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### **COVER STORY**

# Michael W. Smith: Christian Music's Boy Wonder

Celebrating 10 years of music in 1993, gold and platinum seller Michael W. Smith has defined and redesigned the genre of Contemporary Christian music while most recently introducing his brand of positive pop to larger audiences of the mainstream with hits like "Place In This World" and "I Will Be Here For You." Now, with three new anniversary projects for the RCA/BMG-distributed Reunion Records, Smith's walk down memory lane will delight both fans and music buyers alike this holiday season with a comprehensive audio and video catalog of Smith's hits.

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### Pacino Has His Way

Al Pacino, fresh from his Oscar-winning performance in *Scent of a Woman*, is back on the big screen with another mesmerizing lesson in acting. He stars in Brian De Palma's latest crime drama, *Carlito's Way*. Sean Penn and Penelope Ann Miller co-star.

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### Madonna's Brazil Bash

The Material Girl brought her *Girlie Show* to Sao Paulo and Rio last week and took Brazil by storm. She was much more successful with fans and critics alike than her pal, Michael Jackson, who also performed there recently.

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RIAA OCTOBER METAL MINED: The Recording Industry Association of America's October awards included 18 Gold, 14 Platinum and eight Multi Platinum albums, one short-form album, six Gold and two Platinum Singles. In the music video category, PolyGram Music Video took two Gold and one Platinum longform music video awards.

Ice Cube's Kill At Will from Priority Records hit one million and marked the second Multi-Platinum short-form album for the year. His single "Check Yo Self" also mined Platinum. Other October 1993 highlights include:

Billy Joel rolling down the River Of Dreams to two million; Mariah Carey opening a Double Platinum Music Box; and Garth Brooks picking up the Triple Platinum In Pieces.

Bon Jovi slid past 10 million sales from 1986 on Slippery When Wet into Multi Platinum while their Keep The Faith video from PolyGram Music Video marked their fourth Gold longform to date.

Country cousins grinning at Gold albums their second time around were Billy Dean's Fire In The Dark, Sammy Kershaw's Haunted House, Sweet Suzy Bogguss' Voices In The Wind and Patty Loveless' Only What I Feel. Mark Chesnutt said hello to his third Gold album, Almost Goodbye while Confederate Railroad laid their first Platinum tracks with their self-titled debut LP. Dolly Parton went Slow Dancing With The Platinum Moon.

First Gold singles were awarded to dance club divas Zhane's "Hey Mr. D.J." and Toni Braxton's "Another Sad Love Song." Walt Disney's "Aladdin" single went Gold while the motion picture soundtrack of the same name fame reached Multi Platinum at three million.

U2's Achtung Baby from PolyGram Music Video snagged their first Platinum longform music video.

MUSICARES CARES FOR ESTEFAN: Gloria Estefan will be honored by NARAS as the Musi Cares 1994 Person Of The Year. She will receive the honor at a special fundraising dinner at New York City's Waldorf Astoria, February 27, 1994. The dinner will be part of a week-long series of high-profile events leading up to the 36th Annual Grammy Awards at Radio City Music Hall March 1, 1994. The annual MusiCares fundraising dinner began in 1991 when David Crosby was honored. Bonnie Raitt and Natalie Cole were chosen as MCPOY in '92 and '93 respectively.

MusiCares, one of the charitable initiatives within the non-profit NARAS Foundation, focuses the attention and resources of the music/recording industry on the human services and welfare issues of concern to music and recording professionals.

**AMA IS 20 YEARS OLD**: One of the most popular awards and entertainment presentations for the last two decades, will celebrate 20 years of music superstars, hits, performances, moments and memories when Kenny Rogers hosts The American Music Awards 20th Anniversary Special, a two-hour, primetime, starstudded event on ABC-TV Saturday, November 27, 8-10 p.m. Eastern and Pacific time and 7-9 p.m., Central time.

The American Music Awards, TV's highest-rated music awards special, annually honors the public's favorite recording artists in six areas of music: Adult Contemporary, Country, Heavy Metal/Hard Rock, Pop/Rock, Rap/Hip Hop and Soul/Rhythm & Blues. In all, almost 500 awards have been presented since the show's inception.

The 20th Anni Spec is a presentation of dick clark productions, inc. with Dick Clark serving as exec producer. Al Schwartz and Larry Klein are the producers. Jeff Margolis directs; Robert Arthur and Paul Grein writers; Ray Klausen is art director; Lenny Stack, musical director; Don Wollman, exec in charge of production; Fran La Maina is exec in charge.



Cataneo



Bloom





Maidenberg



Kremen



Goldstein



Kaplan



Mary Ellen Cataneo has been promoted to senior vice president of the



communications division at Sony Music Entertainment. Since 1989 she has been vice president, national press and public information, Columbia Records. Qwest Records has named Ritch Bloom its vice president of pop promotion. He served as vice president of national promotion for Capitol Records. Fletcher Foster has been appointed to the position of vice president, public relations for MCA Records. He was previously senior director, national publicity at Arista Records. **Peter Brooks** has been tapped as vice president, re-engineering for EMI Records Group, North America. He joins the company following four years with American Express where he held the title of director, re-engineering. Mercury Records has upped Marty Maidenberg to senior director, marketing. He was formerly director, product development. **B Paul Kremen** has joined Hollywood Records as director of A&R, soundtracks. He was vice president of A&R, West Coast at MCA Records. ■ Geffen Records has announced a couple of appointments. Wendy Goldstein has been hired to be director of A&R in New York. She was most recently senior director of A&R at EastWest Records. Jim Merlis has joined Geffen as media and artist relations director, also based in New York. He has been manager of alternative publicity for Columbia Records. Arista **Records** has named **Adam Kaplan** to the post of product manager. He was director of sales and marketing at Mute Records. **A&M** Records has made some staff changes. Kelly Mills has been appointed director of product development. She was director of advertising for the company. Mike Nardone has been named national director of rap promotion for the A&M-distributed Tuff Break label. He was an independent radio promoter for the company. 
Gerry Griffith has become president of Mecca Don Bros. Entertainment, Inc., a fullline music production company based in NYC. He was most recently senior vice president of black music for Arista Records. Winterland Productions has promoted Peter Aranda to the post of vice president, operations. He was previously director of the department. Winter-

senior vice president, finance and administration, will assume additional executive management responsibilities within the company. He has been at Winterland since 1985. 

John Frankenheimer has been named co-chair of Loeb and Loeb's entertainment department. He has been a member of the firm's management committee. He joined Loeb and Loeb in 1973.

land also announced that Philip Cussen,

By Aaron Steinberg

### Cash Box EAST COAST



Giovanni Salah

THE 13TH CMJ MUSIC MARATHON shook the walls of the Waldorf-Astoria last week, a somewhat unlikely location for a convention whose panel topics included "Bitches Ain't Shit but Hos and Tricks" and "The F Word: Being a Feminist in the Music Industry" and whose College Day Keynote speaker was Jello Biafra (who says alternative

music is "safe, happy, 'shut up and shop' music"). Good heavens, who let *them* in? Performers included **Matthew Sweet** and NYC's The Spelvins, Concrete Blonde, The Verlaines, Rise Robots Rise and Codeine.

FRIDAY NIGHT AT COLUMBIA University found Craig Handy (who you've heard blow tenor for Betty Carter on her last two Verve albums) orchestrating a two-hours-plus extravaganza at Columbia's stately Miller Theatre. Handy has just released his first album as a leader, entitled Split Second Timing (Arabesque) and he proved, for this performance at least, that he's long been ready to assume the mantel; an ensemble that could well have steamrollered out of control was kept focused on the tunes but in no way restricted by Craig's capable hand. Exuberant drummer Ralph Peterson discovered himself flanked by not one but two percussions, one playing in a Brazilian m.o., another African. The band also included renowned pianist Danilo Perez being paired with synth-man Adam Holtzman, who supplied eerie, subliminal chord voicings, adding an extra flavoring of moodiness. Handy's own style is more meditative than grandstanding, although his suave appearance might suggest otherwise, his sound is cool but not cold, graceful but not over-polished, and if I'm not mistaken, I daresay I hear some Joe Henderson influences in there, although Handy is most assuredly his own man.

WHY WAIT FOR THE HOLIDAYS? RuPaul can't! He has just released his own version of "The Little Drummer Boy" (Tommy Boy) and will be doing a U.K. television special with Boy George and Nirvana, among others, in which he will be performing an extra special version of RumPumPumPum.

ATLANTIC'S NEXT HOTSHOT may well be Giovanni Salah, a songwriter of but 23 summers who is bent on having his own sound, which these days mixes a laid-back rap style with electric and acoustic guitars and lush, sung passages with percolating drum loops. The album, Caged Bird, is just out, with two videos about to surface on MTV. The album's most stirring song, "Void The Temptation," will be among them: "A lot of people really like that song," he says, "and a lot of people really get weirded out by that song. It was just one of those songs that came out of me in 10 minutes. Sometimes you're lucky enough to get one of those." The company may be shying away from using it as his first single, as they are a little nervous about its controversial tendencies, though he says it's his favorite.

The album was almost entirely performed by Giovanni and his co-producer/writer Rob C., but his live shows are strictly a two-guitars/bass/drums line-up and tour plans are in the works, possibilities being Duran Duran, Blind Melon and Lenny Kravitz. Until all of that gets underway, he'll be doing more NYC gigs and continuing to write songs for other artists, as he's done for Vanessa Williams. He also produced and wrote tracks for Lisa Lisa's next record.

By Troy J. Augusto





It doesn't exactly make up for his recent Rock 'n' Roll Hall Of Fame snub, but the announcement that Frank Zappa has been inducted into the Hollywood Rock Walk was good news indeed. Since 1965, Zappa has been at the forefront of musical and technical innovation, so it's only fitting that the Walk, whose new inductees are elected by previous honorees, would honor him. The Rock Walk is at 7245 Sunset and is open seven days. The Yellow Shark, Frank's recordings with Germany's Ensemble Modern, has just been released, through Rhino, on Barking Pumpkin.

**SPEAKING OF THE ROCK WALK**, the next act to be enshrined will be Emerson, Lake and Palmer, as the groundbreaking progressive rock trio celebrates its 25th anniversary with a noontime November 23 ceremony. On November 16 Victory/Polygram releases *The Return Of Manticore* (the name of the band's original label), a four-CD box set that gathers much of E.L.P.'s best works and also includes a disc of newly recorded songs associated with the three performers (much from their earlier bands) as well as the first studio recording of the trio's interpretation of Mussogorsky's "Pictures At An Exhibition," a piece that they performed on stage in the early '70s. Victory also issues a new E.L.P. album in 1994.

**NOTED HARD ROCK JOURNALIST** Jon Sutherland is now hosting *This Is L.A.*, a weekly rock performance show that airs every Saturday late-night at 2:00 a.m. on KCOP, Channel 13. The program tapes on Sundays at W. Hollywood's Troubadour and admission is free. Some of the program's first guests have included Mercury's Greta, funksters Total Eclipse, Hollywood Records act The Things and MCA's Sativa Luvbox. Plans are for the show to turn syndicated for national distribution.

IN BRIEF BUSINESS NEWS, L.A.-based, national hip-hop paper Rap Sheet has announced, in a statement from editor-in-chief Darryl James, that the magazine will no longer carry advertisements containing guns, glorifying extreme violence or containing death threats and called on other publications to follow suit. Said James: "I believe that ads that gratuitously appear to advocate violence with automatic weaponry have no place in a magazine with a substantial portion of urban teen readers."... Author J. Randy Taraborrelli and Motown Records founder Berry Gordy have settled a lawsuit, with no further action due, that had claimed that the writer, in his Michael Jackson: The Magic And The Madness had portrayed Gordy in a light that "seriously and unjustly" injured his reputation. Future editions of the Carol Publishing book will, without admitting wrongdoing, delete the offending remarks.



After its recent sold-out show at the Palace with Belly, members of Capitol act Radiohead were presented with gold record awards for their *Pablo Honey* debut. Seen here is the British group, along with a gang of label promotion types.

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### **TALENT REVIEWS**

### Pearl Jam

By Troy J. Augusto

EMPIRE POLO CLUB, INDIO, CA-Did they live up to all the pre-show hype? Yes and no. When Pearl Jam's singer and lyricist Eddie Vedder is at the top of his game—when he reaches down deep into his soul, like he often did at this Indio show—the band is an engrossing and moving one, lifting often told tales of inner rage and youthful angst to dizzying and affecting new heights. But when reluctant star Vedder is tentative or the focus moves to the rest of this Seattle-based quintet. questions about Pearl Jam's ultimate impact are inevitable.

As it was, the stirring, effective moments by far outweighed the questionable ones at this desert concert. After a slow, anxious start, Animal," a muscular stomp from the band's new, mega-selling Epic album Vs, provided the 100-minute show's first inspired moment. Startling words of inhumanity were wound around a tightly delivered rhythmic groove that set off a tidal wave of swaying bodies that rolled from the front of the stage to the rear of this giant, dusty field, carrying with it the soul-squeezed exhortations of Vedder.

Other powerful moments, like the police brutality reviling "W.M.A." or hit "Jeremy," with its dramatic and horrifying tale of adolescent suicide, saw Vedder, otherwise an introverted performer, caught up in his art, drawing strength from both his words and his

captivated, though reserved audience.

Musical highlight of the show was a mid-set string of music that included the energetic, near-Zep thrash of "Blood," early band hit "Alive," a slick take on "Once" and "Rats," a bizarre tune that portrays people as less respectful than rodents. Naturally, that song was followed by a shoe-throwing spree from some of the assembled who seemed set on proving the song's anti-human sentiment. As the big crowd began filing out, during a particularly lame version of The Who's "Baba O'Reilly," one had to wonder if Mr. Vedder has the neccessarry internal fortitude to keep Pearl Jam at or near the rock world's cutting edge. This show asked that \$64 question but didn't answer it.

### Meat Loaf

By Fred L. Goodman

WADSWORTH THEATER, WESTWOOD, CA—It was 16 years in the making, but one of rock's most amazing comebacks has happened. In 1977 Meat Loaf burst upon the rock scene with Bat Out Of Hell, an album that over the span of those 16 years has become a classic. Consistently going gold in the U.S. year after year, the album is now the longest-charting record in British chart history and has sold in excess of 23 million units. All this, plus his odd name, weight, stage presence and acting career made Meat Loaf a cult figure in rockdom, but not a star.

Now with the release and instant success of his long-awaited sequel, Bat Out Of Hell II: Back Into Hell (MCA), Mr. Loaf is mainstream once again. The single, "I'd Do Anything For Love (But I Won't Do That)," is #1, and that's the tune with which he opened his "warm-up for world tour" show that he performed in front of 1,900 adoring fans at the Wadsworth, probably the smallest venue he'll play for a long time.

Culling material from his two Jim Steinman-penned hit albums, the slimmed-down Meatman from Texas sang such favorites as "Two Out Of Three Ain't Bad," "You Took The Words Right Out Of My Mouth," "Bat Out Of Hell" and "Heaven Can Wait" plus new songs "Objects In The Rear View Mirror" and "Life Is A Lemon." His now classic "Paradise By The Dashboard Light" was a fitting encore, with comely background singer Patricia Russo sharing center stage with Meat. Their comical/sexy jousting was a high point. Meat's manic/moving readings of Steinman's highly theatrical tunes made for an evening that was part Springsteen, part Spector and part Lloyd Webber. It's rock 'n' roll at its most dramatic and bombastic—and it's terrific.

Welcome back, Mr. Loaf.

By Fred L. Goodman

28 TUNESMITHS IN HARMONY: In Harmony With The Homeless is the project brainchild of creative arts therapist Katherine Woodward and independent music publisher David Powell, whose goal

it is to give a voice to the men and women who have made it off the streets and are in the process of transforming their lives, and to spread their message of hope and inspiration by creating an album

of songs based upon their experiences.

Phase One, led by Powell and Woodward, began last spring at the Los Angeles Mission with the pre-screened group of 14 "Mission Writers" attending five workshops focusing on the craft of songwriting, creative writing exercises and the formulation of song ideas based on the heartwarming and emotional sharings of the individuals in the group.

Phase Two saw the addition of 28 "Pro Writers" pairing off with the Mission Writers for four summer Saturday workshops to turn those stories into finished songs. Engineers, musicians, and producers all donated their time and skills to complete the demos. Award-winning video producers Barbara Kraft and Kert Vander-

Meulen shot over 10 hours of documentary footage.

