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PUBLISHER'S PAGE

LOGAN WESTBROOKS JOINS BRE AS VP/GM

t is with a great sense of pride that I announce the appointment of Logan Westbrooks as Vice President and General Manager of Black Radio Exclusive—with full administrative and operational responsibilities. With an impressive and precedentsetting background in the Black music industry and the larger business arena, Logan brings to this publication a wealth of experience and knowledge which will be indispensable as we seek to position ourselves for further growth and diversification.

On a more personal level, however, his potential contributions in this strategic position take on an added dimension in view of our shared history. You see Logan and I traveled parallel paths in this industry for many years. We were both employed in regional promotion jobs with Capitol Records at the same time—I covered the Southeast from Atlanta, while Logan was assigned to Midwest and based in Chicago.

When I later relocated to Los Angeles and was managing the Capitoldistributed Fame label from the Tower, guess who showed up a few months later in a national promotion post? My buddy Logan Westbrooks. And as we worked side by side, a friendship based on mutual respect developed and has been nurtured through the years—even as our careers in the industry took us in different yet related directions.

When Mercury summoned Logan back to Chicago, it was just a matter of time before the services of this brilliant young executive (a native of Memphis and a Business Administration graduate of Lincoln University in Jefferson City, MO) would be tapped again. This time CBS titans Bruce Lundvall and Clive Davis selected Logan to spearhead the label's initial penetration into the vast and virtually untapped Black marketplace through its "Special Markets" division. Armed with killer product by



the likes of the unstoppable Gamble-Huff hit machine, Logan wrote new chapters in Black music marketing before the label sent him to Nigeria two years later to open up international outlets for its Black product.

When he returned from the Motherland, he took his CBS corporate moxie to the fledgling Soul Train Records, the label briefly co-owned by his friend Don Cornelius and Dick Griffey. When Logan later launched his own company, Source Records, he generously shared information with me about the innovative MCA-sponsored MESBIC arrangement through which Source had been funded—as I sought working capital for my own newborn project, Black Radio Exclusive. While I did not secure the MESBIC funding, Logan and I would continue to cross paths personally and professionally through the years.

One highlight of those encounters was the year Logan served as BRE Conference Coordinator (1981) and brought all of his cosiderable organizational skills to bear on one of the most successful events we have ever mounted. When we recalled that experience together recently, the fact that seven years ago we focused on an expanded role for Black women in the industry took on added significance in view of the powerful posts currently occupied by the Sylvia Rhones and Verna Greens of records and radio. No, folks, Logan Westbrooks can attest to the fact that we are not recent converts to the concept of substantive seminars in our sector of the industry. And he has established the maintenance and broadening of that tradition of service as one of his priorities here at BRE.

While I have stressed Logan's illustrious background in the record industry (and lest I forget, he's a real estate wizard, too!), his sensitivity to the Black Radio community has always been at the forefront of his considerable marketing skills. Whether at CBS or Soul Train Records, his approach was to look upon the stations and air personalities within our markets as "major entities" within the industry and he attributes much of his success to the mutual respect engendered in those relationships.

But it is the unique mix of competence and compassion in Logan —whose work with his wife in their Hands Home for Boys I have mentioned previously in this space—which fuels the trust and confidence which are at the core of the responsibilities which I have entrusted to him.

As the fruits of his association with this publication are manifested more visibly over the coming weeks and months, I am sure that all of you will share my—and the staff's—enthusiasm for Logan Westbrooks.

Welcome aboard, brother!

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- **3** JEFFREY OSBORNE
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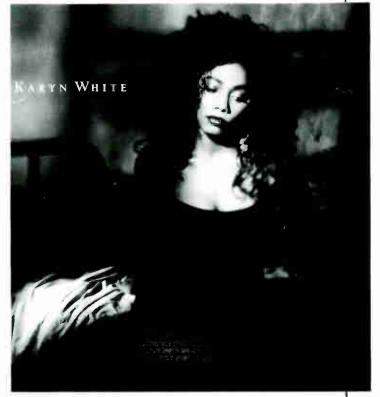
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SINGLE OF THE WEEK

LUTHER VANDROSS ANY LOVE EPIC

Luther Vandross has earned the reputation of being the balladeer of the 80's and has returned with another solid top ten hit. Penned by himself, in collaboration with Marcus Miller, the trak is smooth and very sensuous. Melodic string arrangements and plush chord progressions, along with the extremely sexy vocal performance from Luther, make you just wanna scream—it's so soothing to the ear. A first class selection from a first class vocalist/songwriter/producer will always end up at the top of the charts. The first single, and title trak from the new LP *Any Love*, is BRE's most added single this week.





ALBUM OF THE WEEK KARYN WHITE KARYN WHITE WARNER BROS.

White first gained fame with her stunning vocal performance on Jeff Lorber's smash hit "The Facts of Love." This debut LP shows the artist coming into her own in a big way with a lot of credit going to a cast of hot producers like L.A. Reid and Babyface, Jeff Lorber and Steve Harvey. Foremost on the list of cuts that are bound for the airwaves is the current winner "The Way You Love Me." "Secret Rendezvous" is another sure fire chart-topper with a killer dance beat and heavily hookish chorus section.

BRE MUSIC REPORT IMPORTANT RECORDS

SINGLES

THE BOYS—DIAL MY HEART—MOTOWN—Here's some very fresh new talent, four young boys who have a natural feel for hit music. Chartbreaking team L.A. and Babyface produce the most exciting pre-teens we've seen in some time. A hard and clean sounding dance groove backs up the group's smart vocal performance. Seeing increasing adds!

CHERYL "PEPSII" RILEY—THANKS FOR MY CHILD—COLUMBIA— Cheryl is proving to be a very interesting newcomer on the scene, finding herself as at home in the up-tempo dance mode as she does on this beautiful ballad. The song's sparse arrangement and the artist's heartfelt delivery make this a killer for Black and Urban formats. Full Force writes, produces and arranges.

RICK JAMES—WONDERFUL—REPRISE—The laboriously slow groove of "Loosey's Rap" rocketed to the top of the charts, now Slick Rick busts loose a wild, fast-paced dance jam. Number two from the *Wonderful* album is ready to ride the airwaves, with a no-holds-barred freaky style groove that features Rick's inimitable vocals.



ALBUMS

SA-FIRE—SA-FIRE—CUTTING RECORDS/MERCURY—Sexy vocalist Sa-Fire is one of the hottest talents on the Dance and Club scene. This LP features intense dance hits like "Boy, I've Been Told," and the smokin' Latin Rascals production of "Love Is On Her Mind."

FOUR TOPS—INDESTRUCTIBLE—ARISTA—Growing stronger and stronger as time goes on, these four Detroit natives have yet another LP to add to the 35 that the group has already produced. The stellar lineup of writers, producers, and musicians include Smokey Robinson, who provides backing vocals on the first single "Indestructible"; Aretha Franklin and Kenny G., who perform on "If Ever A Love There Was," and even Bruce Springsteen side man Clarence Clemons on "The Sun Ain't Gonna Shine."

YELLOWJACKETS—POLITICS—MCA—This is an excellent album from Jazz/Fusion super-stars the Yellowjackets. Encompassing styles ranging from Jazz and R&B to Brazilian, the group concentrates on deft improvisations and attractive melodies. The point here is high level musicianship as the quartet takes some lengthy improvisational excursions.





By Connie Johnson

y All Means...just the sound of this group's name makes you conjure up an image of, say, some ultra-trendy, image-conscious band from Great Britain.

But lead singer Jimmy Varner (who hails from Plainfield, New Jersey), Lynn Roderick (born and raised in Boston) and Billy Sheppard (who grew up in Chicago) are using good old American ingenuity to arrive at '80s-style soul music that is far from trendy.

Island Records' By All Means writes and sings its music for "those who are 25 and above," Roderick said frankly in an interview at BRE. "I see us attracting people who grew up loving artists like the Isley Brothers and Marvin Gaye."

In fact, she even goes so far as to compare the group's romantic, atmospheric debut single "I Surrender To Your Love" to the Isley Brothers' "For the Love Of You," in that "both are the kind of classics that give you goosebumps. They're songs you'll still enjoy hearing ten years from now."

If Roderick sounds biased, forgive her. She may be especially partial to "I Surrender..." because it was co-written (with producer Stan Sheppard) by her husband Varner. "I don't know that I'd be bold enough to compare one of our songs to 'For the Love Of You," Varner laughed, "but I'm glad Lynn did."

Varner and Roderick met a few years back when both were touring in Bill Withers' band—Varner as keyboardist, Roderick as backing vocalist. "I was watching her moves, she was watching mine," he joked. The two of them are the proud parents of 19-month-old Gabriell Serene, whom Varner says is destined to become a singer herself one day: "I've got a raspy voice, and so does Gabriell. She already sounds like Gladys Knight!"

Sheppard's musical inclinations may be genetic as well. He's the son of record promoter Bunky Sheppard, a man who has promoted artists ranging from '50s doo wop groups to the Jacksons back when they were at Motown. "My father taught me a lot about the business," said Sheppard, who formerly was a member of CBS recording group Skool Boyz. "I learned everything from what makes a record a hit to industry politics. Some of what I know about this business I wish I *didn't* know, because that knowledge detracts from the fun of being an artist.

"I graduated from college with a B.A. in education," said the songwriter/ guitarist, "but I always enjoyed being around music. I've been hanging out in recording studios 'til all hours from the time I was a kid."

Released earlier this year, By All Means' self-titled debut LP contains several sophisticated, adult-oriented tracks with singles potential. The current single, "I'm the One Who Loves You," is a dancefloor smoker, and Varner claimed that its recently-shot Eric Mezadirected video is equally appealing.

"I want to see our video on B.E.T. so badly," said Varner, "that I'm willing to buy Donnie Simpson lunch at Roscoe's Chicken & Waffles. Somebody told me he eats there whenever he comes to L.A..."

"It's about more than image... You've got to have the whole package."

As to the "commerciality" of the group's music, Roderick said: "It's about making music you believe in and hoping people respond. I think 'I'm the One Who Loves You' is as commercial as Pebbles' 'Girlfriend.' On the other hand, there's Tracy Chapman who isn't what you'd call 'commercial,' but she's gone double-platinum. If the music's good, people will accept it." Varner points to his mother—a jazz pianist who abandoned a promising career in order to concentrate on raising her kids—as the one who inspired his own musical ambitions. She taught him to play the piano and later he attended the Berklee College of Music in Boston, initially intending to become a jazz musician.

"To be honest," he said, "I got scared by the sight of so many talented jazz artists living and struggling like they were still in the '50s. Economics was one of the factors that influenced my decision, but I know that my jazz training has made me a better musician." It's By All Means' LP producer Stan Sheppard (Billy's brother) that he credits with developing him as a vocalist.

"Stan's the one who convinced me to sing. My mom's a vocalist, but I never considered myself a singer. People really get into you when you're a singer, and I enjoy that." Sheppard (whom Varner described as the group's "ladies' man") noted that people also react favorably to By All Means' visual image, linking it alongside that of British recording group Loose Ends:

"I like that European style, and like Loose Ends, we've got that two males/ one female line-up," Sheppard said. "But it's about more than image. The best image in the world won't help you if the music doesn't work. You've got to have the whole package."

Roderick, a part-time actress who has had bit parts in episodes of "Moonlighting" and "Cagney and Lacey," along with the Richard Pryor film "Jo Jo Dancer," is a believer in having as multi-faceted a package as you can manage. In addition to focusing on its own musical future, By All Means is slated to write and produce material for other artists, including upcoming LPs by Motown's Gerald Alston (formerly of the Manhattans) and The Temptations.

If you have any doubts about the group's own future in the business, *don't*. Said Sheppard, affecting a very proper tone: "When you watch old movies, you always hear actors use the phrase '...by all means.' Apply that phrase to this group, and it means that we're going to make it, without a doubt. By all means!"



NEWS Nat'l Promo Staff Changes at Polydor/London/Wing & Assocs.



Ellison

NEW YORK: Among the recent appointments in the national promotion staff at Polydor/ London/Wing & Associated Labels include those of Ron Ellison, vice president, urban promotion and Maurice Watkins, national singles director. Also named were Bill Smith, vice president and Mel Delatte, national director in pop promotion. In LP promotion, Wynn Jackson was named senior director and Calvin Lew, national director.

Ron Ellison's background includes a stint as vice president, r&b promotion, Warner Bros. Records. He also headed his own promotion firm, Effective Music Marketing, Inc. Ellison began his music industry



Watkins

career as a session drummer for Chess Records.

Maurice Watkins most recently served as national director, promotion, Motown Records. He has worked at several labels since beginning his career in record industry 1973.

"The national staff we've put in place represents the best of all worlds," said John Brodey, senior vice president, promotion. "Given the strength and balance of Polydor's roster, I look for each department to quickly assume a competitive stance in their respective formats. Now I know how George Steinbrenner feels in spring training."

Thompson Named Station Mgr./GSM at WBMX



Abe Thompson

CHICAGO: Broadcasting Partners Inc., upon its takeover of urban-formatted WBMX/ Chicago, has named Abe Thompson, former VP/GM of WRIF/Detroit, to the station manager/GSM post at WBMX.

Thompson, who has previously worked as VP/station mgr. at WGCI/Chicago, will report directly to BPI president/ WBMX GM Barry Mayo. Mayo has referred to Thompson as "the essence of black radio."

Radio Vision Int'l to Air "Human Rights" Telecast

LOS ANGELES: Amnesty International's "Human Rights Now!" concert tour finale featuring performances by Bruce Springsteen, Tracy Chapman, Sting, Youssou N'Dour and Peter Gabriel will be syndicated worldwide by American distributor Radio Vision International. The historic event will be taped Oct. 15th at the 130,000 capacity Riverplate Stadium in Buenos Aires, Argentina and will be broadcast worldwide on Dec. 10th, Human Rights Day.

RVI achieved a great deal of success by forming an international network for the "Nelson Mandela Tribute," the mostwatched event in television history. The company plans to syndicate "Human Rights Now!" as a major event that will also be distributed to 50 or 60 countries around the world.

The special concert event will be shown in the U.S. on HBO. A special 20-minute animation segment commemorating the declaration of Human Rights Day by 32 of the world's greatest animators (and music by Talking Heads member David Byrne) will also be shown on the program.

