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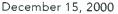
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LINKIN PARK • WARNER BROS.



album: HYBRID THEORY track: ONE STEP CLOSER

Band's debut continues to log big sales. Huge at racks and chains. Track is #1 at KEDJ, WFNX, KXTE, more. Top 5 at KKND; Top 10 at WKQX, WZTA. Top 5 phones at KROQ, WXRK, 99X, more. MTV Buzzworthy.com, MTV2, The Box. Tour w/Papa Roach through 12/23, headlining in 2001. Mgmt: Rob McDermott/Andy Gould Mgmt.

DAVID GRAY • ATO/RCA

2 LW 2 2W 4 3W

album: WHITE LADDER track: BABYLON

David is king as huge hit continues to fuel sales. 650k+ shipped. Solid at B'Buy, M'Land, Borders. #1 at WLIR, KFOG, KBCO! Top 5 at WXRT, WHTG; Top 10 at WSTW, KHMX. Spins up 249+! MTV Buzzworthy.com, VH1, MTV2. MTV hour-long concert special 12/17. Mgmt: Rob Holden Mgmt.

MUSIQ SOULCHILD • DEF SOUL/IDJ

3 LW 3 2W 3 3W



album: AIJUSWANASEING track: JUST FRIENDS

LP scorching. Making Friends at B'Buy, M'land, W'house. Attention from indies, too. Rhythm and X-over juswanaspin this track. Top 5 at KKBT, KMEL, WEDR; Top 10 at WBLS, WPHI, WDAS and big at WGCI, WVEE, more. MTV, BET, VH1. Holiday shows in L.A. 12/13 and S.F. 12/22. Mgmt: Mama's Boys.

XZIBIT • LOUD



album: **RESTLESS**

track: X

LP streets at presstime as Dre/Snoop-featured track heats up X-over radio! #1 at KKBT, KPWR. Top 10 at KBMB, KYLD. Xtreme spins at KMEL, KUBE, Z90, more. Video garnering X-cellent spins at MTV, BET, MTV2. #6 Box Breaker. *TRL, DFX* this week. Int'l tour soon. Mgmt: Doug Goldstein/Big FD Ent.



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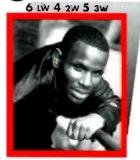
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LIFEHOUSE • DREAMWORKS

album: NO NAME FACE track: HANGING BY A MOMENT

Added at VH1! Meanwhile, PoMo living the Life, too. Added at WBCN. #1 at CIMX, WWDC! Top 5 at WNNX. Top 10s: KDGE, WMMR, WPLY. Big at WXRK, WLIR, more. Sparking sales at M'land and W'house. MTV2. Featured track for WB lineup promos. Mgmt: Jude Cole/Watertown.

AVANT • MAGIC JOHNSON/MCA



album: MY THOUGHTS track: MY FIRST LOVE

Album solid, with big numbers at W'house. Rhythm fueling retail with much Love for latest track. #1 at WDAS, WPHI, WHQT; Top 5 at KJLH, KKBT, WPGC, WVEE, many more; Big at WGCI, WBLS, more. Spins upped at BET, MTV, The Box. Latifah, Sister 2 Sister. Dates through December. Mgmt: Eric Payton.

DREAM • BAD BOY/ARISTA



album: IT WAS ALL A DREAM track: HE LOVES U NOT

MTV action a dream come true; charting on *TRL*, performing on *TRL* 12/15, doubledigit spins. Single #1 at T'World, Top 5 at NRM, Virgin. LP streets 1/23. Sales even stronger in markets with both Rhythm and T40 play. Track #1 at KHKS! Top 5 at KHTS; Top 10 at KIIS. Mgmt: Kenny Burns/2620 Mgmt.

BBMAK • HOLLYWOOD

5 LW 8 2W 9 3W



album: SOONER OR LATER track: STILL ON YOUR SIDE

Huge T40 smash causing BBMAK attacks. On their side at KIIS, WBLI, WPST, WKIE, Radio Disney, more. Much TRL love. Huge phones everywhere! Album big at racks. MTV. Performing on MTV *Times Square New Year's Eve* show, presenting at *AMAs* 1/8. Radio shows ongoing. Mgmt: Diane Young/Daytime Ent.



CRAZY TOWN • COLUMBIA/CRG



album: THE GIFT OF GAME track: BUTTERFLY

PoMo track starting to fly over to T40. #1 at KNDD, big spins at KBKS. Top 5 at WXDX, on WBZZ. Top 10 WXRK, spinning at Z100, WBLI. #1 WKQX! Top 5 WWDC, KTCL. MTV spins kicking in at presstime. Going to Town at retail, sales way up at M'land, W'house. On the road. Mgmt: Q Prime.

COLDPLAY • NETTWERK/CAPITOL



album: PARACHUTES track: YELLOW

Not Playa-hatin' with adds at 99X, WBMX, KMTT, CKEY, more! #1 at WRNR. Top 5 at WOXY, KROQ; Top 10 at KDGE, KNDD. Big at KITS, CIMX, WHFS. Jumps at B'Buy, W'house, Tower. MTV, MTV2, The Box. ABC TV promo airing through Xmas. KROQ Almost Acoustic. Tour, Conan Feb. Mgmt: Phil Harvey.

NELLY FURTADO • DREAMWORKS

11 LW 12 2W 12 3W



album: WHOA NELLY track: I'M LIKE A BIRD

Bird big at radio with Mod. Adult adds from KHFI, KAMX. Lots of PoMo and T40 love, too. Top 10 at WSTW, KZZO. Flying at KLLC, KPLZ, WBMX, CIMX. LP sales building buzz at trend indies. VH1, MTV2, The Box. Tons of great reviews, People 12/18. Mgmt: Chris Smith Mgmta

VITAMIN C • ELEKTRA/EEG



album: MORE track: THE ITCH

Itch is burning. Single hot. #2 at Anderson, #5 at T'World. Heat building for LP streeting 1/30. Big spins at WBLI, WXXL, WKIE, WHYI, WPST, more. MTV, Box Breaker #8. Dracula 2000, opening 12/22. Radio shows in Memphis, Milwaukee, Miami upcoming. Kilborn, Jon Stewart, Ben Stein soon. Mgmt: Ron Baldwin/Cabal Mgmt.



AT THE DRIVE-IN • GRAND ROYAL/VIRGIN

album: RELATIONSHIP OF COMMAND track: ONE ARMED SCISSOR

Radio, retail see where it's At. Jumps at M'land, Circuit City, T'World. Spins up at KROQ, WFNX. Hot phones at KITS, KNDD, more. Adds: WZTA, WBRU, more. #1 at MTV2! MTV Buzzworthy.com. Letterman 12/15, exclusive Viacom download of performance. Tons of year-end Top 10 lists. Mgmt: Blaze James/Black Sheep.

SAMANTHA MUMBA • INTERSCOPE

14 LW 10 2W 10 3W



album: GOTTA TELL YOU track: GOTTA TELL YOU

Irish teen exploding at Top 40 with Pop smash. #1 at KZHT, WXKS! Top 5 at KIIS, KBIG, WBLI,: Top 10 at WKIE, WSTW, more. Gotta lotta love at Radio Disney. Sizzling spins heating up sales. Single #9 at T'World. Promo, Xmas radio shows ongoing. Taping Disney special. Vibe, YM. Mgmt: Louis Walsh and Melendez Ent.

FISHER • FARMCLUB.COM/INTERSCOPE

LW 15 2W 16 3W



album: TRUE NORTH track: I WILL LOVE YOU

Conquered the Internet, multi-format track now tackling Top 40 and Mod. Adult. Top 5 at KALC, WBMX. Huge callout and big spins at KZHT, WRVW, KQMB. Plus, big Love at WBLI, WSTW, more. On the holiday show circuit with dates in N.Y., San Diego. Mgmt: Elliott Cahn Mgmt.

O-TOWN • J RECORDS

W 16 2W



album: O-TOWN track: LIQUID DREAMS

Single absolutely on fire! #1 at A'son and Music Ntwk, #2 at T'World. T40 spins blazing and phones aflame. Added at KHKS, KLZR. Big at WBTS, KDND, KRBE, WHYI, Z100, more. LP streets 1/23. Added at The Box. Fox Fam Countdown, AMA's, Ricki, Regis, Jenny Jones in January. Marnt: Mike Morin, Mike Cronin/Actual Mamt.

TILE LABEL POWER PERCENTIL

2W	LW	TW	ARTIST	TITLE COMMENT	LABEL	POWER INDEX	PERCENT CHANGE
2	2	1	BEATLES	1 All the number one's	Apple/Capitol 29325	714.7	+25%
1	1	2	BACKSTREET BOYS	BLACK & BLUE Will tour in January, "Shape"	Jive 41743	598.7	-8%
3	3	3	NOW VOL. 5	VARIOUS Huge compilation	Columbia/CRG 85206	384.4	+5%
13	4	4	CREED	HUMAN CLAY 6x Platinum, & on tour	Wind-Up 13053	302.5	+35%
4	5	5	TIM MCGRAW	GREATEST HITS Touring, Hits Pkg	Curb/Atl G 77942	223.4	+6%
14	9	6	BRITNEY SPEARS	OOPS!I DID IT AGAIN "Stronger," tour w/NSYNC in Jan	Jive 41704	204.5	+27%
16	8	7	NSYNC	NO STRINGS ATTACHED Continued press, tour and single	Jive 41702	198.0	+23%
7	6	8		CHOCOLATE STARFISH "Rollin'" the track now	Flip/Interscope 490759	191.6	+13%
23	13	9	SHAGGY	HOTSHOT "It Wasn't Me" a smash and touring	MCA 112096	182.6	+34%
11	10	10	BAHA MEN	WHO LET THE DOGS OUT "You All Dat" the new cut and tour	S-Curve/Artemis 751052	178.7	+12%
DEE	BUT	11	RAGE AGAINST THE MACHINE	RENEGADES "Renegades of Funk" the track	Épic 85289	167.6	—
6	7	12	SADE	LOVERS ROCK "By Your Side" leading here	Epic 85185	158.8	-6%
34	18	13	CHARLOTTE CHURCH	DREAM A DREAM Contains duet with Billy Gilman	Sony Classical 89643	156.3	+46%
8	11	14	OUTKAST	STANKONIA "Ms. Jackson" & "B.O.B." lead	LaFace/Arista 26072	153.0	+1%
21	19	15	FAITH HILL	BREATHE "The Way You Love Me" and tour	Warner Bros. 47373	148.4	+39%
15	14	16	NELLY	COUNTRY GRAMMAR "E.I." hot now, LP at 5 million	Fo' Reel/Universal 157743	144.0	+13%
22	17	17	ENYA	A DAY WITHOUT RAIN Huge fan base	Reprise 47426	138.2	+26%
9	12	18	R. KELLY	TP-2.COM "I Wish" hot at radio and video	Jive 41705	125.8	-11%
19	16	19	LENNY KRAVITZ	GREATEST HITS "Again" the cut and touring	Virgin 50136	123.2	+8%
DEI	BUT	20	MEMPHIS BLEEK	UNDERSTANDING "Is That Your Chick" leading	Roc-A-Fella/IDJ 542587	121.5	—
10	15	21	RICKY MARTIN	SOUND LOADED "She Bangs," mucho press	Columbia/CRG 61394	118.9	-1%
17	20	22	CHARLIE'S ANGELS	SOUNDTRACK Top 10 movie with Destiny's & Cavia	Columbia/CRG 61064	115.7	+13%
26	23	23	3 DOORS DOWN	BETTER LIFE Almost 4 million, "Loser" the cut	Republic/Universal 153920) 114.2	+29%
DEI	BUT	24	K-CI & JOJO	X "Crazy" the track	MCA 112398	109.0	_
20	22	25	U2	ALL THAT YOU CAN'T "Beautiful Day," on tour now	Interscope 524653	108.2	+20%

Adult Charts: Top 40 Adult 9-7* Modern Adult 13-14* R&R Hot AC 11-9* Gearing Up For Major Top 40 Assault First Of January

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29	27	26	DIXIE CHICKS	FLY TV, lots of press, Country tracks	Monument 69678	107.1	+35%
25	24	27	98°	REVELATION "My Everything" hot Top 40	Universal 159354	104.5	+19%
DEE	BUT	28	FUNKMASTER FLEX	MIX TAPE VOL. 4 "Do You" the cut	Loud 1971	100.4	-
40	31	29	DIDO	NO ANGEL "Thank You" and Platinum now	Arista 19025	99.7	+33%
35	25	30	AARON CARTER	AARON'S PARTY "Party/Candy" on Radio Disney	Jive 41708	98.2	+21%
5	21	31	WU-TANG CLAN	THE W "Gravel Pit" and "Protect Ya Neck"	Loud/Col/CRG 62193	92.1	-10%
27	35	32	OFFSPRING	CONSPIRACY OF ONE "Original Prankster" and tour	Columbia/CRG 61419	89.5	+35%
18	26	33	JAY-Z	DYNASTY: ROC LA FAMILIA "I Just Want To" leads	Roc-A-Fella/IDJ 548203	87.8	+10%
30	38	34	GODSMACK	AWAKE "Awake" the cut	Republic/Universal 150688	87.6	+38%
37	36	35	LIL' BOW WOW	BEWARE OF DOG "That's My Name," TV award show	So So Def/Col/CRG 69981	85.9	+31%
41	40	36	CHRISTINA AGUILERA	CHRISTINA AGUILERA At 8 million, "Come On" hot now	RCA 69690	84.7	+41%
-	49	37	KENNY G	FAITH, A HOLIDAY ALBUM	Arista 19090	78.6	+57%
50	29	38	LINKIN PARK	HYBRID THEORY "One Step Closer" (Buzzworthy.com)	Warner Bros. 47755) & Tour	78.6	+1%
43	33	39	CHRISTINA AGUILERA	MY KIND OF CHRISTMAS XMAS package	RCA 69343	78.3	+15%
46	46	40	DESTINY'S CHILD	WRITING'S ON THE WALL Ready for new single	Columbia/CRG 69870	77.2	+44%
42	43	41	RUGRATS IN PARIS	SOUNDTRACK Movie still Top 10, T-BOZ cut leads	Maverick 47850	73.9	+28%
36	34	42	MADONNA	MUSIC "Don't Tell Me" breaking now	Warner Bros. 47598	73.3	+10%
38	41	43	EMINEM	MARSHALL MATHERS LP "Stan" leading now	After/Interscope 490629	72.6	+23%
-	39	44	MATCHBOX TWENTY	MAD SEASON "If You're Gone/Crutch" the two cuts	Lava/Atl/Atl G 83339 s	72.2	+14%
_	48	45	BILLY GILMAN	ONE VOICE "Oklahoma" at Country radio	Epic 62086	68.0	+29%
32	37	46	LUDACRIS	BACK FOR THE FIRST TIME "What's Your Fantasy" the track now		8 66.8	+4%
12	30	47	ERYKAH BADU	MAMA'S GUN "Bag Lady" leads	Motown 153259	62.9	-18%
31	42	48	BLINK-182	MARK, TOM & TRAVIS SHOW "Man Overboard" from live LP	MCA 112379	62.8	+7%
DEE	BUT	49	BON JOVI	CRUSH "Thank You" with big tour, TV	Island/IDJ 542474	59.4	
44	44	50	TOTALLY HITS VOL. 3	VARIOUS Madonna, Pink, Matchbox 20, + mor	Atlantic/Atl G 83412 ^e	54.5	-4%

New This Week: KZHT WNNK WZNY

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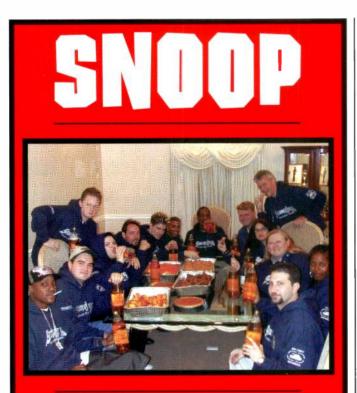
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Beatles And Backstreet Boom, Shaggy's A Hotshot, But Most Importantly...

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Dinner Is Served



The add this week at Radio Disney is Jennifer Lopez (Epic) The Top Five Most Requested are #1 Baha Men (S-Curve/Artemis), #2 Britney Spears "Lucky" (Jive), #3 Back street Boys "Shape" (Jive), #4 NSYNC "Bye" (Jive) and #5 Britney Spears "Stronger" (Jive).

ike a nasty cold sore that goes away for a while but always returns, this issue of HITS (Your #1 Source For Nasty Little Cold Sores) will be our last "official" magazine of the year 2000.

Oh, sure, you'll be receiving our gala, mega-spectacular

Year-End Issue in just a few



Beatles

days, but we took our advertising money up front for that one, so it doesn't really count for us any longer.

The holiday season is about giving...you giving to us. Thank you. Happily, folks, the year 2000 is almost over. We're sending you that aforementioned gala, mega-spectacular Year-End Issue and then going back where we came from and flushing it.

The next regular issue of HITS will be dated January 12, 2001. Our editorial and advertising deadline is January 8, 2001. Our offices will reopen on January 4, 2001, in case anyone wants to drop by and smoke some crack.

Oh, yeah, we better give you the obligatory album-chart rundown. Here goes: The holiday marketplace is very healthy, thanks to #1 Beatles, #2 Backstreet Boys and #3 "Now Vol. 5." Shaggy is the biggest gainer of the week, jumping 13-9. The biggest debut of the week belongs to #11 Rage Against The Machine. Memphis Bleek comes on at #20, while K-Ci & Jojo bows at #24.

Now it's time for an obligatory retail quote from an obligatory retail quoter. Let's give a warm, almost-year-end welcome to HMV's Ken Feldman, shall we? "While no one title is dominating, various artists are showing solid sales strength across the board. It is

Rage Against The Machine



..... indeed a happy holiday," said Kenbo tugging gently on his Yule log.

That's it for the official issues of HITS 2000, kiddues. We'd like to wish you all a happy and healthy holiday... Unfortunately, we're far too self-involved and hateful to do that, but we sure would like to.



Pic Of The Week



Straight Outta Little Rock

Songwriter **Denise Rich** (1) joins **Michael Jackson**, Senator **Hillary Clinton** and lame-duck sex fiend **Bill Clinton** at an important charity event. "You shure have a purdy mouth, and yer chimpanzee is kinda cute too, " said President Bubba before introducing Jackson to his Presidential staff, and vice versa. Senator Clinton then requested a private meeting with Ms. Rich in her chambers. Arkansas is a state of mind, folks.

TOP SELLING

The **Top 10 Best-Selling Singles** this week are #1 **O-Town** (J Records), #2 **Dream** (Bad Boy/Ari), #3 **Vitamin C** (Elek/ EEG), #4 **Destiny's Child** (Col/ CRG), #5 **Debelah Morgan** (Atl/Atl G), #6 **Mikaila** (Isl/IDJ), #7 **Christina Aguilera** (RCA), #8 **Billy Gilman** (Epic), #9 **Faith Hill** (WB), and #10 **Public Announcement** (RCA).



One of the more pleasant surprises of the 4th quarter has been the blistering success of the Outkast albums & its two smash cuts. Ms. Jackson, the radio-friendly #1 Crossover winner is about to explode onto the Top 40 scene & introduce this sensational band to its largest audience to date. Steve Bartels & his red-hot Arista team are poised & ready to take this one to the next level. And our guess is that level will be #1 nationally!!!

Doug Morris On The Five-Year Plan

Once Mo', with feeling. Universal Music Group Chairman/CEO Doug Morris has been rewarded for commanding his label troops to its leading marketshare, which has hovered around 30% for most of the year, with a brand-new five-year contract. He had two and a half years left on his old deal. Terms of the new pact were not disclosed, but it's assumed he's getting Mike Mussina money, if not Manny Ramirez bucks.

The pact comes less than a week after the Vivendi-Universal deal was given final approval by shareholders and regulatory commissioners. The announcement was made jointly by Vivendi Universal Vice Chairman Edgar Bronfman Jr. and Chairman/CEO Jean-Marie Messier, who warbled in two-part harmony a paean penned for the occasion by songwriter Junior Miles.

Said Bronfman: "Doug has

been without a doubt the best music executive in the business. From the time he began his music career as a songwriter, Doug's passion for music and spotting new talent is second to none. He has reenergized UMG by attracting and recruiting some of the music industry's most talented artists and executives. And he's promised to pitch one of my songs for **Brownsville Station** to cover."

Added Messier: "We are extremely delighted that Doug has chosen to extend his contract with UMG. Doug has done an outstanding job in creating the most successful music company in the world."

Said Morris: "It has been a privilege to work with Edgar to implement his vision of building the finest music company. I am very excited to be part of the newly created Vivendi Universal. And by the way, if anyone sees Michael Fuchs or Bob Morgado, give them my regards."

Following Universal's acquisition of PolyGram in 1998, Morris became directly involved in the restructuring and integration of the two companies, creating the world's largest record company. In 1999, Morris and Interscope Geffen A&M Co-Chairman Jimmy Iovine established UMG's Jimmy and Doug's Farmclub.com.



if anyone sees Michael Doug Morris: It's good to be king.



