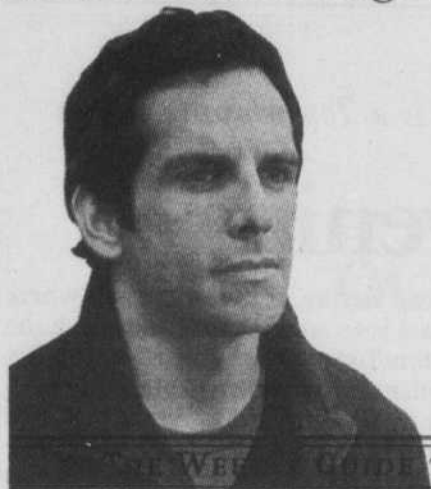


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Laforest extends stay with orchestra

Director has carved niche with Sherbrooke Symphony

By Danielle Tremblay

This week and for the first time, French Connection launches a series of monthly portraits featuring distinguished artists and partners in the cultural development of our French-speaking community and the Townships as a whole. 2001 closes in style as I recall my meeting with Stéphane Laforest, Sherbrooke Symphony Orchestra's energetic and amiable conductor.

Stéphane Laforest is a man of mind-boggling action and purpose. His initial four-year contract with the Sherbrooke Symphony Orchestra has just been extended five years. Laforest also conducts Lanaudière's Sinfonia (which he founded circa 1995-96), and is currently guest conductor of the London (Ontario) Symphony Orchestra as well as other ensembles throughout Canada and Europe.

One of the most striking characteristics of the musician and the man is his simplicity and direct approach.

"I try to be really honest and it's difficult sometimes in the work I do. Directing many orchestras, I'm dealing with many different levels of musicians and on top of that, I always want to reach the public," he said during a recent interview.

"I see myself as demanding, for the musicians and, most of all, for my performance as a conductor. I like to maintain the utmost fidelity to the music and pursue constant professionalism. I also use my energy to communicate our love of music to the general public and I put a lot of time into that."



PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

Stéphane Laforest demands as much from the musicians as he does from himself.

One example Laforest likes to remember involved linking the orchestra and its chief's performance with Hockey Night in Canada! He often invites the public into the game with humorous (but well-paced) commentaries about each piece of music played in a concert. The conductor is also sensitive about repertoire choices for developing the orchestra's style and its public, two goals that go together for him.

"In Sherbrooke for example, I'm well aware that Beethoven or Tchaikovsky's pieces are well-loved and also good for the symphony's work as a

whole unit. We also programmed Vivaldi and collaborated with the Symphonic Choir for Carl Orff' Carmina Burana.

Meanwhile we changed some rehearsal habits for the musicians to further motivate them, and I always insist on bringing soloists of the finest quality, to further upgrade the orchestra's touch.

The Sherbrooke Symphony received the Quebec Arts Council distinction for best regional orchestra in 2000 and I'm proud of it."

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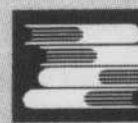
Young director Wes Anderson presents his latest film *The Royal Tenenbaums*.

Traditional Christmas cookies bring cheer and warmth to the season.



Sherbrooke's Historical society presents and exhibit entitled 'Noëls d'antan'.

Le Madrigal features great food and a warm atmosphere.



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Let your taste buds do the walking – fine dining is a Townships tradition

Le Madrigal creates a gentle evening

Wonderful selection of dinner music

By Sunil Mahtani
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD

December 21 is the first day of winter and there can be no better occasion to tell you about a restaurant where the warmth of the service melts the cold evenings away.

Auberge Le Madrigal is a charming place a mere 400 metres from exit 78 off autoroute 10. The renovated home features a wrap-around verandah at the front and a large terrace set against a background of natural woodlands at the rear (the latter is used in the summer only).

The lady responsible for the superlative service is Jeanne Massé, a waitress for 28 years who opened the restaurant with her husband Claude eight years ago.

Massé clearly loves her job; her enthusiasm is infectious. Her effusive personality permeates the dining room as she strolls back and forth from the kitchen singing along with the easy listening music wafting through the air.

By the way, the selection of music at Le Madrigal is among the best I've ever heard at any restaurant in the province! From the silky jazz sounds of Diana Krall to smooth French-language interpretations of classic Christmas songs, the sounds were soft and created just the right atmosphere for a leisurely meal.

Our host also offers pearls of wisdom in between courses, like telling us, "The best way to live is to feel for everything you do."

Anytime we asked for anything, Massé always made sure to say, "With pleasure." If more people loved their jobs as much as Massé does, the world would indeed be a better place.

Claude is a whiz with his hands in both his culinary craft as well as carpentry. While re-creating classic French cuisine (there's no nouvelle cuisine here), he was concurrently working on building cabinets, doors and floors for the auberge part of the business which opened just last June.

Massé is proud to say he single-handedly built the 11 rooms they now have open for the public. Her own sense of classic style is evident in the decor of each room.

Along with the opening of their auberge, the couple inaugurated a new dining room in the new wing they built onto their home. This is not as warm as the old part of the house, which has deep colours, wainscoting and lots of wood creating the atmosphere.



DAVID ANDERSON

Le Madrigal owners Claude and Jeanne Massé have successfully created a gentle experience marked by courtesy and gallantry.

This dining room has beige walls with no wainscoting and light pine floors and doors. Even the Christmas tree is filled with white lights.

The effect is a little bland; the room would benefit greatly from the addition of some rich colour such as burgundy. Massé's personal warmth goes a long way in making up for this. Also, beautiful Townships artwork decorates all the walls at Le Madrigal.

The word madrigal (a medieval lyrical poem) conjures up images of Camelot and King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table, a time of chivalry and honour. Massé's and Claude's idea for their restaurant was to create a gentle experience marked by courtesy and gallantry, a refreshing mandate in this day and age.

Our welcoming host delivered some appetizers while we perused the menu. This was a plate of duck paté with pistachio nuts, melba toast rounds and couscous cooked in maple syrup. The paté was good, featuring a hint of pistachio with the duck. The couscous was quite sweet yet worked pretty well with the paté.

The way the menu works at Le Madrigal is that any main-course item may be ordered as a table d'hôte or à la carte. If you want the table d'hôte option, you have a selection of appetizers and

desserts to choose from.

By being able to create your own evening special, the table d'hôte is the recommended way to go.

I started with the seafood soup while my companion began with the goat's cheese salad. The soup was disappointing. It suffered from a lack of seafood, was not warm enough and tasted a bit bland (the cream was too obvious).

The goat's cheese salad was much better. It featured a small round of warm cheese and roasted almonds on top of mixed greens sprinkled with a balsamic vinaigrette. The balance of the goat's cheese with the nutty toasted flavor of the almonds proved to be a fine counterpoint.

For the main course, we went with the Steak Diane (\$31.50) and the Chef's Fish Suggestion of the Day (\$23.95), which was Mahi-Mahi. Other interesting choices were pork filet mignon with a fragrance of mint and porto (\$20.95), veal sweetbreads in a Madeira sauce (\$26.95) and Brome Lake ostrich with a sherry and blueberry sauce (\$29.95).

The Steak Diane was done with great style. The slightly charcoaled steak was covered with strong mustard and then flambéed right in the dining room with shallots, mushrooms, cognac, red wine and a demi-glace sauce.

The patron who orders this must go

to the section of the restaurant where Massé is set up to flambé and watch the action. The steak was cooked to a perfect medium, the flavours blending brilliantly together. It was a totally satisfying dish.

Unfortunately, the Mahi Mahi was nothing special. The grilled fish was slightly overdone and thus not as succulent as it should have been. Both dishes were served with excellent accompaniments. Massé was proud to tell us we would receive five vegetables and six flavours along with potatoes.

Each dish resembled an artist's palette. The tender-cooked vegetables were beautifully slivered zucchini, butterflied baked tomato, mild baby corn, the surprising addition of tasty okra and delicious mashed carrots with sweet potato (thus the five veggies with six flavours). Also served were Dauphine potatoes (mashed and broiled), which were just fine.

A cheese plate is offered before dessert, but be warned, it's an additional \$4.95 charge. The selections were tasty, including a blue cheese from the Saint-Benoit-du-Lac Abbey, a light, firm cheese from Kaiser in Noyan, and a French camembert made with raw milk.

The plate features melba toast rounds and red grapes. Dessert featured a choice of "daily inspirations" or chocolate cake, fruit tart or ice-cream with either crème de menthe or espresso on top.

Massé was pleased to bring us a bit of all three of Claude's inspirations. The floating island with a sweet, baked meringue on maple syrup cream. It was fluffy, light and a delicious end to any meal. The apple and pear clafouti was prepared Normandy-style with fresh apples and pears with calvados.

This was fruity and moist. The crème caramel was very fresh, made the traditional way with the addition of a bit of Grand Marnier in the centre of the flan. All were quite delicious. Very good, strong coffee followed, ending the meal on the right note. The dinner for two, not including wine or gratuity and with the addition of two cheese plates, was \$75.

Although our culinary adventure at Le Madrigal was mixed, nothing beats the warmth of the service. It's a restaurant that deserves to be experienced.

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*Francophone entertainment in the Townships**french connection***Local exhibits bring holiday cheer**

Sherbrooke's Historical society has prepared a feast for your eyes and your soul until Jan. 28. The exhibit entitled 'Noëls d'antan' has returned this year with infant Jesus dolls, statuettes and other figurines from artisan Lina Côté's impressive national and international collection.

The 150 pieces are made mostly of wax, molded and handcrafted by religious congregations and various artisans. Some are also industrially made.

Some techniques and recipes span at least three centuries. Clarisses monastery in Lennoxville is one of the regional institutions beautifully represented here.

The statuettes and dolls' hair are often natural hair taken from deceased family members as mementos.

This is one of the many facets of the craft and industry of infant Jesus' representations that carry much emotional resonance as well as social and economical significance.

Particularly worth mentioning is the work of Céline Desmarais, one of the rare artists who specializes in this field. She has created many originals and has also restored ancient dolls each time referring to the traditional ways.

So it's a privilege to stop and contemplate 'Noëls d'antan-L'Enfant Jésus de cire' from Tuesday to Sunday at the Société d'histoire de Sherbrooke's exhibition centre located at 275, Dufferin street.

Call 819-821-5406 for details.

Warm your hearts and your imagination once more with a family gathering organized by CHARMES (Magog river environmental committee) in Sherbrooke's Blanchard Park on Sunday, Dec. 16, beginning at 1 p.m.

Versatile musician Anne Guicherd will play her most beautiful Christmas tunes at the park's Maison de l'Eau and afterwards, kids will be invited to make their own gifts at her workshop.

For all information on Christmas and winter activities set in this beautiful scenery, call CHARMES at 819-821-5893.

In the heart of Old Sherbrooke, the Granada Theater presents 'Fleur de lys, fleur de thé', a unique show exploring three distinct oriental traditions of dance and music, this Sunday Dec. 16 at 8 p.m.

The dancers and percussionist who make up the group Kala Bharati will demonstrate the vivid and sensual imagery of a traditional dance of India.

Vietnamese trio Pham Duc Thanh play typical folk songs, theater and ritual music with classical monochord instruments like the Dan Bau, adapted by this musical family.

Finally, Arashi Daiko's Japanese ritual drummers will work the audience into a frenzy! Call 819-820-1000 or buy your tickets at the Granada one hour before the show.

I remind you that until Sunday, you can enjoy the Creatio Artists Collective's fantasies on paper: 'Papier tenances variées', exhibited at 81

Desjardins street in Magog Township.

Twenty-six artists from this group have celebrated the many aspects of paper in sculpture, painting, photography, drawing and engraving. The gallery is open from Thursday to Sunday, from 1 to 5 p.m.

Call 819-843-8200 for further information.

I also remind you that 'Casse-Noisette et le Roi des rats', a lively contemporary rendition of the 'Nutcracker' by the Sur-

saut dance company, will be presented on Dec. 29 at 7:30 p.m. and Dec. 30 at 2 p.m., at the University of Sherbrooke's Cultural centre.

Sursaut's version sets the magical story of Clara in the Québécois countryside and the characters dance, play, juggle and/or do somersaults!

To encourage those brilliant home-grown talents for the Holidays and more, make your reservations at 819-820-1000.

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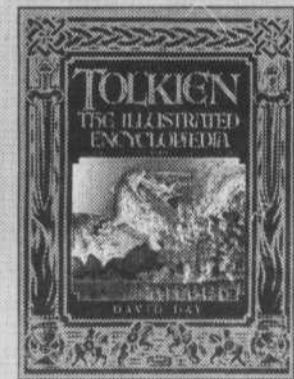
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Pieces like this one are made mostly of wax and handcrafted by religious congregations.

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ing for that special gift? Sutton offers elegant boutiques that provide you with a variety of quality items to suit all your needs.

This enchanted ambiance is perfect to visit our beautiful little town and do our historical walking tour beginning at the Communication and History Museum of Sutton (the Museum is open Saturdays and Sundays from start to noon and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.)

And at the Musée du chocolat Belge (8 Principale South) you will have the opportunity of getting the internationally known Belgium chocolate.

Everyday until Christmas from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., Crèches exhibition at the St-Simon Church in Abercom.

The 15 and 16 of December Sutton will vibrate at the children's rhythm with the Elf handcraft workshop for children, from 4 to 9 years of age, handmade toys and gift sale.

Puppet show, and story telling will be provided by the Jardin d'enfants L'Éclaircie.

On Saturday, Dec. 15 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. come for a wagon ride around the town with Ian (departure at the gazebo, 20 Principale N.).

On Dec. 15 at 8 p.m. a dramatic reading of 'A Christmas Carol', of Charles Dickens will be presented at the United Church, 6 Maple Rd., corner Pleasant (8\$ minimum donation, proceeds to the Sutton Food Bank).

Also Dec. 15, Auberge de Appalaches invites you to its Christmas dinner and concert. Listen to a string duet formed by Hélène Dion (violin and alto) and Isabelle Kaprolat (cello).

Sunday, Dec. 16 at 2 p.m. enjoy 'Les Cordes à Vent' Christmas concert at St-André church, 89 Principale N., Sutton.