A "Demo Party" for the press, media and music industry will be held Wednesday, November 17 at the Troubadour in West Hollywood to coincide with National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week. The songs will be performed live by the Mission and Pro Songwriters, as well as by guest artists. Proceeds will benefit the Los Angeles Mission. Woodward and Powell can be reached at (310) 398-9650.

**NAS HONORS WEBB:** Jimmy Webb is the recipient of the 1993 Lifetime Achievement Award and will be honored at the 8th annual Salute to the American Songwriter benefit concert December 3 at the Wilshire Ebell Theatre in Los Angeles. Paul Williams has been

Other "writers behind the hits" set to join the festivities are Glen Campbell, Hoyt Axton, Mae Axton, Johnny Mandel, Will Jennings and Dave Frishberg. All proceeds will benefit the educational programs of the National Academy of Songwriters. For more information please call Bobbi Marcus Public Relations at (310) 829-9800 or NAS at (213) 463-7178.

ASCAP SENIORS NAMED: In line with the new ASCAP agenda adopted last month by ASCAP's board of directors, ASCAP COO John A. LoFrumento has appointed five of ASCAP's top managers to the society's new Senior Group. They are: Peter Boyle, chief economist; Todd Brabec, director of membership; L. Barry Knittel, director of licensing; Karen Sherry, director of communications; and Al Wallace, director of operations and systems. A new chieffinancial officer, to be named shortly, will also be part of the Senior Group. LoFrumento reports to ASCAP president Morton Gould.

DOTTED LINES: MCA Music Publishing has signed a new worldwide co-publishing agreement with songwriter/producer and

Graminy award-winning arranger Glen Ballard.

Ballard's credits include having written and produced both of the Wilson Phillips albums and Curtis Stigers' debut lp. He has written hits for Michael Jackson including the Grammy-nominated song "Man In The Mirror" and also written for Trey Lorenz, Barbra Streisand, Quincy Jones and most recently K.T. Óslin. Ballard has been a songwriter on the MCA Music staff for 15 years...Singer/songwriter Kathy Fisher recently signed to Sony Music Publishing. Called "strikingly beautiful and possessed of a vocal range that goes from a husky whisper to a primal scream" by BAM magazine, one of Fisher's songs has been recorded by Katey Sagal (of Married With Children) for her Virgin Records debut, and another will be featured in the upcoming James Spader film, Dream Lover, out in Spring of 1994...Producer/writer Chad "Dr. Ceuss" Elliott signed an exclusive worldwide publishing agreement with PolyGram Music Publishing (PMPG). He is the producer and cowriter of such singles as Johnny Gill's remix of "I Got U," Raven Symone's "That's What Little Girls Are Made Of," Jodeci's "Let's Go Through The Motions" and Heavy D & The Boys' single "You Can't See What I Can See (You're Blind)" from their 1991 multiplatinum album.

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BRAZIL

By Christopher Pickard



Peter Gabriel: Rio, my oh me-o!

RIO DE JANEIRO—Less than three weeks separated the visits of Madonna and Michael Jackson to Brazil, allowing the country's critics and public to make direct comparisons between two of the year's biggest tours, two of the world's most closely scrutinized performers; and two of the biggest-selling international artists in Brazil. In the end there was no real competition with Miss Ciccone walking away an easy winner after 70 percent of those interviewed at her Sao Paulo show who had also seen the Jackson show voted in favor of The Girlie Show over the Dangerous Tour. The critics were also unanimous in their choice of

Jackson had arrived in Brazil in mid-October on the tail-end of the child molestation charges hitting the world headlines and not surprisingly became even more reclusive than had been expected. Part of the singer's reclusion may have been a result of the news that there had been no takers among possible sponsors for a Rio show. This left Jackson with just two shows in the less exotic, although larger city of Sao Paulo which were backed by Pepsi and Nestle.

Jackson rarely left his Sao Paulo hotel while in Brazil. When he did, his routine included a visit to the city's main amusement park and an aborted attempt to visit the factory of Estrela, one of the largest toy manufacturers in Latin America. This visit resulted in one of Jackson's support vehicles running over two of his fans, one of which was hospitalized with a badly broken leg.

Perhaps the hype surrounding Jackson and his previous tours had been just too much, because the general impression in Brazil was one of disappointment while those that had seen the artist perform before found his two Sao Paulo performances to be cold and bureaucratic.

What disappointment Jackson had caused was not repeated by Madonna who, in Sao Paulo and then Rio, played to the two largest audiences of her career, the sell-out crowds estimated to be around 85,000 at Sao Paulo's Morumbi Stadium and 120,000 at Rio's Maracana Stadium.

As was to be expected, Madonna fell in love with Rio de Janeiro, a city which, perhaps, she felt she had a lot in common with. During her short stay she went sightseeing and dined out with members of her troupe. On the night of her show on November 6, she told the Rio audience that she could not understand why more Americans did not visit Rio or why the city received so much bad press. She also thanked the Rio audience, for showing her that there were still audiences willing to relax and enjoy themselves. American audiences, she said, could learn a lot from the Brazilian ones.

While Jackson had been cold to Brazilian influences, Madonna had taken the time to learn a few words in Portuguese, many of which would be unprintable in most family publications, and to the audiences' delight—and that of its composer, Tom Jobim—included a version of "Girl From Ipanema" in her 17-song set. She ended her show in Sao Paulo dressed in the shirt of the Brazilian soccer team while in Rio she chose a shirt from the city's most popular soccer team, Flamengo.

While Jackson's Sao Paulo shows had been a joint production of Xuxa's production company and DC-Set, Madonna's show finally went to Dueto, the production company best known for staging the annual Free Jazz Festival in Rio and Sao Paulo. It was Dueto's first move into mega-shows and counted on the Brazilian brewer, Antarctica, as its main sponsor.

The 1993 version of Free Jazz, in September, had been highlighted, perhaps surprisingly, by the fierce competition between Chuck Berry and Little Richeard who shared the bill and honors on four separate nights. For jazz purists the main night brought together the Joe Henderson Quartet, McCoy Tyner Trio and Elvin Jones. Another highlight of the event was a tribute to Tom Jobim, which had as its MC, Herbie Hancock. Among musicians taking part were Ron Carter, Shirley Horn, Jon Hendrix, the Cuban pianist, Gonzalo Rubalcaba, Harvey Mason, Alex Acuna, and the Brazilians, Gal Costa and Oscar Castro Neves, as well as the man himself, Tom Jobim. Such was the success of the tribute that it is one to watch for at other festivals in the coming year, including the Montreux Jazz Festival.

With still a month to run in the year, it is unlikely that when the Brazilian critics choose to make their selection of the best shows of 1993 that either Madonna, Jackson, or Free Jazz will top the list. That spot looks likely to go to Peter Gabriel who discreetly gave, in October, what can only be described as the year's best, most eclectic and most politically correct show which had the 3,000 people crammed into Rio's Imperator screaming for more and others who did not attend asking how they had come to miss such a highly rated performance.

Without many of the special effects which normally travel with the Secret World Tour, Gabriel showed in Rio just why he is considered one of the world's most complete performers. His only true rival being Bowie.

While other performers look embarrassed when it comes to foreign languages or foreign ways, Gabriel appeared totally at ease as he talked at length with the audience in Portuguese and performed with Milton Nascimento and the junior drummers of Olodum. Gabriel proved to be a true ambassador of world music in every sense of the word.

The success of Gabriel's tour, as well as those of Madonna and Jackson, prove beyond doubt that despite the continuing economic problems that face the region, Latin America is now a very viable tour option with Buenos Aires, Mexico City, Sao Paulo, Rio de Janeiro, and Santiago leading the way as possible venues. All the tours proved, especially in Brazil, that a visit is rewarded by saturation media coverage and airplay which results in dramatically improved record sales. Madonna, for example, will now be looking for sales to top the 3.6 million units sold in Brazil over the last 10 years.

Other acts now scheduled to perform in Brazil between now and the end of the year include Paul McCartney, Bon Jovi, Jethro Tull, Jerry Lee Lewis, Spin Doctors, Living Colour and Ziggy Marley. January will see the annual Hollywood Rock festival and among the names being discussed are Aerosmith, Whitney Houston and Robert Plant.

### **NEWS FROM JAPAN**

### SONY CO. AND SONY MUSIC ENTERTAINMENT CO.

have established Sony Computer Entertainment Co., a new company for sales and development of home game hardware and software and licensing with software makers. The starting capital is \$4.6 million which will be invested by both parent companies with 50% each. Toshio Ozawa, SME chairman has been named president of the new company. Business operations were set to begin November 16 with the purpose being to create a new world of computer entertainments offering game hardware for the next generation of home users.

THE SETTLEMENT OF ACCOUNTS of Nippon Columbia for the first six months of fiscal 1993 (April to September 1993) is in the red with business losses of \$3.8 million. According to the company, the total revenues in this term were \$385 million, 11.5% down from the comparable months of 1992. Music entertainments were \$195 million, 51% of the total and a 10% drop while AV Media Hardwares were \$190 million, 30% of the total, a drop of 8%. A company spokesman stated, "With decreases of the red accounts in this term from the comparable months of the prior fiscal term, a reconstruction program we developed, we can say, has been obtaining the desired results."

**27 MAJOR RECORD COMPANIES** of Japan affiliated with RIAJ (Record Industries Association of Japan) are holding used audio and video software sales in Tokyo, Sapporo and Nagoya. This special sales event of used records began three years ago after recommendations of The Fair Trade Committee of the government to serve consumers to acquire records cheaper than regular retail prices. The quantity of used records anticipated for the sale, according to RIAJ, is 10,585 titles, 378,645 copies. Total sales for the 1992 event was \$0.76 million for 99,160 copies sold, which was 29% of the total product.

"SAY YES" (RYO Asuka) has been named Gold at the 1993 certification of JASRAC (Japan Association of Rights of Authors, Composers and Publishers) followed by "Bokuwa Konohitomide Usootsuku" (Ryo Asuka) for Silver and "Kimiga Irudakede" (Kome Kome Club) for Bronze in the domestic works section. In international repertoires The Best went to "When You Wish Upon A Star" (N. Washington and L. Harline). Prizes are named according to the amount of royalties distributed by JASRAC.

### LOCAL 45s TOP 10

#### TW LW

- 1 1 MAYONAKA NO DANDY (Victor)...Keisuke Kuwata
- 2 2 RUN (Toshiba EMI)...Tsuyoshi Nagabuchi
- 3 3 GET ALONG TOGETHER (Crown)...Yasuhiro Yamane
- 4 4 KAZENI FUKARETE (One Up Music)...Chisato Moritaka
- 5 7 ALL MY LOVING (BMG Victor)...Masaharu Fukuyama
- 6 DATTE SOUJANAI (Tokuma Japan)...Lindberg
- 7 5 AIWA FUSHIGISA (Sony)...Kome Kome Club
- 8 MOU KIMIO HANASANAI (Apollon)...Class
- 9 9 ENOSHIMA (Victor)...Z Dan
- 10 MEMORIES (BGRAM)...Deen

### **LOCAL CDs TOP 10**

- 1 CALLING (BMG Victor)...Masaharu Fukuyama
- 2 1 RED HILL (Pony Canyon)...Chage & Aska
- 3 TIME GOES AROUND (Pony Canyon)...Miyuki Nakajima
- 4 2 LITTLE BIT (Toshiba EMI)...Wands
- 5 3 THE BADDEST II (Sony)...Toshinobu Kubota
- 6 4 MUSIC BOX (Sony)...Mariah Carey
- 7 TOSHIO KADOMATSU 1981-1987 (BMG Victor)...Toshio Kadomatsu
- 8 PLEASURE (BMG Victor)...Shina Hisamatsu
- 9 5 UNDER THE SUN (For Life)...Yosui Inoue
- 10 6 THE BEATLES-1962-1966 (Toshiba EMI)...The Beatles

### FILM REVIEWS

## Carlito's Way

By John Goff



Sean Penn and Al Pacino; lawyer and client in Carlito's Way AL PACINO'S PERFORMANCE POWER isn't amazing anymore; it's not surprising or startling the way it used to be. It is, quite simply, trustworthy. You know he's not going to take you down a road you've been down before, you know you're going to get 200% of probably the best actor currently working, and you know you're going to see an absolutely complete character. You don't have to worry if you're going to get your money's worth when you go to see Pacino, you're confident you are—whether the framework around him's worth a damn or not. That's trustworthy.

When that framework around him is complete and polished, as with the current Universal release, *Carlito's Way*, you not only don't mind the price of admission you don't even resent the overpriced popcorn and watery sodas.

Heading that framework is producer Martin Bregman, whose other teamings with Pacino include Sea Of Love, Scarface, Dog Day Afternoon, and Scarface, and Scarface director Brian De Palma. With that trio to begin with, when the lights go down in the theatre an audience can sigh back in anticipation rather than get their hackles up with a "Show me" attitude.

But it all starts with a solid script by David Koepp, taken from a pair of books by New York State Supreme Court Justice Edwin Torres—*Carlito's Way* and *After Hours*. Safe to say the source material is authentic, and Koepp has crafted a ruggedly solid, hard-edged, and at the same time, touching screenplay from it in relating the final period of an anachronistic NY East Harlem, one-time bigshot hood returning from prison with a dream to get out and live peacefully.

De Palma's vision bookends the central story with what appears to be an out-of-body experience, which to a certain extent misleads with a false hope. The beginning sequence is eye-catching in B&W, showcasing cinematographer Stephen H. Burum and sets the acceptance of Pacino's V.O. narration. But it's in the narrative where the misleading occurs, carrying us through the main body of flashback with the feeling Carlito will rise again, sometime. End, in color, picking up the beginning again sees him quickly give up. Ah, but in between those moments is where we live. And we are carried along in great De Palma style; with shock, violence, humor, tenderness and insight.

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l'acino's performance is central, and it emerges with every nuance embodied in a human being. He has one moment, discovering his girlfriend/love dancing topless, which is absolutely brilliant, expressing their relationship, his feelings past, present and future, macho, forgiveness of her and himself and ultimate acceptance, love and even pride—without a word. And it is not studied. It's an internal involuntary reaction, an occurance, a happening. What it is is damned fine *Acting*.

Sean Penn takes on the role of Carlito's coked-out lawyer who's gone over the edge with the powder. He offers a strong visual of the character to go with the sleazy interior. A solid portrayal.

Penelope Ann Miller is Carlito's dancer-with-the-fading-dream girlfriend. She offers a vulnerable portrait, nicely shaded with simplistic love and the longing not to be hurt, but still willing to follow her heart once more. A fine job. James Rebhorn turns in another solid portrayal as an Establishment stick while managing to inject some humanity. John Leguizamo and Ingrid Rogers get introductory billing here as an up-and-coming hood and sexy playgirl respectively. Both are fine. Luis Guzman and Jorge Porcel turn in interesting portrayals.

Patrick Doyle composed the original music for the film while the majority is taken up, within the club, of source music assembled by music supervisor Jellybean Benitez which keeps an exciting, palpable beat to the action. Look for strong sales on the soundtrack album, available on 550 Music/Epic Soundtrax, and a resurgence of the Billy Preston- and Bobby Fisher-penned, Joe Cocker rendition of "You Are So Beautiful."

Executive producers are Louis A. Stroller and Ortwin Freyermuth and producers with Bregman, Willi Baer and Michael S. Bregman. Film is an Epic Productions presentation, Bregman/Baer Production, Brian De Palma Film for Universal Pictures release.

### **FILM TALK**

By John Goff



Director Orson Welles on sea location, Brazil circa 1942 ORSON WELLES—GENIUS OR GOAT?: Cinematic pioneer or profligate wastrel? Depends on who you talk to, who you read, or whether your heart sides with the creative or the accountant type. The entertainment *industry* has always held Welles up as a beacon but the entertainment *business* hasn't. Welles is not the first nor, undoubtedly, will he be the last, to be hailed as a genius, hoisted to the top of the mountain and then be pulled down and torn apart by the very people who put him there. It's the nature of the beast called *business*. It's also the nature of the *industry* to need heroes to feed the business. And so it goes, ad infinitum.

It's All True, is the Paramount release of lost footage of the project which gave Welles the reputation that dogged him until the day he died of obsessive filmmaking arrogance and profligacy. It also supports the Welles admirer's opinion that he was a genius and, cleansingly, upholds his claim that he was a victim.

