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COUNTRY AIRCHECK TODAY

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» **Chris Cross Will Make You Jump:** Market vet **Chris Michaels** has joined **KTTS/Springfield, MO** as PD, replacing former OM/PD **Chris Cannon**, who exited over the summer. Michaels most recently worked in Springfield as a Customer Support Supervisor and Development Manager, and has held various positions at stations in Augusta , GA ; Columbia , SC ; and Savannah , GA.



Jeff Garrison



Johnny Chiang

» **Ditch Iker's Guide To The Locale I See:** Staffers from **CBS Radio** and **Cox Houston** affiliates, which include Country **KILT** and **KKBQ**, respectively, are safe following a harrowing weekend dominated by Hurricane Ike and the destruction left in its wake. Both stations are on the air, though

KILT lost power for two hours Saturday morning. KILT's **Jeff Garrison** and KKBQ's **Johnny Chiang** offer first-hand accounts of the experience in tonight's **Country Aircheck Weekly**.

» **Would Paneling:** The agenda for **CRS-40** has been announced, with most exhibits and panels incorporating the event's 40th anniversary into their topics. Highlights will include **Tim McGraw** hosting the annual *Music City Jam* and panels *40 New Media Ideas*, *40 Great Programming Ideas In 40 Minutes* and *Take Me To Your Leader: How Great Leaders Inspire*. The event takes place March 4-6 at the Nashville Convention Center . Full agenda [here](#).



No Dell Piece Prize: Big Machine's **Taylor Swift** will release selected tracks from her upcoming album *Fearless* on *iTunes* prior to the Nov. 11 street date.



STEVE AZAR
"YOU'RE MY LIFE"

IMPACTING:
September 15th

EARLY ADDS:
WOKQ/New Hampshire
& WWYZ/Hartford!

"Steve Azar gives us a beauty with 'You're My Life.' His passion for life, love and music are wrapped up in this song!"
-Ginny Rogers,
WKLB/Boston



"Fearless" will be released Oct. 14 followed by "Hey Stephen" Oct. 23 and "You Belong To Me" Nov. 4. Her current single "Love Story" is already available. After Nov. 11, fans who purchased tracks before the album's release can utilize the "Complete My Album" feature that discounts the record based on the number of tracks already purchased. Swift will also record exclusive video blogs introducing the tracks.



Lima Queen: Clear Channel's **WIMT/Lima, OH** APD/Promotions Dir./Middayer **Renee Scott** has been upped to PD. She replaces **Russ Ryder**, who will continue with the station in an MD/Imaging Dir. capacity.



Gig Alert: Dix's WOGK/Gainsville

PD/morning host **Mr. Bob** has an afternoon opening. Candidates must be proficient in Selector, AudioVault, Coll Edit Pro, Sadie and 360 Systems, in addition to being a Country

format expert. Airchecks and resumes [here](#), or via snail mail at 3602 NE 20th Place , Ocala , FL 34470 .



Mike Borchetta & Pat Garrett

» **Shotgun Wedding:** Singer **Pat Garrett** has signed with **Lofton Creek Records**, which will release his new novelty song "Moose Shootin' Mama" about Republican Vice Presidential candidate **Sarah Palin**.

» **Services Set:** Visitation for *Grand Ole Opry* star **Charlie Walker** will be held Tuesday from 2-7pm at the Hendersonville Funeral Home, with a Masonic service immediately following. A memorial service will be held Wednesday at 2pm at Bluegrass Baptist Church in Hendersonville . In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in Charlie's



Charlie Walker

memory to the Al Menah Shriners, P.O. Box 78545 ,
Nashville , TN 37207 .

» **Country Aircheck Today Top 5:** Here are the Top 5 songs for the week ending Sept. 13. Look for the full chart in tonight's **Country Aircheck Weekly**.

1. **BRAD PAISLEY**/Waitin' On A Woman (Arista)
2. **JIMMY WAYNE**/Do You Believe Me Now (Valory)
3. **DARIUS RUCKER**/Don't Think I Don't Think... (Capitol)
4. **KID ROCK**/All Summer Long (Atlantic/CO5)
5. **KENNY CHESNEY**/Everybody Wants To Go To... (Blue Chair/BNA)

All daily airplay data is from Mediabase 24/7.

» **Country Aircheck Today Top 5 Downloads:** Here are Play MPE's Top 5 for Sept. 14:

1. **BRAD PAISLEY & KEITH URBAN**/Start A Band (Arista)
2. **TAYLOR SWIFT**/Love Story (Big Machine)
3. **SARA EVANS**/Low (RCA)
4. **THE LOST TRAILERS**/Holler Back (BNA)
5. **DIERKS BENTLEY**/Feel That Fire (Capitol)

» **Tube Check Tomorrow (9/16):** Jessica Simpson, *CBS Early Show*; Phil Vassar, *Late Show with David Letterman* (CBS).

» **Tomorrow's Birthdays (9/16):** David Bellamy, Sonny Lemaire, [Terry McBride](#), Maura O'Connell, Jim Della Croce, [Greg Gosselin](#), Cynthia Grimson, Mark "Hawkeye" Louis, [Jackie Proffit](#), Bobby Randall.

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Dear Country Radio,
Finding myself at the top of the chart
for the 8th time in a row is an honor.
From the bottom of my heart...

Thank you,
Thank you,
Thank you,

"Waitin' On A Woman" just 12 weeks old...#1 at R&R and HOLDING!

ARISTA
BY THE
ROCKY MOUNTAIN



We're The Blacktop Friends: Capitol's **Luke Bryan** headlined KSSN/Little Rock's *Blacktop Boogie* show and posed for a pic with (l-r) MD **Jeremey Guenther**, middayer **Rick Steel** and OM/PD **Chad Heritage**.



I Wanna Be A Cowboy: Atlantic/CO5's **Kid Rock** performed at the Western Washington Fair in Puyallup , WA last week. **KMPS/Seattle** Marketing Dir. **Erica Hall** (l) and Promotions Asst. **Alexandria English** made sure to represent the station.



THANK YOU COUNTRY RADIO!

JIMMY WAYNE

DO YOU BELIEVE ME NOW

TWO WEEKS AT #1 & HEADING TOWARDS A THIRD!

RATE THE MUSIC #1 OVERALL!

RATE THE MUSIC #1 FEMALES 25-54!

MEDIABASE #5 ADULTS ALL AGES!

MEDIABASE #4 FEMALES ALL AGES!

VALORY MUSIC

Speak Softly & Carry A Big Check: Warner Bros.' **Blake Shelton** helped raise \$14,000 during the **WCTK/Providence Storyteller Concert No. 9** for **Autism Speaks**. Celebrating the accomplishment along with the station's promotions staff and Autism Speaks staffers are back row (l-r) night jock **Adam Scott**, morning host **Tim Leary**, Shelton, MD/middayer **Jessica Tyler** and afternoon host **Sam Stevens**.



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