Communications Conference Slated at Howard University

WASHINGTON: The Howard University School of Communications has slated its 17th Annual Communications Conference for Oct. 27-29th at the Howard Inn, located on the university's main campus. The conference is geared toward students, academicians and professionals "who wish to be *Continued on page* 9

IN BRIEF

1989 Awards Scheduled

NEW YORK: Wednesday, Feb. 22, is the date set for the 31st Annual Grammy Awards telecast. CBS will air the presentation from 8 to 11 p.m. Eastern Time. Last year the awards program took place in New York. For the 1989 show, it will again emanate from the stage of the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles.

Nominations will be announced Thursday, Jan. 12th.

MPI to Reach Decision on Jackson Speech

NEW YORK: MPI Home Video is currently negotiating an agreement with the Rev. Jesse Jackson regarding the release of a videocassette featuring Jackson's speech at the Democratic National Convention. MPI is attempting to market the tape as a \$14.95 video entitled "Jesse Jackson: We Can Dream MPI has asserted Again." that it does not need lackson's permission to release the tape because his speech is part of "the public domain." Jackson has accused MPI, which paid ABC \$6,500 for a tape of the speech, with attempting to "exploit" him for the sake of its own commercial profit.

It is predicted that Jackson will either be paid a flat fee or a royalty on each tape sold once the legal impasse is resolved.

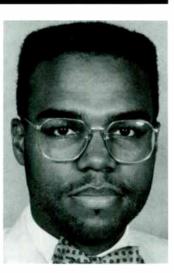
Nielsen Data Released on Black TV Viewing

WASHINGTON: According to recently compiled Nielsen audience data, the average black household views TV 10 hours, 36 minutes daily, compared with seven hours, 18 minutes for all other households.

Among 10 of the 15 toprated programs, black viewing was double that of other homes.

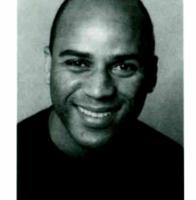
EXEC STATS





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ALVIN N. TELLER is the new president and chief operating officer of MCA Records and vice president of MCA, Inc., replacing **MYRON ROTH** in that post. Teller formerly was president of CBS Records Group, based in New York.

TROY WHITE was upped to national manager, secondary markets, black music promotion, Epic/Portrait/CBS Associated Labels. He had been a college and account service rep, CBS Records, since 1986...LOIS WRIGHT was been upped to supervisor, a&r administration, Columbia House Division, CBS Records Inc., while MARITA HAYNES was named manager, catalog master...JERROLD BLAIR is now local promotion manager, Boston, Columbia Records...SAL INGEME was named regional manager, adult contemporary Northeast promotion, Columbia Records...ANDREW LAVALLE was appointed director, point-ofpurchase department, CBS Records, while BRUNO DEL GRANADO was named manager of that division...POLLY ANTHONY has been upped to vice president, pop promotion, E/P/A.

ERIC NURI has been appointed vice president, a&r, r&b, Arista Records. He formerly served as vice president, a&r, r&b for RCA...**KIRK BONIN** has been promoted to associate director of r&b marketing at Arista, based in New York.

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in the vanguard of career escalation" in the communications field, according to university dean Orlando L. Taylor.

One of the panel discussions will be "Where Will the Broadcast Jobs Be in the Next Five years?" and an audio, film and video festival and competition is scheduled for the three-day event.

Corporate recruiters may reserve recruiting booths to interview candidates for employment or internship opportunities during the Job Fair segment of the conference by calling Ms. Robin Hickman at (202) 636-5806. The deadline for reserving recruiting booths is Sept. 23rd.

RCA to Release Mid-Line CDs & Budget Movie Series

NEW YORK: Five separate volumes of "Nipper's All Time Greatest Hits" and last year's critically acclaimed "Blues & Rhythm Review" lead off a new batch of mid-line CDs from RCA Records. Set to reach stores Sept. 13th, the double CD sets will contain label hits from the past three decades.

From the '50s, titles include: "C'est Si Bon" and "Santa Baby" by Eartha Kitt; "Banana Boat (Day-O)" by Harry Belafonte; "Don't You Know" by Della Reese; and "Shout (Parts 1 and 2)" by the Isley Brothers. From the '60s, titles include: "Chain Gang" and "Twistin' the Night Away" by Sam Cooke; and "Grazing In the Grass" by the Friends of Distinction.

From the '70s, titles include: "Love Or Let Me Be Lonely" by the Friends of Distinction; "Troglodyte" by The Jimmy Castor Bunch; "Everybody Plays the Fool" by The Main Ingredient; "Rock the Boat" by The Hues Corporation; "Turn the Beat Around" by Vickie Sue Robinson; and "Shame" by Evelyn "Champagne" King.

RCA Records Budget CDonly release on Sept. 13th will include the newly-digitalized and restored classic movie "Carmen Jones," starring Dorothy Dandridge and Harry Belafonte. This Otto Premingerdirected film is based on Bizet's opera "Carmen," with new lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II.

Al B. Sure! and Sade Go Platinum in August



Al B. Sure!



Sade

NEW YORK: The Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA) has announced that newcomer Al B. Sure! achieved his first platinum LP for his debut effort, *In Effect Mode*, while Sade earned gold and platinum status simultaneously for *Stronger Than Pride*.

Also achieving in the gold category were New Edition (Heart Break), Teddy Pendergrass (Joy), The Fat Boys (Coming Back Hard Again) and Bobby McFerrin (Simple Pleasures). British pop singer Samantha Fox, who earned much urban airplay with her Full Forceproduced "Naughty Girls Need Love, Too" single, also went gold with her self-titled LP.

Receiving a multi-platinum award was Prince and the Revolution for "Live," a Warner Music Video.

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Whitney's The One

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Arista Records President Clive Davis shows off the seven silver #1's he presented to Whitney Houston at the after-show party for her benefit concert for the United Negro College Fund. The seven #1's represent Houston's seven consecutive #1 singles, a feat that only she has accomplished thus far. (l-r): Davis; Houston's father, John; and Houston.

NEW YORK: Superstar Whitney Houston made her only North American appearance on August 27 when she gave a benefit concert for the United Negro College Fund at Madison Square Garden. Whitney, who is cover-girlglamorous, alternated between a white mini-skirt, a form-fitting white beaded gown and a denim outfit as she treated the audience to some of the hits which have made her a multi-platinum artist.

Comic great Sinbad set the pace for the fun as he had the tri-state crowd bursting with laughter at his funny antics-which proved to be a perfect opener for the 90-minute show. Whitney started with the ballad "Didn't We Almost Have It All?" and I particularly liked the gospel flavor that spiced the song. Included in her repertoire were such favorites as "Where Do Broken Hearts Go?," "So Emotional," "Love Will Save The Day," "The Greatest Love Of All," and "I Want To Dance With Somebody (Who Loves Me)." I sat in absolute amazement when diva Houston pulled out all stops and tributed Aretha Franklin by singing "(You Make Me Feel Like) A Natural Woman" and the Sam Cooke classic "You Send Me."

The concert was even more touching when she brought out her mom, **Cissy**

Houston, and her brother Gary for a blend of harmonies on a tune from "Dreamgirls." Whitney, a product of church choirs, returned to her gospel roots as she sang "I Believe" and "Prince of Peace."

Whitney Houston is just the greatest! Her well polished show, complete with four "Solid Gold"-type dancers—three background singers who move as well as they sing and a swinging band that really knows how to rock the house reminded me of a Las Vegas revue.

The post-concert party held at the American Festival Cafe at the Rockefeller center proved to be the right icing on the cake. Clive Barnes, president of Artista (Whitney's label who sponsored the soiree) and all the Arista folks were there, as were Christopher Edley, Executive Director of UNCF and the UNCF staffers. Also, in attendance were LaToya Jackson, top model Beverly Johnson, Cicely Tyson, Harry Belafonte, Sinbad, Darnell Williams of "All My Children" fame, actor Denzell Washington, noted journalist Flo Anthony, TV host Bill McCleary of "The McCleary Report," The Dismasters, celebrated photog Charles Tillman of Ginger Snaps, Arthur Mitchell of the Dance Theatre of Harlem, John & Cissy Houston, Lisa

BLACK RADIO EXCLUSIVE



Keys of the National Black Network, Leotis Clyburn of ASCAP, Take 6 and Stevie Wonder.

At the Whitney Houston party, noted journalist **Flo Anthony**, who has been romantically linked to **Michael Spinks**, confirmed that she will be publishing a new sports magazine at the end of the year.

Speaking of Stevie Wonder, who appeared at Radio City Music Hall throughout September 1...Those who attended the August 25 show of Stevie's date, billed as "Eight Nights Of Wonder,' were treated to special guest performances by Take 6, Ashford & Simpson and Eddie Murphy...Capitol recording artist Freddie Jackson was recently feted at a party in his honor at Bridgewaters in the South Street Seaport. Freddie, dressed in a three-piece designer suit. introduced his mother, Juanita, by saying she "went into labor singing." Freddie's guests included his manager Charles Huggins, his music collaborators Barry Benitez, Taylor Dayne, actor James Terrell, actress Grace Garland, Russell Simmons, Amsterdam News publisher Bob Tate and his daughters Dedra and Jeannine, actor John Amos, Belinda Bailey of Class Magazine and Deborah Crable of The Ebony/Jet Showcase. It's a shame how terrible the sound was for Joan Armatrading's show recently at the Pier. However, being the pro that she is, she made the most of a difficult situation by giving the SRO crowd more than their money's worth on her most famous songs as well as her new material. The guitarist/singer is a talent that needs more support from Black radio...Remember Speedo and The Cadillacs? Well, I caught their show recently at the Fann Club where they appeared with Cleveland Still and The Dubs. This was the first time I had seen these doo-woopers perform and these dapper gents still got their act together!...! was afforded another old-timers treat in Harlem when Jimmy "Preacher" Robins sang at Showman's Cafe for a dinner which honored the Copasetics.

AN APOLOGY: I made a grave error in Volume XIII, No. 13 issue of BRE dated August 26 when I included some info that **Steven J. Holiday** called to give me. The error is that Holiday is with WYLD-AM and not WYLD as I reported. Sorry!...If you have information of interest that you would like to have considered for this column, please contact me at (718) 919-0533 or you may write P.O. Box 023750, Brooklyn, New York 11202.



CALL IT PASSION

Capitol's Norman Connors (I) was congratulated by the label's Wayne Edwards (r), vp, a&r, Black division following a performance at NYC's Bottom Line in support of his *Passion* LP.



WGCI WOWED BY COOL DAY

Warner Bros.' Morris Day (I) was congratulated backstage by Barbara Prieto (c), MD at WGCI/Chicago, following his performance at the New Regal Theater. With them is Kirkland Burke, label rep.



BY GEORGE, IT'S MICHAEL

Columbia's George Michael (c) celebrated three SRO nights at NY's Madison Square Garden with label staffers (l-r): Marc Benesch, vp promo; Tommy Mottola, pres., CBS Records Div.; Bob Sherwood, sr. vp marketing; & Jack Rovner, vp marketing, East Coast.



CATCHIN' THE VAPORS AT KDAY

Cold Chillin'/Warner Bros.' Biz Markie (c), whose "Vapors" is considered a rap classic, promoted his latest single "This Is Something For the Radio" at KDAY/L.A. (L-r): Ife Crumley, Warner Bros.; Greg Mack, KDAY air personality; Anthony Minor, Warner Bros.; & Jennifer Levins, KDAY intern.



OH, THE WONDER OF TAKE 6!

Motown's Stevie Wonder (c) posed backstage with Reprise's Take 6 following their performance with him at Carnegie Hall. (L-r): Claude McKnight; Cedric Dent; Alvin Chea; David Thomas; Mervyn Warren; and Mark Kibble.



TRACIE & THE GYRLZ

Photo credit: Arnold Turner

Labelmates Tracie Spencer ("Symptoms of True Love") and The Gyrlz ("Wishing You Were Here") met for the first time at a recent Capitol Records party. (L-r): Monica Payne, TG; Tara Geter, TG; Spencer; and Terrie Robinson, TG.

September 16, 1988

AIRWAVES By Carolyn Plummer Riley



Brute Bailey

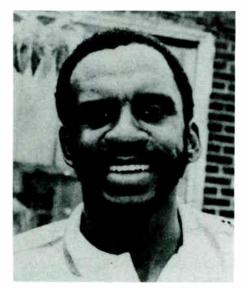


Chris Barry

MUSICAL CHAIRS... Brute Bailey, Other Staffers Out at New Hot-100/WDJY

As we go to press, I received a call from promotions director Bernie Lucas of the new WDJY/Hot 100 in Washington, D.C., informing BRE of the new changes at the station. Longtime veteran Brute Bailey resigned his position as the station's PD. Other staffers who were relieved of their duties were the MD and Assistant PD, Chris Barry, and air personalities Marcia O'Bryan and Antilla Trotter.

Ty Bell, former PD at WYLD/FM in New Orleans, has been appointed PD, replacing Bailey. According to Bernie Lucas, "The station has also changed their call letters from DJ100 to HOT-100 as of September 2nd."



Tony Scott



B.J. Stone

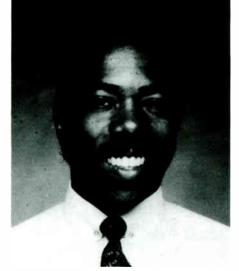
In the Spring ARBitron ratings WDJY went from a 3.9 to a 3.4 share. Cross town rival WHUR has won out in the last few books, their last a 5.2 share upped to a 5.3 Spring book. The Urban winner by far in the DC area is WKYS, going from a 6.2 share to a 6.4.

There were lots of moves in radio this past week. Here are just a few:

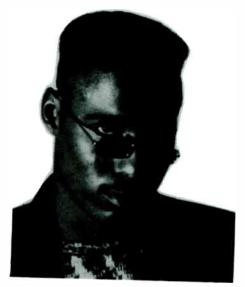
Tony Scott has exited WEKS/Atlanta as the station's PD. Brian Castle fills this slot.

Vernon Wells is out at WGOK/ Mobile, AL. Wells replaced "The Madhatter," who resigned a few week's back. No replacement has been named. Rob Neal, formerly with WAVH/Light Rock in Mobile, goes to WGOK to do afternoons, 2pm to 6pm.

WIKS PD and BRE Reporter, Ceasar Gooding, replaces Vinnie Brown at



Ty Bell



Waxmaster Torey

WQOK/Raleigh, NC. Also from WIKS is Curtis Downey who was named the station's GM.

Artemus Morales exits WILD/Boston to KKDA/Dallas. Morales will act as assistant MD to Jimmy Smith, the station's MD. Carolyn Robbins replaces Artemus as the Programmer's Assistant at WILD.

In the Northeast, PD Henry Singleton announced the appointment of B.J. Stone to the MD slot.