As Welles was being hailed as the new genius after Citizen Kane and World War II erupted he was asked by the U.S. government's Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs (CIAA) Nelson Rockefeller and John Hay Whitney to undertake a filmmaking mission to Brazil. He hurriedly completed filming The Magnificent Ambersons and Journey Into Fear and left with the blessings of all, his studio RKO (Rockefeller was on the studio's board) included. While there, a new regime took over RKO Pictures, hacked up Ambersons, cut off his funds for the South American filming, kicked his production company off the lot and blamed it all on the working man. Welles continued to film with his own funds because he cared about the communicative concern and creative integrity of the project on which he was involved. It is this footage that was, until September of 1985, "lost." It was discovered in a vault at Paramount Studios which, years ago, purchased RKO. It has now been cut together as a silent with music added, and it glowingly holds up, a tribute to creativity. Without dialogue it tells a comprehensible story, in cinematic terms which the majority of the current crop of overpriced auteurs can't touch with all the technology they have at their finger-

Welles continued to make movies, as an actor and director, funding his own projects mostly out of pocket from acting work. His worth as a filmmaker was never utilized fully by the studios because of that early reputation, and what some consider to be a conspiracy amongst the "controllers" but his genius was recognizable in whatever he undertook to do. And his concern for creativity and the freedom of creative people never failed to move him.

He hired on as a performer in *Butterfly*, a film based on the James M. Cain book from which I had crafted a screenplay in the early '80s. The role was a relatively small one, but pivotal, a Judge. It needed a commanding presence and Welles became it. He took that role and went beyond what was on paper, beyond what was expected. He created and displayed subtext to the character which went even beyond what Cain himself had written. "Creative differences" regarding the ending of the project arose and changes were made which considerably weakened it and brought it down from what it should have been. Some years later I was told by a source close to Welles at the time that he had opposed the alterations from the text he had initially read and accepted and had made his objections known. His objections were noted and filed away, but the alterations remained.

Whether absolutely true or not I have no way of knowing, but what I find interesting about that is; this occurred almost 40 years after the man's own bitter experience, and it said to me that Orson Welles was still concerned about the integrity of the creative endeavors and spirit of others so long after living with the rejections and thefts of creativity that would have destroyed a lesser human, that he believed so in creativity, the indemitable spirit romained intest.

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At a screening of *It's All True* I ran into Gary Graver, a director and friend I had worked for in the past who also was Welles' cinematographer. Gary told me he was with Welles when word came from Paramount of the discovery of *It's All True*. It was offered to Welles who mused over it a few days and then said no... Too far in the past? Too painful? Or had the creative spirit of one of the great artists of the *industry* finally been crushed? Had the *business* at last succeeded? A month later, Orson Welles died.



### **VIDEO REVIEWS**

By John Goff



ELVIS PRESLEY WAS A MONEY-MAKING MACHINE. In the Hollywood Business vernacular, that translates into Mega-Hit!; Wonderful!; Star!; Acceptable! Hal Wallis summed it up for the "Biz" when he stated, "A Presley picture is the only sure thing in show business." And when you become a \$ icon in H'wood (especially in the '50s and '60s era), kiss your creative dreams so long. Gelson's doesn't exchange beans for dreams. Neither does Ralph's. None of them do. Never have, never will. That's reality.

A November release from BMG Video, Elvis In Hollywood, looks at the beginning film career of a young Elvis. It's the portrait of a dreamer, with hopes and aspirations, unaware (along with everyone else) at the time of the ultimate impact he was having upon the world. Focusing on the first four, and best, films of Presley's career—Love Me Tender, Loving You, Jailhouse Rock and King Creole through film clips and interviews with Presley, intimates and persons connected with the projects it offers a picture of a young man hungry to learn and become

Unmentioned but inherently present, when considering what transpired after those four films, is the picture of the ultimate Hollywood Business dream: A performer who can turn a profit no matter what the framework around him. No need for creativity, challenge or change, all of which are costly. But there is cost on the other side also, the stifling of dreams, talent and determination; elements business doesn't recognize, or at least, attempts to ignore.

Jerry Schilling wrote the narration and produced Elvis In Hollywood for BMG. Schilling, who grew up in Memphis, met Presley in 1954 when he was 11 years old and went to work full time for him 10 years later, told Cash Box that the motivation for doing Elvis In Hollywood and focusing on this early period of Presley's film work was to"go back to the essence of what he was doing," to show that Presley was serious about a career as an actor, and not the joke that some consider him to be

Within the body of the piece you can hear the enthusiasm in Presley's voice as he talks about the initial screen test he made for Hal Wallis, an acting test for the supporting role of Jimmy Curry in The Rainmaker. He didn't want to sing in films and Love Me Tender started as a non-musical but then Business decreed Presley was wasted without music; music was inserted. The youth who had dreamed in movie houses in rural Mississippi and Tennessee of being on that screen wasn't able to prevent what happened after that and that initial enthusiasm waned. Unfortunately, all that remains of that acting test are still shots, but they are dynamic and reveal the enthusiasm and conviction behind the eyes of the performer

In the years that Schilling was close to Presley he says the performer "studied" movies and even challenged Hal Wallis as to the fact that his movies (Wallis had him under a seven-picture contract) made enough money for Wallis to permit prestigious projects like his (Wallis') Becket and then asked, "Mr. Wallis, when do I get my Becket?" He was never given that, nor the opportunity to develop. As voiced on the tape by Jailhouse Rock AD Bob Relyea, "I don't think he ever was challenged." Essentially the same feelings are expressed by Hal Kanter, Loving You director and others.

### TOP 30 VIDEO RENTALS

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1 POINT OF NO RETURN (Warner Home Video 12819)
2 GROUNDHOG DAY (Columbia TriStar Home Video 52293-5)
3 INDECENT PROPOSAL (Paramount Home Video 32453)
4 ALADDIN (Walt Disney Home Video 1662)
5 FALLING DOWN (Warner Home Video 12648)
6 NATIONAL LAMPOON'S LOADED WEAPON 1
(Columbia TriStar Home Video 52363)
7 ALIVE (touchstone Pictures/Home Video 1596)
8 SCENT OF A WOMAN (MCA Universal home video 81283)
9 THE SANDLOT (Fox Video 8500)
10 SIDEKICKS (Columbia Tri Star Home Video 53603)
11 FIRE IN THE SKY (Paramount Home Video 32827)
12 SOMMERSBY (Warner Home Video 12649)
13 CHAPLIN (Live Home Video 69897)
14 THREE OF HEARTS (New Line/Columbia Tri Star Home Video 76043)
15 UNTAMED HEART (MGM/UA Home Video M902813)
16 THE CRUSH (Morgan Creek/Warner Home Video 12926)
17 BENNY & JOON (MGM/UA Home Video M903007)
18 COP AND A HALF (MCA/Universal Home Video 81432)
19 INDIAN SUMMER (Touchstone Home Video 1936)
20 THE NIGHT WE NEVER MET (HBO Video)
21 THE BODYGUARD (Warner Home Video 12591)
22 JACK THE BEAR (Fox Video 5597)
23 UNFORGIVEN (Warner Home Video 12531)
24 THE TEMP (Paramount Home Video 32793)
25 A FEW GOOD MEN (Columbia TriStar Home Video 27893-5)

Schilling, who opened Jerry Schilling Management in 1975, is also agent and consultant for Elvis Presley Enterprises and has been closely connected with other projects involving the Presley image, which is just as large as it was at the time of Presley's death. Sitting in his offices on Sunset, surrounded by Presley memorabilia, Schilling admits that even 15 years after Elvis' death there is a void, that it's hard to imagine at times his not still being here. That seems to be true with millions of people and it's interesting to pose the question: What if?... What if, those businessmen in control had encouraged and allowed such a potent natural force to develop beyond what it did accomplish? Those possibilities could be endless. But then a darker question would be: Why didn't they? And the ironic answer to that is: money. Perhaps this would have been a case where to go for the two in the bush rather than squeezing the one in the hand would have been even more profitable.

### CASH BOX CHARTS

## TOP 100 POP SINGLES

NOVEMBER 13, 1993



#1 SINGLE: MEATLOAF



TO WATCH: BABYFACE



HIGH DEBUT: MICHAEL BOLTON

Total Weeks ▼ Last Week ▼ Total Weeks ▼ Last Week ▼

I'D DO ANYTHING FOR LOVE (BUT I WON'T DO THAT)			51 W	THEN I FALL IN LOVE (Epic Soundtrack/Epic 770 Peline Dion & Clive Griffin	51	10
(MCA 54625)	1	7		UNDAY MORNING (Reprise 18461) Earth Wind & Fire		7
2 JUST KICKIN'IT (SoSo Def/Columbia 77120)		6		REAK IT DOWN AGAIN (Mercuy 314514875) Tears For Fears	_	-
3 DREAMLOVER (Columbia 77080) Mariah Carey	3	10		EX ME (Jive 42161)		2
4 AGAIN (Virgin 38404) Janet Jackson		3		EVER SHOULD'VE LET YOU GO (Jive 42178) Hi-Five		3
5 HEY MR. D.J. (Flavor Unit/Epic 77121) Zhane		8		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
6 ALL THAT SHE WANTS (Arista 12614) Ace of Base		6		IEGA MEDLY (Reprise 40982) Zapp & Roger		9
7 ANNIVERSARY (Wing/Mercury 859566) Tony!Toni!Tone!		6		F I HAD NO LOOT (Wing/Mercury 859056) Tony! Toni! Tone!		17
9 THE RIVER OF DREAMS (Columbia 77086) Billy Joe		10		UNAWAY LOVE (EastWest 98354) En Vogue		4
9 WHAT IS LOVE (Arista 12575)	9	7		REAMS (GolDiscs/London/PLG 857 141)		3
10 IF (Virgin 12676)		12		OO MUCH INFORMATION (Capitol 44955) Duran Duran		6
11 SHOOP (Next Plateau/London 857314)		4		ESSIE (SBK/ERG 50429) Joshua Kadison		3
12 RIGHT HERE (HUMAN NATURE) (RCA 62614) SWV	12	12		NSANE IN THE BRAIN (Ruffhouse/Columbia 77019) Crypress Hill		
13 TWO STEPS BEHIND (Columbia 77116) Def Leppard	13	7		OH CHILD (Eastwest 98398)		
14 BREATHE AGAIN (LaFace/Arista 24054) Toni Braxton	14	4		LRIGHT (Ruffhouse/Columbia 77103) Kriss Kross Featuring Supercat		10
15 SOUL TO SQUEEZE ("From Concheads") (Warner Bros. 18401)				S LONG AS I CAN DREAM (Arista 12600) Expose		4
	15	8		DON'T WANNA FIGHT (Virgin 4KM-12652) Tina Turner		19
16 CRYIN (Geffen 19256)	16	9		IGHER GROUND (Virgin 12687)		3
NO RAIN (Capitol 44939)	17	8		IELDS OF GREY (RCA 62618)		3
18 ANOTHER SAD LOVE SONG (Laface/Virgin 2-4047) Toni Braxton	18	12		OTH SIDES OF THE STORY (Atlantic 5310) Phil Collins		3
19 CAN WE TALK (Owest/Warner Bros. 18346) Tevin Campbell	19	4		OREPLAY (Rip-it 1001)		
20 SWEAT (A LA LA LA LONG) (Big Beat/Atlantic 98429) Inner Circle	20	8		HECK YO SELF (Priority 53830) lce Cube Featuring Das Efx		9
21 WHOMP! THERE IT IS (Bellmark 79001) Tag Team	21	18		AYING THE PRICE OF LOVE (Polydor/PLG 859 164) Bee Gees		3
HERO (Columbia 77224) Mariah Carey		3		IMMY OLSEN'S BLUES (Epic 74929) Spin Doctors		3
23 I GET AROUND (Interscope 96036) Two Pac				INGER (Island 862 800)		2
EVERYBODY HURTS (Warner Bros.40995)		7		THAT'S IT TO YOU (Giant 18450)		2
25 GANGSTA LEAN (Capitol 58048) DRS		3		IGHER GROUND (Virgin 12687)		2
26 REASON TO BELIEVE (Warner Bros. 18427) Rod Stewart		8		HATTAHOOCHEE (Arista 1-2573)		
27 COME INSIDE (Atlantic 87317)		7		EEP YA HEAD UP (Inerscope 98345)		2
28 HEY JEALOUSY (A&M 0242)	28	11		M A PLAYER (Jive 45152)		3 6
29 BABY, I'M YOURS (MCA 5457)		17		M IN LUV (Mercury 862462) Joe		
30 COME BABY COME (Tommy Boy 7572)	30	7		LOW AND EASY (Reprise 18315) Zapp & Roger		2
31 LATELY (Uptown/MCA 54652) Jodeci		18		OVE FOR LOVE (Big Beat/Atlantic 98382)		7
32 BETTER THAN YOU (Perspective/A&M 7430) Lisa Keith		7		HIEF ROCKA (Pendulum 64631) Lords Of The Underground		13
33 LET ME RIDE (Death Row/Interscope 57128)	33	6		CH CAROLINA (Virgin 12672)		5
34 BOOMI SHAKE THE ROOM (Jive 42108) . Jazzy Jeff & The Fresh Prince				HIFFTEE (Def Jam/Chaos 77163) Onyx		4
35 CAN'T HELP FALLING IN LOVE (Virgin 12653)		16		ERY SPECIAL (Cold Chillin 18437) Big Daddy Kane	86	12
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39 SOMETHING IN YOUR EYES (MCA 54725) Bell Biv Devoe		7		REEP (Capitiol 44932)         Radiohead           M FREE (SBK 50434)         Jon Secada		
40 HUMAN WHEELS (Mercury 862704) John Mellencamp	40	3				
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43 NOTHING BOUT ME (A&M 0350) Sting				EVER KEEPING SECRETS (Epic 77264) Babyface		17
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45 RAIN (Mavrick 40988)				,		
46 ONE LAST CRY (Mercury P880) Brian McKnight		15		IRL U FOR ME (Elektra 64643)		
PINK CASHMERE (Paisley Park/Warner Bros. 18371) Prince		7		USH THE FEELING ON (Great Jones/Island 530 620) Nightcrawlers		
48 (I KNOW I GOT) SKILLZ (Jive 42177) Shaquille O'neal		3		NE WOMAN (Giant 18606) Jade		
49 RUFFNECK (Priority/Atlantic 98401)	49	10		HOW ME LOVE (Big Beat 10118)		
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■ DEPECHE MODE: "One Caress" (Sire 6626)

Interesting new cut from Depeche Mode's latest Violator album is more proof that Martin Gore and Co. have no immediate plans to lose their always-innovative creative sensibilities. Sweeping love song has a lushly arranged string accompanium that handsomely frames Gore's suring accompaniment that handsomely frames Gore's warm and tender lyrics. (Heavy violins may prevent much radio play, though.) Co-producer Flood (of U2 fame) turns in his usual sharp effort. Band's sold-out tour arrives at L.A.'s Forum for five nights beginning this Saturday.



TERENCE TRENT D'ARBY: "Let Her Down

Easy" (Columbia 77231)
Sassy slice from Sir D'Arby's latest "Symphony Or Damn" album is an odd mix of tender, sweetly delivered ballad and risque, misogynistic verse that finds Terence struggling with the decision to sleep with a 17-year-old or not. While subject matter may prevent round-the-clock top-40 airplay, song's accessible, light production almost makes this one too difficult to ignore. Could this beauty be the one to finally land D'Arby his much promised return to the top 'o the charts? Unfortunately, no.

DARYL HALL: "Stop Loving Me, Stop Loving You" (Epic 5554)

(Epic 5554)
Hall's current Epic album, Soul Alone, has gotten off to a slow start, but that could very well change with the issue of this radio-friendly, dance rave that has multi-format acceptance written all over it. Thoughtful, sweeping production from Michael Peden also adds to this tune's mainstream appeal. No word yet on a tour for Hall, who always wows 'em in the live setting.





BAD COMPANY: "Ready For Love" (Atco 5322)
Classic track from this veteran band's extensive catalog is our first peak at What You Hear Is What You Get, Bad Co.'s first ever live album. It's not the same without original singer Paul Rodgers, who apparently pulls clumps of hair from his head every time he hears this version of the band (featuring vocalist Brian Howe), but this incarnation of Bad Co. has actually been together longer than the original line-up was.

### PICK OF THE WEEK



**BELLY:** "Gepetto" (Sire 18358)

One of the many highlights of Belly's nifty live show is this sweet, melodic tune, whose single release gives this Boston-based three-piece, fronted by the lovely and talented Tanya Donnelly, its first legit shot at top 40 success. "Feed The Tree," the first single/video from Belly's current Star release, was a big hit at alternative and college radio, formats that will also enjoy "Gepetto." Look for a quick move to hits radio once the buzz on this lovely song begins. Keep an eye also on Donnelly, who appears to have just enough pleasant charisma and songwriting talent to blossom into a media star in her own right. star in her own right.