Entrance fee: 2\$ children/ 5\$ students / 8\$ adults. Or come see Santa at Sutton School. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

Monday, Dec. 17 is Mount Sutton's birthday, for this occasion you will have the opportunity to ski all day for only 5\$. Don't miss it.

Starting mid-December, Antoine Mousette offers a class or an initiation on ice climbing. Those interested may contact him at 450-538-4333.

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LAFORREST:

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The entrepreneurial spirit that Stéphane Laforest brings to the Sherbrooke Symphony doesn't stop there. In 2002, with the help of the orchestra's administration and director Monique Habel's dynamic presence, he intends to launch two new contests to stimulate and further define musical excellence in Sherbrooke and the Townships.

A competitive festival for young soloists in all instrumental fields is in the works, as well as a special contest for the composers.

"I think that right now the Sherbrooke Symphony counts 60 per cent of devoted local musicians in its ranks. One of the foremost qualities of the ensemble is the pride and desire of all to do their best for their orchestra," says the conductor.

"We want to establish a repertoire of quality and accessibility to all the Townships communities: for example we'd like to reach out to anglophones by programming great melodic composers like Vaughan-Williams and Elgar. I also have in mind the production of a CD for the Sherbrooke Symphony. Now that the chemistry is in place between the musicians and the orchestra leader, possibilities are open for the years ahead."

Laforest has always enjoyed taking on new challenges, in fact he rarely stays in one place. And that's why Sherbrooke Symphony Orchestra patron



PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

Stéphane Laforest has program for all.

were delighted to learn he would be staying put until 2007 - a bonus for the music community as well as time for Laforest to spend some rewarding time with his young family and wife Hélène Marcil who is first violin in the Sherbrooke Symphony.

THE 2002 SHERBROOKE SYMPHONY SEASON KICKS OFF ON JAN. 26 WITH TCHAIKOVSKY'S AND ELGAR'S WORKS FOR STRINGS, MOZART'S PETITE MUSIQUE DE NUIT, CANADIAN COMPOSER ANDRÉ PRÉVOST'S SCHERZO AND PRESTIGIOUS FLUTIST ROBERT LANGEVIN PLAYING C.-P.-E. BACH. MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS AT UNIVERSITY CENTRE CULTUREL: 819-820-1000.

Traditional cookies bring Christmas cheer

By Ruth Phelan and Brenda Thompson
SOUTHAM NEWS

Christmas means cookies! The aroma of freshly baked cookies is part of the season's magic - it gives us automatic recall to what we adored as children. And even if you don't do a lot of baking during the year, a batch of home-made cookies is a must for the holiday season.

If you only have time to bake one batch of festive cookies, why not choose a traditional favourite? More than any other holiday sweets, shortbread and fruitcake sing out Christmas.

There was a time when most sweet platters were piled with Christmas goodies including slices of light or dark fruitcake. Large, heavy fruitcakes were baked four to six weeks prior to consumption and stored to mellow in a cool dry place.

We have created a twist on the traditional with our updated favourites: we dropped brandied fruitcake batter into pretty candy cups and added toasted hazelnuts and drizzled chocolate to our shortbread stars.

You'll enjoy sharing these home-made-from-scratch treats - they give old-time cookies brand new flavour.

A splash of vanilla enhances the flavour of toasted hazelnuts in our irresistibly rich cookie stars.

Chocolate-Hazelnut Shortbread

Makes 60 cookies

3 1/4 cups (800 ml) all-purpose flour
3/4 cup (175 ml) cornstarch
1 cup (250 ml) hazelnuts (filberts),
toasted and chopped very fine (see note)
1/4 teaspoon (1 ml) salt
2 cups (500 ml) butter, at room temperature
1 cup (250 ml) icing sugar
1/2 teaspoon (2 ml) vanilla extract
2 (1-ounce/28 g) squares semi-sweet chocolate, chopped coarse
2 (1-ounce/28 g) squares white chocolate, chopped coarse
2 teaspoons (10 ml) vegetable oil, divided

In medium bowl, combine flour, cornstarch, ground hazelnuts and salt.

In large bowl, beat butter and sugar until creamy. Beat in vanilla. Using

wooden spoon, stir in flour mixture until blended. Turn dough out on to lightly floured surface and knead lightly until dough forms a ball.

Divide dough in half; flatten each piece into a disc about 3/4-inch (2 cm) thick. Wrap each disc completely in plastic wrap; chill in refrigerator for about 45 minutes.

Roll out each half of dough on lightly floured surface until about 3/8-inch (1 cm) thick. Cut into star shapes with a metal cookie cutter (we used 1 and 3/4 inch/4.5 cm star cutter). Place on ungreased rimless baking sheet and pierce each twice with a fork. Chill in refrigerator for 30 minutes.

Bake at 300 F (150 C) for 25 to 28 minutes or until light golden on bottom and edges. Transfer cookies to rack to cool completely.

Put semi-sweet chocolate and 1 teaspoon (5 ml) oil in small heatproof bowl. Place bowl over saucepan of hot, not simmering, water (water should not touch the bottom of bowl), stirring until chocolate is partially melted. Remove bowl from saucepan; continue stirring until melted and smooth. Dip fork into chocolate and drizzle over each cooled cookie. Repeat melting process in clean bowl with white chocolate and 1 teaspoon (5 ml) oil. Drizzle a little white chocolate over each cookie. Let chocolate set. (Store cookies between sheets of wax paper in an air-tight container in a cool place for 2 weeks, or freeze for up to 1 month.)

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Holiday cookies shouldn't be too time consuming, but Christmas wouldn't be Christmas without gingerbreadmen. Make the dough a day ahead, refrigerate overnight and bake them when your children can help cut out the cookies. You can freeze the baked cookies, thaw and then decorate later, when it's more convenient.

Three-Ginger Gingerbread Cookies

Makes about 38 cookies

4 1/4 cups (1050 ml) all-purpose flour
2 teaspoons (10 ml) baking soda
2 teaspoons (10 ml) ground ginger
1 1/2 teaspoons (7 ml) ground cinna-



SOUTHAM

Gingerbread cookies make an excellent holiday treat.

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1/2 teaspoon (2 ml) ground cloves
1 teaspoon (5 ml) salt
1 1/4 cups (300 ml) butter, at room temperature
1 1/2 cups (375 ml) packed brown sugar
1/2 cup (125 ml) fancy molasses
2 large eggs
1 tablespoon (15 ml) finely grated fresh ginger
2/3 cup (150 ml) finely chopped crystallized ginger

In medium bowl, combine flour, baking soda, ground ginger, cinnamon, cloves and salt.

In large bowl, beat butter and sugar until creamy. Beat in molasses, then eggs, one at a time. Beat in fresh ginger and crystallized ginger. With wooden spoon, stir in flour mixture, a third at a time. Divide dough in half; flatten each piece into a disc about 1 inch (2.5 cm) thick. Wrap each disc completely in plas-

tic wrap; refrigerate overnight.

Roll out each half of dough on lightly floured surface until 1/4-inch (5 mm) thick. Using floured gingerbread figure cutter (we used one 4 3/4-inch/12 cm tall), cut into shapes. With spatula, place gingerbread persons on ungreased rimless baking sheet, about 1-inch (2.5 cm) apart. Form scraps into a ball; chill for 15 minutes. Roll and cut remaining dough and scraps.

Bake at 350 F (180 C) for 8 to 10 minutes or until bottoms are barely browned. Let cookies cool on baking sheet on rack for 5 minutes, then transfer cookies to rack to cool completely. Decorate as desired.

(Store cookies between sheets of wax paper in an air-tight container in a cool place for up to 3 days, or freeze for up to 1 month.)

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Richler awarded Canada's highest honour

By Elizabeth Thompson
SOUTHAM NEWS

The setting was about as far from the gritty back streets of Duddy Kravitz's Montreal as you can get.

Wednesday, amid the pomp and ceremony of Rideau Hall, the man Governor General Adrienne Clarkson described as Duddy Kravitz's alter ego was finally awarded the highest honour Canada can bestow as Mordecai Richler became a Companion of the Order of Canada five months after he lost his battle with cancer.

Flanked by her sons Noah, Daniel and Jacob, Florence Richler formally received the insignia of Companion of the Order of Canada on behalf of her late husband in a special ceremony.

Richler had been appointed to the Order of Canada while he was still alive and was supposed to have received the

award at a ceremony this past February, at the same time as June Callwood and Jack McClelland.

However, his health prevented him from attending the ceremony.

Speaking during an intimate ceremony Wednesday attended by a dozen members of Richler's immediate family and close friends, Clarkson praised his "unique" writing style and technique.

"When I think of him, I think of one of Canada's greatest writers," said Clarkson, who had interviewed Richler a number of times when she was a broadcaster. "You can count their number on one hand."

The citation accompanying the appointment praises Richler's role in bringing Montreal to the world.

"He has helped secure Canada's place on the international literary

stage. His characters speak of struggle and triumph; his stories bring St-Urbain and Crescent streets to the world."

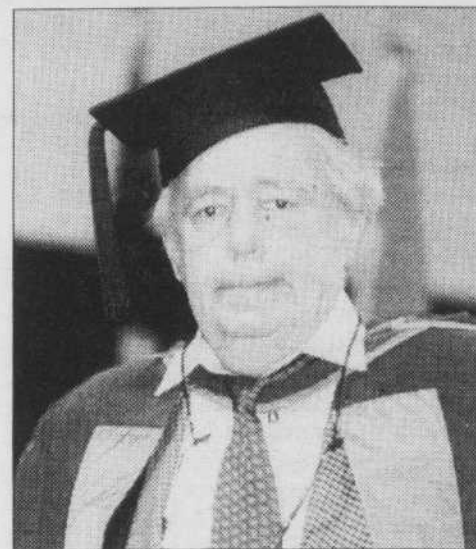
Speaking to reporters after the ceremony, as Clarkson and the other guests were lifting glasses of champagne to Richler, the author's sons said their father had been looking forward to accepting the award in person.

"He regarded it as an honour," said Noah Richler.

Daniel Richler said he spent part of the ceremony wondering what his father would have thought of the setting.

"He had a healthy suspicion of pomp and circumstance and bureaucracies and he inculcated that in his family. But he also recognized an honour when he saw it."

A memorial to Richler is to be held June 21 in Montreal.



RECORD FILE PHOTO

Mordecai Richler named Companion of the Order of Canada.

Shakespeare and the theatre up close

FRAN FISHER WAS THE WINNER OF THE RECORD'S GETAWAY WEEKEND, THIS IS HER ACCOUNT OF THE TRIP.

Just wanted to tell you about our marvellous trip to Stratford on the Record's Getaway Weekend at the beginning of November.

We decided to take the train and were pleasantly surprised at the com-

fort and service provided; the staff were very helpful whether it be providing information or helping you on and off with your luggage.

Colleen was awaiting to welcome us on our arrival at the Swan Motel, even though it was quite late in the evening. We enjoyed a chat with her each morning over coffee and muffins and she was a mine of information on anything we wanted to know about Stratford or the theatre productions.

We started off our weekend with lunch at the Tapuz where we had delicious cauliflower soup with saffron and sourdough bread, before going on to the Festival Theatre to see *The Sound of Music*. What a simply flawless production, it was excellent and we came out feeling totally uplifted.

Friday evening continued with a visit to the Avon Theatre to see Brian Bedford in the comedy, *Private Lives*. The Avon will now undergo complete renovations before the 50th season begins next spring. Saturday was a busy day with a tour of the costume warehouse in the morning.

We saw so much there, all the many props used and so many different costumes painstakingly made and accurate to the times portrayed.

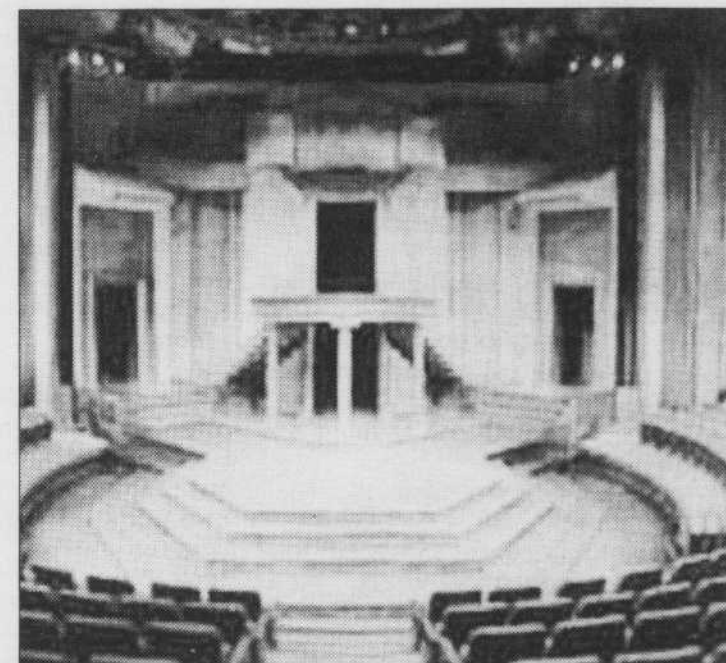
We learned lots of interesting tidbits

such as the fact that in musicals, the actors have a microphone in their wig, and that the costumes are sprayed with vodka after each performance to dispel body odour!

We could even try some of the costumes on if we felt inclined at the end of the tour.

We enjoyed supper at Toni's bistro and sampled such delights as a pastry starter with hot camembert cheese and "potted lemon" for dessert, before going back to the Festival to see the production of *The Merchant of Venice*, one of Shakespeare's great romantic masterpieces.

Sunday morning we arrived at the Festival Theatre ready for our tour backstage which gave a whole new outlook when back in one's seat.



COURTESY FESTIVAL THEATRE

Our Getaway winners visited the Festival Theatre in Stratford.

Again, more tidbits about actors, such as the explanation that Cynthia Dale could get from her opening 'Day in the Hills' post high on the set to the room of the Mother Superior down below in the abbey quickly

by actually using a slide! Sunday afternoon we were back at the Avon to see *Henry V*, quite a change of pace from the other performances. Powerful!

After spending time perusing the gift shop we went across to the Sun Room where we had the most delicious supper. There was pumpkin-zucchini soup, rack of lamb and Bailey's chocolate pudding cup!

