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Meet iHeartCountry's Rod Phillips

Adding Country Brand Manager responsibilities two months ago (Breaking News 6/30), iHeartMedia SVP/Programming Rod Phillips now steers the biggest format ship for radio's biggest company. Country Aircheck checked in with the captain of the newly branded "iHeartCountry."

CA: You were instrumental in moving The Bobby Bones Show to Country, but beyond that, what is your background with the format?



RP: Unofficially, my background in Country started when I became a fan of the music courtesy of meeting my wife, so I guess I have her to thank. Officially, I became connected to so many great Country brands when I became SVPP/Southeast Region, working with stations like WKKT/Charlotte, WUSY/Chattanooga, WQIK/Jacksonville, WSSL/Greenville, SC and so many more including new launches like WNCB/Raleigh and WSCG/Augusta, GA. I

directly oversee 39 Country brands and The Bobby Bones Show. I can honestly say Country is my favorite format and to have the chance to lead iHeartCountry is simply amazing.

Who do you know well in this world? Who do you need/want to get to know?

Most of the people I've met have been through my connection to the stations I mentioned. But with a few exceptions, I wasn't working day-to-day with the record community. I've really enjoyed branching out and meeting artist management teams and individuals – and I have [former format captain] Clay Hunnicutt and [SVPP] John Ivey to thank for that. Those guys have been terrific and instrumental in so many great early conversations in Nashville. I have to say, everyone has opened that door and I feel very welcome here. I want to meet everyone from the heads of labels to the folks pounding the pavement who do a terrific job with our stations and PDs. (continued on page 6)



Courtesy Of The Red, White And Blue: Show Dog's Toby Keith (c) at his St. Louis tour stop with (l-r) WIL's Danny Montana, Bo Matthews and Jim Day and the label's Rick Moxley.

Be True To Your School

Cumulus/Nashville's Charlie Cook, Westwood One's Joe Wade Formicola and WMIL/Milwaukee's Karen Dalessandro walked different paths to make their mark in Country radio. But they all have one thing in common: their journey began at the Specs Howard School of Media Arts in Southfield, MI. As the school celebrates its 45th anniversary, we spoke with them, plus Specs instructor and VP/Industry Relations Dick Kernen to find out what makes it so special.

Cook, Class of 1970 and a 2011 Country Radio Hall of Fame inductee, has a public television auction to thank for his time at Specs [then called the Lee Alan School of Broadcast Arts]. "I was going to college and driving a dry cleaner's truck at night with a family to support," he says. "I was watching TV and the school came up as an auction item. I had \$320 to my name from an income tax return. Somebody bid \$400 and I didn't get it. About

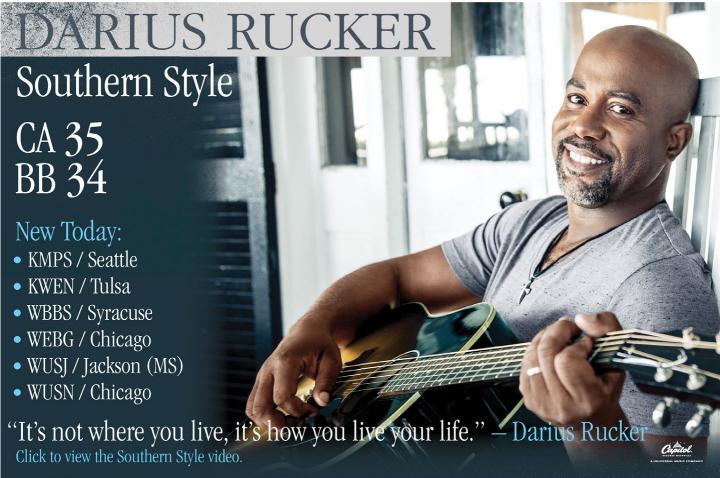




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a week later the TV station called and said, 'Hey that guy who outbid you changed his mind. If you still want it, you can have it for \$320.' I'm not sure I'd be in radio today had I not done that."



Cook's instructor was then-WXYZ/Detroit's middayer Johnny Randall. "He was one of my favorite disc jockeys," says Cook. "I had so much respect for him. I liked him as a disc jockey – and there I was sitting in class with him. That really kept me passionate and excited about getting into the business."

Like Cook, Formicola was already going to college and also driving a truck to make ends meet. He was interested in the school's practical, targeted curriculum and graduated

in 1972 in the first class of the school newly named after Howard. "If you go to Specs, you'll actually learn what radio's all about," he says. "Nowadays, if you have a liberal arts degree and four years in college, it doesn't do you any good. If you want to learn how to edit audio, video, be on the air, you should check out this school."

Class of 1980 graduate and 2015 Country Radio Hall Of Fame inductee Dalessandro enrolled in Specs immediately after high school. "I feel like I owe them my career," she says. "Everybody who is there has been in radio and knows the business. You can't learn from better people, from people who have lived it. If I hadn't gotten all the basics there, I don't know that I'd be sitting here today."

Kernen has been with the school nearly 44 years. "I'm 77 years old and I go to work five days a week," he says. "People ask, 'When are you going to retire?' I say, 'People retire from jobs. I guess if I had one, I'd probably retire from it.' Specs is 89 years old and he comes in every day too. We're the only two people at the school who hate snow days.