Lisa Caning of KDAY/Los Angeles is no longer the MD. Jack Patterson, the station's PD has not announced a replacement. Stay tuned!

Greg Darton has been promoted to PD at WLWZ/Greenville, SC. Torris Turner, the station's MD, goes to KDKS/ Shreveport, LA.

Pamela Smith at WHYZ/Greenville,

SC has exited the MD slot. Rocky Valentine is the new MD.

As of September 2nd, two of North Carolina's finest top radio personalities resigned their positions at radio station WLLE/Raleigh, NC. Vet PD Cash Michaels and the multi-talented MD, recording artist, entrepreneur Waxmaster Torey have exited the station. The station's GM, Henry Monroe, was not available for comment. Michaels has accepted a position at WAUG radio, Raleigh, NC.

"Torey has been approached by a number of major stations throughout the country," stated Barbara Meeks, Wax's agent/manager. The 21-year-old air personality was featured as Tony Brown's rap artist in his movie "The White Girl."

You may contact Waxmaster Torey at cBMI Management Professionals at (919) 361-cBMI.

WNJR station manager Liz Satchell promoted "B.J." Stone, mid-day announcer, to the station's MD position. B.J. will be available to receive music calls and promotion people Mondays and Tuesdays between 10am-2pm. Prior to coming to WNJR, "B.J." was the music director and assistant PD at WILD/ Boston.

Rev. Mozel Sanders Passes

A call comes from J. Johnson, PD of WTLC/Indianapolis, Indiana on the recent passing of Gospel air personality Rev. Mozel Sanders. During the telephone interview Johnson stated, "Rev. Sanders was pastor at Mt. Vernon Missionary Baptist Church for some 30 years. He was employed with WTLC for the past 15 years. Rev. Sanders started feeding the hungry in Indianapolis in 1974. The traditional Thanksgiving dinners grew from 20 in 1974 to 16,000 with the help of 200 volunteer helpers in 1987.

"For me Mozell was always larger than life. He will certainly be missed by all of us at WTLC."

On behalf of Sidney Miller, who was a personal friend of Rev. Sanders, and the entire staff of BRE, our condolences to the Sanders family.

Seeking

Antilla Trotter, formerly an air personality with WDJY/Hot-100 in Washington, DC, is seeking full-time air shift. Tape and resume available upon request. Will relocate. Call (202) 332-2468.

Experienced GM, PD and disc jockey is seeking a position with a Contemporary Jazz/AC radio station. Seven years experience, which includes Gospel music formats. Please contact: Percy Williams at (212) 869-2300 (day), (718) 282-0594 (evenings) or (212) 921-4035 (FAX). **Tony Terry Stops by WQOK**



WQOK, 97.5/Raleigh-Durham, NC, was visited by singer Tony Terry at the station's first annual birthday celebration (July 18th). (L-r): Terry; Cheryl; "Downtown" Vinny Brown; and (top) Rich Brown, Vinny's son.

He's "Somebody" at V103/Atlanta...



Starship recording artist Phillip Michael Thomas did a live-on-the-air interview on Atlanta's V103 to promote his new LP *Somebody*. (L-r): V103 Program Director Ray Boyd; Thomas; Atlantic local promo rep Charles Geer.

REGIONAL RADIO REPOR

The following reports reflect new adds to the stations listed from the cut off of reports on Tuesdays. These reports reflect changes for that week. Complete playlist information is on file at the offices of Black Radio Exclusive. For more information, please phone (213) 469-7262.

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Tina Carson Tina Carson WAAA PO. Box 11197 Winston-Salem, NC 27116 919-922-1957 D) H MIN

REDDINGS, CALL THE LAW TRACY CHAPMAN, TALKIN' BOUT JAMM, SO FINE BOBBY MCFERRIN, DON'T WORRY LATEST ARRIVAL, COULD HAVE... CHERYL P RILEY, THANKS FOR... SWEET OBSESSION, CONNA GET... BILLY AUWAYS, BACK ON TRACK GREGORY ABBOTT, LET ME BE... CLIFTON DYSON, CAN'T GET YOU MARLENA SHAW, I WAN'T TO KNOW

wasc

Lou Broadus Lou Broadus P.O. Box 5686 Spartanburg, SC 29304 803-585-1530

RAINY DAVIS, OUCH LUTHER VANDROSS, ANY LOVE STANLEY JORDON, TROPICAL... SWEET OBSESSION, GONNA GET... MILLIE SCOTT, A LOVE OF YOUR NICK MUNDY, TRADE HIM IN EPMD, STRICTLY BUSINESS BUS BOYS, HARD WORK



SCRATCH MO, PLAY THAT THING HUDSON/DAVIS, CAN'T STOP LATEST ARRIVAL, COULD HAVE... ZERO HOUR, HEAT OF THE NITE MILLIE SCOTT, A LOVE OF YOUR HUDSON/ONE WAY, DRIVING ME... BILLY ALWAYS, BACK ON TRACK T T D'ARBY, DANCE LLL SISTER CHERYL FRILEY, THANKS FOR... BUS BOYS, HARD WORK

WDKS

Rod Cruise P.O. Box 2008 Fayetteville, NC 28302 919-484-2107

PAULA ABDUL, IT'S JUST THE... STEVIE WONDER, MY EYES DON'T LATEST ARRIVAL, COULD HAVE... BOYZ, DIAL MY HEART LUTHER VANDROSS, ANY LOVE LENNY WILLIAMS, GIVE UP ON... MILLIE SCOTT, A LOVE OF YOUR GWEN GUTHRIE, ROCKING CHAIR



Don Davis Greensboro, NC 27405 919-272-5121 Toni Avery 1060 Gate

AL B SURF, RESCUE ME DOROTHY MOORF, CAN'T GET OVER DON BARREN, D J IMITATIONS REDDINGS, CALL THE LAW SADE, NOTHING CAN COME... BY ALL MEANS, I'M THE ONE WHO DAZZ BAND, SINGLE GIRLS

WHYZ Janice Henderson Pamela Smith P.O. Box 4309 Greenville, SC 29 Greenville, SC 803-246-1441 SC 29608

ISAAC HAYES, SHOWDOWN LOOSE ENDS, MR. BACHELOR KIARA, THE BEST OF ME KIARA, THE BEST OF ME BILLY ALWAYS, BACK ON TRACK GUY, ROUND & ROUND CHERYL P RILEY, THANKS FOR... REDDINGS, CALL THE LAW MILLIE SCOTT, A LOVE OF YOUR BOOTSY COLLINS, PARTY ON... V WILLIAMS, HE'S GOT THE LOOK



LUTHUR VANDROSS, ANY LOVE BILLY ALWAYS, BACK ON TRACK GOOD QUESTION, GOTTA NEW LOVE BIG DADDY KANE, AIN'T NO HALF V WILLIAMS, HE'S GOT THE LOOK PAULA ABDUL, THE WAY YOU LOVE

Cash Michaels Waxmaster Torey P.O. Box 190 Raleigh, NC 27602 WILE T 919.833.3874

NEW EDITION, NOT MY KIND OF BOOTSY COLLINS, PARTY ON... RETW. MY GIRLY V WILLIAMS, HE'S GOT THE LOOK

Yvonne Anderson WNAA Yvonne Anderson Price Hall Suite 200 Greensboro, NC 27411 919-334-7936

T T D'ARBY, DANCE LIL SISTER ZERO-HOUR, HEAT OF NITE LATEST ARRIVAL, COULD HAVE... BY ALL MEANS, I'M THE ONE... PAULA ABDUL, THE WAY THAT ...

wqic Johnny Green 910 Cammanchie West Columbia, SC 29169 803-796-9975

NEW EDITION, NOT MY KIND OF MIDNIGHT STAR, DON'T ROCK... T T D'ARBY, DANCE LIL SISTER AL & SURE, RESCUE ME D WILLIAWS, I CAN'T WAIT RFTW, MY GIRLY BOBBY MCFERRIN, DON'T WORRY

Andre Carson Drawer 38 Bradham Blvd, Sumter, SC 29151 803-495-2558 **WWDM**

STEVIE WONDER, MY EYES DON'T LATEST ARRIVAL, COULD HAVE... CHERYL P RILEY, THANKS FOR... BOBBY MCFERRIN, DON'T WORRY

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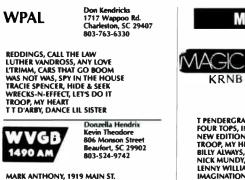
Tony Lype Tony Lype 225 Green St. Suite 700 Fayetteville, NC 28302 919-486-4991

LUTHER VANDROSS, ANY LOVE BILLY OCEAN, TEAR DOWN THESE DEREK B, GOOD GROOVE CREGORY ABBOTT, LET ME BE... TROOP, MY HEART REDDINGS, CALL THE LAW CHERYL P RILEY, THANKS FOR... HUDSON/ONE WAY, DRIVING ME... BUG BOYE WARD WAY. BUS BOYS, HARD WORK



THE PERSONAL TOUCH

Capitol recording artist Melba Moore stopped by radio station WEKS in Atlanta to talk about her new LP I'm In Love. (L-R): Ken Bolden, Regional Promotion, Atlanta, Capitol Records; Melba Moore; Mike Roberts, Morning Drive, WVEE (V-103), Atlanta.



MARK ANTHONY, 1919 MAIN ST. GOOD QUESTION, GOTTA NEW LOVE BUSY-B, RUNNING THANGS



Melvin Jones 80 N. Tillman Memphis, TN 38111 901-323-0101

T PENDERGRASS, 2 AM FOUR TOPS, INDESTRUCTIBLE NEW EDITION, NOT MY KIND OF TROOP, MY HEART BILLY AUWAYS, BACK ON TRACK NICK MUNDY, TRADE HIM IN LENNY WILLIAMS, GIVIN' UP ON IMAGINATION, HOLD ME IN YOUR MILLIE JACKSON, THE TIDE IS LUTHER VANDROSS, ANY LOVE

C.J. Francis P.O. Box 16130 Richmond, VA 23222 804-321-5662 nn FROZEN

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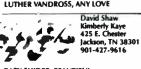
Bobby O'Jay 112 Union Ave. Memphis, TN 38103 901-529-4397

FOUR TOPS, INDESTRUCTIBLE PAULA ABDUL, THE WAY YOU LOVE GEORGE BENSON, LET'S DO IT... MILLIE JACKSON, THE TIDE IS..



Chuck McCool 3000 Druid Park Drive Baltimore, MD 21215 301-367-9322

BOYZ, DIAL MY HEART RFTW, MY GIRLY COUSIN RACHELL, YOU GIVE ME KARYN WHITE, HHE WAY YOU LOVE TROOP, MY HEART NEW EDITION, NOT MY KIND OF LUTHER VANDROSS, ANY LOVE



GARY SHIDER, BEAUTIFUL TROOP, MY HEART LATEST ARRIVAL, COULD HAVE... PAULS ABDUL, IT'S JUST THE...

WHER N

Bobby Bennett Mike Archie 529 Bryan1 St. N. W. Washington D.C., 20059 202-232-6000

GUY, ROUND & ROUND TROOP, MY HEART WAS NOT WAS, SPY IN THE HOUSE REDDINGS, CALL THE LAW CREGORY ABBOTT, LET ME BE... D WILLIAMS, I CANT WAT PAULA ABDUL, IT'S JUST THE MELBA MOORE, I'M IN LOVE EPMD, STRICTIY BUSINESS SWEET OBSESSION, CONNA GE...

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Leon Toller Lawrence Toller P.O. Box 3444 Danville, VA 24543 804-799-1580 STEVIE WONDER, MY EYES DON'T LUTHER VANDROSS, ANY LOVE BY ALL MEANS, I'M THE ONE... BOYZ, DIAL MY HEART



K. J. Holiday 1633 N. Division St. Salisburg, MD 21801 301-742-5191

Leon Toller

K. J. Holiday 1633 N. Divisi Salisburg, MD 301-742-5191 TT D'ARBY, DANCE LLI SISTER BOYZ, DIAL MY HEART LUTHER WANDROSS, ANY LOVE STEVIE WONDER, MY EYES DON'T REDDINGS, CALL THE LAW SHEYANG, I'VE WATED TOO... HUDSON'ONE WAY, DRIVING ME... RAINY DAVIS, OUCH D J KOOL, HOW LOW CAN YOU GO



Robert Lad*Goins P.O. Box 6440 Lynchburg, VA 24505 804-847-1269

D WILLIAMS, I CAN'T WAIT SWEET OBSESSION, GONNA GET... AL B SURE, RESCUE ME GOOD QUESTION, GOTTA NEW LOVE BILLY OCEAN, TEAR DOWN THESE PAULA ABDUL, IT'S JUST THE... ISAAC HAYES, SHOWDOWN TYRONE DAVIS, IT'S A MIRACLE



Rich Phillips Vanessa Varryer P.O. Box 15727 Chattanooga, T Chattanooga, TN 37415 615-870-3811

NEW EDITION, NOT MY KIND OF AL B SURE, RESCUE ME T T D'ARBY, DANCE LIL SISTER MILLIE JACKSON, THE TIDE IS NICK MUNDY, TRADE HIM IN BLUE MODERNE, BO THAT AGAIN DEREK B, GOOD GROOVE LEJUAN LOVE, PLEASE STAY DORIAN HAREWOOD, SHOW ME



Tony Fields Phillip D. March 10213 Linn Station Rd. Louisville, KY 40223 502-425-3444

PAULA ABDUL, IT'S JUST THE... BILLY OCEAN, TEAR DOWN THESE W HOUSTON, OME MOMENT IN TIME BOBBY MCFERRIN, DON'T WORRY T D'ARBY, DANCE ILL SISTER GUY, ROUND & ROUND MAC BANC, STUCK LUTHER VANDROSS, ANY LOVE 10 DB, I BURN FOR YOU



Ange Canesa P.O. Box 3244 Louisville, KY 40208 502-636-3536

RFTW, MY GIRLY LUTHER VANDROSS, ANY LOVE GREGORY ABBOTT, LET ME BE... HUDSON/ONE WAY, DRIVING ME... B RUSSELL, GET HERE MILLIE JACKSON, THE TIDE IS.. V WILLIAMS, HE'S GOT THE LOOK SILLY OCEAN, TEAR DOWN THESE TROOP, MY HEART

WMYK

Cindy Dove 168 Business Park Dr. #100 Virginia Beach, VA 23462 804-473-1194

IAMM. SO FINE JAMM, SO FINE BILLY OCEAN, BACK ON TRACK LUTHER VANDROSS, ANY LOVE NEW EDITION, NOT MY KIND OF W HOUSTON, ONE MOMENT IN TIME T T D'ARBY, DANCE LIL SISTER AL B SURE, RESCUE ME HUDSON/ONE WAY, DRIVING ME...