Best Buys Musicland: Retail Reacts

A Rerap exclusive by Mark Pearson

The reaction from the music industry last week was one of stunned disbelief when rumors proved to be true that Best Buy was indeed going to acquire the 1,300-store Musicland chain in the largest music retail deal in history.

Best Buy paid \$425 million in cash and assumed \$260 million in debt, becoming the largest music retailer in the country.

The questions far outnumber the answers.

How will two seemingly disparate business models work together? Will the combined entity keep the mall operations and the "big box" operations

separate? Will this force their competitors into more consolidation? Will the "merger" affect Best Buy's pricing agenda?

"If they keep it two separate entities, like they are saying," says one industry insider, "then nothing changes. But I can't see that being the case."

Neither retailers nor the labels appreciate consolidation in the other sector.

"The good news is that they're big and aggressive," says another top-level sales exec. "The bad news is that they're big and aggressive."

Industry estimates now have the combined companies' marketshare at 23% for Rap, 22% for Post Modern, 20% Pop, 19.7% Rock, 17.6% Urban and 16% New Age.

You get the idea.

"There's always margin pressure when any one retailer gets that big," says one insider, "because they have more leverage to push you for advertising, etc. And then there are the receivables, which will get so big that, God forbid, if something

Goody mall brand could even disappear. "I don't know why they would keep all of the separate brands despite what's been said so far."

risk out there."

lief at things staying status quo.

Buy smaller market approach."

Richard Schulze: Best Buy chief finds Xmas bargain.

gins, who has always expressed his intention to account for at least 20% of the business, must now answer with another acquisition of his own.

"His correct response might be to not buy Wherehouse [another rumor that's persisted over the last year or sol. If, in fact, Best Buy is going to be much more pervasive and have a similar, or exactly the same, approach to pricing, do you want to be out there in more places where you're going to get hammered? I don't think so.'

And how will all this affect the one-stops? Currently, Best Buy uses Valley Media predominantly for fill and catalog. But Musicland not only has a one million-square-foot distribution facility in Indianapolis that can handle many of those one-stop duties, as well as the "just in time" service it gets from all but Sony-distributed labels. Will Best Buy get the benefit of those services and no longer need as much help from the one-stops?

The deal is expected to close early next year after the expected shareholder approval. Stay tuned.





A Grammy Way of Knowledge OUR FEARLESS FORECASTERS HANDICAP NEXT MONTH'S NOMINATIONS

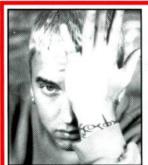
ast year, it was all about Santana, but this year's Grammy Awards, to be held at L.A.'s Staples Center Feb. 21 and broadcast live on CBS, are a little tougher to handicap. The nominees for the 43rd annual Awards ceremony will be announced Jan. 3.

Controversy swirls around **Eminem**, who copped a pair of statues in rap categories last year but is now making a play for Record of the Year with his hit single, "The Real Slim Shady," and Album of the Year for the multi-Platinum "The Marshall Mathers LP."

Will the notoriously conservative voting membership get behind a record that drew the ire of almost everyone except the 7.5 million fans who snapped up copies?

Aside from "The Real Slim Shady," Record of the Year candidates include Madonna's "Music," Sting's "Desert Rose," NSYNC's "Bye Bye Bye," Faith Hill's "Breathe," U2's "Beautiful Day," Vertical Horizon's "Everything You Want," D'Angelo's "Untitled (How Does It Feel)," Dr. Dre's "Forgot About Dre," 3 Doors Down's "Kryptonite," Creed's "Higher," Sisqo's "Thong Song," Dido's "Here With Me," Macy Gray's "I Try" or even Nelly's smash, "Country Grammar," a sing-song anthem that captured the zeitgeist in the same way Bobby McFerrin's '88 winner, "Don't Worry, Be Happy," did. The U2 album is ineligible, because it was released before the Sept. 30 cutoff, but the single is eligible. Outkast's "Stankonia" and R. Kelly's "TP-2.com" were also released too late for consideration this year.

Album of the Year possibilities include Madonna's "Music,"



Eminem: Is Grammy ready for him?



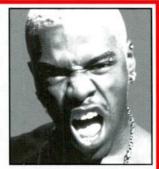
Dido: "No Angel" is bigger than Mo Vaughn.



Radiohead: Will voters say "Kid A " is alright?



Jill Scott: Who is she? A true talent, that's who.



Sisco: The "Thong" remains the same.



Outkast: Hip-hop with the emphasis on "hip."



Shelby Lynne: Country glamour to soul-pop splendor.



David Gray: "White Ladder" has legs.

D'Angelo's "Voodoo" and Eminem's "The Marshall Mathers LP," along with Radiohead's "Kid A," Dido's "No Angel," Dr. Dre's "Dr. Dre 2001," 3 Doors Down's "The Better Life" and Grammy faves B.B. King & Eric Clapton's "Riding With The King." Critical darlings that could sneak in via NARAS' special selection committee, which picks among the top vote-getters, include Shelby Lynne's "I Am Shelby Lynne," Jill Scott's "Who Is Jill Scott?" and David Gray's "White Ladder." Veteran rockers and perennial Grammy nominees Paul Simon's "You're The One," Neil Young's "Silver And Gold" and Don Henley's "Inside Job" remain long-shots.

The Best New Artist category, won by Christina Aguilera and Lauryn Hill the last two years, could turn into a five-way horserace. Top candidates include Sisgo, the Dru Hill alum who became a soul icon seemingly overnight on the heels of the chart-busting "Thong Song"; Dido, whose haunting sample on Eminem's "Stan" helped boost her own album past Platinum; Nelly, the St. Louis hip-hop star who dominated the charts; Papa Roach, Sacto rap-rockers whose "Infest" sold 2.5 million copies; and Shelby Lynne, a country crooner who crossed over to poprock to rave reviews. Jill Scott, David Gray and A Perfect Circle are also strong possibilities in this category, while teen stars Billy Gilman, Jessica Simpson and Mandy Moore could be in the hunt as well.

Of course, the only thing **Mike Greene** and company are hoping is that **Baha Men**'s ubiquitous "Who Let The Dogs Out" doesn't win in any category, but don't bet against it.

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UST IN TIME FOR THE YEAR'S LAST **REGULAR COLUMN:** A noisy fight over a big, complicated issue. The U.S. Copyright Office's recent decisions regarding the licensing of interactive Webcasts has resulted in a tsunami of spin. First, USCO ruled terrestrial broadcasters were subject to the same Webcast fees for their Net signals as were strictly online streaming services and possibly liable for retroactive fees. This infuriated the National Association of Broadcasters, which has been fighting this battle in court against the **RIAA** since early Y2K. Next, an initial USCO verdict regarding services like Radio SonicNet and LAUNCHcast was amended due to a "typo." As a result, the phrase expressing doubt about whether these sites "would qualify as an interactive service" was amended to "noninteractive service." In any event, the Digital Music Association and adherents claim the insistence that terrestrial broadcasters' Net outlets be subject to the same constraints as Netonly streamers is a victory. On the definition-of-interactivity front, DiMA head Jon Potter says the organization wanted "uncertainty, because the only certainty that could've come out of it would have been unfavorable" to Webcasters. But others in the space take a harder line. "Any radio service which, as received by the listener, is different listener by listener, whether by way of skip, rating or otherwise, is interactive," declares David Benjamin of Clickradio, which has entered into special licensing with rights holders for its interactive content. "The law is clear; the policy behind it is clear and justified." At issue, as usual, is concern about "displacement"-do customized streams prevent record sales? Or is this a typical attempt to parlay fear of the Net into a new revenue stream? The broadcasters,



meanwhile, had hoped to be exempt from special licensing because their overall activity promoted sales. What becomes of all these arguments when CDs exit the scene? Oy gevalt! See you next year... E-mail: SimonHITS@aol.com... David Benjamin: We gotta get out of "displace."

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reaking News: CenterSpan has won the bidding for Scour's assets, beating out high-profile competitors Listen.com and Liquid Audio... Here's more fun Webcast-licensing news: EMusic has pacted with National Music Publishers Association (NMPA) subsid the Harry Fox Agency to enable it to add streaming to its service. The netco will reportedly pay HFA $^{1}\!/_{4}$ of a cent the first time a song is streamed by a user... Meanwhile, NMPA filed suit against netco-bashing UMG's Farmclub.com for allegedly offering unlicensed content in its beta sub service. Isn't it ironic, dontcha-oops, I can't afford to quote that... Industry-friendly Clickradio has scored \$26 million in new funding. Guess those rumors of the company's imminent demise were a tad premature... Everad's music division, PlayJ, has pacted with Tommy Boy to make music by artists like Everlast, De La Soul, Capone-N-Noreaga and more available for free online-with embedded advertising. The deal follows similar pacts with Artemis and Spitfire ... Loudeye Technologies has been selected to encode and store BMG music for the licensing of 30-to-60-second samples to third parties... Latin Net music source Ritmoteca has inked a deal with Sony Music Entertainment and will offer a "Sony Music Lounge" that includes music by Gloria Estefan, Jennifer Lopez, Jon Secada and Jaci Velasquez... BOOKMARKED: TuneTo.com, RealSystem IO, The Ivana Fund...

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What A Fuel Believes Members of Fuel cavort with LAUNCH's Dave DiMartino. "This has been really great," DiMartino ventured. "There's just one more thing—I'm gonna need you guys to pony up for the licensing fees to use your music. Don't worry, the money will go right back to you, eventually, under certain limited circumstances pending U.S. Copyright Office review. Rock and roll!" Seen are (I-r) the band's Carl and Brett and DiMartino.

Destroy All Precedents Representatives from an array of industry lobbying organizations continue their meaningful dialogue on the tangled issues of copyright, interactivity and compulsory licenses for streamed content. Though no accord was reached, their collective efforts left an ideal landscape for consumers. Later, everyone went back to their offices and composed press releases claiming victory.

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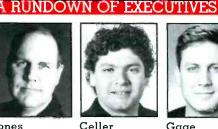
Gray Matter



"You're British. We like the British. EMI is British. We like EMI. Someone tell Herr Middelhoff we said that." And with those immortal words, RCA executives present the great David Gray with a plaque that represents something, but is really just an excuse for a lame trade photo. Seen thinking of ways to let **Rudi** know that they never liked **Strauss** in the first place are (I-r) RCA's Steve Ralbovsky, Bob Jamieson, manager Rob Holden, RCA's Jack Rovner, Gray, ATO Records' Michael McDonald and RCA's Hugh Surratt.



THIS CARTOON IS A LOSS LEADER...







Mktg. "If I Were A" Rich

"Man" Fitzgerald. Fritschi has

been instrumental in marketing

campaigns for Barenaked Ladies

and Kenny Wayne Shepherd, is

currently working with Cher

and Paul Simon and is still try-

ing to get a word in edgewise with Fitzgerald... Matthew

"Tea For The" Tilley "Man" is

hired as Senior Director of

International Marketing for the

Island Def Jam Music Group by

Sr. VP International Matthieu

"Poet" Lauriot-Prevost. Tilley's

duties include maximizing the

sales of the roster, breaking new

artists around the world and

nominating Lyor Cohen for

Prime Minister of Israel...

Janine Richardson "Shine Came

Softly Through My Window

Today" is appointed Senior

Director Special Events for

Warner Music Group. Richard-

son will manage the companies'

participation in industry special

events, philanthropic activities

and their lucrative tuxedo-

rental business... Julie Russell

"Sprouts" is upped to Director of

Licensing and Wendell White

"R. Shade of Pale" has been

named Director of Copyright

for Bug Music. Russell will

continue to handle licensing

for the music publisher while

chewing gum at the same

time. White began his career

at BMI as Frances Preston's

wardrobe consultant.

Iones

eff "Me and Mrs." Jones is named Senior Vice President Jazz for Columbia Records by Exec. VP John Ingrassia "Is Always Greener On The Other Side." Jones will sign new talent, develop artists on the label's roster, work closely with other departments in the company in marketing and promoting the label's jazz releases and insist everyone refer to him as "Bird"... Brian Celler "Dweller" is tapped as Vice President International Marketing for Epic Records Group by Sr. VP Int'l. Mktg. Rob "Rebel Without A" Kos. Celler will work closely with Kos and Exec. VP/GM Steve Barnett to maximize the impact of global marketing campaigns for the Group's artists and projects as well as getting a business trip to Amsterdam to judge the annual Cannibis Cup... Kevin "Terms of En" Gage "Ment" is declared Vice President of Strategic Technology & New Media for Warner Music Group by Exec. VP Strategic Planning & Business Development "Hey" Paul "A." Vidich. Gage will be involved in WMG's development of new formats, the assessment of new technologies and the timely feeding of the office's pet hamster ... Eric Fritschi "Rich" is appointed Vice President of Marketing for Warner Bros. Records, Inc. by Executive VP



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David Cohn Tom Calderone MTV/MTV2 N.Y.C.

HITS replies: Lenny would've thanked you himself, guys, but he's still trying to pull the telephone receiver Puff Daddy gave him from his ear.

Running Water

Lenny:

Every time I walk past one of these fountains, I have the sudden urge to take a piss. Hence, at this gift-giving time of year, I thought of you!!

Phil Costello Reprise Records Burbank, CA

HITS replies: Funny, Phil. That's the same feeling we get every time we pass a fire hydrant.

So Sue Me

Roy:

A photo of Eric Weisman per Bruce Britt's request.

Sue D'Agostino Alliance Entertainment Corp. W. Milford, NJ

HITS replies: Thanks, Sue, this shot of Eric in his Speedo thong is the perfect accompaniment to Bruce's upcoming "Retail Studs 2000" pin-up calendar.

Close to the Bohn

Roy:

Thanks for helping me out on short notice. I'll call to see what issue you can squeeze it into. Here's a little Sinatra and Rick Nelson for you. Heather Bohn EMI Music Distribution Woodland Hills, CA

HITS replies: No problem, Heather. Trakin's used to doing things on short notice...then rolling over and falling asleep.

Presto Digitation

Hi Roy!

The folks at Hi Frequency Marketing (known for edgy campaigns for Limp Bizkit, Buckcherry and Radiohead) recently promoted the "Driver 2" video in the streets of Manhattan and L.A. Hope you'll consider a pic for your illustrious mag! Can you use a good used car? After all, Hanukkah's coming!

Lydia Sherwood Presto Public Relations, Inc. Tucson, AZ

HITS replies: No problem, Lydia, but after taking a test spin and kicking the tires, we prefer sticking with the lemon we drive now.

Jerry's Merry

Roy Trakin:

The song ["Liquid Dreams"] is hot! The picture you got! Please don't send me back to my cot! Run the shot... Or I'll tell everyone you have a Christmas tree!

Jerry Sharell Warner/Chappell Music, Inc. L.A., CA

HITS replies: Jerry, have no fear. Do not shed a tear. But instead of running your pic, here's a shot of Tricky Dick.



tube TIMES

Good Morning America

Mon. 12/18 - Hezekiah Walker • Wed. 12/20 - Andrea Bocelli (Tent) Thur. 12/21 - Harlem Boys Choir

Regis Live

Thur. 12/21 - Terry Gibbs

Queen Latifah

Thur. 12/21 - Cole

Jenny Jones

Wed. 12/20 - Nobody's Cousin

David Letterman

Mon. 12/18 - Barenaked Ladies • Tue. 12/19 - Darlene Love (Tent) Wed. 12/20 - Sade • Thur. 12/21 - Bruce Hornsby • Fri. 12/22 - Darlene Love

Jay Leno

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Conan O'Brien

Mon. 12/18 - Monique

Craig Kilborn

Mon. 12/18 - Lit • Tue. 12/19 - Dido Fri. 12/22 - Kenny G

Saturday Night Live

Sat. 12/23 - Christmas Past (no music)

Sessions @ West 54th (check local listings)

Fri. 12/22 - Best Of Season III Part 1

Austin City Limits (check local listings)

Sat. 12/23 - Tom Waits (R)

MTV

Tue. 12/19 - Hotzone: Vitamin C

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BY JEFF RABHAN & SIMON GLICKMAN

WIND IT UP BEFORE IT'S OVER: As we prepare our year-end column-which points a finger at a few of our industry's finest there's a bit of unfinished business out there. Some fantastic artists will still be free agents when we return from our holiday break, but don't kid yourself: These folks won't be unattached for long... BANDS APLENTY: We begin where we left off last week, as the Terri DiPaolo-repped Cave-In continues to enjoy attention from several majors, with Hollywood's resident musical wizard, Marshall Altman, leading the charge. And who wouldn't want to do a deal with Altman? This guy could A&R our shower singing and make it sound good... In other news, the white-hot Jeff Blue lands his pub-buzzin' WB act Beautiful Creatures with Warner/Chappell's Greg Sowders, with Danny Hayes officiating the deal. If you've been lucky enough to hear the music, you know Sow-

ders is the only real game in town... From the Great White North, the Eric Godtland-managed, Tim Mandelbaum-repped Dakona is the talk of both coasts heading into the Xmas season. Radio outlets XFM, Z95 and CFOX are digging it, and retail is on par at two name chains. Come January, the West Coast showcase will be on-so sleep off the eggnog and fight your way to the front... And how about that Sam Hill buzz in New Yawk? Since no demos are done, label conferenceroom acoustic shows have drawn RCA, Lava, J Records and Atlantic to hoppin' showcases. If you're lost, bnelson@aol.com will show you the path... The Wheels-championed, Steve Hutton/Chris Allenmanaged, Brian Schall-repped Hotwire joins the ranks of signed acts, with veteran hero Brian Malouf at RCA closing just in time for the celebratory latke party. Kudos to all for putting in the work to get the act to this point. We look forward to the record...

Is the Michael Goldberg/Joe Bellioti-managed Cider shaping up to be one of the biggest buzz bands of Q1? You tell us... NEWS OF NOTE: On the heels of the "Dracula 2K" film release, the Andy Gould/Ric Wake DV8 label deal has closed at Columbia, thanks to the efforts of Will Botwin and Tim Devine. Watch for the Endo release on the new imprint in '01... Is one under-30 yet highly respected East Coast weasel being bombarded with offers, while his current label has no clue what a gem he is? If we told you who it was, you'd be shocked that said label hasn't offered a phat deal already... While Michael Ostin's Lifehouse record continues to awe, take a look at the efforts of publisher Michael Badami and see how teamwork actually helps. A 30day KTLA commercial blitz on five top-rated TV shows never hurt a breaking band, people. Speaking of DreamWorks, the label has landed imprint B Unique, which was previously expected to park itself elsewhere... The Hard Rock Café in N.Y. will be showcasing and paying bands. Call Belinda Gemelli at 323-969-2923 for details... ADVICE: Be different and work harder to sign one of these bands before you split to spend time with family members you can't stand. We'll all respect you more for it, Scout's honor... BUZZIN': Joe McEwen, Jeffrey Gaines, Jill Cunniff, Sigur Ros, 19 Wheels, Jake Wisely...

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They're, like, buzzin', eh?



TERAPLANE	TBD	L.A.	Real lock is heating up.
BLEU	Wed., Dec. 13 TBD	Mercury Lounge N.Y.	A Wheels fave gets busy.
KENLI MATTUS	Wed., Dec. 13 7pm	Brownies N.Y.	Big radio already on board?
HITS SHOWCASE	Thurs., Dec. 14 9:15pm	Viper Room L.A.	Tasty unheard treats for the ears.
THIRD THURSDAY	Thurs., Dec. 21 8pm	Highland Grounds L.A.	Yule faves from brilliant locals.



THE YEAR IN REVIEW: As the majority of the film-music world will spend the upcoming vacation licking its wounds, this writer (and occasional journalist) feels it is important to accentuate the year's upside as well. After all, in a quiet moment, several of you have conceded that labels and studios share the blame for kicking the ST biz in the teeth. But I am certain that 2001 will bring a different ST perspective (and much smaller release schedule) for all parties involved. So, without any further ado... EXECUTIVE NOD: Kudos to Sony Pictures Entertainment's Lia Vollack, who maintained both composure and dignity, while indecisive studio heads spent several embarrassing months interviewing for a new music chief right under her nose-before ultimately hiring her for the gig. The music editorturned-honcha has a strong department, the hugely successful "Charlie's Angels" ST under her belt and the respect of her peers for her strength and tenacity. With "Ali" coming in 2001, look for her star to shine even more brightly... SUPER

SUPES: It was an unseasonably quiet year for music supes, for obvious reasons. But chatter among top dogs points to a changing supe role in the film process; the crappy ST year may mean a new directive for supes to center around the film's music more than the ST itself. Watch this space in 2001 for details... Hats off to John Houlihan, who managed to accumulate friends, a hit record, a baby and a few bucks this year. Special props for his fantastic, year-long "Charlie's Angels" odyssey, which will lead him to Platinum glory... ALBUM OF THE YEAR: Mitchell Leib's Hollywood "M:I-2" ST leads all challengers as the top-selling ST of 2000, scanning over 1.3 mil domestically with worldwide numbers surpassing 3 million as the holiday retail bonanza approaches. The budget and lack of musical screen time had industry naysayers gossiping, but strong radio marketing and Leib's ability to focus the Hollywood staff helped this one prevail. And having Tom Cruise in the movie didn't hurt either. Well

done, Mitchell. This item will selfdestruct in 30 seconds... LABEL GEEKS: Say what you will about the biz itself, but talk trash about label execs and you've got yourself a fight. Brunman, Leib, Bramson, Kirkpatrick, Higman, Joseph and the rest of the crew deserve a vacation for handling a very difficult year. The best way to show how much | appreciate what you do is to declare in print that I wouldn't take your job for all the tea in China... PUBLISHERS: The only consistent elements in the film-music racket are those unsung heroes, the creative staffs at pubcos, who work tirelessly on every project out there. Big ups to Rosenberger/ Alvarez at Warner/Chappell, Pat Lucas and the entire EMI creative team, John Anderson's Windswept efforts, Michael Badami's love at DreamWorks and the duo of Porter/Eaton at Universal. While I'm at it, let's give it up for the crew at Sony/ATV as well. And while most licensing people get paid to make it tough, how about a big smooch for the amazing

Paulette Hawkins at Warner/ Chappell?... WHAT TO EXPECT IN 2001: More powerful composer agents, advertising playing a key role in breaking artists, movies with mid-sized budgets, fewer STs, fewer supervisors, more indie films... NAMES TO LOOK FOR: Chris Montan, Kathy Nelson, Bill Green, Doug Frank, Randy Spendlove, John Kirkpatrick, David Schulhof, Laura Ziffren, Stacy Palm, David Landau, Jen Hawks, Maria Alonte, Kevin Weaver, Chris Edwards, Blue Focus, BT, "Pluto Nash," McG... E-mail: rudoll@aol.com...