"We work very hard at getting students ready for employment – and it goes way beyond the demo," adds Kernen. "How to interview for a job, for example. That sounds silly, but in this business it's almost unheard of for anyone to be hired that hasn't sat across

the desk from an employer. The impression you make in that interview is critical. We have eight people in our Career Services department who show up five days a week for one reason – to help our graduates get jobs."

A lot has changed in 45 years. "We have 20 radio studios today," says Kernen. "When I started, we had three. The four-foot-long board with all kinds of knobs and dials looked really cool. Today, we have laptop computers."





Set In Stone: Then-KZLA/Los Angeles APD/MD Mandy McCormack with Atlantic's Doug Stone during a station visit in the late '90s. Send your own throwbacks pagethreepic@countryaircheck.com.

Yet even though technology has changed, the school's goal remains the same. "Dick's passion is to make radio a little bit better every day," says Cook. "And the best way he knows how to do that



is to teach someone how to do it correctly and then say, 'Go forth, my son, and populate radio.' It's not about the theory of radio. It's about putting your hand out and networking. It's being cognizant of what's going on around you so you can learn how to communicate it to your audience. This school immerses you in the culture of radio so you don't stumble for the first year. You really do hit the ground running." Reach Cook here; Formicola here; Dalessandro here; and Kernen here. — Wendy Newcomer

Chart Chat

Congrats to **Dustin Lynch, Carson James, Lee Adams** and

the **Broken Bow** promotion staff on scoring this week's No. 1 with "Hell Of A Night." The song is the second chart-topper from his album Where It's At, joining the title track.

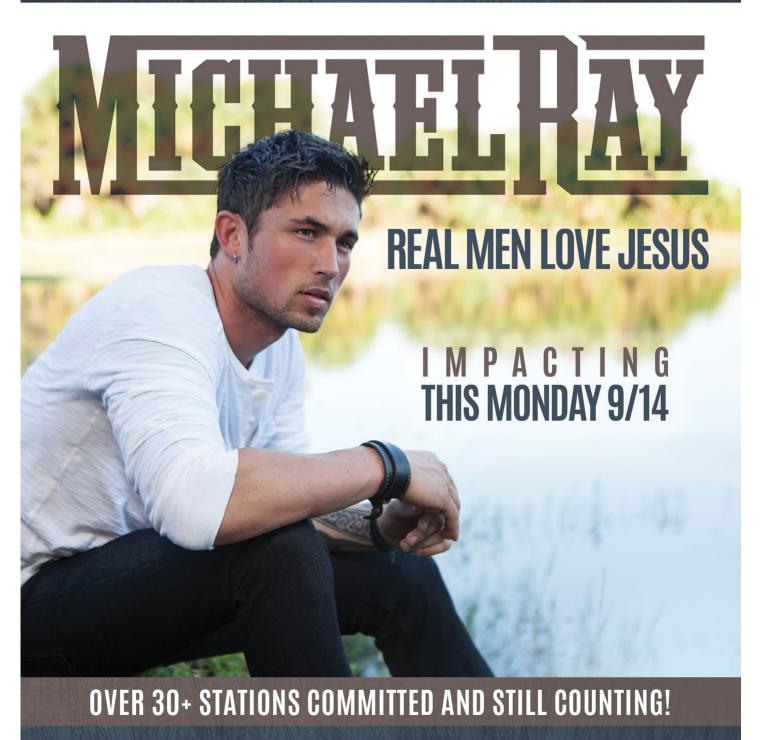
And kudos to **Matthew Hargis** and the **Republic Nashville** team for landing 30 adds on **Cassadee Pope**'s "I Am Invincible," topping this week's board. They also earned 21 for **The Band Perry**'s "Live Forever," which comes in at No. 2 on the add board.



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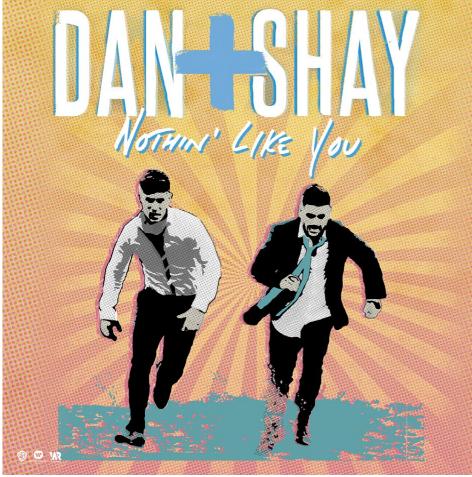
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WPAW/GREENSBORO - HEAVY
WMAD/MADISON - HEAVY
KCCY/COLORADO SPRINGS - HEAVY
WKHK/RICHMOND - HEAVY
WBEE/ROCHESTER - HEAVY

APRCHECK MY TUNES: MUSIC THAT SHAPED MY LIFE



Lucy Angel

Lindsay Anderton of G-Force/New Revolution's Lucy Angel discusses her most influential music:

1. The Beatles: Our mom Kate grew up listening to them and passed along her love of their music to all us kids.

2. Michael Jackson, Thriller: It was the first record I had. I was in awe. He was unbelievable and had so much soul. Even as a little

girl, I could feel whatever he was singing. If there was anybody's concert I wish I could've seen, it would be one of his.

