D. Williams.

All Smiles: EPA is Bad!



Front Row: Maurice Warfield, Walt Love, R&R; Michelle Johns, Kathi More, Jacquie James. Second Row: Don Eason, Reggie Sullivan, Lamont Boles, Ray Anderson, Clifford Russel, Linda Penn, Dennis Lee, Chuck Debow and Jana Welch.

Service Requests

WJMF, Smithfield, RI, needs service from all record companies, ASAP!

WJMF Radio P.O. Box 1901 Smithfield, RI 02917 (401) 232-4122 Attn: Anthony B. Lilley

Tim Greene Productions and Filmworks, a new Video Countdown to air in the Carolinas in January, needs video service (VHS format) from all labels ASAP.

Tim Greene c/o Tim Greene Prods. & Filmworks 320 E. Cabarrus St. Rear Suite Raleigh, NC 27602 (919) 834-8040

WEAL, Greensboro, NC, needs service from Hot Mix Five Record Company.
WEAL

1060 Gatewood Avenue Greensboro, NC 27405 (919) 272-5121

WPGA, Macon, GA, needs service from all record companies. ASAP!

WPGA Radio 404 Carroll Blvd. Macon, GA 31069 (912) 987-2980 Attn: Patrick Manuel

KHYS, Port Arthur, TX, needs service from all Gospel labels. Send to:

Kevan Stone, PD 7700 Gulfway Dr. Port Arthur, TX 77642 (409) 963-1277

KWTD, Little Rock, AR, needs service from Solar Records ASAP.

KWTD 902 High Street Little Rock, AR 72202 (501) 375-1069

WOAZ, Cleveland, MS, needs service from all record companies. CDs!

WOAZ P.O. Box 1023 Cleveland, MS 38732 (601) 843-0094

TECH TALK

By Billy Paul



Billy Paul

To get things off on the right foot, I don't even know a Mrs. Jones! That's The other Billy Paul, the singer. I'm Billy Paul the engineer/programmer.

Having had the opportunity to work as an electronic technician in the computer industry, and later serving as a program operations director in radio, I seem to have acquired the handle of "Engineer-slash-Programmer."

My high school yearbook says: "Bill will enter the fields of electronics and/ or communications." I've been a student

of both areas of broadcasting for many years now, and appreciate the opportunity BRE publisher Sidney Miller has given me to not only relate some of my experience to you, but also to keep you informed about our rapidly-changing technology.

The future is now! It seems like many years ago such things as lap top computers and telephones that you can carry on your hip were near science fiction. Actually, it was only a few years ago. The realization of the microprocessor chip, analog to digital devices, and new electronic component packaging methods have made it all possible. Research and Development departments worldwide are busier than ever.

The great thing is, we've only scratched the surface. Engineers are playing a more important role in the broadcast station. It's a fact that the consumer has home and car audio equipment equal to and, in some cases, better than the studio equipment we had to work with less than a dozen years ago.

We must give the fans the best their radios can handle. The sound you put on the airwaves is your product and any weak link in the chain degrades that product.

Program directors, be sure to show your engineer this column. As a matter of fact, take your engineer out to lunch, or buy him or her a new pocket screwdriver. A happy, well-informed engineer can be your key to some extra rating points. It's a proven fact that a strong working relationship between programming and engineering can be nothing but positive for a radio station.

There have been many studies on "listener fatigue." These studies find that equalization of the audio signal can have a direct effect on how long a person listens to a station. One example of this

is that women feel more comfortable with lower frequencies.

Fact or fiction, we must examine such studies because it just might give your station that extra edge. Personally, I'm a believer. When my sweet little mother from Philadelphia sits in my living room listening to Count Basie on the stereo she always comments on how she loves those "deep tones," and you know Mom is always right!

In future articles we will examine these studies and determine how audio psychology can help you on the dial.

Another directly related area is promotions. The station engineer can play an important role in planning the technical needs of the promotion department. Of course, the engineer has always been in on remote broadcasts, but what about sound system needs?

Quite often the sound systems are left up to a local rental company. Don't forget that they're in the business of renting equipment, and may give you equipment you really don't need. We plan to review some budget-conscious sound systems that you can tailor to your needs.

As the electronic manufacturers dream up new "bells and whistles," the chief engineer constantly reviews, researches and recommends what is needed to keep the station "Technically Competitive." We hope we can help both programmer and engineer sort through the masses of hi-tech devices coming down the pike.

It's a pleasure to have the opportunity to communicate with so many fine engineers and programmers. We invite input on the programming engineering connection, technical problems and solutions, and be sure to let us know if there should be any related areas of interest you would like to see covered in this column.

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Love With You"; and, Bobby McFerrin, "What Is This Thing Called Love."

Best Jazz Instrumental Performance (Soloist): Branford Marsalis, "Cottontail"; Wynton Marsalis, "Marsalis Standard Time, Vol. 1"; Dexter Gordon, "The Other Side of Round Midnight"; and, Eddie Daniels, "To Bird With Love."

Best Jazz Instrumental Performance (Group): Wynton Marsalis, "Marsalis Standard Time, Vol. 1"; Eddie Daniels, "To Bird With Love"; and, Miroslav Vitous and Roy Haynes, "Trio Music, Live in Europe."

Best Jazz Instrumental Performance (Big Band): The Duke Ellington Orchestra conducted by Mercer Ellington, "Digital Duke."

Best Gospel Performance (Female): Deniece Williams, "I Believe In You." Best Soul Gospel Performance (Female): Lynette Hawkins Stephens, "Baby Sis"; Vickie Winans, "Be Encouraged"; CeCe Winans, "For Always"; Shirley Caesar, "The Lord Will Make A Way"; and, Della Reese, "You Gave Me Love."

Best Soul Gospel Performance (Male): Keith Pringle, "All To You"; BeBe Winans, "Call Me"; Al Green, "Everything's Gonna Be Alright"; Wintley Phipps, "Wintley Phipps"; and, Jessy Dixon, "The Winning Side."

Best Soul Gospel Performance by a Duo, Group, Choir or Chorus: "Ain't No Need to Worry" (single), The Winans and Anita Baker; "BeBe and CeCe Winans" (album), BeBe and CeCe Winans; "Decisions" (album), The Winans; "Give Us Peace" (album), Edwin Hawkins and the Music and Arts Seminar Mass Choir; and, "Heart and Soul" (album), The Clark Sisters.

Best Traditional Blues Recording: Albert

Collins, "Cold Snap"; Koko Taylor, "Live from Chicago—An Audience With the Queen"; James Cotton, "Take Me Back"; and, Eddie "Cleanhead" Vinson, "Old Maid Boogie."

Best Contemporary Blues Recording: Bobby Bland, "After All"; Earl King and Roomful of Blues, "Glazed"; Robert Cray, "Strong Persuader"; Buckwheat Zydeco, "On A Night Like This"; and, B. B. King, "Standing On the Edge of Love."