Lia Vollack



The obvious choice was chosen.



STING: Gets his Hollywood star in time for Disney's "The Emperor's New Groove."

"QUEER AS FOLK": Strong ratings and a ST close, er, behind.

DMX: Nails lead role in fourth installment of "The Crow."

"ZOMBIE COLLEGE": Icebox.com gets outfoxed for hyping too hard.

"THE GRINCH": Universal stole the Q4 box office.





"Getting requests everytime we play it."

– Kari Johll, WZPL

"We're getting great phones from a wide demospread!" – Mike Rossi, WSTW

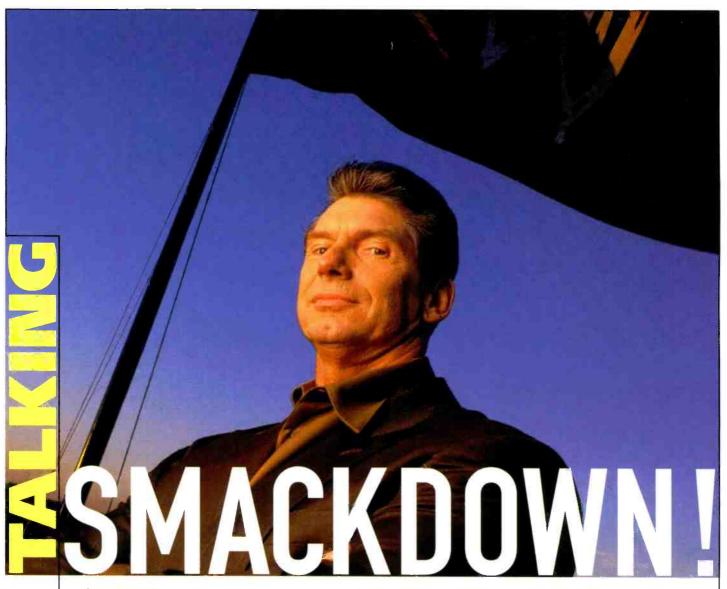
> "What a great hook. If this doesn't work, I'm firing all my listeners!"

– Jeff McHugh, WKZL



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AN EXCLUSIVE HITS DIALOGUE WITH WWF'S VINCE MCMAHON AND SMACKDOWN! RECORDS' RON MCCARRELL BY JOHN LAPPEN

nce considered Saturday morning tube fodder for beer-bellied middle-aged men, professional wrestling is now one of the hottest entertainment properties around. Most of the credit should go to Vince McMahon, a marketing visionary and risk-taking entrepreneur. McMahon has shepherded the growth of his wildly successful World Wrestling Federation Entertainment global empire into a variety of revenue streams, including pay-per-view television, cable TV, a chain of WWF-themed restaurants, licensing deals, publishing, feature films, a newly formed record label and, of course, spectacularly staged live events. A Chairman of the Board who likes to get his hands dirty, McMahon has even adopted a wrestling persona as the evil Mr. McMahon in the action-packed soap opera that is the WWF

Visiting L.A. recently as the keynote speaker at a luncheon sponsored by the Hollywood Radio & Television Society, McMahon impressed those in attendance with his wit, charm and direct speaking style. A workout fanatic, McMahon is also an impressive physical specimen, looking like he'll burst out of his well-tailored suit at any minute. He's so cut, he fit right in with the WWF superstars who joined him on the dais—"Stone Cold" Steve Austin, The Rock and Triple H.

The North Carolina-born McMahon grew up the son of a second-generation wrestling promoter and developed a passion for the family business after graduating from East Carolina University by working in his father's company, Capitol Wrestling Corporation. McMahon promoted his first wrestling match in Bangor, ME, in 1971 and hasn't looked back since. He oversaw the growth of the company from nine syndicated television stations to 30. During that time, he also began working in front of the cameras as a ringside announcer, then branched off into promoting hockey games and rock concerts after purchasing the Cape Cod Coliseum in 1979.

In 1980, he incorporated his company as Titan Sports and two years later, purchased Capitol Wrestling Corporation from his father with the goal of turning the regional operation into a national venture. As cable television grew in the '80s, so did the WWF. McMahon pioneered syndication strategies through marketing videos of WWF performances to local television stations and a suc-

cessful partnership with USA Network. The WWF "Raw Is War" show is consistently ranked as the #1 program on cable, viewed by nearly six million homes weekly throughout the U.S. He's also been savvy at developing the WWF brand in the areas of pay-perview TV. This year alone, more than six million households will purchase WWF PPV events. The WWF Smackdown! series debuted on UPN in September '99 and has been a huge hit as the network's highestrated program. As many as 20 million Americans tune in to watch WWF-branded programming every week and WWF programming can be seen in 120 countries in 11 Ianguages. In October 1999, McMahon took the company public on the Nasdaq.

McMahon has also started two new ventures, Smackdown! Records and a bold foray into professional football, the XFL. Jointly owned by NBC and WWFE, the league kicks off in February 2001. McMahon's deal-making has made him a personal fortune; he clocked in at number 209 on the most recent *Forbes Magazine* list of the 400 wealthiest Americans. The affable McMahon took time to put a chokehold on HITS' resident pencil-necked geek, John "Not So Gorgeous George" Lappen. You've taken the Hollywood entertainment community to task for what you called "kow-towing to anti-violence advocates and catering to elected government officials." Given the fact that you've gotten into bed with Hollywood in a business sense, is your relationship still adversarial?

Hollywood has a certain ego; they don't see the WWFE fitting into their normal way of doing business...and we make sure we don't fit. When you think about the TV ratings, pay-per-view numbers and live event attendance figures, many in Hollywood ask how in the hell we can do everything we do because we don't come from here. We take the best of Hollywood-—in terms of the creative concepts and presentation—then add our own formula and make it flexible so that it's not just the same old product they continue to churn out.

Is there any hesitation on your part in doing business with Hollywood at this point?

Yes, the trepidation comes from not having creative control. For anyone in the creative business, that's the worst nightmare. The dollars are fine, but do you sell your soul for money? We don't; our soul is not for sale. If you want to do business with World Wrestling Federation Entertainment, then you must do it a certain way. We bust our humps for all of our business partners if they just let us do what we know how to do; if they just leave us alone. They can help us market our product with the vehicles that they have that we don't, but they have to listen to us and look at things from a common-sense standpoint; we know our audience and how to reach them.

Your business partners certainly can't deny what you've accomplished over the past 20 years.

You know Hollywood; if left to their own devices, they'd self-destruct. Did you ever think your company would be where it is today?

Actually, I'm about 10 years beyond where I thought we'd be. It's been more of a struggle in getting to where we are. We have a long way to go. Our popularity is not even near the peak yet. We want to continue working hard. We enjoy earning the respect of our business partners, but most especially, our audience. You do a great deal of market research as to whom your audience is and how to market to them, but how much of the success is as a result of your instincts?

People think we have an extensive marketing department. Of course, we do re-

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search; everybody does. But let's face it, this is not rocket science. It's entertainment. It's common sense to listen to our audience.

When your core demographic ages, there is always another group of likeminded kids to come along and replace them.

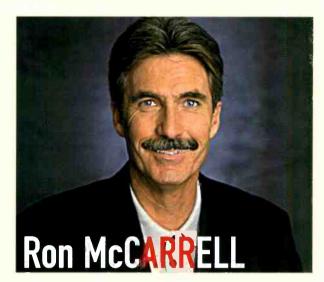
Absolutely. It's generation after generation of fans. That's how we've grown. It's probably the only thing on television that the whole family can sit down and watch together.

Did you have a plan in the early-1980s when you assumed command as to how you would grow the company or did it evolve organically?

I had a plan. I always say that my dad would have never sold me his business had he known what my plan was. [Laughs] In fact, I'm sure he wouldn't have sold it to me. It was painful for him. Once he sold me the business and saw that I wasn't content with the status quo, it drove him nuts for several years. Some of his business cronies were now my adversaries because I was invading their territories. I really regretted the pain that my dad had to go through from an emotional standpoint during this time. But eventually, he came around and said, "F**k those guys!"

He had to be proud of what you've done.

He passed away a long time ago, but I'd like to think he'd be proud of me. Though I don't think he'd be proud of me for allowing my son Shane to go into the ring and perform, much less my daughter Stephanie. He would not like that; I know that for a fact.



B arely three months into his new post as President of Smackdown! Records, veteran music industry executive Ron Mc-Carrell is as excited as an SRO crowd at Wrestlemania. McCarrell, who's also spent time in key positions with Windham Hill, Epic Records, Capitol Records and House of Blues Records, waxed enthusiastic about his new position as head man for the WWFE's latest entertainment venture.

Wrestling is so much like rock & roll that a WWFE label is a natural.

The marketing leverage points that exist within this organization the television programming, our nightclub in New York City, our new media operation, the various corporate alliances the WWFE has made and the consumer wrestling magazines we publish—are all ways to get exposure for our artists. That's an immense advantage for them. And don't forget about the XFL. There will be some music opportunities there, too.

What is your vision of Smackdown! Records?

It's a way of extending the WWF's successful brand into music markets by signing, recording and marketing appropriate artists and music while utilizing the marketing strengths of the company and supporting its long-term goals. [Laughs] And, along the way, sell truckloads of CDs.

What's it like working for Vince McMahon?

Vince has given me a mandate and I'm going to run with it. He'll certamly be involved in this part of his operation, but he's entrusted the overall management of Smackdown! Records to me.

What's your first release?

We're working with Columbia Records in developing our first compilation, a rock collection of label artists and others performing cover versions of the entrance themes of the WWF Superstars. They'll add lyrics, change tempos and basically make the songs their own while retaining the flavor of the original. There will also be c few original tunes included that have that WWF attitude. It'll be out sometime next year and distributed by Sony.

What kind of acts are you looking to sign?

Primarily hard rock and rap-metal type acts. We pay close attention to what our audience wants.

Do you feel pressure to deliver right away?

We have objectives and goals to meet. There is nothing in our 'ongrange plans that can't be done.

Will Vince put you in a sleeper hold if your first few releases bomb?

[Laughs] I don't want to find out.

How many records will you release per year?

Approximately 10 releases in 2001, including various compilations, frontline product and several licensed, special markets-type packages based around WWF personalities.

How about a Web site?

We're creating the Smackdown! Web site now. We'll use it to communicate with and promote to our audience. I anticipate having downloading opportunities for samples of upcoming projects in addition to running contests. And, of course, we'll exploit the opportunities for e-commerce.

Who would win in a tag team match...Vince and Stone Cold or you and The Rock?

No question, me and The Rock.

"We simply combine the best of what Hollywood has to offer and put our own twist on it."

Let's talk about Smackdown! Records. You had to be inspired by the success of the WWF compilation series distributed through Koch.

It's a logical extension of what we do. Notwithstanding the music that we produce, the crossover potential is there. I think [Smackdown! President] Ron McCarrell has an excellent reputation as a savvy businessman. We're not trying to set the world on fire our first year or have any lofty goals like that. We want to look at this from a good solid foundation standpoint and grow from there.

It wasn't a surprise to me that the Koch compilations sold so well. We have, unlike anyone else in the entertainment business, an opportunity to talk to and listen to a focus group of 15-20,000 people just about every night. By watching their reaction and listening to them in terms of what they like, including their musical taste, we just have to give them what they want. And we do.

How hands-on are you with your business? Do you green-light a project after creatively coming up with it and then turn it over to other people to run for you?

Sure. You have to have people around you that you can trust to do the job. I can't do it all; the operation is too big. There's a certain attitude I bring that I like other people to pick up on. My management style is a little different than most. I believe in people having the authority and responsibility to do their jobs. At the same time, I reserve the right to cross a "t" or dot an "i" and delve into the most minute aspect of what everyone does at any given time. I feel it's important to have a good overview, but I love it in the trenches. I don't manage from the penthouse. I believe in leading by example. If we were at war and I were a gener-

al of some kind, I would not be behind the lines, I'd be the first son of a bitch to lead the charge out of the bunker. That's the only way leadership in business today can be conducted, particularly in the entertainment industry.

What is your vision for Smackdown! Records?

Just continuing to keep giving the public what they want. At the same time, we want to expand our business and bring artists that demographically will cross over and attract those same type of artists to our label. Then, with this wonderful promotion machine that we have, we'll go out and promote the label and our artists. It's not like we don't know how to make stars.

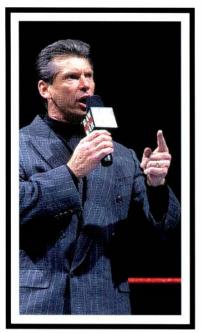
What's your favorite kind of music?

I don't know if I really have a favorite. I guess the blues and good old R&B. Any of the wrestlers clamoring to do solo albums for Smack-down!?

Oh, of course. [Laughs] Doesn't everybody think they can sing? To what do you credit your talent for marketing?

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I think that type of talent evolves. You're born with certain talents; sometimes you know you have those talents and sometimes you don't. Given an opportunity, which is what often happens in this wonderful country we live in, plus a strong work ethic, anything can happen. If one can listen when they should listen and learn, which we do every single day, then one develops certain philosophies that work in terms of marketing and management. At the same time, nothing is ever set in stone. If you don't have the flexibility to change quickly in terms of your philosophies and reshape them, then you're not going to make it.





How many hours a week do you put in?

People ask me how many hours a week I work and I say none. This isn't work to me; it's fun.

There's a rumor floating around that you're trying to buy the Boston Red Sox.

No, I'm not interested in doing that.

Have you ever thought about buying your rival, the WCW?

Yes, it's something I would consider. I'd enjoy talking to Ted Turner about that...at least I think I would. [Laughs] That would be something, to have Ted and myself in the same room. That would be an unusual tag-team combination.

How do you feel about the government cracking down on marketing violence in film and television, especially in regards to kids?

What we do is all in fun. I'm serious about my business, but it's also all about having fun; it's all tonguein-cheek. We simply combine the best of what Hollywood has to offer and put our own twist on it. We have soap opera storylines—superheroes, villains, music, athleticism and endings to our stories that are eventually resolved. Sure, a few chairs and garbage cans get tossed around and we certainly think our female wrestlers are attractive in both a sexual and sensual way, but does that make us a bad influence on anyone? [Laughs] I don't think so.

You're obviously disappointed in the Hollywood community for not stepping up to the plate on this issue.

To say the least. What bothers me is that the Hollywood community is not standing up for itself when it comes to this issue. I know this was an election year, but Hollywood needs to step up and assert itself. We need to protect our First Amendment rights. In fact,

this goes beyond having the freedom to express ourselves; this whole issue is about censorship. The government is attempting to censor what we're trying to do, and that's a crime. If Hollywood doesn't stand up for itself as far as this issue—and I don't think that they are —they'll regret it forever.

Let's talk football. Do you really feel the XFL will be a success?

I have absolutely no doubt that it will. When it comes to promotion, no one can do it better than we can. I've got serious commitments from my corporate partners to make this work and I know that my company can do the job. I just love listening to the naysayers tell people that the XFL isn't going to make it; that just inspires me even more to prove those people wrong. I am not nervous about his venture whatsoever; I can't wait to kick it off.

Will any of your wrestlers play on any of the XFL teams?

[Laughs] They all want to, but I won't let them because it would be a pay cut for them.

You are obviously in great physical shape. Any desire to strap on the pads and helmet and get nasty with some of the XFL players during practice?

[Laughs] You know, I just might do that. I think any owner of any enterprise needs to get his or her hands dirty when they're trying to make that enterprise a success. I can promise you I will be closely involved with the XFL, even if it might mean getting into uniform and knocking some of these players on their ass.

Do piledrivers really hurt?

If you're that curious, I can show you first-hand right now. **Ah, no thanks.**■

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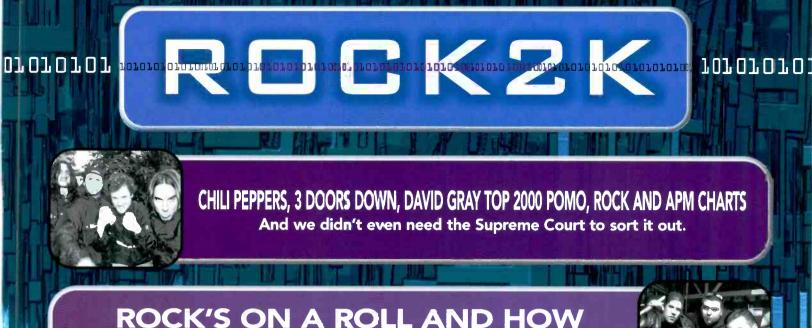
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Let us count the ways: Incubus, Papa Roach, A Perfect Circle, Disturbed, Staind, Linkin Park, Kittie, Deftones, Crazy Town and Godsmack are among the many who broke in 2000.

HANDS ACROSS THE OCEAN—WITH A LITTLE BRIT OF LUCK England swings as David Gray, Travis, Radiohead, Dido and Coldplay made the Trans-Atlantic crossover this year.

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TROY HANSON APD/MD WRIF Detroit

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Troy Hanson is a self-professed "radio guy's radio guy." After logging on-air time at various stations, including WKQZ Saginaw and WLZR Milwaukee, he landed his first programming gig as PD KATS Yakima, WA. He then launched rocker KAZR Des Moines as PD before becoming MD WRIF

Detroit. Troy's recent promotion to APD WRIF took place while the station scored its first #1 persons 18-34 and their highest 12+ number in 15 years (5.6 Summer 2000). Troy comments: "I'm very proud to be a part of our recent ratings. The Summer book put us at #3 12+ for the first time. We continue to push the envelope on key promotions & imaging, especially on the web with I-RIF." As Music Director of one of the only on-line webcasters created by a radio station (I-RIF, Troy's baby), he declares: "It allows us to explore hard-edged music that we may be limited to with the 30year heritage of RIF."