3. Trisha Yearwood: Her vocals were amazing. I started out singing her songs and that helped me find my sound as well.

4. Ronnie Milsap: His music was the soundtrack to all of our Lake Powell, AZ family vacations. My dad was a huge fan and we would be cruising down the channel at Lake Powell listening to him. When we hear any of his songs, it takes us right back to those moments.

5. Huey Lewis: He was my first concert. I was really little and the whole family went. He was entertaining. He gave every ounce of energy, soul – everything he had – onstage. That was like going to school.

• Highly regarded music you've actually never heard: Our little brother has been telling us for a long time that we need to hear alt-J. Apparently they've been winning a bunch of British music awards.

• An "important" piece or style of music you just don't get: I get jazz, but I don't know if I get jazz fusion. I can appreciate that these musicians are amazingly talented, but it's not what I would go buy.

• An album you listened to incessantly: Brandy Clark's 12 Stories.

• An obscure or non-country song everyone should listen to right now: I really like Borns' "Electric Love." It just makes you feel good.

• Music you'd rather not admit to enjoying: Britney Spears. You've heard it even if you don't realize it – and you know every single lyric. It's fun in a bar or karaoke situation, because everybody starts singing along.

Radio News

Cumulus' America's Morning Show debuted on WZRR/Birmingham; WOMG/Columbia, SC; WWFF/Huntsville, AL; WOGT/Chattanooga, TN; WKOS/Kingsport, TN and WUUF/Rochester, NY.

Community Broadcasters has agreed to purchase Miller Communications' 12 South Carolina signals including Country stations WGFG/Orangeburg and WWKT/Florence.

News & Notes

Sandbox Entertainment has added the estate of the late **Hank Williams** to its management/marketing roster.

Registration is open for **Jeffrey Steele**'s Songwriting Bootcamp 2.0, an eight-week course on all aspects of the music industry. More <u>here</u>.

Next Generation Artist Management will launch the Next Generation Country Challenge this month. Winners get a record deal with SMG. More here.

SSM's **Branch & Dean** helped raise more than \$160,000 for the Carolinas chapter of the **Cystic Fibrosis Foundation** during the fourth annual *Pipeline To A Cure East Gala* in Wilmington, NC.

The **Garth Brooks** World Tour with **Trisha Yearwood** is coming to the **Talking Stick Resort Arena** in Phoenix, AZ Oct. 23-24.

Exile has signed with **Webster Public Relations** for representation.

Songwriter **Joe Ginsberg** has signed a worldwide publishing agreement with **BMG** through the company's Nashville office.

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You've recently met with a number of Country label folks. What are your overall thoughts on iHeartCountry and the record community after meeting with them? What was on their minds?

By far the most common points of discussion are around all the programs we have both terrestrial and digital to help expose artists and releases and in particular new artists. Given our total reach with the Country life group, it's imperative that labels understand how we handle programs like World Premieres and emerging artist programs. And as long as we've been providing these features, both sides are continuing to learn from the process.

What is your background with country music? Where do you see the genre now ... what do you like, where do you see it going?



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APRCHECK OFF THE RECORD: WILLIAM MICHAEL MORGAN



William Michael Morgan

Warner Bros./WMN's William
Michael Morgan puts an industry spin
on the artist interview:

I grew up listening to WBBV/ Vicksburg, MS. I hope to get back there real soon and see those folks. They're all great people over there.

The first day on my radio tour
I was listening to Storme Warren on
SiriusXM's The Highway. We knew he
was going to play my song but we
didn't know when. It came on right after
a Luke Bryan song. I had to fight back

the tears. As soon as the song was over my mom and dad gave me a call and we were all jumping up and down.

We were in Pittsburgh, PA, done for the day. We had a 30-minute drive to the hotel and there were no cars around us. My Warner rep Mallory Opheim was driving and all of a sudden my passenger window shattered into a million pieces. We pulled over to the side of the road and at the time, I had on a pair of nice snakeskin boots. I got out of the car and stepped in mud so deep it filled my boots. It was definitely a night I'll never forget.

I would love to have dinner with the late Hank Williams, Sr. I'd have a big old steak and maybe a couple of cold beers.

I've always surrounded myself with traditional country music, whether it's George Jones, George Strait, Merle Haggard, Keith Whitley or John Anderson. I've always tried to incorporate that into my sound – steel guitar, fiddle. If I had to describe it in one word, I'd say "traditional."

If you're in the airport, do not buy anything. It's too dang expensive. I had to buy a charger for my phone yesterday and it was 40 bucks. But I had to buy it. What are you going to do without your phone? I'm a man who enjoys his <u>Twitter</u>.

I wish I had written "I Never Go Around Mirrors" by Lefty Frizzell and Whitey Shafer. It's my favorite song of all time. If I were introducing someone to real traditional country music, it would be this song.

I can't leave home without my hat. No matter where I go, even if it's just to the grocery store, I have to have on my cowboy hat. It's a part of me. You'll know it's me; I'll be the guy in the hat.