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### TOP 100 POP ALBUMS

NOVEMBER 13, 1993



#1 ALBUM: PEARL JAM



TO WATCH: SALT -N-PEPA



HIGH DEBUT: TOO SHORT

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1 VS (Epic 53136)	52 ALMOST GOODBYE (MCA 10851) MARK CHESTNUT 46 6
2 BAT OUT OF HELL II(BACK INTO HELL) (MCA 10699) MEATLOAF 3 6	53 BREEDERS LAST SPLASH (4AD/Warner Bros.61508) THE BREEDERS 49 8
3 COMMON THREAD: THE SONGS OF THE EAGLES (Giant/WB 24531)	54 LA SEXORCISTO (Geffen 24460) WHITE ZOMBIE 41 8
VARIOUS ARTISTS 6 3	55 GRAVE DANCERS UNION (Columbia 48898) SOUL ASYLUM 40 32
4 MUSIC BOX (Columbia 53205) MARIAH CAREY 8 8	56 BIGGER, BETTER, FASTER, MORE (Interscope/AG 92112)
5 IT'S ON 187UM KILLA (Ruthless 5503) EAZY E 7 3	
6 COUNTERPARTS (Atlantic 82528)	57 TEN SUMMONER'S TALES (A&M 31454 0070) STING 52 30
7 RIVER OF DREAMS (Columbia 53003) BILLY JOEL 9 11	58 VERY (EMI/ERG 89721) PET SHOP BOYS 44 4
8 GET IN WHERE YA FIT IN (Jive 41526) TOO SHORT DEBUT	59 GRAND TOUR (A&M 0086)
9 janet (Virgin 12650) JANET JACKSON 10 19	60 UNDERTOW (Zoo 11052)
10 IN UTERO (DGC 24607) NIRVANA 4 5	61 ARE YOU GONNA GO MY WAY (Virgin 86984) LENNY KRAVITZ 51 29
11 IN PIECES (Liberty 80857)) GARTH BROOKS 5 8	62 NEW MISERABLE EXPERIENCE (A&M 544039) GIN BLOSSOMS 57 11
MTV UNPLUGGED (Elektra 61569) 10,000 MANIACS DEBUT	63 THIS TIME (Reprise/WB 45241) DWIGHT YOAKAM 67 16
13 TONI BRAXTON (LaFace/Arista 26007) TONI BRAXTON 11 12	64 WORLD GONE WRONG (Columbia 57590) BAB DYLAN DEBUT
14 I'M READY (Owest/Warner Bros 45388) TEVIN CAMPBELL DEBUT	65 IT WON'T BE THE LAST (Mercury 514758) BILLY RAY CYRUS 61 11
15 EASY COME, EASY GO (MCA 10907) GEORGE STRAIT 13 4	66 CLAY WALKER (Giant/Warner Bros 24511) CLAY WALKER 69 4
16 UNPLUGGED AND SEATED (Warner Bros 45289) ROD STEWART 17 17	67 BACK TO BROADWAY (Columbia 44189) BARBARA STREISAND 65 13
17 BLIND MELON (Capitol 96585)	WHOOMP! (THERE IT IS) (Life/Bellmark 78000) TAG TEAM 74 11
18 A LOT ABOUT LIVIN' (AND A LITTLE ABOUT LOVE)	69 DA BOMB (Ruffhouse/Columbia 57278) KRIS KROSS 55 10
(Arista/BMG 18711)	71 A TOUCH OF MUSIC IN THE NIGHT (Atlantic/AG 82531)
19 SIAMESE DREAM (Virgin 88267) SMASHING PUMPKINS 21 10	MICHAEL CRAWFORD 54 4
20 BLACK SUNDAY (Ruffhouse/Columbia 53931)	72 RUNAWAY LOVE (EastWest 92296) EN VOGUE 53 5
HUMMIN' COMMIN' AT 'CHA (So So Del/Columbia 57107) XSCAPE 27 3	73 CODE RED (Jive 41489) D.J. JAZZY & FRESH PRINCE 56 3
22 CORE (Allantic 82418) STONE TEMPLE PILOTS 19 37	74 INTRO (Atlantic/AG 82463)
23 GREATEST HITS VOL TWO (MCA 10906) REBA MCENTIRE 12 4	75 MEXICAN MOON (IRS/Capitol 81129) CONCRETE BLONDE 62 3
SHAQ DIESEL (Jive 41529)	76 THE TRUTH (MCA 10810)
25 RETRO ACTIVE (Mercury 518305) DEF LEPPARD 16 4	77 THE WORLD IS YOURS (Rap-A-Lot/Priority 53861) SCARFACE 66 9
26 THE BODYGUARD (Arista/BMG 18699)(P6) SOUNDTRACK 28 43	78 ABBA GOLD (Polydor 518047)
27 TEN (Epic 47857)(P4)	79 SOON (Liberty 89048) TANYA TUCKER DEBUT
28 SLEEPLESS IN SEATTLE (Epic 53764) SOUNDTRACK 23 13	80 UP ON THE ROOF (Columbia 57529) NEIL DIAMOND 73 4
29 GET A GRIP (Geffen 24455)	81 AUTOMATIC FOR THE PEOPLE (Warner Bros. 45138) R.E.M. 89 7
30 JUDGEMENT NIGHT (Columbia 57144) SOUNDTRACK 15 5	62 POCKET FULL OF KRYPTONITE (Epic 47309)(P) SPIN DOCTORS 68 57
31 BREATHLESS (Arista/BMG 18646)(P2)	<b>83 UNPLUGGED</b> (Reprise 45024)(P3) ERIC CLAPTON <b>83</b> 53
32 VERY NECESSARY (Next Plateau/PLG 828392) SALT-N-PEPA 47 3 33 EVERYBODY ELSE IS DOING IT SO WHY CANT WE	64 METALLICA (Elektra 61113)(P6)
(Island/PLG 514156)	85 HITS VOL.1 (Paisley Park/Warner Bros.45431)
34 HUMAN WHEELS (Mercury 518088) JOHN MELLENCAMP 26 7	85 NO TIME TO KILL (RCA 66239)
35 I'M ALIVE (Elektra 61524) JACKSON BROWNE DEBUT	86 LOVE DELUXE (Epic 53178)(P)
36 ALL THE GREATIST HITS (Reprise/Warner Bros 45143) . ZAPP & ROGER DEBUT	87 CHAOS A.D. (Roadracer/Epic 57458) SEPULTURÂ 30 3
37 FOR THE COOL IN YOU (Epic 53558) BABYFACE 35 9	86 CHRISTMAS INTERPRETATIONS (Motown 6365) BOYZ II MEN DEBUT
38 IT'S ABOUT TIME (RCA 66074)	89 LIFE'S A DANCE (Atlantic 82420) JOHN MICHAEL MONTGOMERY 82 35
39 STRICTLY 4 MY N.I.G.G.A.Z(Interscope 92209)	TIME MACHINE (Relativity 1177) JOE STARIANI DEBUT
40 NO PRESSURE (Chaos/Columbia 57460) ERICK SERMON 18 3	91 CONFEDERATE RAILROAD (Atlantic 82335) . CONFEDERATE RAILROAD 91 32
41 SONS OF SOUL (Wing/Mercury 514933) TONY! TON!! TONE! 36 14	92 COME ON COME ON (Columbia 48881) MARY CHAPIN CARPENTER 5+6 2
42 187 HE WROTE (Jive 41513)	93 HARD WORKIN' MAN (Arista/BMG 18716) BROOKS & DUNN 93 28
43 ZOOROPA (Island 314518)	94 HITS/B-SIDES (Paisley Park/Warner Bros.45440) PRINCE 67 6
44 THE CHRONIC (Death Row/Interscope 57128/Priority) DR. DRE 42 50	95 FACE THE HEAT (Mercury/Polygram 518258) SCORPIONS 71 5
45 THE SONG REMEMBERS WHEN (MCA 10911) TRISHA YEARWOOD DEBUT	96 RETURN OF THE BOOM RAP (Jive 41517) KRS-One 78 4
46 I STILL BELIEVE IN YOU (MCA 10630) VINCE GILL 39 63	97 LIVE (Columbia 47056) JAMES TAYLOR 79 10
47 ALAPALOOZA (Scotti Bros 72392) "WEIRD AL" YANKOVIC 43 3	98 BACDAFUCUP (RAL/Chaos/Columbia 53302) ONYX 81 23
48 YES I AM (848660) MELISA ETHERIDGE 31 5	99 DANGEROUS (Epic 45400)(P4) MICHAEL JACKSON 92 93
49 BARNEY'S FAVORITES VOL.1 (SBK 27115) BARNEY 50 7	100 COME ON FEEL THE LEMONHEADS (Atlantic 82537)
50 PROMISES AND LIES (Virgin 88229)	THE LEMONHEADS 63 3
51 TELL ME WHY (Curb/MCA 10529)	
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# POP ALBUMS

### REVIEWS by Troy J. Augusto

K.D. LANG: Even Cowgirls Get The Blues (Sire

45433)
Who better to score this movie of a girl's asphalt-lined search for freedom and self-worth than the wonderful miss lang? Along with long-time collaborator Ben Mink, k.d. has crafted an elegant and moving soundtrack that further establishes her as one of contemporary music's most eloquent and thoughtful chanteuses. From the tender "Hush Sweet Lover" to the playful lead track "Just Keep Me Moving" to the country-tinged "Curious Soul Astray," lang weaves an irresistable musical fabric that warms all who wear it. A gem.





■ VARIOUS ARTISTS: No Alternative (Arista

This album is the latest in the Red Hot AIDS benefit series This album is the latest in the Red Hot AIDS benefit series and features a who's who from the world of modern and alternative rock music. The CD has 18 tracks, including unreleased music from Soundgarden, Urge Overkill, Matthew Sweet, Beastie Boys and Pavement. Highlights include Buffalo Tom's "For All To See," the Goo Goo Doll's sharp cover of the Rolling Stone's "Bitch." Soul Asylum doing Marvin Caye's "Sexual Healing" and the delightfully talented Sarah McLaughlin doing "Hold On." Look for hidden Nirvana track.

■ BODEANS: Go Slow Down (Slash/Reprise 45455) Now that the music world has finally caught up with Wisconsin's Bodeans, maybe the band will finally start to see some of the success that it's been due since the issue of its 1986 debut. The homey, soothing vocals of Sam Llanas and Kurt Neuman, the band's rootsy, "It'l bit o'country" style and fresh sound and its tales of everyday struggle make for an accessible group whose time has come. "Idaho," the sensuous title track and "Texas Ride Song," a snappy cowboy dance number, are this frisky, satisying album's best.



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MUDHONEY: Five Dollar Bob's Mock Cooter Stew

(Reprise 45439)

New project from one of the original Seattle grunge combos (some say they were the first, but the Young Fresh Fellows beat them to it) is this seven-track mini-alb that offers four new punk-y tunes, the best of which is a Stooges-like "Six Two One," two b-sides ("Deception Pass" and "Underide") and a re-recording of "Make It Now," a song from the band's 1992 record. Recorded in four days (and sounds like it), this one's a tasty, raw treat that'll nicely tide fans 'til the next full-lengther, due next year.



■ IRON MAIDEN: A Real Dead One (Capitol 89248) THON MAIDEN: A Real Dead One (Capitol 89248)
The second live set of the year from this legendary Brit metal outfit is comprised of the band's oldest material, recorded earlier this year in a number of European concert halls. Old faves like "Sanctuary," the dramatic "Hallowed Be Thy Name," live staple "The Trooper," evil "Number Of The Beast" and oldie "Running Free" all sound as frightening and sordid as ever. Singer Bruce Dickinson has quit the band, so this here's his last appearance with the group he's fronted since 1982. Pentagrams for all.

FOREIGNER: Classic Hits Live (Atlantic 82525) FOREIGNER: Classic Hits Line (Atlantic 82525)
Concert set collects the New York band's best live moments, including some never-before-heard nuggets. Foreigner's biggest hits are all here, including the smash "I Want To Know What Love Is," "Cold As Ice," "Juke Box Hero" and "Feels Like The First Time," the band's first success. Album tracks like the dirty "Women," power ballad "Damage Is Done" and "Dirty White Boy," as well as unreleased covers of Buddy Holly's "Not Fade Away" and "Love Maker," from a 1977 radio broadcast, complete this fine Foreigner roundup.





■ CHUNE: Burnt (Headhunter 026)

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Never has a case for the old "music is just music" argument been made clearer than on this seven-song debut from San Diego scenesters Chune, a mixed-up and rowdy pot-smoking alternapunk crew that eschews songs of political intrigue (the latest thing!) and correctness in favor of songs that simply sound good. "We write songs about the strange little things that go on around us" says bassist Mike Truffa, a musician who works days in a mental lock-up. No doubt this twisted record is a big hit there. Play "Pasta Ragioli."





**KATE BUSH:** The Red Shoes (Columbia 53737) Producer: Kate Bush. First album in four years from the mysterious Bush is perhaps her most satisfying effortsince her 1978 debut, Lionheart. Layered thick with the same striking drama and affecting lyrical twists as her previous work, The Red Shoes takes a big step forward musically, as sly arrangements and moving, atmospheric structures add to the album's sensual appeal. Best of this beautiful collection includes the frisky "Eat The Music" (read the lyrics and you'll never look at fruit the same way again), lovely "And So Is Love" (her voice has never sounded better), and "Why Should I Love You," a moving semi-ballad that features guest Prince. Now if only she'd tour . . . . CASH BOX CHARTS

## TOP 100 R&B SINGLES

NOVEMBER 20, 1993



#1 SINGLE: Xscape



TO WATCH: Mariah Carey



HIGH DEBUT: R. Kelly

Total Weeks

1 JUST KICKIN'IT (So So Def/Columbia 77119) Xscape 1 7	52 KEEP YA HEAD UP (Interscope/Atlantic 98345) 2-Pac DEBUT
2 BREATHE AGAIN (La Face/Arista 24047) Toni Braxton 6 3	53 BABY I'M YOURS (Gasoline Alley/MCA 54574) Shai 43 16
3 CAN WE TALK (Owest/Warner Bros. 18346) Tevin Campbell 3 3	54 WHOOMP (THERE IT IS) (Life 79001)
4 ANNIVERSARY (Wing/Mercury 859566)	55 BREAKADAWN (Tommy Boy 586) De La Soul 65 6
5 RIGHT HERE (Human Nature)/Downtown (RCA 62614) SWV 4 11	56 THAT'S THE WAY LOVE GOES (Virgin 125650) Janet Jackson 46 19
6 GANGSTA LEAN (Capítol 58048) DRS 9 27	57 COMPUTER LOVE (Kaper/RCA 62675) NKRU 58 3
SHOOP (Next Plateu/London 857314) Salt-N-Pepa 10 4	58 YOUR LOVE KEEPS WORKING ON ME (MCA 54744) Jody Watley 69 2
8 COME INSIDE (Atlantic 87317)	59 WRITTEN ON YA KITTEN (Tommy Boy 583) Naughty by Nature 57 2
9 NEVER KEEPING SECRETS (Epic 77217) Babyface 12 2	60 SHIFFTEE (Chaos/Columbia 77163) Onyx 48 4
10 DREAMLOVER (Columbia 77080) Mariah Carey 8 8	61 TIME AND CHANCE (Giant/Reprise 18339) Color me Badd DEBUT
11 SOMETHING IN YOUR EYES (MCA 54725) Bell Biv Devoe 5 8	62 CALL ME MACK (La Face/Arista 20451)
12 I'M IN LUV (Mercury 862 462)	63 LIGHT OF LOVE (Capitol 44953) Angie & Debbie 50 7
13 SEX ME (Jive 42161)	64 BOOM! SHAKE THE ROOM (Jive 42108) Jazzy Jeff & Fresh Prince 54 8
RUNAWAY LOVE (EastWest 98354) En Vogue & FMOB 18 3	65 MEGA MEDLEY (Reprise 18420) Zapp & Roger 55 8
15 HEY MR. D.J. (Flavor/Epic 77121) Zhane 13 8	66 COME BABY COME (Tommy Boy 7572)
16 NEVER SHOULD HAVE LET YOU GO (Jive 42178) Hi-Five 25 3	67 STAY REAL (Def Jam/Columbia 77140) Erick Sermon 60 3
17 ANOTHER SAD LOVE SONG (Laface/Arista 24047) Toni Braxton 14 13	68 CHECK YO SELF (Priority 53830) lce Cube / Das Efx 63 8
18 PINK CASHMERE (Paisley Park/Warner Bros. 18371) Prince 17 5	STAND BY YOUR MAN (DefJam/Columbia 77098) L.L Cool J 75 2
19 AGAIN (Virgin 38404) Janet Jackson 22 2	70 TOGETHER FOREVER (Gasoline Alley/MCA 54740) Shai 73 2
20 I GET AROUND/KEEP YA HEAD UP (Interscope 96036) 2-Pac 15 12	71 IT'S FOR YOU (FROM "THE METEORMAN") (Motown 2207) Shanice 64 8
21 VOODOO (Elektra 64608) Teddy Pendergrass 21 5	72 KEEPIN'MY COMPOSURE (Luke 473) H-Town DEBUT
22 IF (Virgin 12676) Janet Jackson 16 10	73 WE GETZ BUZY (Rowdy/Arista 35024)
23 RUFFNECK (First Priority/Atlantic 98401)	1'M REAL (Ruffhouse/Columbia 77237) Kris Kross DEBUT
24 LAID BACK GIRL (Warner Bros. 18422) Maze Featuring Frankie Beverly 19 8	75 TRUST ME (Chrysalis/ERG 24849) Guru & N'Dea Davenport 56 15
25 FOREPLAY (Rip-lt 1001)	76 LOVE NO LIMIT (Uptown 54526)
26 (I KNOW I GOT)SKILLS (Jive 42177) Shaquille O'Neal 59 2 27 ALL THROUGH THE NIGHT (Giant/Reprise18414) P.O.V w/Jade 48 2	LONG WAY FROM HOME (Motown 2221) Johnny Gill DEBUT
28 COMING HOME TO LOVE (Zoo 14099) Coming of age 34 5	78 SOMEBODY ELSE WILL (EMI 50462)
29 SUNDAY MORNING (Reprise 18461) Earth Wind & Fire 23 7	79 I GOT YOU (Motown 2213)
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38 WE CAN LOVE M. Beeson, J. Colucci (EMI April, ASCAP/Hartland Express, ASCAP)

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#### LOUIE RANKIN: Lethal Weapon (Mesa R2 79063). Producers: Various.