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	3	Loser RAGE AGAINST THE MACHINE - Epic	#1 WHFS,KFMA	
5	4	Renegades Of Funk OFFSPRING - Columbia/CRG	#1 WGRD,KNRQ	
8	5	Original Prankster LINKIN PARK - Warner Bros	KROQ Xmas Show	
7	6	One Step Closer GREEN DAY – Reprise	KROQ Xmas Show	
6	7	Warning FUEL - Epic	KROQ Xmas Show	
4	8	Hemorrh ['] age(In My Hands) PAPA ROACH - DreamWorks	KROQ Xmas Show	
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13	14	When It All Goes Wrong Again MOBY - V2	KROQ Xmas Show	
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20	20	DAVID GRAY - RCA	WJBX Add	
21	21	Babylon COLDPLAY - Nettwerk/Capitol	KROQ Xmas Show	
19	22	Yellow MARILYN MANSON - Nothing/Interscope	see on tour	
25	23	Disposable Teens EVE 6 - RCA #1	KHLR,KCCQ	
	24	On The Roof Again STRAIT UP - Immortal/Virgin	WPLY,KNDD Add	
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CLOSING TIME: As I struggle to come up with my 10 favorite CDs of 2000, my twin sister is 3,000 miles away, getting some much-needed rest after giving birth to my new 9lb. 2oz. niece, who I'm happy to say will be sharing her birthday with Suzie Dunn, Frank Sinatra and Dionne Warwick. Gee, and I thought I was exhausted from driving to San Diego and back on Saturday to see Bryan and Muckley at 91X's Xmas show. Next time I attend a radio station festival, I'm demanding an epidural.... There was another arrival today that's almost as thrilling-a brand-new Semisonic single! Now you know my feelings for these guys run as deep as if they were my own flesh and blood (probably deeper, even), so I'm just waiting for the right moment to start showing off this song



like it was a baby picture-isn't "Chemistry" the BEST, BRIGHTEST, MOST CLEVER song? And, of course, you'll agree with me. I can think of no better way to begin 2001.... One of the first trips I took in 2000 was with Semisonic singer Dan Wilson to see Travis in Chicago, thus beginning my yearlong immersion into anything related to Travis and their masterpiece, "The Man Who." Tens of thousands of frequent-flier

SEMISONIC: 2001 is all about "Chemistry"

miles were logged in pursuit of seeing this band, although the quintessential Travis concert was a few brief miles from my house, at the Wiltern Theater in L.A. At the very least, a Travis show was a collective experi-

ence of the transcendent power of music. When they were on stage, all peripheral distractions and stresses were abandoned, replaced by an euphoric sense of possibility. Like the cliché goes, that's why we do what we do.... Instead of pouring all of my money into Internet stocks, the best investment I made this year was purchasing the '58 Jazzmaster Tom Verlaine used to record Television's "Marquee Moon" and "Adventure." So far, only Fran from Travis has been allowed to touch this guitar, and the version of Big Star's "Thirteen" he recorded with it is, as they say in the ads, "priceless." Also unforgettable were The Who shows this summer. Ask Leslie Fram and Nan Fisher, who I dragged to the Atlanta show. Leslie declared that seeing The Who should be required for any artist who can sell out more than a small club. Big difference from most of the bands we watched on the PoMo radio festival circuit. Neil Young gave his most compelling live show in years, reminding us what it means to be a "career artist." U2 released their best album, ever (in my estimation), and treated the format to a few intimate opportunities (KROQ's "Breakfast With Kevin & Bean," "Farmclub" and the WXRK-sponsored show at Irving Plaza) to get reacquainted. With a new single, "Walk On," among the mostadded songs at PoMo this week, U2's return ranks as the year's most-welcome.... Besides Travis, the other artists that were my "touchstones" for 2000 were Guster, whose touring base expanded exponentially (radio formats be damned-this band sells tickets), and Moby, who after two years and two million CDs sold seems to finally have a hit at radio. Each experienced a different degree of success but, regardless of their breakthrough years, both artists were subjected to geeked-out stories about meeting Roger Daltrey and NSYNC. But then again, so were you. Such is your burden.... As I forage into further self-involvement, let me thrill you will my Top 10 CDs for the year: Travis' "The Man Who," Black Box Recorder's "Facts Of Life," Doves' "Lost Souls," Jayhawks' "Smile," PJ Harvey's "Stories From The City...," U2's "All That You Can't Leave Behind," Beachwood Sparks' "Beachwood Sparks," Shelby Lynne's "I Am Shelby Lynne," International Noise Conspiracy's "Survival Sickness" and Air's "Virgin Suicides" soundtrack.... My favorite songs of the year that weren't on my favorite albums were NSYNC's "Bye, Bye, "David Gray's "My Oh My," Richard Ashcroft's "Song For The Lovers," Spiller's "Groovejet (If This Ain't Love)," Catherine Wheel's "What We Want To Believe In," Limp Bizkit's "Take A Look Around" (seriously!), Green Day's "Warning" and Semisonic's "Chemistry"..... NEW ARTISTS TO WATCH IN EARLY 2001: At The Drive-In, Coldplay (my certain obsession for next year), Pete Yorn, Josh Joplin Group, Tantric, Bob Schneider, Titan, Ours and St. Germain ("Tourist" is my 11th favorite album of 2000).... PEOPLE TO WATCH: Those out of work. Call your unemployed friends and see how they're doing. Then call your employed friends and coax them in off the ledge. Congratulate yourself on making it through a tumultuous year. E-mail your Top 10 lists and book suggestions to Ivanageek@aol.com. Happy Holidays—see you in 2001!

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1	1	FUEL	550
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2	2	LIFEHOUSE	DreamWorks
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17	19	PAPA ROACH	DreamWorks
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upcoming new releases

GOING FOR ADDS 1-8 3 DOORS DOWN • "Duck And Run" - Republic/Universal AMERICAN HI FI • "Flavor Of The Weak" - Island/IDJ DAFT PUNK • "One More Time" - Virgin EVERLAST • "I Can't Move" - Tommy Boy NOTHINGFACE • "Bleeder" - TVT ONE WAY RIDE • "Pot Of Gold" - Refuge/MCA SEMISONIC • "Chemistry" - MCA UNIFIED THEORY • "Wither" - 3:33/Universal VERTICAL HORIZON • "Best | Ever Had" - RCA

upcoming Xmas shows

DECEMBER 13 WHFS "HFSmas Nutcracker" Green Day Lifehouse Fuel Disturbed Good Charlotte Moby DECEMBER 14 KNDD "Deck The Hall Ball 2000" Green Day Papa Roach Orgy Moby Fuel Eve 6 DECEMBER 15 Live 105 "Not So Silent Night" Green Day Papa Roach Deftones Disturbed AFI DECEMBER 16 KROQ "Almost Acoustic Xmas" Deftones Incubus Moby No Doubt Papa Roach Weezer Coldplay At the Drive-In Fuel 3 Doors Down

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JIM MCGUINN "PoMo Babe Of The Year" WPLY, Philadelphia



After visiting Jim in Philadelphia a month ago, there was no doubt that he was our definite choice for the first "PoMo Babe Of The Year" in the new millennium. Perhaps the presence of former PBOTY Suzie Dunn in the 'PLY programming department stacked the deck in his favor. It could've been the new blond highlights in his hair (a must for any pageant contestant) or the foxy photos on his band's Web site (www.cordalene.com). We think it's the entire package: Jim is a Top 5 market PD who we've known for 18 years (beginning with his days at high school station WDGC) and watched grow into an accomplished programmer who's never lost his passion for music. How many other programmers would mosh to a local band (Marah) in the middle of a thunderstorm during their station festival? Or guery Jakob Dylan about whether a phrase in a song is deliberately lifted from a Replacements song (it was)? Jim is way too grounded to let this "honor" go to his head, but we're hoping that it will increase the value our copies of his old singles (from his Reaction Formation days) on eBay.

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This week's Power Tool is the bad boy of radio. **KBPI** APD/MD and morning host **Willie B.** pushes the envelope to get results. Starting his on-air antics while still a junior in high school, he also helped



while still a junior in high school, he also helped launch **WEND** Charlotte as MD/nights. Since his first day in 1993 as KBPI MD/nights, Willie has embraced the people of Denver with his unique irreverence. "My listeners would do anything for me. We're tight. Many have been to my house. With the bad-boy brand I've been given, I seem to draw a lot of attention. Whether I'm doing stunts

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like jumping cars in a wreck, wrestling **I.C.P.** or just talking on the air, I'm just being me." Willie talks about his role in the music: "I have such a huge passion for the music and love picking future smashes. I heard **Kid Rock**, **Slipknot**, **Sevendust** and **Godsmack** way early." We wish Willie well on his next stunt-induced court hearing Dec. 18.



CHRIS MAYS/PD KMTT/SEATTLE

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"The year's biggest record for **KMTT** was **Sting**'s 'Brand New Day.' Combined airplay on its three excellent singles easily made the album our most played of the year. The 'underdog' success of the year was, without question, **David Gray**. It's nice to see music of such high quality get the mainstream recognition it deserves. But the single song that meant the most to me this year was the title cut from **Mark Knopfler**'s "Sailing To Philadelphia"—haunting, poignant and wonderful."

GREG STEVENS/PD KEGL/DALLAS

"The biggest band for us this year is Godsmack. Both CDs have performed extremely well. Launching our new morning show is major highlight of the year. The Mikey Morning Show debuted yesterday. Our biggest event was the Summer Sanitarium show. Metallica's James Hetfield was injured for that show so the audience was treated to guest vocals from the opening bands (Korn, Kid Rock, Powerman 5000 and System of a Down). Papa Roach's 'Last Resort' was the breakthrough song of the year."





LYNN BARSTOW/PD KMYZ/TULSA

"The best record this year for **KMYZ** was definitely **Papa Roach**'s 'Last Resort.' As far as a song that we seemed to have success with exclusively, 'Nothing To Prove' from **Caroline's Spine** had over 700 spins. Personal favorite was **Travis**' 'As You Are.'"

DAN BOZYK/PD WNFZ/KNOXVILLE

"Papa Roach's 'Last Resort' is absolutely the one song that just will not die. A Perfect Circle's 'Magdelena' has been our collective favorite since we first heard the record. We are playing it and have deemed it our 'secret weapon'! As for my favorite song, it has to be the Reverend Horton Heat's 'Sue Jack Daniels.' It speaks for itself."



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1	LINKIN PARK - Warner Bros. One Step Closer	#1 KRXQ,KDOT
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	Hemorrhage (In My Hands) A PERFECT CIRCLE - Virgin	top 5 KILO,KTUX
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0	LIMP BIZKIT - Interscope	#1 WAAF,KISS
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1. THE UNION UNDERGROUND	"Killing The Fly"
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2. AARON LEWIS & FRED DURST	"Outside"
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6. LIFEHOUSE	"Hanging By A Moment"

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"IT WAS A VERY GOOD YEAR": Thanks to everyone that sent me lists of their favorite CDs of the year. An album that appears on many of those lists is **3 Doors** Down. It was at the top of WXTB OM Brad Hardin's and MD Brian Biller's. Interestingly, Brad also has Dr. Dre on his list and Brian told me his favorite concert this year was "Up In Smoke." Brian: "What can I say? I like the old-school Rap. This was a great concert—what a line-up—it was the Monsters Of Rock with 40's." KEGL PD Greg Stevens also has 3 Doors Down on his list, with Godsmack at the top: "Both of the Godsmack CDs have been huge for us all year." WRIF APD/MD Troy Hanson's #1 is Disturbed, "AWESOME CD!" Future stars At The Drive-In round out his Top 10. Have YOU spent any time with this masterpiece? One of the two that appears on both of our lists is Nickleback. I couldn't agree more with Troy's sentiment: "This band will be big one day!" It was also nice to see him include Radiohead as one of his faves. KUPD MD Larry McFeelie's list includes Disturbed, Linkin Park and Incubus. This is no shock; Linkin is my #2. I'm sure it'll be on many Top 10 lists this time next year. How awesome is it to see Incubus break? More than a million Incubus fans agree with Larry about this pick. Although I doubt KISW APD/MD Cathy Faulkner was one of the million that bought the Incubus record, it's one of her favorites. We share another favorite in A Perfect Circle. Staying true to her Seattle roots, Cathy said two concerts tied for her favorite of the year-both featuring Pearl Jam. WRLR APD/MD Dave Clapper's list was topped with A Perfect Circle. It also includes Linkin Park, Disturbed, C.O.C. and one of format's biggest unsung heroes, King's X. WJRR PD Pat Lynch said his favorite of the year is Disturbed. He also digs Godsmack, 3 Doors Down and Papa Roach. "Last Resort"

contributed to the banner year baby bands had. Disturbed's "Stupify," 3 Doors Down's "Kryptonite," Nickleback's "Leader Of Men," Union Underground's "Turn Me on 'Mr. Deadman'" and Linkin Park's "One Step Closer" were also key signs of the format's future. KDOT PD Jave Peterson has been there since day one for Union Underground. "I've been playing them on the radio for ten years." It's no surprise they made his Top 10-as did 3 Doors Down, Disturbed, Papa Roach and Linkin Park. You

can see many of the Top 10 lists look similar. KAZR PD Sean Elliot's and my list both include (hed) PE. Another one of Sean's favorite albums, Deftones, is also his favorite



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concert. "It was the day they got their first-week sales numbers back from 'White Pony.' They came out after finding out they had the #3 album in the country and totally blew me away." One of the records that flew under the format's radar appears on WMFS PD Rob Cressman's list, The Jayhawks. Rob also has 3 Doors Down, Creed, A Perfect Circle and Lifehouse (a band he's helping to break with more than 250 spins already and #1 phones for weeks). ARG! I'm running out of room. I'll highlight a few more. KRQC PD Vince Richards: 3 Doors Down, Creed, Stone Temple Pilots and Nickleback. KLFX PD Bob Fonda: Static X, Godsmack, Monster Magnet and Linkin Park. WQXA PD Claudine DeLorenzo: Collective Soul, Ultimate Fakebook and Cold (also on my list). KSJO PD Keith Cunningham had some on his list I didn't find the time to hear. Elvis "I'm FuckIng Dead, Deal With It," George W. Bush "My Dad's Friends Financed This Album," Mike Tyson "Tastes Like Ear" and Tipper Gore "Fuck The Fucking Warning Label." N I C E. KWKD PD Cory Draper got his morning show listeners involved after my request. The people of Salt Lake City voted their faves in the following descending order: Godsmack, Papa Roach, Rage Against the Machine (B.O.L.A.), Disturbed, Union Underground, Deftones, Offspring, Green Day and Korn. Sorry if I didn't get yours in. I'm way out of room, so I'll just mention the ones on my Top 10 not listed in this or last week's column: PJ Harvey, Moby, Nativity In Black and the CD I burned from the MP3s I've downloaded. (Hey, it's a new world order. Deal with it.). My favorite concert was Rage Against the Machine at the tiny Roxy. New things to watch out for next year: Adema, Alien Ant Farm, Amen, American Hi Fi, Bare Jr., Broken, Deadsy, Double Trouble, Downer, Mudvayne, Nonpoint, Nothingface, Saliva, Skrape, Slaves On Dope, Switch, Systematic and Tantric. Ba bye. Lenac@mindspring.com

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BY MIKE MORRISON

As another year races to a close, it seems like just last week we were fretting over how the Y2K bug would be wreaking havoc on our music scheduling software and digital audio delivery systems. On balance, I'd say 2000 was a good year for the format. True, we lost a few stations this year (CIDR, for instance), but we also saw several sign-ons (WZEW Mobile and WMPS Memphis, to name two). We also played "PD musical chairs" with new guys taking over at KFOG, KRVB, KCTY and WTTS, among others. The crossover of David Gray's "Babylon" demonstrated that APM CAN break artists and caused a few labels to re-think their casual attitude toward our format. It's hardly surprising that "White Ladder" received more votes than any other record in this informal survey of APM programmers' favorite albums of the year. WXRV PD Joanne Doody was among the David Gray faithful as was her new MD, Dana Marshall. WDET MD Martin Bandyke went with Steely Dan's "Two Against Nature," while his non-comm colleague Bruce Warren's selection was, as you'd expect, further off the beaten path: "The record I listened to the most was 'Restaurant' by a Mexican Rock en Español group called



Jumbo. If these guys sang in English, they'd blow away every PoMo band around." WXRT's Patty Martin didn't mince words (but she *did* rhyme): "Radiohead. 'Nuff said!" Nicole Sandler of WorldClassRock.com couldr't break her tie for #1 and requested that, since she was freezing, and responding by e-mail from Kazakhstan (where she's picking up her newly adopted daughter),

DAVID GRAY: This years APM MVP. she be allowed two choices. Ok, fine. Nicole's pix: "I Am" **Shelby Lynne** and **Five For Fighting's** "America Town." For **KKMR** PD **Scott Strong** it was "a no brainer...'All That You Can't Leave Behinc.'

Rock & roll ain't about age, it's about attitude! U2 has it. This is their second-best record behind 'The Joshua Tree.'" KCTY PD Max Bumgardner concurs: "U2 is a class act with songs that actually have a purpose." KMTT MD Shawn Stewart wore her underground roots on her sleeve, selecting an import by the Icelandic group Sigur Ros. (Huh?!) "The record is called 'Agaetis Byrjun,' which is just ONE of the reasons it's not a radio record. I love it because it's unlike anything I've heard before-completely uncategorizable." WDOD PD Danny Howard went for Red Hot Chili Peppers' "Californication," saying "it produced four #1 tracks for our station this year... WOW!" Scott Register, who as you may know, hosts a great Sunday morning APM show on Birmingham PoMo station WRAX, also had a tough time picking, but went with Five For Fighting which, he says, "takes you back to the first time you heard 'Goodbye Yellow Brick Road." WBOS MD Amy Brooks: "Here's the thing: I'm tom between Dido's 'No Angel,' which only leaves my CD player when David Gray goes in." (Hey! Did she just slip in two picks?!). WNCS APD Eric Thomas' favorite was "Smile" by the Jayhawks: "Every track is a winner. We've spun five!" Lana Trezise at KBXR: "All my favorite bands put out great records this year-Sleater-Kinney, The Cure and Neil Young. But I cried and drank the most beer listening to 'I Am Shelby Lynne.'" WKOC PD Paul Shugrue was knocked out by the Neil Young CD Lana referenced, "Silver and Gold": "I'm a long-time fan and this was a great surprise after his less-than-inspiring contributions to CSNY last year." "Vertical Horizon's 'Everything You Want' was in heavy rotation in my car before it was even being worked," said KXST PD Dona Shaieb. "So, if I have to pick one, that would be it." And, since I've reached my word limit, this is "it" for the week's diatribe. Please accept my apology if I didn't get to your pick, but there were many more than I had room for. What's that you say? You wanna know MY choice? Easy: Madonna's "Music." So sue me. Better yet, listen to the album, then let's discuss it. And if I don't talk to you in person (or on the phone) before next year, I hope your holidays are happy and healthy. Peace. HITSMM@aol.com.

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		Watering Ghost Garden EP	
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		All That You Can't Leave Behind	
5	9	MXPX - A&M	Top 5 @ 91X
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		The Hour Of Bewilderbeast	
-	13	THE WHITE OCTAVE - Deep Elm	Top 5 @ KHLR
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	1000	Movement In Still Life	
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BY ERIKA STRADA

I WRAPPED IT UP AND SENT IT WITH A NOTE SAYING I LOVED YOU, I MEANT IT: You know I couldn't go without pilfering a line from my favorite Xmas song, Wham's "Last Christmas," now did you? It's actually quite a sappy, pathetically sad song—no wonder I adore it. So now, instead of trying to compose a silly little poem about everything I loved, it's your turn. Here are the fabulous end-of-the-year cuestions that everyone LOVES ...and some really FANTASTIC answers. Thanks to a I for participating—and thanks to everyone for an amazing year filled with extraordinary music. Happy Holidays and Best Wishes to all of you! Here it goes: 1) Favorite Record you will still be playing in 2010? Nic Harcourt from KCRW goes first, since it was my favorite answer: Travis! WARQ's Gina Juliano went with those cuties in Fuel. If you ask Grand Rapids dynamic duo of Dan Clark (who was trying his darndest to indude



TRAVIS: The Men Who... made my year. Travis!) and Tim Bronson, Days Of The New and the Flaming Lips fit their bill. Tim adds, "I couldn't get anything in my CD player because the Flaming Lips was still stuck in there since 99." WMAD's Amy Hudson (who spotted Dave Grohl at the recent Pumpkins show in Chicago!) picks our favorite bald artist, Moby. MTV's boy-next-door, Dave Holmes, choose to be a little more obscure with "The Best Of Marshall Crenshaw." "The best music of the last 20 years should hold up for at least another 10" was his reasoning. Excellent. Our dear Dan Bozyk at WNFZ picked A Perfect Circle's "Mer De Noms" as a record he won't be tiring of anytime soon. WXNR's dream team of Jeff Sanders

and David Spain pick Incubus and Nickelback respectively. KBRS' latest and greatest, Margot Smith (so glad you're back in the alternative world!) picks Everclear's "Songs From An American Movie." Sunny Day Real Estate's, "The Rising Tide," was from Joey at WBER. We just wish he'd remember to call once in awhile. Finally, our dear little Alex Quigley from WPGU picks the Red Hot Chili Peppers' "Californication" because "it's beautiful and it's rockin." On to...2) What CD did you wear out the most from repeated listens this year? Again, kudos to Nic Harcourt with Travis as his choice. Yippee! (and NO, I didn't slide him some cashhe just has impeccable taste!) Gina/WARQ and Dan Clark/WGRD picked 3 Doors Down, Amy's choice was The Cure "Bloodflowers" and Dave Holmes picked David Gray. Tim/WGRD was his usual witty self, saying "19 Wheels' 'Sugareen' is Detroit's Power Pop at its finest. Yeah, it'll give you cavities, but it stays crispy in milk." I think Tim's calling is writing. Jeff/WXNR picks Nickelback while fellow XNRer Dave Spain chooses Disturbed. Dan/WNFZ picks Reverend Horton Heat's "Spend A Night In The Box," Keri from DreamWorks elects Linkin Park, while Margot goes with Everclear (again), but also throws in Our Lady Peace and 19 Wheels. You know those Michiganders stick together. Lastly, we have Joey/WBER going with the slightly more obscure Tugboat Annie and Alex/WPGU mentioning RHCP, Smashing Pumpkins and Incubus. Whew! I'm not gonna have room for the rest! 3) Favorite Recorc' That Took You By Surprise? Ok now we have to get through this a little quicker. Stars was Nic's choice, Dan and Tim choose Elwood and Joseph Arthur (a fine fine choice if you ask me...), Gina picks Liquid Gang, Dave Holmes snags Fastball, Dan Bozyk picks Coldplay (YAHOO!), Jeff and Dave say Nickelback and Fuel, while Margot is back to 19 Wheels and Joey flashes his indie cred with Mojave 3. 4) Song you would put on your answering machine? Mine is still Foo Fighters "Learn to Fly" cause I'm a sap. Nic never EVER puts music on his machine. Dan Clark and Jeff Sanders both pick Creed's "With Arms Wide Open." Guess they are sappy, too. Tim Bronson wants to have the only recorded gag solo that he's aware of, so he chose The Bloodhound Gang's "Yummy Down On This." Oh my. Dave Holmes skipped the question. Gina Juliano goes with Linkin Park's "One Step Closer" because she can include the line "SHUT UP WHEN I'M TALKING TO YOU." Ummm...ok. Caviar's "Tangerine Speedo" is Amy's pick, "Voices" from Disturbed will be on Dan Bozyk's, but the best ever has to be Alex Quigley singing "Yellow" from Coldplay on his. Aww...cute! 5) Question you don't want to answer any more this year? "Have you heard that David Gray record?" tops Nic's list. "Are you legal yet?" sends Alex Quigley soaring. Tim Bronson scares me with, "Oh, that's it and now you're going to sleep?" Yikes! Dan Clark is tired of answering "Who owns you guys?" Margot Smith and David Spain have similar thoughts on "You moved to Arkansas??? Why??" and "How are you liking it there?" Typically, "Is there any way you can give us just a few extra spins this week?" doesn't make most programmers giddy with glee, but Dan Bozyk has heard it enough. While Gina is tired of "What are you liking this week?" I wonder who would ask such a question? Lastly, Dave Holmes with, "Who'd you vote for?" just makes us chuckle. Who cares? Alright-bye for now...until next YEAR...pink kisses and lots of hugs and be safe, happy and healthy!!

