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JOHN MELLENCAMP: Spinning His Wheels

ON HIS TWELFTH ALBUM, SINGER/SONGWRITER John Mellencamp stakes his claim as one of the premier rock 'n' roll storytellers of his generation. On Human Wheels (Mercury), his most accomplished album to date, Mellencamp, with sometimes shocking accuracy, chronicles the struggles and hardships felt by everyday people. Romance ("Sweet Evening Breeze"), lost opportunities ("Junior"), strength of human spirit ("Human Wheels") and our justice system ("Case 795 [The Family]") are just some of the weighty subjects addressed, with startling clarity, on the album.

In addition to the new album, Mellencamp has been heavily involved in efforts to raise money for victims of the devastating floods that have racked much of the Midwest this summer. A native of Indiana, one of the states affected by the disaster, John has helped generate over \$450,000 for those that have lost property. Concerts in Chicago and Indianapolis featuring, among others, Mellencamp and Blind Melon, quickly sold out, as did a date in St. Louis that had to be cancelled due to local flooding.

Anticipation is high for an imminent U.S. tour from Mellencamp, a tour that, based both on the quality of Human Wheels and John's longtime reputation for remarkable concerts, should not be missed.

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PATERNO LEAVES HOLLYWOOD: The Walt Disney Company has announced that Peter Paterno plans to leave his position as president of Hollywood Records when his contract expires in November.

In making the announcement, **Michael Eisner**, Disney chairman/CEO said, "While it is customary to say nice things at a time like this, Frank Wells and I want to declare our genuinely deep appreciation to Peter for the excellent job he has done in starting up our record label."

Paterno has not announced his plans for after his HR leavetaking. No replacement has been named for him. In the interim, Wes Hein, exec v.p., will be the executive in charge of Hollywood Records.

Paterno launched Hollywood Records in January, 1990. Prior to joining Disney, he represented many prominent record industry clients, including **Guns N' Roses** and **Metallica**, **Delicious Vinyl** and **Enigma Records** and producer **Rick Rubin**, during his almost 12-year career at the West L.A. law firm of **Manatt**, **Phelps**, **Rothenberg** and **Phillips**.

PRIORITY RECORDS GETS FUNKY: Priority Records will release four P-Funk albums in October under a licensing agreement with Tercer Mundo, Inc. Parliament-Funkadelic albums One Nation Under A Groove, Uncle Jam Wants You, Hardcore Jollies and Electric Spanking Of War Babies, all formerly released on Warner Bros. Records, earned platinum except for Electric Spanking.... That album was pulled after a 90,000-copy shipping. All the titles have been out of print for 13 years.

Priority will now distribute, merchandise, take over publishing rights and field sample requests. Planned are remixes of the tracks "One Nation Under Groove," "Knee Deep" and two others that will be used to help market and promote the releases which will be shipped under Priority and Funkenelecky Records logo. Funkenelecky is a label formed by Nenes Montes, who helms Ter Mundo. That company handled many of the business dealings for the P-Funk family.

TAYLOR BENEFITS FOR KIDS: James Taylor, whose James Taylor Live collection has just been released, will perform at two benefit concerts for the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC) on Thursday, September 16 and Friday the 17th, with a special reception following the Friday show. The concerts will be held at Concord Pavilion in San Francisco with proceeds to benefit NRDC's Children's Environmental Health Initiative, which strives to protect children against hazards such as lead, pesticides and air pollution.

The Friday night benefit party will be hosted by NRDC's San Francisco Council and co-chaired by **Toni Breck** and **Paul Danielsen**. Guests will be served cocktails and buffet will be served prior to the show and end the evening with champagne and dessert with Taylor. **Kirby Walker, Bob and Randi Fisher, Richard & Susan Swig Watkins, Lauren Klein, Bea Bowles** and **Nion McEvoy** are among the committee members planning this special event.

Tickets for the concerts are available through BASS at 510/762-BASS. Benefit tickets can be purchased through the NRDC Ticket Hotline at 415/777-4974.

DRIVE, THEY SAID: Record biz veterans **Don Grierson** and **Stephen Powers** have joined forces to form **Drive Entertainment**, **Inc.** a recording and publishing company based in Los Angeles. Grierson, who is president of the label, most recently was a vice president of A&R at Epic, while Powers, who is CEO, was president of Chameleon Records. Publishing maven **Arthur Braun**, fresh from helming TKO Publishing, is executive vice president/general manager of Drive's music publishing division.

A distribution deal is in the works. Drive is located at 10351 Santa Monica Blvd., Suite #404, L.A., CA 90025. The phone number is (310) 553-3490; fax is (310) 553-3373.



■ EastWest Records has promoted Kevin Carroll to senior vice president of

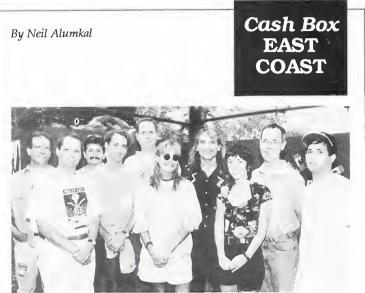


promotion. He was formerly vice president of that department and will continue to work out of New York. Sondheim has been elevated to the position of senior vice president of sales and marketing for PolyGram Video. Previously, he was vice president of the department. Mos Sony Music has appointed Robert Wipper to the newly created position of vice president, manufacturing purchasing. Since 1991, he has been the director of central purchasing for Sony's manufacturing operations. EMI Records has made several staff changes. Paul Brinberg has been named director of strategic planning. He has been manager of special projects in the royalties department since 1991. Also, Jon Cohen has been upped to director, new music promotion/marketing. Earlier this year, he became Northeast promotion and marketing manager. Kristine Ferraro has been promoted to national publicity manager, alternative/new music. She was national publicity coordinator. Michelle Gutenstein has also been tapped as national publicity manager. She comes from Warner Bros. Records where she was a publicist. **I Frankie LaRocka** has been promoted to director, A&R at Epic Records. He was associate director. Larry Willoughby has been appointed to the position of director of A&R for MCA Records/Nashville. Larry was most recently Nashville director of membership relations for ASCAP. Priority Records has named Murray Elias director of reggae A&R. He previously worked at Profile Records as A&R director. **Columbia** Records has appointed Jeff Burroughs product manager, Black music marketing. He comes to the company after serving as manager of Flexx Management, a producers management firm. Michael Motta has been upped to the post of local promotion manager, San Francisco for Capitol Records. Previously, he was involved in the label's management trainee program. Z Steve Taylor has been elevated to the position of branch manager at the Washington, D.C. office of BMG Distribution. He was a sales manager at

the branch. ■ MTV has announced a couple of appointments. **Peter Danielsen** has been named vice president, affiliate marketing. Most recently, he had a retail store, selling products that are environmentally sound. **Eve Szurley** has been appointed vice president, television development for MTV Productions, West Coast. She was vice president, creative development at Fox Broadcasting.



INDUSTRY BUZZ



Elektra Entertainment recording artist Jimmie Dale Gilmore recently performed a free concert at NYC's Central Park Summerstage, singing songs from his latest release, *Spinning Around The Sun*. Pictured at a pre-show brunch are (I-r): Danny Kahn and David Bither, Elektra; Gilmore's manager Mike Crowley; Jon Leshay, Jeff Jones and Suzanne Berg, Elektra; Gilmore; Bonnie Burkert, Jim Henke and Jonathan Rifkind, Elektra.

THE LEARNING ANNEX, a New York school for continuing education, featured '80s pop star **Billy Squier** as guest, subject, and performer of a class at The Roosevelt Hotel last week. Together with rock journalist **Danny Fields**, Squier fielded personal and professional questions about his history before giving a surprise performance of "I Have Watched You Fly," written in memory of **Freddie Mercury**, and a cover of **Paul Simon**'s "The Boxer." Though Squier has released *Tell The Truth* (Capitol) this year, he has yet to equal his success of the early '80s. Squier also headlined a performance at New York's Hard Rock Cafe earlier in the year.

MACY'S AND NEW DAVIDOFF FRAGRANCE ZINO are running a cross promotion with James Brown. The "voice" of the new Zino Davidoff commercials, the Godfather of Soul, will be appearing on stage at New York City's Paramount Theatre September 21. Davidoff is making the \$57.50 purchase of the 4.2 oz. spray especially funky, by offering two tickets to the Paramount show as a bonus. The James Brown concert is produced by The Track Marketing Company, a Warner Music Group company. Brown's latest album, Universal James (Scotti Brothers), was aided by writing and producing efforts by Robert Clivilles and David Cole (of dance projects C & C Music Factory, Clivilles and Cole, and S.O.U.L. System) and Jazzie B of Soul II Soul as well as guest rappers Leaders of the New School and Trilogy on his single "Can't Get Any Harder." Brown also saw the release of two compilations this year, James Brown's Greatest Hits (PolyGram) and Soul Pride: The Instrumentals (1960-1969) (Polydor).

JANNA ALLEN, former songwriter and musician for Hall & Oates, died at 36 of leukemia last week. A memorial service was held in Millbrook, NY and a service is planned for her hometown, Los Angeles. Allen worked on Hall & Oates' 1980's smash hits "Kiss On My List," "Private Eyes," "Method of Modern Love" and "Did It In A Minute" scoring BMI awards including Pop Song of the Year and nominations for million-performance award. Allen also co-wrote "Written In Stone" for Daryl Hall's highly anticipated solo album, "Soul Alone" (Epic), due out September 10. This was one of her last songs. Allen also wrote for Peter Wolf, Cheap Trick, and others out of her own publishing company, Gnarly Dude, under Rondor Music.





Well, that great P.R. stunt, the "Death Of Def" funeral was finally held last week, much to the collective relief of an over-

hyped Hollywood. Highlights of the services included the appearance of noted mentalist Kreskin who, with the help of Tom Petty, Rosanna Arquette and a small group of attending "mourners, pulled off a couple sleight-of-mind tricks that had the gathering scratching its collective head; the band of ruffians that guarded the proceedings, armed with replica Uzis and AK-47s; dwarf rapper Bushwick Bill serving as a pallbearer; and, at the after-party, the appearance of what looked amazingly like celebrated friend-to-thestars Heidi Fleiss, though confirmation that the woman at the bowling alley party was actually the alledged madam has yet to be made. Seen here at the funeral are (I to r): Label A&R v.p. George Drakoulias; former Def Jam promo v.p. Bill Stephny; the Reverend Al Sharpton, who gave the eulogy at the service; Geto Boy Bushwick Bill; label pres Rick Rubin; and video director Ric Menello. The entire evening went off, for the most part, without a hitch, unless you'd call squeezing 2,500 people into a bowling alley designed to hold less than a thousand a hitch.

SEPTEMBER 8 IS THE date and the Club Lingerie is the place for a **Rock Against Rape** benefit starring **Johnette Napolitano** of Concrete Blonde, Exene Cervenka of X, band 7 Year Bitch and more. The event is being sponsored by ASCAP, BAM Magazine, C/Z Records and Adidas. Tickets will be available at the door on the night of the show. All proceeds will go to L.A.-based **First Strike Rape Prevention**, an organization dedicated to the empowerment and education of women through self-defense. Information on the organization and the different programs that it offers will be available at the event.

THE LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY FESTIVAL, an allday harmony and unity celebration, will be held at downtown's Shark Club October 3 and will feature as performers, among others, rock band **Bang Tango**, singer **Suzi Carr**, Motown artist **J. Spencer** and local club faves **Dox Haus Mob**. A silent auction at the club will have collectible items donated by Janet Jackson, Aerosmith, Clint Black, Cher, **Motley Crue, Bonnie Raitt, Pearl Jam** and more. Tickets, available at the door, are \$5, or \$4 with a donation of a non-perishable food item. More info at (213) 368-6146

More than 1,800 fans showed up at the corner of Vine and Yucca in Hollywood August 23 as hip-again Brit pop band Duran Duran was honored with its own star on the Hollywood Walk Of Fame. Speaking for the group, singer Simon LeBon said,



"We are deeply proud to be set down in the sidewalk... with people who've coloured our lives and who've inspired us." The band's star is located outside the Capitol Records Tower near the John Lennon plaque. Seen at the presentation (I to r) are: Band members Nick Rhodes and Warren Cuccurullo; Hollywood's honorary mayor, Johnny Grant; the band's Simon LeBon and John Taylor; and Hollywood Chamber Of Commerce pres emeritus Bill Welch. New Capitol president/CEO Gary Gersh can be seen behind Taylor, applauding LeBon's choice of afternoon wear.



TALENT REVIEW

Hollywood Bowl Orchestra w/ John Mauceri

By S. K. Durham

HOLLYWOOD BOWL, HOLLYWOOD, CA—Remember the good old days when you'd slide into a plush seat in the center of an cavernous movie theater decorated like a baroque birthday cake? Remember hugging an ice cold Coke and a large bucket of salty, buttered popcorn, and waiting impatiently for the lights to go out so the movie magic could electrify your senses? Remember?

Last Friday night the full house at the Hollywood Bowl came to remember, and have their senses electrified. *Great Scenes and Music From Classic Films* performed by the Hollywood Bowl Orchestra and conducted by John Mauceri, honored some of the finest film score composers of Hollywood's golden era and at the same time co-mingled our collective memories.

A massive movie screen stretched the length of the stage above the orchestra. On this screen flashed classic images from masterprint movie clips. Clips with the original voice track only—no sound effects, no soundtrack, no score. Mauceri and the orchestra added the movie score the old-fashioned way—live, in sync and seamless—equipped only with a simple timing device and a small monitor to follow the action.

A guy sitting behind us exclaimed with great conviction that John Mauceri was a "bitchin" " conductor. As the night progressed I had to agree. Mauceri, in a deep resonant voice, introduced each piece of music with reverence and humor, letting the audience in on interesting little secrets about the composers and their music. His conducting style was kinetic. He would move from graceful controlled direction to leaps in the air as high as a foot-and-a-half.

Movie music spotlighted included Eric Korngold's Adventures Of Robin Hood, Bernard Herrmann's Citizen Kane and North By Northwest, Miklos Rosza's Madame Bovary and Ben-Hur, and Max Steiner's Gone With The Wind.

One hopes Mauceri and orchestra will make the "Movie Music" concert an annual event. Don't miss them next time, "they're bitchin'."

TALENT REVIEW

JVC Jazz

By Brad Pressman

HOLLYWOOD BOWL, HOLLYWOOD, CA—Only one way to describe this evening at the famed Hollywood Bowl...PERFECT! For those of us who listen to and follow the movers and shakers in Contemporary Jazz, you just couldn't ask for a better concert. O.K., here's the line-up: 6:00 p.m. - the lovely keyboardist Keiko Matsui with special guests Greg Walker (formerly with Santana) and husband Kazu, a brilliant "shakuhachi" player. 7:30 p.m. - Fourplay featuring four of the best (and I really mean the best) Contemporary Jazz musicians of the modern scene...Lee Ritenour, Bob James, Harvey Mason and Nathan East! 9:00 p.m. - The soulful saxophonist from Buffalo, Grover Washington, Jr.

Not only was this a great line-up to begin with, but also a beautiful evening in the Hollywood Hills apart from the daily rut of L.A. Keiko Matsui played a variety of hits from her six albums (the first of which was recently re-released *A Drop Of Water*). Her newest release, *Cherry Blossom*, topped the charts earlier this year, and Matsui thanks the fans for letting her continue to do what she loves...play music. Dressed to impress, Matsui seemed very comfortable in front of such a big audience; and her guest vocalist Greg Walker reveled in the fact that he was there on stage as opposed to being in the audience where he sat as an L.A. youth.