Best Traditional Folk Recording: Various artists, "Mbube Roots—Zulu Choral Music from South Africa; Various artists, "Zulu Men's Singing Competition"; and, Ladysmith Black Mambazo, "Shaka Zulu."

Best Reggae Recording: Black Uhuru, "Brutal Dub"; Third World, "Hold On to Love"; Peter Tosh, "No Nuclear War"; and, Burning Spear, "People of the World."

Best Recording for Children: Jack Nicholson (narration) and Bobby McFerrin (music), "The Elephant's Child."

Best Instrumental Composition: Wayne Shorter, Ron Carter, Herbie Hancock and Billy Higgins, "Call Sheet Blues."

Rest Song Written Specifically for a

Best Song Written Specifically for a Motion Picture or TV: Al Jarreau and Lee Holdridge, "Moonlighting."

Best Performance Music Video: Elton John, Tina Turner, Sting et al, "The Prince's Trust All-Star Rock Concert", and Bobby McFerrin, "Spontaneous Inventions."

Best Concept Music Video: Janet Jackson, "Control—The Videos, Part II."
Best Instrumental Arrangement Accompanying Vocal: Frank Foster, "Deedles' Blues."

Best Historical Album (Producers): Kim Cooke and Bob Porter, "The Otis Redding Story."

BRE rap columnist Duff Marlowe interviews super jock Greg Mack of KDAY, Los Angeles.

BRE: What were you doing before you came to KDAY?

GREG MACK: Magic 102 in Houston. I was there for about three and a half years.

BRE: And there was a big difference in the amount of rap that you could play... GM: In Houston we'd day part it after six, and we didn't play that much. Maybe one or two an hour at the most. But L.A. is a totally different scene. At KDAY it's about half and half. We play a lot because we kind of have to find our niche in the market. So we play a little more rap than most people.

BRE: So you get a lot of phones for rap

GM: Yeah. Almost all our requests are for rap stuff. Basically the rap records are the ones that get the best response. **BRE:** How has the format changed since

you arrived at KDAY?

GM: Well, KDAY played some rap then but they were very contemporary. They played a lot of national hits.

BRÉ: And you eventually did the programming at the station?

GM: Yeah, you know Jack and Edward are the kind of people that it was like "OK, if you're gonna do the music, then we're gonna get behind you." And I was fortunate in that, because a lot of stations you try to do something with the music and they go "Hey, what are you doin'?" But I was fortunate that they let me do it so we tried something different. I remember it was all KGFJ, and I asked my cousin what's the station and he said KGFJ. That's all everybody would listen to. When I came out here they said it was my only goal was to beat KGFJ. Beat them and we'll love you forever. We beat

By Duff Marlowe RAP REPORT

them the first three months. First book. And we did it by getting real aggressive with the music...and rap. Not only day parting it, but throughout the day and probably a little more, in fact a lot more than they did. And the kids instantly...switched! It was like there was a new station. After that it was KDAY, KDAY, KDAY!

BRE: What are your demos like at the station?

GM: Our average listener is twenty-two. We get kids and adults.

BRE: What about L.A. rap? Do you play local stuff?

GM: Oh yeah, we play a lot of the local groups. We play Easy E., N.W.A., Ice T. There are a lot of groups coming out saying "Hey, why don't you play our song, you play everybody else's, why not ours?" Because it's not good. We won't just play it because they are local guys. But I think that the L.A. rap scene has gotten a hundred percent better in the last couple years. In fact I wouldn't be surprised if in a couple of years the L.A. rap scene becomes the trendsetter, perhaps more so than New York. But they do have quite a jump on us, though. BRE: Right. Are there any other areas of the country that have a developing rap scene?

GM: Miami. Luke Skyywalker and those guys, they've really come a long way. They aren't hard core hip-hop, though, they're more techno-funk rap. You know that fast beat...

BRE: Now when you were in Houston you played a lot less rap. What are the reasons that you think rap is less

accepted, say in middle America?

GM: In Houston you have a different market because you really have only one Black FM station. In Houston AM can't compete because there FM can reach everywhere. So why listen to AM? People are more FM people in Houston than L.A. That and the fact in Houston we really didn't have to play rap. You know rap is for younger demos and as all people know, you make the money with the older demos. So why do something that they really didn't have to do? I think that if another station went into the market and started playing rap, then they would have to. That goes for a lot of markets, say Chicago and Detroit. Somebody's gonna bust off in those markets and start playing some rap and kick some ass! If KDAY were on FM, I think it would be the number one Black

BRE: How do you handle rap lyrics? Do you have any problems with that?

GM: I would rather that the rap groups didn't put explicit lyrics in songs, because that's not what real rap is about. You talk to the guys from the old school and they're very against it. And I think that there's going to be a big backlash for all the groups that do that a lot. It can only hurt groups as far as radio programmers, but most rap groups don't sell records because of radio anyway. Because radio stations in quite a few cities now just don't play rap, so they don't expect radio airplay anyway. But it would be nice to have a few more "I Need Love's" and stuff like that that can be widely accepted.

East coast report

By Raven T.

The 1987 Latin Quarter Rap Awards was hosted by Paradise. Award winners were: Best DJ: Cash Money; Best Radio DJ: Marly Marl (WBLS 107.5 FM); Best Radio Personality: Vandy C (WNYE 91.5 FM): Best Radio Show: Red Alert (WRKS 98.7 FM); Best Rap Video: "I'm Bad," L.L. Cool J; Best New Rapper: Big Daddy Kane; Best New Group: Public Enemy; Best Male Group: Run-D.M.C.; Best Female Group: Salt-n-Pepa; Best Stage Show: Doug E. Fresh; Best Single: Rebel Without A Pause (Public Enemy); Best Album: B.A.D. (L.L. Cool J); King of Rhymes, 1987: Rakim; Producer of the Year: Hurby Luv Bug; Best Rap Dance Group: I.O.U. Dancers.

The hardest working man in show business, James Brown, is in the studio

with Full Force working on an album. Rumor has it that he will include a rap project dissing Eric B and Rakim ("I Got Soul"). James is reportedly in litigation with a number of record labels whose artists have used his music to enhance their own productions. This reporter can't wait to see if Mr. Dynamite can pull off this big payback and get paid in full. This is it, ya'll! The Dismasters (with me, Raven T) were in INS studio on Ian. 13 working on our next release called "Let's Do This." I told you before that our next jam would be burning hot. It will be released on Urban Rock Records.

Congrats to the **Skinny Boys** on reaching the 150,000 record sales mark with "Skinny and Proud," their album on Jive Records...Introducing **Prestige**

on Lady J Records. "Pure Power" is the A side but "Practice Makes Perfect," the B side, is the more powerful of the two. Prestige is Beatmaster Jaz, Juice Love, M.C. Choice, and D.J. Doc Fast. For all DJs interested in checking out the jam, contact Dazha (that's pronounced Daysha) at: 718-284-7863)...When Vandy C and Bill Blast are not rocking the mike, they keep themselves busy by producing quality acts like Kid Flash, who is on CBS/Tabu Records, with a cut called "Hot Like Fire, Partners In Rhyme" on Tommy Boy/Bodyrock Records. The title of the track is the same as the group's name. Vandy and Bill are also working with Vicki Love (formerly of 4th and Broadway). See you next issue when I talk with Philadelphia radio personality Lady B and Veronica Ramirez. How ya like me now?