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Diffuser "Injury Loves Melody" (Hollywood): The debut from this New York quartet peppers catchy hooks with blasts of heavy-metal aggression. Tomas Costanza's vocal delivery fluctuates from gritty and commanding to tender and innocent. The barrage of guitars and soaring harmonies on opening track "I Am" are thunderous,

yet euphonious. "Tell Her This" is gentle in its urgency, while "Losers Of The Year" builds to a fervent crescendo. "The Way That I Feel," "Karma" and "Leaving With A California Tilt" mix power-pop with rockstar licks in a way that is reminiscent of Foo Fighters and Everclear, yet sounds totally original. (D.D.)

Ryan Adams "Heartbreaker" (Bloodshot): This solo outing from the former Whiskeytown frontman shows Adam's transformation from alt-country prima donna to mature songsmith. Adam's heartfelt prose and earnest delivery follow in the tradition of lyrical geniuses Gram Parsons and Paul Westerberg. "To Be Young (Is To Be Sad And High)" is a jangly



toe-tapper in the vein of early Bob Dylan. Delicate strings accentuate the winsomely breathtaking "Amy," the harmonica-driven "Come Pick Me Up" explores the final fleeting moments of love turned sour and Emmylou Harris adds an angelic air to the poignant "Oh My Sweet Carolina." Adams may indeed break your heart, but it's well worth the pain. (D.D.)



David Holmes "Bow Down To The Exit Sign" (1500 Records): Holmes' latest ride of edgy rock & roll house hybrid is a soundtrack of city adventures. In fact, the album was produced alongside a script. The Belfast maestro's third set charters streets of classic rock littered with hip-hop funk and potholes of techno-punk. Plus, he gets some

roadside assistance from rockers Jon Spencer, Bobby Gillespie and lyricist Carl Hancock Rux, enhancing his innovative New Age rock. With standouts like the rousing "Sick City" and embittered "69 Police," it's definitely a good sign. (K.Y.)

Nina Hynes "Creation" (Reverb Records): The last amazing find of 2000 is this impressive debut. The singer/guitarist's profile is on the rise, thanks to her hauntingly powerful voice—think the Sundays and Bjork—along with a diverse style of songwriting that has room for lush, sparse triphop arrangements and the bright sunshine pop of



"This Magic Stuff." That track is a polished and upbeat three-minute blast of chiming guitars wrapped around Hynes' breathy vocals, the rare, non-sappy love song. Elsewhere, Hynes submerges below murky keyboards and stoned beats, filling songs with tension before soaring to the top of the mix. (D.S.)

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THEY'RE GONNA BE HUGE IN DENMARK: The European resurgence of the "'80s West Coast sound" and its money-making cotential prompted HITS' own John Lenac (front r) to helm the Neilsen/Pearson Eand reunion tour. Since singer/HITS Retail guru Mark Pearson (3 fr I) is too senile to remember what hap-

pened to his old partner, Lenac launched a search for a new backing band. **Roadrunner's Eric Baker** (front I) and **Nickleback** were lured to the audition with the promise of free prune danishes. Old Man Pearson and the band got along so well, they decided to record a new song, "OK I Dreaming," which is now burning up the 8track players at nursing homes throughout Scandinavia.



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THIS IS A CALL FOR HELP: It was supposed to be a nice Boys' Night Out For (I-r) Andrew Dice Clay, Foo Fighter Dave Grohl and Q101 Chicago morning show personality Mancow: good conversation, a couple of cocktails and a few rounds of bingo at the local

church. But a few too many Singapore Slings prompted the Diceman to recite "Hickory, dickory, dock..." in lieu of calling out "Bingo." The ever-diplomatic Grohl tried to calm the rabid crowd of blue-haired old ladies, but it was of no use. The trio was run out of the bingo hall in a hail of orthopedic shoes.



BIG MISTAKE: Down Tucson way, they're used to big things. Big skies, big cowboy hats, big-wheeled pick-up trucxs. When **KFMA's John Michael** (back r) and **Marc Young** (front r) heard **Papa Roach** was coming to town, they rustled up their co-workers. Michael pondered, "How big is

a papa roach?" "I think it's bigger than a hippopotamus," said Young. The entire staff set out to buy every can of insect spray in town, and anxiously waited for the pest's arrival. When **Coby Dick** (c) entered the studio, he was greeted with a shower of Raid. He then saluted them with a charming little greeting of his own.



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Ground Zero Flippin' The Script With Bat L. Axe

You better lay low at Ground Zero—here's the 4-1-1 this week: A lot of folks have reported that **Radio One** baller **Steve Hegwood** is out at the end of the year. Word is, the company's trying to work out a way for him to still be involved as a consultant. Hegwood is reportedly bouncing to manage radio properties he owns himself. Since the chances are pretty good that he and Radio One will ultimately work a deal, the new arrangement still takes him out of

his current day-to-day duties at KKBT Los Angeles, Radio One's flagship station. Maybe the company move is to get someone in-house who knows the market? Do ya think the rumbling 'bout Scorpio is true? One of Hegwood's first programming decisions was taking off the highly respected hip-hop program "The World Famous Wake Up Show" after a successful eight-year run in the market. When the Summer 2000 book came out, the show was ranked #1 in its timeslot 12-plus. This is just one example, but what's really gonna be worth watching in the coming months, is the morning show battle between Steve Harvey and Power 106's Big Boy. Although The Beat was at the bottom of the ratings when Dre & Ed Lover got lifted from the AM slot, Harvey is moving the needle-and FAST. The second Fall Book trend that just hit L.A. has him up to 3rd place with a 3.8 (from a 1.9) 12plus, beating Big Boy. Now, this is just a trend-but the potential is there for this to get real interesting ... ROCK THE CELLS: HBO is takin' things to the next level with their gritty prison series "OZ," getting Avatar Records involved with a show soundtrack set to drop January 9. MCs were fallin' over themselves to get down on this project-cuz who doesn't got a rhyme about being in the clink? Method Man, Master P, Snoop Dogg, Cypress Hill, Three 6 Mafia, Pharoahe Monch,

Talib Kweli, Kool G Rap and Kurupt & Nate Dogg are just a few of the cats featured on this off-the-hook soundtrack. HBO is also working in guest-starring roles on the show from soundtrack players. Check for Meth acting in three episodes when the season premieres January... Speaking of street-ass hiphop, one crew poised to make the most noise over the holiday is M.O.P. with their blazing remix of "Ante Up." This joint has been marinating in the streets for months, becoming an anthem in the clubs on the East Coast. But when the crew flipped the remix and put Busta Rhymes on some verses, they re-ignited the record. Now radio's about to be down. "We're getting phones on this already, so



M.O.P.: Most overachieving posse.

we're about to make a move," Says 92Q's Buttahman. KXHT's Cagle says, "My MD Devin LOVES this record. He won't leave me alone about it! We are very aware of how it's doing in the clubs right now." "M.O.P. is my shit!" exclaims hip-hop head Cherry Bomb from WBOT. But it's a glimpse of the future that has B95 MD Travis Loughran amped. "I like the "Ante Up Remix," he says, "but the one that's gonna go all the way is their "Cold As ice" track—smash!" Either way, look for M.O.P. to be H-O-T in a minute... But the group that's smashing down the town right now is Outkast. The overwhelming success of "Ms. Jackson" is certainly a hint that the record-buying public is thirsty for something different. "Right now, 'Ms. Jackson' is beating the spin records set by TLC with 'No Scrubs,' and Sisqo with 'Thong Song.' It's truly unbelievable!" said Arista Big Willie Lionel Ridenour. "We are closing in on the audience record of 53 million as we speak, which was set by TLC. So I'm fighting with myself!" If you want the scoop on all the inside drama—and there's plenty of *it* in record biz—the place to be is hitsdailydouble.com.

Street Snap



DO YOU SEE WHAT I SEE? Hip-hop hook maestro Nate Dogg was enjoying a holiday party when he was greeted by KBMB OM E-Bro, who had just torn himself away from his own reflection. "I think it's great you came out, Nate," said E-bro, "even if the other Boyz II Men couldn't make it. Hey, let's sing 'Let It Snow'." E-bro then caught a glimpse of himself in a champagne glass and the conversation was soon forgotten.

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STEVE HEGWOOD

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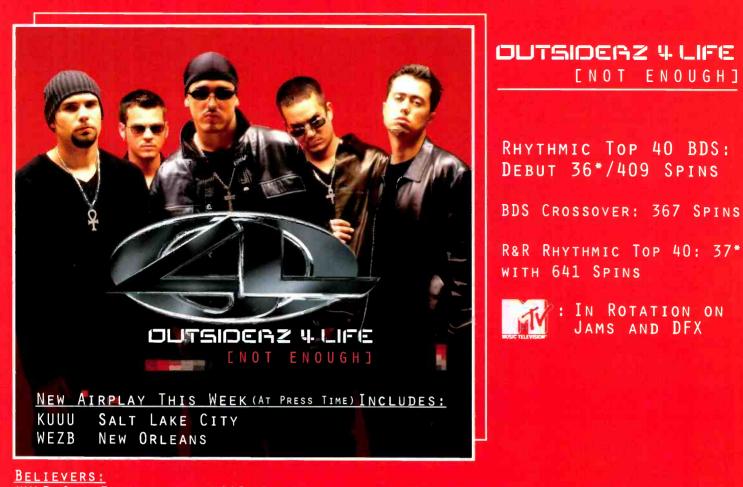
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11	11	10	3LW	No More	Epic
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	27	22	MYA	Free	University/Interscope
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	28	24	C.M. MILLIONAIRES	Project Chick	Cash Money/Universal
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	-	26	112	It's Over Now	Bad Boy/Arista
			PROFYLE	Liar	Motown
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OSSOVE

by Michelle S.

2001: A "BASE" ODYSSEY: If there's one thing 2000 proved, it's that the Crossover Nation, now more than ever, is responsible for breaking and driving the musical tastes (and sales) of mainstream music. Never before have we seen so many massive Top 40 records come from the world of hip-hop and R&B. This formatbut even more specifically, this LIFESTYLE and CULTURE-has successfully evolved past a "street thang." Jay-Z is a Pop star now. Dr. Dre and crew headlined the biggest tour of the year. Eminem was certainly the "celebrity topic" of conversation. And the quintessential moments of the ultimate crossover is when cornball cats like NSYNC beat-box onstage and Fred Durst has to work his coolness factor by getting over with a rhyme—you're knowin' hiphop culture is here to stay. To be real, it's influenced an entire generation, but what we have now are two distinct worlds of hip-hop. Let's not EVER fucking confuse the "hip-hop" of Nelly with the hip-hop of Talib Kweli. Therein lies the danger-misrepresentation of the art form. If you're down for hip-hop, cool. But you must respect its roots in Black culture. While hip-hop "superstars" enjoy the biggest mainstream success ever, flossing on MTV, there's a whole other scene with cats who are just DOPE, getting Gold record sales, but being missed by radio the same way Jay-Z was when he dropped the "Reasonable Doubt" album five years ago. The cheese has moved, so know your base. Mos Def, Common, Slum Village, Dilated Peoples, Jurassic Five, Pharoahe Monch, even Jill Scott-these are our ambassadors into the future. The fact that the Lyricist Lounge, Spitkicker AND Okayplayer tours can roll into LA and sell out three nights with no radio airplay—some shit is goin' on, OK? We have reached a fork in the road. The "Pop" won't stop, but real hip-hop---where it's going-has and always will be in the streets... Musically this week: Outkast is about to break the all-time audience record for airplay. Weren't we just talking about music evolution?... If you're not on BOTH Shaggy jams, you're on glue... Also making noise is Xzibit's "X." Since the song is already calling out for folks who hit it early, it's safe to say this one will go. East Coast represent! Mya is single, sexy and "Free," making her own money, looking for the right party-what a SMASH! "It's Top 10 phones and we're upping rotation," says B95's Travis L... Def Jam is RULING with Ja and Memphis Bleek, but their sleeper hit is Case's "Missing You." If you have not heard it-RUN to the CD-Pro. This is a Joe "I Wanna Know"-caliber monster ballad and I haven't told y'all to run to a song since Ja Rule's "Between Me and You"... Also worth music meeting spins is M.O.P's "Ante Up" remix... Jagged Edge is about to catch one with "Promise"... Serious shout out to Rawkus' Kris Peterson for her incredible work with Mos Def/Pharoahe/Nate Dogg's "Oh No." And can I get a witness on Dave Hollister "One Woman Man"? Damn!... 2001 done-deals: Nikka Costa's "Like A Feather," Olivia's "Bizounce," Snoop Dogg's "Lay Low," Outkast's "So Fresh, So Clean," Musiq Soulchild's "Love," M.O.P's "Cold As Ice" and Modjo's "Lady"... I wanna shout out all the musicheads who I feel LOVE music, but more importantly, have made a difference with music this year because it IS dope to take a shot. This is the group that makes my job worth the bullshit. Props to: Erik Bradley, Mark Adams, Dontay, E-Bro, Travis Loughran, John E. Kage, Buttahman, Dion Summers, Cagle, Julie Pilat, Shellie Hart, Fred Rico, Pablo Sato, Mr. Choc, Julio G, The Beat Junkies, Thea Mitchem, Glenn Aure, The Pirate DJ's, Dale Soliven, Dan Garite, Jerry McKenna, Skyy Walker, Glenn Cooper, Cherry Bomb and Scooter B... Finally, MUCH love to the crew-fellow radio geek Mark Feather (we have some FUN, huh?) and my girl, the night owl, Gilly (blaze one for the nation)... I am SO OUTTA HERE! Peace.

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CROSSOVER

NEW RELEASES

GOING FOR ADDS 12/19

Jagged Edge "Promise" Angie Martinez f/Jay-Z "Mi Amor" Big Tymers "10 Wayz"

GOING FOR ADDS 1/9

Koffee Brown Destiny's Child Natalie Cole Iconz Monica M.O.P. Modjo Shaggy Ja Rule Lil' Zane Sonique Co-Ed

 "After Party"
 Arista

 "So Good"
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 "Living For Love"
 Elekti

 "Get Crunked Up"
 Elekti

 "Never Let Go"
 Epic

 "Ante Up (Remix)"
 Loud

 "Lady"
 MCA

 "Put It On Me"
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 "None Tonight"
 World

 "Sumthin' On You"
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So So Def/Col/CRG EW/Elektra/EEG CM/Universal

Arista Columbia/CRG Elektra/EEG Epic Loud MCA MCA Murder Inc./Def Jam/IDJ Worldwide/Priority Republic/Universal Rubicon Ent./Universal

MOST REQUESTED JAMS

1. Outkast 2. Shaggy 3. Ludacris 4. K-Ci & JoJo 5. Shaggy "Ms. Jackson" "It Wasn't Me" "What's Your Fantasy" "Crazy" "Angel" LaFace/Arista MCA Def Jam South/IDJ MCA MCA

BIG WILLIE



Phil the fire.

PHIL MICHAELS TRUEBA PD WPYO ORLANDO

Fall book trends are rolling in and, happily, after Summer's rough go, a good number of stations within the Crossover Nation are seeing success. Take WPYO in Orlando, whose first trend sees the station hitting it's biggest numbers ever...moving 3.7-4.0 for P12+ and 6.8-7.2 in the critical target demo of P18-34. According to PD Phil Michaels Trueba, the deafening market buzz currently surrounding

Bill Tanner-consulted 95.3 PARTY is attributable to one word, "focus...on our niche in the market. We are Orlando's station for <u>dance</u> music, looking to the clubs, stations in other markets, and even Napster," for leads on from where the next hot dance jam will come. "Plus," says Trueba, "I've got great MD skills in Vic The Latino who truly is both my right and left hands, and a terrific support staff from mixers to clerical folks...all of whom are invited to music meetings. We simply take the approach that this is <u>everyone's</u> station and try to maintain a real party vibe in the building." Meanwhile, at HITS, we also know a thing or two about having a good party vibe...which reminds us...it's time for a drink, so this Big Willie stroke ends now.



4 OUT OF 5 DENTISTS AGREE, RADIO IS FOR LOSERS: After a five-week dental assistant course, KUBE Seattle MD Julie Pilat (back I) and PD Eric Powers (back r) welcomed the first victims, er..., visitors to their in-studio dental workstations. Though the oral tool extension arms were disguised as microphones, LaFace/Arista artists Outkast were hip to the game when Pilat pinned drool cloths around their necks. In related news, Powers drooled in his holiday portraits.

FREESTYLE MUSIC QUOTES FROM INDUSTRY LEADERS



BUTTAHMAN MD 92Q Baltimore M.O.P. "Ante Up (Remix)" Loud

"We've got phones on this already! This is the hottest street record out, and going into rotation this week."

TED NOAH PD WZBZ Atlantic City Toni Braxton "Spanish Guitar" LaFace/Arista



"Hex Hector's four star club remix makes this a great female record and a perfect fit for THE BUZZ. Already #3 phones!"

> TRAVIS LOUGHRAN MD KBOS Fresno Dave Hollister "One Woman Man" DreamWorks

"I am really feelin' this! Great song, and on the top of the stack for airplay."

JAMMER PD KKSS Albuquerque Shaggy "Angel" MCA

"As for our top requesting records, let me put it this way...it's 'Angel,' 'Angel,' 'Angel,' 'Angel,' and 'Angel.' Seriously, this Shaggy follow-up is requesting at a rate of at least four to one over everything else!"



Most Added Again WBBM KTFM **KPTY KKSS KDGS** KBBT KKSS **KBAT** KY12 WDBT

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HITS RAP ATTACK 2ND MOST ADDED RECORD OF THE WEEK!

"Definitely gonna be a NUMBER ONE HIT!" - DJ KIZ-ONE (KKFI-MO)

"Good to hear Ahmad back in the mix. I'm already rockin' doubles here in Winnipeg." - DJ DIALOG (TPLN.NET)

"Already charting in heavy rotation and gonna be on my new mixtape "Breaking Boundaries." - DJ LRM (Mixtapes-Bklyn/Qns)

"The wax is melting on my platters now, it's so hot!" - Rich "DJ Imperial" Lawson (KSMU-MO)



Contact: Ken Marshall at Interscope Records: (800) 982-1812 Ext; #57929 ken.marshall@umusic.com



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—	5	5	WU-TANG CLAN	Careful/Gravel Pit	Loud
	23	6	SLUM VILLAGE	Raise It Up	GoodVibe Recordings
_	9	7	D-12	I'll Sh#t On You	Shady/Interscope
	10	8	XZIBIT	х	Loud
	16	9	SNOOP DOGG	Snoop Dogg	No Limit/Priority
		10	FREDRO STARR	Dat Be Dem	Koch
21	19	11	PLANET ASIA	Holdin' The Crown	Mona/Landspeed
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		20	COMMON	Ghetto Heaven	MCA
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	30	25	ABK	Everywhere I Go	ABK International
		26	PUNCH & WORDS	Last Days	Mona/Landspeed
28	21	27	MASSACA	Motivate	Compound
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TOP FIVE MOST ADDED

Artist 1.HURRICANE 1.EIGHTBALL & MJG 2.TRU-LIFE 3.SUPREME-C 4.B-1 5.BRINXX MAN

Title Connected (RMX) Pimp Hard Uya Run If U Wanna Run How We Live Real Big

TVT Jcor Ent./Interscope JustUs/DreamWorks RCA Fat Beats 63 Stacks

Label

What's upper? Dayum, we are just a couple of weeks away from Christmas, and the year 2001 will be here with a quickness... Comin' up this Saturday, December 16 at L.A.'s **EI Rey Theater** will be a benefit concert for the completion of the late **Rob-One**'s memorial.