The motel was out of town so we had 14 taxi rides with Radio Cab to and fro. Cabs were comfy; usually older and large. Cabbies were very helpful and always on time; one told us we were riding in Mrs. Gretzky's (senior) ex Lincoln Town car!

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Young filmmaker has Oscar hopes for new film

By Jamie Portman
SOUTHAM NEWS

Filmmaker Wes Anderson is 31 years old but there's still a boyish quality about him. He's earnest and bespectacled with an adolescent's weedy frame. In demeanour he reminds you a bit of Max, the precocious adolescent of his 1998 directorial effort, *Rushmore*, a quirky cult success about the throes of growing up.

L.A. Weekly, southern California's influential alternative newspaper, calls Anderson "an authentic original - an eccentric and heretical talent." The *New York Times* says that he possesses "one of the freshest voices in American movies."

And the Disney organization's Touchstone division is starting to envisage a procession of gold statuary as it senses Oscar possibilities for Anderson's latest movie, *The Royal Tenenbaums*.

This tragic-comic piece of social commentary about a highly dysfunctional New York family arrived in New York and Los Angeles the weekend of Dec. 14, accompanied by imposing (and expensive) double-page colour ads in the newspapers. It is moving gradually into other cities - its first appearances in Canada will be Dec. 21 in Toronto and Vancouver - and Disney hopes that word of mouth and good reviews will build an Oscar momentum for it.

Anderson is trying in his own way to help with that momentum. "I'm supposed to go out and talk to people about the movie and try to communicate about it, but that's just about it," he says. But already he's fretting about his film's box-office potential.

"We didn't spend that much money on it - \$25 million - and that's really low for a studio. So we ought to be OK theoretically, but if the movie only grosses \$8 million we have a problem."

Still, that lowly budget - less than someone like Arnold Schwarzenegger now gets for a single film performance - was enough to bring in an impressive array of acting talent that includes two-time Oscar winner, Gene Hackman, Angelica Huston, Ben Stiller, Oscar-winner Gwyneth Paltrow, Danny Glover, Bill Murray, Luke Wilson and Owen Wilson.

It presents a dysfunctional family to end all dysfunctional families - one critic has already labeled the movie "a bleak farce" - and inhabits Anderson's skewed vision of Manhattan.

Hackman - who has publicly described his character as "very peculiar" - plays Royal Tenenbaum, a feckless narcissist and failed businessman who has

launched a cunning and deceitful campaign to return to the bosom of the family which threw him out 20 years previously.

Huston plays his estranged spouse. Stiller, Paltrow and Luke Wilson play his miserable grown children: they were once child prodigies, but a voiceover tells us that their youthful promise "was subsequently erased by two decades of betrayal, failure and disaster."

Stiller's character, a financial genius as a child, is now a grieving widower, obsessed that disaster will now strike his two motherless sons. His younger brother (Luke Wilson), was a brilliant child tennis prodigy until he suffered a breakdown; now he travels the world in tramp steamers.

Sister Gwyneth Paltrow was a prominent playwright at 14; now she's consumed by failure, and is pining her life away in meaningless marriage to neurologist Bill Murray. Then there's Owen Wilson, the childhood friend who always wanted to be like them and who now appears to have made it as a young literary icon.

The re-emergence of the father whose insensitivity so traumatized them years before forces all of them to reassess their roles in life.

Some critics have suggested that Anderson's films lack irony, a diagnosis that puzzles him. For his part, he argues that his screenplay - which he cowrote with old friend Owen Wilson, a regular partner in these enterprises - offers a mixture of sincerity and irony.

Some might say that's an odd combination of moods; others might say that this is simply the idiosyncratic Anderson being Anderson. To complicate matters further, it should be recorded that there's not an ounce of irony present in his sincerely delivered observations concerning this blending of moods.

"I've had a lot of people say that our movies are sincere, that they are tired of movies which are ironic. But I would say there's . . . tons of irony in this movie." But he also says it has a "sin-

cere" feeling. "We have affection for the characters. We want to be respectful to the characters, and I think there is a sadness about the whole thing and also something sort of wistful. Hopefully, I don't want to have characters which don't have some appeal."

Anderson's first feature film, the 1996 *Bottle Rocket*, was made on a tiny budget and dealt with a released mental hospital patient who joins forces with his friend in a hair-brained scheme to go on an amateur crime spree - only to run into trouble when a real criminal crosses their path.

In this film, as well as in the subsequent *Rushmore* and the current *Royal Tenenbaums*, Anderson deliberately pulls his sting.

"Well, I like all the characters," he says a trifle defensively. "I don't want to have characters that people dislike." He even wants people to have affection for the patriarchal rogue portrayed by Hackman.

But, he adds, almost as an afterthought, "this father is nothing like my dad, and I want to make that clear."

The *Royal Tenenbaums* marks the first time Anderson has worked with so many top-flight actors. He initially found it intimidating. "But I quickly became comfortable with them. They were very nice." Cast members even adjusted to his "weird idiosyncrasies" as a filmmaker - for example his habit of working out a scene in his own mind and his reluctance to block it out with the actors in advance or even rehearse them until it's almost time to shoot.

But sometimes he reverts to the traditional approach "because I might not have an idea I'm excited about." Then he relies on the spontaneity of his actors. "Actors always surprise me . . . actors have ideas."

Anderson is also a little odd about wardrobe - which is why some actors never seem to change their clothing. "If you have them change all the time, it doesn't mean anything," he protests. But sometimes a change of outfit is justified when "it's a way of making it simple and clear when there's an



TOUCHSTONE

Ben Stiller and Gene Hackman star in *The Royal Tenenbaums* directed by Wes Anderson.

emotional change."

But generally his attitude is that if he starts out with "a really great costume idea for somebody's character" it's pointless to replace it. "So most of them have to wear the same things throughout the movie."

Anderson's first two movies didn't turn a profit, and he worries that distributors' patience may be running out. "It's not a slam-dunk that people are going to respond to what we're doing. You want people to like the movie. You want people to go to the movie."

"While we're making it, I feel really excited, but when it's done I'm a little worried."

So would he ever direct a mainstream movie based on somebody else's script? "I would but I haven't read one I wanted to do," he says helplessly. "I don't read that many anyway and when I see one, I think there's probably someone else who can do it better."

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TV TALK

Friday

6:00 PM

- 3 5 8 11 12 22 News
- 6 CBC News
- 7 Le TVA 18 heures
- 29 Judge Judy (N)
- 31 Simpsons
- 33 Newshour With Jim Lehrer
- 57 BBC World News
- A&E Night Court
- BVO Montreal Jazz Festival
- CNN Moneyline
- DISC Crocodile Hunter
- HIST Odysseys: Canada's Maritime History
- LIFE Animal Miracles
- NW International Newsfirst
- SHOW F/X: The Series
- TLC Greatest Martial Artist - Bruce Lee
- TNN Miami Vice (Part 2 of 2)
- TSN Off the Record.
- VSN Road to Avonlea
- YTV Santa Calls

6:30 PM

- 5 NBC Nightly News
- 6 BBC World News
- 7 Ultimatum
- 8 22 ABC World News Tonight
- 11 Global National
- 29 Judge Judy (N)
- 31 King of the Hill
- 57 Nightly Business Report

- A&E Newsradio
- HIST Scattering of Seeds: The Creation of Canada
- NW News TV: Russia and Mexico
- TSN Sportscentre.

7:00 PM

- 3 CBS Evening News
- 5 Jeopardy! (N)
- 6 How the Grinch Stole Christmas
- 7 Frosty, le bonhomme de neige
- 8 Wheel of Fortune
- 9 Cinéma ★★ "Retour au bercail: Perdus à San Francisco" (1996, Aventures)
- 11 Bob and Margaret
- 12 Little Men
- 22 Spin City
- 29 Everybody Loves Raymond
- 31 Just Shoot Me
- 33 Nightly Business Report
- 57 Newshour With Jim Lehrer
- A&E Law & Order
- BVO Bravo!Videos
- CNN Wolf Blitz Reports
- DISC At Discovery.ca
- HIST Tour of Duty
- LIFE Goods
- NW International Newsfirst
- SHOW North of 60
- TLC Medical Detectives
- TNN Mad TV

- TSN That's Hockey. (N)
- VSN Cosby Show
- YTV Hit List: Christmas

7:30 PM

- 3 11 Entertainment Tonight
- 5 Wheel of Fortune
- 6 Robbie the Reindeer in Hooves of Fire
- 7 Le Retour de Frosty (N)
- 8 Jeopardy! (N)
- 22 29 Frasier
- 31 Seinfeld
- 33 Vermont This Week
- BVO Movietelevison
- CNN Crossfire
- LIFE Weird Homes
- NW European Journal
- TLC Medical Detectives
- TNN Mad TV
- TSN Boxing.
- VSN As Time Goes By

8:00 PM

- 3 A Home for the Holidays
- 5 Figure Skating.
- 6 Oliver Twist (Part 4 of 4)
- 7 Cinéma "Le Coeur en vacances" (1997, Drame)
- 8 22 Americas Funniest Home Videos: Unwrapped for the Holidays
- 11 Quebec City Summer Festival - Cowboy Junkies (N)
- 12 Movie "Borrowed Hearts: A Holiday Romance" (1997, Drama) A single mother agrees to pose as her employer's wife.
- 29 31 Family Guy (N)
- 30 Cinéma ★★ "Cher bon Dieu" (1996, Comédie)
- 33 Washington Week (N)
- 57 Christmas Carol
- A&E Biography "Rosemary Clooney: Girl Singer"
- BVO Scanning the Movies
- CNN The Point
- DISC Kingdom of the Lion
- HIST Turning Points
- LIFE Extra
- NW News Television
- SHOW La Femme Nikita
- TLC Police, Camera, Action!
- TNN Star Trek: The Next Generation
- VSN By Way of the Stars (Part 4 of 6)

8:30 PM

- 29 31 Tick (N)
- 33 Wall Street Week (N)
- BVO Movie ★★★ "The Rat Pack" (1998, Drama) A revealing account of the popular 1950s-60s entertainers.
- LIFE Lofters
- YTV Psychoblast (Part 1 of 2)

9:00 PM

- 3 That's Life (N)
- 5 Dateline (N)
- 8 22 Classic TV Bloopers
- 11 29 31 24
- 33 Life 360
- 57 Mystery! "Touching Evil II" (Part 6 of 6)

- A&E Holiday at Pops!
- CNN Larry King Live
- DISC World Wildlife Fund: Countdown to Extinction
- HIST Movie ★★★ "Badlands" (1973, Suspense) Two teen-age outcasts embark on a bloody crime spree.
- LIFE \$100 Taxi Ride
- NW International Newsfirst
- SHOW Hunger
- TLC U.S. Marshals: The Real Story
- TNN Star Trek: The Next Generation (Part 1 of 2)
- TSN Boxing. (Live)
- VSN Season of Change.
- YTV Psychoblast (Part 2 of 2)

9:30 PM

- LIFE Real World
- NW German Journal
- SHOW (9:35) Kink
- YTV Daria

10:00 PM

- 3 48 Hours "All in the Family"
- 5 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit
- 6 CBC News
- 7 Le TVA réseau
- 8 22 Challenge America With Erin Brockovich: The Miracle in Manhattan (N)
- 11 Psi Factor: Chronicles of the Paranormal
- 12 Inside the Teenage Brain
- 29 Seinfeld
- 31 News
- 33 Three Tenors Christmas
- CNN Newsnight
- DISC Wonder of Baby Animals
- LIFE Weekender - Barcelona
- NW International Newsfirst
- SHOW (10:05) Oz
- TLC Protect and Serve
- TNN Star Trek: The Next Generation (Part 2 of 2)
- VSN Steeplechasing
- YTV Chart Attack

10:30 PM

- 7 Coup de chapeau (N)
- 29 Frasier
- 57 There Is Love
- BVO (10:45) Bravonews
- NW Scully/The World
- VSN Religion & Ethics Newsweekly

11:00 PM

- 3 5 8 12 22 News
- 6 Movie ★★★★★ "Going My Way" (1944, Drama) A new priest breathes new life into a debt-ridden parish.
- 9 (11:25) Cinéma "La Bûche" (1999, Com. dramatique)
- 11 Body and Health (N)
- 29 Simpsons
- 31 Seinfeld
- 33 (11:15) Movie ★★★ "Amazing Grace With Bill Moyers" (1990, Documentary) A variety of singers perform and

- talk about the hymn.
- 57 BBC World News
- A&E Law & Order
- BVO Beggars and Choosers
- CNN Greenfield at Large
- DISC At Discovery.ca
- HIST Killer's Trail
- LIFE Extra
- NW News Television: The National
- SHOW Red Shoe Diaries
- TLC Police, Camera, Action!
- TNN Star Trek: The Next Generation
- VSN Season of Change.
- YTV Big Wolf on Campus

11:30 PM

- 3 (11:35) Late Show (N)
- 5 (11:35) Tonight Show (N)
- 7 Le TVA, sports.
- 7 Tirages Loto-Québec
- 8 22 (11:35) Nightline
- 11 Sports.
- 12 News
- 12 (11:45) Sports Night.
- 29 3rd Rock From the Sun
- 31 Spin City
- 57 Charlie Rose (N)
- CNN Moneyline
- LIFE Weird Homes
- SHOW Red Shoe Diaries
- TSN Sportscentre.
- YTV Student Bodies

12:00 AM

- 7 (12:01) Cinéma "Kazan" (1994, Drame)
- 8 22 Politically Incorrect
- 11 Entertainment Tonight
- 12 (12:05) Open Mike
- 29 Mad TV
- 31 Star Trek: Voyager
- A&E Biography "Rosemary Clooney: Girl Singer"
- BVO Sex and the City
- CNN Larry King Live
- DISC Crocodile Hunter
- HIST Movie ★★★ "Badlands" (1973, Suspense) Two teen-age outcasts embark on a bloody crime spree.
- LIFE Real World
- NW News Television
- SHOW Movie "Men and Women of the Bois De Boulogne" (1974, Drama) A group of Parisians indulges in a search for pleasure.
- TLC U.S. Marshals: The Real Story
- TNN Fame for 15
- VSN Last of the Summer Wine
- YTV Home Movies