Scott Jantzen P.O. Box 1850 Ocean City, MD 21842 301-641-0002 CHERYL P RILEY, THANKS FOR... LUTHER VANDROSS, ANY LOVE REDDINGS, CALL THE LAW MIDNIGHT STAR, DON'T ROCK...

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J. J. Starr J. J. Starr 400 H Street N. E. Washington D.C., 2002 202-675-4800

VINA STARR, CAN I DEAL WENDEL HOLMES, BUCKLE UP KID-N-PLACE, GET FUNKY REDDINGS, CALL THE LAW HUDSON/ONE WAY, DRIVING ME... CHARLES BLACKMAN, SPECIAL... LUTHER VANDROSS, ANY LOVE



Terrell Newby P.O. Box 8085 Nashville, TN 37207 615-227-1470

PHIL COLLINS, GROOVY KIND OF OHIO PLAYERS, LET'S PLAY T T D'ARBY, DANCE LIL SISTER SWEET OBSESSION, GONNA GET... T TONE, BORN NOT TO KNOW

WRAP

Chester Benton P.O. Box 598 Norvolk, VA 23501 804-483-6315

KARYN WHITE, THE WAY YOU LOVE ROY AYERS, FAST MONEY NEW EDITION, NOT MY KIND OF



Mike Morgan 902 Lafayette Bivd. N. W. Roanoke, VA 24017 703-343-5545

GUY, ROUND & ROUND M COOPER, QUICKNESS TROOP, MY HEART TROOP, MY HEART D WILLIAMS, I CAN'T WAIT LUTHER VANDROSS, ANY LOVE STEVIE WONDER, MY EYES DON'T T T D'ARBY, DANCE LIL SISTER

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D WILLIAMS, I CAN'T WAIT MICHELLE WILLIAMS, MAD LOVE MILLIE JACKSON, THE TIDE IS.. T PENDERGRASS, 2 AM

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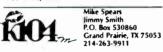
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B. J. Williams P.O. Box 4248 Tyler, TX 75712 214-593-1744 **KROZ**

ROY AVERS, FAST MONEY CHERYL P RILEY, THANKS FOR... GOOD QUESTION, GOTTA NEW LOVE WRECK-N-EFFECT, LET'S DO IT LUTHER VANDROSS, ANY LOVE H HUNTSBERRY, SLEEPLESS... TROOP, MY HEART KESIA BROWN, IS IT LOVE OR... BILLY ALWAYS, BACK ON TRACK GREGORY ABOTT, LET ME BE... DORIAN HAREWOOD, SHOW ME ONE MILLIE SCOTT, A LOVE OF YOUR



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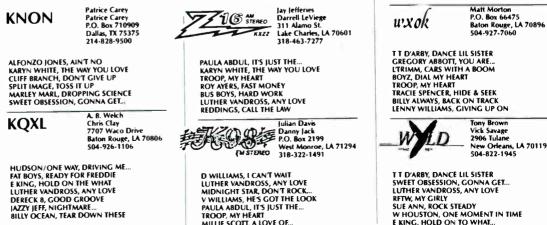
NIA PEEPLES, HIGH TIME AL B SURE, RESCUE ME BOBBY BROWN, MY PREROCATIVE 10 DB, I BURN FOR YOU ISAAC HAYES, SHOWDOWN PAULA ABDUL, IT'S JUST THE... V WILLIAMS, HE'S GOT THE LOOK MIDNIGHT STAR, DON'T ROCK... NEW EDITION, NOT MY KIND OF RFTW, MY GIRLY JAZZY JEFF, NIGHTMARE... BILLY OCEAN, TEAR DOWN THESE LUTHER YANDROSS, ANY LOVE SWEET OBSESSION, GOING TO GET NU SHOOZ, ARE YOU LOOKING FOR

Melinda Jackson 1623 A East Apach Tulsa, OK 74106 918-428-4451



RESCUE ME!

Warner Bros. recording artist Al B. Sure! visited KDAY/Los Angeles to promote his current single, "Rescue Me" from his platinum debut LP, In Effect Mode. (L-R): J.J. Johnson, KDAY air personality; Sure!; Carin Denise Thomas, KDAY traffic manager; and Steve Campfield, Warner Bros. Records rep.



MILLIE SCOTT, A LOVE OF ...

BLACK RADIO EXCLUSIVE

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Steve Poston Steve Poston Hwy 45 North Meridian, MS 39301 601-693-2661

BLUE MODERNE, DO THAT AGAIN BOOGIE DOWN PROD, STOP THE.. LUTHER VANDROSS, ANY LOVE BUS BOYS, HARD WORK ISAAC HAYES, SHOWDOWN DEREK B, GOOD GROOVE MILLIE SCOTT, A LOVE OF... MC HAMMER, LET'S GET STARTED TEODR JW GEART TROOP MY HEART

WIMG

Cedric Thomas 1204 Gravel Line St. Hattiesburg, MS 39401 601-544-1947

RANDY HALL, AS LONG AS I CAN MARLENA SHAW, I WANNA KNOW T T D'ARBY, DANCE LIL SISTER BY ALL MEANS, I'M THE ONE DORIAN HAYWOOD, SHOW ME ONE LATEST ARRIVAL, COULD HAVE RICK JAMES, WONDERFUL



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MIDNIGHT STAR, DON'T ROCK... JOHNNY KEMP, DANCIN' WITH... T T D'ARBY, DANCE LIL SISTER LUTHER VANDROSS, ANY LOVE PAULA ABDUL, ITS JUST THE... D WILLIAMS, I CAN'T WAIT

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Sabrina Amos 1850 Lynch Jackson, MS 39203 601-948-1515

Jimmy Anthony

MIDNIGHT STAR, DON'T ROCK... JOHNNY KEMP, DANCIN' WITH... T T D'ARBY, DANCE LIL SISTER LUTHER VANDROSS, ANY LOVE PAULA ABDUL, IT'S JUST THE... D WILLIAMS, I CAN'T WAIT



Cyreio Hughs Cyreio Hughs 1204 Gravel Line Hattiesburg, MS 39401 601-544-1941

AL B SURE, RESCUE ME TONY TERRY, YOUNG LOVE V WILLIAMS, HE'S GOT THE LOOK BOOTSY COLLINS, PARTY ON.... GREGORY ABBOTT, LET ME BE... NEW EDITION, NOT MY KIND OF CHERYL P RILEY, THANKS FOR...

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LUTHER VANDROSS, ANY LOVE MILLIE JACKSON, THE TIDE IS MILLIE SCOTT, A LOVE OF YOUR RFTW, MY GIRLY V WILLIAMS, HE'S GOT THE LOOK REDDINGS, CALL THE LAW BILLY OLEAN, TEAR DOWN THESE ISAAC HAYES, SHOWDOWN P M THOMAS, DON'T MARE... WAS NOT WAS, SPY IN THE HOUSE DOROTHY MOORE, CAN'T GET OVER



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MIDNIGHT STAR, DON'T ROCK... T T D'ARBY, DANCE LIL SISTER PAULA ABDUL, IT'S JUST THE... LUTHER VANDROSS, ANY LOVE HUDSON/ONE WAY, DRIVING ME..

W HOUSTON, ONE MOMENT IN TIME E KING, HOLD ON TO WHAT...



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| ARTIST, TITLE, LABEL | MA | NE | MS | OV | CAR | MW | SE | WST | TOTAL |
|---|----|-----|----|----|-----|----|----|-----|-------|
| LUTHER VANDROSS, Any Love, Epic | 9 | 3 | 15 | 8 | 5 | 5 | 17 | 3 | 65 |
| TERENCE TRENT D'ARBY, Dance Little, Columbia | 5 | 2 | 7 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 36 |
| PAULA ABDUL, It's Just The, Virgin | 6 | - 1 | 7 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 7 | 1 | 29 |
| TROOP , My Heart, Atlantic | 5 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 26 |
| THE REDDINGS, Call The Law, Mercury | 2 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 5 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 20 |
| DENIECE WILLIAMS, I Can't Wait, Columbia | 4 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 19 |
| BILLY OCEAN, Tear Down These Walls, Jive/Arista | 3 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 18 |
| STEVIE WONDER, My Eyes Don't., Motown | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 18 |
| CHERYL PEPSII RILEY, Thank You For, Columbia | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 15 |
| GREGORY ABBOTT, Let Me Be, Columbia | 2 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 15 |
| VANESSA WILLIAMS, He's Got The, Wing/PG | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 15 |
| MILLIE SCOTT, A Love of Your, Island | 0 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 14 |
| BOBBY McFERRIN, Don't Worry, EMI-Manhattan | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 13 |
| NEW EDITION, You're Not My, MCA | 5 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 13 |
| SWEET OBSESSION, Gonna Get, Epic | 3 | 0 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 13 |
| RFTW, My Girly, MCA | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 12 |
| AL HUDSON/ONE WAY, Driving Me, Columbia | 1 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 11 |
| BILLY ALWAYS, Back On Track, Epic | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 11 |
| GUY, Round & Round, Uptown/MCA | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 11 |
| RJ'S LATEST ARRIVAL, It Could've, EMI/Manhattan | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 11 |
| THE BOYS, Dial My Heart, Motown | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 11 |
| BOOTSY COLLINS, Party On, Columbia | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 10 |
| BRENDA RUSSELL, Get Here, A&M | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 10 |
| MIDNIGHT STAR, Don't Rock, Solar | 1 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 10 |



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PROGRAMMER'S POLL

NORTHEAST

FRANK CERAMI WUSL/Philadelphia, PA

SHERYL PEPSII RILEY "THANKS FOR MY CHILD" Full Force produced a single with a strong female message. One play and your phones will ring off the hook. Don't forget

BOBBY BROWN "MY PREROGATIVE"

to check out the "Confronta-

tion" mix.

I've been playing off the LP for a number of weeks and this has proved to be even stronger than the last single. Sales and requests across the board.

MIDNIGHT STAR "DONT ROCK THE BOAT" Perfect blend of melody and rap. Will have all demos singing this one.



L.D. McCOLLUM XHRM/San Diego, CA LUTHER VANDROSS

"ANY LOVE"

This first single from the forthcoming LP is sure to be a number one h-i-t! It sounds as though it will be a popular crossover as well. Out of the box smash. All demographics.

BLUE MODERN "DO THAT AGAIN"

If you love Loose Ends you'll love this record. Out of the box phones from female demographics.

KARYN WHITE "THE WAY YOU LOVE ME" Great team work from LA Reid, Babyface and Karyn White. The perfect combination for a number one record.

PHILLIP MICHAEL THOMAS "DON'T MAKE PROMISES"

This record sounds great on the radio. It's the perfect upper demos ballad. Phillip shows great potential with this new single. I was also very impressed with the new LP.





JAY MICHAELS WOWI/Virginia Beach, VA

KARYN WHITE "THE WAY YOU LOVE ME" A very sophisticated track. LA & Babyface are on a roll. A top ten record for sure. Hot phones.

MIDNIGHT STAR

"DON'T ROCK THE BOAT This Solar recording group is back with a hot new release. A good dance song that will surely move to the top of the charts. Out of the box phones.

THE MAC BAND "STUCK"

Another hot new release from the Mac Band. This single should receive as much attention as their first release "Roses Are Red." Lots of phones. This is certainly the follow-up hit!

LUTHER VANDROSS "ANY LOVE"

The wait was certainly worth it. Another Vandross classic is upon us. The phones were hot after the first spin. A number one smash that should spill over to the other formats as well.

SOUTHEAST



TONY WRIGHT WJIZ/Albany, GA

GEORGE BENSON "LET'S DO IT AGAIN" An excellent cover song. George's fans are showing a good response to this one. Adult demographics.

TEDDY PENDERGRASS "2 AM"

Should go in the same direction as the first single. The ladies love it. Adult demographics.

BOBBY BROWN "MY PREROGATIVE"

The phones are going crazy. This one is certainly a number one song. Bobby's got the talent to go all the way.

SHIRLEY MURDOCK "HUSBAND"

Shirley has a great song and the phones are ringing from the ladies. A great female vocalist with a sure hit. Should go to Top Ten.

JIM MURRAY WRXB/St. Petersburg, FL

LUTHER VANDROSS "ANY LOVE"

The new release from Luther is just as we all knew it would be. H-O-T...H-O-T...the phones are ringing like crazy. This one will ease its way to the top of the charts before you know it. Catchy lyrics in this dynamite ballad. Only Luther could do it this grand.

BOBBY BROWN "MY PREROGATIVE"

The kids are keeping the phones hot. This single has what it takes to zoom to the top of the charts. Crossover action to other charts as well. Teens and young adult demographics.

MIDNIGHT STAR

"DON'T ROCK THE BOAT" It's nice to have this exciting veteran group back. The single is hot right out of the box. We're sure the LP is even hotter.

ISAAC HAYES " "SHOWDOWN"

Another veteran artist to emerge with a hot new release. It's vintage Isaac with a touch of the eighties. This one should do well on the singles chart.



CHARLES MITCHELL WRBD/Ft. Lauderdale, FL

KARYN WHITE 'THE WAY YOU LOVE ME'' A hot new release from White. This one has the steam to go to Top Ten. With producers the likes of LA Reid and Babyface, anything can happen.

LUTHER VANDROSS "ANY LOVE"

Anytime is fine when it comes to Luther Vandross. The ladies are certainly in heaven with this hot new release. All the elements of a number one song. All demographics.

GUY

"ROUND AND ROUND" A strong track with super vocals!

BILLY OCEAN

"TEAR DOWN THESE WALLS" Since his first hit "Carribean Queen," Billy's been hot. Another chart-topper for the adult and young adult demographics.

REGIONAL RETAIL REPOR

The following report reflects the 7" Single Pick and the LP Pick from the retail stores listed from the cut off of reports on Thursdays. Complete information is on file at the offices of Black Radio Exclusive. For more details, please phone (213) 469-7262.

CAROLINAS

CURT'S RECORDS 2031 E.Market St. Greensboro, NC 27401 919-272-7689 Curtis Moore SP: GEORGE BENSON, LET'S DO IT... LP: IEFFREY OSBORNE, ONE LOVE, ONE..

HONEST JOHN'S RECORDS 509 King St. Charleston, SC 29403 803-722-9496 James Peterson SP: TAYLOR DAVIS, I'LL ALWAYS... LP: AL B. SURE!, IN EFFECT MODE

JAY JOE'S RECORDS 105 W.Main S1. Gastonia, NC 28052 704-864-0602 Katy Sonny SP: TAYLOR DAYNE, I'LL ALWAYS... LP: FREDDIE JACKSON, DON'T LET...

