

## DVD

## The Union: The Business Behind Getting High

Phase 4 Films



In *The Union*, filmmaker, Brett Harvey, shines a light on British Columbia's illegal marijuana trade and how the industry's big dollars touch and run the BC economy way beyond the stereotypical drug dealer. But that's just the tip of the iceberg. The wild ride really begins as the documentary shifts its focus from the prohibition of marijuana into some kind of horror film, in turn, scaring the shit out of many a people who might not know the real history of weed. Using facts and then more facts, *The Union* drives the realities home about why marijuana is prohibited. It's hard-hitting and entertaining films like this that can help educate any hardcore anti-pot person and turn them into a toker's best ally. **ML**

## GAME



## Call of Duty: Modern Warfare 2

Infinity Ward/Activision

PS3, Xbox 360

Considering the anticipation and hype it's quite amazing that *MW2* lived up to all the presale buzz. Full of mayhem and action the storyline sets the standard for all future games in the shooter genre. Great sets, scenarios and sounds add to the intense hardcore action as you fight your way through the levels. As badass as the regular campaign is the real stroke of genius which can be found in the competitive multi-player experience where the thrills never seem to end. With new weapons and more tactical maneuvers, *CoD Mod War 2* will keep you busy for hours on end. But don't just take our word that this game is insane; with over a BILLION dollars in sales, you owe it to yourself to see what all the fuss is about. Look for the SKUNK [SKNK] clan led by reppinZc, online, for some smokin' fun. **ML**



4 splits out of 5

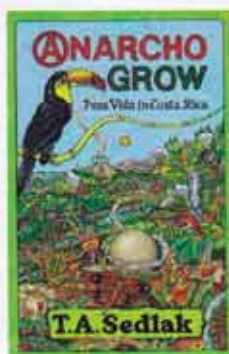
## BOOK

## Anarcho Grow

T.A. Sedlak

This Press Kills Fascists Publishing

The lovely artwork might initially lure you to the book, but the adventures within the storyline will keep you interested until the last page. Sedlak uses the backdrop of Latin America for his setting as his characters come alive and use the richness of the Costa Rican land to grow and smuggle the sacred herb abroad. Of course, not all good plans go unnoticed, as their actions come to light the US government attempts to put a stop to the operation. Adventure and suspense move this tale forward, with a little romance peppered in to ensure a fine read. Pura Vida! **ML**

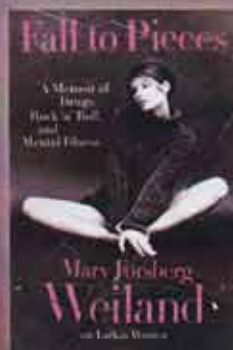


## BOOK

## Fall To Pieces

Mary Forsberg Weiland

William Morrow



Forsberg, for those who don't know, is the enigmatic ex-wife of Stone Temple Pilots and Velvet Revolver frontman, Scott Weiland, surviving several years of drug abuse, erratic behavior (his, but especially her own) and a well-publicized, tumultuous marriage that always seemed to make headlines for all the wrong reasons. But Forsberg is more than just the "lady friend" of Weiland, she was, and despite having two kids, remains a heavily in-demand model, carving out quite a renowned career of her own. *Fall To Pieces* focuses heavily on the relationship between two drug-addled stars and their decisions on how to cope with overwhelming successes and heart-breaking failures almost on a daily basis. As much as it is a "tell-all" expose, in between the lines, there's a real message that the repercussions of heavy drug use can catch up with anyone and that money and fame don't negate that potential. No one likes to look weak, meager and whiny, especially when you're in the public eye, but sometime, it's necessary to let your guard down in order to open up a few eyes. **SF**

## Billy Idol

Live: In Super Overdrive

Eagle Vision

Man, I LOVE Billy Idol. The snarl, the gruffness in his voice, the music which is so, so symbolic of the eighties... Who would have thought his career would carry almost into its fourth decade? This performance, originally filmed in Chicago during the summer of '09 for the TV show, "Soundstage," is proof that Idol not only has more energy than practically any of his compatriots from that era, but also most of these young whippersnappers today. Despite being close to 55 years old, Idol still blows through 12 vintage Idol tracks, sweat pouring out, shirt unbuttoned, snarl in full form. While some of the bigger tracks, like "Mony Mony" and my personal favorite, "Catch My Fall," didn't make the cut, it's still stacked with some of the most nostalgic tunes from back in the day. I'm personally sick of "Rebel Yell" and "White Wedding," but I guess they're imperative for this kind of performance **SF**

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