12:30 AM

- 3 11 (12:37) Late Late Show
- 5 (12:37) Late Night (N)
- 57 Classic Arts Showcase
- BVO (12:45) Movie ★ "Seven Times a Day" (1971, Comedy) A Canadian in Israel feels constantly compelled to have sex.
- LIFE Lofters
- TSN Equestrian.
- VSN Last of the Summer Wine

Saturday

6:00 AM

- 5 Global Business People
- 6 Mr. Dressup
- 8 New Adventures of Winnie the Pooh
- 11 Blazing Dragons
- 12 Good Morning Canada
- 33 Caillou
- 57 Sesame Street
- BVO NoJo
- CNN CNN International
- DISC Oceans of Mystery
- HIST Combat!
- LIFE Pet Friends
- NW International Newsfirst
- RDI Matin express
- SHOW Mariac Mansion
- TSN Sportscentre
- VSN Markings
- YTV Pippi Longstocking

6:30 AM

- 3 Animal Rescue
- 5 Ron Hazelton's House Calls
- 6 Sesame Park
- 7 (6:45) Évangélisation 2000
- 8 Weekenders
- 11 Babar
- 33 Clifford the Big Red Dog
- LIFE Gentle Doctor: Veterinary Medicine
- NW News Television
- YTV Legend of White Fang

7:00 AM

- 3 Bob the Builder
- 5 Today
- 6 Clifford the Big Red Dog
- 7 Salut, bonjour!
- 8 Lloyd in Space
- 9 Benjamin
- 11 Prairie Berry Pie
- 22 Americana Outdoors
- 29 Tama and Friends
- 31 Pet Shop
- 33 Bookworm Bunch
- 57 Jay Jay the Jet Plane
- A&E Movie ★★★ "St. Elmo's Fire" (1985, Drama) New college graduates try to find their niche in the world.
- BVO Arts & Minds
- CNN Saturday Morning
- DISC Great Canadian Rivers
- HIST Canadians
- LIFE Good Dog!
- NW International Newsfirst
- SHOW Madison
- TSN Sportscentre
- VSN Reflections on Islam
- YTV Batman

7:30 AM

- 3 Dora the Explorer
- 6 Dragon Tales
- 8 Awesome Adventures
- 9 Jumelles
- 11 Bob Morane
- 22 Sailor Moon
- 29 Sherlock Holmes in the 22nd Century
- 30 Iglou-Glou
- 31 Tama and Friends
- 57 Between the Lions
- BVO Movie ★★ "Hi-De-Ho" (1947, Musical) A jealous woman hires a rival club owner

Christmas with Mariah



TVDATA

A Home for the Holidays special With Mariah Carey, airing on CBS Friday, Dec. 21, is the network's third annual show designed to raise awareness about adoption. Skater Scott Hamilton and actors Patricia Heaton (Everybody Loves Raymond) and Dustin Hoffman (Rain Man) present pretaped segments about adoption. Among the heartwarming segments is the story of the Welling family of Maine who, after seeing the first such CBS special, adopted two sisters.

Saturday

to kill her lover.

CNN People in the News
DISC Alien Planets: Anyone Home?
LIFE Pet Project
NW News Television: The National
SHOW Degraasi Junior High
VSN Divine Plan
YTV Transformers: Robots in Disguise

8:00 AM

3 Blue's Clues
 6 Little Bear
 6 (8:10) MumbleBumble
 6 (8:18) Rolie Polie Olie
 8 22 Mary-Kate and Ashley in Action!
 9 Ralph la Racaille
 11 Pet Guys
 12 Turtle Island
 29 31 Transformers: Robots in Disguise
 30 Pokémon
 57 Anne of Green Gables
CNN Saturday Morning
HIST Historylands
LIFE Zoo Diaries
NW International Newsfirst
TSN Sportscentre
VSN Daily Mass
YTV Super Duper Sumo Wrestlers

8:30 AM

3 Little Bill
 6 Franklin
 6 (8:45) Scoop and Doozie
 8 22 Teacher's Pet
 9 Wounchpunch
 11 New Addams Family
 12 Nilus the Sandman
 29 31 Power Rangers Time Force
 30 Vision mondiale "Un cadeau d'amour"
 57 Zoboofafoo
BVO (8:45) Bravonews
DISC Grand Illusions: The Story of Magic
LIFE Dogs With Jobs
NW News Television
VSN Evangelical Asian
YTV Medabots

9:00 AM

3 Saturday Early Show
 5 Animal Adventures
 6 Skinnamarink TV
 8 22 Recess
 9 Les Weekenders
 11 New Addams Family
 12 Shopping Channel
 29 31 Digimon: Digital Monsters
 33 To Be Announced
 57 Religion & Ethics Newsweekly
A&E America's Castles
BVO Movie ★★ "I Ought to Be in Pictures" (1982, Comedy) A teen-ager transforms the life of her screenwriter father.
DISC At Discovery.ca
LIFE \$100 Taxi Ride
NW International Newsfirst
TLC Home Savvy
TNN American Shooter
TSN Sportscentre
VSN Des-Pardes
YTV X-Men: Evolution

9:30 AM

5 Wild Moments
 6 Noddy
 8 22 Recess
 9 La Cour de récré
 11 Popular Mechanics for Kids
 29 31 Medabots

57 Visionaries
LIFE Circus
NW News TV: Russia
RDI Bulletin des jeunes
TLC Home Savvy
TNN Csonka Outdoors
VSN West Indians United
YTV Batman

10:00 AM

5 City Guys
 6 Clifford the Big Red Dog
 7 La Trattoria
 8 22 Lizzie McGuire
 9 Papyrus
 11 Mystery Files of Shelby Woo
 29 31 Ripping Friends
 30 Cardio, tae boxe
 33 MotorWeek
 57 Computer Chronicles
A&E House Beautiful
DISC Wonder of Baby Animals
HIST Movie ★★ "Christopher Columbus: The Discovery" (1992, Drama) Based on the legendary explorer's historic voyage in 1492.
LIFE Animal Miracles
NW International Newsfirst
RDI Le Journal RDI
SHOW Destiny Ridge
TLC How-2 Crew
TNN Buckmasters: Whitetail Magazine
TSN Canadian Sportfishing
VSN Panorama: Visions of the Future
YTV Batman Beyond

10:30 AM

5 All About Us
 6 Dragon Tales
 7 Visez dans le mille!
 8 22 Even Stevens
 9 Histéria!
 11 Flash Forward
 29 31 Digimon: Digital Monsters
 30 Aventures en Nord
 33 New Yankee Workshop
 57 Healthweek
CNN People in the News
NW News Television
RDI Circuit PME
TLC How-2 Crew
TNN Realtree Outdoors
TSN Motoring 2002
VSN Gurbani
YTV Zeta Project

11:00 AM

3 Franklin
 5 Just Deal
 6 Little Bear
 6 (11:10) MumbleBumble
 6 (11:18) Rolie Polie Olie
 7 Fleurs et jardins
 8 Animal Adventures
 9 Au max
 11 Real Kids, Real Adventures
 12 Bedtime Primetime
 22 Lloyd in Space
 29 31 Mon Colle Knights
 33 This Old House
 57 Victory Garden
A&E Incurable Collector
BVO Movie ★★ "Hello, Dolly!" (1969, Musical) A matchmaker pairs herself with a crusty merchant.
CNN Saturday Morning
DISC Kingdom of the Lion
LIFE Zoo Diaries
NW International Newsfirst
RDI Bulletin de guerre
SHOW Jake and the Kid
TLC Trading Spaces
TNN Outdoor World
TSN Snowtrax
VSN Watno Dur

YTV Jackie Chan Adventures
 11:30 AM

3 Oswald
 5 City Guys
 6 Franklin
 6 (11:45) Scoop and Doozie
 7 Vins et fromages
 8 Ebert & Roeper
 9 Fais-moi peur!
 11 57 Painted House
 22 Weekenders
 29 31 **YTV** Alienators: Evolution Continues
 33 Hometime
LIFE Dogs With Jobs
NW Special Assignment
RDI Entrée des artistes
TNN Remington Country
TSN NFL Countdown
VSN TV Asia

12:00 PM

5 Skate
 6 NHL Cool Shots
 7 I-D maison
 9 Le Midi
 11 Doggin' It
 12 House & Home
 22 New Adventures of Winnie the Pooh
 29 31 NFL Under the Helmet
 30 Les Pierrafeu
 33 Burt Wolf: Travels & Traditions
 57 In Julia's Kitchen With Master Chefs
A&E Travels With Harry
CNN America Strikes Back
DISC At Discovery.ca
LIFE Real World
NW International Newsfirst
RDI À l'heure du midi
SHOW Call of the Wild
TLC Home Again
TNN Hunting the Country
TSN Bowling
VSN Z-TV
YTV Hey Arnold!

12:30 PM

3 NFL Today
 5 NBA Inside Stuff
 6 Grey Cup Classics
 9 Cinéma ★★ "Les Fantômes du passé de Dickens" (1998, Drame) Un soir de Noël, Charles Dickens raconte son histoire.
 11 Pet Guys
 12 House & Home
 22 House of Mouse
 29 Fresh Prince of Bel-Air
 30 Le Petit journal
 33 Regina's Vegetarian Table
 57 Jacques Pepin Celebrates!
A&E Travels With Harry
HIST Haunted History
LIFE Matchmaker
NW Health Matters
RDI Enjeux
TLC Home Again
TNN Outdoor Magazine
VSN Ashirvad
YTV Wild Thornberrys

1:00 PM

5 22 To Be Announced
 7 Via TVA
 8 Figure Skating.
 11 Queen of Swords
 12 Vicki Gabereau
 29 Movie ★★ "A Christmas Carol" (1984, Fantasy) Christmas Eve spiritual visitations enlighten an old miser.
 30 Auto stop
 31 Mutant X
 33 Cooking With Caprial & John
 57 Weir Cooking in the Wine

Country
A&E Sting in Tuscany: All This Time
DISC Crocodile Hunter
HIST People's Century
LIFE Extra
NW International Newsfirst
SHOW Hope Island
TLC Home Again
TNN Secrets of the Hunt
TSN Gym Rock Canada
VSN Muslim Chronicle
YTV Rugrats

1:30 PM

3 **TSN** NFL Football. (Live)
 7 Boutique TVA
 33 Cooking With Master Chefs
 57 Family Kitchen
BVO (1:45) Movie ★★★ "The Fortune Cookie" (1966, Comedy) A swindling lawyer tells his brother-in-law to fake injury.
NW News Television
RDI Vivre ici
TLC Home Again
TNN Horsepower TV
VSN Dil Dil Pakistan
YTV Hit List: Christmas

2:00 PM

8 Movie ★★★ "A Christmas Carol" (1951, Fantasy) Three ghosts teach miserly Scrooge a lesson.
 11 Psi Factor: Chronicles of the Paranormal
 12 Best of Off the Record
 30 Hors-jeu
 31 Pretender (Part 1 of 2)
 33 Joy of Painting
 57 Breaking Bread
CNN CNN Presents
DISC Moose: The Moody Monarch
HIST Movie ★★ "The Jack Bull" (1999, Western) A horse trader seeks justice against a greedy landowner.
LIFE Weird Wheels
NW International Newsfirst
RDI La Semaine verte
SHOW Sirens
TLC Robotica
TNN Popular Hot Rodding Magazine
VSN Visions of Pakistan TV

2:30 PM

9 Des mots et des maux
 12 Celebrity Pets
 30 Box-office
 33 Family Kitchen
 57 America's Test Kitchen
LIFE Weird Homes
NW German Journal
TNN Trucks!
VSN Orthodox Voice

3:00 PM

5 Motorcycle Racing.
 6 Classic Hockey - Teams to Be Announced
 9 L'Accent francophone
 11 Simpsons
 12 Chatroom
 29 V.I.P.
 31 Andromeda
 33 Ciao Italia
 57 Antiques Roadshow
CNN CNN Saturday
DISC World Wildlife Fund: Countdown to Extinction
LIFE Animal Miracles
NW International Newsfirst
RDI Impact
SHOW Mythquest
TLC Secrets of the Paranormal
TNN Monster Jam

VSN Sermons From Calvary
YTV Generation O!

3:30 PM

9 Les Voies de l'aventure
 11 Simpsons
 30 Cinéma ★★ "Petite maman Noël" (1996, Film musical) La mère Noël se porte au secours des enfants défavorisés.
 33 Mollie Katzen's Cooking
NW Special Assignment
RDI La Facture
VSN Evangel Temple
YTV Animaniacs

4:00 PM

5 Figure Skating.
 7 Cinéma ★★ "Tous les jours Noël" (1996, Comédie) À chaque réveil, un gamin se retrouve le jour de Noël.
 8 22 Golf.
 9 Espresso
 11 That '70s Show
 12 World Wildlife Fund
 29 Fresh Prince of Bel-Air
 31 Just Shoot Me
 33 Victory Garden
 57 Burt Wolf: Travels & Traditions
A&E Investigative Reports
BVO Movie ★★★ "Hopscotch" (1980, Comedy) An agent dodges the KGB and the CIA to print his memoirs.
CNN CNN Saturday
DISC Wonder of Baby Animals
LIFE \$100 Taxi Ride
NW International Newsfirst
RDI Griffe
SHOW Pie in the Sky
TLC Loch Ness Monster: The Search for the Truth
TNN Secrets of the Hunt
VSN Message
YTV Yogi Bear's All-Star Comedy Christmas Caper

4:30 PM

9 Culture-choc
 11 That '70s Show
 29 31 NFL Pregame
 33 To Be Announced
 57 Experience America
CNN People in the News
HIST Haunted History
LIFE Circus
NW European Journal
RDI Le Journal de France 2
TNN Horsepower TV
VSN Asian Magazine

5:00 PM

3 College Basketball. (Live)
 9 La Grande aventure du ski
 11 Simpsons
 12 W-Five
 29 31 **TSN** NFL Football. (Live)
 33 Antiques Roadshow (Part 3 of 3)
 57 Right on the Money
A&E City Confidential
CNN CNN Saturday
DISC Battlebots
HIST Servants of Evil - Voices From Hitler's Army
LIFE Real World
NW International Newsfirst
RDI Le Journal RDI
SHOW Knock
TLC Junkyard Wars
TNN Popular Hot Rodding Magazine
VSN Gaunda Punjab