Now things really got moving when the new "Fabulous Four," Fourplay, hit the stage for a jazz lover's delight, a mixture of hits from their two albums. The set featured exciting upbeat hits like "Bali Run" and the NAC radio hit "Max-O-Man" as well as a few tracks from their latest effort *Between The Sheets*. Nathan East provided the vocals for this mostly instrumental quartet which sounded like a full orchestra instead of four men on a huge stage. *Between The Sheets* is a great follow-up album to the debut; and fans were so taken by the band's first L.A. performance that they demanded one encore song after the set. The song was "After The Dance," a vocal track from album #1 that originally featured singer El DeBarge.

Grover time! As one radio announcer so eloquently said recently, "Saxophonists come and go...but Grover is here to stay" (or something to that effect). The point is, this guy has been delighting Contemporary Jazz lovers for so many years that one sometimes forget to pull out that CD of his that's been collecting dust. He's been recording since the '70s, following a brief tour in the Vietnam War where he was fortunately stationed away from combat areas. But 1980 was the year Grover Washington, Jr. became a (Jazz) household name with his Grammy-winning album *Winelight*, which of course featured the hit single "Just The Two Of Us." That song also won a Grammy and featured the talented vocalist Bill Withers.

During one song, Grover and the gang broke into a "samplefest" of hip hop sounds that the audience both recognized and appreciated. The most popular track they borrowed was Wrecx-N-Effect's "Rumpshaker" which got lots of people out of their seats. What a great idea...mix some groovin' hip-hop beats with some bust-out Jazz, and you've got an explosive sound that no one expected. After all, what's wrong with mixing two types of music? Some would argue they like crossover music as much as any one format, and the musicians really prefer not to be labeled anyhow. Grover's latest release, *No Exit*, is definitely hot and worth picking up but first find that *old* Grover album, dust it off, listen to it and then try to catch him live. This guy could very well be the king of a new format..."FUNK-JAZZ?!"

TALENT REVIEW Everly Brothers/Dion

By Fred L. Goodman

GREEK THEATRE, LOS ANGELES, CA—The Baby Boomers were out in force last Sunday at the Greek as two of rock 'n' roll's seminal acts took the stage for a rollicking evening of "oldies but greaties." The Everly Brothers and Dion, all members of the Rock 'N' Roll Hall of Fame, performed



The Everlys: Phil (I) and Don

(his biggest and most enduring hit) served as the finale.

While Dion was busting the charts with those urban-tinged paeans of teenage angst during the late '50s and early '60s, the Everly Brothers were the more rural side of the coin. Their Kentucky/Nashville roots, evident in their more countrified take on young love, were very apparent this night, even to the point of adding pedal steel guitar to the mix. The tighter-than-tight sibling harmonies were still there on such hits as "Bye Bye Love," "Wake Up Little Susie," "All I Have To Do Is Dream," "When Will I Be Loved" and "Till I Kissed You."

It is with such songs as "Cathy's Clown" and "Crying In The Rain" that one hears the Everlys' influence on all that followed, especially the Beatles. They finished with a sublimely sensitive "Let It Be Me," arguably one of the most beautiful love songs of the rock era.

Dion and the Everly Brothers prove that rock 'n' roll, '50s style or otherwise, will never, ever die.

their evergreens to an appreciative audience of middle-aged, but young-at-heart die-hards. Bronx boy Dion opened the bill

with a slew of his streetwise classics including "Drip Drop," "Donna The Prima Donna," "Ruby Baby," "A Teenager In Love" and "The Wanderer." An a cappella version of "I Wonder Why" (his first hit with the Belmonts) was a standout, as well as a touching reading of his 1968 smash, "Abraham, Martin & John." A rousing "Runaround Sue"



FILM REVIEWS Needful Things By John Goff



Max von Sydow and Amanda Plummer confer in Castle Rock.

CERTAIN AUTHORS can carve specific images in the stone of a reader's mind that whatever a filmmaker puts on screen will never favorably compare. Stephen King, historically, is one of those. Certain authors can so sprawl a story with character introspection, history, time and travel that they literally defy translation to the screen, at least in a feature-film format. Harold Robbins comes foremost to mind in that category and to a great extent, Stephen King falls in there also. It's a formidable task for a screenwriter to undertake, to go into a project knowing it's damned near impossible. Screenwriter of record, W.D. Richter did as good a job as anyone could in adapting King's *Needful Things*, at 700-plus pages, for any time period on screen less than six hours.

First-time feature film director Fraser C. Heston—yes, it's a *Fraser C. Heston Film*—puts it on screen with technical proficiency, but technical proficiency isn't enough to make this do much more than plod. All the pyrotechnics in Hollywood, when they finally hit late in the film, isn't as needful then as a good shock or two up front to keep interest going. Strange how King's novels are anything but dull while most of what's on film taken from his works are anything but exciting. Perhaps that's due to the fact King incorporates trendy things, phrases we can identify with in our own way and make them work internally for us as readers while, when put on screen, they appear passé or even out of date and trivial. Heston even puts "Achy Breaky Heart" on the jukebox here.

Max von Sydow has a field day playing the devil. Ed Harris manages his role as von Sydow's leading foe with strength. Bonnie Bedelia turns in a sympathetic portrayal as Harris' love interest, takes her work seriously and makes audiences believe it. Amanda Plummer offers up another of the quirky, strange-one roles she's making a name with. J.T. Walsh almost walks away with the screen each time he's on with a wild-eyed portrayal of an obsessive gambler caught in his own web. W. Morgan Sheppard is warm as a Catholic priest and there are a few laughs with the exchanges between he and Protestant minister played by Don S. Davis.

Tony Westman's photography is, again, technically proficient, but when you have nothing to jump out at you you can't film it.

Executive producer was Peter Yates. Jack Cummins produced the Castle Rock Entertainment in association with New Line Cinema feature for Columbia Pictures release.

TV REVIEWS And The Band Played On

AND THE BAND PLAYED ON is the medium of television with its shoulders squared, walking with dignity down the middle of Its Destiny Blvd. at High Noon.

An HBO Pictures original movie presentation which premieres on HBO September 11, its power stands head and shoulders over theatrical films. Undoubtedly the question: Why wasn't this a theatrical feature? will be asked in every community. Certainly what has been put together here is more than equal, even superior, to theatrical fare, but it's doubtful (first of all) the theatre-going public would support an AIDS-based feature which ultimately asks them to accept a portion of responsibility toward taking some action about the disease. And secondly, on TV it will reach a far greater number of people in the privacy of their own homes and go directly into the privacy of their own minds at the same moment as well as being haunting enough to cause flashbacks after viewing. And simply forget about this ever having reached its potential on *any* network or commerical channel in any form. There are probably "suits" still hiding from the mere *thought* of this having been presented as a possibility to them in the first place.

Aaron Spelling is given credit as being the originator of the idea to bring Randy Shilts' massive and definitive study of the history of AlDS to television, indeed, to HBO. He's had good stuff and bad stuff on air over the years, and all that, cumulatively, has given him the power enough to be listened to and acted upon when he has an idea. He has definitely reached the highest water mark of his career with this project, for which he and E. Duke Vincent served as executive producers.

Shilts' book has been masterfully adapted by Arnold Schulman, who coproduced with Edward Teets. It arouses passions, tears, laughter, irony and anger at every turn while being totally engrossing entertainment and teaches the history, hard facts and numbers about the disease which was ignored until it couldn't be—and then *still* was, and in some areas, *is* ignored. Several sequences point up the underlying factor which hampered AIDS research and which also helped to promote early expansion of the disease—greed, the omnipresent chase of the almighty dollar in government, medical communities, straight and even gay communities. And they are powerful argument closers.

Director Roger Spottiswoode blends documentary footage in with filmed footage for a sense of history. Through this former president Ronald Reagan and his administration, who and which refused to recognize this as a disease, become featured heavy-players in the drama. Spottiswoode's work is practically flawless. Directed in feature style and without commercial TV hindrances, it's a benchmark for other directors to follow.

Performances are genuine, strong and obviously caring with some huge marquee names taking what amounts to bit parts. Matthew Modine strongly takes on the centerpiece of a career researcher unselfishly attempting to track down the cause. Alan Alda takes on the other side of the coin, the selfish, ego-driven research head and is stunning in the part. Richard Gere touchingly essays the role of "choreographer," a Broadway icon who dies in the early years. Ian McKellen is a gay San Francisco leader. Phil Collins, a gay bath house proprietor refusing to close down because of financial loss, strong. Saul Rubinek, Lily Tomlin, Bud Cort, Steve Martin, David Dukes, Anjelica Huston, Swoosie Kurtz, Richard Masur, Charles Martin Smith, Patrick Bauchau, Nathalie Baye, Richard Jenkins, Christian Clemenson, David Marshall Grant, Glenne Headly, Ken Jenkins. All are on the mark.

Final montage on screen, backed with Elton John and Bernie Taupin's "The Last Song" and Carter Burwell's original score, is a frightening historical reminder of the times from when AIDS was considered "a homosexual disease" without a name, to the present when it has cut across all lines and invaded the world of innocent children—an image guaranteed to frighten, anger and make the stoutest heart weep—and shows us some of those who have been lost over that period. Especially chilling when you realize at that moment that all you've just witnessed and the images you're seeing at the moment are true and have actually transpired.

And The Band Played On will be showing for a long time because still, as the final legend on screen indicates: "The Band Plays On..." It will play until the final note fades.



Alan Alda and Matthew Modine, the polars, face off.



VIDEO REVIEWS



The Temp By John Goff

LARA FLYNN BOYLE as *The Temp* is the microcosm for every ambitious, back climber in every business everywhere. She's just better looking than most. Her performance is bravura and the best thing about this piece. Director Tim Holland keeps the pace moving at a good clip, right up to the abrupt and unsatisfying ending. Not a lot of suspense but an interesting evening of viewing, even if you're just viewing Boyle, *especially* if you're just viewing Boyle. Paramount Home Video.



Mandroid

By J.G.

THIS ONE'S FUN. Earl Henton and Jackson Barr's screen play appears to have its roots in some old '50s espionage/sci-fi potboiler, even owes a debt of gratitude to Saturday afternoon serials. Indeed, a thread of the story is promoed at *Mandroid*'s end as upcoming—one character becomes the invisible man, to be continued—and yet another has the central scientist surviving to carry on. Effects are pretty standard to hokey. Jack Ersgard directed with sense of humor and keeps his performers smilingly sincere. Paramount Home Video.

The Darkest Side of Desire.



Secret Games 2: The Escort ^{By J.G.}

IF YOU LIKED the '60s soft porn you'll love this one. It's got it all but without most of the gags that other era's had. This one's more pretentious, snailpaced with cathedral-like choir music backing endless, repetitive and unimaginative sexual encounters between a whining "performance artist" and several femmes whose bodies all seem molded by the same silicone doctor. The old ad line, "Only her hairdresser knows for sure," takes on new meaning between these ladies. That's the only way to tell them apart without a blueprint or doctor's chart. Imperial Entertainment Corp.

El Mariachi

By M.R. Martinez

THE IRONY OF THIS MOVIE is that it excels beyond uneven production values, the use of short end film stock and one-take gangster shooting. It's all about the story, which overcomes the difficulties technical and makes screenwriter/director 24-year-old Robert Rodriguez seem like Hollywood's next prodigy. The cast is headed by Carlos Gallardo (who also served as producer) in the title role and Consuelo Gomez as his love interest, Dominoe. Highly praised as a theatrical release, this film will undoubtedly collect home viewing cash register kudos. Columbia Tristar Home Video.

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FILM TALK

By John Goff

FESTIVALS, FESTIVALS: The WorldFest-Houston is moving to become WorldFest-Charleston. Kick-off at the Festival's new South Carolina location will be November 3-7 for Seminar, Workshop and Competition divisions. Houston will continue, over the next three years, to screen features and shorts in April.

This year's Fest will include more than 20 exciting premieres of American Independent Films, Hollywood and Foreign Films, juried competition and cash awards for features, shorts, medical films, student films and screenplays.

AWARDS, AWARDS, AWARDS: Tri-Elite Entertainment, Ltd has announced the presentation of the First Annual Minority Motion Picture Awards (MMPA). Event will be hosted by Louis Gossett, Jr. and Maria Conchita Alonso. To be held at Los Angeles' Wiltern Theater, honorees of the evening will include: Halle Berry, Wesley Snipes, Pat Morita, Alfre Woodard, Cheech Marin, John Singleton, Mako, Cicely Tyson, Debbie Allen, Edward James Olmos, Denzel Washington and Eddie Murphy. H.B. Barnum will direct, Paul Kennedy choreographs and Jarvee Hutcherson will exec produce. For more information contact Sha-Rohn Public Relations at 818-377-4056.

CASH BOX CHARTS









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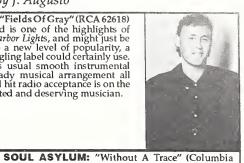
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REVIEWS By Troy J. Augusto

BRUCE HORNSBY: "Fields Of Gray" (RCA 62618) **BRUCE HORNSBY:** "Fields Of Gray" (RCA 62618) Touching and lively ballad is one of the highlights of Hornsby's latest album, *Harbor Lights*, and might just be the song to push Bruce to a new level of popularity, a development that his struggling label could certainly use. Smart, heartfelt lyrics, his usual smooth instrumental flow and a very radio-ready musical arrangement all indicate big-time adult and hit radio acceptance is on the horizon for this most talented and deserving musician.

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5274) **5274)** Is there no stopping this band? After playing the role of also-rans for so long, this Minneapolis bunch is quickly making up for lost time. On the heels of the smash "Runaway Train" comes this dynamic tune that, in the band's usual no b.s. style, captures the frustrations of human relationships and the temporary nature of most of them, all without alienating their rabid, long-time fan base. A good commercial trick if you can pull it off, and Soul Asylum, led by the awesome David Pirner, do just that.

MATTHEW SWEET: "The Ugly Truth" (Zoo 17130) No sophomore slump for Mr. Sweet—his new Altered Beast opus is a masterful follow-up to his great Zoo debut of 1991 (he had two records on other labels). This mid-tempo rocker, possibly the only song you'll hear this year on alternative rock radio that features a fiddle, is sort of a musical trip to the psychoanalyst's couch, as Sweet hits hard at head, heart and soul with his thought-provoking lyrical skill. You can't hide from this guy, and if there's any justice, radio won't be able to hide from him much longer, either. longer, either.





TINA TURNER: "Why Must We Until Wait

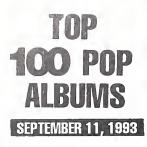
■ TINA TURNER: "Why Must We Wait Until Tonight?" (Virgin 12812) New single from the What's Love Got To Do With It soundtrack is a showcase for Turner's vocal prowess and should see no resistance at hit or adult radio formats. "Mutt" Lange's I-a-r-g-e production style suits this song, written by Lange and Bryan Adams, giving the ballad a dramatic grandeur that few could handle. Turner, of course, pulls it off with ease, the result is one of her most accessible single releases ever. Watch the soundtrack head back up the charts as this song makes its presence felt.

PICK OF THE WEEK



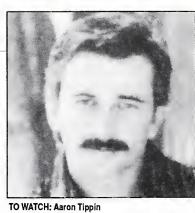
JOHN MELLENCAMP: "Human Wheels" (Mercury 997) **JOHN MELLENGAMP:** "Human Wheels" (Mercury 997) It's been a long time—too long, actually—since we've had new Mellencamp to enjoy, but when music this good is the result of that wait, who could complain? From the mucho-anticipated *Human Wheels* collection, this brilliantly written and arranged piece answers all the doubters—and there are many—with an involving theme and a comfortable-as-an-old-shoe delivery that belies the tune's complex body. Mellen-camp, despite years of worthy art, has lingered in the shadow of the Bruces and the Bonos of the world. Based on this track (can't wait to hear the entire album!), that won't be the case for much longer. A future classic.