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This guy counts as an original "O.G." in the dancehall toasting universe. Combining broad humor, ribald sexism (is that redundant?) and some of the best production heard in a long time on such records, Louie stays constantly engaging while employing slight reggae riddim, R&B/funk fusion and hip-hop sensibilities to make this diverse collection attractive. Top tracks include "Put On Your Negligee," "Stretch Out," "Girls Perform" (featuring rap by Mike Smoothe), "Fat Nuff" and "Louie, Louie."



### JOMANDA: Nubia Soul (Atlantic Big Beat 7 82504).

■ JOMANDA: Nubia Soul (Atlantic Big Beat 7 82504). Producers: Various.

They all trade lead vocals with equally effective skill and they sound like the classic retro-soul girl group. They'll inevitably be compared to Jade and other groups that employ the Supremes trio configuration to deliver the soul. Respectable songwriting is framed by respectable production. The harmonies are smoother than some of the leads, but tracks such as "Don't Deny" (a midtempo rollicker), "I Cried The Tears" (an uptempo dancer track) and "Back To You" (a funky love ballad) demonstrate this handsome act's range.



others. This album is dedicated to revenge and delusion, according to Pudgee. Check out tracks like "Check Out The Noiz Niggas," and you have a sampling of what this homeboy is up to. Red Hot Lover Tone and the rest of the Trak Masterz crew have done some phat production. If only they hadn't dissed him as a child. Pudgee's got major league mike skills, it's just a shame the inspiration for their demonstration is not more upscale. Although as hard as his other tomes, "Checkin' Out The Ave." looms as one of the best balanced tracks on this album.





53870). Producer: C.J. Moore.
Let's talk about hip-hop funk. Then we can talk about 10° Below. They get funky with a sense of humor and adventure through the production on this 10-track debut for Flashpoint. C.J. Moore's production goes from the funk to the blues. Seventies funk is in full effect, but not sampled into a trite haze. While the lyrics are sometimes questionable and inane, tracks like "Poverty Blues" and "Midnight Thief" show up large. They like to have horizontal fun, too. So check out "Hey, Hottie."

### PICK OF THE WEEK



■ SHABBA RANKS: Rough & Ready, Vol. II (Epic EK 57203). Producers: Various.

Shabba ranks high in the dancehall universe because he manages to find hybrid grooves for his sex-me-up attack. On this album, he brings the diverse likes of Maxi Priest, KRS-One and Krystal to his party. And Shabba chants with strength. With Brit reggae soul crooner Maxi Priest, Shabba has created a solid following with the track "Housecall (Your Body Can't Lie To Me)." The American hip-hop flavor is in major evidence on the re-made track "Ting-A-Ling," which is produced by Marley Marl & K-Def. But he really gets busy on the dancehall/hip-hop mixture of the track "The Jam," featuring KRS-One. Major growth in the house on this collection.

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## THE RHYTHM



The Beatrice Berry Show got a special treat recently, when the host (top) got a double dose of soul from Mercury recording artists Oleta Adams and Will Downing (both seated at the piano). Adams is out in support of her latest album Evolution. the follow-up to her platinum album Circle of One, and Downing was making an advance trip to Chicago in support of his newest album, Love's The Place To Be, featuring the single "There's No Living Without You.'

**SAMPLES:** Brit-based torch songstress **Sade** will bow her first television special Nov. 24 for PBS, a filmed concert titled, Sade: An In The Spotlight Special. Part of PBS' WNET/New York's pop music series, the concert footage was culled from the Epic recording artist's 1993 world tour in support of her recent album Love Deluxe. Most of the footage comes from a show at San Diego State University's Open Air Theatre. In The Spotlight executive producer David Horn says: "[Sade's] an ideal choice for public television because, as an artist, Sade has created a very unique and individual style." ... Donna Summer, Taylor Dayne, Gloria Gaynor, Thelma Houston, Jade, Shai, Sister Sledge, The Spinners and The Stylistics are among the acts that will be featured Tuesday (Nov. 16) on the NBC-TV special A '70s Celebration: The Beat Is Back. The Ken Ehrlich Production was taped before a live audience at Los Angeles' Wiltern Theatre...Pacifica Radio on Nov. 19 & 20 will broadcast the live concert commemorating the 20th anniversary of the soulful a cappella group Sweet Honey In The Rock. Pacifica will broadcast from Cramton Auditorium on the Howard University campus...Lyrics from Lullabies To Dreamland, the 1991 children's album by songstress Deniece Williams, will be published as part of a Harvest House Publisher's book that will also feature illustrations by artist Matt Hall.



Reggae crooner Beres Hammond recently inked a deal with Elektra Entertainment. Pictured after the signing are (I-r): David Bither, senior vp/gm, Elektra Entertainment; Hammond; Dante Ross, vp of A&R, Elektra; Elaine Valentine, director of operations, urban marketing and promotion, Elektra; Mervis Walsh, Hammond's manager; and Fred Jackson, manager of urban marketing, Elektra.

### TOP 75 R&B ALBUMS

	CASH BOX • NOVEMBER 20, 1993	
		DEBUT
2	TONI BRAXTON (LaFace/Arista 6007) Toni Braxton	2 7
		DEBUT DEBUT
		DEBUT
6		DEBUT
7 8	187 HE WROTE (Jive 41513)	1 3 3
9	MUSIC BOX (Columbia 53205)         Mariah Carey           SHAQ DIESEL (Jive 41529)         Shaquille O'Neal	
		DEBUT
12	SONS OF SOUL (Wings/Mercury 514933) Tony!Toni!Tone!	6 10
13 14	janet (Virgin 87825)	7 17 DEBUT
	STRICKLY 4 MY N.I.G.G.A.Z. (Interscope 92209) 2PAC	21 26
16 17	TALKIN'SHIT (Eastwest 92289) Martin Lawrence BACK TO BASICS (Warner Bros 45297) Maze Featuring Frankie Beverly	14 3 11 5
18	INTRO (Atlantic 82463) Intro	13 17
19 20	RETURN OF THE BOOM BAP (Jive 41517) Krs-One BLACK SUNDAY (Ruffhouse/Columbia 53931) Cypress Hill	8 3 12 24
21	THE WORLD IS YOURS (Rap-A-Lot/Priority 53861) Scarface	5 6
22 23	A LITTLE MORE MAGIC (Elektra 61497) Teddy Pendergrass THE TRUTH (MCA 10810)	9 2 DEBUT
24	THE CHRONIC (Priority 57128)         Dr. Dre           FAITHFUL (Jive 41528)         Hi-Five	24 34 DEBUT
26	EVERYTHING (Mercury 518016)	22 5
27	IT'S ABOUT TIME (RCA 66074) SWV	23 30
28 29	YOU MAKE IT EASY (Owest/Warner Bros 45336) Keith Washington ENTA DA STAGE (Wreck/Nervous 2002) Black Moon	26 3 DEBUT
30	MILLENNIUM (Reprise 45274) Earth, Wind & Fire	19 3 DEBUT
31 32	T.I.M.E (Elektra 61382)	18 6
33	LOVE DELUXE (Epic 74734) Sade	27 40
34 35	93'TIL INFINITY (Jive 41514)	15 3 17 3
36	RUNAWAY LOVE (Eastwest 92296) En Vogue	16 3 30 12
37 38	NEVER LET ME GO (Epic 53231) Luther Vandross BUHLOONE MIND STATE (Tommy Boy 1063) De La Soul	25 3
39 40	BETWEEN THE SHEETS (Warner Bros. 45340) Fourplay HEY MANSMELL MY FINGER (Paisley Park Warner Bros George Clinton	33 4 DEBUT
41	THE BODY-HAT SYNDROME (Tommy Boy 1080) Digital Underground	20 1
42	PROVACATIVE (Motown 374636355) Johnny Gill THE TRUTH (MCA 10810)	50 13 10 3
44	LOVE'S THE PLACE TO BE (Mercury 518086) Will Downing	42 6
45	THE BODYGUARD (Original Motion Picture Soundtrack) (Arista 18699)	34 38
46	BREATHLESS (Arista 18646) Kenny G	36 38
47 48	THE HITS/THE B-SIDES(Paisley Park/Warner Bros. 45440) Prince LIVE! (Elektra 61538) The Isley Brothers	28 3 29 2
49 50	THE HITS 1 (Paisley Park/Warner Bros 45431) Prince COMING OF AGE (Zoo 11064) Coming of age	35 3 48 3
51	HEARTBREAKER (EMI/ERG 89740) The O'Jays	32 7
52 53	EVOLUTION (Fontana/Mercury 5114965) Oleta Adams BRIAN MCKNIGHT (Mercury 848605) Brian McKnight	39 6 43 13
54	BACDAFUCUP (RAL/Chaos 53302) Onyx	38 20
55 56	FROM THE MINT FACTORY (Perspective/A&M 9005) Mint Condition COMIN'OUT HARD (Suave 0001) Eightball & MJG	47 2 41 4
57	CHRISTMAS INTERPRETATIONS (Motown 6365) Boyz il Men	44 2
58 59	MENACE II SOCIETY (Jive 41509)	31 14 58 29
60 61	THE UNTOLD TRUTH (Rowdy/Arista 37002)	37 5 DEBUT
62	HOOTIE MAC (MCA 10682) Bell Biv Devoe	49 8
63 64	THE NEW BREED (Wrap/Ichiban 8120)	55 16 62 29
65	21 & OVER (Loud/RCA 66280) Tha Alkaholiks	57 5
66 67	EAST RIVER DRIVE (Epic 47489) Stanley Clarke VOICE OFF JAMAICA (Mercury 518013)	52 5 56 6
68	FOR REAL THO' (Atlantic 82462) LeVert	46 22
69 70	BAD BOYS (Big Beat/AG 92261)         Inner Circle           TILL DEATH DO US PART (Priority 57183)         Geto Boys	69 19 45 27
71	BORN GANGSTAZ (DJ West/Chaos/Columbia 52903) Boss	40 12
72 73	DANGEROUS (Epic 45400) Michael Jackson AIN'T NO OTHER (First Priority 92230) Mc Lyte	73 90 53 10
74	WHAT'S LOVE GOT TO DO WITH IT (SOUNDTRACK)	
	(Vrigin 88189)         Tina Turner           THE PREDATOR (Priority 57185)         kee Cube	54 11 70 37

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## THE RHYME



Bad Boy Entertainment was just inked into the Arista Records universe (see story below). According to Bad Boy chief Sean "Puffy" Combs, the company's roster includes underground rapper Kraig Mack, female vocal trio Total 3 and hip-hop singer Q. Pictured at post-signing schmooze session are (I-r): Roy Lott, Arista executive vp/gm; Arista; Combs; Janice Combs; Clive Davis, Arista president; and Kirk Burrowes, Bad Boy gm.

BAD BOYS ON THE BLOCK: "Wunderkind" aptly applies to 22- year-old former A&R vp and producer Sean "Puffy" Combs, who just recently inked a pact with Arista Records for marketing and distribution of all artists signed to Bad Boy Entertainment, owned by his mother Janice Combs. Puffy Combs is credited with shepherding the debut albums by Jodeci and Mary J. Blige to double platinum status. Combs also has produced or remixed tracks for Heavy D. & The Boyz, Father MC, Christopher Williams, Keith Sweat and Supercat. In addition to the the double platinum albums, he is credited with five gold singles, eight #1 singles and two #1 albums. If that weren't enough, Combs has directed videos by artists like Jodeci, Heavy D. and Erick Sermon.

Kirk Burrowes, former marketing manager for Orion Pictures and co-promoter of *New York Live*, has been named general manager of the new label. The roster of the new company includes underground street rapper Kraig Mack, female vocal trio Total 3 and hip-hop singer Q. The label's first release early next year will feature Kraig Mack.

A PARIS PRIORITY: Paris, the Oakland, CA-based rapper who called for the death of former president George Bush, has signed his Scarface Records into a deal with Priority Records. The pact calls for Paris to deliver several albums over the long haul. Paris is currently in the studio recording his debut album under the deal. The record is due in February. Priority's first Scarface release is the Paris-produced debut album by Oaktown rappers Conscious Daughters, which is due out in late November.



They can't seem to stop the EFX as EastWest recording act Das EFX is riding a cresting wave with the single "Freakit" from the duo's album Straight Up Sewaside, the follow-up to their platinum-plus debut Dead Serious. The group recently completed shooting a video to "Freakit" in Los Angeles. Pictured are (I-r): Books of Das EFX; Blitz, a road manager; Michelle Webb, director of video production, EastWest; DJ Dice and Krazy Drayz of the group; Wayne Isham, video producer; and Cury Mavis, video producer.

### TOP 30 RAP SINGLES

### CASH BOX • NOVEMBER 20, 1993

STAY REAL (Def Jam/Chaos/Columbia 77141) Erick Sermon 6 3	3
2 LET ME RIDE (Death Row/Interscope/Columbia 57128) Dr. Dre 7	3
SHOOP (Next Plateau/London/PLG 857 314) Shoop 18 2	2
4 SHIFTEE (JMJ/RAL/Chaos 77163) Onyx 8 2	2
5 PAINT THE WHITE HOUSE BLACK (Paisley Park/Warner Bros 18382)	
George Clinton 5	3
6 OUTTA HERE (Jive 42147)	_
YOUNG GIRL BLUEZ (Cold Chillin/Warner Bros. 18396) Biz Markie DEBUT	
8 NUTIN'TA LOSE (Tuff Break/A&M 3701) Dred Scott DEBU	_
9 WHAT'S NEXT (Elektra 66309) Leaders Of The New SChool 4	-
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14 VALLEY OF THE SKINZ (Mad Sounds/Motown 2206) Trends Of Culture 3	-
15 I'M REAL(RuffHouse/Columbia 77236)	
16 NICKEL BAGS (Pendulum/ERG 5807) Digable Planets 20 (NEXION CONTO NEXION CONTO NEXIO	_
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19 WE GETZ BUZY (Rowdy/Arista 3-5024)	
20 FLOW JOE (Violator/Relativity 1185) Fat Joe 2	4
21 SOUL BY THE POUND (Relativity 1183) Common Snese 12	3
22 RECIPE (Chaos/Columbia 77081)	4
WRITTEN ON YA KITTEN (Tommy Boy 583) Naughty by Nature DEBU	
24 ALRIGHT (Ruffhouse/Columbia 77103) Kriss Kross 13	5
25 BREAKADAWN (Tornmy Boy 586) De La Soul 14	3
26 SKINNY DIP(GOT IT GOIN'ON) (Chemistry/Mercury 862652)	
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27 MASH UP THE MIC (Virgin 38400) Private Investigators 15	3
28 LET ME ROLL(Rap-a-lot/Priority 53831)	5
29 INDO SMOKE (Epic 77026) Mista Grimm 19	5
30 FREAK OUT (Flavor Unit/Epic 7704) Nikki D 23	2

### **RAP SINGLE REVIEWS**

By Dr. Bayyan

■ DOMINO: "Ghetto Jam" (Outburst/RAL OSK 77298).