5:30 PM

11 Simpsons

30 Le Grand Journal
 57 Scully/The World
CNN Novak, Hunt & Shields
DISC High Tech Toys
LIFE Matchmaker
NW German Journal
RDI Bulletin de guerre
TNN Trucks!
VSN Faith in the First Person

6:00 PM

5 8 12 News
 6 CBC News
 7 Le TVA 18 heures
 11 Stargate SG-1 (N)
 22 To Be Announced
 33 Lawrence Welk Show
 57 BBC World News
A&E American Justice "Eliminating the Competition"
BVO Arts & Minds
CNN CNN Saturday
DISC How'd They Do That?
HIST Rockefeller (Part 3 of 3)
LIFE Goods
NW International Newsfirst
SHOW Clocking Off
TLC Navy SEALs: Untold Stories "Vietnam"
TNN Monster Jam.
VSN Voice of Hinduism
YTV Santa Claus Is Coming to Town

6:30 PM

5 NBC Nightly News
 6 Hockey Night in Canada.
 7 Cinéma "Les Aventures de Pinocchio" (1996, Fantastique)
 8 22 ABC World News Tonight Saturday
 12 Habs This Week.
 30 Cinéma ★★ "Les Muppets de l'espace" (1999, Comédie)
 57 Editors
BVO StarTV
CNN Reliable Sources
LIFE Fashion File
NW Special Assignment
VSN Ankhila Punjab

7:00 PM

3 22 News
 5 Stargate SG-1
 6 NHL Hockey. (Live)
 8 Wheel of Fortune
 11 Psi Factor: Chronicles of the Paranormal
 12 Twice in a Lifetime
 33 As Time Goes By
 57 Wall Street Week (N)
A&E Law & Order
BVO Whole Notes (Part 5 of 6)
CNN Capital Gang
DISC Storm Warning!
HIST Canadians
LIFE Weird Wheels
NW Hot Type
SHOW Movie ★★ "Dinner at Fred's" (1997, Comedy) A stranded motorist spends Christmas with a strange family.
TLC Navy Seals: Untold Stories "Canal Zone"
TNN Championship Bull Riding.
VSN Back to the Bible
YTV Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer

7:30 PM

3 Everybody Loves Raymond
 8 Jeopardy!
 22 Spin City
 33 Keeping Up Appearances
 57 McLaughlin Group (N)
BVO Christmas Concert: Jose Carreras (N)
LIFE Weird Homes

Saturday

NW News Television
VSN Dr. Jack Van Impe

8:00 PM

3 Touched by an Angel
 5 Movie *** "Face/Off" (1997, Suspense) An FBI agent and a violent terrorist switch identities.
 8 Sports Rap Live.
 11 Solstice (N)
 12 Mysterious Ways
 22 Best Commercials You've Never Seen (And Some You Have)
 29 31 Cops (PA)
 30 (8:15) Cinéma "Sept ans au Tibet" (1997, Drame)
 33 (8:20) Blackadder's Christmas Carol
 57 Monarch of the Glen
A&E Biography of the Year
CNN CNN Presents
DISC Battlebots
HIST Treasure Seekers
LIFE Zoo Diaries
NW On the Arts
TLC Trading Spaces (N)
TNN Monster Jam.
TSN Golf.
VSN Vision TV Insight -- Magazine
YTV Movie "Casper's Haunted Christmas" (2000, Fantasy) Animated. Kind Casper must scare someone before Christmas.

8:30 PM

7 Cinéma *** "Mon fantôme d'amour" (1990, Fantastique)
 29 31 Cops (PA)
DISC High Tech Toys
LIFE Dogs With Jobs

9:00 PM

3 District
 8 22 NFL Football. (ITV) (Live)
 11 Charlie Biddle (N)
 12 Figure Skating.
 29 31 Guinness World Records: Primetime (N)
 33 (9:05) Ballykissangel
 57 Mulberry
BVO Linda Eder, the Christmas Concert (N)
CNN Larry King Weekend
DISC Wonder Planet
HIST Movie *** "Battle of El Alamein" (1968, Adventure) Montgomery's 8th Army battles Rommel's strong force.
LIFE Lofters
NW Health Matters
SHOW Da Vinci's Inquest
TLC Incredible Medical Mysteries
TNN Robot Wars: Extreme Warriors
VSN Apparitions of the Virgin Mary

9:30 PM

57 'Allo, 'Allo!
DISC Exhibit A: Secrets of Forensic Science
LIFE Matchmaker
NW German Journal

10:00 PM

3 District
 6 NHL Hockey. (Live)
 11 Outer Limits
 29 Simpsons
 31 News
 33 Austin City Limits (N)
 57 Chef!
A&E Andrea Bocelli: Tuscan Skies
CNN Special Report
DISC Into the Unknown
LIFE Tall Ship Chronicles
NW Up Close
SHOW Movie *** "Swimming With Sharks" (1995, Comedy) A Hollywood hotshot endlessly torments his eager assistant.
TLC Uncommon Genius
TNN WWF Excess. (Live)
TSN Sportscentre.
VSN Des-Pardes
YTV System Crash

10:30 PM

29 Simpsons
 31 3rd Rock From the Sun
 57 Red Dwarf
CNN People in the News
NW Scully/The World
YTV Radio Active: A Christmas Atoll

11:00 PM

3 5 12 News
 7 (11:15) Le TVA réseau
 9 (11:25) À la Maison-Blanche
 11 Inside Entertainment
 29 31 Mad TV
 30 (11:04) Le Grand Journal
 33 Movie *** "The Big Sleep" (1946, Mystery) Philip Marlowe investigates blackmail and murder.
 57 BBC World News
A&E 100 Centre Street
BVO Sex and the City
CNN Capital Gang
DISC Connection
HIST Treasure Seekers
LIFE Eros
NW News Television: The National
RDI Zone libre
TLC Trading Spaces
TNN WWF Excess Late Night. (Live)
VSN Christian Science Weekly Bible Lesson
YTV Chart Attack

11:30 PM

3 Entertainment Tonight

5 11 Saturday Night Live
 7 (11:40) Le TVA, sports
 12 News
 12 (11:45) Sports Night
 30 (11:34) Sex-shop
 57 Atlanta Symphony: Christmas With Robert Shaw
BVO (11:45) Action
DISC High Tech Toys
NW Tomorrow's World
TSN Cheerleading.
VSN Light for All Nations

12:00 AM

7 Tirages Loto-Québec
 7 Cinéma *** "Joyeux Noël" (1994, Comédie)
 8 22 News
 9 (12:25) Cinéma *** "Monsieur Destin" (1990, Comédie)
 12 Sex Files: What Is Sexy?
 29 V.I.P.
 30 (12:04) Cinéma "La Revanche d'Emmanuelle" (1992, Adulte) Une jeune Française se laisse aller à ses désirs sexuels.
 31 WWF Jakked.
 57 Classic Arts Showcase
A&E Biography of the Year
BVO (12:15) Action
CNN Larry King Weekend
DISC Sex Files: Homosexuality
HIST Movie *** "Battle of El Alamein" (1968, Adventure) Montgomery's 8th Army battles Rommel's strong force.
LIFE Lofters
NW On the Arts
RDI Le Téléjournal
SHOW (12:04) Hitchhiker
TLC Incredible Medical Mysteries
TNN Mad TV
VSN Dr. Jack Van Impe
YTV Scary But True

12:30 AM

3 ER
 8 Buffy the Vampire Slayer
 12 (12:35) Movie *** "The Nightmare Before Christmas" (1993, Fantasy) Animated. Santa Claus is kidnapped by the Pumpkin King.
 22 Access Hollywood
BVO (12:45) Movie *** "The Hot Spot" (1990, Drama) A larcenous drifter takes a job as a small-town salesman.
DISC Discover Magazine
LIFE Matchmaker
RDI Vivre ici
SHOW (12:34) Movie *** "Swimming With Sharks" (1995, Comedy) A Hollywood hotshot endlessly torments his eager assistant.
TSN Tony Hawk's Skatepark Tour
VSN Let the Quran Speak
YTV Vampire High

Sunday

6:00 AM

8 Home Again
 11 Blazing Dragons
 12 Good Morning Canada
 33 Teletubbies
 57 Sesame Street
BVO Baroque Christmas
CNN CNN International
DISC Oceans of Mystery
LIFE Pet Project
NW International Newsfirst
RDI Griffe
TSN Sportscentre
VSN Callwood's National Treasures
YTV Mona the Vampire

6:30 AM

6 Quebec Provincial Affairs
 7 Évangélisation 2000
 11 Babar
 29 Mass
 33 Barney & Friends
BVO Movie *** "The Christmas Marlian" (1971, Fantasy)
HIST Haunted History
LIFE Good Dog!
NW Health Matters
RDI Matin express
YTV Legend of White Fang

7:00 AM

5 So You Want to Be ...
 6 Maamuitaou
 7 Salut, bonjour!
 9 Rolie, Polie, Olie
 11 Nilus the Sandman
 22 Key of David
 29 Pulse
 33 Sesame Street
 57 Barney's Night Before Christmas
A&E Travels With Harry
CNN Sunday Morning
DISC Great Canadian Rivers
HIST Tommy Douglas: In His Own Words
LIFE Pet Friends
NW International Newsfirst
SHOW Madison
TSN Sportscentre
VSN In Touch
YTV Monster by Mistake

7:30 AM

3 Day of Discovery
 5 Chicken Soup for the Soul
 6 Inuk
 6 (7:43) Hippo Tub Co.
 9 Arthur
 11 Bob Morane
 29 Clueless
A&E Travels With Harry
DISC 21st Century Cosmos
LIFE Gentle Doctor: Veterinary Medicine
NW European Journal
SHOW Degrossi Junior High
YTV Sitting Ducks

8:00 AM

3 Catholic Mass
 5 Today
 6 Coronation Street
 9 Le Père Noël et les enfants du désert
 11 Adventures North
 12 Flying Rhino Junior High
 33 Anne of Green Gables
 57 Arthur's Perfect Christmas
A&E Breakfast With the Arts (Part 2 of 2)
BVO Movie *** "Esther and the King" (1960, Adventure) The King of Persia discovers his queen has been unfaithful.
HIST Historylands
LIFE Craftsapes
NW On the Arts
TSN Sportscentre

VSN Breakthrough
YTV Alvin and the Chipmunks

8:30 AM

3 This Old House
 8 Hour of Power
 9 Jim Bouton
 11 News
 12 D'Myna Leagues
 33 Clifford the Big Red Dog
DISC Grand Illusions: The Story of Magic
LIFE Craftsapes
VSN Benny Hinn
YTV Spongebob Squarepants

9:00 AM

3 Sunday Morning
 5 Meet the Press
 6 Coronation Street
 9 Mona le vampire
 11 Business Television
 12 Centre Stage Chronicles
 29 31 Fox News Sunday
 33 Zoboofoo
 57 Inside Albany
DISC At Discovery.ca
LIFE Canadian Living TV
NW International Newsfirst
TLC Hometown "House With Character"
TNN Popular Hot Rodding Magazine
TSN Sportscentre
VSN Creffo A. Dollar Jr.
YTV As Told by Ginger

9:30 AM

8 It Is Written
 11 Beer TV
 12 Hellenic Program
 30 Défilé du père Noël
 33 Arthur
 57 Streamside
CNN Reliable Sources
LIFE Goods
NW Special Assignment
RDI Bulletin des jeunes
TLC Hometown "House With Character"
TNN Horsepower TV
VSN Time for Hope
YTV Flintstones

10:00 AM

5 Home Again
 9 Le Jour du Seigneur
 11 Hour of Power
 12 Rebels: A Journey Underground
 29 Business Week
 33 Reading Rainbow
 57 New Yankee Workshop (Part 1 of 2)
A&E Competition
BVO Movie *** "The Story of Ruth" (1960, Drama) A priestess finds Judaism and renounces her pagan beliefs.
CNN Sunday Morning
DISC Animals Behaving Badly
HIST Movie *** "The One That Got Away" (1958, Adventure) A German war prisoner escapes from Britain and returns home.
LIFE Good Dog!
NW International Newsfirst
RDI Le Journal RDI
SHOW Destiny Ridge
TLC Hometown "House With Character"
TNN Car and Driver Television
TSN TSN Extra
VSN Kenneth Copeland
YTV Jetsons

10:30 AM

3 Face the Nation
 5 Rebecca's Garden
 8 This Week

29 Hometown (Part 1 of 4)
 30 Habitation
 33 Redwall
 57 MotorWeek
CNN Novak, Hunt & Shields
LIFE Pet Project
NW News Television
RDI La Factice
TLC Hometown "House With Character"
TNN My Classic Car
VSN Armor of God
YTV Dexter's Laboratory

11:00 AM

3 You Can Quote Me
 5 Living Better
 6 Mansbridge One on One
 9 5 sur 5
 11 World Vision
 29 Your New House
 33 Think Tank
 57 Hometown
A&E House Beautiful
CNN CNN Presents
DISC Animalicious/Revenge of the Animals
LIFE Things We Do for Love
NW International Newsfirst
RDI Bulletin de guerre
SHOW Jake and the Kid
TLC Home Again
TNN Crank and Chrome
TSN NFL Countdown
VSN Reflections on Islam
YTV Catdog

11:30 AM

3 CBS Marketwatch
 5 SOS in America
 6 On the Road Again
 8 Patriots All-Access
 11 Painted House
 12 Health TV
 22 This Week
 29 Coach Gregg Williams "Buffalo Bills Football"
 33 Vermont This Week
 57 This Old House
LIFE Real Families
NW Health Matters
RDI Circuit PME
TLC Home Again
TNN Advantage Outdoors
VSN Hour of Power
YTV Woody Woodpecker

12:00 PM

3 NFL Today
 5 To Be Announced
 6 Country Canada
 7 Le Brunch de Maman Dion
 9 Le Midi
 12 Question Period
 29 31 Fox NFL Sunday
 33 McLaughlin Group
 57 EastEnders
A&E Incurable Collector
CNN Late Edition Primetime
DISC At Discovery.ca
LIFE 1900 House
NW International Newsfirst
RDI À l'heure du midi
SHOW Call of the Wild
TLC Trading Spaces
TNN Secrets of the Hunt
YTV Pinky & the Brain