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33 BACDAFUCUP (RAL/Chaos/Columbia 53302)			83 ALIBIS (Atlantic 82483/AG) TRACY LAWRENCE 73 1	9
34 MENACE II SOCIETY (Jive/MCA41509) SOUNDTRACK		8		4
35 NEW MISERABLE EXPERIENCE (A&M 544039) GIN BLOSSOMS		3	85 12 INCHES OF SNOW (Eastwest 92207) SNOW 72 2	26
36 NO TIME TO KILL (RCA 66239)		3		9
37 PABLO HONEY (Capitol 81409)		7	87 KAMAKIRIAD (Reprise 45230) DONALD FAGEN 76 1	0
38 DURAN DURAN (Capitol CD 798876-2) DURAN DURAN		23	88 PORNO FOR PYROS (Reprise/Warner 45228) PORNO FOR PYROS 78 1	
39 UNPLUGGED (Reprise 45024)(P3) ERIC CLAPTON		47		7
40 LOVE DELUXE (Epic 53178)(P)			90 THE JERKY BOYS (Select 61495) THE JERKY BOYS 86	2
41 TELL ME WHY (Curb/MCA 10529)				2
42 DANGEROUS (Epic 45400)(P4) MICHAEL JACKSON			92 OUR TIME IN EDEN (Elektra 61385) 10,000 MANIACS 81 4	
43 NEVER LET ME GO (Epic 53231) LUTHER VANDROSS		9	93 THE CHASE (Liberty 98743)(P5) GARTH BROOKS 84 4	
44 MI TIERRA (Epic 53807) GLORIA ESTEFAN		6		3
45 FREE WILLY (Soundtrax/Epic 57280)		3		8
46 MTV PARTY TO GO VOL. 3 (Tormy Boy 1074) VARIOUS ARTISTS		6		7
47 SUNSHINE ON LEITH (Chryslis 21668) THE PROCLAIMERS		7		5
48 POETIC JUSTICE (Epic Soundtrack/Epic 57131) SOUNDTRACK		5	98 TOO LONG IN EXILE (Mercury 3145192) VAN MORRISON 92	_
49 ELEMENTAL (Mercury 514275)		6		5
50 CALL OF THE WILD (RCA 66251) AARON TIPPIN			100 SAN FRANSISCO DAYS (Reprise/Warner Bros 45116-2) CHRIS ISAAK 91 1	
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51	LIFE'S A DANCE (Atlantic 82420) JOHN MICHAEL MONTGOMERY	46	28
52	WHOOMP! (THERE IT IS) (Life/Bellmark 78000) TAG TEAM	50	3
53	BACK TO BASICS(Warner Bros 9-45297) MAZE	DEE	3UT
54	DIRT (Columbia 52475)(P)	52	40
55	METALLICA (Elektra 61113)(P6) METALLICA	55	99
56	BRIAN MCKNIGHT (Mercury 848605) BRIAN MCKNIGHT	62	3
57	DEBUT (Elektra 61468)BJORK	DEE	BUT
58	BETWEEN THE SHEETS (Warner Bros 45340) FOURPLAY	DEE	BUT
59	JON SECADA (SBK 98845)(P) JON SECADA	54	51
60	LA SEXORCISTO (Geffen 24460) WHITE ZOMBIE	69	2
61	GRAND TOUR (A&M 0086) AARON NEVILLE	56	3
62	HARD WORKIN' MAN (Arista/BMG 18716) BROOKS & DUNN	57	21
63	FEVER FOR DA FLAVOR (Luke 126) H-TOWN	58	16
64	EVERYBODY ELSE IS DOING IT SI WHY CANT WE		
	(Island/PLG 514156)	82	2
65	IF I EVER FALL IN LOVE (Gasoline Alley 10762/MCA)SHAI	59	29
66	PURE COUNTRY (SOUNDTRACK) (MCA 10651)(P) GEORGE STRAIT	61	43
67	IT'S YOUR CALL (MCA 10673) REBA MCENTIRE	60	28
68	LOSE CONTROL (Keia/Elektra 611394)SILK	47	28
69	TAKE A LOOK (Elektra 61496) NATALIE COLE	63	7
70	UNDERTOW (Zoo 11052)	94	2
71	THIS TIME (Reprise 4/2 45241) DWIGHT YOAKAM	64	20
72	IN MY TIME (Private Music 82106)	48	17
73	MTV PARTY TO GO VOLUME 4 (Tommy Boy 1075) VARIOUS ARTISTS	65	5
74	-	-EN	TRY
75	SOME GAVE ALL (Mercury 510635)(P5) BILLY RAY CYRUS	53	61
76	DEVINE COLLECTION (Atlantic 82497) BETTE MIDLER	67	6
77	STRICTLY 4 MY N.I.G.G.A.Z(Interscope 92209) TWO-PAC	68	5
78	RAGE AGAINST THE MACHINE (Epic 52959)		
	RAGE AGAINST THE MACHINE	75	3
79	SEX AND RELIGION (Relativity 1132) VAI	70	3
80	THE PREDATOR (Priority 57185) ICE CUBE	80	34
81	PORK SODA (Interscope 92257) PRIMUS	71	16
82	BIG TIME (Warner Bros. 45276) LITTLE TEXAS	93	2
83	ALIBIS (Atlantic 82483/AG) TRACY LAWRENCE	73	19
84	SOUL DANCING (Arista/BMG 18705)(P) TAYLOR DAYNE	66	4
85	12 INCHES OF SNOW (Eastwest 92207)	72	26
86	UNPLUGGED (Reprise/Warner Bros 45310)	74	9
87	KAMAKIRIAD (Reprise 45230)	76	10
88	PORNO FOR PYROS (Reprise/Warner 45228) PORNO FOR PYROS	78	14
89	JURASSIC PARK (MCA 10859)		7
90	THE JERKY BOYS (Select 61495) THE JERKY BOYS	86 85	2
91	EVOLUTION (Fontana/Mercury 514965)		
92		81	42
93	THE CHASE (Liberty 98743)(P5) GARTH BROOKS	84	43
94	HEARTBREAKER (Capitol 89740)	83	3
95	SLIVER (Virgin 88064)	87	8
96	BAD BOYS (Big Beat/AG 92261) INNER CIRCLE	95	7
97	SOMETHING'S GOIN' ON (Maverick/Warner Bros. 45287) U.N.V	88	5
98	TOO LONG IN EXILE (Mercury 3145192) VAN MORRISON	92	8
99	BORN GANGSTAZ (Chaos/Columbia 52903) BOSS	89	5



REVIEWS by Troy J. Augusto

GHOST OF AMERICAN AIRMAN: Skin (Hol-

lywood 61408) lywood 61408) Shades of the Alarm, Big Country and particularly U2 give the second album from this Belfast, Northern Ireland-based group a familiarity that could make it a fairly easy sell here in the States. Singer Dodge McKay (sounds like a beach volleyball player!) has a powerful voice and a clever sense of dynamic, evident on "Late Great World Collapse" and first single "King Of Noth-ing." There's a bit of Bono worship from time to time ("Beautiful"), but small crimes are forgiven because of "Coathanger Love," an eerily moving piece.





■ PARIAH: To Mock A Killingbird (Geffen 24527) ■ **PARIAH:** To Mock A Killingbird (Geffen 24527) The cleverest thought this band ever had was coming up with the title of its debut album, as the songs and the music, for the most part, fall into the pop-metal-noise category, last seen as a viable, money-making style in the late '80s. Songs all seem pissed off at one thing or another, as titles like "Powerless," "Nobody Listens," "This Means War" and "Sick Kid" indicate. Dave Derrick has a voice meant to offend, meaning the kids, as well as those tas-temakers Beavis and Butt-head, will love it. Eighteen and under. only. under, only.

JAMES HALL: My Love, Sex And Spirit (Daemon Records 19001)

Records 19001) Former Mary My Hope vocalist Hall has left Atlanta, where that band formed, behind him and in the process has left his old band's bad habits as well. While Mary My Hope saw Hall trying to fit into the alternative rock scene, that style never scemed to fit him very well. On his solo debut, Hall wears the hat of singer/songwriter, though with a definite edge, addressing issues both personal and social in scope. "Deception Of Light," "Madness Is A Numbered Face" and the dramatic "Sinster" are all wor-thy of consideration. thy of consideration.



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DIG: *dig* (Wasteland 9201) Named for the singer's dog, Dig is a bombastic, guitar-heavy (there's three of them) band that fits into the musi-cal landscape somewhere in the neighborhood that Alice In Chains, Smashing Pumpkins and the late Jane's Addic-tion reside. Produced by Dave Jerden, who's done Jane's and Anthrax, *dig* is a perfect modern-rock entry, full of attitude, guitar, bombast, strong songs ("I'll Stay High" and "Unfucky Friend" are best) and fashion sense (just kidding). Expect alt-radio to embrace Dig, with the Lol-lapalooza crowd sure to follow





GOBBLEHOOF: Gobblehoof (New Alliance 041) **GOBBLEHOOF:** Gobblehoof (New Alliance 041) Big attraction for many to this noisy album will be the inclusion of Dinosaur Jr leader J Mascis, who played drums (not very well) and co-produced. This is a re-issue of the 1990 EP that first launched this Amherst, Mass. band which used to count J as a member. Be sure to listen for "Fried," a surprisingly restrained ditty almost lost amidst all the clutter. Otherwise, the hellish reality of "Torch" and bonus cut "What's A Head?" are worth a spin or two.

STEREOLAB: Transient Random-Noise Bursts With Announcements (Elektra 61536)

With Announcements (Elektra 61536) Quite possibly the heir to Velvet Underground's noisy throne, Stereolab creates an unusual musical animal out of dreamy Brit pop, loud and raw Americanized in-dustrial and, amidst all the rubble, some dandy melodic hooks. Not your standard issue rock record, to be sure, instead music so adventurous and unique that Andy Warhol probably would have insisted on designing the band's artwork. For a good time, program track #7, the 18-minute "Jenny Ondioline," a semi-militant/political number that's being worked as the first single.





CEREMONY: Hang Out Your Poetry (DGC 24523) What may have initially looked like a good idea in the A&R offices over at Geffen translates, unfortunately for the label, into a boring and uninspiring album. Ceremony is fronted by Chastity Bono, offspring of Sonny and Cher, which may tell you all you need to know. The sound is a blend (bland?) of Wilson Phillips throwaway pop and lesser-quality Crosby, Stills and Nash. Not exactly cutting edge. In fairness, "First Day Of My Life" is a solid tune and the alb's first single, "Could've Been Love," deserves a radio chance. a radio chance.

PICK OF THE WEEK

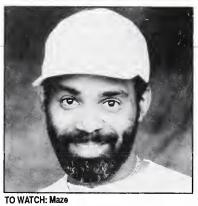


CRACKER: Kerosene Hat (Virgin) Producer: Don Smith **CHACKEN:** *Kerosene Hat* (Virgin) Producer: Don Smith Despite the fact that the singer from this otherwise appealing Bay-area rock band spent a large percentage of their Palace show last year insulting anyone involved in the music industry, we must report that *Kerosene Hat*, Cracker's second full-length album, is a fine one indeed. An almost constant C&W edge dominates much of the record (it was recorded at an old western-movie soundstage), a change from the band's first entry. Sarcasm and irony—singer David Lowry's forte—are in abundance, giving the songs a sharp and wry edge. "Movie Star," first single "Low" and "Take Me Down To the Infirmary," a cryin'-in-my-beer kind of slow shuffle, are standouts on this solid effort. on this solid effort.

CASH BOX CHARTS







Earth, Wind & Fire

Total Weeks ♥ Last Week ♥

HIGH DEBUT: Earth, Wind & Fire

RIGHT HERE (Human Nature)/Downtown) (RCA 62614) SWV	1	5
22 IF (Virgin 12676)	9	4
3 ANOTHER SAD LOVE SONG (Laface/Arista 24047) Tonl Braxton	6	7
4 LATELY (Uptown/MCA 54652)	i 2	11
I GET AROUND/KEEP YA HEAD UP (Interscope 96036) 2-Pac	18	6
6 LOSE CONTROL/GIRL U FOR ME (Keia/Elektra 64643)	3	7
7 DREAMLOVER (Columbia 77080) Mariah Carey	32	2
8 CHECK YO SELF (Priority 53830) Ice Cube / Das EFX	4	2
9 IF I HAD NO LOOT (Wing/Mercury 859056) Tony! Tonl! Tone!	8	7
10 WHOOMP (THERE IT IS) (Life 79001)	7	13
11 SOMETHING'S GOIN' ON (Maverick/Sire/Warner Bros. 18564) U.N.V.		12
12 ALRIGHT (Ruffhouse/Columbia 77103) Kriss Kross	16	3
13 CRY NO MORE (Gasoline Alley/MCA 54650) II D Extreme	10	14
14 ONE LAST CRY(Mercury 862404) Brian McKnight	15	6
15 HEY MR. D.J. (Flavor/Epic 77121)	42	2
16 GET IT UP (FROM POETIC JUSTICE) (Laface/Epic Soundtrax/Epic 77059)		
	14	3
17 RUFFNECK (First Priority/Atlantic 98401) Mc Lyte	23	5
16 IT'S FOR YOU(FROM "THE METEORMAN") (Motown 2207) . Shanice	28	3
19 WHOOT, THERE IT IS (Wrap/Ichiban 0150)	12	16
20 FOR THE COOL IN YOU (Epic 77109)	36	2
21 LICK U UP (Luke 163)	29	5
22 I'M IN LUV (Mercury 862 462)	33	2
23 WEAK (RCA 62521) SWV	11	13
24 SLAM (JMJ/Chaos/Columbia 74882) Onyx	13	7
25 SOMETHING IN YOUR EYES (MCA 54725) Bell Biv Devoe	52	2
26 VERY SPECIAL (Cold Chillin' 18437)	26	3
27 THAT'S THE WAY LOVE GOES (Virgin 125650) Janet Jackson	17	13
28 KNOCKIN' BOOTS (Luke 161)	20	13
29 LOVE NO LIMIT (Uptown 54526)	21	12
30 SOMEBODY ELSE WILL (EMI 50462) O'Jays	34	3
31 BABY I'M YOURS (Gasoline Alley/MCA 54574)	31	10
32 LAID BACK GIRL (Warner Bros. 18422) Maze Featuring Frankle Beverty	44	2
33 ONE WOMAN (Giant 18687) Jade	22	13
34 LET ME BE THE ONE (Atlantic 87347) Intro	27	7
35 SHOW ME LOVE (Big Beat/Atlantic 10118) Robin S.	25	15
36 ABC-123 (Atlantic 87366) Levert	24	12
37 SEEMS YOU'RE MUCH TOO BUSY (A&M 0140) Vertical Hold	19	10
38 INSANE IN THE BRAIN (Ruffhouse/Columbia 77019) Cypress Hill	37	5
39 DRE DAY (Death Row/Interscope/Atlantic 53827) Dr. Dre	30	11
40 THE BONNIE AND CLYDE THEME/IBWIN' WIT MY CREWIN'		••
(EastWest 960544)	40	7
41 SUNDAY MORNING (Reprise 18461) Earth Wind & Fire		
42 CHEIF ROCKA (Pendulum 64631) Lords Of The Undergrounds	43	6
43 HEAVEN KNOWS (Epic 74996) Luther Vandross		BUT
44 RUN TO YOU (Arista 1.2570) Whitney Houston	35	6
45 UNCONDITIONAL LOVE (Jive/MCA42144)	38	7
46 BOOMI SHAKE THE ROOM (Jive 42108) Jazzy Jeff & Fresh Prince	51	2
47 DAZZEY DUKS (TMR 71000)	41	19
48 IT'S ON (Tommy Boy 569) Naughty By Nature	49	6
49 I GOT YOU (Motown 2213) Johnny Gill	49 69	2
50 MEGA MEDLEY (Reprise 18420) Zapp & Roger	56	2
51 PINK COOKIES IN A PLASTIC BAG/BACK SEAT OF MY JEEP		~
(Def Jam/Columbia 74984)	50	6
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52 WANT YOU BACK (RCA 62565)	66	4
53 APHRODISIA (Tabu/A&M 7718) Alexander O'Neal	63	2
54 WILL YOU BE THERE (FROM FREE WILLY) (Epic Soundtrax/Epic 77060)		
	60	2
55 HEY THERE PRETTY LADY (Perspective 7426) Lo-Key?	57	5
56 STREIHT UP MENACE(FROM "MENACE 11 SOCIETY")	۰.	Ŭ
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(Jive 42138)	48	2
57 THAT'S WHAT LITTLE GIRLS ARE MADE OF (MCA 54625)		
	58	2
58 YOU BEEN PLAYED (FROM "MENACE TO SOCIETY") (T.N.T/JivSmooth.	65	2
59 STICKS AND STONES (Capitol 44964) Walter & Scotty	67	3
60 WHAT'S UP DOC?(CAN WE ROCK) (Jive 42127)	07	3
Fu-Schnickens With Shaquille O'Neil	55	4
61 CHERISH THE DAY (Epic 74980) Sade	70	2
62 THERE'S NO LIVING WITHOUT YOU (Mercury 862 548) Will Downing	71	2
63 I DON'T WANNA FIGHT (Virgin 12652) Tina Tumer	61	10
64 40 DOG (Third Stone/Atlantic 98400)	75	2
65 ALWAYS (A&M 0342) Vesta	DEE	BUT
66 THE FLOOR (Motown 2202) Johnny Gill	64	12
67 TRULY SOMETHING SPECIAL (Virgin 12670) After 7	62	5
68 COME INSIDE (Atlantic 87317)	DEE	BUT
69 SAY IT ISN'T OVER (RCA 62540) Five XI	54	7
70 I WANA HOLD ON TO YOU(Island 862212) Mica Paris	45	7
71 GIMME (Reprise 18488)	39	7
72 LOVE FOR LOVE (Big beat/Atlantic 98382)	DE	-
73 PASSIN' ME BY (Delecious Vinyl/Atlantic 98434) The Pharcyde	68	15
74 DO DA WHAT (EastWest 98419)	53	6
75 DREAM IN COLOR (Columbia 74975) Regina Belle	DE	BUT
76 LET ME ROLL (Rap-A-Lot/Priority 53831) Scarface	74	5
77 I LIKE IT (Big Beat/Alantic 98413) Jomanda	47	5
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78 24/7 GOOD LOVIN' (Eastwest 98403) Big Bub	78	5
79 DAY BY DAY(Capitol 44934) Portrait	79	6
80 LITTLE MIRACLES (Epic 3474226) Luther Vandross	80	11
31 OOH WATCHA GONNA DO (Profile 5400) Run DMC	: DEI	BUT
82 DON'T WALK AWAY (Giant 18687) Jade		30
83 BUMPIN' (ADAPTATION OF HUMPIN') (Next Plateau/PLG 35702 Paperboy		3
84 THAT'S THE WAY LOVE IS (MCA 54511) Bobby Brown		11
35 TRUST ME (Chrysalis/ERG 24849) Guru & N'Dea Davenpor		
86 PAY DAY (Qwest/Warner bros 18473)	DE	BUT
87 GRAZIN IN THE GRASS (GRP 3046) George Howard	DE	BUT
SE LIGHT OF LOVE (Capitol 44953) Angie & Debbie	DE	BUT
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89 MY CUTIE (MCA 54661) Wreckx-N-Effect		20
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REVIEWS by M.R. Martinez