Power 106 Los Angeles' Mr. Choc of "Fricay Night Flavas" and Gone-One will host the event from the "Fly I.D." show. DJs and artists scheduled to perform will be: Beat Junkies, Cut Chemist, Nu-Mark, Dusk, and Charlie Rcck from San Diego's Rocksteady Crew. Plus, you'll hear the joint "Rob One Rock One" performed by Freestyle Fellowship, Global Phlowtations, the Visionaries, OMD, the Shape Shifters and the West Coast Work Force. Overall, DJs and MCs will come together to celebrate the life of

the legendary Rob-One, whose birthday is also this Saturday. For more info, call (323) 960-8989... Do you want custom drops from Phife Dawg? Do you want your name and station shouted out on the next WILLUS DRUMMOND record? If you said "yes" to the above, contact WVUD's Mike Baxter at spaceific@yahoo.com and send him your drop info... It is official. As I told you last week, KRS-ONE has signed with Koch Records. His first single will be "Hot" b/w "Get Yourself Up." Expect to see vinyl this January... The wait is over. Run DMC will be dropping their new single, "It's Over" (Arista), featuring Jermaine Dupri. You should have it by the end of this month. The album, "Crown Royal," is scheduled for a February 2001 release... Props to Outkast for going double Platinum with "Stankonia" (LaFace/Arista). Their new single will be the blazing track "So Fresh, So Clean." My dawg, Arista's Kevin Cooper, will be lacing you with all the above, so be patient... Bushwick Bill is back! I just got a copy of his cut "Unforgiven" b/w "Hardcore" (Nu Wave) and yes, there are radio edits available. Good to see you back, Bill. Contact Gary Ivey at (713) 778-9991 to get copies and tell him HITS sent ya. Also, look out for the Geto Boys reunion tour at a city rear you... Don't sleep on DJ Moe Love from the Ultramagnetic MCs' "Slaughterhouse Cartel" (Threshold), mixed by our dawg Kutmasta Kurt... Congratulations to my O.G. homie, RuffNation CEO Chris Schwartz and his wife Myrna, on the birth of their healthy baby girl, Ava Valentine, weighing 7 lbs. and 3 oz... Next week is our "All that and a bag of Lumpia" Year-End Issue. Barf-Barf... Don't forget to tune in to TPLN.NET on Saturday, December 23rd at 6 p.m. (PST) for "Rap Attack Flashback"! You'll hear a vintage 9/21/85 recording of Sir Mix-A-Lot and myself on Seattle's 1250 KFOX, workin' four turntables and two mics!... SHOUT OUT TIZIME: Marthe Reynolds and Rob Love at Def Jam, Happy belated B'day to Hong Kong Mong, Harris Francis at Seatown's KUBE 93 You were supposed to get me Beyonce's 2-way at the Billboard Awards), T-Dog Kalayjian (what's upper #217), DJ A.Vee (all love to you and your mom), Double J (I haven't 4gotten U! What do you do again?) and to Billy T at Las Vegas' KCEP (thank you for breakin' us--Mix-A-Lot--back in Detroit. Good to see you're still in the game)... KUNG-FU FLICK OF THE WEEK: Bruce Lee in "Game Of Death"... 🚯

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1.XZIBIT F/ SNOOP DOGG	X	Loud
2.CNN		Tommy Boy
3.TRU-LIFE		JustUs/DreamWorks
4.AARON HALL/BIGGIE SMALLS	Why You Wanna	AV8
5.DV ALIAS KHRIST	Rejuvenation	Bear Mountain/TB

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Time For The Holidays And Lots Of

Steve Hegwood will exit as Radio One's VP of Programming at the beginning of the year to concentrate on his three radio properties. Hegwood will also consult and is in negotiations with Wes Johnson and Russell Simmons to combine resources to purchase a station in Norfolk, VA, to compete with WOWI-FM. Also at Radio One, Mike Abrams, Director of Satellite Programming, seeks air talent, PDs and MDs. T&Rs to: Mike Abrams, Radio One 5900 Princess Garden Pkwy, 8th Floor, Lanham, MD 20706... Kiki The First Lady exits KATZ-FM St. Louis and joins WLDY-FM Atlanta, where she will do middays and handle Promotions Director duties. Also, Jim

Oktavec joins as Marketing Director... Stevie Wonder's 5th annual "House Full of Toys" benefit concert will be held 12/16 at the Great Western Forum in Inglewood, Calif. Wonder and guests will perform... Ron Isley, signed to DreamWorks Records, has assembled R. Kelly, Jimmy Jam & Terry Lewis, Raphael Saadiq, Steve Huff and wifey Angela Winbush for his debut album... Saxophonist Richard Elliott signs with the Verve Music Group. Also, pianist Diana Krall's Grammywinning "When I Look In Your Eyes" is Platinum... Dick Clark will ring in the New Year for the 31st time, which makes him, oh, 17 years of age. The Baha Men, Boyz II Men, Joe and more will perform... The soundtrack to the HBO television show "Oz" will be released 1/9 on Avatar Records. It features Snoop Dogg, Master P, Trick Daddy, Three 6 Mafia, Cypress Hill, Method Man, Pharoahe Monch, Blaxuede and Kurupt & Nate Dogg (the first single, "Behind The Walls"). Proceeds will benefit "Cardoza Law Innocence Project," a program that helps to clear death row inmates through DNA testing... XM Satellite Radio taps former WVAZ-FM Chicago PD Maxx Myrick to handle PD duties for its jazz music format... KKBT-FM Los Angeles ranked second in an independent report held by MeasureCast Inc., a firm that measures audience size and demographic reports for internet broadcasters.



Steve Hegwood Bounces From Radio One To Form His Own Radio Empire

KKBT tallied a TSL of 59,590 and cume of 6,558... Al Greer is the host of WGCI-FM Chicago's "Whispers in the Dark" late-night show. He replaces Troi Tyler, who now handles middays at crosstown WVAZ-FM... Baker Broadcasting's WWBZ-FM Charleston has been sold to Thomas Daniels for \$1.6 million... The FCC has fined WLLD-FM Tampa for language content on a rap program titled, "The Last Damn Show" which aired on 9/11/99. Apparently, the fine was in regards to potentially offensive references to oral sex and sexual intercourse that was broadcast on the air... Pamal Broadcasting acquires WWLO-AM and WTMG-FM Gainesville from

Connecticut Broadcasting ... WPGC-FM Washington D.C. PD Jay Stevens seeks full- and part-time air personalities. T&Rs to: Jay Stevens, WPGC-FM, 4200 Parliament Place, Lanham, MD 20706... Sonicbox forms an alliance with Clear Channel's Bay Area stations, KMEL-FM, KSJO-FM, KFOX-FM, KYLD-FM and KNCL-FM to provide iM Tuning Software, and will implement e-commerce capabilities... LL Cool J may depart his long-time label, Def Jam Records. While no details have been announced, it is apparent that his contract is nearly up... Death Row Records has lost a \$4.3 million lawsuit. A jury ruled in favor of Kurupt's former managers and producers, Lamont and Ken Brumfield, who both filed suit after the label failed to fulfill contractual obligations... Eminem is selling his house in Sterling Heights, Michigan for \$650,000, after being constantly bothered by fans who snuck into his backyard to swim in his pool and litter his lawn with M&M wrappers... Lil' Kim, near bankruptcy, is apparently spending too much money on stylists, hair and makeup, and is selling her New Jersey home to free up some cash... DMX has sold his memoirs, titled, "A Dogz Life," to Harper Collins Publishing. Hitting stores in Fall 2001, the book follows DMX from his childhood to his current successes in the music industry....

Singled Out

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The Top Thirty

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1	4 3 4	R. KELLY	l Wish	Jive
	3 6 5	DESTINY'S		Columbia/CRG
	6 5 6	MUSIQ SO		Def Jam/IDJ
	8 7 7	NELLY	E.I.	Universal
	7 8 8	WYCLEF/M	ARY J. BLIGE	Columbia/CRG
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	9 9 10	JA RULE/C		Def Jam/IDJ
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	20 18 12	LIL BOW W		So So Def/Columbia
	22 21 13	MYSTIKAL	Danger	Jive
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	25 16 15	JAGGED E		SoSo Def/Columbia
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	11 12 19	MYSTIKAL	Shake Ya Ass	Jive
	29 24 20	112	It's Over Now	Bad Boy/Arista
	18 17 21	KEITH SWE		Elektra/EEG
	10 13 22	PROFYLE	Liar	Motown
	<u> </u>	SHAGGY	It Wasn't Me	MCA
	28 27 <mark>24</mark>	JAHEIM	Could It Be	Warner Bros.
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	15 22 26	KELLY PRI		Def Jam/IDJ
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	DEBUT 30	ERYKAH B		Motown

Based Primarily On Radio Airplay & Retail Sales

By Gary Jackson



Jeff Majors: Keeps The Holidays Sacred 'Tis the season to collect presents we probably don't deserve because, we admit, we've been more bad than good. It's also time to say sayonara to the first year of the millennium and take a vacation into 2001. Do you think the movie "2001" was just a little too close to home? The book, written by **Arthur C. Clark**, foretold a future in which a space station will become far more commercial

than following weather patterns or enemy missiles, and that's now closer to reality than you think. Computers have become more than larger-than-life. Indeed, they are an essential that we cannot imagine living without. Yes, life imitates art more than we care to admit, but one thing is for sure, the holidays signal a togetherness that Democrats and Republicans would do well to embrace. To that point, several months ago, I and several industry colleagues had dinner with Radio One's Cathy Hughes and NAS Records artist Jeff Majors at Keyshawn Johnson's Reign Restaurant in Beverly Hills. Strangely, the place was decorated in holiday fashion, which left us scratching our heads as to just what was going on. Seems Majors, a highly accomplished harp player with several exquisite records under his belt, had recorded a holiday album titled "Sacred Holidays." Hughes and Majors played the entire album, which, to everyone's surprise, was just different enough to merit attention. Majors unabashedly lavishes the charm and feel of the holidays. Pick any song, but check for "Pretty Little Baby," "Sacred Holidays," and "Don't Cry This Christmas," all songs written by Majors. who also recorded an array of traditional songs. Other albums to check: Boyz II Men's "Christmas Interpretations" (Motown), "Platinum Christmas" (Jive) and "A Putumayo World Christmas" (Putumayo). Of course, no holiday is complete without what I consider to be the ultimate song. Nat King Cole's "The Christmas Song" (Capitol). There is no better version of the song, no matter what anyone says or does... Happy holidays to the following: Pamela Jackson-Malik, Keith Jackson, Steve Corbin, Phil Embuido, Doug Davis, Vinny Brown, Michelle Campbell, Latin Prince, Nasty Nes, Matt Chong, Michelle Madison, Sugar Bear, LaMonda Williams, Jerome Simmons, Brad Davidson, Parrish Johnson, Jana Fleischman, Kevin Ross, James Boyce, Lionel Ridenour, Michael Johnson, Randy Jackson, UCLA Extension Kevin Semien, Sam Weaver, Jerry Boulding, Jammin' Jay Michaels, Lillian Matulic, Monica Alexander, Vanessa Barryer, David Linton, A.D. Washington, Cynthia Johnson-Harris, Maurice Warfield, Dorsey Fuller, all my bosses here at HITS, my wife, Judith and you, who give me both positive and negative feedback to keep me balanced and informed.

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Active Albums

The Top Thirty

Week Of December 15, 2000 LW TW ARTIST TITLE LABEL 2W SHAGGY MCA 4 Hotshot OUTKAST LaFace/Arista 2 2 Stankonia SADE Epic 3 1 Lovers Rock NELLY Fo'Reel/Universal 5 5 Country Grammar R. KELLY Jive 4 TP-2.COM MEMPHIS BLEEK Roc-A-Fella/IDJ The Understanding K-CI & JOJO MCA FUNKMASTER FLEX Loud 8 Mix Tape Vol.4 LIL' BOW WOW So So Def/Col/CRG 9 10 Beware Of Dog DESTINY'S CHILD Columbia/CRG 14 14 10 The Writing's On... Roc-A-Fella/IDJ JAY-Z 7 7 11 Dynasty: Roc La ... WU TANG CLÁN Loud 1 6 12 LUDACRIS Def Jam South/IDJ 10 12 13 Back For The First. EMINEM Aftermath/Interscope 11 11 14 Marshall Mathers LP ERYKAH BADU Motown 9 6 15 Mama's Gun **MYSTIKAL** Jive 15 18 16 Let's Get Ready JA RULE Murder Inc./IDJ 13 17 17 Rule 3:36 MASTER P No Limit/Priority 8 18 Ghetto Postage 3LW Epic 19 3LW VARIOUS Rawkus 13 20 Lyricist Lounge V.2 B.G. Cash Money/Universal 8 15 21 Checkmate MUSIQ SOULCHILD Def Soul/IDJ 28 23 22 Aijuswanaseing Dreamworks DAVE HOLLISTER 18 22 23 Chicago 85 ... MYA University/Interscope 23 24 24 Fear Of Flying KEITH SWEAT Elektra/EEG 17 19 25 Didn't See Me Coming **EIGHTBALL & MJG** Jcor 16 21 26 Space Age 4 Eva JILL SCOTT Hidden Beach/Epic 25 22 27 Who Is Jill Scott? **CAPONE & NOREAGA** Tommy Boy 12 16 28 The Reunion Columbia/CRG MARIAH CAREY 27 29 Merry Christmas SISQO Dragon/Def Soul/IDJ 30 Unleash The Dragon Based Primarily On Retail Sales



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Now Ya Know Blair Braxton PD, WKGN-FM

Knoxville

Ever since doing impressions at a local radio station as a high schooler, Blair Braxton's voice has graced radio stations all over,

impersonating everyone from Bill Clinton to "Mama Klump" ("The Nutty Professor"). Originally hired on as the only R&B show host on rock-oriented WJAT-FM Swainsboro, Braxton cracked the mic at the age of 16. After high school, he headed into the military, then to University of Miami, before relocating to Nashville where he was hired at WQQK-FM as a part-timer. Under the tutelage of PD Tony Wright, Blair expanded, doing various voice characters on the morning show, while learning programming. He then relocated to WHNR-AM Winter Haven for his first PD gig, changing the entire sound/imaging of the station, but soon departed for WHOT-FM Miami where he handled PD duties. eventually heading to Little Joe Records to do promotions under Joe Weinberger. There, Blair handled many facets, ranging from promotions to doing a James Brown voiceover on the Jerry Springer movie soundtrack! The radio bug bit again, bringing him to WJMZ-FM Greenville, then briefly back to WHNR, eventually leading to his current gig at WKGN. As far as his continued success goes, he credits his close friend, Lois "Granny" Keith, saying he "loves her to death !!!" Hey, Blair, is she willing to spread the success around to us? We could surely use it!

Urban Voices

Sugar Bear PD, WAJZ-FM Albany Tank "Maybe I Deserve" (Blackground/Virgin)



"This is a good song; I think it could be a sleeper. Radio has got to listen to it. I know the first single didn't do too well, but listen

to this one. I'm encouraging people to listen to this record because I believe it's a pretty good record."



Skip Dillard PD, WBLK-FM Buffalo Erykah Badu "Didn't Cha Know" (Motown)

"Didn't Cha Know' is definitely putting Erykah back on the map, in terms of being original and being such a musical person.

It's a record that will be significant for her longevity."

Cherry Martinez MD, WBOT-FM Boston Aaron Hall f/ Notorious B.I.G. "Why You Tryin' To Play Me" (AV8)



"I love it! This song definitely puts Aaron Hall back on the map. And you know Biggie always spits the ill shit!!"





WINNERS

1	RAGE AGAINST THE	(Epic 85289)	98%	6	ALICE IN CHAINS	(Col/CRG 85274)	23%
2	MEMPHIS BLEEK	(Roc-A-Fella/IDJ 542587)	70%	7	ROGER WATERS	(Col/CRG 85235)	22%
3	K-CI & JOJO	(MCA 112398)	69%	8	NEIL YOUNG	(Reprise 48036)	16%
4	FUNKMASTER FLEX V.4	(Loud 1971)	66%	9	LINKIN PARK	(WB 47755)	14%
5	3LW	(Epic 63961)	24%	10	DAVID GRAY	(ATO/RCA 69351)	12%

ALLIANCE O-S TONY BAZEMORE / CORAL SPGS

Rage Against The Machine K-Ci & JoJo Funkmaster Flex V.4 Memphis Bleek 3LW

ANGELOS

JIM POMERANTZ / LITTLETON Rage Against The Machine K-Ci & JoJo Sade Trans Siberian Orchestra Nick Drake

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STEVE ROBERTS / DETROIT Funkmaster Flex V.4 Memphis Bleek K-Ci & JoJo Disappearing Acts (ST) AMG (Var) Rage Against The Machine

ASSOCIATED

BOB FENTY / PHOENIX K-Ci & JoJo Funkmaster Flex V.4 Memphis Bleek 3LW

BAKER & TAYLOR STEVE HARKINS / CHARLOTTE

Rage Against The Machine 3LW Funkmaster Flex V.4 AMG (Var) Memphis Bleek K-Ci & JoJo Soul Food (Var)

BELIEVE IN MUSIC RUSS STUUT / WYOMING, MI

Memphis Bleek Funkmaster Flex V.4 Lyricist Lounge V.2 (Var) Rage Against The Machine K-Ci & JoJo

BEST BUY

JOHN MICHAEL / EDEN PRAIRE, MN Rage Against The Machine Memphis Bleek Funkmaster Flex V.4 K-Ci & JoJo 3LW

BIG OOMP RECORDS GENARON REYNOLDS / ATLANTA

Memphis Bleek K-Ci & JoJo Funkmaster Flex V.4 Source Hip Hop Awards (Var)

BORDERS BOOKS & MUSIC SHANNON LUMETTA / ANN ARBOR, HQ

Enya Rage Against The Machine David Gray The Corrs Neil Young

CAT'S

STEPHEN BOWEN / KNOXVILLE Memphis Bleek K-Ci & JoJo Rage Against The Machine Charlotte Church

CD & TAPE OUTLET LYNN BATCHECK / COLUMBUS

K-Ci & JoJo Memphis Bleek Funkmaster Flex V.4 Rage Against The Machine Musiq Soulchild

CENTRAL SOUTH TONY ROSS / NASHVILLE

Shaggy Linkin Park Memphis Bleek Lifehouse

CROW'S NEST TODD HUPE / NAPERVILLE

Memphis Bleek Rage Against The Machine Funkmaster Flex V.4 K-Ci & JoJo Alice In Chains 3LW Roger Waters

DESIRABLE DISC DAVE HAUPT / DETROIT

Rage Against The Machine Memphis Bleek Lyricist Lounge V.2 (Var) PJ Harvey Funkmaster Flex V.4 Samantha Mumba Juliana Theory

DIMPLES

JASON TORRES / SACRAMENTO Rage Against The Machine Linkin Park K-Ci & JoJo Limp Bizkit

DOWN IN THE VALLEY

CHRIS WESTER / MINNEAPOLIS Rage Against The Machine Linkin Park David Gray Shaggy

ELECTRIC FETUS JON JON SCOTT / MINNEAPOLIS

Memphis Bleek K-Ci & JoJo Funkmaster Flex V.4 Roger Waters 3LW

FACE THE MUSIC CRAIG COTTEN / MINNEAPOLIS

AIG COTTEN / MINNEAPOLIS Rage Against The Machine Linkin Park Neil Young Alice In Chains Enya

FRED MEYER BRANT BERRY / PORTLAND

RANT BERRY / PORILAND Rage Against The Machine K-Ci & JoJo Lil' Bow Wow Linkin Park Kenny Chesney

GALLERY OF SOUND JOE NARDONE, JR / WILKES-BARRE

Rage Against The Machine Funkmaster Flex V.4 Memphis Bleek Roger Waters Neil Young

HARMONY HOUSE SANDY BEAN / DETROIT

K-Ci & JoJo Funkmaster Flex V.4 Rage Against The Machine Memphis Bleek Charlotte Church Nelly Furtado

HASTINGS

MIKE FULLER / AMARILLO Rage Against The Machine K-Ci & JoJo Funkmaster Flex V.4 Charlotte Church

HMV

JEFF DAVIDSON / NEW YORK Memphis Bleek Funkmaster Flex V.4 Rage Against The Machine K-Ci & JoJo Soul Food (Var) Bob Sinclair

INDEPENDENT REC JUDY NEGLEY / CO SPRINGS

Rage Against The Machine K-Ci & JoJo Memphis Bleek Funkmaster Flex V.4 3LW Linkin Park Sade



HOT NEW OR RESURGING ALBUMS AS REPORTED BY THE NATION'S LEADING RECORD MERCHANDISERS

LOU'S RECORDS TONY VICK / ENCINITAS

Rage Against The Machine Neil Young Roger Waters Sade Creed

MAGIC PLATTER BRIAN PETERS / BIRMINGHAM

Rage Against The Machine Coldplay At The Drive-In Lifehouse Linkin Park David Gray Enya

MICHIGAN WHERE HOUSE TASHA JOHNSON / DETROIT

Memphis Bleek Rage Against The Machine Outkast K-Ci & JoJo

MOBY DISC

BOB SAY / LOS ANGELES Rage Against The Machine Coldplay Badly Drawn Boy Delerium Linkin Park Musiq Soulchild

