



Grammy nominated singer-songwriter Chris Barron – founder of The Spin Doctors – will be keynoting the Conclave Learning Conference on Saturday, July 18th at the Sheraton South Hotel in Minneapolis. Moderating this keynote session will be Sean Ross, Executive Editor/Music & Programming for Radio-Info.com. This keynote session is sponsored by BMI. Chris Barron is many things

to many people: the voice of the Spin Doctors, the face of the jamband scene, an MTV superstar, an East Village troubadour, the author of some of the 1990s' most enduring radio hits, a father and a teacher. But these days, the Spin Doctors singer is most at home when he's simply playing rock and roll. Growing up in Hawaii and Australia, Chris found fame as the leader of 90's hitmakers, The Spin Doctors. Chris Barron's legacy is significant. He has a Grammy nomination, a *Rolling Stone* cover, and two Top Ten hits — "Little Miss Can't Be Wrong" and "Two Princes" — for which he won a BMI award. In 1999, it was believed that Barron would never sing again because of a rare vocal chord paralysis. He defied the odds, however, with a full recovery. Following intense treatment and training, his voice remained stronger than ever. He continued his music, founding his new band - The Time Bandits - and creating a new CD, Pancho and the Kid. In addition, he continues to teach songwriting at the Pop Academy in Germany, play the occasional date with his old friends the Spin Doctors and remains the primary caretaker of his young daughter. Before joining Radio-Info.com, Sean Ross served as Edison Research's VP/Music & Programming. He was editor-in-chief of Billboard Magazine's radio programming publication, Airplay Monitor. He has also been radio editor of Billboard, Oldies editor and associate R&B editor at Radio &

Records and a co-author of the M Street Journal. In addition, he was PD in 1993-95 of pioneering R&B Oldies outlet WGCI-AM Chicago and an A&R manager for Hip-Hop label **Profile Records**. Ross is also the author of numerous liner notes for compilation and greatest hits albums and is a recognized industry expert on music and radio who has been quoted in USA Today, the New York Times, the Los Angeles Times, the Boston Globe, NBC, the **Associated Press** and numerous other news organizations. Comment: It's been a long time since we featured a 'music-only' keynote. So we're thrilled to present Chris to Clavers, and who better than Sean to bring out the best in an artist who's music has never left the radio! - TK

It apparently costs \$80,000 to download a song, illegally. Jammie Thomas-Rasset now owes that to the record companies, multiplied 24 times. That's \$1.92 million. This new penalty is much larger than the \$222,000 original fine. Thomas-Rasset was previously found guilty of illegally sharing music files in 2007, but received a new trial after the judge admitted he erred in jury instructions. Thomas-Rasset blamed her children and exboyfriend when she took the stand in her own defense this week. She denied downloading and distributing the music on Kazaa. When label attorneys showed proof someone in her house downloaded these songs, she said she doesn't even "like many of the artists and songs" she is accused of downloading.

Spectrum Entertainment head and Chicago Sports Webio backer David Hernandez is a fugitive on the run from federal fraud charges for allegedly diverting investors' money to fund his Internet Sports Talk station and for personal use. The station shut down this week after firing three executives, including principal Mike North, former CBS Sports WSCR-AM/Chicago Morning host.

Former Clear Channel Sports KFAN-AM/Minneapolis "PA and Dubay" co-host Jeff Dubay is back in the news and facing a year in jail after failing, for the second time, to complete a drug treatment diversion program which would have qualified him to have the charges in his felony drug possession case dropped. Supposedly, Dubay tested positive for cocaine 12 times, most recently June 6th, and failed to show up for 11 tests since January. Dubay was arrested Wednesday but is out on bail. Sentencing is July 21st. You'll remember Dubay was busted for possession October 15th after a routine traffic stop and was fired shortly after.