VARIOUS ARTISTS: Seattle...The Dark Side (American/Rhyme Cartel 9 45382-2). Producers: Various.

Various. Driven by the success of Seatown's highly successful rapper Sir Mix-A-Lot, this compilation of R&B/hip-hop sounds features some unique soul, some original rap, some interesting textures and a lot of posturing. The effort is designed to demonstrate there is more than grunge festering in the creative environs of the Northwest. Acts and tracks that carry out the mission with success include Jay-Skee with "Menace Crook," Jazz Lee Alston and "Love...Never That," and 3rd Level with their track "Show Me."





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ANGIE & DEBBIE: Angie & Debbie (Capitol CDP 0777). Producers: Various.

0777). Producers: Various. When you come from a family that is known for its innovative approach to a particular genre of music, it becomes a sometimes daunting task to overcome the stigma. This doesn't happen to Angie and Debbie of the famous gospel Winans family, which (like their older siblings) couch the Good Word in contemporary African-American grooves and textures. The duo works best on the midtempo and ballad material, including "He Lives," "Fact Is, Truth Is," and "Come To Me." The best uptempo move is on "Flashback."

MAZE FEATURING FRANKIE BEVERLY: Back To Basics (Warner Bros. 9 45297-2). Producer: F. Beverly.

Beverly. The album title describes the musical place from which this nine-song collection flows. Powered by the first single, the rollicking, sparky "Laid-Back Girl," Beverly— with many of the original Maze musicians—creates a vacuum of seminal R&B. Beverly's voice is in fine form on this album, and the music stays in the pocket throughout. Other tracks of note include "Love Is," "What Goes Up" and the vigorously swaying "All Night Long." This is for those seeking traditional adult contem-porary values.





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SHAGGY: Pure Pleasure (Virgin 0777 7 87953 2 2). Producers: Sting International & Robert Livingston. Producers: Sting International & Robert Livingston. This is not the manic toasting that you've come to expect from most dancehall artists. There are varied musical textures (even some straight-ahead reggae backbeat) and a number of topics covered. "Give Thanks And Praise" covers some spiritual landscape, while the tracks "Lust" and "Bedroom Bounty Hunter" speak for themselves. The single "Oh Carolina" is tame compared to the other cuts. Shaggy's husky chant has an undefinable appeal, a sing-song style that will attract roots rockers.





SCARFACE: The World Is Yours (P2 53861). Producers: Scarface and others. This Texan brings forth several textures, but doesn't eschew the wicked minimalist funk that has made his crew, The Geto Boys, a staple on the reality-based rap terrain. The horror of inner-city inequities, violence, degradation and stern warnings against the establishment are all storylines in this 17-track collection. Tracks like "Comin" AGG," "The Wall," "Dyin' With Your Boots On" "Mr. Scarface: Part II The Final Chapter," "He's Dead," and "I'm Black" all chronicle the underbelly of life. Having already jumped into the top 10 of the pop charts, Scarface will be able to indulge in his favorite hobby, makin' money.





The SBK/ERG label recently added the legendary Pointer Sisters to the company's roster of artists. The trio will debut with the single "Don't Walk Away," which is culled from the album *Only Sisters Can Do That*. Sister Ruth Pointer was not present at a celebration of the signing as she was giving birth to paternal twins—daughter Ali and son Conor. Pictured are (I-r): June Pointer; Daniel Glass, president & CEO, ERG; Anita Pointer; Shep Gordon, chairman, Alive Enterprises; and Brian Koppelman, vp of A&R, SBK/ERG.

SAMPLES: Africa Fete's first tour of the U.S., after 15 largely successful years in Paris, France, received mainly favorable notices during the nine-city trek. Most agree that the highlight of the tour was the July 25 set at New York City's Central Park Summer Stage, where four Island/Mango recording artists played to more than 20,000. Island Records CEO Chris Blackwell, Africa Fete founder Mamadou Konte should take bows for the event...With all the hubbub over the allegations against Michael Jackson, little attention is being paid to the rest of the Jackson clan which is taking a leap back into the public spotlight with a reunion tour and TV special. Sister Janet Jackson is also busy, at press time prepping for an MTV Awards performance and being lauded Saturday Sept. 11 at the "Seventh Annual Black Business Day Luncheon" hosted by the Black Business Assn. Motown founder Berry Gordy, Jr., Bell Biv DeVoe's Michael Bivins, the mutli-talented Debbie Allen, super publicist Terrie Williams and Carl Jones, founder of the ubiquitous Threads 4 Life/Cross Colours line are among other honorees. Former Los Angeles mayor Tom Bradley and the legendary Stevie Wonder will be special guests.

DR. BAYYAN'S CORNER: More singles reviews from a teen perspective. Aaron Hall "Get a Little Freaky With Me" --Silas/MCA LSJ5P-2645. The concept is nothing original from this brother but it's definitely funky, and that's all that counts. Hall gets a lot of credit from me for the excellent production. He gives the listener the opportunity to taste five freaky versions. The breaks are really thick, where a sample from "Four Play" (George Clinton, Glenn Goins, Bootsy Collins) is used. A sure hit... Born Jamericans -- "Boom Shak-A-Tack" -- Delicious Vinyl PRCD 5212. When you first listen to it, you might think it's just traditional reggae, but about a minute into it, a rugged voice begins to attack in a lyrical frenzy while still keeping the rhythm of the song. It's a pretty decent song overall, but it doesn't have enough energy to make a person jump. It will most likely be able to appeal to more than one group of listeners...XSCAPE - "Just Kickin'lt" - So So Def/Columbia CSK 77119. These four Atlanta-based females have it going on with this bass-filled song produced by Jermaine Dupri. They sing as beautiful as hummingbirds, which will no doubt hold your attention. The remix, which contains a Curtis Mayfield sample, is especially smooth. The most appealing characteristic of this song is the down-to-earth reality...Rupaul - "A Shade Shady (Now Prance)" - Tommy Boy TBCD 578. This person has lost me in the rhythm. It seems like the Queen is living in his (or her) own world. "A Shade Shady" covers the whole spectrum with a selection of disco grooves, tribal beats, and synthesizers. In "Back To My Roots," an additional track, Rupaul gives a strong shout out to his mother.

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1	BLACK SUNDAY (Ruffhouse/Columbia 53931) Cypress Hill	1 2
	DA BOMB (Ruffhouse/Columbia 57278)	
3	TONI BRAXTON (LaFace/Arista 6007) Toni Braxton	6 2
4	janet (Virgin 87825)	4 12
5	SONS OF SOUL (Wings/Mercury 514933)	5 5
6	MENACE II SOCIETY (Jive 41509)	2 9
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	HEARTBREAKER (EM/ERG 89740)	8 2
9 10	IT'S ABOUT TIME (RCA 66074)	7 25 10 30
11	NEVER LET ME GO (Epic 53231) Luther Vandross	9 8
12	STRICKLY 4 MY N.I.G.G.A.Z. (Interscope 92209) 2PAC	12 21
13	INTRO (Atlantic 82463) Intro	18 12
14	BACDAFUCUP (RAL/Chaos 53302) Onyx THE BODYGUARD (Original Motion Picture Soundtrack)	13 15
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	(Arista 18699)	16 33
16 17	LOVE DELUXE (Epic 74734) Sade WHAT'S LOVE GOT TO DO WITH IT (SOUNDTRACK)	20 35
	(Vrigin 88189) Tina Turner	15 6
	BRIAN MCKNIGHT (Mercury 848605) Brian McKnight	22 8
	EVOLUTION (Fontana/Mercury 5114965) Oleta Adams	DEBUT
20	BORN GANGSTAZ (DJ West/Chaos/Columbia 52903) Boss	14 9
21	SOMETHING'S GOIN' ON (Mavrick/Warner Bros. 45287)	11 4
22	BREATHLESS (Arista 18646)	17 33
23	LOVE'S THE PLACE TO BE (Mercury 518086) Will Downing	DEBUT
24	LOSE CONTROL (Elektra 61394)	23 24
25	FOR REAL THO' (Atlantic 82462) LeVert	24 17
26	AIN'T NO OTHER (First Priority 92230)	19 5
27	FEVER FOR DA FLAVOR (Luke 126) H-Town	21 13
10 C	THE NEW BREED (Wrap/Ichiban 8120) MC Breed	30 11 28 10
29 30	JAZZMATAZZ VOLUME 1 (Chrysalis 21998) Guru PROVACATIVE (Motown 374636355) Johnny Gill	27 8
31	HERE COME THE LORDS (Pendulum/Elektra 61415)	2. 0
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32	DANGEROUS (Epic 45400) Michael Jackson	36 85
33	VOICE OFF JAMAICA (Mercury 518013) Buju Banton	DEBUT
34	THE PREDATOR (Priority 57185)	43 32
35	TILL DEATH DO US PART (Priority 57183)	31 24
36	WHOOMPI (THERE IT IS) (Life/Bellmark 78000) Tag Team	32 2
37	TAKE A LOOK (Elektra 61496) Natalie Cole	26 6
38	HOOTIE MAC (MCA 10682) Bell Biv Devoe	33 4
39	IF I EVER FALL IN LOVE (Gasoline 10762) Shai	49 29
40	GUAD CITY KNOCK (Wrap/Ichiban 8117) 95 South 14 SHOTS TO THE DOME (Def Jam 53325) LL Cool J	35 12 38 14
41 42	SHOW ME LOVE (Big Beat/Atlantic 82509)	42 2
43	YOU BETTER ASK SOMEBODY (Eastwest 92252)	29 5
44	WHEN SUMMER COMES (GPR 9724) George Howard	34 2
45	UPTOWN MTV UNPLUGGED (MCA 10858) Various Artist	40 7
46	PRECIOUS (MCA 10605)	39 24
47	RIGORMORTIZ (Rap-A-Lot/Priority 53862)	DEBUT
48	IN THE NUDE (Luke 200)	37 4 52 21
49 50	PASSION (Columbia 48826)	52 21 47 5
51	JADE TO THE MAX (GGiant 510-347) Jade	41 24
	FREE WILLY (Epic Soundtrax/Epic 57280)	54 2
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	LOVE REMEMBERS (Warner Bros. 26685) George Benson	58 5
55		DEBUT
56	REPRESENT (Violator/Relativity 1175)	DEBUT
57	BANGIN' ON WAX (Dangerous/Pump/Quality 19138) Bloods & Crips	56 13
58	WHAT'S THE 411 (Uptown 10681) Mary J. Blige	48 45
59	MTV PARTY TO GO VOLUME 3 (Tommy Boy 1074) Various Artists MY BROTHERS KEEPER (Capitol 92958) Walter & Scotty	50 2
60 61	LOOKS LIKE A JOB FOR (Cold Chillin'/WB 45128) Big Daddy Kane	57 12 51 9
62	GAS CHAMBER (Awol 719)	59 3
	THE WORLD IS YOURS (Rap-A-Lot/Priority 53861) Scarface	DEBUT
64	DOWN WITH THE KING (Profile 1440) Run-D.M.C.	64 12
65	19 NAUGHTY III (Tommy Boy 1069) Naughty By Nature	53 21
66	12 INCHES OF SNOW (EastWest 92207) Snow	61 23
67	BIZARRE RIDE II THE PHARCYDE (Delecious Vinyl 92222) . Pharcyde	55 13
68 69	MTV PARTY TO GO VOLUME 4 (Tommy Boy 1075) Various Artists PSYCHIC THOUGHTS (Rap-A-Lot/Priority 53860) Ganksta N-I-P	46 2 44 4
69 70	A LESSON TO BE LEARNED (In-A-Minute 8000) R.B.L. Posse	DEBUT
71	CHANGES (MCA 10751)	60 28
	LIVE A MONTREUX (Warner Bros. 45221) . Miles Davis & Quincy Jones	DEBUT
73	DAZZEY DUKS (TMR 71000) Duice	62 24
74	BLUES SUMMIT (MCA 10710) B.B. King	67 5
75	BAD BOYS (Big Beat/AG 92261) Inner Circle	63 12



By M.R. Martinez

Naughty By Nature's Treach co-directed the video to EastWest recording act Da Youngsta's video culled from their current single "Iz Ya Wit Me," which was shot throughout Harlem. The track is the second single culled from their sophomore album, *The Aftermath.* Pictured in the front row (I-r): Lawrence Goodman, manager; Michelle Webb, director of video production for EastWest; Treach; James Brommel, co-director; Nick Kopp, the director of photography; and Tom Forrest, producer. In the back row are (I-r): Qu'ran, Taji and Tarick of the Da Youngstas.