12:30 PM

6 Land and Sea
 8 Your New House
 9 La Semaine verte
 11 Investment Television
 33 Editors
 57 EastEnders
BVO Movie *** "Francis of Assisi" (1961, Drama) The story of the saint who founded a religious order.
HIST Historylands
LIFE 1900 House

CBS (WCAX) Burlington	3	A&E (Arts & Entertainment) Toronto	A&E
NBC (WPTZ) Plattsburg	5	Bravo! Toronto	BVO
CBC (CBMT) Montreal	6	CNN (Cable News Network)	CNN
TVA (CHLT) Sherbrooke	7	Discovery Channel	DISC
ABC (WATW) Poland Springs	8	NewsWorld Toronto	NW
SRC (CKSH) Sherbrooke	9	Life Network Toronto	LIFE
Global (CKMI) Quebec City	11	Réseau de l'information Montreal	RDI
CTV (CFCF) Montreal	12	Showcase Television Toronto	SHOW
ABC (WYNY) Burlington	22	The Learning Channel	TLC
FOX (WUTV) Buffalo	29	Vision TV	VSN
QS (CFKS) Sherbrooke	30	Women's Television Network	WTN
FOX (WUHF) Rochester	31	Youth TV Toronto	YTV
PBS (WETK) Colchester	33	The Nashville Network	TNN
PBS (WCFE) Plattsburg	57	The Sports Network	TSN

Sunday

NW Up Close
RDI Zone libre
TNN Realtree Outdoors
VSN Life in the Word
YTV Yvon of the Yukon

1:00 PM

3 **11** **31** NFL Football. (Live)
6 Healey Willan's Sacred Moments in Music
7 Évangélisation 2000
12 Mason Lee: On the Edge
29 Movie *** "Squanto: A Warrior's Tale" (1994, Adventure) A kidnapped American Indian makes a daring bid for freedom.
33 Travels in Europe
57 Movie *** "The Glass Bottom Boat" (1966, Comedy) A physicist gets involved with a woman posing as a mermaid.
A&E Behind Closed Doors
DISC Connection
HIST War Stories
LIFE Martha Stewart Living
NW International Newsfirst
SHOW Hope Island
TLC Incredible Medical Mysteries
TNN Buckmasters: Whitetail Magazine
TSN Gym Rock Canada
VSN People's Church
YTV Animanics

1:30 PM

7 Boutique TVA
9 Second Regard
12 First Story
33 Profile
DISC Exhibit A: Secrets of Forensic Science
LIFE Martha Stewart Living
NW News Television
RDI L'Accent francophone
TNN Outdoor World
TSN Boxing.
YTV Charlie Brown

2:00 PM

5 Snowboarding.
6 Huron Christmas Carole
8 Movie ** "A Christmas Carol" (1984, Fantasy) Christmas Eve spiritual visitations enlighten an old miser.
9 Jamais sans mon livre
12 At Discovery.ca
33 Life 360
A&E Nero Wolfe
DISC Great Sphinx: Lord of the Pyramids
HIST Movie **** "Unforgiven" (1992, Western) Clint Eastwood's Oscar-winning portrait of an aged gunman.
LIFE Taking It Off
NW International Newsfirst
RDI Grands reportages
SHOW At Home With the Braithwaites
TLC Uncommon Genius
TNN Remington Country
VSN Revival Harvest
YTV Nick & Noel

2:30 PM

BVO Movie *** "A Christmas Carol" (1938, Fantasy) Christmas ghosts teach Scrooge about compassion.
LIFE Skin Deep
NW German Journal
TNN Hunting the Country
VSN Fr. Vandenakker: Food for Life
YTV Bears Who Saved Christmas

3:00 PM

5 Snowboarding.
6 Nature of Things
12 NBA Basketball. (Live)
29 Tracker
33 Antiques Roadshow UK
57 Health Exchange
A&E Movie *** "Longitude" (2000, Drama) John Harrison works on a way to calculate longitude.
CNN CNN Sunday
DISC Frontiers of Construction
LIFE Life's Little Miracles
NW International Newsfirst
RDI Enjeux
SHOW At Home With the Braithwaites
TLC I Witness
TNN Star Trek: The Next Generation
VSN Dr. Jack Van Impe
YTV Second Star to the Left

3:30 PM

30 Les Quilles.
BVO (3:45) Bravonews
LIFE Birth Stories
NW Up Close
VSN Canadian Edition of the 700 Club
YTV Angelina Ballerina

4:00 PM

3 **29** NFL Football. (Live)
5 Figure Skating.
6 Road to Avonlea
7 Magie sur glace Banque Royale "La Fée de Noël"
8 **22** Golf.
11 Score Golf
31 NFL Postgame
33 To Be Announced
57 St. Olaf Christmas Festival
BVO Just for Variety
CNN CNN Presents
DISC Animals Behaving Badly
LIFE Opening Soon
NW International Newsfirst
RDI Griffé
SHOW Cracker
TLC Trauma: Life in the ER
TNN Star Trek: The Next Generation
TSN Golf. (Live)
VSN Evidence
YTV Movie ** "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer: The Movie" (1998, Fantasy) Animated. The story of Santa Claus' most famous reindeer.

4:30 PM

11 Student Bodies
31 Just Shoot Me
BVO Testament
LIFE Matchmaker
NW Foreign Assignment
RDI Le Journal de France 2
VSN Simple Way

5:00 PM

6 Movie *** "A Christmas Carol" (1951, Fantasy) Three ghosts teach miserly Scrooge a lesson.
11 Simpsons
31 Nash Bridges
57 Antiques Roadshow UK
BVO Inside the Actors Studio
CNN CNN Sunday
DISC Animalicious/Revenge of the Animals
HIST Line of Fire
LIFE Extra
NW International Newsfirst
RDI Le Journal RDI
SHOW Cops
TLC Police, Camera, Action!

TNN Star Trek: The Next Generation
VSN Primary Focus

5:30 PM

9 4 et demi
11 Simpsons
12 Best of Off the Record
30 Le Grand Journal
CNN People in the News
NW German Journal
RDI Bulletin de guerre
VSN Tomorrow's World

6:00 PM

5 **8** **11** **12** **22** News
7 Le TVA 18 heures
31 Andromeda
57 BBC World News
BVO Profiles "John Travolta"
CNN CNN Sunday
DISC How'd They Do That?
HIST Canadians
LIFE Goods
NW International Newsfirst
SHOW Prime Suspect
TLC Extreme Machines
TNN Star Trek: The Next Generation
TSN TSN Profile: George Knudson.
VSN Ralph Martin Renewal Ministries
YTV Movie ** "A Christmas Carol" (1975, Fantasy) Animated. Scrooge has ghostly visitors on Christmas Eve.

6:30 PM

5 NBC Nightly News
7 Les Gags
8 **22** ABC World News Tonight Sunday
11 Global Sunday With Charles Adler (N)
12 Travel Travel
33 World of Wildlife
57 Red Skelton
LIFE Fashion File
NW European Journal
TSN Sportscentre.
VSN Springs Church -- Leon Fontaine

7:00 PM

3 60 Minutes
5 Lost (N)
6 Movie "A Wind at My Back Christmas" (2001, Drama) Wartime tensions affect the residents of New Bedford.
8 **22** Movie ** "Jingle All the Way" (1996, Comedy) A father tries desperately to find a special Christmas toy.
11 Blackfly (N)
12 Movie **** "The Sound of Music" (1965, Musical) A governess weds an Austrian widower with seven children.
29 **31** King of the Hill
30 Cinéma "J'ai vu maman embrasser le Père Noël" (2001, Comédie)
57 Noah's Ark
A&E 100 Centre Street
BVO Arts & Minds
CNN CNN Presents
DISC At Discovery.ca
HIST Cola Conquest (Part 2 of 3)
LIFE Things We Do for Love
NW Hot Type
SHOW Movie *** "Once a Thief" (1996, Drama) Two fugitives become members of a crimefighting agency.
TLC Junkyard Wars
TNN Star Trek: The Next Generation

TSN Fitness Series.
VSN Day of Discovery
YTV Flintstones Christmas Carol

7:30 PM

11 Big Sound (N)
29 **31** King of the Hill
33 Naturescene
BVO Dallaire: A Stranger at Home
LIFE Real Families
NW News Television
TSN NFL Primetime. (N)
VSN Deeper Life

8:00 PM

3 Education of Max Bickford
5 Movie *** "Beloved" (1998, Drama) A former slave is visited by a strange young woman in 1873.
11 **29** **31** Simpsons
33 Nature
57 Live From Lincoln Center "Nutcracker Swing"
A&E Nero Wolfe
BVO Star Art
CNN Wolf Blitz Reports
DISC State of the Planet
HIST True Story of the Roman Arena
LIFE Life's Little Miracles
NW Up Close
TLC Incredible Medical Mysteries
TNN Fame for 15
VSN Let's Sing Again!
YTV Santa Claus Brothers

8:30 PM

11 **29** **31** Malcolm in the Middle
30 (8:45) Cinéma *** "Le Miroir à deux visages" (1996, Com. dramatique)
CNN People in the News
LIFE Birth Stories
NW Foreign Assignment
TSN NFL Football. (Live)
VSN Songs of Praise "Christmas With Daniel O'Donnell"

9:00 PM

3 Movie "One Special Night" (1999, Romance) A blizzard strands two strangers in a mountain cabin.
6 Anne Murray's What a Wonderful Christmas (N)
8 **22** Alias
11 **29** **31** That '70s Show
33 American Masters "Hitchcock, Selznick & the End of Hollywood"
A&E City Confidential
BVO Movie **** "Ben-Hur" (1959, Adventure) Friends become bitter enemies during the time of Christ.
CNN Larry King Weekend
DISC State of the Planet
HIST Movie *** "Lansky" (1999, Drama) The life and times of infamous gangster Meyer Lansky.
LIFE History of Christmas
NW Special Assignment
SHOW Trailer Park Boys
TLC Incredible Medical Mysteries
TNN Ultimate Revenge (N)
VSN Cornerstone
YTV Big Teeth Bad Breath

9:30 PM

7 Trois ténors chantent Noël
11 **29** **31** Futurama (N)
NW German Journal
SHOW Drop the Beat

TNN Small Shots
YTV Yvon of the Yukon

10:00 PM

6 CBC News
8 **11** **22** Practice
12 Lloyd's 25th
29 Seinfeld
31 News
57 Great Performances
CNN Special Report
DISC State of the Planet
LIFE Taking It Off
NW Hot Type
SHOW Further Tales of the City
TLC Body Benders
TNN Movie "Secret of Giving" (1999, Drama)
VSN Simple Way
YTV Freaky Stories

10:30 PM

6 Christmas Carol
7 Le TVA réseau
7 (10:55) Le TVA, sports.
29 Seinfeld
31 Sports Extra.
33 River of Iron: Dreams of a Grand Canyon Railroad
LIFE Skin Deep
NW Scully/The World
VSN Door of Hope
YTV I Was a Sixth Grade Alien

11:00 PM

3 **5** **8** **12** **22** News
7 Tirages Loto-Québec
11 Ag Vision
29 Everybody Loves Raymond
33 Mystery! "Touching Evil II" (Part 6 of 6)
57 BBC World News
A&E Law & Order
CNN CNN Presents
DISC At Discovery.ca
LIFE Life's Little Miracles

NW News Television: The National
RDI Enjeux

SHOW Movie *** "The Last Seduction" (1993, Suspense)
TLC Incredible Medical Mysteries
VSN Peter Youngren Presents -- You Are Loved
YTV Stressed Eric

11:30 PM

3 ER
5 George Michael Sports Machine
8 Buffy the Vampire Slayer
11 Sports
12 News
12 (11:45) Sports Night
22 Pretender (Part 1 of 2)
29 3rd Rock From the Sun
57 Movie *** "Out of the Past" (1947, Drama) A former detective tries to escape old mob ties.
HIST Haunted History
LIFE Birth Stories
NW News Television
TSN Sportscentre
VSN Power Today
YTV Treasure

12:00 AM

5 Movie * "Solomon" (1998, Drama)
11 (12:07) Any Day Now
12 Ebert & Roeper
30 Auto stop
33 Amato: A Love Affair With Opera
A&E Nero Wolfe
CNN Larry King Weekend
DISC State of the Planet
HIST Movie *** "Lansky" (1999, Drama) The life and times of infamous gangster Meyer Lansky.
LIFE History of Christmas.

Wind at my back movie



TVDATA
Sunday on CBC Television, Meredith Henderson and Dylan Provencher star in A Wind at My Back Christmas, the new two-hour movie that revisits the characters of the popular CBC series Wind at My Back. Unlike the series, the movie focuses on the younger generation of characters.

Monday

Tuesday

6:00 PM

- 3 5 8 12 22 News
- 6 CBC News
- 7 Le TVA 18 heures
- 29 Judge Judy
- 30 Cinéma *** "Anastasia" (1997, Aventures)
- 31 Simpsons
- 33 Newshour With Jim Lehrer
- 57 BBC World News
- A&E Mysteries of the Bible
- BVO Jazz Cabaret
- CNN Moneyline
- DISC Stinkers! The Ten Smelliest Animals in the World: Nigel's Wild, Wild World
- HIST Odysseys: Canada's Maritime History
- LIFE Pet Project
- NW International Newsfirst
- SHOW F/X: The Series
- TLC It's a Mall World
- TNN Miami Vice
- TSN Best of Off the Record. (N)
- VSN Road to Avonlea

6:30 PM

- 5 NBC Nightly News
- 6 BBC World News
- 7 Cinéma ** "Le Dernier empire" (2001, Fantastique)
- 8 22 ABC World News Tonight
- 11 Global National
- 29 Judge Judy
- 31 King of the Hill
- 57 Nightly Business Report (N)
- HIST Scattering of Seeds: The Creation of Canada
- LIFE Dogs With Jobs
- NW News TV: Russia and Mexico
- TSN Sportscentre: Year in

Review. (N)
YTV Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer

7:00 PM

- 3 CBS Evening News
- 5 Jeopardy! (N)
- 6 Movie ***** "It's a Wonderful Life" (1946, Fantasy) An angel saves a distraught businessman from suicide.
- 8 Wheel of Fortune
- 9 Cinéma *** "Sur les traces du Père Noël" (1994, Comédie)
- 11 Bob and Margaret
- 12 Twice in a Lifetime
- 22 Spin City
- 29 Everybody Loves Raymond
- 31 Just Shoot Me
- 33 Nightly Business Report (N)
- 57 Newshour With Jim Lehrer
- A&E Mysteries of the Bible
- BVO Bravo!Videos
- CNN Wolf Blitzer Reports
- DISC Building the Impossible: Seven Wonders of the Ancient World
- HIST Tour of Duty
- LIFE Goods
- NW International Newsfirst
- SHOW North of 60
- TLC Greatest Crime Fighting Gadgets
- TNN Fame for 15
- VSN Cosby Show

7:30 PM

- 3 11 Entertainment Tonight (N)
- 5 Wheel of Fortune
- 8 Jeopardy! (N)
- 22 29 Frasier
- 31 Seinfeld

- 33 Profile
- BVO Cirque du Soleil: Nouvelle Experience
- CNN Crossfire
- LIFE Fashion File
- NW Foreign Assignment
- TSN Off the Record. (N)
- VSN Little Buck's Christmas
- YTV Movie ** "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer: The Movie" (1998, Fantasy) Animated. The story of Santa Claus' most famous reindeer.