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- WILL DOWNING, FREE

KCEP

Byron Johnson 330 W. Washington Las Vegas, NV 89106 702-647-2921

- EARTH WIND & FIRE, THINKING MORRIS DAY, FISH NET SAMANTHA FOX, NAUGHTY GIRLS

- L.L. COOL J, GOING BACK TO



Jack Patterson 1700 N. Alvarado Los Angeles, CA 90026 213-665-1105

- MORRIS DAY, FISH NET
- L.L. COOL J, GOING BACK TO EARTH WIND & FIRE, THINKING
- **KGFA**

Lorae Jackson 223 California Ave West Bakervield, CA 93304

805-326-9418 MORRIS DAY, FISH NET WARWICK/HEWETT, ANOTHER

- GERRY WOO, HOW LONG LEE RITENOUR, TURN THE HEAT CHUB ROCK, DJ INNOVATOR
- WHODINI, ROCK YOU AGAIN SKWARES, DON'T MESS WITH MY

KJAY

Lester Hall 4241 Florin Road #75 Sacramento, CA 95823 916-972-8000

- DEJA, THAT'S WHERE YOU'LL MORRIS DAY, FISH NET REBBIE JACKSON, PLAY THING BOY GEORGE, LIVE MY LIFE

- BOY GEORGE, LIVE MY LIFE PATRICE RUSHEN, COME BACK TO TONY TERRY, LOVEY DOVEY SMOKEY ROBINSON, LOVE DON'T
- **CHAPTER 3, ROCK THE HOUSE**

102.3 F./D

Cliff Winston 3847 Crenshaw Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90008 213-299-5960

STEPHANIE MILLS, SECRET LADY EARTH WIND & FIRE, THINKING

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Marvin Robinson 1730 Amphlett Blvd. #327 San Mateo, CA 94402 415.341.8777

- STEVIE WONDER, YOU WILL KNOW DAKRASH, WASN'T I GOOD TO FULL FORCE, LOVE IS FOR BROWN MARK, NEXT TIME WALTER BEASLEY, I'M SO HAPPY EARTH WIND & FIRE, THINKING

- WILL DOWNING, FREE PARTY REBEL, CENTERFOLD

XHRM

Gene Harris Nick Fontaine 4165 Market St. San Diego, CA 92102 619-263-4485

- EARTH WIND & FIRE, THINKING CHRIS JASPER, SUPER BAD ROGER, THRILL SEEKERS

- ROGER, THRILL SEEKERS
 TONY TERRY, LOVEY DOVEY
 BLUE MERCEDES, I WANT
 BROWN MARK, NEXT TIME
 LACE, SINCE YOU CAME
 JETS, ROCKET 2 U
 POINTER SISTERS, HE TURNED
 DEJA, THAT'S WHERE YOU'LL
 ANGELA WINBUSH, RUN TO ME
 ALEXANDER O'NEAL, NEVER KNEW
 MADAME X, I WANT YOUR BODY
 CLUB NOUVEAU, HEAVY ON MY
 DAKRASH, WASN'T I GOOD TO

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JETS, ROCKET 2 U
TERENCE TRENT D'ARBY, WISHING
MARRS, PUMP UP THE VOLUME
EXPOSE, SEASONS CHANGE
RODNEY SAULSBERRY, WHO DO YOU
ISLEY BROTHERS, I WISH

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SYSTEM, HOUSE OF RHYTHM BOOGIE BOYS, I COMING JETS, ROCKET 2 U E-Z, BOYS IN

KASH MONEY, UGLY PEOPLE

KQXL

A.B. Welch 7707 Waco Drive Baton Rouge, LA 70806 504-926-1106

- RONNIE LAWS, RHYTHM
 L.L. COOL J, GOING BACK TO
 EXPOSE, SEASONS CHANGE
 RODNEY SALSBERRY, WHO DO YOU
 MADAME X, I WANT YOUR BODY
 GAVIN CHRISTOPHER, YOU ARE
 LA JUAN LOVE, EVERYBODY SAY

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STEVIE WONDER, YOU WILL KNOW JETS, ROCKET 2 U

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Cathy Jackson 1901 14th Ave. No. Columbus, MS 39703 601-328-1050

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EARTH WIND & FIRE, THINKING

WIMG

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MADAME X, I WANT YOUR DA'KRASH, WASN'T I GOOD TO JOYCE SIMS, COME INTO MY LIFE REBBIE JACKSON, PLAY THING GEORGE MICHAEL, FATHER FIGURE

STACEY LATTISAW, EVERY DROP

WKKV105

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L.L. COOL J, GOING BACK TO CHRIS JASPER, SUPER BAD

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RODNEY SAULSBERKY, WHO DO Y LE JUAN LOVE, EVERYBODY SAY STACEY LATTISAW, EVERY DROP SMOKEY ROBINSON, LOVE DON'T DAKRASH, WASN'T I GOOD SIDE EFFECT, I LOVE YOU DEJA, THAT'S WHERE YOU'LL

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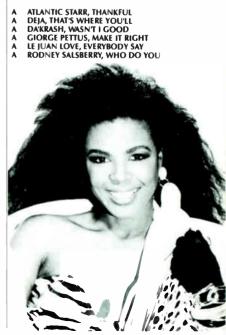
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EARTH WIND & FIRE, THINKING EXPOSE, SEASONS CHANGE

DEJA, THAT'S WHERE DA'KRASH, WASN'T I REBBIE JACKSON, PLAY THING

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- PEBBLES, GIRLFRIENDS GAVIN CHRISTOPHER, YOU ARE MORRIS DAY, FISH NET EARTH WIND & FIRE, THINKING

KBBG

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- MICHAEL COOPER, QUICKNESS CHRIS JASPER, SUPER BAD MORRIS DAY, FISH NET TEMPTATIONS, DO YOU WANT

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- SKWARES, DON'T MESS WITH RUFFIN/KENDRICKS, ONE MORE TKA, TEARS MAY FALL MORRIS DAY, FISH NET WIL DOWNING, FREE TRIAD SOCIETY, WHICH WAY GIORGE PETTUS, MAKE IT RIGHT NAGEE, MYSTERIOUS

- BETTY WRIGHT, AFTER THE PAIN PEBBLES, GIRLFRIEND

KPRW

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- DA'KRASH, WASN'T I GOOD ISLEY BROTHERS, I WISH MORRIS DAY, FISH NET TONY TERRY, LOVEY DOVEY