REZNICK'S PARADISE Thruway Shopping Center Winston-Salem, NC 27103 919-723-9735 Dennis Montgomer SP: BOBBY MCFERRIN, DON'T WORRY, LP: TRACY CHAPMAN, TRACY CHAPMAN

SHAZADA RECORDS (1) 121 E.Trade St. Charlotte, NC 28202 704-332-7077 Jack Gordon Nikki Ravenell SP: YVETTE/MONEY, I'M GONNA GET... LP: NAJEE, DAY BY DAY

SHAZADA RECORDS (2) 4500 N.Tryon St. Suite 37 Charlotte, NC 28213 704-596-8445 Tim Taylor SP: FAT BOYS, ARE YOU READY... LP: GUY, GUY

MID-ATLANTIC

BOSS UGLY BOB'S 726 E. McLemore Memphis, TN 38106 901-774-6400 Brandon Catron Brandon Catron SP: BOBBY BROWN, MY PREROGATIVE LP: SCHOOLY-D, SMOKE SOME KILL

CHURCHILL'S RECORDS 1800 N.30th St. Richmond, VA 23223 804-649-8437 Yolanda Roberts SP: BOBBY MCFERRIN, DON'T WORRY.

COLEMAN'S RECORD SHOP 1481 Florida St. Memphis, TN 38109 901-774-7799 Crystal Patterson Mark SP: CHAPTER 8, GIVE ME A CHANCE LP: TRUE LOVE, I'M BUSTIN'OUT

FRANKIE'S GOT IT 317 Grande St. Norvolk, VA 23510 804-625-3470 Rozetta Burn SP: LEVERT, ADDICTED TO YOU LP: DEREK B. BULLET FROM...

POPLAR TUNES 308 Poplar Ave. Memphis, TN 38103 901-525-6348 Jeania Lucchesi SP: PUBLIC ENEMY, DON'T BELIEVE.. LP: PUBLIC ENEMY, IT TAKES A...

PUNNIE'S INTL.MUS.CTR 6262 Sewell's Pt. Rd. Norvolk, VA 23513 804-855-4016 Delares SP: TAYLOR DAYNE, I'LL ALWAYS... LP: JEFFREY OSBORE, ONE LOVE, ONE..

RECORD THEATRE

7405 Liberty Rd. Baltimore, MD 21207 301-944-4525 SP: RFTW, MY GIRLY LP: BOBBY BROWN, DON'T BE CRUEL

THE WIZ 10150 Bacon Drive Beltsville, MD 20705 301-595-2400 Eugene Goodrich SP: VANESSA WILLIAMS, HE'S GOT THE... LP: FAT BURGER, LIVING IN...

YOUR RECORD SHOP 509 Old Town Mall Baltimore, MD 21202 301-276-3770

Angle Burston SP: DAZZ BAND, SINGLE GIRLS LP: DEON ESTUS, SPELL

SOUTHEAST

AFRICAN HEAD SHOP 3060 Gaston Ave. Montgomery, AL 36105 60 Gaston A 205-262-6280 Pat Manning SP: KEITH SWEAT, MAKE IT LAST LP: SHIRLEY MURDOCK, A WOMAN'S POINT

CAL'S RECORDS 5214 N. Pearl St. Jacksonville, FL 32208 904-354-7200 Michael Cohen SP: MAMADO & SHE, I DON'T KNOW WHY LP: WRECKS-N-EFFECT, WRECKS-N-EFFECT

HARRISON SMITH REC. 2472 M.L.K. Dr. Atlanta, GA 30311 404-696-9947 G.G. Cury SP: BOBBY BROWN, MY PREROGATIVE LP: BOBBY BROWN, DON'T BE CRUEL

MEMORIAL RECORD SERV. 3629 W.Cypress St Tampa, FL 33607 813-879-1304 nette Weiss SP: RFTW, MY GIRLY LP: KATHY MATHIS, A WOMAN'S TOUCH

MUSIC SHOP 620 Poplar St. Macon, GA 31201 912-745-6122 Fay Herndon SP: BOBBY BROWN, MY PREROGATIVE LP: KOOL & THE GANG, EVERYTHING IS.

PEACHES 1500 5 1500 Sunrise Blvd. Ft.Lauderdale, FL 33304 305-763-1845 Peter Anderson SP: BEAT CLUB, PIZZA LP: JOAN ARMTRADING, THE SHOUTING..

PEPPERMINT RECORDS 816 Oak St. Atlanta, GA 30310 404-752-9494 David Seider SP: BOBBY BROWN, MY PREROGATIVE LP: PUBLIC ENEMY, IT TAKES A...

PLATTER SHACK 3605 W.Columbia 51 Orlando, FL 32805 407-422-1797 **Della Wiggins** SP: KIARA, THE BEST OF ME LP: GAP BAND, STRAIGHT FROM... **PYRAMID RECORDS (1)** K-Mart Plaza Gordon Hwy Augusta CA 30902 AUGUSIA, GA 3 SP: DAZZ BAND, SINGLE GIRLS LP: SHIRLEY MURDOCK, A WOMAN'S POINT

PYRAMID RECORDS (2) 826 Broad St

Augusta, GA 30906 404-724-1508 Robert Flash Gordor SP: LEVERT, ADDICTED TO YOU LP: WILL TO POWER, WILL TO POWER

STEVEN'S MUSIC 5304 34th Stree

Tampa, FL 33610 813-231-0971 Inez Stevens SP: BOBBY BROWN, DON'T BE CRUEL LP: TYRONE DAVIS, FLASHING BACK

THIRD WORLD 486 Decatur Street East Point, GA 30312 404-688-0105 Brenda Davis SP: VANESSA WILLIAMS, THE RIGHT STUFF LP: JEFFREY OSBORNE, ONE LOVE, ONE...

WEST

CIRCLES steal Phoenix, AZ 85004 602-254-4765 Tom Anderson SP: PEBBLES, TAKE YOUR TIME LP: MC-SHY-D, COMMING CORRECT

EVAN'S HOUSE OF MUSIC 83 Leland Ave. San Francisco, CA 94134 415-239-8494 Barry Evans SP: BOBBY BROWN, MY PREROGATIVE LP: LTRIMM, GRAB IT

FORTUNE RECORDS

240 N.Market St. Inglewood, CA 90307 213-674-0232 Mr. Fortune Royce SP: GEORGE BENSON, LET'S DO IT... LP: IEFFREY OSBORNE, ONE LOVE, ONE

MALT SHOP 7401 E.Colfax Denver, CO 80220 303-320-0273 Keith SP: SADE, NOTHING CAN.. LP: CHAPTER 8, FOREVER

ON TARGET 1731 N.Euclid Ave, San Diego, CA 92105 619-264-9736 Lessie Williams Kim SP: NEW EDITION, NOT MY KIND.. LP: DAVID SANBORN, CLOSE UP

T'S WAUZI RECORDS 1759 Broadway Oakland, CA 94612 415-451-3477 Darryl MacFadden SP: JAMES BROWN, STATIC LP: CHAPTER B. FOREVER

MID-SOUTH

BOWIE'S RECORDS 8552 Scotland Ave. Baton Rouge, LA 70807 504-775-6786 Ledell Bowie SP: CHAPTER B, GIVE ME A CHANCE LP: BOBBY MCFERRIN, SIMPLY PLEASURES

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BROWN SUGAR

2334 Louisiana Ave. New Orleans, LA 70115 504-895-8087 Archie Irons SP: KEITH SWEAT, MAKE IT LAST.. LP: KEITH SWEAT, MAKE IT LAST..

CURLY ONE STOP

3328 S.Oakla Dallas, TX 75215 214-421-9075 Theresa Harris SP: GAP BAND, STRAIGHT FROM... LP: ANGELA WINBUSH, HELLO BELOVED

RECORD BAR #87

9223 Cortana Place Spa Baton Rouge, LA 70815 504-923-1923 Colette Nixon SP: SALT-N-PEPA, SHAKE YOUR THANG LP: BOBBY BROWN, DON'T BE CRUEL

SAM'S RECORDS

3420 Sunnyvale S Dallas, TX 75216 214-375-1376 O.C. Magee SP: BOBBY BROWN, MY PREROGATIVE LP: CHAPTER 8, GIVE ME A CHANCE

SOUND OUTLET

2166 Pkwy Missouri City, TX 77489 713-499-3484 Linda Walker SP: MIDNIGHT STAR, DON'T ROCK. LP: SCHOLLY-D, SMOKE SOME KILL

SOUND WAREHOUSE

4852 Chef Menteur Hwy New Orleans, LA 70126 504-945-5110 Chris Gardenhire SP: LISA LISA, GO FOR YOURS LP: BOBBY MCFERRIN, SIMPLY PLEASURES

SOUNDWAVES

9150 D South Main Houston, TX 77025 713-660-6181 Patti Antoia Terry Lea SP: RFTW, MY GIRLY LP: GARY TAYLOR, COMPASSION

SOUTH TEXAS WHOLESALE 724 Lexington Avenue San Antonio, TX 78212 512-224-0754 Allen Casey SP: FOUR TOPS, INDESTRUCTIBLE LP: CASHFLOW, BIG MONEY

WAREHOUSE 4029 Veterans Blvd Metairie, LA 70002 504-888-6130 Bill Berry SP: GARY TAYLOR, TEASE ME LP: MELBA MOORE, I'M IN LOVE

MIDWEST

BARNEY'S ONE STOP 3400 W. Ogden Chicago, IL 60623 312-521-6300 Delores Jackson SP: JESSE JOHNSON, EVERY SHADE OF.. LP: HOWARD HEWETT, FOREVER AND EVER

BOOGIE SHOP 5607 N. Chicago Av Chicago, IL 60651 312-379-4509 SP: 101 NORTH, SO EASY LP: 101 NORTH, 101 NORTH

DISCOUNT RECORDS 6166 Broadway Gary, IN 46402 219-883-8924 **Richard Hegwood** SP: VERTICAL HOLD, SUMMER TIME LP: CARL ANDERSON, ACT OF LOVE

STRAWBERRY'S

526 Commonwealth Ave Boston, MA 02215 617-262-4610 Tom Lawton SP: SAFIRE, BOY I HAVE BEEN LP: PATTI SMITH, DREAM OF LIFE STEDFORD'S 417 E. Ohio Street Pittsburgh, PA 15212 412-321-8333 Larry Jones Darryl Bearse SP: BOOTSY COLLINS, PARTY ON PLASTIC LP: KIARA, KIARA

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"MAMACITA" HITS PEPPERMINT RECORDS... Atlantic's Troop, of "Mamacita" fame, made an in-store promo visit to Atlanta's Peppermint Records. (L-r): Willie Easley, store mgr; Reggie Warren; Rodney Benford; Steven Russell;

HUDSON'S EMBASSY

3818 Page Blvd. St.Louis, MO 63113 314-533-3070 Keith Hudson SP: VANESSA WILLIAMS, HE'S GOT THE... LP: OHIO PLAYERS, BACK TRACK

JIMMY'S RECORDS 1613 W.87th St. Chicago, IL 60620 312-239-0328 Pearl SP: GEORGE BENSON, LET'S DO IT... LP: 101 NORTH, 101 NORTH

JJ'S HOUSE OF SOUNDS 5052 E:38th 5t. Indianapolis, IN 46218 317-546-0574 1.1. Jenkins SP: SHIRLEY MURDOCK, HUSBAND LP: KEITH SWEAT, MAKE IT LAST...

METRO MUSIC 1525 E.87th St. Chicago, IL 60619 312-978-3388 Gwen Sutton SP: GEORGE BENSON, LET'S DO IT... LP: JEFFREY OSBORNE, ONE LOVE, ONE...

MUSICLAND 515 N.6th St. St. Louis, MO 63101 314 436-0742 Doug Hibbs

RADIO DOCTORS 240 W.Welles St. Milwaukee, WI 53203 414-276-6422 Mark Schneider Cathy Stamm

SP: RFTW, MY GIRLY LP: JEFFREY OSBORNE, ONE LOVE, ONE... SOUNDTRACK RECORDS 5252 W. Division Chicago, IL 60651 312-287-4494

wen Livsey SP: GEORGE BENSON, LET'S DO IT... LP: OHIO PLAYERS, BACK

SPIN IT

1444 E. 57th Street Chicago, IL 60637 312-684-1505 Robert Butler SP: ANGELA WINBUSH, HELLO BELOVED LP: 101 NORTH, 101 NORTH

NORTHEAST

CAMBRIDGE ONE STOP 40 California Ave Framingham, MA 01701 617-879-7160 Brian Leman SP: ROB BASE, IT TAKES TWO LP: 101 NORTH, 101 NORTH

DISCOMAT (1) 716 Lexington Ave N.Y., NY 10022 212-759-3777 Jimmy Capobianco SP: RFTW, MY GIRLY LP: CASHFLOW, BIG MONEY

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DISCOMAT (2) 474 7th Ave. N.Y., NY 1001B 212-736-1150 lerry Polito SP: SAFFIRE, BOY I'VE BEEN... LP: COCKTAIL, SOUNDTRACK

DOWNSTAIRS RECORDS 35 W. 43rd St. N.Y., NY 10036 212-924-5791 Raiph Saler SP: GOOD QUESTION, GOTTA NEW LOVE LP: BY ALL MEANS, BY ALL MEANS

EASY ONE STOP 92 Sagamore St. N.Quincy, MA 02171 617-328-7900 SP: TRACIE SPENCER, HIDE & SEEK LP: PAULA ABDUL, FOREVER YOUR...

HARMONY RECORDS 1625 Union Ct. Rd. Bronx, NY 10462 212-792-4070 Nat israel SP: KOOL MOE DEE, NO RESPECT LP: RICK JAMES, WONDERFUL

HILL COLLECTABLES 323 Main St. Norwalk, CT 06851 203-847-7978 Geo. Hess Geo. Hess SP: WAS WAS NOT, SPY IN THE HOUSE LP: BOBBY MCFERRIN, SIMPLE PLEASURES

J&M ONE STOP

9401 Church Ave. Brooklyn, NY 11212 718-345-1964 Trudy Rafael, Store Mgr. SP: SIEDAH GARRETT, K.I.S.S.I.N.G. LP: PUBLIC ENEMY, IT TAKES A...