8:00 PM

- 3 King of Queens
- 5 Movie ***** "It's a Wonderful Life" (1946, Fantasy) An angel saves a distraught businessman from suicide.
- 8 22 Movie ** "Ernest Saves Christmas" (1988, Comedy) Santa turns to a wacky cabbie in his search for a successor.
- 11 Gift for Katherine (N)
- 12 Movie "Stolen Miracle" (2001, Drama) A policewoman probes an infant's Christmastime kidnapping.
- 29 31 Boston Public
- 30 Cinéma ** "L'Anneau de Cassandra" (1996, Drame)
- 33 Arthur's Perfect Christmas
- 57 Our Favorite Things
- A&E Rise of Christianity: The First 1000 Years
- CNN The Point
- DISC Awesome Pawsome
- HIST Turning Points
- LIFE Extra
- NW International Newsfirst
- SHOW Queen of Swords
- TLC Trauma: Life in the ER
- TNN Star Trek: The Next Generation
- VSN Peak Practice

8:30 PM

- 3 Ellen
- LIFE Lofters
- TSN Tough Enough (N)

9:00 PM

- 3 Everybody Loves Raymond
- 11 Spirit of Quebec Blues
- 29 31 Ally McBeal
- 33 Utah Symphony and Mormon Tabernacle Choir: The Gift of Music (N)
- 57 Happy Holidays: The Best of the Andy Williams Christmas Shows
- BVO Bing Crosby Christmas: Like the Ones We Used to Know
- CNN Larry King Live
- DISC Sanctuary: A New Life for Research
- HIST Cola Conquest (Part 3 of 3)
- LIFE Taking It Off
- NW International Newsfirst
- SHOW Paradise Falls
- TLC Great Books: The Bible: Genesis (N)
- TNN Waltons
- TSN WWF Raw.
- VSN Making of the Real Christmas Story (N)

9:30 PM

- 3 Becker
- LIFE Skin Deep
- NW German Journal

SHOW Paradise Falls
YTV Movie "The Christmas Path" (1999, Fantasy) A Christmas angel is sent to restore a boy's holiday cheer.

10:00 PM

- 3 Family Law
- 6 CBC News
- 7 Le TVA réseau et TVA sports
- 8 22 Come Together (N)
- 11 Festival of Stars
- 12 Rita MacNeil's Christmas
- 29 Seinfeld
- 31 News
- 57 Sounds of the Season
- BVO Celebration of Christmas: Live From Vienna
- CNN Newsnight
- DISC Wild Discovery "The Mating Game"
- HIST New Year's Counting Through Time
- LIFE Life's Little Miracles
- NW International Newsfirst
- SHOW Queer as Folk
- TLC Great Books: The Bible: Exodus (N)
- TNN Fame for 15
- VSN Angel Light

10:30 PM

- 6 Movie *** "White Christmas" (1954, Musical) Four entertainers try to save an innkeeper from ruin.
- 7 Tirages Loto-Québec
- 7 (10:36) Cinéma ** "Noël dans la montagne magique" (1986, Film musical)
- 29 Frasier
- 30 Cinéma "Titanic" (1996, Drame)
- 33 St. Olaf Christmas Festival
- LIFE Birth Stories
- NW Scully/The World
- VSN Vision TV Insight -- Mediafile

11:00 PM

- 3 Sing We Now of Christmas
- 5 8 12 22 News
- 11 Bethlehem Journey
- 29 Simpsons
- 31 Seinfeld
- 57 BBC World News
- CNN Greenfield at Large
- DISC When Dinosaurs Roamed America
- HIST Untouchables (Part 1 of 2)
- LIFE Extra
- NW News Television: The National
- SHOW Movie *** "Criminal Movers" (1999, Suspense) Two teen-age killers are trapped in a hermit's cellar.
- TLC Trauma: Life in the ER
- TNN Star Trek: The Next Generation
- TSN Sportscentre: Year in Review.
- VSN Gift for Katherine

11:30 PM

- 3 (11:35) Christmas Eve Service (N)
- 5 (11:35) Christmas Eve at St. Peter's Basilica (N)
- 8 22 (11:35) Nightline
- 11 Eighteenth-Century Christmas
- 12 Movie *** "A Christmas Carol" (1951,

Fantasy) Three ghosts teach miserly Scrooge a lesson.
29 3rd Rock From the Sun
31 Spin City
33 American Masters "Hitchcock, Selznick & the End of Hollywood"
57 Joffrey Nutcracker
CNN Moneyline
LIFE Weird Homes
YTV Festival of Christmas Carols

12:00 AM

- 8 22 (12:06) Politically Incorrect
- 11 Entertainment Tonight (N)
- 29 Mad TV
- 31 Star Trek: Voyager
- A&E Rise of Christianity: The First 1000 Years
- BVO Christmas in Vienna
- CNN Larry King Live
- HIST Cola Conquest (Part 3 of 3)
- LIFE Real World
- NW International Newsfirst
- TLC Great Books: The Bible: Genesis
- TNN Robot Wars: Extreme Warriors
- TSN WWF Raw.
- VSN Peak Practice
- YTV Are You Being Served?

12:30 AM

- 7 (12:36) Pavarotti chante Noël
- 8 (12:38) Hope Has Come (N)
- 9 Cinéma *** "Le Roi et moi" (1956, Film musical)
- 11 Hour of Power
- 57 St. Olaf Christmas Festival
- LIFE Lofters
- YTV (12:35) Keeping Up Appearances
- 7 Les Nouvelles

6:00 PM

- 5 12 NBA Basketball. (Live)
- 6 CBC News
- 7 Le TVA 18 heures
- 11 Global News
- 29 Judge Judy
- 30 Cinéma "Fairy Tale: Une histoire vécue" (1997, Drame)
- 31 Simpsons
- 33 Newshour With Jim Lehrer
- 57 BBC World News
- A&E Nero Wolfe
- BVO (6:15) Bing Crosby Christmas: Like the Ones We Used to Know
- CNN Moneyline
- HIST Odysseys: Canada's Maritime History
- LIFE Pet Project
- NW International Newsfirst
- SHOW F/X: The Series
- TLC Trading Spaces
- TNN Waltons
- TSN Off the Record.
- VSN Road to Avonlea
- YTV Movie ** "Wish Upon a Star" (1996, Comedy) A girl wishes to change places with her popular sister.

6:30 PM

- 6 Klondike Christmas
- 7 Le Conte de Noël des Pierrafeu
- 11 In Conversation With the Prime Minister (N)
- 29 Judge Judy
- 31 King of the Hill
- 57 Cheery Holiday Fire
- HIST Scattering of Seeds: The Creation of Canada
- LIFE Pet Friends
- NW News TV: Russia and Mexico

MacNeil sings Christmas



TVDATA

Rita MacNeil welcomes a number of famous faces — and voices — who join her in the holiday special Rita MacNeil's Christmas, airing Monday on CTV.

Mickey and Minnie parade



TVDATA

Mickey and Minnie Mouse help celebrate the holidays during the annual presentation of the Walt Disney World Very Merry Christmas Parade Christmas morning on ABC. Not only is the season celebrated, but also the 100th birthday of the man behind the all-American institution, Walt Disney.

Tuesday

7:00 PM

3 CBS Evening News
6 Huron Christmas Carole
8 Wheel of Fortune
9 Cinéma ★★★★★ "La Petite princesse" (1995, Drame)
11 Bob and Margaret
22 Spin City
29 Everybody Loves Raymond
31 Just Shoot Me
33 Nightly Business Report (N)
57 Newshour With Jim Lehrer
A&E Nero Wolfe
BVO (7:15) Movie ★★★★★ "The Wizard of Oz" (1939, Fantasy) A tornado whisks a Kansas girl to a magical land.
CNN Wolf Blitzer Reports
DISC Wild Discovery "The Mating Game"
HIST Tour of Duty
LIFE Goods
NW International Newsfirst
SHOW North of 60
TLC Trading Spaces
TNN Waltons
TSN TSN Profile: Jacques Plante.
VSN Cosby Show

7:30 PM

3 11 Entertainment Tonight
8 Jeopardy! (N)
22 29 Frasier
31 Seinfeld
33 To Be Announced
CNN Crossfire
LIFE Weird Homes
NW Special Assignment
TSN Junior Hockey.
VSN As Time Goes By

8:00 PM

3 JAG

6 Movie "Must Be Santa" (1999, Comedy) Santa retires and gets an unlikely replacement.

7 Cinéma ★ "Noël sans toi" (1996, Drame)

8 22 Dharma & Greg

11 Figure Skating.

29 31 That '70s Show

30 Cinéma ★★ "L'Anneau de Cassandra" (1996, Drame)

33 National Geographic "The Quest for Noah's Flood"

57 Great Performances "The Nutcracker From the Royal Ballet"

A&E Biography "Irving Berlin: An American Song"

CNN The Point

DISC Elephant Dreams

HIST Turning Points

LIFE Extra

NW News Television

SHOW Matrix

TLC Trading Spaces (N)

TNN Waltons

VSN Noah's Ark

YTV I Was a Sixth Grade Alien

8:30 PM

5 NBA Basketball. (Live)

8 22 Spin City

12 Committed

29 31 Simpsons

LIFE Lofters

YTV Freaky Stories

9:00 PM

3 Guardian

8 22 Dharma & Greg

12 Movie ★★ "Nico the Unicorn" (1998, Fantasy) A boy's new pony gives birth to a magical foal.

29 31 Bernie Mac

33 National Geographic

"Inside the Vatican"

BVO (9:15) Movie ★★★★★ "When Harry Met Sally" (1989, Comedy-Drama) Two romantically bruised New Yorkers become close friends.

CNN Larry King Live

DISC Great Sphinx: Lord of the Pyramids

HIST Holy Lands, Sacred Places

LIFE 1900 House

NW International Newsfirst

SHOW Traders

TLC Trading Spaces (N)

TNN Waltons

VSN Vision TV Insight -- Magazine

YTV New Addams Family

9:30 PM

8 22 Spin City

29 31 Malcolm in the Middle

LIFE 1900 House

NW German Journal

YTV System Crash

10:00 PM

3 Judging Amy

6 CBC News

7 Le TVA réseau et TVA sports

8 22 NYPD Blue (PA)

11 Macadam Tango

29 Seinfeld

31 News

33 People and Pianos: 300 Years (N)

57 Isaac Stern: Life's Virtuoso "An American Masters Special"

A&E Investigative Reports (N)

CNN Newsnight

DISC Quest for the True Cross

LIFE Things We Do for Love

NW International Newsfirst

SHOW Movie ★★★★★ "Last Tango in Paris" (1973, Drama) Passion grows between an aging man and a lonely Parisian.

TLC Trading Spaces

TNN Waltons

TSN Sportscentre: Year in Review.

VSN Baha'is

YTV Radio Active: A Christmas Atoll

10:30 PM

6 Queen's Christmas Message

6 (10:40) Movie ★★ "The Bishop's Wife" (1947, Fantasy) An angel lends a hand in funding a new church.

7 Tirages Loto-Québec

7 (10:36) Cinéma ★★ "Un prince à New York" (1988, Comédie)

29 Frasier

30 Cinéma "Titanic" (1996, Drame)

LIFE Matchmaker

NW Scully/The World

VSN Word.ca

YTV Student Bodies

11:00 PM

3 Sing We Now of Christmas

5 8 11 12 22 News

29 Simpsons

31 Seinfeld

33 To Be Announced

57 BBC World News

A&E Law & Order

BVO NYPD Blue

CNN Greenfield at Large

DISC Building the Impossible: Seven Wonders of the Ancient World

HIST Untouchables (Part 2 of 2)

LIFE Extra

NW News Television: The National

TLC Trading Spaces

TNN Star Trek: The Next Generation

TSN Ali vs. Cooper II and Williams.

VSN Vision TV Insight -- Magazine

YTV Big Wolf on Campus

11:30 PM

3 (11:35) Late Show

5 (11:35) Tonight Show

8 22 (11:35) Nightline

9 Cinéma ★★ "Le Milliardaire" (1960, Comédie)

11 In Conversation With the Prime Minister

12 Movie ★★★★★ "Miracle on 34th Street" (1947, Comedy) Macy's hires Kriss Kringle as a store Santa.

29 3rd Rock From the Sun

31 Spin City

57 Cheery Holiday Fire

CNN Moneyline

LIFE Weird Homes

YTV Big Meg, Little Meg

12:00 AM

8 22 (12:06) Politically Incorrect

11 (12:07) Entertainment Tonight

29 Mad TV

31 Star Trek: Voyager

57 Charlie Rose (N)

A&E Biography "Irving Berlin: An American Song"

BVO Homicide: Life on the Street

CNN Larry King Live

DISC Wild Discovery "The Mating Game"

HIST Holy Lands, Sacred

Places

LIFE Real World

NW News Television

TLC Trading Spaces

TNN Ultimate Revenge

TSN Tough Enough

VSN Noah's Ark

YTV Are You Being Served?