- STREETFARE, COME AND GET

WEWK

Lee Michaels 408 S. Oak Park Avenue Oak Park, IL 60302 312-524-3224

- TONY TERRY, LOVEY DOVEY
- TONY TERKY, LOVEY DOVEY EARTH WIND & FIRE, THINKING BROWN MARK, NEXT TIIME DAKRASH, WASN'T I TEENA MARIE, OOH LA LA LAKESIDE, STILL FEELING

WGC11075

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- MORRIS DAY, FISH NET EARTH WIND & FIRE, THINKING DEJA, THAT'S WHERE YOU'LL STACEY LATTISAW, EVERY DROP RUFFIN/KENDRICKS, ONE MORE TKA, TEARS MAY FALL

WLTH

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- MORRIS DAY, FISH NET TAJA SEVILLE, WOULDN'T YOU WORLD CLASS WRECKING, TURN STACEY LATTISAW, EVERY DROP
- MAARS, PUMP UP THE VOLUME

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- MAARS, PUMP UP THE VOLUME GEORGE MICHAEL, FATHER FIGURE EARTH WIND & FIRE, THINKING PARKER, COLE, OVER YOU RODNEY SAULSBERRY, WHO DO YOU

WNOV

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- WHODINI. ROCK YOU AGAIN
- CLUB NOUVEAU, HEAVY ON MY MORRIS DAY, FISH NET REBBIE JACKSON, PLAY THING

- TAJA SEVILLE, WOULDN'T YOU BABYFACE, MARY MACK DEELE, TWO OCCASIONS J. BLACKFOOT, BREAK THE

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Jay Johnson 2126 N. Meridian Street Indianapolis, IN 46202 317-923-1456

- EARTH WIND & FIRE, THINKING RUFFIN/KENDRICKS, ONE MORE SMOKEY ROBINSON, LOVE DON'T THE FIT, JUST HAVING FUN

- CHAD, JENNIE
- WILL DOWNING, FREE SKWARES, DON'T MESS WITH

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- KOOL MOE DEE, HOW YA LIKE ME SHANICE WILSON, NO HALF STACEY LATTISAW, EVERY DROP WHODINI, ROCK YOU AGAIN GEORGE MICHAEL, FATHER FIGURE

DEBARGE, YOU BABE ALEXANDER O'NEAL, NE' GERALD ALBRIGHT, SO GEORGE MICHAEL, F. AT FIT, JUST HAVING F! SI

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- TYRONE DAVIS, DO YOU FEEL IT
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WDJY

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- GARRY GLENN, FEELS GOOD TO TEMPTATIONS, LOOK WHAT YOU'VE STACE! LATTISAW, EVERY DROP
- STACET LATITSAW, EVERY DROP RODNEY SAULSBERRY, WHO DO YOU SUNDANCE, I DO JETS, ROCKET 2 U TEENA MARIE, OOH LA LA EARTH WIND & FIRE, THINKING MORRIS DAY, FISH NET

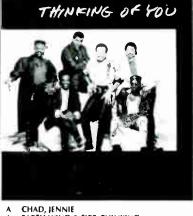


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- MORRIS DAY, FISH NET REBBIE JACKSON, PLAY THING WELL RED, GET LUCKY ROGER, THRILL SEEKERS

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- CHAD, JENNIE EARTH WIND & FIRE, THINKING GEORGE MICHAEL, FATHER FIGURE TIFFANY, COULD HAVE BEEN
- WILA

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- MORRIS DAY, FISH NET
- TAJA SEVILLE, WOULDN'T YOU CENTERFOLD, PARTY REBELS KENDRICKS/RUFFIN, ONE MORE

- WEL DOWNING, FREE SKWARES, DON'T MESS GAVIN CHRISTOPHER, YOU ARE WARWICK/HEWETT, ANOTHER



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- ALEXANDER O'NEAL, NEVER KNEW JONATHAN BUTLER, TAKE GOOD REBBIE JACKSON, PLAY THING JETS, ROCKET 2 U
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- - RODNEY SAULSBERRY, WHO DO YOU

WOL

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- DEJA, THAT'S WHERE YOU'LL BLACK BRITAIN, JUST REAL LIFE BETTY WRIGHT, MOTHER RENA SCOTT, DO THAT TO ME ONE

WPLZ

Debbe Parker 3267 Crader Road Petersburg, VA 23805 804-748-4199

- TONY TERRY, LOVEY DOVEY JONATHAN BUTLER, TAKE GOOD REBBIE JACKSON, PLAY THING
- LACE, SINCE
- MADAME X, I WANT TERENCE TRENT D'ARBY, WISHING

WPZZ

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MILES JAYE, I'VE BEEN A
WARWICK/HEWETT, ANOTHER



Cy Young P.O. Box 8085 Nashville, TN 37207

- GEORGE MICHAEL, SITTING ON IETS. ROCKET 2 U
- WARWICK/HEWETT, ANOTHER DA'KRASH, WASN'T I GOOD
- TERRY CONZALEZ LOVE'S

- STEVIE WONDER, YOU WILL KNOW GARRY GLENN, FEELS GOOD TO CHICO DEBARGE, RAINY NIGHTS STACEY LATTISAW, EVERY DROP
- GEORGE MICHAEL, FATHER FIGURE
 BLACK FLAMES, ARE YOU MY
 TAJA SEVILLE, WOULDN'T YOU



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- VANEESE THOMAS, WANNA GET WHISPERS, IN THE MOOD MILES JAYE, LET'S GET CLOSER
- PARKER/COLE, OVER YOU

WXSS

Al Michaels 1188 Minna Place Memphis, TN 38104 901-726-5010

- WILLIE CLAYTON, GETTING RUFFIN/KENDRICKS, ONE MORE EARTH WIND & FIRE, THINKING MICHAEL COOPER, LOVE IS SUCH MILES JAYE, LET'S START LOVE KEITH SWEAT, I WANT HER

- ARETHA FRANKLIN, ONE LORD

NORTHEAST

WAMO

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- DEJA, THAT'S WHERE YOU'LL
- SMOKEY ROBINSON, LOVE DON'T EARTH WIND & FIRE, THINKING BRICK, DAZZ
- MADONNA. SPOTLIGHT DA'KRASH, WASN'T I GOOD TO



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- TONY TERRY, LOVEY DOVEY REBBIE JACKSON, PLAY THING

- CHAD, JENNIE
 TEENA MARIE, OOH LA LA
 DEJA, THAT'S WHERE YOU'LL

WNHC

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- MORRIS DAY, FISH NET STACEY LATTISAW, EVERY DROP TEENA MARIE, OOH LA LA EARTH WIND & FIRE, THINKING STREET FARE, COME AND GET L.I. COOL J, GOING BACK TO TERRY BILLIE, DON'T LOCK ME GERRY WOO, HOW LONG
- **WUSL**

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- MORRIS DAY, FISH NET

SOUTHEAST



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- MORRIS DAY, FISH NET
- TERENCE TRENT D'ARBY, WISHING EARTH WIND & FIRE, THINKING DA'KRASH, WASN'T I GOOD TO