KING JAMES RECORDS 662 N.52nd SI. Philadeiphia, PA 19131 215-477-1531 Glorya Crook SP: MIDNIGHT STAR, DON'T ROCK... LP: KIARA, KIARA

MASS ONE STOP

410 Massachusetts Ave. Boston, MA 02118 617-266-1002 Al McMillan SP: BOBBY BOSEMAN, ANOTHER MAN'S... LP: TROOP, TROOP

MUSIC PLUS

225 Main St. White Plains, NY 10601 914-428-0600 Joann Randby Joann Randby SP: JEFFREY OSBORNE, SHE'S ON THE ... LP: GREGORY ABBOTT, I'LL PROVE IT ...

PAUL'S RECORD HUT 507 Main St. New Rochelle, NY 10801 914-636-0477 Paula Bazilla SP: BOBBY BROWN, MY PREROGATIVE LP: JEFFREY OSBORNE, ONE LOVE, ONE...

S&J ONE STOP 933 Morris Park Ave. Bronx, NY 10462 212-792-6031 **Richie Figueroa** SP: NEW EDITION, YOUR NOT MY... LP: SUMMER OLYMPIC, SUMMER OLYMPIC

SKIPPY WHITE'S 555 Mass Ave Cambridge, MA 02139 617-491-3345 Skippy White SP: CLAY HAMMOND, LICENSE TO STEEL LP: BUSY-BEE, RUNNIN' THANGS THE WIZ 2969 3rd Avenue Bronx, NY 10455 212-585-4800 Clarence Robertson SP: BOBBY BROWN, MY PREROGATIVE LP: FREDDIE JACKSON, DON'T LET...

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VOGEL'S RECORD CENTER

125 Broad Street Elizabeth, NJ 07201 201-354-4818 Sam Vogel SP: NEW EDITION, YOUR NOT MY... LP: CHAPTER 8, FOREVER

WEBB'S DEPT STORE

2152 Ridge Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19121 215-765-9187 Bruce Webb SP: MIDNIGHT STAR, DON'T ROCK... LP: CHAPTER 8, FOREVER

OHIO VALLEY

ABBEY ROAD 408 N, Summit St. Toledo, OH 43604 419-255-0960 Fred Shaheen SP: NEW EDITION, YOU'RE NOT MY... LP: BOBBY MCFERRIN, SIMPLE PLEASURES

ANGOTT ONE STOP 2616 Puritan Ave. Detroit, MI 48238 313-341-7053 Mark Pique SP: MIDNIGHT STAR, DON'T ROCK...

B&D RECORD SHOP 2236 Germantown : Dayton, OH 45408 513-268-3961 John Vinzent SP: CHAPTER 8, GIVE ME A CHANCE LP: CLUB NOUVEAU, LISTEN TO THE...



New FCC FM Rule Proposals— Good or Bad?

Recent Federal Communications Commission proposals concerning the FM directional antenna are being opposed by the National Association of Broadcasters and several other broadcast organizations.

The FCC proposals involve a "contour-based" system dependent on the use of directional antennas as opposed to the current system where frequency allocations are assigned based on the distance between stations.

This distance and power are dependent upon the class of license: Class A, 100 to 2000 watts; Class B1, 3100 to 25,000 watts; Class B, 25,000 to 50,000 watts; Class C2, 31,000 to 50,000 watts; Class C1, 51,000 to 100,000 watts; Class C, 100,000 watts.

It should be noted here that the New Jersey Class A FM broadcasters persuaded the FCC to propose a Class A power hike to 6000 watts. In addition, there's another FCC proposal to create a Class C3 allowing a power limit of 25,000 watts with an antenna height of 328 feet. Class C3, if approved, will only be permitted in lesser populated areas.

The six rule changes being opposed by the NAB and other broadcast organizations are:

1) General use of short spaced antenna sites for new commercial FM stations using directional antennas.

This would allow more FM licenses to be issued. The separation would be controlled by the use of directional antennas. With this proposed move, more stations could be allocated within a smaller area. The net effect would make more broadcast properties available to minorities, but the negative side is that the new and existing properties would be of a much lesser value if technical standards are sacrificed. Also, some say that in certain markets the advertising dollar would be watered down with the prevalence of more stations.

2) Prohibited contour overlap scheme of analysis in lieu of existing geographic mileage separation requirements.

3) Specification of a uniform protected contour of 1 mVV/m for all classes, including B and B1.

4) Permit use of FM directional antennas.

5) Permit licensees to accept interference to their operation.

For example, station A is in New York City, station B is in Philadelphia. Their two signals interfere with each other in Central New Jersey. If both stations agree, the listener in central Jersey loses out on listening to either station. This is rather basic, but you get the point.

6) Finally, various rule changes would have to accompany the use of FM directional antennas.

A letter was sent to FCC Chairman Dennis R. Patrick this past August and signed by the presidents of six associations representing AM, FM and TV broadcasters, including Eddie Fritts, President of the NAB. The letter expressed the concerns of these organizations as to the changes being proposed by the FCC. More specifically, they feel that the FCC's operating assumption that the proposed changes will work—with the improved receiver technology—is a bit premature.

But the final paragraph of this letter says it all: "We write this letter in the hopes that it will lead to a constructive dialogue regarding the overall goals and consequences of the Commission's allocation and interference protection policies. We recognize the public benefits that derive from orderly and technically responsible introduction of new services and the commission's wellintended efforts to accommodate them. However, we are deeply concerned that if the Commission does not carefully evaluate and act upon the total interference consequences of such issues, our ability to serve the public will be substantially diminished."



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CLEVELAND ONE STOP 3622 Prospect Ave. Cleveland, OH 44115 216-881-4393 Chuck Young SP: MIDNIGHT STAR, DON'T ROCK... LP: ROB BASE, IT TAKES TWO

DETROIT AUDIO SYSTEMS 13110 WARchichola Detroit, M1 48235 313-862-8227 Andrea Bichardson SP: MILLIE SCOTT, A LOVE OF... LI: KURA, KURA FILMORE RECORDS 4061 Lee Road Cleveland, OH 44128 216-751-06600 Beverly Taylor SP: CHAPTER 8, GIVE ME A CHANCE LP- GIV, GIV

LEN'S ONE STOP 3415 Chrysler Dr. Detroit, MI 48201 313-833-5299 Ed Leonard SP: BIZ MARKIE, VAPORS LP: BIG DADDY KANE, LONG LIVE THE... OLD TOWN RECORDS 9428 [oseph Campau Hamtramck, MI 48212 313-874-3338 Nancy Maty SP: BOBBY BROWN, MY PREROCATIVE LP: CHAPTE 6, FOREVER

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WHATEVER HAPPENED TO ...? By Spider Harrison

THE CRYSTALS: Former Phil Spector Group Still Shining



The Crystals

In the early '60s, girl groups were all the rage. Ladies with delicate names like The Shirelles, The Chiffons, The Ronettes and of course, The Crystals, sold millions of records in the U.S. and abroad.

The Crystals consisted of five school girls from Brooklyn, New York. Today, Dee Dee Kennibrew is the only remaining original member and she owns legal rights to the group name.

Former members Delores "La La" Brooks (who now lives in New Jersey and is married to drummer/percussionist Idris Muhammad), Mary Thomas, Barbara Alston and Pat Wright all left because they were not satisfied with the monetary arrangements. Thomas and Alston did return briefly in the late '60s ("for about three years," according to Kennibrew), and prior to a world-wide tour, Wright was replaced by a singer named Frances Collins.

Today's line-up consists of Kennibrew, Darlene Davis (of Hollis, Queens and a member for 10 years) and Wrechia Ford (from New Jersey and a member for six years). Kennibrew was a student at Wingate High School in Brooklyn when her mother met the late Benny Wells, who became The Crystals' first manager. (Wells was also the uncle of Barbara Alston.) Hoping to form a group around his young niece, Wells—in a conversation with Kennibrew's mother—learned of Dee Dee's musical ambitions and the group was assembled by the two adults.

Their first big hit was "There's No Other." Written by Leroy Bates, an associate of Wells', the ballad was on Billboard's R&B chart for 10 weeks and had gone to #5 by December '61. Alston was the lead singer on that tune and the group's name was inspired by the name of Bates' daughter: Crystal.

Just prior to the recording of that hit, the group was rehearsing at a piano in a Manhattan studio when they were heard by a young west coast writer/ producer by the name of Phil Spector.

"We knew who he was because he had just written 'Spanish Harlem' for Ben. E King," Kennibrew told me in our interview. "He was impressed with our sound and we signed with his independent label, Phillies Records." That particular label was formed by Spector and Lester Seals, who today is administrator of Jobete Music for Berry Gordy, Jr.

"At first we were talking with United Artists," Kennibrew recalled, "but the deal was never completed."

The #1 hit that first earned the group its international stature was the 1962 smash "He's A Rebel." In 1963, the group had three major hits in a row: "He's Sure the Boy I Love," "Da Doo Run Run" and "Then He Kissed Me." By the end of '63 there was a huge demand for concert appearances by The Crystals.

"We were told: 'Artists don't make money from records, they make money from appearances.' So we bought a station wagon to travel and work," said Kennibrew. She added that in 1967, the group severed its relationship with Spector and Philles Records in a court settlement: "We wanted *out* of all agreements, and we received \$5,000 in that settlement." "What are your professional feelings about Phil Spector?" I asked her.

"He built himself up," said Kennibrew, "and never gave the artist any credit."

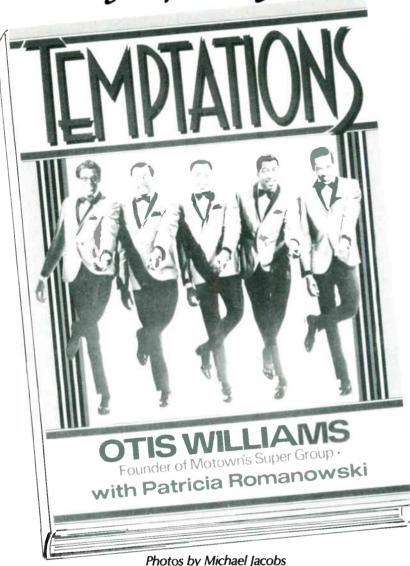
Undaunted, Dee Dee Kennibrew is carrying on The Crystals tradition, and she confided that a re-union with all the original members is something she'd enjoy. The performer remains positive in her outlook regarding the group, saying, "I've never had a full-time job since 1961. For 27 years The Crystals have been working."

The group performs primarily at fairs and conventions for major corporations such as Ford Motor Company and Campbell Foods. Two weeks ago, The Crystals were in Long Beach, CA at a Tupperware Corporation convention on a bill that also included Peter Noone, formerly of Herman's Hermits.

The Crystals have plans to record again and with their credentials, they should have little trouble cashing in on the hot, 12-inch dance market. Keep the tradition going, Dee Dee, and thanks for the interview from all of us in black radio!

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Autographing the Memories





The Tempts and The Supreme: Ron Tyson, Mary Wilson, Dennis Edwards, Otis and Richard Street



Otis and longtime friend and musical conductor Cornelius Grant share a laugh about old times.

The Universal Amphitheatre's Stage Right Bar was the scene. The lively turquoise, yellow and red blow-ups of the book cover added sparkle. It was the official debut of Otis Williams' longawaited book about the group that the USA Today poll called "the greatest Motown act of all time—THE TEMPTATIONS."

The orchestra for the night's performance had been rehearsing just off to the left and they were moved away as the invited guests started to arrive—the planners, the old friends, other talented performers, a contingent from K-EARTH including Mr. Rock and Roll, Brian Byrne and always, the fans.

Those in charge of the event moved around to make sure all things were in order, among them Nancy Akers, director of advertising and promotion for MCA Concerts, who had the bright idea of tieing the Universal Amphitheatre playdate in with the book-signing and Marilyn Ducksworth, the big gun from the publisher, G. P. Putnam who is truly excited about the book.

The Tempts themselves had just finished the sound check for the twoday performance and were changing for the autograph party. The video monitor played scenes from the past and some of the past filed in to join in the celebration.

William "Mickey" Stevenson, who was Motown's A&R chief and their first producer; Bill Upchurch, the bass man who was a member of the legendary Funk Brothers—the house band who MADE all those early Motown hits on everyone; Cornelius Grant, who as musical conductor, songwriter, arranger and guitarist had been part of the Tempts history-making efforts for 17 years; Mary Wilson, who along with the other Supremes made up the "sister" group to the Temptations; manager Shelly Berger, who's been there in good times and bad; and the O'Jays who share the bill with the group.

In the book, Otis talks of the people from the old days at Motown with startling frankness and obvious fondness. He talks of the terror of failure when first starting out and the help from many. He describes their first encounter with Mickey Stevenson: "Mickey wasn't the greatest pianist, but we sang 'Oh Mother of Mine'...and he picked out the chords well enough to accompany us. After we sang that, with Paul on lead, Mickey told us he liked our sound, especially the earthiness of Paul's voice. He called Berry down, we sang some more, and Berry was sufficiently impressed to offer us our first contract on the spot." Memories.

There are many tales of life on the road in the book. There is a behindthe-scenes look at Motown's supergroups in love: Richard and Diana, Melvin and Mary and Otis and Flo. The pain of the trouble caused by drugs, alcohol and egos is all there in the pages.

When Otis came to the gathering, the

By Ruth A. Robinson



Otis and Mickey Stevenson with newcomer Ripley Fairchild



ON THE MOVE

The group, along with manager Shelly Berger, point to the cause for celebration—the book.



Otis Williams welcomes Rudy Love to the party.

pride was evident on his face. I must say I was proud of him too. Pouring out bits of your life onto pages for everyone to see is difficult. When some of that life captures scenes from the darker sides of this business of music and this business of living—it's all the more difficult.

It is a sad note that time does take its toll. Those sweetest of all schoolboy harmonies first heard in the line-up shown on the book's jacket are gone forever. Those five were David Ruffin, Melvin Franklin, Paul Williams, Otis and Eddie Kendricks. Everyone always says Paul was the heart of the group and his death is still too painful for casual discussion. As for David and Eddie, they made their own decisions about their directions—that's there in the book.

Implicit in what Otis writes is the determination that the Tempts will go on—no matter who screws up, gets crazy or goes solo. The fact there still is a group named The Temptations and

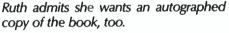
The group and Marilyn Ducksworth from the publisher, G.P. Putnam.

they are headlining at venues like Universal is a salute to Paul and all he believed in and to that determination of Otis and Melvin and the others who supported them.

And there is a chunk of history yet to be written. Sure, the Tempts have 16 number one singles, three platinum albums, seven gold albums and four Grammys, but don't count them down and out yet.