This record has caused a big buzz and is being re-serviced in the marketplace because of the deal between Outburst and RAL/Chaos. The buzz probably started as soon as people peeped the phat bass line and the sturdy drum groove click trackin' on top. Domino flows easily between sing-song, rap-rap delivery. Not quite alternative, but not mainstream ghetto ghoul madness either.

MELLO K. FEATURING SHAWNY RANKS: "Do Me" (L.A. Boy 60855-5770-2).

This is all about sex. It's about the prodigious skills of one Mello K., who wants to do and be done. Shawny Ranks breaks through with some tasty chant interludes. The music transcends the mega beat and offers some textural variety. After awhile, however, the constant sexual imagery is like a porno movie—it leaves very little to the imagination.

MR. MYSTIC: "Back Up, Baby (Why You Stressin' Me?)" (THG Music CDP 1057).

Mr. Mystic seems to be delivering an autobiographical tale of how his baby girl stressed him while he's in the midst of honing his skills as a hip-hop entertainer. However, there's not enough tension in Mystic's delivery. Even though some of the lyrics hit the mark, there's not enough punch in the flow to get the question—"Why you stressin' me?"—answered.



## CONTEMPORARY CHRISTIAN

### **COVER STORY**

### Michael W. Smith: Christian Music's Boy Wonder

By Kathleen A. Ervin



FOR THE UNINITIATED, Contemporary Christian music, that often curious mix of message and music, is relegated to church and the hard-to-find bin at the local record shop. Artists like Michael W. Smith have been changing the musical status quo with a patented brand of positive pop and an equally positive presence that widely appeals to consumers old and young alike as well as the more discerning radio programmer. But none of this is new to Smith, who, for the past 10 years, has done his fair share of stretching the limits in both the mainstream and Christian marketplace. Defining the growing genre of Christian

pop in the early '80s and now in the '90s, Smith has become a textbook example of crossover success.

Smith's across-the-board commerciability has proved he can hold his own in the often fickle and political mainstream, and is not just a product of accidental niche marketing. Strong management, namely Blanton/Harrell of Nashville, Tenneessee and an equally decisive artist development team at Reunion Records, has achieved many calculated firsts in the last 10 years.

With over eight albums and two videos totaling 4.5 million in catalog sales, Smith has four gold-certified albums: Change Your World; Go West Young Man; i 2(EYE); and Michael W. Smith Project. His Change Your World tour played to an impressive half million people in 1993's sluggish concert market. He is the recipient of a Grammy, countless Doves, an American Music Award and received the dubious honor of People magazine's "50 Most Beautiful People" in '92. From the Tonight Show to Live With Regis and Kathie Lee, the guy from Kenova, West Virginia, population 5,000, has seen a lot of his hard work pay off.

In retrospect, it doesn't seem that long ago when Smith first appeared in 1982 at the piano for Amy Grant's Age to Age tour. "That was my first memory," recalls Smith. "Going out and opening up for Amy Grant. The first real introduction. I had just made a record—the Project album—and all of a sudden I was thrust out playing for Amy in theatres. It was a bit overwhelming. I spent two-and-a-half years on the road with her. What a way to start."

Seemingly endless were the countless awards, accolades and #1 radio hits the young Smith would garner. While he was busy building his own audience on the road with Grant, Project was quickly becoming a hit. His second album Michael W. Smith 2 would put him back on the road with Grant's Straight Ahead tour in '84 and land him a Grammy for Best Gospel Performance (Male).

The years that followed would be a blur of non-stop touring and recording. Notes Smith, "I don't have any bad memories of my career in terms of all the stuff we've done. It's really been an adventure, a journey and I feel like we progressively moved up. There hasn't been any dips. It's been a slow and steady move up the ladder."

Perhaps the only noticable disappointment for Smith resulted from 1985's The Big Picture. Co-produced by John Potoker, this third album was a significant stylistic departure from Smith's prior selfproduced albums. Lots of programming, synthesizers, keyboards and arrangements created a sound that was progressive for the secular market, let alone Christian. "Lamu," "Pursuit of A Dream," and "Wired For Sound" were songs that reflected the musical atmosphere of the day and were nothing short of stunning in concert. Critics praised the results and there were rumblings that

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1 I'LL BE BELIEVING (Word) Point of Grace 4 7
2 THERE IS A LOVE (Warner Alliance) Michael English 3 8
3 WE BELIEVE IN GOD (Reunion) Amy Grant 2 7
4 WALK IN THE DARK WITH JESUS (DaySpring) Wayne Watson 1 9
5 ONCE AND FOR ALL (Star Song)
6 GIVING YOU THE REST OF MY LIFE (Sparrow 51370) Bob Carlisle 5 9
7 THE RIVER (Benson)
8 HOLD ME, JESUS (Reunion) Rich Mullins 7 5
9 STRANGE WAY TO SAVE THE WORLD (Benson 29602) 4 Him 9 5
10 I'M COMMITTED TO YOU (Warner Alliance 4146) Steve Camp 10 5
11 JUST REACH OUT (DaySpring) Petra 13 4
12 WALK ON (Word)
13 KENTUCKY ROSE (Reunion) Michael W. Smith 12 5
14 LIVING IN THE LIGHT OF YOUR LOVE (Benson) Al Denson 18 3
15 WAITING FOR YOUR LOVE (Sparrow) Susan Ashton 20 2
16 FEELS LIKE REAL LIFE (Sparrow) Out of the Grey 21 2
17 LEAN ON ME (ForeFront)
18 STILL CALLED TODAY (Sparrow 79546) Steven Curtis Chapman 11 10
19 HE'S KNOCKING (Star Song 8286) Andy Landis 14 9
20 SECOND STRING (Reunion)
21 ARMS AROUND THE WORLD (Star Song) Gaither Vocal Band 22 3
22 EVOLUTIONREDEFINED (ForeFront) Geoff Moore & the Distance 19 6
23 INSIDE OUT (Star Song) David Meece DEBUT
24 THE SEA OF FORGETFULNESS (DaySpring 2537) Helen Baylor 16 9
25 FREEDOM (Myrrh) First Call DEBUT
26 FINGERTIPS & NOSES (Benson) Newsong 27 2
27 BECAUSE OF YOU (Star Song)
28 YOU LOVED ME WHEN (Benson) Angelo & Veronica DEBUT
29 THE EXTRA MILE (Warner Alliance) The Winans DEBUT
30 REACHING IN (Word) Cindy Morgan DEBUT

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3	CHILD OF THE LIGHT (Cheyenne) The Days	3	7
4	LET'S GET THE DEVIL OUT OF HERE (Kings Day 12692) . Judy Deramus	4	16
5	THE MIDDLE MAN (Heartwrite) David Patillo	5	16
6	HEAVENLY HIGH (Cheyenne) Bruce Haynes	8	7
7	HOME AWAY FROM HOME (Riversong) Barbara Fairchild	10	8
8	REVIVAL IS COMING (Victory) Billy Holcomb	15	5
9 .	ALL OF THIS AND HEAVEN TOO (His Productions) Don Vinson	7	16
10	DIAMONDS FROM DUST (Dovesong) Pam Walker	11	11
11	TAKE MINE (Cheyenne) White River	19	6
12	THEY SEE MY DADDY IN ME (Homeland 9073) Margo Smith & Holly	12	16
13	PARDON ME, I'VE BEEN PARDONED (Manuel MFBC4)		
		6	16
14	BURN BRIDGE BURN (Independent) Cross Country	9	15
15	LOVE CAN CARRY (Cheyenne) Steve Gatlin	18	3
16	AMERICA IN GOD WE TRUST (Victory) Billy Holcomb	14	16
17	SPIT AND WHITTLE CLUB (His Productions) Don Vinson	20	6
18	THE MISSING PIECE (Riversong) Dennis Parker	21	8
19	OKLAHOMA FRONT PORCH BAND (Intersound) Terri Lynn	26	2
20	FORGOTTEN FRIENDS (Expression 2001) Ken Holloway	17	16
21	GO DOWN MOSES (Circuit Rider) W.C. Taylor	DEE	JUT
22	NO ONE WORSHIPS THERE ANYMORE (Horneland 5139) Bruce Haynes	16	16
23	SOMETIME'S IN THE NIGHT (Independent) Nathan Forrister	DEE	<b>JUT</b>
24	WAY DOWN DEEP (Horneland) White River	13	12
25	GOING SOMEWHERE (White Horse Music) T.J. Smith	25	2
26	THANK YOU (Morning Star)	22	7
27	GOD'S NEVER TOO LATE (Gospel Choice 1005) Del Way	23	16
28	I HEARD ABOUT A STONE (Some Dawning) Kevin Spencer	24	16
29	WELL DONE (Damascus) Terry Lee Goffee	27	16
30	OH! I WANT TO SEE HIM (Psalm Ministries 107) Susan Luchsinger	30	16

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there might be crossover potential in the single "Wired For Sound." However, it was not to be. Despite a Grammy nomination and Dove award for *The Big Picture*, Smith shelved his hopes of getting his music out to mainstream pop.

Remembers Smith, "I was disillusioned, but I learned a lesson. I was chasing it a bit and I decided to really back off. This music business is too fickle anyway. Just be who you are and make great records. If it is meant for you to crossover to the pop market, let it

happen naturally. And that's all we



Smith wins 1988 Dove award for Long Form Video of the Year—The Big Picture Concert Video.

Smith's patience would pay-off. In 1991, Go West Young Man would produce Smith's first mainstream hit. With Reunion Records' newly inked distribution and limited marketing agreement with Geffen Records, the pump was primed. Recalls Smith, "I always felt that 'Place In This World' really had a shot, even when I wrote it. It was my belief if we got the right people, got the record company to believe in it, this thing could be a hit. I was at the right place at the right time with the right people."

Actually it was a bit more difficult than that. The single originally released to adult contemporary formats was stalling on the charts until a Geffen radio promoter championed the song to both the label and radio programmers. The calculated risk paid off in a #1 AC hit while CHR landed the single in the Top 15. Smith's foot was in the mainstream pop's door and the rest as they say is history.

While the secular industry has apparently been able to swallow the religious quotient in Smith's music, there are still the conservative hold-outs in the Christian market that can't or won't assimilate Smith's new pop stardom into their playlists or album shelves. Whether it's a problem with lyrics to Smith's latest single, "Kentucky Rose," or the fact that he has hosted VH-1 which advertises condoms and beer, the small but vocal right wingers have made their position clear by refusing to play a particular song or sell a certain album.

Smith's response to this is one of ongoing disappointment. "I think it's sad. I think that people have a very, very narrow view of life. For them things have to be done in a certain way." It's this legalistic, black or white approach, all too common in Christian music, that Smith feels contributes to the mainstream's cautious distance of anything that hints at religion. "You've got these people who are a bit out to lunch, a very small but vocal minority. People like Jimmy Swaggart and Jim Baker are begging for money. There are people that get all bent out of shape because Amy Grant's singing 'Baby, Baby.' ['We don't judge what she's doing but she is a pop artist.'] People see all of this, and it becomes people's perception of Christianity"



Smith became a favorite White House performer of President Bush and wife, Barbara. Shown here at a stop during his *Go West Young Man Tour*, Smith is shown visiting with President George Bush (r) and Vice-President Dan Quayle (I) on the same day the cease-fire in the Persian Gulf was announced.

While Smith understands and appreciates the Chrisitan music industry's sometimes militant need to maintain the integrity of what it's doing, that particular approach remains far removed from his own work. He insists he has never written music to fit a particualr marketplace. "Who knows what my next album will be like. I've walked a fine line when I did Go West.... I knew Geffen was going to get involved with the record, and I had this song 'Agnus Dei' that was a worship song that I wrote for my church. My spirit, my heart, told me, 'You need to record this song.' The other part of me, my mind —trying to figure out this music business—said, 'Oh you can't put this song on here. Geffen will not know where you're coming from.' The whole record is very pop and all of a sudden we've got this worship song on here. I battled that and you know what? I went with what my heart told me. I put it on the record. I didn't care what they thought. I just knew that this song needed to be on the record.

"I hope I can always make a judgment call from that standpoint and not put some songs on a record just because I think Geffen or RCA is going to think 'Gosh, he's on the gospel crusade.' And, who knows, I might add two songs or eight songs about God on the next album. It does not matter to me. I choose not to write for a certain marketplace. I want to be myself. My faith is the most important thing in my life, and the love of Jesus changed my life. It's a personal relationship. A lot of people don't understand it, but it has changed me. That's what drives me. That's what makes me write."

What will the next 10 years bring? Writing for his next album holds his immediate attention and time. He's currently working on his second book, *Place In This World*, a more mature follow-up to '87s popular *Old Enough To Know*. Work continues on opening a legitimate nightclub near his homebase called Rocket Town. There might even be a possible acting career looming in the horizon. "I think if I found the right script with a positive message I might consider it."

Smith shrugs it off as a possibility, not a necessity. "For me a lot of things have always been, if it happens, great, if it doesn't, no big deal. I've always thought that I had what it takes to be a long-term artist. I can continue to do this 10 years from now." Just as long as it doesn't take him from his family of five, wife, Debbie, and the hills of Franklin, Tennessee.

"I get a lot of letters and just got one recently that came from a girl who really had some horrendous stuff in her life going all the way back to abuse as a child. Her letter said: 'I've never heard of you before, and I was listening to my radio station and heard "Place In This World." It just changed my life. I'm a better person. I gave my heart to the Lord. I have a family now. My whole life is changed.' Her life is great now, and it's all because she heard 'Place In This World' on a pop station. Now that's neat."



On hand for the big-screen premiere of Smith's *Change Your World Live* are some old friends (I-r): Gary Chapman; Reunion CEO, Terry Hemming; Amy Grant; Smith; and Smith co-manager Mike Blanton of Blanton/Harrell

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### **CCM NEWS BRIEFS**



RICH MULLINS is heading to Ireland for a video shoot in support of his seventh album A Liturgy, A Legacy and a Ragamuffin Band. The video of second radio single, "Here In America," will be shot in Ireland and New York City with Steve Taylor and Ben Pearson producing. Reunion Records will also be servicing Mullins' "You Gotta Get Up (The Christmas Song)" and Michael James' "It Wasn't This Child" on a special Christmas disc to Christian radio. RCA will

service the same disc to mainstream adult contemporary stations in early



Steve Taylor is busy these days. Having just returned from LA's Youth Specialties Convention. He's been seen at various concerts looking for a headliner for his Spring tour...

Geoff Moore will take a break from Fall touring to join Kentucky's Lt. Governor Paul Patton as the state celebrates the kickoff of the Salvation Army Kentucky Statewide

Kettle Campaign. Moore will be performing a song from his new album *Evolution*, "Heart to God, Hand to Man," with Storyville artist Pam Mark Hall...

Dino Kartsonakis will host the *Third Annual All American Music Awards Show* to be held November 15 at the Ozark Theatre in Branson, Missouri. Kartsonakis, who is among the nominees for "Entertainer of the Year," will host the event with co-hosts **Anita Bryant** and **Tony Orlando**. Kartsonakis is currently headlining at the Ozark Theatre with his *Magical Journey of Christmas* show...



Lisa Bevil and First Call's Marabeth Jordan's golden tones can be found on Integrity Music's new Build Your Faith, the latest in the Scripture Memory series produced by Steven V. Taylor...

What is it that keeps ERG's Robert Beeson in Houston these days? Word is Beeson has just signed a hot new rock band Imagine This...

Bride is in Los Angeles working on its follow-up to *Snakes in the Playground*. Produced by **John & Dino Elefante**, the new project is scheduled to release in early '94...