- SWEET T, I GOT THE FEELING ROGER, THRILL SEEKERS GAVIN CHRISTOPHER, YOU ARE

WBIL

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- WHODINI, ROCK YOU AGAIN GAVIN CHRISTOPHER, YOU ARE EARTH WIND & FIRE, THINKING BOOGIE BOYS, I'M COMING STEVIE WONDER, YOU WILL KNOW DEJA, THAT'S WHERE YOU'LL CHICO DEBARGE, RAINY NIGHTS PERRIE IACKSON, PLAY THING

- RERRIE IACKSON, PLAY THING

MORRIS DAY, FISH NET

WBLX

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AUDREY WHEELER, FORGET ABOUT AUDREY WHEELER, FORGET ABOUT EARTH WIND & FIRE, THINKING TONY TERRY, LOVEY DOVEY JONATHAN BUTLER, TAKE GOOD RICK ASHLEY, NEVER GONNA GIVE DAKRASH, WASN'T I GOOD REBBIE JACKSON, PLAY THING GAVIN CHRISTOPHER, WHO DO YOU JETS ROCKET 2 LI

IETS, ROCKET 2 U GEORGE MICHAEL, SITTING ON

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LILLO THOMAS, WANNA MAKE LOVE ALEXANDER O'NEAL, NEVER KNEW REBBIE JACKSON, PLAY THING



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George Jones 1437 N.W. 35th St. Miami, FL 33142 305-633-1487

- MAARS, PUMP UP THE VOLUME GEORGE MICHAEL, FATHER FIGURE L.L. COOL J, GOING BACK TERRY BILLY, DON'T LOCK ME JONATHAN BUTILER, TAKE GOOD SMOKEY ROBINSON, LOVE DON'T DAKRASH, WASN'T I GOOD

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- STREET FARE, COME AND GET

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ISLEY BROS., I WISH
STEVIE WONDER, YOU WILL KNOW
PATRICE RUSHEN, COME BACK TO
MORRIS DAY, FISH NET
GERRY WOO, HOW LONG
WELL RED, GET LUCKY
REBBIE JACKSON, PLAY THING
GARRY GLENN, FEELS GOOD TO
JONATHAN BUTIER, TAKE GOOD
BOY GEORGE, LIVE MY LIFE
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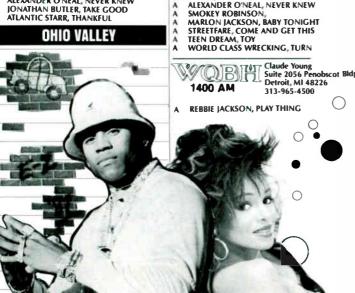
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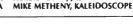
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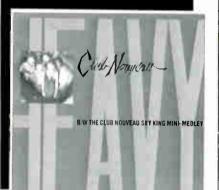
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MUSIC REVIEWS By Duff Marlowe







WINDJAMMER—WINTER LOVE—SUTRA

Here's a nice romantic ballad from the New York-based Indie label. Impassioned male vocals overlay the smooth down tempo arrangement as synth tones and dramatic drum programming back the solid soul melody. This is a strong one for those afternoon female demos.

ATLANTIC STARR—THANKFUL—WARNER BROS.

David and Wayne Lewis pen and produce this latest from the superstar balladeers. This latest effort is a cool down tempo R&B cut with soulful Gospel overtones. Bright, happy and wholesome, here's another crowd pleaser from the hitmakers.

THE TEMPTATIONS—LOOK WHAT YOU STARTED—MOTOWN

OK, the Tempts are back with a crackin' track that could prove to be their biggest hit in years. Crank up the beat and feel the heat with super classic vocal arrangements and a percussionsoaked drum track. Irresistibly dance-oriented, hook-filled and hitbound!

DEJA—THAT'S WHERE YOU'LL FIND ME—VIRGIN

Following up the debut hit "You And Me Tonight," Deja, formerly known as Aurra, presents a classy down beat love song. Ready for Black airwaves, the song is in the best tradition of solid R&B music as the gentle female vocals exude a beautiful feeling of love and sincerity.

KIETH PATRICK—BE MY GIRL—OMNI/ATLANTIC

Patrick gets busy on this smoking number, busting out a simmering up beat dance jam with a solid soul base. Popish and hook filled, the superbly produced song uses tons of electro percussion effects and a synth bass line to get the point across.

SAMANTHA FOX—NAUGHTY GIRLS (NEED LOVE TOO)—IIVE/RCA

Superstar hitmakers Full Force pull out all the stops for sexy dance diva Samantha Fox, kicking out a multi-format dance smash. Hard electric guitar spells Pop/Urban success, while the alluring minor key melody says "hitbound!"

THERESA—SWEET MEMORIES—RCA

This is another female vocalist to cut loose a spectacular hit for Black airwaves, this time under the brilliant production guidance of Club Nouveau masterminds Jay King, Denzil Foster, and Thomas McElroy. Down tempo and sweet, it's on its way!

TKA—TEARS MAY FALL—TOMMY BOY

The Tommy Boy label is better than ever, kicking out some of the best dance music available! Cool vocal trio TKA have what should be their biggest hit yet, a smart up tempo jam with smoking production from Andy "Panda" Tripoli and the Latin Rascals.

CLUB NOUVEAU—HEAVY ON MY MIND—TOMMY BOY

Yes, believe it or not there is more from the blockbuster "Life, Love And Pain" album and this cut has been jumping out with hot add action from our reporting stations. Mixed to perfection, the mid-paced electro-jam is on its way up the charts!

RODNEY SAULSBERRY—WHO DO YOU LOVE—RYAN RECORDS

This surprise Indie pick has seemingly come out of nowhere to become one of our hottest reported adds. Rodney's soulful vocals have a decidedly big league sound on this mid paced R&B style groove, and the song has a nice dance feel as well. A smashing debut!

RAP PICK OF THE WEEK

TONE LOC—I GOT IT GOIN' ON—DELICIOUS VINYL

This is our rap pick of the week, a hot jam that has been getting airplay from rap-oriented stations, particularly on the west coast. Tone Loc sounds a bit like suave rapper Eric B. as wild percussion programming backs this MC's tale telling. The 12" also features the cut "On Fire."

"Since You Came Over Me"

the new single from Shades of Lace, a talented trio that has everybody talking.

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- Fam Wells / KACE/Los Angeles

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—Brute Balley WDJW/Washington, DC

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Lace gets my, note for new group of the year!
—Melvin Jones/KRNB/Memphis

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-Nichelle Madison/KDLZ
-Ft. Worth, Dallas

Lace is a multi-dimensional group possessing acts musical and count saling that makes for scenething special. When the music starts the phones light up.

—Mile-Archie/WHCR



"Since You Came Over Me"
from their debut album
"SHADES OF LACE"

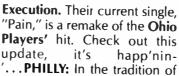
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IN THE MIX

By Elaine Stepter

THE LATEST SCOOP: BRE was recently informed that the original Dramatics have gotten back together and are currently in the Proven Ground recording studios in Detroit working on an LP. I have had the opportunity to listen to some of the traks, and let me tell you they are smoking!! One tune in particular, "Positive State of Mind," is a hit for sho. Now if you want to listen for yourself, contact Roderick Johnson, (714) 945-9992, see what I'm talking about. They will be shopping a deal soon, be on the lookout, it's gold. Roderick is also handling promotion on the





The Dramatics.