Fairly typical background – my Dad listened when I was growing up so it was always on in the car. I became a PD at 22 for a small Top 40 station and was in that format for a long time. In 2003 I met my wife and she did the impossible, she not only introduced me to country music again but it didn't take long to convince me this was amazing music. I finally started to pay attention to lyrics and I was hooked! Now more than ever, it feels like country music is truly mainstream and mass consumable. There is both a pop influence in country with artists like Sam Hunt while other artists have the rock vibe – but it's all still country and we have a unique sound in this format. That's a good thing and the ratings certainly back that up.

What does the iHeartCountry brand encompass and what can we expect?

We are highly focused and excited about bringing all our Country based programming and content into the iHeartCountry brand. We are the leader in this format by a large margin and needed to set a focus around iHeartCountry much like you have seen with iHeartRadio. If you want to reach a country life group, we have the platform that offers national scale with local execution. Radio stations, syndicated programming, live events and concerts, syndicated programming like *The Bobby Bones* Show and weekend countdowns, local morning shows, World Premieres and Artist Integration Programming are all part of one massive brand now known as iHeartCountry.

Personally, what's the plan for being in Nashville? How does Nashville and Country fit where you are and want to be?

I am based here now, but the move with the family is still to come – house hunting as we speak. We have schools to consider so we have to be diligent but we actually can't wait to see the moving truck in front of the house. This is the perfect move at the perfect time for us and we feel truly blessed by the opportunity.

How has the welcome been so far? First impressions?

It started with the brand team I inherited and I have to say that [Brand Coordinators] Gregg Swedberg, Doug Montgomery, Steve Geofferies and Chad Heritage were the first people to reach out and genuinely say welcome and we're here to help you. Then there's the reception from the Nashville community, which has been so amazing it gives me a chill down my spine – literally. It feels like home already both professionally and personally. Nashville has quickly become the best city in America and we get to be part of it. So crazy.

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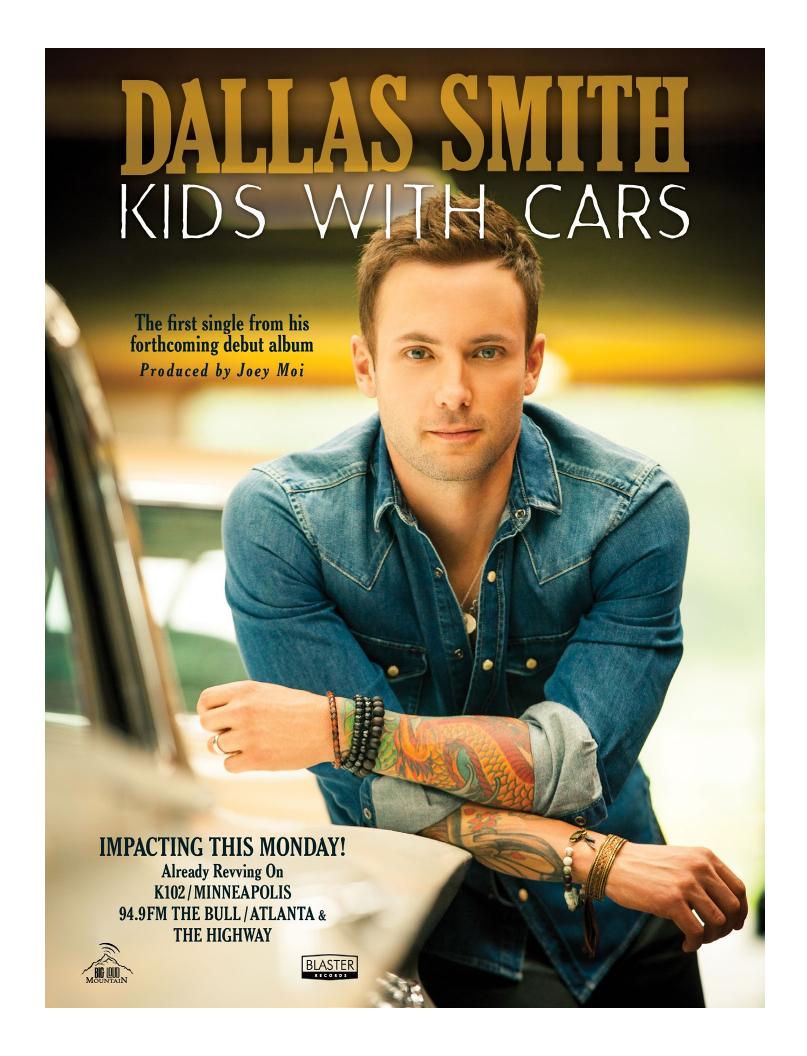
Country radio shares were down by 1.4% compared to July 2015. Of the 90 subscribing stations that posted a 1.0 share or higher, 34 increased, 42 decreased and 13 were flat.

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Legend: A "+" indicates a Classic Country outlet; a "^" designates co-owned Country stations in the metro; "t" indicates a tie; and a "*" indicates a station best in that statistic. Ranks are among subscribers.