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According to the **Radar 101** National Radio listening report to be released Monday, Radio reaches more than 235 million people 12+ during a typical week. This new audience measurement is based on PPM respondents from within commercialized PPM markets and on diary respondents from the rest of the markets. The numbers show an increase from the 2007 report that relied on diary responses alone. The report also says Radio reaches 92% of people 12+. Even 89% of teens, the age group most likely to use new technologies like iPods and other forms of media, continue to tune in each week.

Congrats to **Saga** Pres./CEO **Ed Christian** who will receive the **NAB** National Radio Award at the NAB Radio Show September 23-25 in Philadelphia. "While Ed Christian has served tirelessly as a national leader for Radio, he has never forgotten that the most successful stations are those that have deep roots in their local communities and a passion for public service," said NAB EVP/Radio **John David**.

The **National Radio Hall of Fame's** voting begins June 29th, but 3 Radio legends have already been chosen posthumously. Philadelphia Phillies and NFL Films voice **Harry Kalas**, author and longtime WFMT/Chicago host **Studs Terkel** and Puerto Rico personality **Jose Miguel Agrelot** (Don Cholito) are among this year's honorees. Nominees will also be announced June 29th.

The **Conclave** has announced the institution of daily tuition rates to attend the 34th annual Conclave Learning Conference in Minneapolis, July 16-18, 2009 at the Sheraton South Hotel/ Minneapolis. With full tuition currently priced at \$299, daily tuitions will be structured as follows: For Thursday (July 16) and Saturday (July 18), tuition will be \$89 for each day and for Friday (July 17), daily tuition will be \$189. The \$299 full tuition and the daily \$89/\$189 tuition charges will expire on July 1.

Congrats to the **Richards Group** for the **Motel 6** "DVD" commercial that won them the \$100,000 grand prize in the **Radio-Mercury Awards** Wednesday in New York. There was some controversy this year, however, when the **Radio Advertising Bureau** decided not to give awards in the Station-Produced, Student-Produced, PSA and Political categories.

Congrats to **Bonneville** Country WIL/St. Louis for setting a new record during their Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure last Saturday with 6,100 "Team Breadhead" participants. The team raised \$190,000!

Radio Affiliate Services & Syndication adds Moby in the Morning and Moby Radio Network to its client roster. RASS Pres. Scott Gilreath said, "Moby's a great talent and has proven himself time and time again over the past 25 years at stations in Houston, Dallas, Nashville and Atlanta and on stations coast-to-coast when his Atlanta-based Morning show was syndicated by ABC." Rass also signed a representation deal with the New Broadcast Partners. "The New BP is a full service programming consultancy dedicated to helping local broadcasters and consulting services, custom-designed music logs, new media strategies and a no "one-size-fits-all" approach to providing advice," said Gilreath. For more info, visit www.radiohelp.us.



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Ride Records Country artist **Steve Azar** is offering the new dance version of his single "Moo La Moo" for a free download. Stations can give it away on their individual websites. Want more info? Contact **Harry Nelson** at hnelson@riderecords.com.

Bonneville Country WUBE/Cincinnati celebrated Flag Day at Coney Island amusement park last Sunday by building the "Tri-State's largest human flag." The flag, 70' x 133' was constructed with help from patrons visiting the park that day. The park also featured special discounts for military members and their families. WUBE's **Maverick**, from the Chris Carr & Company morning show, sang the National Anthem.

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Christian Broadcasting System Talk WQRT-AM/Cincinnati was just launched this past week and has already dropped the "Q1160" slogan and is now "Real Talk 1160." Crosstown Bonneville Hot AC WKRQ has been known as "Q102" for decades. WQRT's new format replaces Oldies on 1160 formerly known as WDJO, which moved to the 1480 AM spot formerly occupied by WCIN-AM.

Clear Channel Adult Standards WNCO-AM/Ashland, OH flipped to Talk.