SOUND NIBBLES: DJ Pooh, who has produced the likes of Ice **Cube, Yo-Yo, LL Cool J, Jade** and **Miki Howard**, will be producing tracks on the upcoming **Color Me Badd** album on Giant Records. The hip-hopper is bust, having bowed his Da **Bomb/Mercury Records** label, which just released product by the group **Threat**... *Shaq Diesel* is the debut album by Orlando Magic basketball sensation **Shaquille O'Neal**. Due out in October, some of the producers on the album include **Erick Sermon**, **Def Jef** and **Ali** of A Tribe Called Quest...GP, aka **Gettin Paid**, has released a four-song gangsta set on its own **Trigger Happy Records** label, The record is called *N It \$ Life* and is worth a listen. Real R&B tracks with a mild hot sauce rap.

DR. BAYYAN'S CORNER, PT.II: More singles reviews from a teen perspective. Black Madness -- "Igpay Atinlay/Two Tears In a Bucket" -- Select Street 4-25022. These are two bad brothers who are able to handle the microphone like very few lyricists can, and they prove it by rapping in "Igpay Atinlay," also known as Pig Latin. Black Madness continues to show off their lyrical potency by changing up from Pig Latin to straight up ruffneck rhymes on "Two Tears In A Bucket." ... A.L.T. -- "Ridin' High" -- Par Par-9023-CDS. A.L.T. has done a good job representing urban culture with this hit which should appeal to everyone just about everywhere. There isn't a word in the English vocabulary that's able to describe the smoothness of this piece, but there is no doubt it is some of the most innovative stuff on the hip-hop market...Dirt Nation -- "Khadijah" -- Zoo Street 72445-14105. Even though this group uses a lot of imagination, the topics that they choose are rooted in reality. This song explains how the brothers of the Dirt Nation do dirty work for Khadijah, the Buddha queen. On "Jail Break," an additional track, the group fantasizes about the perfect escape from the pen while a wicked, almost horrifying groove repetitively fades in and out...Capital Tax -- "The Masha" -- MCA MCA5P-2774. It is easy to see how the old school era has inspired this group. "The Masha" comes complete with the "and ya don't stop," and the wicked freestyle lyrics. Capital Tax resembles the offbeat flow of KRS-1, and the rough, rugged style of EPMD. With all of the inspiration that the group received from veteran rappers, they remain original. Overall, it is a well-rounded song.

TOP 30 HIP-HOP ALBUMS

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11	NINE YARDS (Next Plateau/FFRR 1012) Paperboy	12	16
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13	GUAD CITY KNOCK (Wrap/Ichiban 8117)	16	4
14	STRICKLY 4 MY N.I.G.G.A.Z. (Interscope 92209) 2Pac	14	17
15	TILL DEATH DO US PART (Rap-A-Lot 53818) Geto Boys	11	14
16	DOWN WITH THE KING (Profile 1440)	8	6
17	BIZARRE RIDE II (Delecious Vinyl 92222) The Pharcyde	15	3
18	JAZZMATAZZ VOLUME 1 (Chrysalis/ERG 21998)	18	1
19	LOOKS LIKE A JOB FOR (Cold Chillin /WB 45128) Big Daddy Kane	13	3
20	CONNECTED (Gee Street/Island/PG 14061) Stereo Mc's	19	6
21	REACHIN'(A NEW REFUTATION OF TIME AND SPACE)		
	Pendulum/Elektra 61414) Digable Planets	17	1
22	HARD OR SMOOTH (MCA 10566) Wreckx-N-Effect	21	29
23	WHICH DUBIE U B (Immortal/Epic 53212) FunkDoobiest	20	5
23	BANGEN' ON WAX (Dangerous/Pump/Ouality 19138) Bloods & Crips	22	14
24 25	OOOOOOOHHHLON THE TLC TIP (Latace/Arista 26003) TLC	25	1
		23	1
26	BASS: THE FINAL FRONTIER (Magic/CDG 9413) D.J. Magic Mike	23	
27	HERE COME THE LORDS (Pendulum/Elektra 61415)		
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28	THE NEW BREED (Wrap/Ichiban 8120) MC Breed	DEE	3UT
29	TOTALLY CROSSED OUT (Ruffhouse/Columbia 48710) Kris Kross	28	63
	WHO'S THE MAN (Uptown/MCA 10794) Soundtrack	24	7
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12	RUFFNECK (First Priority/Atlantic 98401)
	(Def Jam 74984/Columbia)
3	INSANE IN THE BRAIN/WHEN THE ST (Ruffhouse/Columbia 77019)
	Cypress Hill 1 6
4	CHECK YO SELF(Priority 53830)
	CHEIF ROCKA (Pendulum/Elektra 66302) Lords Of The Underground 4 6
	ALRIGHT (Ruffhouse/Columbia 77103)
	LET ME ROLL(Rap-a-lot/Priority 53831)
9	I GET AROUND/KEEP YA HEAD UP (Interscope/Atlantic 96036) 2Pac 5 4
10	FLOW JOE (Violator/Relativity 1185)
11	GOTTA GET MINE (Wrap/Ichiban 93154)
12	ALL SHE WANTED/HED RUSH(East/West 96042) Knucklehedz 18 3
13	40 BELOW TROOPER/ALL I THINK (Warner Bros 40764) Jungle Brothers 2 10
14	RECIPE (Chaos/Columbia 77081) Boss DEBUT
15	IBWIN' WIT MY CREW/BONNIE & CLYDE (EastWest 96054) Yo Yo 8 9
16	INDO SMOKE (Epic 77026) Mista Grimm 17 2
17	THIS IS IT Y'ALL (Chemistry/Mercury 862314) Poizon Posse DEBUT
	VERY SPECIAL/STOP SHAMMIN (Cold chillin/Reprise 18437)
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20	WHOOT, THERE IT IS (Wrap/Ichiban 0150
21	WHOOMP! (THERE IT IS) (Life/Bellmark 7900) Tag Team 20 7
22	WHAT'S UP DOC (Jive 42164) Fu-schnickens w/Shaquille O'Neal 22 12
23	ROLL W/THE FLAVOR (MCA 54623) Young Black Teenagers DEBUT
24°	DON'T GIVE ME NO BAMMER (In-a-minute 8001) R.B.L. Posse DEBUT
25	LET ME TURN YOU ON (Cold Chillin/Reprise 18542) Biz Markie 10 6
26	HUMPS FOR THE BLVD. (Psychotic 1203) Rodney O & Joe Cooley 16 4
27	THIS IS IT/RIP IT UP(Ruffhouse/Columbia 74764) Lin Que 21 5
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29	SIX FEET DEEP (Rap-A-Lot/Priority 53823)
30	EUPHORIA (Inderco 0202)

COIN MACHINE

Capcom & TSR Score Big At GEN CON Show With Dungeons & Dragons: Tower Of Doom

CHICAGO—Capcom USA and TSR, Inc. joined forces at the 26th annual GEN CON Game Fair to preview Capcom's new coin-operated role-playing adventure game, *Dungeons & Dragons: Tower Of Doom*. *D&D: Tower Of Doom* introduces a new level of role-playing games to the arcade audience and is targeted at the nearly 12 million D&D role-playing enthusiasts worldwide. The new piece will be officially launched in February of 1994.

Based on the highly popular D&D game series, *Dungeons & Dragons: Tower Of Doom* is a 134-meg game, reportedly the largest coin-operated title to hit the market. This high-intensity RPG takes players on a journey through mystical mazes and multiple paths that lead to different sub-adventures.

Players can name and choose one of four different character types ranging from the fighter, a general purpose warrior; the cleric, a human character dedicated to serve a cause; the dwarf, a demi-human with similar abilities as the fighter; or the elf, the most versatile of the player characters, who is able to utilize all armor and weapons used by fighters, as well as cast magic spells. Each character is armed with over 24 different attack maneuvers and can load up on supplies and helpful information by visiting local shops and shopkeepers in different towns.

"The joining of Capcom and TSR is breaking new ground in the gaming market, as two of the top industry forces work as one to launch the first-ever, coin-operated D&D RPG that will reach an enormous following of game players," stated Joseph Morici, senior vice president of Capcom.

Capcom intends to further broaden the RPG audience as it launches Eye Of The Beholder for the Super Nintendo Entertainment System in November of this year.

TSR, Inc. is the international market share leader of fantasy, science fiction and high adventure games. Its product line includes best-selling role-playing games, novels, family board games, military strategy games and magazines.

NAMA's Annual Nat'l Trade Show Is Coming Up Sept. 30 - Oct. 2 In Chicago

CHICAGO—Vending companies are gearing up for the 47th annual national trade convention, sponsored by the National Automatic Merchandising Association, at McCormick Place North in Chicago.

"These are dynamic times in the vending industry," stated NAMA president James A. Rost. "Every year for the past several, companies have been using our national show to introduce new equipment in vending, new products that previously were not sold through vending machines, and technological advances in more traditional machines."

Rost noted that "There have been more recent changes and more new developments on the immediate horizon in vending than we have probably seen in the last 20 years or so."

He cited such examples as the new coffee vending machines which now dispense a large variety of products including premium blend coffees, cappuccino and expresso. Certain machines can dispense these products in two size cups, or with no cup, using the customer's own favorite coffee mug instead. Cold cup drink equipment manufacturers have developed "Bag-in-the-box" machines that will offer improved drink quality and consistency.

Other recently developed machines include those that dispense pizzas or French fries, fully baked or cooked and ready-to-eat directly from the vender, soft frozen lemonade, and many non-food items as well, such as film and disposable cameras, panty hose and other products.

Among newer food items being dispensed through vending machines are shelf-stable entrees and soups, isotonic drinks, "new age" beverages, nutrient-rich bars and other products, pasta and gourmet salads.

Rost pointed out that several major food manufacturers will be first-time exhibitors at this year's show.

During the business sessions, Ronald Paul, president of Technomics, Inc., will address "New Horizons in Vending: A Look to Tomorrow." An Education Conference that NAMA is offering concurrently with the convention will include a presentation on frozen food equipment, a panel discussion on frozen food products in vending, plus nearly two dozen additional seminars, meetings and round-table discussions on current issues of specific interest to vending operators covering many aspects of owning and managing a vending business.

On October 2, the convention will close with the association's Annual Banquet and Show, which will feature CBS radio and TV correspondent Charles Osgood and entertainment by Marie Osmond.

Further information may be obtained by contacting NAMA headquarters at 20 N. Wacker Drive (Suite 3500), Chicago, IL 60606-3102 or phoning 312-346-0370. FAX number is 312-704-4140.

Williams' Indiana Jones Pin

CHICAGO—We are all familiar with the famous *Indiana Jones* film trilogy, which has earned more than \$1 billion at the boxoffice and continues to garner fans via repeated exposure on network television, cable, video rentals and sales; not to mention the big drawing Indiana Jones Stunt Spectacular at Disney/MGM Studios and the equally popular feature at the all-new Euro Disneyland.

Well, Williams Electronics Games, Inc. has now immortalized *Indiana Jones* in a brand new "Superpin" adventure that offers innovative game features, dynamic play action and a powerfully advanced sound system.

Melding together the signature elements of *Raiders Of The Lost Ark*, *The Temple Of Doom* and *The Last Crusade, Indiana Jones* the Pin, brings to life an industry first, Tilt-A-Matic mini-playfield, a vintage biplane dog fight, rotating ldol, Lost Treasures, three different inter-active Video Game Modes, 12 distinctive Game Modes, instant two-ball and threeball Multiball, as well as six-ball Multiball game play excitement and a special Eternal Life Mega Six-Ball Multiball that can award an amazing One Billion points!

From the moment players fire the realistic gun shooter they experience non-stop action on a journey through four different adventures from each of the three Indiana Jones film sagas.

Indiana Jones: The Pinball Adventure is a feature-packed spectacular, highlighted by the appearance of a unique Tilt-A-Matic playfield where players can attempt to safely navigate their way through the Path of Adventure via flipper button controls. In addition, this piece marks the unveiling of Williams' revolutionary DCS (Digital Compression System) for an unparalleled soundscape.

Further information may be obtained through factory distributors or by contacting Williams Electronics Games, Inc., 3401 N. California Ave., Chicago, lL 60618 for referral.



Williams' Indiana Jones (playfield artwork).



THIRD COAST

By Brad Hogue

THE EXPLOSION CONTINUES—The craze for country music, dancing and lifestyle has swept the nation to become a pop culture phenomenon. Joining the bandwagon is Carrie Folks and *Countdown At The Neon* Armadillo. Folks has been named to host the weekly one-hour series from Buena Vista Television that showcases the songs, the dances and the entertainers that are re-defining country music in the '90s, and premieres Friday, September 17 in syndication nationwide (check local listings). Production on the series is already underway at the newly-created Neon Armadillo stage/theatre/club at the Disney-MGM Studios in Florida, and will also shoot at Nashville's **328 Performance Hall**. *Countdown At The Neon Armadillo* will present a weekly showcase for today's hottest country performers as they count down the nation's Top 10 country songs each week. *Countdown* has been sold in 175 markets covering 98% of the United States, making it the most widely accepted program at premiere among one-hour, non-dramas in syndicated television history. Directing the series is Kent Weed; Tom Roland is series head writer. Executive producer is Don Weiner, producer of the highly rated network special Best Of Country '92: Countdown At The Neon Armadillo, which sparked the weekly series produced by BIP Productions, Ltd. for distribution by Buena Vista Television.



Countdown At The Neon Armadillo host Carrie Folks (c) is surrounded by the series' energetic troupe of dancers.

ICE SKATIN' - COUNTRY STYLE—Ronald McDonald Children's Charities Champions On Ice will present the first family ice show completely dedicated to country music when its 1994 edition, Skatin' Country takes to the road this fall. The show will feature country music complementing spectacular production numbers performed by a company of worldclass ice skating champions. The show will include music from Patsy Cline and Elvis Presley to Garth Brooks and Wynonna, country line dancing on and Elvis Presley to Garrin Brooks and Wynonna, country line dancing on ice, a live performance by a country music artist, and music from Broadway, TV, and Western movies, complete with production special effects and multi-media presentations. *Skatin' Country* is scheduled to appear in more than 75 cities across the U.S. from October to April, carrying ice-making equipment wherever it is needed. A special Nashville performance is achieved at the Opril Hause on October 26 with a television charve also in scheduled at the Opry House on October 26, with a television show also in the works. This marks the first time Opry officials have agreed to host an ice show on the Grand Ole Opry stage. "This is just another first," says Dan Wojcik, president of Entertainment Artists, exclusive booking agency for

Champions On Ice. Go figure! HOT SCHATZ!—Schatzi Hageman, one of Nashville's most ac-



complished entertainment publicists and media professionals, has an-nounced the opening of Hot Schatz Productions and Media Relations. The firm will specialize in complete artist development services including publicity, media relations and video productions. Recent projects have included independent publicity, media relations and video production for childrens albums by Alvin & The Chipmunks and Waylon Jennings. Her clients have included Doug Stone, Joe Diffie, Louise Mandrell, Mike Reid, Darryl & Don Ellis and many others. Hageman spent two years as manager of media relations for Sony Music/Nashville,

staff of Entertainment Tonight and several years as part of Jeff Wald's management team handling clients such as Chicago, Badfinger, Helen Reddy, Flip Wilson and Sylvester Stallone. Schatzi's phone # is (615) 356-6614. Next week ...