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WKTI/Milwaukee	3.3	12t	3.3	12t	252,800	260,000
WMIL/Milwaukee	6.8	3	6.7	2t	398,400	404,000
KEEY/Minneapolis	6.8	4	7.5	3	777,200	806,000
KMNB/Minneapolis	6.3	5	6.5	5	654,900	728,800
WKDF/Nashville ^	4.6	8	4.7	8	289,100	280,500
WSIX/Nashville	5.4	7	5.3	7	310,300	298,900
WSM-FM/Nashville ^	4.1	10	4.1	10	261,800	274,800
WSM-AM/Nashville	1.3	18	1.3	18	45,000	48,700
WNSH/New York (Nassau)	1.9	23	1.7	22t	164,000	172,700
WNSH/New York	1.7	20	1.6	20	981,200	954,900
WGH/Norfolk	4.9	7	4.9	6	264,300	240,200
WWKA/Orlando	6.0	3t	6.0	5	317,000	333,600
KMLE/Phoenix	3.5	9	4.0	8t	591,200	557,800
KNIX/Phoenix	3.7	8	3.4	11	644,300	593,100
WXTU/Philadelphia	5.0	8	5.5	3t	865,100	858,100
WDSY/Pittsburgh	4.8	8	4.6	7	454,400	447,000
WPGB/Pittsburgh	3.4	10	3.0	11	322,800	311,700
KWJJ/Portland	7.0	2	8.2	2	548,300	579,200
KUPL/Portland	4.8	7	4.9	7	465,200	458,600
WCTK/Providence	8.6	1	9.0	1	361,800	369,100
WNCB/Raleigh	3.6	12	3.5	11	219,200	211,100
WQDR/Raleigh	8.9	1	8.5	2	378,700	378,200
KFRG/Riverside	3.4	6	3.9	6	249,300	300,500
KBEB/Sacramento	3.4	13	3.4	11t	263,400	215,800
KNCI/Sacramento	4.6	8	4.4	7	331,600	308,100
KNTY/Sacramento	2.3	17t	2.4	18	223,800	224,100
KEGA/Salt Lake City	1.3	22t	1.2	23t	180,900	158,300
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KAJA/San Antonio	6.0	3	6.2	3	625,700	628,600
KCYY/San Antonio ^	7.0	2	6.6	2	622,500	619,800
KKYX-AM/San Antonio ^ +	2.9	15	2.5	15	146,800	150,600
KSON/San Diego	4.4	7	4.8	3	456,900	452,600
KRTY/San Jose	4.1	6t	4.2	7	171,700	152,100
KSJO/San Jose	1.0	28t	1.2	26t	78,100	85,300
KKWF/Seattle	5.8	3	5.1	7	615,500	529,300
KMPS/Seattle	3.3	14t	3.6	12	530,300	490,100
KSD/St. Louis	5.6	5	4.9	8t	606,100	580,900
WIL/St. Louis	5.1	8	5.8	5	555,100	570,100
WFUS/Tampa	5.9	3	5.7	3	498,400	506,700
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27	27	<u></u>	BROTHERS OSBORNE /Stay A Little Longer (EMI Nashville)	9068	357	2663	87	15.624	0.752	137	2
30	28	<u></u>	JASON ALDEAN/Gonna Know We Were Here (Broken Bow)	7832	1214	2278	332	13.587	1.942	135	5
29	29	<u></u>	KELSEA BALLERINI/Dibs (Black River)	7159	539	2114	175	12.917	0.989	135	6
31	30	<u></u>	HUNTER HAYES/21 (Atlantic/WMN)	6680	173	1906	56	13.079	0.445	142	2
32	31	<u></u>	JANA KRAMER/I Got The Boy (Elektra/WAR)	6656	184	1985	46	12.726	0.326	144	2
33	32	<u></u>	LOCASH/I Love This Life (Reviver/Star Farm)	5480	279	1685	84	10.275	0.5	108	6
34	33	<u></u>	CHASE BRYANT/Little Bit Of You (Red Bow)	4705	50	1414	52	6.155	-0.243	125	1
35	34	<u></u>	MIRANDA LAMBERT/Smokin' And Drinkin' (RCA)	4578	46	1255	31	9.897	0.214	121	2
36	35		DARIUS RUCKER/Southern Style (Capitol)	4175	-157	1174	-11	5.899	-0.395	115	6
37	36	<u></u>	RANDY HOUSER/We Went (Stoney Creek)	4028	359	1293	106	5.037	0.393	126	4
38	37	<u></u>	A THOUSAND HORSES/(This Ain't No) (Republic Nashville)	3830	189	1126	39	5.283	0.19	108	3
∕ ÎRB	OR	NE	THE BAND PERRY/Live Forever (Republic Nashville)	3476	660	929	205	5.058	0.84	99	21
39	39	<u></u>	JERROD NIEMANN/Blue Bandana (Sea Gayle/Arista)	3257	169	1041	34	4.097	0.139	108	2
41	40	<u></u>	DIERKS BENTLEY/Riser (Capitol)	3185	263	942	58	4.382	0.506	111	11
40	41	<u></u>	LEE BRICE/That Don't Sound Like You (Curb)	3061	92	1052	30	3.337	0.119	103	3
45	42	<u></u>	CRAIG CAMPBELL/Tomorrow Tonight (Red Bow)	2885	128	941	30	3.11	0.368	99	1
42	43	<u></u>	THE CADILLAC THREE/White Lightning (Big Machine)	2843	7	913	-10	3.012	0.102	109	0
44	44	<u></u>	BILLY CURRINGTON /Drinkin' Town With A (Mercury)	2799	6	808	15	3.793	-0.036	105	0
47	45	<u></u>	STEVEN TYLER/Love Is Your Name (Dot)	2402	29	723	18	4.805	-0.876	100	0
48	46	<u></u>	EASTON CORBIN/Yup (Mercury)	1910	53	548	15	2.586	0.083	73	5
49	47	<u></u>	RONNIE DUNN/Ain't No Trucks In Texas (Nash Icon/Valory)	1824	31	490	3	5.226	0.246	22	1
Debut	48	<u></u>	CLARE DUNN/Move On (MCA)	1654	201	531	66	1.643	0.331	77	4
50	49	<u></u>	DAVID NAIL/Night's On Fire (MCA)	1523	23	518	5	1.672	0.054	73	4
Debut	50	<u></u>	WATERLOO REVIVAL/Bad For You (Big Machine)	1502	32	454	-11	1.538	0.048	63	7