MUSIC MERCHANDISERS O-S JOE SANCHEZ / LOS ANGELES

Memphis Bleek AMG (Var) K-Ci & JoJo Funkmaster Flex V.4 3I W Rage Against The Machine

MUSIC MILLENIUM **CALEB MILES / PORTLAND**

Rage Against The Machine Neil Young Johnny Cash John Hiatt Emmylou Harris Merle Haggard

MUSIC NET CHUCK SHOUP / ST. LOUIS Rage Against The Machine Memphis Bleek Funkmaster Flex V.4 Linkin Park

Rage Against The Machine Funkmaster Flex V.4 K-Ci & JoJo Bob & Tom (Var)

Memphis Bleek

NEWBURY COMICS HAROLD LEPIDUS / BOSTON

NATIONAL RECORD MART DOUG SMITH / PITTSBURGH

Rage Against The Machine Funkmaster Flex V.4 **Roger Waters** Memphis Bleek Alice In Chains Neil Young K-Ci & JoJo

OLSSONS BOOKS & RECORDS JON BASS / WASHINGTON DC

Rage Against The Machine O Brother Where Art Thou? (ST) Paul Simon Shelby Lynne

PACIFIC COAST O-S MARK BALLARD / SIMI VALLEY

Rage Against The Machine Memphis Bleek K-Ci & JoJo Alice In Chains Funkmaster Flex V.4 Neil Young Soul Food (Var)

PARK AVE SANDY BITMAN / WINTER PARK Rage Against The Machine Swingerhead Hot Water Music Sade Coldplay

PEACHES OTT WHITE / MIAMI Memphis Bleek

Funkmaster Flex V.4 Rage Against The Machine K-Či & JoJo Musiq Soulchild Avant 3LW

PENNY LANE STEVE BICKSLER / LOS ANGELES

Rage Against The Machine Outkast PJ Harvey Jill Scott Linkin Park David Gray

RECORD & TAPE TRADER ROSS HEWSON / BALTIMORE Rage Against The Machine

Memphis Bleek Funkmaster Flex V.4 Alice In Chains **Roger Waters**

STREETSIDE SUE GRONE / ST. LOUIS

Memphis Bleek Rage Against The Machine Funkmaster Flex V.4 K-Ci & JoJo Musiq Soulchild

THE WIZ GEORGE MEYER / NEW YORK Memphis Bleek Funkmaster Flex V.4 Rage Against The Machine K-Ci & JoJo

TOWER **BOB WALSH / BOSTON** Rage Against The Machine Memphis Bleek

Funkmaster Flex V.4 K-Ci & JoJo Neil Young

TOWER DARREN HALLIWELL / CHICAGO

Rage Against The Machine Memphis Bleek Funkmaster Flex V.4 Linda Eder Charlotte Church Neil Young

TOWER

JOHN GUSTI / NASHVILLE Rage Against The Machine David Gray K-Ci & JoJo Neil Young Alice In Chains

TOWER FRANK BOUAL / NEW ORLEANS **Memphis Bleek**

K-Ci & JoJo Rage Against The Machine Coldplay 3LW Musiq Soulchild Enya

TOWER SUNSET JOHN CRAWFORD / W HOLLYWOOD

Rage Against The Machine Neil Young Memphis Bleek K-Ci & JoJo Alice In Chains Funkmaster Flex V.4

TOWER-WOW

DENNIS LORIMER / LAGUNA HILLS Rage Against The Machine Funkmaster Flex V.4 Linkin Park Crazy Town Roger Waters

TOWER-WOW

BEN CARVALLO / LAS VEGAS Rage Against The Machine Funkmaster Flex V.4 K-Ci & JoJo Memphis Bleek 3I W **Roger Waters**

TOWER-WOW

ADRIAN BISHOP / LONG BEACH Rage Against The Machine Coldplay K-Ci & JoJo Linkin Park David Gray

TRANSWORLD VINNIE BIRBIGLIA / ALBANY

Memphis Bleek Funkmaster Flex V.4 Rage Against The Machine K-Ci & JoJo Kenny G

UNIVERSAL O-S

SAM CASS / PHILADELPHIA Memphis Bleek Funkmaster Flex V.4 K-Ci & JoJo Rage Against The Machine

WATERLOO RECORDS DON LAMB / AUSTIN

Rage Against The Machine Gourds PJ Harvey Merle Haggard

WHEREHOUSE **BOB BELL / TORRANCE**

Rage Against The Machine K-Ci & JoJo Memphis Bleek Funkmaster Flex V.4 3LW





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

WINNERS

	PINK	You Make Me Sick	(LaFace/Arista)	6	VERTICAL HORIZON	Best I Ever Had	(RCA)
2	FIVE FOR FIGHTING	Easy Tonight	(Aware/Col/CRG)	7	LEE ANN WOMACK	l Hope You Dance	(Universal)
3	JOSH JOPLIN	Camera One	(Artemis)	8	SEAL	This Could Be Heaven	(Lon/Sire)
4	FUEL	Hemorrhage	(Epic)	9	MADONNA	Don't Tell Me	(WB)
5	DIDO	Thank You	(Arista)	10	CRAZY TOWN	Butterfly	(Col/CRG)

JAMMER KKSS/ALBUQUERQUE B Crew/Pink/112

DEEYA KPEK/ALBUQUERQUE D Gray/D Freebish/Dido

BENDER WMXB/RICHMOND L Womack/H & Blowfish/Dido

JASON ADDAMS WHZZ/LANSING Fuel/L Womack/U Kracker/V Horizon

RONNIE ALEXANDER WKZL/GREENSBORO, NC Fuel/5 4 Fighting/Y Adams

JIM ALLEN KRSK/PORTLAND N Gordon/J Joplin/5 4 Fighting

JEFF ANDREWS WVTI/GRAND RAPIDS D Henley/U2

JAMES BAKER KBIG/LOS ANGELES Seal/N Furtado

TOMMY BODEAN WKXJ/CHATTANOOGA Pink/J Lopez/R Kelly

DAVID BURNS WIXX/GREENBAY L Kravitz/Pink/V Horizon ANDY CARLISLE WDAQ/DANBURY 5 4 Fighting/Seal/Delerium

MATT CARTER KKOR/GALLUP, NM Everclear/L Nash/U Kracker

SCOTT CHASE WSSR/TAMPA Semisonic/N Gordon

SHANE COLLINS WDJX/LOUISVILLE Fuel/K-Ci & JoJo/U2

CHUCK COLLINS WKDD/AKRON V Horizon/R Bradley

VINCE D'AMBROSIA WLAN/LANCASTER, PA C Town/Pink/3D Down

NEVIN DANE B94/PITTSBURGH C Town/Outkast

SHEA DAVIS WCGQ/COLUMBUS, GA 5 4 Fighting/J Joplin

JAY DAVIS WCPT/ALBANY J Joplin/Fuel/G Day

ERIN DEWORF WMT/CEDAR RAPIDS Seal/L Womack **CARRIE EDKIN** WJET/ERIE P McGee/L Park

ALI FAITH WIFC/WASAU L Kravitz/98 Degrees/Madonna

ALLAN FEE WQAL/CLEVELAND Dido/U Kracker/5 4 Fighting

RON GERONIMO KMXP/PHOENIX 8 Stops 7/3D Down

ALISA H KPLZ/SEATLE L Womack/Fuel/G Day

DAVE HAUPT DESIRABLE DISC/DETROIT RAT Machine

WOODY HOUSTON WKFR/KALAMAZOO Dream/Everclear

DAVID J WZOK/ROCKFORD Ludacris/D Freebish/C Town

JEANINE JAMES KVUU/COLORADO SPRINGS J Joplin/BUO Souls/V Horizon

LOUIS KAPLAN KLLC/SAN FRANCISCO Olive/Sade





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

PAUL KELLY WAYV/ATLANTIC CITY Moby & G Stefani/B Spears/L Womack

RUSTY KEYES KBEE/SALT LAKE CITY 5 4 Fighting/BBMak/Dido/V Horizon

JEN KNIGHT WKRZ/WILKES-BARRE C Town/TMB Giants/Dido/U Kracker

PJ LACEY WFAT/KALAMAZOO Madonna/B Jovi

DON LONDON WPTE/NORFOLK Moby & G Stefani

TONY MASCARO WPLJ/NEW YORK Fuel/N Furtado/F Blind

MICHELLE MATTHEWS KTOZ/SPRINGFIELD Fuel/Coldplay/Madonna

KEVIN MATTHEWS WRZE/CAPE COD Pink/K-Ci & JoJo

DARREN MCPEAKE KBBY/OXNARD 5 4 Fighting/3D Down/V Horizon

DAVID MEYERS WVRV/ST. LOUIS J Joplin/Coldplay/5 4 Fighting

JAY MICHAELS KRBE/HOUSTON Pink/M Avenue/Ja Rule

TIM MICHAELSON WCDA/LEXINGTON D Henley/Dido/D Cage

STEVE MONZ WWMX/BALTIMORE B Jovi/U2

TIM MOORE WJBQ/PORTLAND, ME Dido/U2/D Gray

CHASE MURPHY WXLO/WORCESTER Fuel/BUO Souls/J Joplin **JEN MYERS** KSTZ/DES MOINES Fuel/G Day/Moby

SIMON NIGHTS KTOZ/SPRINGFIELD 5 4 Fighting/J Joplin/Madonna

TED NOAH WZBZ/ATLANTIC CITY F Hill/Da Rude/Pink

JOHN O'DEA WNNK/HARRISBURG G Day/Madonna/L Womack

MIKE O'DONNEL WRZE/CAPE COD Ja Rule/O Town/Pink

JOHN O'ROURKE WMEE/FT. WAYNE BBMak/J Joplin

NORM ON THE BARSTOOL 98PXY/ROCHESTER ATC/Pink

JERRY PADDEN WKRZ/WILKES-BARRE C Town/3D Down

KEVIN PALANA WQGN/NEW LONDON Sade/S Girls

KIM PETERSON STREETSIDE/ST LOUIS Shelby Lynne

RON PRITCHARD WKHQ/NW MICHIGAN K-Ci & JoJo/Moby/G Day

JON E QUEST WCIL/CARBONDALE R Kelly/Pink/Moby/Monifah

JOHN REYNOLDS WNKS/CHARLOTTE U2/K-Ci & JoJo/Pink

BECKY ROGERS KURB/LITTLE ROCK Seal/Everclear

MIKE ROSSI WSTW/WILMINGTON C Town/S Decision/Semisonic/5 4 Fighting MIKE SCOTT KCDU/SALINAS Kina/J Joplin

SEAN SELLERS WWZZ/WASHINGTON DC Dido/Sade

NEAL SHARPE WLNK/CHARLOTTE H & Blowfish/L Womack/Everclear

VAL STEELE KDUK/EUGENE K-Ci & JoJo/Moby

SCOOTER B. STEVENS KQBT/AUSTIN M Bleek/112

JON STEWART WSSR/TAMPA Delerium/5 4 Fighting/H & Blowfish/3D Down

JULIE STOECKEL KLLC/SAN FRANCISCO N Gordon/J Brooke

STEVE SUTER WKZN/NEW ORLEANS Dido/J Joplin/Fuel/N Furtado

DAVE SWAN KSRZ/OMAHA Madonna/Dido

BILL TROTTA WDAQ/DANBURY Seal/Delerium/5 4 Fighting

EJ TYLER KMHX/SANTA ROSA J Joplin/F Blind/V Horizon

GABRIELLE VAUGHN WPST/TRENTON J Lopez/Pink

TONY WAITEKUS WHTS/DAVENPORT F Blind/Pink/B Men/S Decision

BRUCE WAYNE WMC/MEMPHIS Everclear/B Jovi/V Horizon/L Womack

ROB WHITE CKEY/BUFFALO Coldplay/Seal HITS

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..2 WEEKS AGO .LAST WEEK

THIS WEEK

Cuts That Impact Album Sales

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1	1	1	BACKSTREET BOYS	SHAPE OF MY HEART	Jive N/A	VH1,MTV, BOX, big Top 40 action, huge LP sales
5	4	2	SHAGGY	IT WASN'T ME	MCA N/A	MTV, BOX, phones, Top 40, X-over, JAMZ, gigantic LP sales
11	5	3	CREED	WITH ARMS WIDE OPEN	Wind-Up 18004	VH1, 6x Platinum LP, still on the radio and has phones
3	3	4	LIMP BIZKIT	ROLLIN'	Flip/Interscope N/A	LP strong, PoMo, & A Rock, MTV, BOX
2	2	5	OUTKAST	MS. JACKSON/B.O.B.	LaFace/Arista N/A	MTV(Buzzworthy.com) RAP, JAMZ, X-over, BOX, BET
_	_	6	RAGE AGAINST THE MACHINE	RENEGADES OF FUNK	Epic N/A	Tons of PoMo and Active Rock, MTV, BOX, new LP breaking
7	7	7	DESTINY'S CHILD	INDEPENDENT WOMEN	Col/SMS/CRG N/A	"Charlie's Angels" (ST), BET, MTV, tons 'o radio, #9 movie
9	9	8	NELLY	E.I.	F'R/Universal N/A	BET, MTV, BOX, Top 40, X-over, RAP radio, LP 5 million +
4	6	9	R. KELLY	I WISH	Jive N/A	VH1, BET, MTV, BOX, X-over, JAMZ & Top 40, LP selling
12	10	10	LENNY KRAVITZ	AGAIN	Virgin N/A	Big Top 40, BOX, MTV, VH1, phones, Greatest Hits LP solid
18	15	11	FAITH HILL	THE WAY YOU LOVE ME	Warner Bros. N/A	LP over 4 million, Top 40 and hot at Country, VH1
14	12	12	LINKIN PARK	ONE STEP CLOSER	Warner Bros. N/A	MTV(Buzzworthy.com), BOX, LP and radio developing
8	8	13	BAHA MEN	WHO LET THE DOGS OUT	SC/Artemis 751050	Smash video, Top 40, Radio Disney, LP 2.6 million
10	13	14	RICKY MARTIN	SHE BANGS	Columbia/CRG N/A	VH1, MTV, phones, Top 40, X-over, new LP selling
13	14	15	U2	BEAUTIFUL DAY	Interscope N/A	Lots of air in multi-formats, MTV, BOX, VH1, LP selling
19	17	16	DIDO	THANK YOU	Arista N/A	LP past Platinum now, VH1, APM, PoMo, hot Top 40
6	11	17	JAY-Z	I JUST WANT TO	Roc-A-Fella/IDJ N/A	MTV, BOX, BET, LP selling, RAP & X-over air
17	21	18	3 DOORS DOWN	LOSER	Repub/Universal N/A	MTV, #1 VH1, PoMo radio, a little A Rock, 3x Platinum LP
21	19	19	LIL' BOW WOW	BOUNCE WIT ME	SS Def/Col/CRG 79476	LP gaining, new cut is "Bow Wow (That's)"
—	20	20	WU-TANG CLAN	GRAVEL PIT	Loud/Col/CRG N/A	BET, MTV, X-over, RAP, LP selling
26	22	21	DAVID GRAY	BABYLON	ATO/RCA N/A	MTV(Buzzworthy.com), VH1, Top 40, APM, PoMo, developing LP
25	24	22	MATCHBOX 20	IF YOU'RE GONE	Lava/Atl/Atl G N/A	LP past 2 million, MTV, BOX, VH1, Top 40, requests
40	33	23	BRITNEY SPEARS	STRONGER	Jive N/A	MTV, BOX, Radio Disney, Top 40, mega LP still selling
_	_	24	K-CI & JO JO	CRAZY	MCA N/A	Hot new LP, MTV, BET, VH1, BOX, X-over and Top 40
15	16	25	GODSMACK	AWAKE	Repub/Universal N/A	Developing LP, MTV, BOX, Active Rock and PoMo radio

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20	25	26	OFFSPRING	ORIGINAL PRANKSTER	Columbia/CRG N/A	A Rock, PoMo, Top 40, MTV, BOX, LP selling
30	28	27	AARON CARTER	PARTY/CANDY	Jive 42691	Radio Disney, "Party" selling singles and LPs
16	18	28	LUDACRIS	WHAT'S YOUR FANTASY	DJ South/IDJ 562944	MTV, BOX, BET, X-over, RAP air, Platinum plus LP
23	23	29	ERYKAH BADU	BAG LADY	Motown 158274	MTV, BET, X-over, JAMZ, "Didn't Cha Know" up next
27	27	30	MYSTIKAL	SHAKE YA ASS	Jive N/A	MTV, BET, BOX, X-over, RAP, Top 40, LP up this week, phones
29	30	31	BLINK 182	MAN OVERBOARD	MCA N/A	MTV, BOX, PoMo, Active Rock, LP selling
22	26	32	JA RULE	BETWEEN ME AND YOU	Murder Inc./IDJ N/A	BOX, MTV, BET, RAP, X-over, phones, LP selling
37	35	33	98 °	MY EVERYTHING	Universal N/A	Strong at Top 40 radio, LP selling steadily, MTV, BOX
31	32	34	JILL SCOTT	GETTIN' IN THE WAY	HB/Epic N/A	Hot at MTV, VH1, BET, X-over, JAMZ, LP selling
_	_	35	MADONNA	DON'T TELL ME	Wa rn er Bros . N/A	Second track from current LP, MTV, VH1, Top 40, BOX
39	37	36	SADE	BY YOUR SIDE	Epic N/A	BET, VH1, BOX, X-Over, Top 40, APM, JAMZ, hot LP sales
—	38	37	EMINEM	STAN	AM/Interscope N/A	MTV, X-over, Rap, BET, BOX, huge LP selling steadily
—	_	38	LIL BOW WOW	BOW WOW (THAT'S)	SS Def/Col/CRG 79487	Follow up to smash, RAP, X-over, MTV, BET, BOX, hot LP
41	39	39	MOBY	SOUTHSIDE	V2 27674	PoMo, APM, VH1, MTV, Platinum plus LP, single sells
_	42	40	LIFEHOUSE	HANGING BY A MOMENT	DreamWorks N/A	MTV, PoMo, Active Rock, phones, developing LP
28	29	41	MADONNA	MUSIC	Warner Bros. 16816	Top 40, Modern Adult, LP & single sells, "Dont" MTV, VH1
24	31	42	MUSIQ SOULCHILD	JUST FRIENDS	Def Soul/IDJ N/A	X-over, JAMZ, developing LP sales, MTV, BOX, BET, VH1
33	34	43	GREEN DAY	MINORITY	Reprise N/A	Still at Top 40, LP selling, VH1, MTV, "Warning" next
32	40	44	DISTURBED	STUPIFY	Giant/Reprise N/A	LP Platinum, PoMo, A Rock, "Voices" working now
34	36	45	NELLY	COUNTRY GRAMMAR	F'R/Universal 156800	Falling after breaking act, "E.I." hot now
36	41	46	SOULDECISION	FADED	MCA 56506	MTV, Top 40, Radio Disney, phones
42	43	47	PINK	MOST GIRLS	LaFace/Arista N/A	Platinum-plus LP, X-over, Top 40, "You Make Me" next
44	45	48	PAPA ROACH	BROKEN HOME	DreamWorks N/A	BOX, MTV, has Active Rock, PoMo, Platinum LP
47	48	49	FUEL	HEMORRHAGE (IN MY)	Epic N/A	MTV, VH1, Top 40, A Rock, PoMo, LP Gold plus
48	49	50	BON JOVI	IT'S MY LIFE	Island/IDJ N/A	Falling slowly, Platinum-plus LP, "Thank You" now

XZIBIT (Loud) POWER JENNIFER LOPEZ (Epic) **POTENTIALS:** BON JOVI (Island/IDJ)

PINK (LaFace/Arista) FAITH HILL (Interscope) BBMAK (Hollywood)