THE SEASON'S OVER BUT NOT FORGOTTEN—Cindy Morgan sang the National Anthem for the Seattle Mariners game at the Kingdome. The handsome fellow with Morgan is the Mariner Moose, mascot for the team.



ONCE IN A LIFETIME—Star Song Records held a little party to celebrate the success of the David Meece album Once In a Lifetime. Plaques were presented to the artist for the radio success of singles "Once In a Lifetime" and "Over You" and the success of this latest album that is approaching the 100,000 mark. Pictured (I-r): Stan Moser, Star Song CEO; Mike Keil, director of marketing; Jill Landess, radio promotions coordinator; Meece; Jason Parker, marketing manager; Danny McGuffey, vice president of marketing and sales; and Darrell Harris, president of Star Song.



MOVERS AND SHAKERS—Pictured (I-r): Genesis Records was unveiled by director Mark Blakenship before gospel music representatives, Baptist Sunday School Board employess and trustees as the Board's recording label during a music industry announcement and artist showcase at the Sunday School Board. Pictured (I-r) is the staff and artists: Dan Mann, A&R consultant, Genesis Records; Terry Blackwood; Lari Goss; Amy Roth; Larry Orrell; "Big" John Hall; Chuck Sullivan; Greg Skipper, sales and marketing manager, Genevox Music Group; and Mark Blankenship, director, Genevox Music Group. Seated: James Draper, president, Baptist Sunday School Board.



CATCH A RISING STAR(197Star Song Records is buzzing all over about its new artist, Brian Barrett. Look for him to be featured with Allison Durham on Star Song's December "Catch A Rising Star" retail campaign. In the studio working on Barrett's self-titled debut, back row (I-r): Sonny Lallerstedt, Jerry McPherson; Ronnie Brookshire; Phil Madeira; Jackie Street; Mark Hammond; and Jackie Patillo, A&R/Star Song. Front row: Cheryl Rogers, producer and Barrett.

# **COUNTRY MUSIC**

### **COUNTRY NEWS BOX**

### Judd Memoirs: Love Can Build A Bridge; PLUS Ashley Judd in award-winning film role

NASHVILLE-It was three years in the making. Naomi Judd, the Cinderella of country music, has completed her autobiography, Love Can Build A Bridge (Village Books, \$24.00, December 1, 1993). The 560-page hardcover volume, profusely illustrated with 80 revealing photographs, has a first printing of 350,000 copies. The Judds were on top of the world and at the pinnacle of fame when Naomi made the announcement that she was being forced to retire because of a life-threatening liver disease. Their Farewell Concert, televised on cable, was the most successful musical show in pay-per-view history. "As we stood hand-in-hand, beginning our last song together," Naomi writes, "I knew this was the bottom of the ninth in the World Series with the bases loaded and Wynonna up to bat. As I joined my dearest companion in harmony for our last time, it was like lucid dreaming.

Then the curtain fell on one of the most beloved acts ever. Naomi spent the next two years in isolation, combating hepatitis and reliving for this book her life and career—a saga which her long-time manager Ken Stilts jokingly calls "part Greek tragedy, part soap opera." Funny, shocking, wise, spirited and vulnerable, this is a behind-the-scenes look into the Judds' private life that spares no one and nothing. Here for the world to share is the whole complex, pyrotechnic, on-and-off stage relationship between Naomi & Wynonna-"beloved enemies," in Wynonna's words, who were literally too close for comfort but joined at the hip. Here too, is what Naomi's younger daughter Ashley calls "the indomitable spirit of the Judd matriarchy," embodied in the former nurse's dedication to gaining control over her disease by bringing mind and body into harmony. "Wynonna, Ashley and I are the quintessential rags-to-riches story," Naomi writes. "Tangible examples of the American dream, hope sellers, and living proof that it pays to believe in miracles. In our struggles and triumphs you glimpse the prospect of your own."

NASHVILLE-The award-winning motion picture, Ruby In Paradise, starring Ashley Judd, will mark its Nashville premiere with a benefit screening for My Friends House, a Nashville shelter for abused teens on Monday, November 22 at 7:30 p.m. at the Carmike Cool Springs Galleria Cinemas in Franklin, TN. Judd, along with her family and friends will be in attendance to greet Nashvillians who come not only for an evening of entertainment, but also to help a very worthy cause.

Ruby In Paradise, the winner of the Grand Jury Prize at The Sundance Film Festival, is an October Films release and is written and directed by acclaimed independent filmmaker, Victor Nunez. It is the story of Ruby Lee Gissing (Ashley Judd), who is on the run, determined to find a better place and time than her past closed world of the mountains of Tennessee. Tickets for the Nashville premiere may be purchased from My Friend's House, 626 Eastview Drive, Franklin, TN for a tax-deductible price of \$7.00. For more information call (615)



Curb/MCA Records superstar Wynonna recently gathered with family and friends to celebrate the success of her 1992 solo debut, Wynonna, the first studio album by a female country artist to sell triple platinum (3,000,000 copies). Wy's latest album, Tell Me Why, is also a platinum hit, with well over 1,000,000 sold to date. Pictured (I-r) are: Bruce Hinton, chairman, MCA Records/Nashville; Mike Curb, chairman, Curb Records; Al Teller, chairman, MCA Music Entertainment Group; Curb/MCA artist Wynonna; Ashley Judd; Naomi Judd; and Ken Stilts, manager of Wynonna.

### Knockin' The Boots



**HOUSTON**—Reprise/Warner Bros. recording artist Dwight Yoakam recently co-hosted MTV's very first country music special, Knockin' The Boots, which aired twice in the first week of November. Along with MTV VJ Duff at his side in Houston, Yoakam co-hosted this 60minute program featuring country music videos, interviews and live-performance footage. Yoakam was seen in three videos including "Fast As You" and "A Thousand Miles From Nowhere" from his current platinum album, This Time, plus "Suspicious Minds" from the Honeymoon İn Vegas soundtrack, as well as

performing live in Houston from a concert filmed in late September. Why Dwight? Perhaps Vanity Fair said it best when they noted, "Yoakam strides the divide between rock's lust and country's lament."

In other Yoakam news: Peter Fonda, Dennis Hopper and Yoakam were joined by an eclectic array of celebrities for the grand opening of Thunder Roadhouse, the Sunset Strip eatery, motorcycle shop and clothing emporium they co-own. As reported in USA Today, over 1,300 friends came out to join the festivities. "This is a place guys on bikes can come to and feel comfortable," says Yoakam. "Our motto is: 'Thunder Roadhouse, where they're not ashamed of you." Meanwhile, the clothing store sells Dwight's own hip clothing line, DY . Ranch Wear.



SMOKE OUT, MAN!-November 18 is the date of the American Cancer Society's Great American Smokeout: an upbeat, goodnatured effort to encourage smokers to give up cigarettes for 24 hours. This year, the Tennessee Division of the American Cancer Society is honored to have as its Honorary Chairman, George Lindsey, co-star of the new Hee Haw Live show, scheduled to open on May 6, 1994, at the Roy Acuff Theater at Opryland USA. A three-pack-a-day smoker for many years, Lindsey gave up the habit 2 1/2 years ago. "I want to ask all smokers to give up cigarettes for at least 24 hours on

Smokeout day," Lindsey says. "Do it and join the quitters' club. You'll be glad you did!" For more smokeout information call (800) ACS-2345. You'll be glad you did.



HEAVEN ON EARTH: The Honky Tonk Angels—Loretta Lynn, Dolly Parton and Tammy Wynette—are flanked by Sony and Columbia Nashville executives at the press conference and private reception to celebrate the November release of Honky Tonk Angels, at the Country Music Hall of Fame in Nashville. Pictured (I-r) are: Jack Lameier, veepee of Sony Nashville promotion; Roy Wunsch, president of Sony Nashville; Lynn; Parton; Wynette; Steve Buckingham, veepee of Columbia A&R; and Connie Baer, veepee of Sony Nashville marketing. The release has been hailed as an artistically rich and historically important album.

### CASH BOX CHARTS



#1 SINGI F: Mark Chesnutt

ALMOST GOODBYE (MCA 54718) . . . . . . . . . . Mark Chesnutt 2 11 THAT WAS A RIVER (Epic 77118) ...... Collin Raye 5 14 MERCURY BLUES (Arista 18711) . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Alan Jackson 7 9 ON THE ROAD (Arista 2588) . . . . . . . . . Lee Roy Parnell 10 14 

..... Garth Brooks 11 5 I FELL IN THE WATER (BNA 6\_621) . . . . . . . . . . John Anderson 9 12 SHE USED TO BE MINE (Arista 2602) . . . . . . . . . . Brooks & Dunn 1 11 MY BABY LOVES ME (RCA 66299) . . . . . . . . . . . . Martina McBride 15 15 MY SECOND HOME (Atlantic 82483) ..... Tracy Lawrence 12 10 THE BUG (Columbia 77134) . . . . . . . . . . . Mary-Chapin Carpenter 13 13

DO YOU KNOW WHERE YOUR MAN IS (Arista 2606) . . . . Pam Tillis 14 12 

...... Sammy Kershaw 18 10 I DON'T CALL HIM DADDY (BNA 62638-2) . . . . . . . Doug Supernaw 19 7 FAST AS YOU (Reprise/Warner Bros. 45241-2) . . . . . . Dwight Yoakam 21

15 GOD BLESSED TEXAS (Warner Bros. 45276) ......Little Texas 17 8

THE SONG REMEMBERS WHEN (MCA 54734) .... Trisha Yearwood 22

THE BOYS AND ME (Curb 1062) . . . . . . . . . . Sawyer Brown 24

SOMEBODY NEW (Mercury 1008) . . . . . . . . . . Billy Ray Cyrus 25

SOMETHING'S GONNA CHANGE HER MIND (MCA 10658) Mark Collie 23

I NEVER KNEW LOVE (Epic 57271) ...... Doug Stone 26

SOMEPLACE FAR AWAY (Curb 1065) . . . . . . . . . . . . Hal Ketchum 33 I WANT TO BE LOVED LIKE THAT (RCA 78063) . . . . . . Shenandoah 32

33 JUST LIKE THE WEATHER (Liberty 79763) . . . . . . . Suzy Bogguss 4 16 THE CALL OF THE WILD (RCA 66251) . . . . . . . . . . . Aaron Tippin 36

LIVE UNTIL I DIE (Giant 6559) . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Clay Walker 37

WHY DON'T THAT TELEPHONE RING (MCA 10649) . . . . . Tracy Byrd 41

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A LITTLE LESS TALK AND A LOT MORE ACTION (Mercury 1000)

WE JUST DISAGREE (Liberty 79013) . . . . . . . . . . . . . Billy Dean DEBUT

WERE YOU REAL\_Y LIVIN' (Asylum 61544) ..... Brother Phelps DEBUT NOTHING IN COMMON BUT LOVE (Mercury 1031) . . . . Twister Alley 54 2

WE CAN LOVE (RCA 07863) . . . . . . . . . . . . Larry Stewart DEBUT

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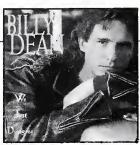
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AMERICAN HONKY TONK BAR ASSOCIATION (Liberty 79006)

QUEEN OF MY DOUBLE WIDE TRAILER (Mercury 969)



TO WATCH: George Jones #43



HIGH DEBUT: Billy Dean #46



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<b>52</b>	NO TIME TO KILL (RCA 66239) Clint Black	31	14
53	EASY COME, EASY GO (MCA 54717) George Strait	38	13
54	HEAVEN'S JUST A SIN AWAY (MCA 54733) Kelly Willis	45	6
55	NOTHIN' BUT THE WHEEL (Epic 77076) Patty Loveless	49	19
56	HURRY SUNDOWN (MCA 54688) McBride & the Ride	48	17
57	WHAT'S IT TO YOU (Giant 24511)	50	19
58	GOODBYE SAYS IT ALL (Arista) Blackhawk	DEE	BUT
59	YOU CAN'T GET THERE FROM HERE (Atlantic) Roger Ballard	DEE	BUT
60	YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU (Epitome CD-2301) Jeff Allen	63	5
	WHY'D YOU HAVE TO LOOK SO GOOD (LRK KC-693-C) Kevin Charles	64	5
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66		69	6
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69	THE GRAND TOUR (A&M 31454)	62	15
70	AIN'T GOING DOWN (TILL THE SUN COMES UP) (Liberty 79795)		
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	COWBOY BOOGIE (Warner Bros. 45319) Randy Travis		11
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		87	20
93	OL' RED (Giant 24490) Kenny Rogers	85	12
	RENO (BNA 62537) Doug Supernaw	89	26
	WHY DIDN'T I THINK OF THAT (Epic 77025) Doug Stone	92	22
	TRUE BELIEVER (Liberty 79668) Ronnie Milsap	94	19
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98	DOWN ON MY KNEES (MCA 54670) Trisha Yearwood	96	23
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### **REVIEWS** by Brad Hogue

#### ■ ROGER BALLARD "You Can't Get There From Here" (Atlantic 82470-2)

The second single from his Atlantic debut, A Little Piece Of Heaven, "You Can't Get There From Here" was written by Keith Stegall & Roger Murrah. A melodic ballad which show-cases Ballard's soulful style of country, the tune sees Roger seeking sanctuary from his broken heart in another time and place. While it's the time of year for slow tunes, this one's a lot better than average. Let's see if it makes it through the clone factor. Bob Montgomery & Don Goodman produced. Good



#### ■ MCBRIDE & THE RIDE "No More Cryin" (MCA MCAC-10927)

This lively one comes from the upcoming MCA This lively one comes from the upcoming MCA soundtrack, 8 Seconds To Glory, starring Luke Perry. It's a guitar-picking, bass-drum crashing, harmony-laden country kicker which demonstrates McBride & The Ride at their best. Written by Terry McBride & Josh Leo, "No More Cryin" provides a welcome relief from country sorrow, giving a little bit of happiness in the midst of all the standout instrumentation. Josh Leo produced another good one.

### ■ DIAMOND RIO "Sawmill Road" (Arista ASCD-

From the Gold Arista CD, Close To The Edge, "Sawmill Road" is a mid-tempo, coming-of-age tune written by Sam Hogin, Jim McBride & Dan Truman. It ponders the loss of innocence while offering trenchant personal insight into the changing times. "We knew Jesus was the answer and Elvis was the king/Blue Suede Shoes' and 'Rock Of Ages' were the songs we learned to sing/Innocence went out of style and we just watched it go/Yesterday got left beneath the dust on Sawmill Road." Monty Powell & Tim DuBois produced. Powell & Tim DuBois produced.





### ■ DOLLY PARTON, TAMMY WYNETTE & LORETTA LYNN "Silver Threads & Golden Needles" (Columbia CSK 77294)

lf you missed their performance of this classic tune on the CMA Awards show this year, don't fret. It can be found on Columbia's *Honky Tonk Angels* release, which features Dolly, Tammy, and Loretta at their best. "Silver Threads & Golden Needles" was written by Jack Rhodes & Dick Reynolds and interpreted uniquely by these beloved matriarchs of country music. Check it out. Steve Buckingham & Dolly produced.

### PICK OF THE WEEK



■ BLACKHAWK "Goodbye Says It All" (Arista)

During a recent press reception for these guys at Nashville's Ace Of Clubs, Arista-Nashville label head Tim DuBois referred to the female character in the accompanying video as "one pissed-off lady!" Maybe so, but she's the only one that's unhappy here. Radio's gonna love this! Written by Johnny MacRae, Charlie Black & Bobby Fischer, "Goodbye Says It All" conjures multitudes of images in just over three minutes. This is the hardest-hitting single I've heard since Brooks & Dunn's "Lost And Found." Excellent debut! Looking forward to the album release the album release.