Country Aircheck Top Recurrents

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CARRIE UNDERWOOD/Smoke Break (19/Arista)	3234	/	CARRIE UNDERWOOD/Smoke Break (19/Arista)	311
KENNY CHESNEY/Save It For A Rainy (Blue Chair/Columbia)	2186	/	LUKE BRYAN/Strip It Down (Capitol)	239
LUKE BRYAN/Strip It Down (Capitol)	2054	/	KENNY CHESNEY/Save It For A (Blue Chair/Columbia)	236
DUSTIN LYNCH/Hell Of A Night (Broken Bow)	1666	/	BRAD PAISLEY/Country Nation (Arista)	119
TIM MCGRAW/Top Of The World (Big Machine)	1383	/	BLAKE SHELTON/Gonna (Warner Bros./WMN)	115
KEITH URBAN/John Cougar, John Deere (Capitol)	1328		TIM MCGRAW/Top Of The World (Big Machine)	107
JASON ALDEAN/Gonna Know We Were Here (Broken Bow)	1214		MADDIE & TAE/Fly (Dot)	99
ERIC CHURCH/Like A Wrecking Ball (EMI Nashville)	1152		ERIC CHURCH/Like A Wrecking Ball (EMI Nashville)	83
BLAKE SHELTON/Gonna (Warner Bros./WMN)	1070		LITTLE BIG TOWN/Pain Killer (Capitol)	74
BRETT ELDREDGE/Lose My Mind (Atlantic/WMN)	968		CHRIS JANSON/Buy Me A Boat (Warner Bros./WAR)	71

Country Aircheck Top Spin Gainers

CARRIE UNDERWOOD/Smoke Break (19/Arista)	847	MICHAEL RAY/Kiss You In The Morning (Atlantic/WEA)	13026
KENNY CHESNEY/Save It For A Rainy (Blue Chair/Columbia)	720	ZAC BROWN BAND/ Loving (SouthrnGrnd/Varvatos/BMLG)	11380
LUKE BRYAN/Strip It Down (Capitol)	617	JASON ALDEAN/Tonight Looks Good On You (Broken Bow)	10549
DUSTIN LYNCH/Hell Of A Night (Broken Bow)	514	LUKE BRYAN/Kick The Dust Up (Capitol)	9318
TIM MCGRAW/Top Of The World (Big Machine)	389	BLAKE SHELTON/Sangria (Warner Bros./WMN)	8955
KEITH URBAN/John Cougar, John Deere (Capitol)	370	ZAC BROWN BAND /Homegrown (SouthrnGrnd/Varvatos/BMLG)	8824
ERIC CHURCH/Like A Wrecking Ball (EMI Nashville)	361	BRANTLEY GILBERT/One Hell Of An Amen (Valory)	8338
JASON ALDEAN/Gonna Know We Were Here (Broken Bow)	332	CANAAN SMITH/Love You Like That (Mercury)	7820
BLAKE SHELTON/Gonna (Warner Bros./WMN)	243	KELSEA BALLERINI/Love Me Like You Mean It (Black River)	7436
THOMAS RHETT/Crash And Burn (Valory)	242	BILLY CURRINGTON/Don't It (Mercury)	7159





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COUNTRY AIRCHECK ACTIVITY

STEVEN TYLER/Love Is Your Name (Dot)

Moves 47-45*

2,402 points, 723 spins; No adds

EASTON CORBIN/Yup (Mercury)

Moves 48-46*

1,910 points, 548 spins

5 adds: KMPS, KPLM, KRYS, WRNX, WYRK

RONNIE DUNN/Ain't No Trucks In Texas (Nash Icon/Valory)

Moves 49-47*

1,824 points, 490 spins

1 add: KPLM

CLARE DUNN/Move On (MCA)

Debuts at 48*

1,654 points, 531 spins

4 adds: KDRK, WRNX, WSSL, WYNK

DAVID NAIL/Night's On Fire (MCA)

Moves 50-49*

1,523 points, 518 spins

3 adds: KSSN, WQMX, WXCY

WATERLOO REVIVAL/Bad For You (Big Machine)