COUNTRY NEWS BOX

Canadian Country **Music Week**

ONTARIO, CANADA-Arista Nashville president Tim DuBois has been tapped to deliver the keynote address at the opening ceremonies for Canadian Country Music Week on Thursday, September 16 in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. DuBois will kick off four days of seminars, roundtables, forums and showcases dedicated to furthering country music, with an emphasis on the Canadian country music industry and its artists. An active participant in the Canadian country scene since opening Arista's Nashville office in 1989, DuBois said, "Í discovered Canadian country music through Michelle Wright who opened my eyes to the wealth of talent up there," Then an unknown in the U.S., Wright has since earned a gold record in Canada and several Top 10 singles in the U.S. For his efforts, the CCMA presented DuBois with the Outstanding International Support Award during Country Music Week activities in Calgary, Alberta last vear

The nominees for the 1993 Canadian Country Music Awards were recently announced, with Patricia Conroy leading the way with six nominations, and George Fox and The Rankin Family tied with five each. The two-hour program will be telecast for the first time in the U.S. on TNN: The Nashville Network on Saturday, September 25, at 9:00 p.m. (repeats at 12:00 p.m.; all times Eastern). George Fox will host. The nominees are as follows:

- BUD COUNTRY FANS CHOICE AWARD: Patricia Conroy, George Fox, Joan Kennedy, Prarie Oyster, Michelle Wright
- FEMALE VOCALIST OF THE YEAR: Lisa Brokop, Patricia Conroy, Joan Kennedy, Cassandra Vasik, Michelle Wright
- MALE VOCALIST OF THE YEAR: Joel Feeney, George Fox, Don Neilson, Ian Tyson, Jim Witter
- VOCAL DUO OR GROUP OF THE YEAR: Coda The West, The Johner Brothers, Prarie Oyster, The Rankin Family, Tracey Prescott & Lonesome Daddy
- VOCAL COLLABORATION: Gary Fjellgaard & Linda Kidder, The Johner Brothers & Lisa Brokop, Kelita & Terry Kelly, New Country-Various Artists, Cassandra Vasik & Russell deCarle
- VISTA (RISING STAR) AWARD: Coda The West, Don Neilson, The Rankin Family, Shania Twain, Jim Witter
- SINGLE OF THE YEAR: "Bad Day For Trains" Patricia Conroy; "Fare Thee Well Love" - The Rankin Family; "He Would Be Sixteen" - Michelle Wright; "In My Father's House" - Terry Kelly; "Mustang Heart" - George Fox
- ALBUM OF THE YEAR: Bad Day For Trains Patricia Conroy; Higher Ground - Joan Kennedy; Mustang Heart - George Fox; Thinking Of You - Rita MacNeil; Tracey Prescott & Lonesome Daddy - Tracey Prescott & Lonesome Daddy
- SOCAN SONG OF THE YEAR: "Backroads" Ricky Van Shelton (Writer. Charlie Major); "Bad Day For Trains" - Patricia Conroy (Writers: Ralph Murphy & Patricia Conroy); "Fare Thee Well Love" - The Rankin Family (Writer: Jimmy Rankin); "In My Father's House" - Terry Kelly (Writers: Creighton Doane, Terry Kelly, Floyd King); "Mustang Heart" - George Fox (Writers: George Fox, Bob Gaudio)
- VIDEO OF THE YEAR: "Bad Day For Trains" Patricia Conroy (Director: Steven Goldmann); "Fare Thee Well Love" - The Rankin Family (Director: Phil Kates); "Harvest Moon" - Neil Young (Director: Julien Temple); "He Would Be Sixteen" - Michelle Wright (Director: Steven Goldmann); "What Made You Say That" - Shania Twain (Director: Steven Goldmann)

The 1993 Canadian Country Music Awards will be telecast live in Canada by the CTV Television Network on Saturday, September 18, from Hamilton Place in Hamilton, Ontario.



CASH BOX



#1 SINGLE: Dwight Yoakam

A THOUSAND MILES FROM NOWHERE (Reprise/Warner Bros. 6057)



Total Weeks 🔻

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Last Week 🔻



HIGH DEBUT: Brooks & Dunn #37



Total Weeks

Last Week

#1 INDIE: Kevin Charles

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37 SHE USED TO BE MINE (Arista 2602) Brooks & Dunn DEBUT

38 MY BABY LOVES ME (RCA 66299) Martina McBride 41 5

39 HERE GOES NOTHING (BFE/BMG 18562) Patti Miner 40 11

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A COUPLE OF GOOD YEARS LEFT (Columbia 77130) Ricky Van Shelton 45

42 GRAND TOUR (A&M 31454) Aaron Neville 46 5

44 I'M NOT BUILT THAT WAY (Liberty 79797) Billy Dean 47 3

45 EVERY LITTLE THING (Giant 42499) Carlene Carter 14 15

46 COWBOY BOOGIE (Warner Bros. 45319) Randy Travis DEBUT

47 JANIE BAKER (RCA 66267) Shenandoah 22 14

48 ALMOST GOODBYE (MCA 54718) Mark Chesnutt DEBUT

49 CAN'T BREAK IT TO MY HEART (Atlantic 82483) Tracy Lawrence 23 14

51 I'M THE ONLY THING (I'LL HOLD AGAINST YOU) (MCA 54710)

43 FALLIN' NEVER FELT SO GOOD (Columbia 18465) Shawn Camp 43

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52 CAN YOU FEEL IT (Liberty 79760) Ricky Lynn Gregg	44	7
53 WE GOT THE LOVE (RCA 66049) Restless Heart	35	16
54 IS SURE IS MONDAY (MCA 54630) Mark Chesnutt	39	16
55 DOWN ON MY KNEES (MCA 54670)		13
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57 I NEVER CARED FOR MORNINGS (LRK Records KC693) Kevin Charles	61	5
58 WEST TEXAS SAM (Platinum Plus AACDX 1101) Bill Gerick	63	7
59 DANCE WITH THE ONE THAT BROUGHT YOU (Mercury 923)		
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67 YOUR TIGHT FITTIN' JEANS (Lion 626923) Del Pritchett	57	9
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69 LOST IN THE NEON LIGHTS (Belitune TV8-3) Bobby Hood	73	4
70 A BAD GOODBYE (RCA 62503) Clint Black with Wynonna	62	17
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72 IT'S YOUR CALL (MCA 54496) Reba McEntire		17
73 I GOT A LOVE (Columbia 53198) Matthews Wright & King	64	12
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75 RHYTHM AND BOOZE (Rockin J TV8-1) Noris Stewart	79	4
76 HELLO EARTH (Platinum Plus AAPL1101) Chris Shook	82	2
77 WHY DID I WAKE UP (Treasure) Monte Lee	80	3
78 MOMMA'S ROCKING CHAIR (Killer)	81	3
79 MONEY IN THE BANK (BNA 62507) John Anderson	70	19
80 WEEKEND SITUATION (Fraternity CP0001) Curt Powers	84	3
31 A WOMAN ALWAYS KNOWS (Song-1 TCD0107) Staci Johnson	86	2
82 THE HARD WAY (Columbia 74930) Mary-Chapin Carpenter	68	21
83 WHEN DID YOU STOP LOVING ME (MCA 54642) George Strait	71	19
84 TELL ME ABOUT IT (Liberty 56985) Tanya Tucker with Delbert McClinton	74	21
85 SOMEBODY ELSE'S MOON (Epic 74912) Collin Raye	72	22
86 TEXAS TATTOO (Epic 74991)	76	14
87 A MIND OF HER OWN (Liberty 79654) John Berry	• •	14
88 WHATEVER WAY THE WIND BLOWS (MCA 54678) Kelly Willis	75	11
89 DADDY LAID THE BLUES ON ME (Epic 77044) Bobbie Cryner	78	11
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92 WHEN YOU LEAVE THAT WAY YOU CAN NEVER GO BACK	•••	
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93 FEEL RIGHT (Stargern SGEJ-002) Ellis James	88	12
94 THAT SUMMER (Liberty 79736)	92	18
95 HOMETOWN HONEYMOON (RCA 62495) Alabama	94	22
97 I GUESS YOU HAD TO BE THERE (BNA 62415) Lorrie Morgan	95	
98 TELL ME WHY (MCA 54606) Wynonna Judd		22
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REVIEWS by Brad Hogue

RICK TREVINO "Just Enough Rope" (Columbia CSK 77159)

CSK (7159) Expect Columbia to explore a few cross-marketing strategies with this Johnny Rodriguez-influenced Texas newcomer named Rick Trevino. A third generation Mexican-American, Trevino grew up playing to, and straddling two cultures in the suburbs of Austin and Houston. "Just Enough Rope" is the debut single from his forthcoming Columbia album. Written by Karen Staley & Steve Dean, the tune is a pleasing mid-tempo shuffle with a cool for radio. Can't wait to hear the Spanish version. Steve Buckingham produced the track.



ALABAMA "Reckless" (RCA 07863)

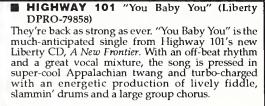


From their forthcoming RCA CD, The Cheap Seats, "Reckless" was written by Jeff Stevens & Michael Clark with production handled by Josh Leo, Larry Michael Lee & Alabama. It's a mid-tempo tune about driving down the road in reckless summer love. Typical Alabama harmonies are tight as ever and the song's not bad, but it's nothing spectacular—by Alabama standards anyway.

ALAN JACKSON "Mercury Blues" (Arista 18711)

While it's hard to follow the success of a single like "Chattahoochee," this one just might be the ticket to sell a few more albums. Written by Robert L. Geddins & K.C. Douglas, "Mercury Blues" demonstrates in ditty an ongoing love affair with a brand-name automobile. We have to hand it to Alan for demonstrating diverse interests in his single releases. It's produced by Keith Stegall.





PICK OF THE WEEK



■ LITTLE TEXAS "God Blessed Texas" (Warner Bros. PRO-CD-6448) It's about time for this one! We all knew they could something besides weepy ballads and here it is. "God Blessed Texas" is a smashing new single that is sure to take radio by storm. Written by Porter Howell & Brady Seals of the band, this is the best single our Little band has released to date. It's an end-of-summer, honky-tonk stomp wonderfully produced by James Stroud, Christy DiNapoli & Doug Grau. Take it to the masses, guys!



COUNTRY ALBUMS

TOP 75 COUNTRY ALBUMS

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#1 ALBUM

LEAD ME NOT (RCA 66117) ...





TO WATCH: Billy Ray Cyrus #2

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FOR MY BROKEN HEART (MCA 10400) (P2) Reba McEntire

GREATEST HITS I (Warner Bros. 45044)(G) Randy Travis THIS ONE'S GONNA HURT YOU (MCA 10596)(G) Marty Stuart

FIRE IN THE DARK (Liberty/SBK 98947) Billy Dean 75

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PICK OF THE WEEK

By Brad Hogue



■ GARTH BROOKS: In Pieces (Liberty CDP 80857)

It's been on the streets for almost a week now and initial shipments for Mr. Garth Brooks' In Pieces CD have already exceeded two million copies as we go to print on September 1. The album was released on August 31. Acclaim or criticism at this point in the Garth-man's career will do little to Accraim or criticism at this point in the Garth-man's career will do little to affect the sales of this album. The real test lies in the hands of nearly 3,000 country radio stations and several million loyal G.B. fans. His first album, *Garth Brooks*, contained "The Dance." His second, *No Fences*, gave us "Friends In Low Places." *Ropin' The Wind* pushed Billy Joel's "Shameless" to new heights. *The Chase* furthered Brooks' artistry with "We Shall Be Free." All of these served as career-defining singles which have contributed largely to the sale of over 32,000,000 albums. In a recent Harris Poll, Garth solution for the entire music industry. His previous album, *The Chase*, became the first album in music history to be certified for out-of-the-box sales of five million copies in the U.S., breaking the record shared by his own *Ropin' The Wind* and Michael Jackson's *Dangerous*. Whew! These figures still blow me away!

figures still blow me away! Sales kudos aside, here's what comes together *In Pieces*: Already hot from the hip with the all-out assaulting smash lead cut, "Ain't Goin' Down (Til The Sun Comes Up)," Garth's fastest-climbing single to date, *In Pieces* gives even finely tuned ears a variety of listening pleasures from which to draw individual application and inspiration. Pop it in, push play and immedi-ately engage in "Standing Outside The Fire," a totally uplifting shuffle addressing the achievement of personal drive and passion, and the conse-quences which result when life is void of it. Falling apart artistically a bit with the over-formulated "The Night I Called The Old Man Out" and "American Honky-Tonk Bar Association," *In Pieces* adheres to its original vision in "One Night A Day," complete with totally honest lyrics and a soothing saxophone (You may have seen its premiere on *The Tonight Show with Jay Leno*). with Jay Leno).

with Jay Leno). "Kickin' And Screaming" into "Ain't Goin' Down," we're treated to more honesty and awe in "The Red Strokes." Next comes "Calling' Baton Rouge," a super choice for single release strengthened with fiddle brilliance and tip-top instrumental and harmony arrangements. "The Night WillOnly Know" looks at haunting desire, while the final cut, "The Cowboy Song" finds Garth linking himself unequivocally with his Country-Western past. He does it with total integrity. Aptly titled, *In Pieces* is sure to please Garth fans and radio alike. Keep it up G.B., we're all listening.





COUNTRY MUSIC

By Joseph Stanley

HIGH DEBUTS

1. BROOKS & DUNN—"She Used To Be Mine"—(Arista)—#37 2. RANDY TRAVIS—"Cowboy Boogie"—(Warner Bros.)—#46 3. MARK CHESNUTT—"Almost Goodbye"—(MCA)—)#48

MOST ACTIVE

1. JOHN ANDERSON—"I Fell In The Water"—(BNA)—#36 2. PAM TILLIS—"Do You Know Where Your Man Is"—(Arista)—#40 3. REBA MCENTIRE/LINDA DAVIS—"Does He Love You"—(MCA)—

#33

GEORGE STRAIT—"Easy Come, Easy Go"—(MCA)—#20
 CONFEDERATE RAILROAD—"Trashy Women"—(Atlantic)—#23

POWERFUL ON THE PLAYLIST—It's generally considered that any upward mobility on the charts is a good thing. This week, there's a whole lot of a good thing, as 22 of the Top 100 move four or more places above last week's mark. Leading the way with a very healthy 14-place leap is John Anderson with "I Fell In The Water" at #36. Second place is a two-way tie as Pam Tillis' "Do You Know Where Your Man Is" moves up nine to #40, and Reba McEntire and Linda Davis move a similar question, "Does He Love You," up nine as well to #33. Rounding out the top five is yet another tie, this one repre-senting moves of seven notches on the chart. George Strait and "Easy Come, Easy Go" easily go up to #20, while Confederate Railroad's

"Trashy Women" move in at #23. **RADIO NEWS**—THE CANADIAN COUNTRY MUSIC AS-SOCIATION will honor the best Canadian country radio stations during Country Music Week in Hamilton in September. The nominations in six categories were announced August 11. Winners in four of the categories will be selected by a jury, while the other two will be voted on by the 1,300-odd member association. The results will be announced at the Broadcasters Luncheon on September 18. Chris Hughes, president of the Canadian Country Music Association com-ments, "This is our way of saying 'thanks' to country broadcasters. They have played a major part in the enormous new popularity of our music, and they deserve the thanks of the entire country music community."

ALONG THE SAME LINES...: The winners of the CMA Broadcast Awards have been announced by the Country Music Association. "CMA's broadcast awards are a way for the industry to honor radio for the vital role it plays in the growth and expansion of Country Music," said CMA executive director Ed Benson. "After all, radio is the backbone of the industry because it brings Country Music to the fans. The winners are: Broadcast Station Of The Year - Large Market: WUSN, Chicago, IL; Medium Market: KASE, Austin, TX; Small Market: KGEE, Midland/Odessa, TX. Broadcast Personality Of The Year - Large Market: Jim Mantel/Lucy Grant, WGAR, Cleveland,OH; Medium Market: Gary Lee Love, KYKR, Beaumont, TX; Small Market: John Murphy & George House, WAXX, Eau Claire, WI.