Execution

Philadelphia's role as a music center and breeder of talent, Philadelphia-based Alpha Intl. Records has been unveiled by founder and president **Peter S. Pelullo**, 36-year-old veteran record company, marketing and recording studio executive. Named as director of A&R is the

which is currently in production and is lined up for next month. Alpha Intl. is totally committed to digital recording and will do all product at the new 32-trak digital facilities of Sigma Sound Studios in Philly...IN L.A.: At the Larrabee Sound Studios, Jeff Lorber and Rick Waritz

prolific and successful R&B

record producer, Nick Marti-

nelli (HMM). According to

Pelullo, Alpha Intl. will have an

initial focus upon production of

12-inch product as well as development of a strong roster.

The first release by their artist,

Cuca, is titled "Young Love" and

is scheduled for release this

month. The second release will

joined forces to produce the new Nu-Shooz album, and are mixing it in Larrabee's Studio A with engineer Taavi Mote, for Atlantic. Also, Ship Pettibone and Paul Gurvitz co-produced what will tentatively be Jermaine Stewart's new single, "Don't Have Sex With Your Ex." Michael Hutchinson mixed the track in Larrabee's Studio B. Also in, the new Earth, Wind and Fire's single "Thinking of You" was mixed by Tom Lord-Alge, as was the album. Another good word is that the one and only Ms. Evelyn King's new single was mixed also at Larrabee and is titled "Flirt" by Erik Zobler. Brenda K. Starr's new single and 12-inch song, "You Should Be Loving Me," is being mixed by Louil Silas, Jr. and Keith Cohen....Out of Norfolk, VA, Soap Opera Records recording artist Sesil & Lujon have recently finished cutting a smash in their home town. The trak is called "Strokin' All Night Long," and it is only toooo hottt! Speaking to Sesil he told me that the company will begin working radio around the end of the month. As soon as you receive it, check it out—it's a winner. Their current single, "Love Has No Color," is doing quite well.

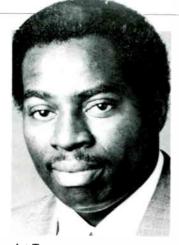




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vice president, Marketing. Drosins, holder of a bachelor degree from Hunter College, has been with PolyGram for more than 12 years ... Larry B. Davis, former air personality at WAUC-AM in Atlanta and most recently Black Music Local Promotion Manager, Mid-Atlantic, for Epic/Portrait/CBS Associated Labels, is now director, National Promotion, Black Music. The promotion was announced by Don Eason, vice president, Black Music Promotion for the labels ... Dennis White, president, CEMA (Capitol/EMI-Manhattan/Angel), announced the appointment of Joe McFadden to the position of vice president, National Accounts and Sales Operations for the company. White also announced the appointment of Dan Davis, who has been with Capitol for 23 years, to the newly-created position of vice president, Distributed Labels ... Noberto de la Rosa is director, Latin Music Marketing for PolyGram Records after serving as Northeast Regional Manager of Sales, Promotion and Artists Relations for Discos CBS International ... Jim Urie is senior VP, National Sales and Branch Distribution, PolyGram Records, according to Bob Jamieson, executive vice president, Marketing and Sales ... Rod Butler, former Regional Manager of Promotion for Capitol Records, has been named National Director of Promotion, East Coast ... In a move designed to strengthen video marketing efforts, Elektra Records made two key personnel shifts that found Robin Sloane, vice president of Video, relocating to the company's Los Angeles office, and Steve Schnur appointed National Director of Video Marketing and Promotion. "These changes are going to enable this company to explore new avenues of video exposure and marketing," said Hail Milgrim, Elektra's senior vice president, Marketing.

BLACK RADIO EXCLUSIVE

Top 40 Jazz Albums

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- 2 Love Is A Rush WILTON FELDER
- 3 Just Between Us GERALD ALBRIGHT
- 3 4 Brasil MANHATTAN TRANSFER Atlantic
 - 4 1 Streamlines TOM SCOTT GRP
- 5 6 The Village HENRY BUTLER MCA/Impulse!
- 7 Northern Nights DAN SIEGAL Epic
- 8 Portrait LEE RITENOUR
- 8 10 All Day Rhythm RONNIE LAWS Columbia
- 9 12 Popbop RICHIE COLE Milestone/Fantasy
- 10 5 Picture This BILLY COBHAM GRP
- 17 Siesta M. DAVIS/M. MILLER Warner Brothers
- 15 Blues For Salvador CARLOS SANTANA Columbia
- 13 11 Renaissance BRANFORD MARSALIS Columbia
- 14 9 Crystal Star HARRISON & BLANCHARD Columbia
- CHERYL BARNES
 Optimism
 - 23 Good News FATTBURGER Intima
- 17 13 Every Night Live... JOE WILLIAMS Verve
- 18 14 The Heat of Heat KEVIN EUBANKS GRP
- 19 16 Dianne Reeves
 DIANNE REEVES
 Blue Note
- 27 Say Uncle UNCLE FESTIVE Optimism

TW LW

- 28 Stepping Up H. CRAWFORD/J. McGRIFF Milestone
- 29 Skyline DAMON RENTIE
- 30 No Baggage
 GREG & BEN SMITH
 Intima/Enigma
- 23 36 Dancin' On The... KIT WALKER Hip Pocket/Windham Hill
- 34 The Best of Chess Jazz BEST OF CHESS JAZZ Chess Records
- 26 18 Reflections BILL WATROUS Soundwings
- 27 32 Dakota Song JIM PEPPER Enja
- 28 20 Together

 MAXINE SULLIVAN

 Atlantic
- 29 21 Oh Lord Let Me Do...
 PHAROAH SANDERS
 Dr. lazz
- 30 24 Give It What You Got HIRAM BULLOCK Atlantic
- 31 25 Standard Time Vol. I WYNTON MARSALIS Columbia
- 32 26 w/Count Basie Orchestra DIANE SCHUUR GRP
- 33 19 Keeper of the Drums MARVIN SMITH Concord
- ** Kaleidoscope MIKE METHENY
- ** Steppin' Up CRAWFORD/McGRIFF Milestone
- 36 35 Dance & Ballads WORLD SAX QUARTET Elektra/Nonesuch
- 37 31 Azuma AZUMA Private Music
- 38 33 Captured STEVE FOWLER Eclipse
- 39 38 Graciously
 ALVIN RED TYLER
 Rounder
- 40 37 Rio Nights
 VICTOR FELDMAN
 TBA/Palo Alto

JAZZ RIFFS

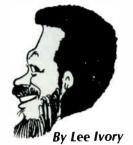
When you say "Miles Davis," you've said it all. There will probably never be another jazz trumpeter who so moved an entire generation of music makers. Most jazz fans were Miles Davis junkies long before they realized it—in spite of the fact that Miles guite often displayed an arrogance that made club owners climb the walls wondering if he would show up for a contracted engagement. Once he came on the set, the money-changers worried about what would happen if Miles didn't feel like

Miles had a reputation for not particularly caring for his audience, his fellow musicians, and—of course—those who paid his salary. He was constantly making news because his sets were either too short, or he would leave the bandstand during a sideman's solo and not return until he felt like it

Forgive me for speaking of Miles as if he had passed on to the Great Beyond. The musical genius is quite alive and well and many of us are thoroughly grateful for that fact. The point of this column, though, is to let you know that he is now the proud father of a package of music that will blow you right out of the box if you are a Miles Davis freak like me and my buddies.