Debuts at 50*

1,502 points, 454 spins

7 adds: KRYS, KTST, KVOO, WGNE, WRBT, WRNX, WSSL

ANDY GRAMMER & ELI YOUNG BAND/Honey, I'm Good

(S-Curve/Valory)

1,355 points, 283 spins

1 add: WSOC

LUCY ANGEL/Crazy Too (G-Force/New Revolution)

1,336 points, 475 spins

3 adds: WCTQ, WGNA, WSSL

TYLER FARR/Better In Boots (Columbia)

1,199 points, 356 spins

4 adds: KCCY, KDRK, KKBQ*, KPLM

REBA/Until They Don't Love You (Nash Icon/Valory)

1,186 points, 299 spins; No adds

CANAAN SMITH/Hole In A Bottle (Mercury)

964 points, 336 spins

5 adds: KASE, KPLM, WKIS, WQNU, WYCT

ADD DATES

SEPTEMBER 14

MICHAEL RAY/Real Men Love Jesus (Atlantic/WEA)

RACHELE LYNAE/Quicksand (in2une)

DALLAS SMITH/Kids With Cars (Blaster)

BRAD PAISLEY/Country Nation (Arista)

RASCAL FLATTS/I Like The Sound Of That (Big Machine)

JON PARDI/Head Over Boots (Capitol)

SEPTEMBER 21

MATT GARY/It's On You (in2une)

JOE NICHOLS/Freaks Like Me (Red Bow)

CRAIG MORGAN/When I'm Gone (Black River)

ZAC BROWN BAND/Beautiful Drug (SouthrnGrnd/Varvatos/BMLG)

SEPTEMBER 28

ABI ANN/Truck Candy (in2une)

LAUREN ALAINA/Next Boyfriend (19/Mercury/Interscope)

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CHECK OUT



Brett Eldredge *Illinois* (Atlantic/WMN) The title track of Eldredge's second album is a nod to his home state. He co-wrote all 12 songs including first single "Lose My Mind" and coproduced the project with Ross Copperman and Brad Crisler.



Jewel Picking Up The Pieces (Sugar Hill) Called the "bookend" to her debut Pieces of You, the new album includes first single "My Father's Daughter," available in a solo version and with Dolly Parton. Jewel produced the record herself and used a band comprised mostly of Neil Young collaborators.

Sept. 18

Alabama Southern Drawl (BMG) Mac McAnally A.K.A. Nobody (Mailboat) Clare Dunn Self-Titled (MCA) **Leigh Nash** The State I'm In (Thirty Tigers)





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LW	TW		Artist/Title (Label)	Points +	/- Points	Plays	+/- Plays	Stations	Adds
2	1	<u>\$</u>	THOMAS RHETT/Crash And Burn (Valory)	12194	372	2305	50	55	0
4	2	<u>\$</u>	CHRIS JANSON/Buy Me A Boat (Warner Bros./WAR)	12090	510	2326	71	56	0
3	3	<u>\$</u>	KEITH URBAN/John Cougar, John Deere (Capitol)	12014	317	2334	58	56	0
1	4		SAM HUNT/House Party (MCA)	11266	-961	2132	-208	53	0
7	5	<u>\$</u>	KENNY CHESNEY /Save It For A Rainy Day (Blue Chair/Columbia) ✔	11166	1290	2145	236	56	0
5	6	<u>\$</u>	BRETT ELDREDGE/Lose My Mind (Atlantic/WMN)	11158	364	2134	57	56	0
6	7	<u>\$</u>	DUSTIN LYNCH/Hell Of A Night (Broken Bow)	11122	337	2150	59	52	0
9	8	<u>\$</u>	ERIC CHURCH/Like A Wrecking Ball (EMI Nashville)	8485	510	1628	83	55	0
17	9	<u>\$</u>	LUKE BRYAN /Strip It Down (Capitol) ✓	7752	1380	1481	239	55	1
10	10		FLORIDA GEORGIA LINE/Anything Goes (Republic Nashville)	7561	-146	1452	-28	56	0
11	11	<u>\$</u>	JAKE OWEN/Real Life (RCA)	7455	162	1440	47	55	0
12	12	<u>\$</u>	COLE SWINDELL/Let Me See Ya Girl (Warner Bros./WMN)	7371	174	1416	33	56	0
15	13	<u>\$</u>	MADDIE & TAE/Fly (Dot)	7253	507	1385	99	52	0
16	14	<u>\$</u>	CHASE RICE/Gonna Wanna Tonight (Columbia)	6990	275	1364	40	52	0
13	15		KIP MOORE/I'm To Blame (MCA)	6925	-81	1291	-14	52	0
14	16		LADY ANTEBELLUM/Long Stretch Of Love (Capitol)	6658	-149	1260	-51	53	0
18	17	<u>\$</u>	BLAKE SHELTON/Gonna (Warner Bros./WMN) ✓	6646	704	1279	115	56	1
20	18	<u>\$</u>	CAM/Burning House (Arista)	5806	198	1118	38	54	0
21	19	\$	CHRIS YOUNG/I'm Comin' Over (RCA)	5781	194	1131	41	55	0
19	20	<u>\$</u>	DAN + SHAY/ Nothin' Like You (Warner Bros./WAR)	5711	70	1094	2	52	1
24	21	<u>\$</u>	CARRIE UNDERWOOD/Smoke Break (19/Arista) ✓	5511	1633	1064	311	54	5
22	22	<u>\$</u>	OLD DOMINION/Break Up With Him (RCA)	5406	317	1057	64	51	0
27	23	<u>\$</u>	TIM MCGRAW/Top Of The World (Big Machine)	4043	591	802	107	51	1
23	24	\$	BROTHERS OSBORNE/Stay A Little Longer (EMI Nashville)	4042	-36	744	5	51	2
25	25	<u>\$</u>	KELSEA BALLERINI/Dibs (Black River)	3843	88	719	21	51	0
26	26	<u>\$</u>	PARMALEE/Already Callin' You Mine (Stoney Creek)	3585	50	686	3	46	1
28	27	\$	BIG & RICH/Run Away With You (B&R/New Revolution)	3513	88	683	26	41	0
30	28	<u>\$</u>	JASON ALDEAN/Gonna Know We Were Here (Broken Bow)	3224	391	643	56	49	3
29	29		MIRANDA LAMBERT/Smokin' And Drinkin' (RCA)	3021	-117	562	-29	48	0
31	30		JANA KRAMER/I Got The Boy (Elektra/WAR)	2732	-18	514	-14	45	0