SMS Media Partners Hot AC KKRD/Wichita online now has a full line-up. KFBZ-FM/Wichita PD JJ Morgan grabs Mornings; OM/PD Steve Mills will do 10a-1p; Karla will VT 1p-2p from Washington, D.C.; former KZCH middayer Justin Carson airs 3-8p; and Chris brings up the rear with the 8p-midnight slot. KKRD Online in Wichita continues to add staff and also welcomes Anita Cochran, former KSN 3 Lead News Reporter. Cochran will broadcast two features every day, including "That's What I Really Wanted to Say" and "Breaking News...I'm Broke."

Veteran news correspondent and former KGO-AM/San Francisco PM driver **Greg Jarrett** signs on with **Tribune** Talk WGN-AM/Chicago for Mornings effective June 22nd. Current WGN morning man **John Williams** moves to the 9a-noon slot formerly held by **Kathy O'Malley and Judy Markey**. WGN-AM Midday host **Bob Sirott** exits his "night job" as news anchor for **NBC** O&O WMAQ-TV/Chicago. Sirott had been anchoring the station's 10p news on an interim basis and was expected to grab the job full-time, but couldn't come to terms on a contract with the station.



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Citadel Hot AC KKPK/Colorado Springs morning guy **Joe Cicero** is moving to Chicago for family obligations.

Clear Channel Alternative WXEG/Dayton, OH promotes Steve Dent to APD/MD/Afternoons replacing Matt Jericho who left weeks ago to become Dir./Sales and Marketing for the Dayton Gems, a new minor league hockey franchise.

Former Clear Channel Alternative KCCQ/Ames-Des Moines PD Ryan Wild is named AOL Radio's new Alternative and Indie Rock MD. Ryan will now program more than 25 AOL Radio Alternative and Indie stations part-time from his house.

Full-service broadcast consulting firm **ROI Media Solutions** taps long-time **Arbitron** exec **Jay Guyther** to be a partner of the firm. Guyther will develop custom management plans for radio groups that will serve as a roadmap for sales, programming, marketing and talent management in the world of electronic, people meter measurements.

Earlier we spoke of **Sean Ross**, who'll be a faculty member at this year's Learning Conference. In addition, Sean informs TATTLER readers: "I don't know if you've reported that I'm now doing the *Ross On Radio* newsletter through the *Radio-Info* folks, it's been expanded to a twice-weekly newsletter. It's also an allnew mailing list, so even if you were getting a mailing from me in the past, (or even if you get **Tom Taylor's** newsletter), you need to sign-up at http://www.radio-info.com/member/new."

The Conclave announced its next podcast - The Industry Remembers R&R - scheduled for release July 8, 2009. The podcast will feature individual remembrances of the former 'king of all industry media', Radio & Records. Conclave Podcastmaster, Jay Philpott (from 106-5 The Arch/St. Louis), will be collecting phone/CD/MP3 memories submitted to him prior to June 25, 2009. Said Jay, "Like so many others in the broadcasting and music industry professions, I'm really going to miss Radio & *Records* and its collection of talented professionals and damn nice people who were committed to informing and inspiring all of us. There have been many tributes written and blogs created with remembrances, but since we are an audio medium, shouldn't there be some sort of audio tribute to R&R that can properly convey the admiration of its legion of fans? Shouldn't you have a chance to say goodbye?" Between now and Thursday June 25th, anyone wishing to participate should contact Jay in order to record a remembrance of Radio & Records over its 36 years

of service. In less than a minute, can you share the first time you encountered it? The great job you found through it? The wonderful employee you hired because of it? How you used it? What it meant to you? The R&R feature you liked best? What it taught you? Thoughts on the individuals who put it together? War stories on getting/losing reporting status? Your experiences at one of their conventions? If you'd like to participate, email Jay at mailto:jaydio@aol.com. Upon receipt, Jay will then share the process to follow to record your remembrance. Comment: This is meant to be a positive commemoration. The Conclave is NOT seeking comments questioning or criticizing the wisdom in closing the publication. This podcast will become the industry's personal salute to those who put together one of the most influential newspapers of our industry, ever. - TK

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