LOOKING AHEAD

(Listed are major label single releases which have not yet debuted on the Top 100 Country Singles Chart, but are receiving reports.) **1. DARRYL & DON ELLIS**—'Ten Minutes Till" (Columbia) **2. TWISTER ALLEY**—'Dance" (Mercury) **3. ROGER BALLARD**—'Two Steps In The Right Direction"

(Atlantic)

CMT Top Ten Video Countdown

1. Billy Ray Cyrus In The Heart Of A Woman (Mercury) -Compliments of CMT video countdown, week ending Sept. 1, 1993.

INDIE SPOTLIGHT

Jack Patton

INDIE CHART ACTION—Leading the

Cash Box independents again this week is

Gerick of Platinum Plus. His latest, "West

By Joseph Stanley

BEEN THERE! Seen it! Done it! If there is anyone in the music industry who can say that it is, without a doubt, Jack Patton. Patton

Texas Sam" moves up five this week to #58. Emie Ashworth is sure to be pleased this week as "I Wish" moves up four to #3 for the Hickory label. Bobby Hood on the Belltune label takes "Lost In The

Neon Lights" up to #69 this week, also up four notches.



was born Frank Aloysius Piechuc, but, because there were so many other Piechuc's at the Mohawk Carpet Mills where his father worked, the family name was soon changed. Jack learned to play violin and accordion as a boy, play-ing at Polish at ing weddings, in dance halls, and even at skating rinks.

Before too long he began writing songs and, in 1939, he left Amsterdam, New York, for Hollywood. Columbia Pictures soon began making plans to use his music in a western musical, but the work was interrupted in 1940 when he was drafted.

After limited service, due to poor eyesight and hearing, Jack returned to Hollywood and the movie, *Swing In The Saddle* appeared in 1942. The film, featuring Jimmy Wakely, Mary Ford and Nat King Cole, used Patton's song, "Cowboy Polka."

In 1944 he began to host a local radio show. At the same time, he was running a health food store with an office in the rear where he could work on his music. He made the acquaintance of the man he calls "the first hippie," Eden Ahbez, a dishwasher and sometime piano-player at a vegetarian restaurant Jack liked. Patton was im-pressed with Eden's talent and became something of a patron to the young man, giving him financial help and business advice. Perhaps the best bit of advice was when he convinced Eden to take the song "Nature Boy" to Capitol Records. Nat King Cole went on to record the song, taking it to eight consecutive weeks at #1 in 1948. With the combined recognition from "Nature Boy" and Jack's song, "Maple Sugar Time," which was nominated as the state song of Vermont, Jack and Eden were featured in *Life* magazine and soon found themcelives currunded by homeful yourge writers.

found themselves surrounded by hopeful young writers wanting help in promoting their songs. Among them was Stan Jones. With Jack's help and encouragement Jones went on to write "Ghost Rider's In The Sky," though Jack never received a co-writing credit for the song. (He later was awarded co-writing royalties.) The song has since sold 208 million copies in 83 different versions around the world.

In addition to working in promotions and management for such stars as Debbie Boone and Bobby Vinton, Jack maintained an active involvement in a diversity of businesses including the health food industry, hotel ownership, and has made 14 films. He has five albums to his credit, most recently Jack Patton in 1990. He is currently involved in the promotion of up-and-coming country artist Chris Shook and his new song, "Hello Earth," co-written by Patton and Ries.



Cash Box COUNTRY RADIO



COUNTRY MUSIC

Branson Beat

-A monthly update on the Branson music scene and area events

STAR SPANGLED FAMILY—The first series of national television specials to feature the top talent of Branson, MO., America's newest growing entertainment mecca, premiered on The Family Channel Labor Day Weekend. Featuring varied performances by Barbara Mandrell, Yakov Smirnoff and Shoji Tabuchi, among others, Star Spangled Branson, the first of 13 specials for the Family Channel's Branson Music Hall, premiered Saturday, September 4 at 8 p.m. Eastern/Pacific with encores at 8 p.m. September 5 & 9 p.m. September 6. The show will also feature Johnny Cash, Michelle Wright, the Oak Ridge Boys, Marie Osmond, Mel Tillis, Jim Stafford, Neal McCoy and Tony Orlando. According to veteran country music producer Lynn Doerschuk, The Family Channel is the perfect showcase for the lively family-oriented shows and all-American atmosphere. "Nashville is where people go to make music, but Branson is where they go to perform it," Doerschuk says. Taped entirely on location in Branson, the series is produced exclusively for The Family Channel by Doerschuk and Larry Black of Windyville Productions. The first special to highlight the performance of a particular group features entertainment mecca, premiered on The Family Channel Labor Day

The first special to highlight the performance of a particular group features country music legends the Oak Ridge Boys, airing Friday, October 22, at 7 p.m. Eastern/Pacific.



Mel Tillis is a featured performer in *Star Spangled Branson*, the first in a series of specials for The Family Channel's *Branson Music Hall*.

IMAXIMUM SIGHT & SOUND—Some of Branson's biggest stars recently shared in the filming of *Neighbors*, an original IMAX film created and produced in Branson, MO for ITEC Attractions' new Ozarks Discovery IMAX Theater. Glen Campbell, Jim Stafford, Mickey Gilley, Tony Orlando, Yakov Smirnoff, Moe Bandy, Rodney Dillard, Boxcar Willie, The Osmonds, Barbara Fairchild, Buck Trent and Jennifer Wilson were some of the entertainers who cooperated to create this film to promote the entire Branson community. An original music arrangement for Neighbors soundtrack was written and produced by Jim Stafford and Rodney Dillard. "We wanted to use music traditional to this area, so we used Albert Brumley's "I'll Fly Away," says Stafford. "We also wanted something to represent Branson and used "This Little Light Of Mine, I'm Gonna Let It Shine," because that's what's happening with Branson and its entertainment-Branson's star is shining.

Created in Branson and the surrounding Ozarks, Neighbors pictures the historic scenes of hill families and neighbors making mountain music, to the modern-day music and glittering lights of Branson's Highway 76 in original IMAX film, which surrounds the audience with the sights and original IMAX film, which surrounds the audience with the sights and sounds of the Ozarks in a way never seen or heard before. Some scenes feature the largest group of stars assembled at one time to be filmed on the largest film format *in the world*. The Ozarks Discovery IMAX Theater in Branson is the first of a series of giant screen theaters to be developed in tourist markets around the world by International Tourist Entertainment Corporation (ITEC attractions). The 550-seat theater features a screen more than six stories tall and a six-channel, 22,000-watt digital sound system. It is the newest of 90 theaters worldwide which use the IMAX giant-screen is the newest of 90 theaters worldwide which use the IMAX giant-screen motion picture system. Neighbors and the feature film, Grand Canyon: The Hidden Secrets, are presented hourly from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. every day except Christmas.



GRAPE TIME: Alan Jackson and co-writer Jim McBride were recently honored by Sony Tree for their collaborative efforts on Jackson's #1 smash song "Chattahoochee." Pictured complete with grape snow cones (I-r) are: producer Keith Stegail, Jackson, McBride, and Sony Tree's Dan Wilson and Donna Hilley.



MORNING STEPHANIE: Asylum recording artist Stephanie Davis recently visited the set of The Nashville Network's *Video Morning* for the premiere of her debut video "It's All In The Heart." Davis is currently opening for Garth Brooks on his sell-out 1993 tour. Pictured (I-r) are: Davis and *Video Morning* co-hosts Al Wyntor & Katie Haas.



NEW SPIN: Jimmie Dale Gilmore, Austin's musical demi-god recently celebrated the release of his new Elektra album, *Spinning Around The Sun*, with a few tunes during a listening party at BMI Nashville. Cheering him on (I-r) are: BMI's Jody Williams, Elektra's Danny Kahn, manager Mike Crowley and BMI's Roger Sovine.



PH.D TIME: RCA star Aaron Tippin on location for his video shoot for his first single, "Workin' Man's PH.D" from the newly released *Call Of The Wild* CD. The video was shot at Mirage Dry Lake Bed outside L.A.

ARTIST SPOTLIGHT

Bob Carlisle

BOB CARLISLE DESCRIBES HIMSELF AS "an everyday guy, just trying to make it from Monday to Tuesday like everyone else." Although his personality may reflect that attitude, one look at his musical credentials



and a few minutes of listening to his powerful tenor voice is enough to convince anyone that Bob Carlisle is anything but ordinary. His voice has been heard on recordings by some of the music industry's biggest stars: Patti Smyth, Pat Benatar, Robbie Robertson, Juice Newton and REO Speedwagon, as well as with Christian artists like Brvan Duncan and Steve Čamp. Also, Carlisle has penned many top Christian songs as well as Dolly Parton's #1 country smash, ''Why'd Ya Come In Here Lookin' Like

That," which he wrote with Randy Thomas.

Carlisle is probably best known, though, as the pioneer of the Christian rock band Allies. After launching the group with good friend Randy Thomas in 1985, the band went on to record six critically acclaimed albums. On stage the band gained the reputation for being one of the most energetic bands in the industry. Today, though, Bob Carlisle has started a new chapter in his career with his self-titled debut solo album.

With his distinctive "blue-eyed soul" approach, Bob returns to the music he loved as a youth. This time around, though, he adds passionate lyrics depicting the everyday struggles and triumphs of a man committed to his family, his calling, and his God.

Carlisle's musical roots are as diverse as they are deep. 'I like lots of different kinds of music," he says, "because I think in every form of music there's something valuable to be found." Raised in the midst of country and bluegrass, Bob also learned to love the gritty soul sounds of Otis Redding, Wilson Pickett and Tower of Power. Those legends, among others, have influenced the powerful, passionate performances that have become Carlisle's trademark.

In the early '70s, as a result of his involvement with Calvary Chapel in Southern California, Carlisle hooked up with a band called Good News. After several albums with Maranatha! Music, Bob moved on to Psalm 150, a "soul band" that eventually became the back-up group for gospel legend Andrae Crouch.

Before the end of the decade, though, Bob found that the touring circuit of the time was not yet strong enough to support many touring artists, and so turned his career in a direction which would make it easier for him to support his growing family. He began to play in various club bands and eventually graduated to doing studio session work. He finally had the income he needed, though, as time went by he became unable to continue with a career which he did not feel measured up to God's plan for his life.

In 1984, during a set at a concert club, Bob broke down in the middle of the performance. He put down his guitar and went outside, physically ill. "I was just overcome with grief. My heart was so heavy; I felt as if my life was wasting away, that I was not doing what God had for me."

That very same week, Allies was born, signed immediately to a contract with Light Records. For eight years Bob toured and recorded with the

As for his change of pace with Sparrow? "It was a natural evolution for me to return to my roots singing 'blue-eyed soul,'" states Carlisle. He also has a unique approach to concerts and performing in the Christian Music arena. "I'm not a minister. I just happen to love Jesus with all my heart...God's given me an ability to communicate some ideas about how we all feel, think, and get through it together."

Everyday life with his wife, Jaque, and his children, Brooke and Evan, is something that Bob loves and protects from the rigors of a busy touring schedule. "My first responsibility is to my family and if I can't take care of that, I have absolutely no business going out on the road."

Many people will relate to this artist whose talent places him among the best in the business, yet still posses the ability to address "getting from Monday to Tuesday."

Contemporary Christian Reviews

By Joseph Stanley

■ PHILLIPS, CRAIG & DEAN "Midnight Oil" (Star Song)

In light of the fact that there is a secular rock group called Midnight Oil, I must admit I had my ears primed for a decidedly rock sound. So much so, in fact, that after about three or four bars of this song I hit the button to take me back to the top. Starting over properly prepared, I leaned back to enjoy. The lyrics of this song about a mother's dedication to prayer are touching, especially the lines about how the singer hopes to pass on the legacy of late-night prayer to his own children. The music of this song was also very good. The made-for-radio CD indicated it as a song for Adult Contemporary outlets, but it seems that the song would also be excellent for the Christian Country format as well. It would be nice to see some of the heavy hitters in the Contemporary market agressively pursuing Christian Country. Soapbox aside, this is a really good song.

THE IMPERIALS"Standing On The Rock Of Love" (Star Song)

If you have trouble getting up in the morning, I have a solution. Put "Standing On The Rock Of Love" in the CD player before you go to bed. When your alarm goes off, before you roll over and head back to never-neverland, push play. Before the first verse is done you'll be on your feet, guaranteed. This tune borrows a lot from R&B, including a funky/groovy beat, strong keyboard work and some really neat horns. Though the songwriting, lyrically speaking, is not exactly a we-inspiring, the instrumentation is more than enough to pick up the slack.

■ WHITECROSS"My Love" (Star Song)

Ah! Here is the edgy, guitar-driven almost-metal rock power ballad. I must confess that I'm not familiar with Whitecross' prior work (a condition that will, on the merits of this song, be rectified soon), but I am *Impressed*. The typical problem with extremely hard Christian rock is also the typical complaint with secular metal; you can't hear the words. Though a blessing in the latter case, it must be remembered that the message Christian music conveys is in the lyrics. The lyrics to "My Love" are emminently effective, combining simplicity and coherence. The music is first class: powerful harmonics, skillful guitar work, and the surprising, haunting "harpsichord" keyboard intro say one thing: CRANK IT UP!!!!

ALBUM FEATURE PICK

■ BRETT WILLIAMS & IN REACH Power & Promise (Star Song)



Wow. I mean, WOW!! Sorry, I was dazed for a minute there. This is, without a doubt, one of the best albums to come across my desk in quite a while. The last time I saw such versatility combined with an equal command of each different style on one album was when I first listened to the Orphans & Angels CD from Julie Miller, who just happens to be Williams' partner in song on "The Best For Me," the incredible duet that starts off this tour-de-force. The first side has a sort of soft-rock/inspirational bent that showcases some of the best written lines I've ever seen: "Between God's power and promise that we lose our faith," from the title cut, powerfully describes the tendency to want to see the power immediately after the promise, rather than in God's time. Near the end of the "A" side the group takes an acoustic turn with "Myth Of Me." In one of the first songs I've heard dealing with the trends of today's teens (the retro/alternative/mystic scene), Williams puts the listener right in the midst of a search for truth with "Savannah." The "B" side takes us on into the land of rock 'n' roll, with styles varying from the almost metal edge of "Run" to the smoother ballad style of "I Believe," which gets my vote for Best of Album, a hard choice to make as there are no "throwaways" on this one.



CONTEMPORARY CHRISTIAN

Carman Breaks Concert Record In South Africa

MORE THAN 50,000 PEOPLE attended a performance by Sparrow recording artist Carman at Wanderer's Cricket Stadium in Johannesburg, South Africa on August 15, making it the highest-attended ticketed contemporary Christian solo concert ever held. The event was also the largest concert ever held in South Africa.

concert ever held in South Africa. Billed as "Music For Peace," the concert was attended by African National Congress president Nelson Mandela, Correctional Services Cabinet Minister Adriaan Vlok, Manpower Cabinet Minister Leon Wessels, as well as other political, religious, civic and corporate leaders. Many of these officials are currently writing South Africa's new constitution, to be completed prior to the nation's first free elections on April 27, 1994. "The ANC associates itself with the message of peace and cooperation

"The ANC associates itself with the message of peace and cooperation between all those who sent out a message of peace through the 'Music For Peace' rally," said an ANC spokesman.

"This was not just contemporary Christian music," Carman said. "It was a movement of peace brought on by raising the standard of Christianity in a nation."

The first concert held in Wanderer's Stadium in 20 years, Carman's performance featured the official debut of "Everybody Praise The Lord," which refers directly to the people of Johannesburg, from his upcoming Sparrow release, *The Standard*.