SHAGGY (MCA) JAY-Z (Roc-A-Fella/IDJ) LEE ANN WOMAK (Universal) /





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					TOTAL	MAJOR MARKET		
LW	TW	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL	TOTAL PLAYS			REPORTS
1	1	DESTINY'S CHILD	INDEPENDENT WOMEN	COLUMBIA/SMS/CRG	13475	5175	0	226
2	2	CREED	WITH ARMS WIDE OPEN	WIND-UP	11527	4608	0	231
5	3	SHAGGY	IT WASN'T ME	MCA	11414	4445	1	209
3	4	MATCHBOX 20	IF YOU'RE GONE	LAVA/ATL/ATL G	11105	3879	2	248
4	5	MYA	CASE OF THE EX	UNIVERSITY/INTERSCOPE	10335	3563	0	195
7	6	SAMANTHA MUMBA	GOTTA TELL YOU	INTERSCOPE	8447	2330	0	184
6	7	3 DOORS DOWN	KRYPTONITE	REPUBLIC/UNIVERSAL	8268	3545	0	1 81
12	8	EVAN & JARON	CRAZY FOR THIS GIRL	COLUMBIA/CRG	7584	2595	4	230
13	9	DREAM	HE LOVES U NOT	BAD BOY/ARISTA	7570	2513	8	198
9	10	BARENAKED LADIES	PINCH ME	REPRISE	7373	2589	0	193
8	11	NSYNC	THIS I PROMISE YOU	JIVE	7343	2230	0	176
10	12	PINK	MOST GIRLS	LAFACE/ARISTA	6864	2254	0	145
14	13	DEBELAH MORGAN	DANCE WITH ME	ATLANTIC/ATL G	6715	2107	0	161
11	14	BACKSTREET BOYS	SHAPE OF MY HEART	JIVE	6626	1954	0	185
17	15	LENNY KRAVITZ	AGAIN	VIRGIN	6606	2477	10	231
22	16	JENNIFER LOPEZ	LOVE DON'T COST A THING	EPIC	6136	2063	2	211
15	17	FAITH HILL	THE WAY YOU LOVE ME	WARNER BROS.	6049	2053	2	196
16	18	KANDI	DON'T THINK I'M NOT	COLUMBIA/CRG	5672	1678	0	136
21	19	NELLY	E.I.	FO' REEL/UNIVERSAL	5388	2255	11	188
32	20	MADONNA	DON'T TELL ME	WARNER BROS.	5183	1743	10	224
23	21	BRITNEY SPEARS	STRONGER	JIVE	5019	1338	2	174
25	22	U2	BEAUTIFUL DAY	INTERSCOPE	4757	1628	7	207
18	23	VERTICAL HORIZON	YOU'RE A GOD	RCA	4741	1845	0	132
27	24	98 °	MY EVERYTHING	UNIVERSAL	4622	1237	5	187
19	25	SOULDECISION	FADED	MCA	4614	1742	0	112
33	26	K-CI & JOJO	CRAZY	MCA	4270	1386	8	155
26	27	JA RULE	BETWEEN ME AND YOU	MURDER INC./IDJ	4169	1793	1	127
28	28	OUTKAST	MS. JACKSON	LAFACE/ARISTA	4034	1965	35	126
20	29	RICKY MARTIN	SHE BANGS	COLUMBIA/CRG	3757	1383	0	110
29	30	EVERCLEAR	AM RADIO	CAPITOL	3676	1081	8	171







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					TOTAL	MAJOR MARKET		
LW	TW	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL	PLAYS		ADDS	REPORTS
31	31	LUDACRIS	WHAT'S YOUR FANTASY	DEF JAM SOUTH/IDJ	3542	1606	5	103
24	32	MADONNA	MUSIC	WARNER BROS.	3536	1468	0	100
38	33	BBMAK	STILL ON YOUR SIDE	HOLLYWOOD	3479	1005	8	163
35	34	DAVID GRAY	BABYLON	ATO/RCA	3456	1246	10	187
30	35	EMINEM	STAN	AFTERMATH/INTERSCOPE	3442	1114	2	155
36	36	JAY-Z	I JUST WANNA LOVE U	ROC-A-FELLA/IDJ	3332	1628	4	114
37	37	MIKAILA	SO IN LOVE WITH TWO	ISLAND/IDJ	3117	734	2	146
42	38	3LW	NO MORE	EPIC	2990	1013	8	11
44	39	R. KELLY	I WISH	JIVE	2699	1216	13	102
40	40	RUFF ENDZ	NO MORE	EPIC	2526	836	0	72
41	41	MATCHBOX 20	BENT	LAVA/ATL/ATL G	2414	1238	0	90
34	42	NINEDAYS	IFIAM	EPIC	2410	884	1	104
52	43	FUEL	HEMORRHAGE	EPIC	2220	816	18	139
48	44	BON JOVI	THANK YOU FOR LOVING ME	ISLAND/IDJ	2216	581	8	140
47	45	DEXTER FREEBISH	LEAVING TOWN	CAPITOL	2178	640	7	119
43	46	EVERCLEAR	WONDERFUL	CAPITOL	2175	1150	0	74
46	47	CORRS	BREATHLESS	143/LAVA/ATL/AG	2046	998	2	73
39	48	VITAMIN C	THE ITCH	ELEKTRA/EEG	1946	513	0	99
45	49	SHAWN MULLINS	EVERYWHERE I GO	COLUMBIA/CRG	1868	771	0	75
57	50	GREEN DAY	MINORITY	REPRISE	1816	525	8	131
56	51	NELLY FURTADO	I'M LIKE A BIRD	DREAMWORKS	1772	548	12	115
50	52	T-BOZ	MY GETAWAY	MAVERICK	1710	307	0	103
60	53	DIDO	THANK YOU	ARISTA	1635	832	11	77
49	54	NELLY	COUNTRY GRAMMAR	FO' REEL/UNIVERSAL	1624	493	0	57
_	55	O-TOWN	LIQUID DREAMS	J RECORDS	1578	539	9	127
53	56	CHRISTINA AGUILERA	COME ON OVER BABY	RCA	1499	765	0	52
58	57	SISTER HAZEL	CHAMPAGNE HIGH	UNIVERSAL	1498	526	1	81
54	58	SPICE GIRLS	HOLLER	VIRGIN	1497	333	3	91
_	59	PINK	YOU MAKE ME SICK	LAFACE/ARISTA	1474	431	26	146
51	60	BON JOVI	IT'S MY LIFE	ISLAND/IDJ	1436	592	0	49

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EQUEST

Colonel Klink does not call in.

LW	тw	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL H	IOTS	INCL	UDING		%
1	1	SHAGGY	lt Wasn't Me	MCA	53	KRBE WKPK	WKTU WRZE	WDJX WNOU	40
2	2	DESTINY'S CHILD	Independent Women	Col/SMS/CRG	29	WGTZ WQSM	B94 WKFR	XL106 WBBO	22
5	3	BACKSTREET BOYS	Shape Of My Heart	Jive	26	KBEE WMEE	WTSS WSTW	KIMN WIFC	19
8	4	BRITNEY SPEARS	Stronger	Jive	25	KZQZ WHTS	XL106 KSXY	KZZP WIOG	19
6	5	MATCHBOX 20	If You're Gone	Lava/Atl/Atl G	24	KPLZ WTCF	KALC WKDD	WWMX KOSO	18
4	6	EMINEM	Stan	After/Interscope	23	KMXV WBHT	WRVW WQGN	KXXM WPST	17
7	7	NELLY	E.I.	Fo' Reel/Universal	22	WBLI WBAM	KMXV KDUK	WWZZ WJBQ	16
9	8	NSYNC	This I Promise You	Jive	21	KBIG WZOK	Z100 WNNK	WKSI WXLO	16
3	9	CREED	With Arms Wide Open	Wind-Up	20	WLNK WZYP	WPTE WFAT	WOMX WCGQ	15
	10	DREAM	He Loves U Not	Bad Boy/Arista	19	98PXY WKST	WWZZ WAYV	B94 WJBT	14
10	11	ΜΥΑ	Case Of The Ex	University/Inter	18	KUMX WLAN	WNKS WCIL	WKZL WXKB	13
14	12	EVERCLEAR	AM Radio	Capitol	17	KRSK KKPN	WTMX KCDU	WKZN WRAL	13
11	13	DAVID GRAY	Babylon	ATO/RCA	16	KALC WURU	WQAL WIXX	KDMX KZPT	12
13	14	LUDACRIS	What's Your Fantasy	Def Jam South/IDJ	15	KHTS KQBT	98PXY KKUU	WVSR KKSS	11
17	15	OUTKAST	Ms. Jackson	LaFace/Arista	14	KKFR KWWV	KKSS KKUU	WDBT KRQ	10
14	16	DIDO	Thank You	Arista	13	KEZR KUSR	WWMX KTOZ	КҒМВ КМНХ	10
18	17	EVAN & JARON	Crazy For This	Columbia/CRG	12	KYSR KSII	CKEY WJLK	WTSS WMC	9
15	18	U2	Beautiful Day	Interscope	11	CKEY KSRZ	WVRV WHZZ	KQMB WDAQ	8
20	19	LENNY KRAVITZ	Again	Virgin	10	KLLC KSTZ	WSSR WCDA	KMXP KVUU	7
19	20	K-CI & JOJO	Crazy	MCA	9	KKRZ KWWV	KFAT WKXJ	KSEQ KKSS	7

Total stations reporting this week: 151





IDEA BOX: Artemis Records artist **Josh Joplin** (2 fr *l*) was in seventh heaven after meeting Musicland Senior VP of Purchasing **Dick Odette** (*l*). "I love Motel 6," he gushed. "You always leave the light on for me." Artemis President **Daniel Glass** and the label's **Rob Chapman** profusely apologized for the singer's faux pas, then took Odette up on his offer to let them use his new Best Buy discount card to acquire a **Beatles** CD for \$1.99 with every purchase of a microwave oven. Shortly after this shot was taken, the four asked Joplin for his rendition of "Mercedes Benz."

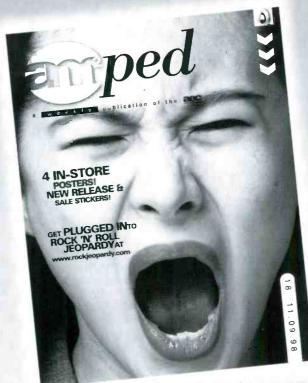


SWEDISH MEATBALLS: MCA act A*Teens celebrate the Gold status of its "The ABBA Generation" with a few bottles of lingonberry wine. Afterward, (I-r) Bandana Mgmt.'s Julia Gibb, MCA's Jayne Simon, the band's Amit & Marie, Stockholm Records' Anders Johanssen, MCA President Jay Boberg, the band's Sara, Stockholm's Johanna Bostrom, the band's Dhani, MCA VP PR Lillian Matulic, band mgr. John Coon and Stockholm's Jens Eriksson headed to IKEA to buy new display frames.



COLD SWEAT: Elektra recording artist Keith Sweat (c) comes offstage from his highly successful concert/canned-food drive at the Apollo Theater to find the label's (I-r) Sr. VP Urban Promotions Richard Nash, Exec. VP A&R Merlin Bobb, Exec. VP/GM Greg Thompson, VP Xover Promotion Joe Hecht, VP Urban Promotion Mike Kelly and Sr. VP Sales Ron Spalding trying to figure out if their presence is deductible as a charitable donation. Wouldn't this issue make perfect kindling for a Yule log?

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Pop Go The Weasels

2000 in review: A few labels changed promotion heads. A few labels went away. A big companv bought another big company & fired a lot of people. Columbia had a zillion hits. (Save this paragraph, it's a sure bet we can use it again next year)... Speaking of Charlie Walk & Lee Leipsner & their team of foot soldiers, the year ends with a bang as they deliver another #1 with Destiny's Child, bring home Ricky Martin, Evan & Jaron and Kandi & light fires under Crazy Town & Five For Fighting. New Son By Four & Lil Bow Wow hit in January too ...



Charlie Walk: All hits all the time.

Kudos to Steve Bartels' Arista team on the big Pop bang with the Outkast "Ms. Jackson" homerun... Brenda Romano & Chris Lopes' Interscope troops wind it up with smashes from Eminem, Mya, Samantha Mumba, Limp Bizkit, U2 & Marilyn Manson. Another amazing year ... Hilary Shaev's newly combined Epic kingdom has Fuel kicking in huge & Sade selling like crazy—watch this one go Pop in a big way after the break... Look for Andrea Ganis' Atlantic squad to go big for the Corrs in Jan.— the callout at Adult is ridiculously huge. New Rod Stewart on the way as well... The greatest Pop year ever may belong to Jive's Joe Riccitelli & Trish Bock. It's not NSYNC vs Backstreet at retail anymore—it's BSB vs the Beatles! What's this world coming to?.. RCA's David Gray will now close all the way at Pop, as Geslin & Carlton break a major artist. The Christina Aguilera XMAS record is seeing major action & new Vertical Horizon on 1/8 should go big... Ken Lane's year at the helm of IDJ has been a success & he closes it out with Jay-Z & Ja Rule on fire & Bon Jovi & Mikaila closing fast... O-Town's debut on Clive Davis' J Records is off to a great start for Richard Palmese & Steve Kline & they'll have a ton of action & releases in '01... Todd Glassman & Artemis had their 1st hit this year with Baha Men & they'll follow it up in Jan. & break new artist Josh Joplin too... Huge 4th Q for the WB team as Biery, Boulos, Connone & Flea nail down Faith Hill & another Madonna smash... With 98° & Nelly hummin', look for Universal's Charlie Foster to launch ATC after the 1st... Congrats to MCA hitters Craig Lambert & Bonnie Goldner on delivering big with Shaggy & K-Ci & JoJo. Get ready for Modjo.... Green Day keeps performing bigtime wherever it goes on-Reprise slammers Costello & Leben are going for the throat... Strong finish for Virgin domos Plen & Nauman as Lenny Kravitz goes the distance & Spice Girls keeps comin' on ... V2's Matt Pollack goes into the break with Moby breaking at multi-formats & new Blessid Union hitting the first week back... Hollywood topper Justin Fontaine has his 2nd solid hit in a row from BBMak & a bunch more on tap next year... Elektra's Dennis Reese, always an airplay-getting monster, is gearing up for big Lugo action, with chatter building already... Capitol's Burt Baumgartner & Michael Steele are delivering the airplay on Everclear again, as Dexter Freebish continues to gain strength... Look for Restless honcho Dave "Rambo" Darus to crank hard with They Might Be Giants, now officially set for 1/8 impact... Music we love: Jingle Dogs, the Chipmunks & Nat King Cole. Merry XMAS, Happy New Year, GAME OVER!!!



I SMELL A RAT: A pack of giant sewer rats invaded the XL106.7 studio. Grace Vasquez (fr I), Doc Holliday, Hyla, Johnny Magic and Buckethead turned to Kathie Lee (f) for help. The entertainer agreed to lure away the rodents, as long as the staff agreed to work at her clothing company. Boy, they sure do miss those rats...



THE WAY TO A WOMAN'S HEART: Lenny Kravitz and Z100's Cubby Bryant were scoping the party for mistletoe candidates when HITS' own Bobbii Hach entered the VFW Hall. "She'll melt for my All-American charm," bragged Cubby. Argued Lenny, "No woman can resist my sex appeal." Bobbii, however, made a love connection with the dessert table.

It's been a rocket ride since Steve

Bartels grabbed the promo throne

at the new, L.A. Reid-regime

Arista. Bartels, the one-time

medallion-polisher for promotion

legend Charlie Minor, has nailed

down hit after hit and kept the

label on a roll that has no ap-

parent end in sight. The tran-

sition from the previous powers

was handled flawlessly, and they've

delivered again and again. It's

been a massively active fall, with

multiple hits from Pink, a debut

smash from Dream, a huge artist

development success with **Dido**,



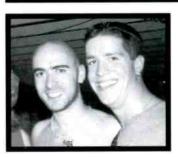


Steve Bartels: Nice start!

an across-the-board nuclear explosion with **Outkast**, **Toni Braxton**, **Usher** and more. Big ups to the label's promo force, including national hotshots Jeff **Backer**, **Etoile Zisselman & Joe Reichling**, who have been a consistent dominant force. Bartels and his crew will continue to deliver a full slate of hits in the new year, in addition to polishing Jerry Blair's hand-made loafers to a dazzling shine. Are we done yet?



HOLY NIGHT OF SHOPPING: Roxette's Per Gessle and Marie Fredriksson were delighted when WKRQ's Brian Douglas and Tommy Frank invited them to spend the holidays. The radio guys made their Swedish guests feel at home by taking them to IKEA on Christmas Eve and springing for the meatball dinners.



STOCKING STUFFING: WDAQ Danbury, CT's Andy Carlisle (r) tells Live's Ed Kowalczyk (I) Santa probably won't bring him a Betty Spaghetti doll because he didn't make his bed. Ed shuttered to remember what his gift was when he didn't curb his dog all year.



Lee Leipsner: Crazy like a fox.



Ron Geslin: The best he's ever had.

Get into that stack of CDs on your desk and find "Butterfly" by Crazy Town—the debut from a South-Central L.A.-based band with a unique take on rap-rock. The band calls it "X-rated Dennis the Menace". We call it "Smash". Columbia promo lord Lee Leipsner has massive multiformat action brewing, with a strong run at Pop ready to fly. Merry Xmas. Happy Chanukah. Happy New Year. Happy Birthday. Can we go now?

One of the great Pop/Rock success stories that helped fuel the Top 40 engines in 2000, Vertical Horizon is about to kick off 2001 with its strongest mass-appeal offering yet. "The Best I Ever Had" is already a favorite to anyone familiar with the album and this one has "hit" written all over it. RCA chieftain Ron Geslin is loaded for bear on 1/8. Until then he'll just be loaded. Pass the eggnog. Can we go now?

Top Thirty Countdown

Critic's Corner is busy hacking into Santa's computerized Christmas list, so the folks at Radio Disney are sharing their chart to make the season bright. High up on the list of good boys and girls is Epic's Hilary Shaev. The Jennifer Lopez smash "Love Don't Cost A Thing" makes its appearence on Radio Disney's airwaves-without the help of eight tiny reindeer.



Hilary Shaev: There's always room for J-Lo.

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LW	TW	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL
1	1	Baha Men	Who Let The Dogs	S-Curve/Artemis
2	2	Backstreet Boys	Shape Of My Heart	Jive
3	3	Britney Spears	Lucky	Jive
6	4	NSYNC	Bye Bye Bye	Jive
4	5	Britney Spears	Stronger	Jive
7	6	NSYNC	lt's Gonna Be Me	Jive
8	7	Britney Spears	OopsI Did It Again	Jive
5	8	Aaron Carter	Aaron's Party	Jive
9	9	Aaron Carter	l Want Candy	Jive
10	10	Hampton The Hamster	Hamsterdance	Koch
12	11	Eiffel 65	Blue	Repub/Universal
13	12	Christina Aguilera	Come On Over	RCA
11	13	Destiny's Child	Independent Woman	Col/CRG
14	14	NSYNC	This I Promise You	Jive
	15	S Club 7	S Club Party	Interscope
16	16	Destiny's Child	Jumpin' Jumpin'	Col/CRG
15	17	2Gether	The Hardest Part	TVT
24	18	Bon Jovi	lt's My Life	Island/IDJ
20	19	A*Teens	Bouncing Off The	MCA
	20	S Club 7	Natural	Interscope
21	21	Pink	Most Girls	LaFace/Arista
22	22	A*Teens	Mama Mia	MCA
—	23	Dream	He Loves You Not	Arista
18	24	Smash Mouth	All Star	Interscope
19	25	Backstreet Boys	Larger Than Life	Jive
	26	Elmo & Patsy	Grandma Got Run	Walt Disney
17	27	A*Teens	Dancing Queen	MCA
23	28	ninedays	Absloutely	Epic
28	29	102 Dalmations	Digga Dog	Walt Disney
29	30	Backstreet Boys	The One	Jive

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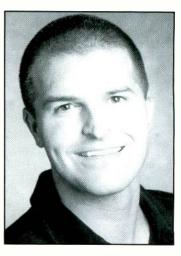
(continued from page 98) Top news of this final episode of Wavelength for Y2K is the imminent appointment of former Arista Crossover maven Tom Maffei to Sr. VP at Priority. In his new position, Maffei will (a) Make a lot of bling-bling, (b) Move to LA & transfer his posing position from Barneys to Fred Segal & (c) Claim he is best pals with Shaquille O'Neal & Wayne Gretzky instead of Derek Jeter & Latrell Sprewell The other big news is the rumors surrounding Radio One & its new KKBT LA property. More than one highly placed source tells us that Steve Hegwood & the company are working out an exit package that will include consulting, enabling Hegwood to remain on payroll, while

allowing the corp. to assuage Wall Street with continuity. Also, word has it that longtime & highly successful KBXX Houston PD Robert Scorpio could be spending the New Year in LA, running the programming at The Beat. If true, does this mean that the station will return to its hip-hop roots & its head-tohead battle with KPWR?... Has the #1 rated 99X Atlanta AM show, "Morning X," been approached to leave the market & peddle its wares in a larger arena?..... Rose City's **KXJM** Portland PD Mark Adams has been named Dir. of Prog. He promotes PM driver Mario DeVoe to APD..... WVMX Cincy PD Brad Ellis exits. Crosstown sister station WKFS PD Rod Phillips will

MOST ADDED at Top 40

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absorb the duties..... Former KQMQ Honolulu PD Jacque Gonzales-James joins KRBV Dallas as APD/MD..... KLNA Sacto PD Steve Wall is out. Sister station KTTA PD Juan Gonzales will handle his duties..... As is our year-end tradition, we list those friends who are in need of jobs. Remember them now, for they have remembered us in the past: Jim Elliot, Charese Fruge, Dave Eubanks, Dave Ross, Linda Silver, Lynn McDonnell, Kurt Steffek, Bob West, Chuck Field, Tom Calococci, Kim Hughes, Lisa Trygg, Russ Allen, Gregg Bell, Michelle St. Clair, Tami Morrissey, Mike Savage, Dan Watson, Geno Pearson, Ed Brown, Ron Nenni, Mario Moussavi, Kandy Klutch, Steve Tipp, Steve Perez, John Sigler, Kyle Gibson, Barney Kilpatrick, Steve Ellis, Jeff Myles & anyone else Murphy forgot to list.... And here's the lovely and talented Mr. Tom Maffei, Snoop's new top dog!



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