# COUNTRY ALBUMS

### TOP 75 COUNTRY ALBUMS

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#1 ALBUM Common Thread





TO WATCH: Garth Brooks #2

1 COMMON THREAD: SONGS OF THE EAGLES (Giant 24531)(G)		
Various Artists	5	3 9
2 IN PIECES (Liberty 80857)(P3)         Garth Brooks           3 EASY COME EASY GO (MCA 10907)         George Strait	1	5
4 GREATEST HITS VOL. II (MCA 10906) Reba McEntire		5
5 A LOT ABOUT LIVIN' (AND A LITTLE 'BOUT LOVE)	4	·
(Arista 18711)(P2)	2	53
6 I STILL BELIEVE IN YOU (MCA 10630)(P2) Vince Gill	6	58 19
7 ALMOST GOODBYE (MCA 10851)(G)	- 8	24
9 THIS TIME (Reprise/Warner Bros. 45241-2)(P) Dwight Yoakam	11	32 38
10 CONFEDERATE RAILROAD (Atlantic 82335)(P) Confederate Railroad 11 NO TIME TO KILL (RCA 66239)	10	15
12 CLAY WALKER (Giant 24511-2)	12	10
14 HARD WORKIN MAN (Alisia 18/16)(P) DIOOKS & DUIIII	13 14	66 36
15 CHEAP SEATS (RCA 66296-2) Alabama	20	3
16 SOON (Liberty 89048)	26	2
THE SONG REMEMBERS WHEN (MCA 10911) Trisha Yearwood	DEI	
18         BIG TIME (Warner Bros. 45276)         Little Texas           19         IT WON'T BE THE LAST (Mercury 514758)(P)         Billy Ray Cyrus	16 17	23 19
20 LIFE'S A DANCE (Atlantic 82420)(P) John Michael Montgomery	15	37
21 HAUNTED HEART (Mercury 14332)(G) Sammy Kershaw 22 SOMETHING UP MY SLEEVE (Liberty 89261) Suzy Bogguss	21 18	33 5
23 HONKY TONK ATTITUDE (Columbia 530021) Joe Diffie	19	26
COWGIRL'S PRAYER (Asylum 61541-2) Emmylou Harris	24	3
25 IN THIS LIFE (Epic 48983)(G)	25 28	59 52
27 PURE COUNTRY (Original Motion Picture Soundtrack)	27	55
(MCA 10651)(P2)         George Straft           28 TOBY KEITH (Mercury 514421)         Toby Keith	23	26
29 NO FENCES (Liberty 93866)(P10)	22 29	161 43
30 IT'S YOUR CALL (MCA 10673)(P2)		111
31         BRAND NEW MAN (Arista 18658)(P3)         Brooks & Dunn           32         ALIBIS (Atlantic 82483)(P)         Tracy Lawrence	32	33 11
33 CALL OF THE WILD (RCA 66251)	38	18
35 ONLY WHAT I FEEL (Epic 53226)(G) Patty Loveless		27 11
36 OUTSKIRTS OF TOWN (Curb 77626)	34	73
37 SOME GAVE ALL (Mercury 510635)(P7) Billy Ray Cyrus 38 HEARTS IN ARMOR (MCA 10641)(P) Trisha Yearwood 39 HONKY TONK ANGELS (Columbia 53414)	36	56
Dolly Parton/Loretta Lynn/Tammy Wynette	DEI	BUT
40 HEROES (Warner Bros. 45257) Mark O'Connor	46	5
41       WYNONNÀ (Curb/MCA 10529)(P3)	41 42	
	62	5
44 ROPIN' THE WIND (Liberty 96330)(P9)		106 BUT
46 A BRIDGE I DIDN'T BURN (Columbia 48992) Ricky Van Shelton		9
LET THERE BE PEACE ON EARTH (MCA 10877) Vince Gill	DE	BUŤ
48 WIND IN THE WIRE (Warner Bros. 45319) Randy Travis	40	10
49 T-R-O-U-B-L-E (Warner Bros. 45048)(P)	49 39	61 217
51 TRACY BYRD (MCA 10649) Tracy Byrd	58	26
52 FINAL TOUCHES (MCA 10882)	53	8 54
54 DON'T ROCK THE JUKEBOX (Arista 8681)(P2) Alan Jackson	47	125
55 SEMINOLE WIND (BNA 61029)(P) John Anderson 56 THE CHASE (Liberty 98743)(P5)	48 56	89 57
57 LITTLE LOVE LETTERS (Giant 24499) Carlene Carter	57	18
58 FROM THE HEART (Epic 45303)(G)	66 59	61 26
60 GREATEST HITS (MCA 10653) Patty Loveless	60	22
61 DEL RIO, TX 1959 (Arista 18713) Radney Foster 62 SPINNING AROUND THE SUN (Elektra 61502) Jimmie Dale Gilmore	61 50	76 9
63 BIG IRON HORSES (RCA 66049) Restless Heart	63	
64 SURE LOVE (Curb 77581)	64 65	55 61
66 LET GO (Asylum 61544) Brother Phelps	52	
68 JOSHUA JUDGES RUTH (Curb/MCA 10475) Lyle Lovett	67 68	36 16
69 KELLY WILLIS (MCA 10789) Kelly Willis	69	16
70 GREATEST HITS 1990-1992 (Liberty 81367) Tanya Tucker 71 DRIVE (Arista 18691) Steve Wariner	70 54	26 13
72 MARK COLLIE (MCA 10658)	55	37
73 ACROSS THE BORDERLINE (Columbia 52752) Willie Nelson 74 UNDER THIS OLD HAT (Liberty 80892) Chris LeDoux	51 71	31 47
75 UNDER THE KUDZU (RCA 07863) Shenandoah	74	13

### Cash Box COUNTRY **RADIO**

### **HIGH DEBUTS**

- 1. BILLY DEAN-"We Just Disagree"-(Liber-
- 2. TOBY KEITH—"A Little Less Talk (And A Lot More Action)"—(Mercury)—#47
  3. BROTHER PHELPS—"Were You Really Livin""—(Asylum)—#48

### MOST ACTIVE

- 1. GEORGE JONES—"High-Tech Redneck"—(MCA)—#43
- 2 STEVE WARINER—"Drivin" & Cryin""—(Arista)—#
  3. WYNONNA—"Is It Over Yet"—(Curb/MCA)—#26
  4. LEE ROY PARNELL—"On The Road"—(Arista)—#5
- 5. MARTINA MCBRIDE—"My Baby Loves Me"—(RCA)—#10

POWERFUL ON THE PLAYLIST—The big mover on this week's Top 100 Country Singles chart is George Jones, who takes his "High-Tech Redneck" single up 13 to dwell at #43. Right above the Possum at #42 is Steve Wariner, whose "Drivin" song climbed 11 since last week. Even closer to the top is Wynonna's latest, "Is It Over Yet," which moved forward nine to wait anxiously at #26. Other significant moves include Lee Roy Parnell's "On The Road," and Martina McBride's "My Baby Loves Me." Both singles jumped a five-spot this week: Parnell to #5 & McBride to #10.

Songwriters Of The Week: Billy Livsey & Don Schlitz for the current #1 hit by Mark Chesnutt, "Almost Goodbye."

RADIO NEWS—Suzy Bogguss will host a one-hour radio special called Country Returns to Lonesome Dove, sponsored by Cabin Fever Entertainment and Blockbuster Video, produced exclusively for country radio by Ron Huntsman Entertainment Marketing. The program pays tribute to the highest-rated miniseries of all time, Lonesome Dove, and its long-awaited sequel, Return to Lonesome Dove, which will air on CBS in November. Country Returns to Lonesome Dove was produced on compact disc and is available for promotional broadcast with six minutes of local avails on a barter basis for airing December 8, 1993-January 12, 1994. Stations requiring more information about this program should contact RHEM at (615) 255-1100.

### 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. VINCE GILL—"I Can't Tell You Why" (Giant) from Common Thread
- 2. ALAN JACKSON—"Tequila Sunrise" (Giant) from Common Thread
  - 3. RESTLESS HEART—"Big Iron Horses" (RCA)

### CMT Top Ten Video Countdown

1. Alan Jackson							Mercury Blue	s (Arista)
2. Lee Roy Parnell .							On The Ros	d (Arista)
3. Martina McBride .							. My Baby Loves	Me (RCA)
4. Collin Raye							. That Was A Ri	ver (Epic)
5. John Anderson							. I Fell In The Wa	ter (BNA)
6. Tracy Lawrence .							My Second Home	(Atlantic)
7. Lorrie Morgan							Half Eno	ugh (BNA)
8. Tanya Tucker							Soon	(Liberty)
9. Little Texas				(	Go	d	lessed Texas (War	ner Bros.)
10. Sammy Kershaw				Ç	<b>3</b> u	iee	Of My Double-Wid	e Trailer

-Compliments of CMT video countdown, week ending November 10, 1993.

(Mercury)

### Cash Box COUNTRY INDIE

INDIE CHART ACTION—Leading the Cash Box independents again this week is Jeff Allen on the Epitome label. Allen's debut single, "You Can't Take It With

You" moves ahead three spots to wait at #60 this week. LRK's Kevin Charles also moves three this week with "Why'd You Have To Look So Good" climbing to #61. Rounding out the top indies for the week is Ernie Ashworth's "A New Heart," which moved three to #66 for the Scotti Bros/Hickory label, and Chris Ridge's "Real Love," which moved five to #72 for Platinum Plus. Congratulations to all!

### **INDIE REVIEWS**

DON RICHMOND "Ask The Man Upstairs" (Time Records TRCD 1573-93)

They're calling it "positive country" on CDX but "Christian Country" is a more appropriate tag for this new single from Don Richmond. Initiating the song is a finely tuned steel in perfect harmony with Richmond's mellow croon. Written by Richmond with David Walker and produced by Richmond, the tune provides inspiration that He is no further than our prayers. "If you don't believe me/Ask the man upstairs."

BILLY JOE SHAVER "The Hottest Thing In Town"

(Zoo/Praxis International)

Haven't heard much from this guy in a while? Well, don't expect to hear this one on the airwaves either. While "The Hottest Thing In Town" indeed serves as a riotious barroom stomp, it's way too rocked-out for country radio. Written by Shaver. Produced by R.S. Field.

INDIE NEWS BRIEFS-Step One Records has released Clinton Gregory's first Christmas project, For Christmas. With styles ranging from bluegrass to swing, and from contemporary to traditional country, the project is sure to be a fan pleaser. Additionally, this holiday should be particularly special for Clinton and his wife, Mary, as they are expecting their first child in December. Congrats to the Gregorys! . . . . . .

FORMER MRS. UTAH-AMERICA, Patti Miner, is proving her talents are not limited to her good looks. Miner has just released a new, self-penned country single titled "Outlaw Blues" from her latest album titled, Simply Patti Miner on the RCM Nominee label. Patti wrote seven of the 10 songs on the album. The video for the new single, which was filmed in Nashville, has also been released. This is not Patti's first venture into the world of major league country music. She proved herself earlier this year when her first single release, "Here Goes Nothin" went into the Top 40 nationally for the BFE label. Watch out for "Outlaw Blues" coming your way



Pictured relaxing on the set while filming her new video for "Outlaw Blues," Patti Miner (standing right in background) and manager Cleo Mason (seated in middle in background) talk with some of the video "bad guys" who appear in her newly released video.

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### NAMA Show Draws A Record 260 Exhibitors

CHICAGO—The 47th annual National Automatic Merchandising Association convention and trade show, staged in Chicago's McCormick Place (9/30-10/2), attracted a record 260 exhibitors who displayed their product lines in the largest amount of space ever occupied by this show. Equally impressive was the total attendance count of 7,350.

R. Craig Estey, chief executive officer of a group of Portland, Oregon-based, family-owned businesses in the vending and food service industry, was elected chairman of the NAMA board of directors. Estey, whose one-year term will begin on January 1, 1994, had been senior vice chairman of the association. He will succeed Lawrence Levine, president of Woburn Vending, Inc. (Woburn, Massachusetts).

Other new NAMA officers for 1994 will include: Jack E. Thomas, Jr. (Coin Acceptors, Inc.-St. Louis, MO) senior vice chairman; Charles A. Bryden (Canteen Co.-Spartanburg, SC), vice chairman; and Donald J. Hesch (A.H. Vending and Food Services, Inc.-Rolling Meadows, IL), secretary-treasurer.

Several NAMA board members were also elected for terms beginning in

### **Award Winners**

 $A \, number \, of \, operators \, from \, Ohio \, and \, Arkansas \, shared \, NAMA's \, Chairman's \,$ Legislative Award, in recognition of their "legislative efforts" at the state level. Among those cited were Dick Batholic (Canteen Co.-Columbus), who led the industry in its drive for a state law indexing the local health vending licensing fees to the Consumer Price Index; along with Arkansas operators Billy Yarbrough and Margaret Motley (CM Vending-Russellville); Joe Hewgley (Joe Hewgley, Inc.-Rogers); Dave Becton (Ten-Ark Distributors-Little Rock); J. Earl Gill, Sr. (Earl Gill Vending-Hot Springs) and Mac Bellingrath (Automatic Vending of Arkansas-Pine Bluff), who actively campaigned to pass a law requiring an annual decal tax on coin-operated vending devices that dispense food, beverages and other items. The vending machine decal tax replaces state and local sales taxes

William A. Russell (Canteen Service of Steel Valley, Inc.-Youngstown, OH) received the NAMA Arthur Nolan Award, in recognition of his efforts and contributions in behalf of the vending industry. When the Ohio legislature passed a state health law affecting vending, Russell worked with state health authorities as a representative of the vending industry, to assure that amenable regulations were developed, that were beneficial to both regulatory agencies and the vending industry.

### Food Donations To Homeless

Chicago's homeless people were provided with more than 8,500 meals, donated by companies who exhibited at the NAMA show. Working with the Greater Chicago Food Depository, 11,000 pounds of food were donated from the leftover food items at the convention, according to Stuart Aizenberg, NAMA's director of trade shows. "We have done this for a number of years, after each of the two trade shows and conventions we have every year," said Aizenberg.

Pictured in the accompanying photos: (Photo 1) a partial overview of the huge McCormick Place facilities that housed this year's NAMA convention; (photo 2, l-r) NAMA president James A. Rost with newly elected '94 officers R. Craig Estey (chairman), Jack Thomas (sr. vice chairman), Charles Bryden (vice Chairman) and Donald Hesch (secretary-treasurer); (photo 3) NAMA '93 chairman Larry Levine (2nd from left) with Chairman's Legislative Award recipients Margaret Motley and Bill Yarbrough, Dave Becton and Mac Bellingrath; and (photo 4, 1-r) NAMA president James A. Rost congratulating NAMA vice president and general counsel Richard Funk for his more than 30 years of service to NAMA and his continuing efforts (with other industries) in trying to convince the government to issue a new dollar coin to replace the current dollar bill.









### **AAMCF Continues Its Efforts To** Combat Child Abuse

CHICAGO—The American Amusement Machine Charitable Foundation recently participated as a sponsor for the National Committee for the Prevention of Child Abuse's 1993 Gold and Silver Ball, which was held on October 1 at the Four Seasons Hotel in Chicago.

AAMA executive director Robert Fay and AAMA assistant Michele Piazza represented the association at the event, which saw such celebrity representation as singer/songwriter Michael Bolton (NCPCA national honorary chairman); NBA basketball players B.J. Armstrong and Mitch Richmond (recipients of the 1993 NCPCA Special Friend Award) along with members of Chicago society.

Attendees at the ball also had the opportunity to help raise money for this worthy cause by purchasing tokens to play two pinball machines that were donated for the occasion by Frank Gumma Jr. of American Vending Sales in Elk Grove Village, Illinois. According to Fay, "The machines were a huge hit at the ball. It was really interesting to see all of these people, attending a formal event, getting excited about playing coin-operated games.

Although 1993 marks the first year AAMCF has served as a sponsor for this event, the relationship of the two associations goes back a number of years. Six years ago, AAMA and NCPCA launched a poster series designed to promote positive parent-child relationships, and to raise public awareness of child abuse prevention. Past celebrity participants in the program include Patrick Ewing, Bo Jackson and Fred Savage. The poster project will take place again this year and the 1994 spokesperson is in the process of being selected.

In summing up the event Fay added, "Overall this gave AAMCF the opportunity to be recognized for its continued efforts towards the fight against child abuse.

Pictured in the accompanying photo (l-r) are: Anne Cohn Donnelly (NCPCA exec dir.), Mary Menaker (NCPCA '93 chairperson), Michael Bolton (NCPCA honoree), Michele Piazza (AAMA asst. receptionist), Robert Fay (AAMA exec dir.) and Bonnie Klaisle (NCPCA pres.-Chicago board).



### Data East's Tales From The Crypt

**CHICAGO**—Here you have a pinball machine that is "frightfully fun" to play; the keywords being "fright" and "graveyard," which should certainly peak the interest of players as they take their turns at Data East's new Tales From The Crypt pinball machine.



To quote Joe Kaminkow, Data East Pinball's vice president of design and engineering, "Tales From The Crypt pinball is based on the comic book first published in 1950 and the HBO television series that's now enjoying its fifth anniversary. Several of Hollywood's biggest producers including Dick Donner, Robert Zemeckis and Bob Gale are joining forces to develop a multi-million dollar Tales From The Crypt movie.'

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