The event also included an address by Ray McCauley, senior pastor of Johannesburg's Rhema Church, co-sponsors of the concert with Carman Ministries. Prayers for peace were offered and a moment of silence was observed. In addition, a 400-voice choir performed segments of Handel's *Messiah*.

Covered by ABC and NBC News, "Music For Peace" halted traffic in the surrounding area for four hours prior to the event, necessitating the use of a series of traffic helicopters to police the vicinity. Due to a shortage of parking, some concert-goers reportedly left cars parked in the middle of streets surrounding the venue.

Approximately 8,000 free tickets were distributed to residents of black townships, with free transportation provided by 73 buses. A volunteer force of 1,400 coordinated the event.



The Young Messiah Tour cast gathered recently at the Union Station Hotel in Nashville to make preparations for the tour and *The New Young Messiah* recording on Sparrow Records. This year's cast is pictured above. The cast includes: Sandi Patti, Steven Curtis Chapman, Michael English, BeBe & CeCe Winans, Twila Paris, Wayne Watson, Larnelle Harris, Steve Green, 4HIM, First Call and conductor Ralph Carmichael. They are all included on the recording, along with Susan Ashton, Christine Dente, Phil Keaggy and Cindy Morgan.



During his recent appearance on WLAC FM's *The Brian Mason Show* in Nashville, Sparrow recording artist Bob Carlisle was honored with a surprise "on-air celebration" for his #1 single, "Getting Stronger." Pictured are Kyle Fenton, manager, national promotion, Sparrow Communication Group; Jenny Lockwald, director, national promotion, Sparrow Communications Group; Ray Ware, Ray Ware Management; and Carlisle.

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1	HE IS ABLE (Warner Alliance 4146) Steve Camp	4	5
	SAVE ME (Warner Alliance 4148) Michael English		7
3	A REASON TO LIVE (Word 9258603) Cindy Morgan	5	6
4	WALK ON BY (Sparrow 1327)	8	8
	PSALM 100 (Star Song 8275)		6
	I BELIEVE (Reunion 78726)		10
	I THIRST FOR YOU (Myrrh 6970612)		7
	WHEN IT COMES TO LOVE (Benson 29602)		3
	I CAN'T BELIEVE MY EYES (Star Song 8264) Gaither Vocal Band		7
	WANNA BE (Myrrh 6925382)	11	6
11	STEADY ME (Sparrow 1344) Out Of The Grey	15	4
12	OVER YOU (Star Song 8264)	19	5
13	GETTING STRONGER (Sparrow 1370) Bob Carlisle		10
14		13	7
15	LONG LOOK (Word 9361609)	17	4
16	HEAVEN IS COUNTING ON YOU (Word 929460x) Ray Boltz	18	3
17	GIVE THANKS (Star Song 8255) Mylon & Friends	12	8
18	PICTURE PERFECT (Reunion 71721) Michael W. Smith	23	3
19	IT'S GOOD TO BE ALIVE (ForeFront 2935) . Geoff Moore & The Distance	14	10
20	THE GREATEST LOVE (Word 4228625) Phil Driscoll	28	2
21	YOU'LL NEVER KNOW (Dayspring 4234625)	16	10
22			
		24	2
23	SOMETHING REAL (ForeFront 3009) Code of Ethics	20	4
24	THE MAKER OF NOSES (Reunion Cat.# N.A.) Rich Mullins	28	2
25	KEEP MY MIND (Sparrow 1343) Margaret Becker	DEE	3UT
26	GOT ME GOING (Benson Cat # N.A.) Newsong	DEE	JUT
27	TALK TO ME (Benson 20982) DeGarmo & Key	22	10
28	THE WIND BLOWS (Pakaderm 2515260)	27	6
29	LOVE DIVINE (Myrrh 6954617) Phil Keaggy	26	10
30	WE HAVE IT ALL (Warner Alliance 4149) Dick & Mel Tunney	25	8

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1 NO ONE WORSHIPS THERE ANYMORE (Homeland 5139) . Bruce Haynes 1 6
2 PARDON ME, I'VE BEEN PARDONED (Manuel MFBC4) Manuel Family Band 3 6
3 OH I WANT TO SEE HIM (Psalms 107) Susie Luchsinger 2 6
4 ALL OF THIS AND HEAVEN TOO (HIS) Don Vinson 4 6
5 THE MIDDLE MAN (Heartwrite 71192) David Patillo 5 6
6 MAMA PRAYS (Intersound 71192)
7 FORGOTTEN FRIENDS (Expression 2001) Ken Holloway 10 6
8 LET'S GET THE DEVIL OUT OF HERE (Kings Day 12692) . Judy Deramus 7 6
9 BURN BRIDGE BURN (Independent) Cross Country 14 5
10 GOD'S NEVER TOO LATE (Gospel Choice 1005) Del Way 11 6
11 CRAZY 'BOUT JESUS (Expression 2004) Randy Coward 15 4
12 EACH STEP I TAKE (Morning Song) Fox Brothers 8 6
13 AMERICA IN GOD WE TRUST (Victory) Bill Holcomb 17 6
14 A VERY SPECIAL GRACE (Homeland 5136) Walt Mills 16 6
15 PRAY PRAY PRAY (Circuit Rider) W.C. Taylor 12 6
16 WELL DONE (Damascus) Terry Lee Goffey 13 6
17 I HEARD ABOUT A STONE (Some Dawn) Kevin Spencer 18 6
18 THERE BUT FOR THE GRACE OF GOD (Word 9357) . Paul Overstreet 9 6
19 DIAMONDS FROM DUST (Dovesong)
20 WAY DOWN DEEP (Homeland)
21 THEY SEE MY DADDY IN ME (Horneland 9073) Margo Smith & Holly 24 6
22 BLESSINGS COME IN DIFFERENT COLORS (HIS) Bill Adams 20 6
23 ONE OF THESE DAYS (Heartlook) Rivers & Owens 19 6
24 ALL I WANT, ALL I NEED (Expression) Kathy Yoder DEBUT
25 DEEP WELL (Calvary)
26 THESE LAST DAYS (S&A Family) Steve & Annie Chapman 26 6
27 LET MY FAITH BEGIN TO MOVE (Homeland 63) Billy Walker 28 6
28 IN HIS WILL THERE IS A WAY (Riversong 02862) Jeff & Sheri Easter 21 6
29 SIMPLE LIFE (Word 9328) Ricky Skaggs 27 6
30 EVEN THE NIGHT (Skyline) Country Praise 29 6

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GOSPEL SONGWRITER'S WORKSHOP ANNOUNCED—The American Society Of Composers, Authors And Publishers ninth annual Gospel Songwriter Workshop sponsored by the ASCAP Foundation, will begin on Monday, November 15, at 7:00 p.m. at the Society's Nashville offices. The workshop will be led by ASCAP songwriter/producer Dave Clark and will feature guest panelists from the entire spectrum of gospel music including composers, lyricists, publishers, producers, performers, arrangers and others. Panelists will discuss various topics of interest to songwriters and will review the material of participants.

Songwriter/producer Dave Clark has established himself as an active force in the Christian music industry. His songs have been recorded by the Speer Family, the Cathedrals, the Talleys, the Gold City Quartet, 4-HIM, Doug Oldham, Truth, Jim Murray, Babbie Mason, Bruce Carroll, Al Denson, Larnelle Harris and Sandi Patti. Dave has also co-authored seven musicals including *Meet Him At The Manger*, and *No Wonder*. "The Father Hath Provided," "Greater Still," "Didn't You Know" and "I Can Begin Again," all co-written with Larnelle Harris, went to the top positions in the Gospel music charts. Three of those garnered nominations for the Song of the Year Dove Award. In the past two years Dave has seen 11 of his songs at the #1 spot on the Christian charts. As a producer Dave Clark's credits include *The Hawaiians* and *Spirit Bound*, as well as Grammy-nominated albums for J.D. Sumner and the Stamps Quartet.

The ASCAP Gospel Workshop will meet on four consecutive Monday nights from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., with the exception of November 22, for Thanksgiving holidays. ASCAP workshops are free of charge and open to everyone regardless of performing right society affiliation or non-affiliation.

Songwriters interested in applying should send a cassette tape of one original song along with a lyric sheet marked with name, address and telephone number to: ASCAP Gospel Workshop, 2 Music Square West, Nashville, TN 37203. The workshop is limited to 30 participants. Deadline for entry is October 29. Accepted songwriters will be notified within 10 days.



Gene Higgins, president of the Christian Country Music Association, presents Mark Wagner, ash Box's Nashville director of operations, with an award in recognition of his involvement with the CCMA.

Thanks...

By Gene Higgins

THE CHRISTIAN COUNTRY MUSIC ASSOCIATION is proud to present this appreciation award and certificate of lifetime membership to Mark Wagner. Mark did a tremendous job producing the first CCMA awards show.

The CCMA will forever be indebted to Mark for all of the hard work he put forth and the success of the incredible award show. I personally count it an honor to call Mark my friend.

ARTIST SPOTLIGHT

Walt Mills

THERE ARE FEW, IF ANY, in the Christian Country field today, who



W, **IF ANY**, in the Christian Country held today, who possess as rich and varied a musical history as Homeland recording artist Walt Mills. When asked about his earliest musical influences, Walt will invariably name such country music legends as Bill Monroe, Lester Flatt, Earl Scruggs and Hank Williams, Sr. "And then you turn around," he exclaims, "and my hero is Ray Charles." To be sure, any attempt to pin Walt Mills into a single category is a frustrating—shall we say impossible—effort, though he does turn out some serious country sounds. He explains it this way: "It's a mixture of things I like, that have touched me

and continue to touch me, and somehow it comes out in what I do."

A native Texan, Walt spent his early years nurturing those country roots in the local country music shows. He remembers the early days as "a bunch of us just kickin' around...trying to get a start." The "bunch" included the likes of Jim Reeves and Willie Nelson, all at the "starving artist" point in their lives. In 1954, Walt's life took a turn in a different direction when he gave his life to God in June of that year. God was prepared to use him.

gave his life to God in June of that year; God was prepared to use him. By the late 1960s, Walt's talents brought him into contact with Buck and Dottie Rambo. Soon after, on Buck's recommendation, Walt was signed to the Benson label. The hit single "Running Free," from his debut album, *It's Jesus They Need*, earned Walt a place on the secular country charts. The mid-'70s brought a move to the Word label and another crossover hit, this time to the pop charts with "You Got The Power." By 1980, though Walt had loft the morphing studie for the TV studie

By 1980, though, Walt had left the recording studio for the TV studio and, to this day, he is a frequent guest on the TBN Network. In 1989 Walt signed with Homeland Recording and Publishing, a relationship that seems to only grow stronger as time goes by. Walt is currently working on his fifth album for the label, coming off of the tremendous success of *Hotel Hallelu*. The album promises to be the best ever from Mills, packed with the diversity he has become known for.



Cheyenne recording artist Steve Gatlin, along with manager Frank Breeden, recently signed a writer's agreement with ASCAP. Gatlin co-wrote two songs on his debut Christian Country album *Love Can Carry*; "Til You Came Along" was written with Cheyenne labelmate Bruce Haynes, and "You Beat All I've Ever Seen" was written with Breeden and Niles Borop. Pictured are (I-r): Breeden, Gatlin, and Merlin Littlefield, associate director for ASCAP.



The Kevin Spencer Family was recently in Nashville with Derrick Freirichs of the Reach Satellite Network for a live interview airing on 63 stations. Derrick played several Kevin Spencer Family songs including the popular "I Heard About A Stone" and a brand new song, "Picture This" from their latest Homeland Records release. Pictured are (I-r): Brian Monehan, Kevin Spencer and Tammy Spencer of KSF, and Freirichs.



Grammy Award-winning Word recording artist Bruce Carroll is shown backstage with Ralph Emery following Carroll's appearance on Nashville Now the longest-running program on The Nashville Network. It was one of several appearances on TV so far this year for Carroll, including Crook & Chase, Miller & Company, and the Family Channel's broadcast of the Dove Awards.



ARTIST SPOTLIGHT

Angie & Debbie Winans

By Tim A. Smith



ANGIE & DEBBIE WINANS, the youngest members of the acclaimed "First Family of Gospel Music," have joined their other talented family members in the ranks of gospel recording artists. The sisters, signed to brother BeBe Winans newly created, Capitol Records-distributed Benjammin Records label, have released their long-awaited debut album, *Angie & Debbie*. Debbie.

The sisters travel along the same musical course as their older siblings, delivering their own brand of slickly produced, message-filled, urban contemporary gospel music. "The Winans family helped to pave the way for this musical direction," Angie explains. "BeBe & CeCe widened the path. Angie & Debeie are kind of running on the same pathway."

In spite of all of the waiting, setbacks, and anticipation regarding the eventual release of the album, Angie & Debbie feel that the timing is right for them and the album to be introduced. "We feel as if this is our time and opportunity to share our musical interpretations with our peers," says Debbie. "We want them to realize that good music is joyful." Angie adds, "We've always had the music in us. This album is bursting at the seams with joyful noise.'

with joyful noise." "Big sister" Whitney Houston joins Angie & Debbie on the album's first single, "Light Of Love." Keeping it all in the family, Houston invited the duo to be the opening act on her current tour, an honor they hold very highly. "We thank God for Whitney considering us," says Debbie. "Yes, we are 'family.' We consider each other as real sisters. But she could have chosen absolutely anybody. We believe the reason she chose us is because she believes in what we're talking about. We thank God for that."

Angie & Debbie are not only talented vocalists, but extremely gifted songwriters, a talent that they're given an opportunity to display on the album. "We've been writing songs for a little while," says Angie. "Debbie wrote "Simply A Fanatic," a song with a strong groove to it that simply explains what we're all about, and "What A Place," a ballad. We both love ballads. I wrote "Why Won't You Let Me Love You" and 'He Lives."

For most artists, releasing their debut album and being the first artist to release a project on a high-profile label-not to mention that the label belongs to your brother—would put undue pressure on that artist to be successful with no room for failure. Not so for Angie & Debbie Winans. "We don't feel it," says Debbie. Angie adds, "I won't say that it won't ever occur.

don't feel it," says Debbie. Angie adds, "I won't say that it won't ever occur. We just haven't been on the scene in our own right as Angie & Debbie very long. We've been around a while with BeBe & CeCe. We've seen what they've gone through. Being a part of their experiences, witnessing them firsthand, will be nothing but a plus for us." Angie & Debbie are two extremely intelligent and talented young ladies who have their priorities in the right order. "Although we're young, we're very intelligent business people," says Angie. "But we know that there is a higher calling. I know that this whole record thing, including the tour with Whitney, was the will of God." Adds Debbie, "We don't necessarily want to get caught up with the charts and things of that nature. If we do what Cod get caught up with the charts and things of that nature. If we do what God has commissioned us to do, where the record is on the charts and things regarding the industry will take care of themselves. The only thing we actually watch is our lives, making sure we're living according to the word of God."

Their music is first-class. Their name automatically puts them among the top echelon of the Gospel music industry. But, putting it plainly, Angle & Debbie Winans are about shining the *Light Of Love* for all the world to see.

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Ricky Dillard & The New Generation Chorale	4	12
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26 FRANK WILLIAMS SINGS (Malaco 4461) Frank Williams	DE	BUT
27 HE KEEPS ON BLESSING ME (Benson/CGI 84418) Albertina Walker	23	8
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Commissioned's Fred Hammond (c) is shown in his Detroit-based Face-To-Face recording studios with Christian hip-hop act Rhythym & News. Hammond is producing the group's upcoming album.



Commonly referred to as the "Hammer" of Gospel music, Word/Epic recording artist O'Landa Draper and the Associates Choir electrified 1,000+ attendees at Sony Music's annual convention when invited to add their spirited harmonies to Billy Joel's concert performance. Draper is pictured here with Joel at the convention.



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