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LW	TW		Artist/Title (Label)	Points	+/- Points	Plays	+/- Plays	Stations	Adds
32	31		HUNTER HAYES/21 (Atlantic/WMN)	2399	-301	449	-71	39	0
36	32	<u>~</u>	THE BAND PERRY/Live Forever (Republic Nashville)	2268	341	436	60	43	7
33	33	<u>\$</u>	LOCASH/I Love This Life (Reviver/Star Farm)	2190	126	339	25	29	1
35	34	<u>\$</u>	A THOUSAND HORSES/(This Ain't No) Drunk Dial (Republic Nashville)	2058	130	368	7	40	1
Re-E <mark>nter</mark>	35	\$	RANDY HOUSER/We Went (Stoney Creek)	2001	94	357	6	39	2
34	36	\$	DARIUS RUCKER/Southern Style (Capitol)	1972	45	368	2	39	1
37	37		DIERKS BENTLEY/Riser (Capitol)	1774	-148	383	-40	37	1
38	38	<u>\$</u>	LEE BRICE/That Don't Sound Like You (Curb)	1492	30	309	5	25	1
40	39	<u>\$</u>	JERROD NIEMANN/Blue Bandana (Sea Gayle/Arista)	1205	111	266	19	26	3
39	40		BILLY CURRINGTON/Drinkin' Town With A (Mercury)	1107	-72	238	-20	23	0
43	41	<u>\$</u>	CHASE BRYANT/Little Bit Of You (Red Bow)	1100	156	208	27	28	1
42	42	<u>\$</u>	RONNIE DUNN/Ain't No Trucks In Texas (Valory/Nash Icon)	1097	90	221	18	13	0
41	43		OLIVIA LANE/You Part 2 (Big Spark)	1003	-67	183	-18	18	0
49	44	<u>\$</u>	LITTLE BIG TOWN/Pain Killer (Capitol)	770	343	160	74	17	3
De <mark>but</mark>	45	\$	BRAD PAISLEY/Country Nation (Arista) ✓	633	629	120	119	16	9
44	46		EASTON CORBIN/Yup (Mercury)	581	-38	115	-3	13	0
Re-Enter	47	\$	STEVEN TYLER/Love Is Your Name (Dot)	550	10	108	-9	14	0
48	48	<u>\$</u>	CRAIG CAMPBELL/Tomorrow Tonight (Red Bow)	543	97	93	10	13	1
45	49		CLARE DUNN/Move On (MCA)	514	-89	81	-13	11	0
46	50		BRIAN COLLINS/Shine A Little Love (Blue Light)	481	-95	82	-16	9	0
47	51		THE CADILLAC THREE/White Lightning (Big Machine)	481	-38	68	-3	11	0
51	52	<u>~</u>	OLD DOMINION/Nowhere Fast (RCA)	460	70	46	7	1	0
55	53		ALAN JACKSON/Jim And Jack And Hank (EMI Nashville)	435	72	92	19	12	0
58	54		DAVID NAIL/Night's On Fire (MCA)	428	111	83	19	11	1
50	55		WILLIAM MICHAEL MORGAN/I Met A Girl (Warner Bros./WMN)	420	5	69	3	5	0
53 	56		SAM HUNT/Break Up In A Small Town (MCA)	418	48	53	16	11	1
54			ADAM SANDERS/Somewhere That You Don't Go (Big Yellow Dog)	410	40	41	4	1	0
52 D	58		REBA/Until They Don't Love You (Valory/Nash Icon)	401	15	76	4	8	0
			OLD SOUTHERN MOONSHINE REVIVAL/Waste Another Beer (Killer Bear)	340	140	34	14	1	0
Debut	60	3	JOSH ABBOTT BAND/Amnesia (Pretty Damn Tough)	319	69	33	8	3	0