They are operating now with only four singers. Otis the spokesman; Richard Street—a wonderful singer who for a long time didn't seem to get his propers, but now seems as confident as he deserves to be; Ron Ryson, somewhat shyer than most except in front of the microphone; and the totally irrepressible Dennis Edwards, whose warped sense of humor and voice remain intact.

On stage, they proved some of the timelessness and the universality of the group's music. They have a segment during which they call up members of



the audience to singalong with "My Girl." And they come, young, old, white and black, some with soul, some with just enthusiasm. During the two-day stand here, each night they had several spectacular singers- the first night, that "Star Search" superwinner who opened Anita Baker's shows, Durrell Coleman, sang; both nights Arsenio Hall sang, and on the second night they all got a surprise as Rudy Love took the mike-Berry Gordy later told Rudy, "Hey man, you didn't give Arsenio much roomyou're a hard man to follow. Arsenio then asked Rudy if they "could get a band together and go on the road...ha, ha, ha.'

Books are funny. There for all time are the memories locked in print. For one day at the Amphitheatre, some of the history came to life again as everybody raised a glass to those gone and those who remain and all who were ever Tempted.

I read the book. Thanks, Otis.

By Carolyn Plummer Riley

KQCF

A NEW COMMUNITY FORCE

For some time there has been a need for a vehicle to voice the concerns of Austin's urban community. The answer is here now with the Texas capital's first cable FM station— KQCF, Stereo 102.7. The station's format offers a select mix of r&b, pop, jazz and gospel music programming.



Pat Spearman, GM.

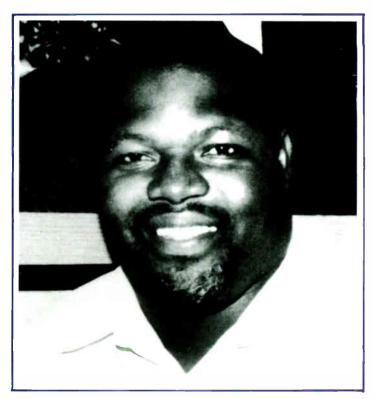
KQCF Cable FM has set out to fill the identified void by targeting the special needs and tastes of the urban community. The station expects to influence the advertising market with a product that is unique to the community.

Being basic and dependable is another factor with Q-Cable. The community-based station is providing the advertiser access to a select audience—introducing and promoting products and services to the urban community.

According to the station's president, Cedrick R. Foster, "We try harder to make advertising effective and mutually rewarding to our target group and the advertiser. In a competitive sense, no other radio station in Austin is so positioned. That's what makes Q-Cable 102.7 so unique."

Another factor contributing to the station's impact is that cable radio is predicted to have the same positive and bright future as is being projected for the cable industry—with the same growth potential in the '80s and '90s as FM radio had in the '60s and '70s.

"There are 52 cable radio stations in the country. COOL 99.7 FM located in Fort Wayne, IN—the first cable radio station in the country. Other cable radio stations are: WONE-FM, Gainesville, FL; WIZZ-FM, Harris-



Cedrick R. Foster, Pres.



Lee Tyson, Sales Manager and Account Exec.

burg, PA; KMBT-FM, Lincoln, NE; and WTLA-FM, Lexington, KY," added Foster.

Cable radio is broadcast on one of the many alpha-numeric information channels. The broadcast is transmitted from a studio within the cable facility itself, or an outside studio location connect-



Sandra Gilmette



Connie Moore, Jazz Show Host and Account Exec.

ed by telephone line to the cable transmitter, which is connected directly to the listeners' homes.

CAPITALIZING ON THE ADVANTAGES OF CABLE RADIO

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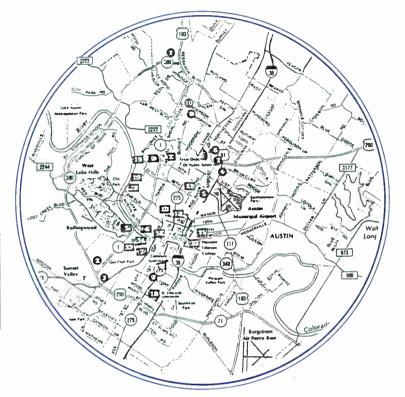


Wallace Harrington, Promotions Director, 2pm-4pm airshift

STATION SPOTLIGHT







Troy Foster, VP

Only cable radio can take full advantage of the new digital sound.

Because it costs so much less to broadcast by cable, large audiences will not be needed to support programming. It is therefore anticipated that a wider variety of programs, often catering to a diverse array of tastes, will be offered. Already a number of radio stations are broadcasting entirely for cable—some with unconventional formats.



Darrell D, Weekend DJ, 6am-12noon; Saturday & Sunday, 5pm-Sign Off

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Charlotte Anderson, Gospel Director

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STAR TALK as reported by BRE Special Correspondent David Nathan

KOOL & THE GANG: A "STRONG" RESURGENCE



ith the departure of James "J.T." Taylor, Kool & The Gang have taken the opportunity to regroup, with the addition of three new members: Gary Brown, Skip Martin and Odeen Mays, all vocalists and musicians. Entering their third decade with a Greatest Hits & More collection of re-mixes and re-recordings of some of their early classics, members of this musical institution reflect on the next ten years.

•J.T.'s departure

"We knew that J.T. was leaving because we'd already talked about him doing a solo album within the group—so it wasn't a total surprise. But he went through a period of problems with his voice and it took him a while to recuperate. That gave us a chance to reevaluate what was happening and we decided, amicably, to split. He actually left the group in January and we did our last show with him in February in Africa. By that time, the new guys were in the group."

•The transition

"Originally, we were going to have just two new lead vocalists, but when we heard Odeen, we made it three. We were looking for musicianship, strong vocals and personality-people we could work with. We were aware that the public had begun to relate to us as 'J.T. and Kool & The Gang,' but that always happens when you have one lead singer out front. Of course, ten years before 'J.T.; we had reached a certain level. Now with three different vocalists, we can go into a number of different musical directions. We know that it's going to take a while for people to adjust but we're confident that they will."

Crossing over

"Yes, we're aware that people have said that we went too 'pop'. We feel that music should be accepted without color and it was never our intention to leave our urban base. With the kind of heavy crossover we got on some of our records, it looked like we were doing that—going all the way over to one side. But with the new single, 'Strong,' we feel we've answered that comment."

The next cycle

"Hopefully, we can maintain Kool & The Gang as an institution. We may not tour quite as much and we'll spend more time in the studio, including production on other acts. We can coach the next generation of 'Kool & The Gang'—as long as we still get our 'cut'! We may do some more jazz-oriented material as we did earlier in our career and we definitely intend to focus more on the humanitarian work we can do as entertainers."

INTRODUCING. as reported by BRE Special Correspondent David Nathan SWEET OBSESSION: PREPARED TO 'GET OVER'



urrently kicking up a storm for Epic Records is a new female vocal trio from Detroit. The group was 'discovered' by Melba Moore, who promptly brought them to Hush Productions and now Keena, Kimmala and Michelle Green, not yet out of their teens, are making a big

impression with their debut single, "Gonna Get Over You," a prelude to their first album on which they wrote several songs.....

Meeting Melba

"Basically, we sang as a hobby but a friend of our father's suggested we come to the Ohio Valley Music Awards. We didn't know Ms.

Moore was going to be there so we weren't expecting anything to happen but after she heard us perform on the show, she told us she wanted us to come to New York to sing for the executives at Hush Productions. We drove there from Detroit with our Dad and we sang three songs a capella for Ms. Moore and Mr. (Charles) Huggins: Natalie Cole's "No Plans For The Future," one of our own songs, "Take These Chains" and a song our parents wrote, "I Would Never Do You Wrong." After that, the company signed us."

•Recording

"Recording was a lot of fun. Our music is r&b/pop, sung with a lot of soul. We wrote three of the songs and our parents wrote three songs on the LP. Being the first time, it was hard work but the producers—Chad, Howard King, Morgan & Morgan and Darryl Duncan—made it easy for us."

•The group's musical influences

"We grew up listening to different kinds of music: our parents played a lot of jazz singers like Ella Fitzgerald. We listened to all the Motown artists, being from Detroit and we like artists such as Michael Jackson and Tina Turner. People have said that the group is like a cross between LaBelle and The Supremes and we're honored to just have anyone compare us to such great artists." **By Elaine Stepter**

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Luther Vandross

By now I know that everybody is wondering about the balladeer who brought us "Stop To Love," "Give Me the Reason," "So Amazing," and "Nothing Better Than Love." Well, the great news is that his new single is scheduled for release this week, according to Maurice Warfield, director of Black music promotion, west coast, EPA. The single and title cut from the new LP Any Love, will be shipping this week with the LP due for a 10/88 release. We hear that radio previews on some stations indicate another smoker for Mr. V! Luther produced his album along with his longtime friend and writing partner Marcus Miller. Also in collaboration with Luther on this project were Hubert Ives and David Gamsen (who cowrote two songs). It should be on your desk by the time you finish reading this paragraph. You know what to do...jump on it.

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The new Total Experience record label is getting it all together at the Total Experience recording studios. Currently in production is the newly-signed local self-contained band Custom Made, working on their debut album for the label. The band is producing itself—along with other producers whose names were not available at press time. These cats happen to be my homeboys and I wish them the best of success. Guvs. if you're reading this, give me a call. We're still friends, right? Also in production is another



FROM THE MIX TO THE STUDIO: Pictured in the Quad Teck recording studios working on some traks are yours truly, Elaine (left); Patrick Burnett, engineer (right); and Elijah Jones, producer. (Photo by Kassa)

newly signed act called Sparkle, now finishing up their debut single entitled "So Inspired," due for an early fall release. The trio of ladies consists of Tamara Thomas, Gaylle Brown, and Paula Brown. Don "Midas Touch" Taylor is managing these newcomers while Lonnie Simmons and Jimmy Hamilton are producing with Augie Johnson co-producing. Other T.E. studio activities include Yarbrough and Peoples and the group Touche'. Stay tuned for further developments and projects that are happening at T.E.

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The month of August has been a very busy one for my friends at Blank Productions in Stamford, CT. The record production here has increased dramatically since the success of Dark Side's "Gimme The Music," on Vinylmania records. Recent additions to the studio complex could be the reason. They have recently added a third sampler by Akai, a Yamaha digital drum pad system, and the purchase of the Prosonus, Emax and Sound Ideas sample library, This makes Blank Productions the largest music sound source in the tri-state area, with literally thousands of sounds available in digital format. Projects this month included Burrell, Ziggy Marley, Chaka Khan, PocketSongs, and Lower Level Records.

In a few issues back I announced the arrival of **Dave Parker** into the industry fold. His debut single, "Don't Go," is out of production and ready for the airwaves. David is not a new face in this business, but probably never got the notice he deserved because he was with a group. This Ohioan steps out on his own this time and he has the ammo.

The trak was recorded at the **Bob Mithoff** recording studios and was produced by **Bryant** "**Bam Bam**" **McClemore** (guitar player for Custom Made)— another producer on the rise— and was engineered by Mithoff. The single is being released nationally this week, and is on Little Angel Records. It's something fresh and different. Take a listen.

Finally, this week Mark Sylvia is collaborating with Rob Harris under the name Vicious Beat



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Dave Parker

Productions. Together they are presently working with **Howard Johnson, Theresa King,** and **Louil Silas Jr.** for MCA. Expect some hot releases in the very near future.

Mix Bits

Nashville: Airborne Records Inc. Board Chairman Frank Iones recently announced a distribution agreement for the label with CBS Records Canada Ltd. The label was funded through a successful public stock offering last November and eight acts with across-theboard appeal have already been signed-among them Bob Bailey and The Wright Brothers. "Project Girl," the first release from the label, was recorded by the newest of the serious male vocalists to emerge this summer, Bob Bailey. He's working to make some serious noise throughout the U.S. A selection from the LP to watch is "Every-Wins"—a body classic recording.

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REVIEWS

By Duff Marlowe

STEVIE WONDER-MY EYES DON'T CRY-MOTOWN-Stevie kicks out another one from the Characters LP, extended and re-edited with an eye for the dancefloor. As always the legendary talent does it all, writing, arranging and producing the up-tempo cut.

NEW KIDS ON THE BLOCK—PLEASE DON'T GO GIRL—COLUMBIA—The New Kids On The Block may not be quite so new any more, but that doesn't keep the kids from sounding fresh. This sweetly harmonized ballad is a sure winner for the females, boasting romantic lyrics amid the Maurice Starr production.

MAXTRACK ORCHESTRA-LOVE IS THE MESSAGE-PROFILE-Ray Gaskins produces this Gamble and Huff penned mid-paced jam. Focusing on the dance crowd, the song features percussive drum programming and sexy sax lines.

DRAMATICS-BORN TO BE WILD-STRIPED HORSE-The classic R&B vocal team returns with a strong-sounding groove that's seeing increasing add action on our reporting stations. Rock group Steppenwolf rocked this one in the film "Easy Rider" way back when, but the Dramatics slow the pace down a bit and make the cut funky for the dancers. Xtra hot!!!!

ELEANOR-BETTER SAFE THAN SORRY-COLUMBIA-Straight from her debut Jungle Wave LP, vocalist Eleanor drops this latest single release. Proving that she's more than just another dance floor queen, the talented singer lays down a quiet, yet dramatic ballad. She produced and penned the selection as well.

LAVINE HUDSON-CREATE IN ME-VIRGIN-Lavine's warm, expressive vocals bring to mind shades of Aretha as she soulfully throws down a smooth down-tempo winner. Stylistically the cut fits into the Contemporary Gospel category, but the ballad is primed for regular Black radio action, too.

RAJAC-GUILTY-SUTRA-Rajac is Ray Jackson, a newcomer that is getting attention for his excellent songwriting and hot production work. This cut is a funky mid-paced R&B groove that will sound as good on radio as it will on the dance floor. Killer bass work and a straight-ahead beat make it work!

GARRY SHIDER-BEAUTIFUL-MCA-Check this out! Bootsy, Mico-Wave and Shider wrote it, and George Clinton produced it, so before we could even spin this wax we knew it was happenin'! Oh-so-funky and irresistibly danceable the electro-pulse groove is a rocker.

TRAVIS FLUDD—HAVE NO DOUBTS—SELECT—Here's some all-out, full-force, hard-driving dance music from vocalist Fludd. Souled-out R&B style vocals mix with an up-tempo dance groove.

HANSON & DAVIS-CAN'T STOP-FRESH-More music for the Club scene. The duo produces and writes this mid-tempo jam that uses synth beats and drum programming to drive the point home. Mix and additional production by Marvelous Marly Marl.

