

Seventeen

Chillin' With En Vogue

Star-Gazing

The princess of ice,
Kristi Yamaguchi

Charlie's angel,
actress Moira Kelly

Tom Cruise trivia

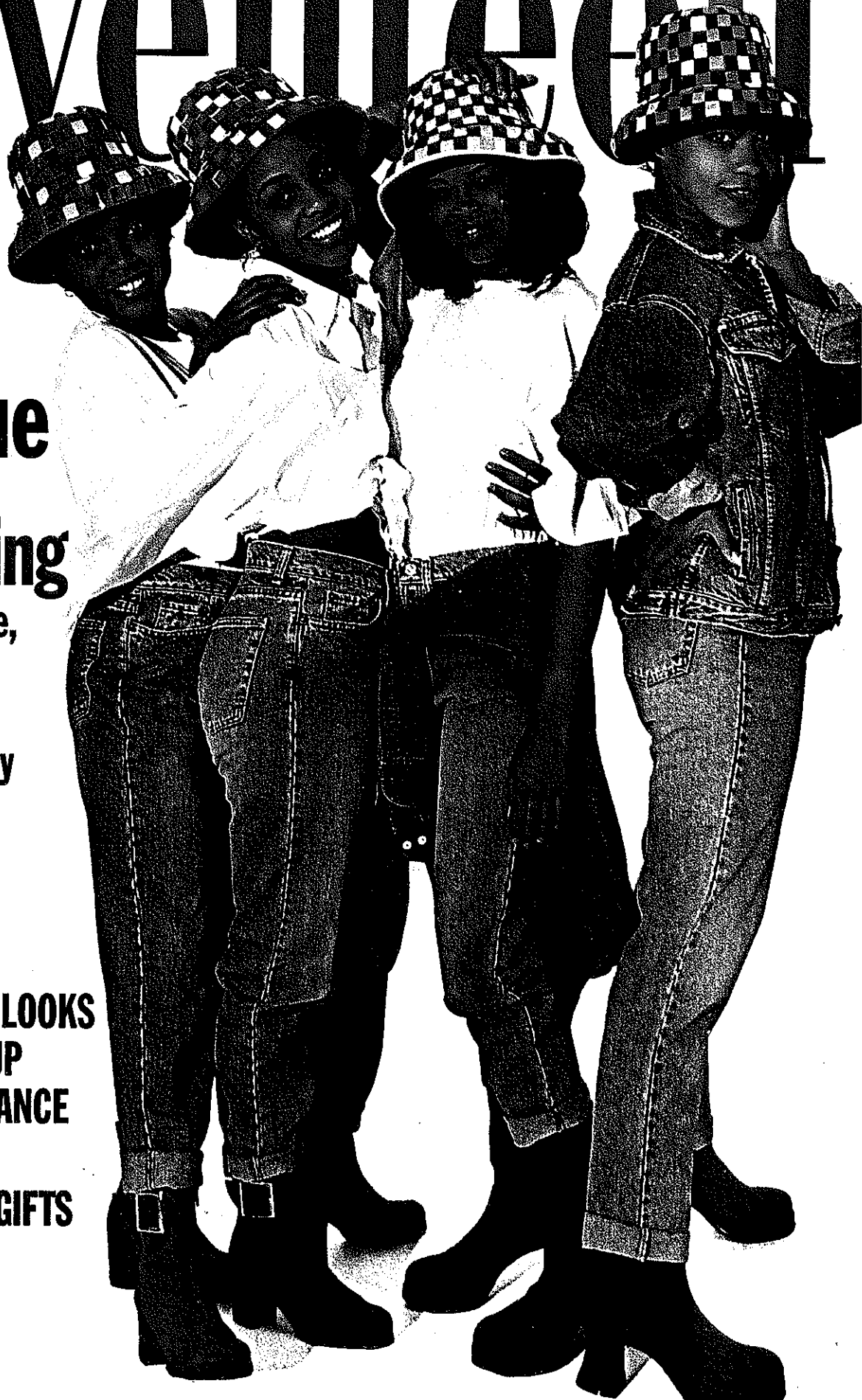
Backstage with
The Black Crowes

ROMANTIC PARTY LOOKS

SHIMMERY MAKEUP

FIND YOUR FRAGRANCE

COOL, LOW-COST GIFTS



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We're talking...

