

THE BUZZ

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CHARTS

Hot 20 Songs

1. I'm With You - Avril Lavigne
2. Cry Me A River - Justin Timberlake
3. Don't Walk Away Eileen - Sam Roberts
4. Beautiful - Christina Aguilera
5. Don't Believe It All - Treble Charger
6. Gossip Folks - Missy Elliott ft. Ludacris
7. Breath - Swollen Members ft. Nelly Furtado
8. Honestly - Zwan
9. Can't Stop - Red Hot Chili Peppers
10. In Da Club - 50 Cent
11. Still Waiting - Sum 41
12. Mesmerize - Ja Rule ft. Ashanti
13. The Anthem - Good Charlotte
14. Bump, Bump, Bump - B2K
15. Up! - Shania Twain
16. Make Up Your Mind - Theory of a Deadman
17. In This Life - Chantal Kreviazuk
18. Lonesome Day - Bruce Springsteen
19. Jenny From The Block - Jennifer Lopez
20. Now That You're Leaving - Not By Choice

Box Office

1. Cradle 2 the Grave
2. Old School
3. Daredevil
4. How To Lose A Guy in Ten Days
5. Chicago
6. The Jungle Book 2
7. Shanghai Knights
8. The Life of David Gale
- Tears of the Sun *New*
- Bringing Down the House *New*

On Video

1. One Hour Photo
2. The Tuxedo
3. My Big Fat Greek Wedding
4. Road to Perdition
5. Knockaround Guys
6. Sweet Home Alabama
7. Stealing Harvard
- The Ring *New*
- Half Past Dead *New*
- Jonah: A Veggie Tales Movie *New*

Pick Hits



ON DVD

ELVIS - THE GREAT PERFORMANCES

Rhino and Andrew Soft's Sofa Entertainment have seized the opportunity to recycle and re-energize a trio of **Elvis Presley** clips collections from the 1990s in the three-DVD set *Elvis: The Great Performances*. The clips range from an early '50s home movie, possibly the first images of Presley on a stage, to a video of the sun King just six months before his inglorious death. The images are all full-screen. Quality of the footage ranges from ragged to pristine, with the criteria seeming to be quality of performance. The set includes a discography and filmography. Easter eggs include Presley jamming with Liberace in a dressing room (no audio, alas) and a terrific King Creole trailer.

OFF THE RECORD

SUPERGRASS - LIFE ON OTHER PLANETS

With their youthful exuberance alive and well, UK upstart pop-rockers **Supergrass** have reinvented themselves on their fourth release. While the debts to rockers past are obvious, Supergrass uses those classic elements and hooks as inspiration rather than imitation. From the first lines of the swaggering pop *Seen The Light*, you'll hear echoes of the glam rock days of **T. Rex** and **Mott The Hoople**. And, by the time the chorus rolls around, you'll already be declaring the song a classic. The dozen songs clock in at just over 40 minutes, a sensible time in these days of 75-minute releases which, I'm sure, meant whittling the disc down to its best tracks, a lesson that most other groups would do well to heed. Definitely a strong album.

AT THE MOVIES

TEARS OF THE SUN

Bruce Willis stars as Lt. A.K. Waters, the loyal veteran officer of a Navy S.E.A.L. unit. When he's sent into the heart of Africa, the usually hard-bitten Waters finds himself deeply conflicted at having to choose between following orders and the dictates of his own conscience. The script is practically a silent movie; dialogue is little more than lock-jawed, tough-guy grunts from the soldiers and some indignant, heavily-accented squawks. The rest is jungle noises, gunfire, and **Hans Zimmer**'s rickety music. Director **Antoine Fuqua** punches the familiar story across with fierce efficiency, with a blood-and-thunder climax.

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Static-X are still hard at work writing new material for their next album and are presently planning to begin recording it in March/April with an as of yet unannounced producer. A summer release date through Warner is expected.

Ex-**Mötley Crüe** drummer **Tommy Lee** is about to start work on a follow up to his former band's critically acclaimed book *The Dirt*. The as yet untitled tome will detail his post-Crüe antics including his marriage to former *Baywatch* babe **Pamela Anderson**.

WWE Superstar **Kurt Angle** will miss this year's *WrestleMania* and up to a year of action due to a neck injury that will require surgery and rehabilitation. Angle's career is not in any threat at this point, although this injury is certainly unfortunate for him, as this would be his first chance to headline *WrestleMania* as the WWE Champion.

NFL sources are reporting that the league has decided to discontinue season-ending Monday night games and will offer ABC a Thursday opener in exchange. It is expected that ESPN will gain two Saturday night games at the end of the season. A potential Thursday opener is Dallas in New York to play the Jets.

Former **Jimi Hendrix Experience** bassist **Noel Redding** may sue the Hendrix estate for upward of \$5 million in royalties he believes are owed to him. Redding claims he signed off on future payments in the '70s after incorrectly being told that no more Experience material would be released.

Rush have been inducted into the Canadian Music Industry Hall of Fame, but singer-bassist **Geddy Lee** seems to imply that Rush may even decide to call it above.



METAL MUSICAL CHAIRS

In what has the potential to turn into a bizarre game of musical chairs, former **Metallica** bassist **Jason Newsted** is set to audition for the slot in **Ozzy Osbourne**'s band left vacant by the recent departure of current Metallica four-stringer **Robert Trujillo**. Newsted, who is already confirmed to appear at this year's *Ozzfest* as a member of **Voivod**, reportedly got a call from the Osbourne camp inviting him to come down and "jam" with the rest of **Ozzy**'s band, which presently includes drummer **Mike Bordin** and guitarist **Zakk Wylde**.

"The door goes two ways at this point," Lee explains. "Either we dive into the next project in a year, or we just find that we've had our fill and move on."

Bruce Springsteen's homecoming has broken a record. Fans of the musician snapped up tickets to seven July shows in Giants Stadium, the first time in Ticketmaster history that a performer had sold tickets for seven stadium dates in a single day.

Oscar winner **Anthony Hopkins** married antique dealer **Stella Arroyave** during a private ceremony in Malibu.

It's looking like **Limp Bizkit** and the WWE are continuing to show love for one another. The rap-rockers will perform at the *WrestleMania* pay-per-view event on March 30.

Ashanti and **Musiq** took top honors, while **Mariah Carey** and **LL Cool J** received career achievement awards, at the 17th annual Soul Train Awards.

Clear Channel will announce a plan that would enable the company to record live CDs of concerts and have them ready to sell to concertgoers five minutes after the show's conclusion.

Fox announced that the drama 24, which features a real-time action-packed hour per episode, had secured its spot on the network's prime-time lineup next season.

ABC has renewal orders for spy series *Alias* and a whole slew of sitcoms, including *8 Simple Rules for Dating My Teenage Daughter*. According to Jim, George Lopez, *Less Than Perfect*, *Life with Bonnie* and *My Wife and Kids*.

Penguin Group announced that **Madonna** has written five illustrated story books for young readers aged 6 and