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| WB | RHYME SYNDICATE, Coming Through | | | • | • | A | Various MC's With Ice T. |
| | GEORGE BENSON, Twice The Love | | | • | • | M | Brand New LP |
| | KARYN WHITE, Karyn White | | | • | • | M | LA Babyface Produce |
| MERCURY/PG | CA\$HFLOW, Big Money | | | • | • | A | CD Album Release |
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| COLD/CHILLIN' | MARLEY MARL, In Control Vol 1 | | | • | • | A | Self Produced |
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| MOTOWN | STEVIE WONDER, My Eyes Don't Cry | • | • | | | M | 4th Single |
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| ARISTA | THE FOUR TOPS, Indestructible | | | • | | A | Duet With A Franklin |
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| COLUMBIA | CHERYL PEPSII RILEY, Thanks For My Child | • | | | | M/S | New Vocalist |
| | ELEANOR, Better Safe Than | | • | | | M | New Single Release |
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- 29 Plays Steely Dan HOOPS McCANN MCA
- 25 19 Eye of the Beholder CHICK COREA GRP
- 26 22 Jacquet's Got It ILLINOIS JACQUET Atlantic
- 30 Neon Nights JIM HORN WB
- 35 For Ellington MODERN JAZZ QUARTET East-West/Atlantic
- 36 Universal Language BILLY JOE WALKER, JR MCA
- 30 20 5th Gear ROB MULLINS Nova
- 31 26 Eyes of the Veiled... CHUCK MANGIONE Columbia
- 32 32 Vicio SIMONE Columbia
- 33 27 Lay It On The Line SAM RINEY Spindletop
- 34 31 Every Step of the Way DAVID BENOIT GRP
- 35 40 A New Beginning JOHN BLAKE Grammavision
- 39 Hiding In Myself KENNY RANKIN Cypress/A&M
 - ** Groovin' MISSING LINKS MCA
 - ** It's About Time H. SWARTZ/URBAN EARTH Gaia
- 39 37 *I Came To Play* PAUL JACKSON, JR. Atlantic
- 40 38 Facets DOC SEVERINSEN Amherst

JAZZ NEWS

"BIRD" Soundtrack Features Parker Performances

NEW YORK: Columbia Records will release on September 6 the soundtrack to the film **BIRD**, the internationally acclaimed film biography of jazz legend Charlie Parker produced and directed by Clint Eastwood. Presented at the 1988 Cannes Film Festival, BIRD won two prestigious awards: Best Actor for Forest Whitaker as Charlie Parker, and Best Technical Achievement in a Motion Picture. The soundtrack LP features eleven original Parker performances, enhanced through state of the art technology, and further bolstered with rerecorded rhythm sections.

Parker died two years before even the simplest stereo recording came into general use. Even his studio recordings suffered from sound limitations; others taped on primitive equipment at clubs and private homes, were even less usable in their original condition.

As surely as Charlie Parker represented an artistic miracle, Lennie Niehaus and his engineers, headed by Bobby Fernandez, achieved a technological miracle. Using methods so complex that a fuller explanation will have to be left to the audio magazines, they retained every note of Bird's original solos, but by the use of selective EQing, a dynamic noise filter and other devises, took out all the unwanted frequencies, leaving only the sound of Bird.

"The musicians were in absolute awe of this opportunity. Monty Alexander, who was 10

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years old when Bird died, said: 'I never imagined I'd have a chance to play with him—it's like a dream!' The feeling in the studio throughout the sessions was nothing short of magical."

Contemporary musicians "accompanying" Charlie Parker on the "BIRD" soundtrack include pianists Monty Alexander, Walter Davis Jr., and Barry Harris; bassists Ray Brown, Ron Carter and Chuck Berghofer; drummer John Guerin; trumpeters Jon Faddis and Red Rodney (one of Parker's best friends and an advisor on the film), vibraphonist Charlie Shoemaker, and alto sax player Charles McPherson. Clint Eastwood served as the LP's executive producer. while Lennie Neihaus, the album's producer and music supervisor, coordinated the technical and musical marvels that went into the making of the BIRD soundtrack, as well as scoring and arranging new orchestral passages in several tracks.

A video for the song "Lester Leaps In" will be prepared and serviced to major video networks. The Warner Bros. film will premiere in New York and Los Angeles on September 30, and open in forty major markets two weeks later.

BIRD, the film and soundtrack is, as noted Jazz critic Leonard Feather says in his liner notes, "an eloquent tribute to one of the most pervasively influential musical geniuses of this century."



George Duke (c) and Mauri Lathower, Vice President of Progressive Music, Columbia Records, West Coast, join Milton Nascimento backstage at Milton's Los Angeles show at the Greek Theatre on August 14th.

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- 1 9 BOBBY BROWN, Don't Be Cruel, MCA
- 4 6 FREDDIE JACKSON, Don't Let Love Slip Away, Capitol
- 5 8 PUBLIC ENEMY, It Takes A Nation..., Def Jam/Columbia
- 4 2 13 E.P.M.D., Strictly Business, Fresh/Sleeping Bag
- 5 3 15 AL B. SURE!, In Effect Mode, Warner Bros.
- 6 6 9 NEW EDITION, Heart Break, MCA
- 7 7 32 KEITH SWEAT, Make It Last Forever, Vintertainment/Elek.
- 8 14 9 BIG DADDY KANE, Long Live The King, Cold Chillin'/WB
- 9 9 17 TEDDY PENDERGRASS, Joy, Elektra/Asylum
- 11 9 SHIRLEY MURDOCK, A Woman's Point of View, Elektra
- 11 12 8 TROOP, Troop, Atlantic
- 12 10 14 JOHNNY KEMP, Secrets of Flying, Columbia
- 13 8 9 LOOSE ENDS, The Real Chuckeeboo, Virgin/MCA
- 13 4 RICK JAMES, Wonderful, Reprise/WB
- 19 4 SALT-N-PEPA, A Salt With A Deadly Pepa, Next Plateau
- 16 15 33 TERENCE TRENT D'ARBY, Introducing the..., Columbia
- 17 16 13 SADE, Stronger Than Pride, Epic
- B 21 3 JEFFREY OSBORNE, One Love—One Dream, A&M
- 19 18 11 GUY, Guy, Uptown/MCA
- 23 2 ERIC B & RAKIM, Follow The Leader, Uni/MCA
- 21 17 14 RUN-D.M.C., Tougher Than Leather, Profile
- 24 16 D.J. JAZZY JEFF, He's The DJ..., Jive/RCA
- 29 33 MICHAEL JACKSON, Bad, Epic
- 24 20 8 TRACY CHAPMAN, Tracy Chapman, Elektra
- 25 31 16 TONY!TONI!TONE!, Who, Wing/PolyGram

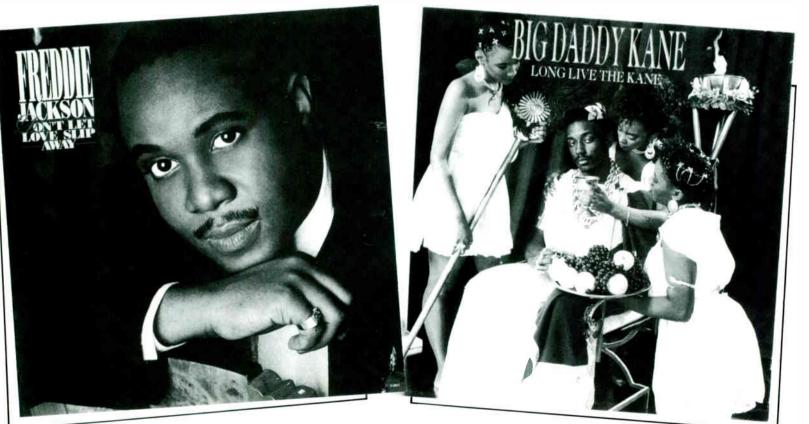
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| 28 | 25 | 33 | GEORGE MICHAEL, Faith, Columbia |
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| 30 | 30 | 10 | THE MAC BAND f/The McCampbell Bros., MCA |
| 31 | 33 | 7 | DAVID SANBORN, Close Up, Reprise/WB |
| 32 | 42 | 2 | KOOL & THE GANG, Everything's Kool, Mercury/PG |
| 33 | 26 | 11 | JAMES BROWN, I'm Real, Scotti Bros./EPA |
| 34 | 27 | 6 | SIEDAH GARRETT, Siedah Garrett, Qwest/WB |
| 35 | 48 | 2 | CHAPTER 8, Forever, Capitol |
| 36 | 47 | 2 | THE GAP BAND, Straight From The Heart, Total Experience |
| 37 | 39 | 18 | HOWARD HEWETT, Forever And Ever, Elektra |
| 38 | 34 | 11 | VANESSA WILLIAMS, The Right Stuff, Wing/PolyGram |
| 39 | 35 | 7 | J.J. FAD, Supersonic—The Album, Ruthless/Atlantic |
| 40 | 38 | 7 | R.J.'S LATEST ARRIVAL, Truly Yours, EMI-Manhattan |
| 41 | 41 | 33 | WHITNEY HOUSTON, Whitney, Arista |
| 42 | 37 | 6 | GREGORY HINES, Gregory Hines, Epic |
| 43 | 36 | 5 | TRUE LOVE, I'm Bustin' Out, Critique/Atlantic |
| 44 | ** | | MARK ANTHONY, Jumpin' Off, Tabu/EPA |
| 45 | ** | | SUE ANN, Sue Ann, MCA |
| 46 | ** | | KIARA, Kiara, Arista |
| 47 | ** | | LAVINE HUDSON, Intervention, Virgin |
| 48 | 40 | 5 | CA\$HFLOW, Big Money, Atlanta Artists/PG |

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- 49 49 10 MELBA MOORE, I'm In Love, Capitol
- 50 50 14 EVELYN KING, Flirt, EMI-Manhattan





Paula Abdul

PAULA ABDUL has just completed a video for the second single from her LP (single: "The Way That You Love Me"), and on it she goes the nimble-footed, tap-dancing route. (Hmmm...somebody should introduce this girl to **GREGORY HINES**.)

Along with having recently done original choreography for everyone from **GEORGE MICHAEL** to **THE POINTER SISTERS**, Abdul is working currently with Hines' buddy, **LUTHER VAN-DROSS**, in preparation for the singer's upcoming solo tour. If she can teach Luther how to tap dance, that alone will be worth the price of a concert ticket!

On Labor Day, Mayport Naval Base honored **THE COMMODORES** by naming its park after the soul-singing group. The Commodoes have been a favorite of the naval officers and enlisted men ever since they performed at a "welcome home" concert for the U.S.S. Stark after it was bombed in the Persian Gulf last year.

MICHAEL JACKSON is planning to perform his last European concert ever at the Liverpool Aintree Racecourse before a crowd of 125,000 fans on Sept. 11. It's his way of paying respect to Liverpool, the birthplace of what Jackson calls "rock's four greatest songwriters"— THE BEATLES.

AHRGUS JUILLIARD, co-author of MARY WILSON's "Dreamgirl: My Life As A Supreme," is suing the singer for \$300,000 in back royalties. Juilliard is also charging that she should share in any profits from film or TV treatments of the book. (Back in the late '70s Juilliard worked for a Beverly Hills publicity firm that handled "blaxploitation queen" PAM GRIER—and if anyone has a life story worth telling, it's Ms. Grier. Are you listening, Ahrgus?)

Drummer MAX ROACH and saxophonist DEXTER GORDON are just two

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of the jazz world's giants planning to attend the Oct. 9th premiere of "Bird," the **CLINT EASTWOOD** movie about the late **CHARLIE PARKER**. The premiere will take place in Overland Park, Kansas; Parker was a Kansas native.

ELLIOT ROBERTS, manager of TRACY CHAPMAN, has been saying that one of the reasons behind the folk singer's mega-success is the current political climate in this country. "The election year has a lot to do with it," he told a reporter. "The possible change of government. There's been eight years of apathy (but) I think that young people are much more tuned in now."

A cappella group **THE NYLONS** perform a new version of the golden oldie "Poison Ivy" on the Original Motion Picture Soundtrack of "Stealing Home." Also on the record are classic rock tracks by **THE SHIRELLES** and **BO DIDDLEY.** (Does "Whatever Happened to...?" columnist **SPIDER HARRISON** know about this?)

Checkin' In With Don Covey is the name of the compilation LP that Poly-Gram is releasing on Aug. 15th. It contains previously out-of-print material from the '70s. Among the soul classics that Covey has written are **ARETHA FRANKLIN**'s "Seasaw" and "Chain of Fools."

Ms. Aretha, by the way, is said to be thinking of exiting Arista Records because the label refuses to pay her the seven-figure minimum per LP that she feels she's due. Considering that she doesn't perform very often these days to *promote* her LPs, that figure may indeed be a bit high.



Mark Anthony

Be sure to check out "1919 Main St.," the new single by Tabu/EPA artist **MARK ANTHONY**. Key urban stations are already reporting on this single, which has a great born-for-B.E.T. video to go along with it.

BLACK RADIO EXCLUSIVE

PROPHET

ARIES (March 20-April 19)

Your financial condition should be on the rise. Pay attention to a partner.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

This week should go from laid back to "What's happening now?" A little juice, but just enough to get you moving.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

Optimism is your middle name—that is, until the end of the week when you spot some deception. Upset is okay.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

You may not be feeling as loveable as usual this week. Family matters cause conflict. Libra figures prominently.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Chill on the weekend, but expect to be back in the high life for the remainder of the week. Do you feel good? I knew that you would.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

This week should be anything but boring. Listen to your intuition in financial matters.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Money may not fall from the sky this week, but the real deal about some just might. Go easy with a personality conflict at work.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

This is a time when things begin to move for you, but nothing concrete develops now. Relax.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

You'll be noticed (and maybe rewarded) for effort expended. And maybe a little edgy, too. Nothing serious.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 20)

Good time to socialize, just avoid any expended trips out of town. With that one proviso out of the way—go for it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 18)

Some project that's been on the back burner gets the heat turned up. Leo and Aries figure in there.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 19)

What a weekend for romance! A little cloud (worth considering) crosses your mind come Monday, but who cares now.

BIRTHDAYS

| Ophelia Mosley | 9/4 |
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| Vantile E. Whitfield | 9/8 |
| Hewitt Robinson, KJAY | 9/10 |
| Lola Falana | 9/11 |
| LeQuint 'Duke' Jobe | 9/11 |
| Brian Dee Robinson | 9/11 |
| Michele Rene | 9/11 |
| Barry White | 9/12 |
| Jaki Graham | 9/15 |
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