Prestige, part of the Fantasy/ Contemporary family of labels out of Berkeley, California, has released "The Miles Davis Chronicle," an annotated set of some of the greatest jazz music ever recorded.

The Compact Disc compilation presents, on eight discs, 17 recording sessions made between 1951 and late 1956 by the extraordinary trumpeter, leader, composer and perpetual music catalyst. Featured in this collection are such major artists as Charlie "Yardbird" Parker, Thelonius Monk, Charles Mingus, Sonny Rollins, and the original Davis aggregation, drummer Philly Joe Jones, saxophonist John Coltrane, bassist Paul Chambers and pianist Red Garland.



The CD package, list priced at \$125.00, also contains a 24-page illustrated booklet that includes rare photographs, full discographical details, and an extensive essay as well as a detailed analysis of each session by Dan Morgenstern, director,



Miles Davis

Institute of Jazz Studies at Rutgers University.

"This collection captures one of the richest periods in the history of modern jazz," said Mitchell Feldman, of the Atlanta Journal and Constitution. "One wonders what course the evolution of jazz might have taken if not affected by the influence of Miles Davis."

People are still talking about the clever promotion of The Ritz' new Denon CD called, simply, "The Ritz." Along with the usual press releases and promotional blurbs, the promoters sent along an attractive package of Ritz Crackers.

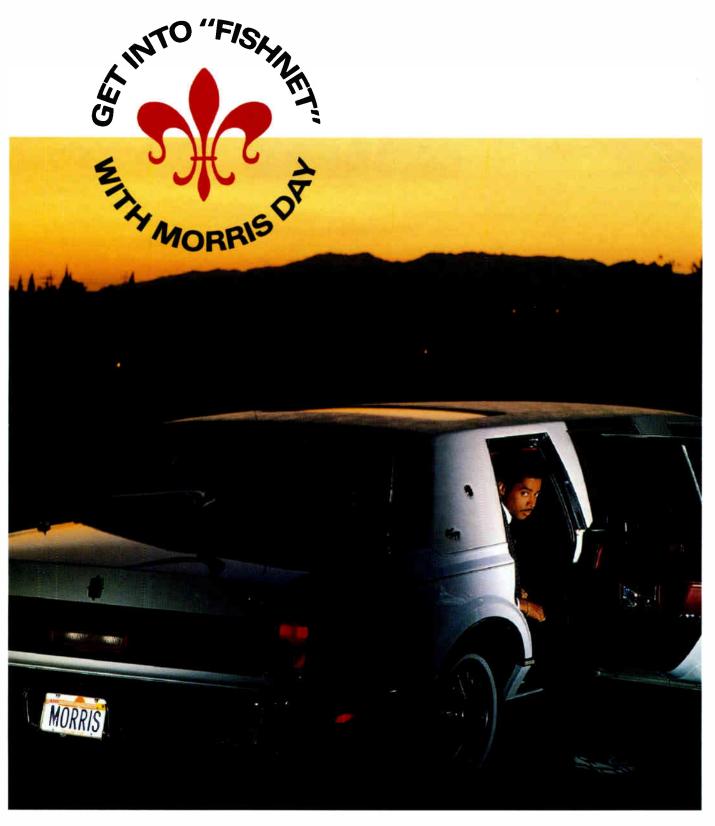
The Ritz, a Boston-based vocal jazz group, has opened shows for Gerry Mulligan and the Pointer Sisters and have a standing invitation to return to the Helsinki, Montreal and Portsmouth jazz festivals because of their fantastic showing on previous engagements. The CD is hot...

- 1 1 2 MICHAEL JACKSON, Bad, Epic
- 2 2 STEVIE WONDER, Characters, Motown
- 3 2 EARTH WIND & FIRE, Touch The World, Columbia
- 4 4 2 **ROGER**, Unlimited, Reprise
- 5 5 2 DANA DANE, Dana Dane with Fame, Profile
- 6 9 2 GLADYS KNIGHT & THE PIPS, All Our Love, MCA
 - 7 7 2 O'JAYS, Let Me Touch You, PIR/Manhattan
- 8 10 2 ERIC B. & RAKIM, Paid In Full, 4th & Broadway
 - 9 8 2 WHITNEY HOUSTON, Whitney, Arista
- 10 6 2 U.T.F.O., Lethal, Select
- 13 2 NATALIE COLE, Everlasting, Manhattan
- 12 16 2 ANGELA WINBUSH, Sharp, Mercury/PG
- 13 14 2 SALT-N-PEPA, Hot, Cool & Vicious, Next Plateau
- 14 12 2 ALEXANDER O'NEAL, Hearsay, Tabu/EPA
- 15 22 2 KASHIF, Love Changes, Arista
- 16 15 2 LEVERT, The Big Throwdown, Atlantic
- 17 11 2 STEPHANIE MILLS, If I Were Your Woman, MCA
- 18 38 2 KEITH SWEAT, Make It Last Forever, Elektra
- 19 39 2 MELI'SA MORGAN, Good Love, Capitol
- 20 19 2 TEMPTATIONS, Together Again, Motown
- 46 2 ARETHA FRANKLIN, One Lord, One Faith..., Arista
- 22 20 2 MIKI HOWARD, Love Confessions, Atlantic
- 23 21 2 KOOL MOE DEE, How Ya Like Me Now, Jive/RCA
- 24 18 2 JODY WATLEY, Jody Watley, MCA
- 25 17 2 WHODINI, Open Sesame, Jive