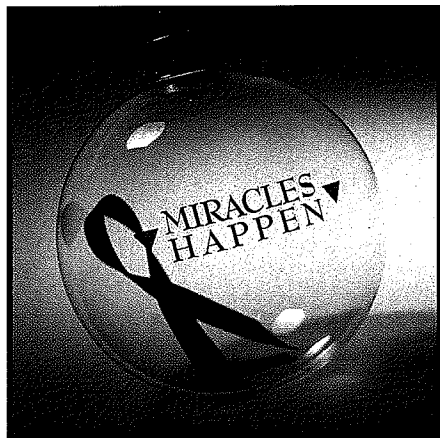
■ **FEELING BLUE.** Suddenly blue's everywhere: Berry Blue Jell-O, Great Bluedini Kool-Aid, blue Listerine—even blue popcorn. Kind of leaves a bad taste in our mouths.

■ **NAAMAH KELMAN**, who recently became the first woman to be ordained a rabbi in Israel.

■ **SATURDAY DAY FEVER.** Kids in Japan are chillin' now that they're getting one Saturday a month off from school—their regular school week is six days. And you thought you had it rough.

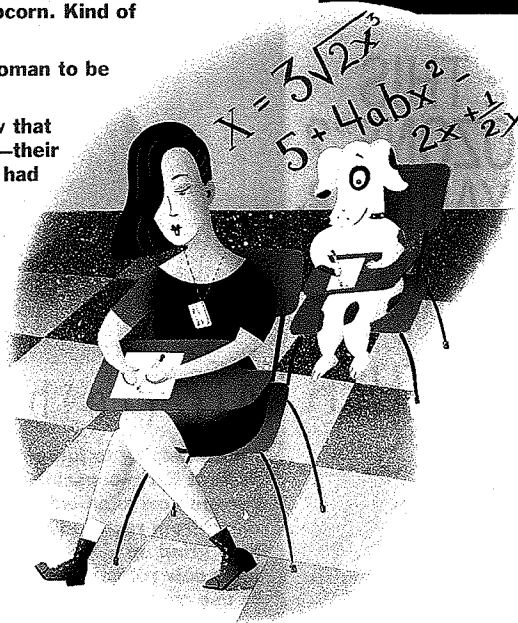
Don't read this

Attention: Somebody doesn't want you to read this. According to a censorship update by People For the American Way, a nonpartisan constitutional-liberties organization, 44 states reported 348 incidents of attempted censorship during the last school year—41 percent of which were successful. In fact, one partially successful attempt was a campaign in a Virginia school district to ban SEVENTEEN from junior high and high school libraries. The would-be censors claimed we discuss "inappropriate" topics. Yeah, like freedom of knowledge. Other '91-'92 targets were Uncle Shelby's *A Light in the Attic* (for an illustration of someone's derriere), J.D. Salinger's *The Catcher in the Rye* (for a reference to H-E-double-hockey-sticks), and Judy Blume's *Blubber* (for—get this—its lack of a happy ending).



CREATE A GIVING TREE WITH A MIRACLES HAPPEN ORNAMENT (\$9.95). PROCEEDS FROM EACH SALE GO DIRECTLY TO THE AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR AIDS RESEARCH.

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Woman's best friend

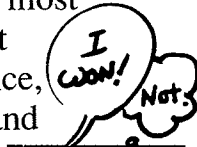
A bizarre experiment by researchers at the State University of New York at Buffalo recently found that women stress out less in the company of their dog than they do with their best female friend. The researchers had 45 women do math problems while their friends, then their dogs, looked on quietly. The women got totally stressed when their buds were in the room but chilled considerably when Fifi hung around. Now if only you could take your four-legged one to the SAT.

Cheap thrills

Let's say you're looking for a bumpin' rock club in Prague or the most hospitable Eskimo village in Alaska or even the cheapest all-you-can-eat Las Vegas buffet. Where can you turn for advice? Try *The Berkeley Guides*—a new travel series for the economically challenged adventurer in you. Written by students at the University of California, Berkeley, the guides offer straight dirt on everything from hostels to look for and beaches to avoid to museums least likely to attract your parents. The books aren't quite as funny or irreverent as their publicist claims, but then again, they're fresher than Harvard's *Let's Go* series, which usually ends up leading you to places packed with other Americans busy pretending not to be American.

Party time

Schwing! Just in time to make your holiday season a most excellent experience, Wayne and Garth



are coming out with the Wayne's World Not! Dice Game (\$9) by Mattel this month. Guaranteed to make you hurl—dice, that is.



Get on-line

Slackers at San Francisco coffeehouses are taking time out from their cafés au lait and Jack Kerouac novels to get in touch with fellow java junkies around the city via a high-tech "electronic bulletin board" called SF Net. Over a dozen cafés have already installed the tabletop computers that allow kids to drop 50 cents for eight minutes of digital dialogue. Regulars, known as "netters," have taken on names like Primal Screen and Bean Dip to swap stories, opinions, and, occasionally, furniture. And rumor has it that there've even been more than a few love connections made on the net. Maybe it's time to log on?



Hangin' on the "net" in S.F.

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