- 26 26 2 ANITA BAKER, Rapture, Elektra
- 27 23 2 GEORGE MICHAEL, Faith, Columbia
- 28 41 2 RUFFIN & KENDRICK, Ruffin & Kendrick, RCA
- 29 43 2 JOYCE SIMS, Come Into My Life, Sleeping Bag
- 30 45 2 PEBBLES, Pebbles, MCA
- 31 47 2 GERALD ALBRIGHT, Just Between Us, Atlantic
- 32 44 2 MICHAEL COOPER, Love Is Such A Funny Game, WB
- 33 25 2 TONY TERRY, Forever Yours, Epic
- 34 31 2 TERENCE TRENT D'ARBY, Introducing the..., Columbia
- 35 33 2 SHANICE WILSON, Discovery, A&M
- 36 40 2 BARRY WHITE, The Right Night, A&M
- 37 24 2 MILES JAYE, Miles, Island
- 38 34 2 PRINCE, Sign O The Times, Paisley Park/WB
- 39 32 2 GLENN JONES, Glenn Jones, RCA
- 40 30 2 MARLON JACKSON, Baby Tonight, Capitol
- 41 28 2 LISA LISA/CULT JAM, Spanish Fly, Columbia
- 42 29 2 FULL FORCE, Guess Who's Coming To The Crib, Columbia
- 43 35 2 L.L. COOL J, Bigger & Deffer, Def Jam/Columbia
- 44 42 2 FREDDIE JACKSON, Just Like The First Time, Capitol
- 45 27 2 RAY PARKER JR, After Dark, Geffen
- 46 50 2 DEJA, Serious, Virgin
- ** -- SOUNDTRACK, Less Than Zero, Def Jam/Columbia
- 48 ** -- SKINNY BOYS, Skinny and Proud, Jive
- 49 36 2 THE JETS, It's Magic, MCA
- 50 37 2 FORCE MD'S, Touch and Go, Tommy Boy/WB



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Suave's video for his debut single, a very danceable version of "My Girl," was directed by Mary Pitts (Pointer Sisters "Jump") and shot at Crenshaw High School's basketball court in Los Angeles. Besides featuring members of the Crenshaw team (currently the number one rated high school team in the country), former Washington Bullet Darwin Cook makes an appearance. "My Girl" will be released in February and the album, "I'm Your Playmate," hits the avenue in March.

Pepsi-Cola Company and Michael "Bad" Jackson, whose No. 1 pop single "The Way You Make Me Feel" has made the nation's top hitmaker of the decade, will spotlight the educational needs of minorities in the U.S. when he gives a concert for the benefit of the United Negro College Fund on March 3 at Madison Square Garden. With Pepsi's underwriting, the event is expected to raise \$500,000 for the UNCF's Michael Jackson Scholarship Fund, which was established in 1985 with proceeds from the "Victory Tour." To date, 97 scholarships have been granted.

Our sources from the national "Michael Watch" tell us that the Bad and Buckled One has selected the Civic



Rev. Jesse Jackson

Center in Pensacola, Florida for the staging and rehearsal site for his upcoming U.S. tour, which will kick off in Kansas City, MO. The production crew is scheduled to arrive in Pensacola (the home and perennial stomping-and-chomping grounds of BRE publisher Sidney Miller) on Friday, Jan. 22. No word as to when Himself will arrive, but the community is anxiously awaiting the Big Event.

Paul Winfield, Marla Gibbs, Richard Lawson and former "Miss America"—making her Los Angeles stage debut—Vanessa Williams star in "Checkmates," Ron Milner's contemporary and hilarious comedy about the joys and travails of marriage, is returning to the Westwood Playhouse for six weeks beginning Feb. 3. Opening night performance will benefit Rev. Jesse Jackson's 1988 Presidential campaign.

PROPHET

ARIES (March 20-April 19)

You have been far busier than normal lately in the love department. Things will remain that way for a while so enjoy.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

No one can say that all aspects of your life have been boring. Maintaining a conservative attitude towards finances is advised. Don't allow those close to you to influence you otherwise.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

The challenges have been easy to overcome lately but one particular problem which has been difficult, will find a solution.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

Deep thinking has gotten you where you are today but a wide open mind will give you another slant.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

No, you are not alone in the world. As a matter of fact, someone new should be entering your life this week. Let's see what happens.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Remember, you make yourself feel the way you do. Not others. I know it's hard sometimes, but a calm attitude will help immensely.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Let go of a few things that are hassling your mind. Social life picks up by the end of the week.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Sticking to your principles will give you better perspective on the problem at hand.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

This week may well be filled with miscommunications, but a perseverance will enable you to get your point across.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 20)

Look for opportunities to make business contacts this week. You'll be happy to know that social contacts are highlighted as well.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 18)

There is an urge to take a chance on a very important project. Use discretion and research all the odds carefully.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 19)

This is status quo week. Stay on course with current projects, avoid new ones without careful consideration.

BIRTHDAYS

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NABOB, Procter & Gamble Hold Second Meeting

WASHINGTON, DC: The second meeting between the NABOB National Advertising Committee and Procter and Gamble was held in Cincinnati last month.

The meeting focused on the details of Procter & Gamble's current advertising practices. One critical fact which came out of the meeting is that Procter & Gamble, which spends \$1.4 billion per year on advertising, spends a total of only \$2.5 million per year with Blackowned radio, TV and print media.

At the same time Procter & Gable spends over \$20 million per year with Hispanic media.

NABOB advised Procter & Gamble that its advertising spending with Black-owned media is woefully inadequate. NABOB pointed out that Black Americans spend over \$1 billion per year on Procter & Gamble products, and Procter & Gamble should recognize the importance of advertising to the Black con-

sumer through Black-owned media.

Jim Hutchinson, chairman of NABOB and president of Inter Urban Broadcasting, explained:

"We are not requesting charity. It has been demonstrated that Black radio is the most effective vehicle for reaching the Black consumer."

Hutchinson added, "If Procter & Gamble used Black radio, it could substantially improve its advertising efficiency with Black consumers."

Eugene Jackson, chairman of Unity Broadcasting, stated, "Procter & Gamble spends approximately 10 percent of its gross revenues on advertising, therefore, Procter & Gamble would have to spend \$100 million on African-American owned media to spend at a level proportionate to African-American usage of their products."

Jackson added, "Asking Procter & Gamble to begin by spending \$20 million with Black-owned media in 1988—given that they have already achieved that level with Hispanic media—is not unreasonable."



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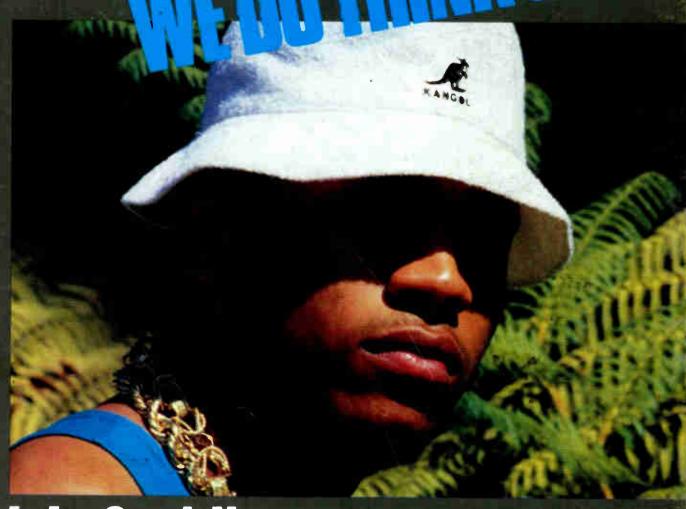
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