12:30 AM

3 (12:37) Late Late Show

5 (12:37) Late Night

11 (12:37) Cheers

LIFE Lofters

SHOW (12:41) Movie ★★ "The Music Lovers" (1971, Biography) Tormented composer Peter Tchaikovsky and his wife, Nina.

TNN Mad TV

TSN American Muscle.

YTV (12:35) Keeping Up Appearances

1:00 AM

7 (1:06) Les Nouvelles

7 (1:15) Les Nouvelles

8 (1:05) Entertainment Studios.com (N)

11 (1:07) Cheers

33 Charlie Rose (N)

57 Classic Arts Showcase

BVO Movie ★★ "The Package" (1989, Drama) An Army officer is involved in an international conspiracy.

CNN CNN International

DISC Sanctuary: A New Life for Research

LIFE 1900 House

NW International Newsfirst

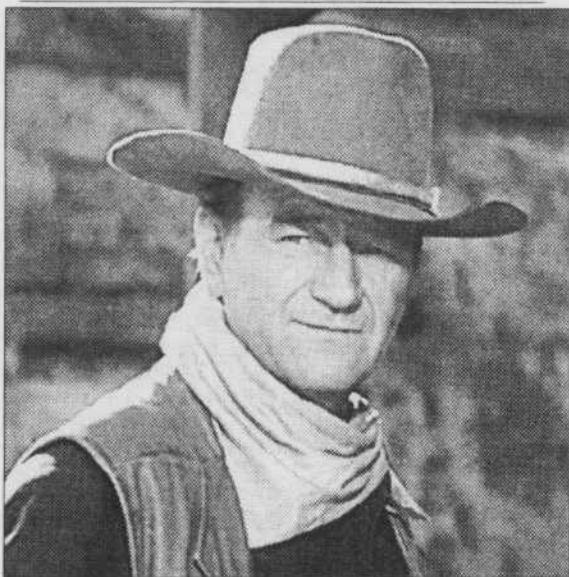
TLC Trading Spaces

TNN Waltons

TSN Canadian National Lumberjack Championships.

VSN Christmas Carols With St. George's Chapel Choir

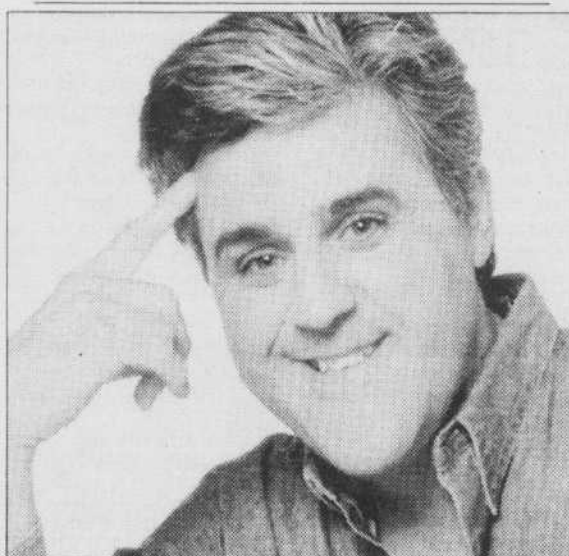
John Wayne marathon



TVDATA

Christmas with the Duke offers over 20 hours of John Wayne on Tuesday, Dec. 25, on TBS. The marathon with the big guy begins with *The Quiet Man* (1952), in which he plays a boxer who returns to Ireland. That's followed by Wayne's final film, *The Shootist* (1976), in which he plays a gunslinger with cancer. Other movies include *The Train Robbers* (1973), *Rio Lobo* (1970), *McLintock!* (1963), *Big Jake* (1970) and *The Sons of Katie Elder* (1965).

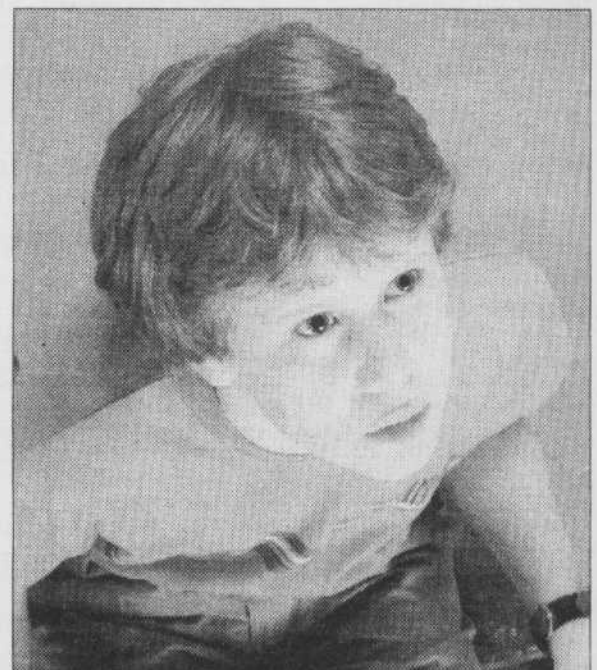
Leno hits the road



TVDATA

NBC takes Jay Leno and his show, *The Tonight Show With Jay Leno*, on the road from Wednesday, Dec. 26, through Friday, Dec. 28, to entertain troops overseas. As of presstime, military officials had not released precisely where Leno would be stationed. However, it is definite that he will entertain the troops as he has done before, says an NBC spokeswoman. During the Persian Gulf War, he performed in Saudi Arabia while guest hosting for Johnny Carson and in 1995 he entertained troops in Italy.

Escape from reality



TVDATA

Mark Rendall stars as a boy who immerses himself in fantasy to escape the pain of his childhood in *The Neverending Story*, debuting early Wednesday morning on The Movie Network.

Wednesday

6:00 PM

- 3 5 8 11 12 22 News
- 6 CBC News
- 7 Le TVA 18 heures
- 29 Judge Judy
- 31 Simpsons
- 33 Newshour With Jim Lehrer
- 57 BBC World News
- A&E Night Court
- BVO Cafe Campus Blues
- CNN Moneyline
- DISC Crocodile Hunter
- HIST Odysseys: Canada's Maritime History
- LIFE Pet Project
- NW International Newsfirst
- SHOW F/X: The Series
- TLC Mysteries of Magic "Masters of the Mystery"
- TNN Miami Vice
- TSN Best of Off the Record.
- VSN Road to Avonlea
- YTV Rugrats

6:30 PM

- 5 NBC Nightly News
- 6 BBC World News
- 7 Un monde de fous!
- 8 22 ABC World News Tonight
- 11 Global National
- 29 Judge Judy
- 31 King of the Hill
- 57 Nightly Business Report
- A&E Newsradio
- HIST Scattering of Seeds: The Creation of Canada
- LIFE Good Dog!
- NW News TV: Russia and Mexico
- TSN Sportscentre.
- YTV Xcalibur

7:00 PM

- 3 CBS Evening News
- 5 Jeopardy! (N)
- 6 NHL Hockey. (Live)
- 7 La Poule aux oeufs d'or
- 8 Wheel of Fortune
- 9 Cinéma ★★ "La Légende de Camelot"
- 11 Bob and Margaret
- 12 Little Men
- 22 Spin City
- 29 Everybody Loves Raymond
- 31 Just Shoot Me
- 33 Nightly Business Report
- 57 Newshour With Jim Lehrer
- A&E Law & Order
- BVO Bravo!Videos
- CNN Wolf Blitzer Reports
- DISC At Discovery.ca
- HIST Tour of Duty
- LIFE Goods
- NW International Newsfirst
- SHOW North of 60
- TLC Supersleuths: Son of Sam
- TNN Mad TV
- TSN That's Hockey. (N)
- VSN Cosby Show
- YTV Reboot

7:30 PM

- 3 11 Entertainment Tonight (N)
- 5 Wheel of Fortune
- 7 Arcand (N)
- 8 Jeopardy! (N)
- 22 29 Frasier
- 31 Seinfeld
- 33 Points North
- BVO Culture Warriors (N)
- CNN Crossfire
- LIFE Weird Homes
- NW Tomorrow's World
- TNN Mad TV
- TSN NBA Tonight. (N)

VSN As Time Goes By
YTV Reboot

8:00 PM

- 3 60 Minutes II
- 5 Ed
- 7 Cinéma "Sissi"
- 8 22 My Wife and Kids
- 11 Spirit of Quebec Blues
- 12 Movie ★★ "Renta-Kid" (1995, Comedy) Three feisty orphans are lent out to a yuppie couple.
- 29 31 That '70s Show
- 33 National Geographic "Inside the Vatican"
- 57 Great Performances "Cats"
- A&E Biography "Sally Field: Defying Gravity"
- BVO Movie ★★ "The Audrey Hepburn Story" (2000, Biography)
- CNN The Point
- DISC Molly's Zoo at Christmas
- HIST Turning Points
- LIFE Extra
- NW News Television
- SHOW Amazon
- TLC Robotica (N)
- TNN Star Trek: The Next Generation
- TSN NBA Basketball. (Live)
- VSN Movie ★★ "David and Bathsheba" (1951, Drama)
- YTV Dragon Ball Z

8:30 PM

- 8 22 According to Jim
- 29 31 Grounded for Life
- DISC Wild Discovery "Kim and Roxie, the Sea Lionesses"
- LIFE Lofters
- YTV Freaky Stories

9:00 PM

- 3 Kennedy Center Honors: A Celebration of the Performing Arts (N)
- 5 West Wing
- 8 22 Drew Carey
- 11 Ghosts on the Land (N)
- 29 31 Bernie Mac
- 33 Great Performances "The Nutcracker From the Royal Ballet" (N)
- A&E American Justice "The Erin Brockovich Story"
- CNN Larry King Live
- DISC Flightpath
- HIST Travellers: This Land Is Your Land
- LIFE Animal Miracles
- NW International Newsfirst
- SHOW Traders
- TLC Junkyard Wars
- TNN Waltons
- YTV New Addams Family

9:30 PM

- 8 22 Whose Line Is It Anyway?
- 29 31 Grounded for Life
- NW German Journal
- YTV Breaker High

10:00 PM

- 5 12 Law & Order
- 6 CBC News
- 7 Le TVA réseau et TVA sports
- 8 22 20/20
- 11 Festival of Stars
- 29 Seinfeld
- 31 News
- 57 Scotland the Brave
- A&E City Confidential (N)
- CNN Newsnight
- DISC Tragedy on Pad 34: Apollo One
- LIFE Zoo Diaries
- NW International Newsfirst

SHOW Movie ★★ "Lovers of the Arctic Circle" (1998, Drama) Adolescence proves a fateful turning point for two friends.

TLC Ultimate Ten Biggest Structures
TNN Mad TV
VSN Barra MacNeils' Celtic Christmas
YTV Radio Active

10:30 PM

- 6 Movie ★★ "Diner" (1982, Comedy) Five friends from the '50s try to hold on to their youth.
- 7 Tirages Loto-Québec
- 7 Cinéma ★★ "Les Quatre filles du docteur March"
- 29 Frasier
- 30 Cinéma ★★ "Cinq garçons dans le vent"
- HIST Historylands
- LIFE Dogs With Jobs
- NW Scully/The World
- TNN Mad TV
- TSN Sportscentre.
- YTV Student Bodies

11:00 PM

- 3 5 8 12 22 News
- 9 (11:25) Cinéma ★★ "Minuit" (1998, Drame)
- 11 Body and Health
- 29 Simpsons
- 31 Seinfeld
- 33 Movie ★★ "The Big Sleep" (1946, Mystery)
- 57 BBC World News
- A&E Law & Order
- BVO NYPD Blue
- CNN Greenfield at Large
- DISC At Discovery.ca
- HIST Untouchables
- LIFE Extra
- NW News Television: The National
- TLC Robotica
- TNN Real TV
- VSN Apparitions of the Virgin Mary
- YTV Big Wolf on Campus

11:30 PM

- 3 (11:35) Late Show (N)
- 5 (11:35) Tonight Show (N)
- 8 22 (11:35) Nightline
- 11 Sports.
- 12 News
- 12 (11:45) Sports Night.
- 29 3rd Rock From the Sun
- 31 Spin City
- 57 Charlie Rose (N)
- CNN Moneyline
- LIFE Weird Homes
- TNN Star Trek: The Next Generation
- TSN National Aerobics Championship.
- YTV My Family

12:00 AM

- 8 22 Politically Incorrect
- 11 Entertainment Tonight
- 12 (12:05) Open Mike
- 29 Mad TV
- 31 Star Trek: Voyager
- A&E Biography "Sally Field: Defying Gravity"
- BVO Homicide: Life on the Street
- CNN Larry King Live
- DISC Crocodile Hunter
- HIST Travellers: This Land Is Your Land
- LIFE Real World
- NW News Television
- SHOW (12:26) Movie "Venus in Furs" (1970, Adult) Two strangers meet and set off a bizarre relationship.

Thursday

6:00 PM

- 3 5 8 12 22 News
- 6 CBC News
- 7 Le TVA 18 heures
- 29 Judge Judy
- 31 Simpsons
- 33 Newshour With Jim Lehrer
- 57 BBC World News
- A&E Night Court
- BVO Jazz Collection
- CNN Moneyline
- DISC Crocodile Hunter
- HIST Odysseys: Canada's Maritime History
- LIFE Pet Project
- NW International Newsfirst
- SHOW F/X: The Series
- TLC Super Heroes
- TNN Miami Vice
- TSN Best of Off the Record.
- VSN Road to Avonlea
- YTV As Told by Ginger

6:30 PM

- 5 NBC Nightly News
- 6 BBC World News
- 7 Cinéma "Alice au pays des merveilles" (1999, Fantastique)
- 8 22 ABC World News Tonight

- 11 Global National
- 29 Judge Judy
- 30 Cinéma "Tremblement de terre à New York"
- 31 King of the Hill
- 57 Nightly Business Report
- A&E Newsradio
- HIST Scattering of Seeds: The Creation of Canada
- LIFE Zoo Diaries
- NW News Television
- TSN Sportscentre.
- YTV Yvon of the Yukon

7:00 PM

- 3 CBS Evening News
- 5 Jeopardy! (N)
- 6 Shrinkage (N)
- 8 Wheel of Fortune
- 9 Cinéma ★★ "Heidi" (1993, Com. dramatique)
- 11 Entertainment Tonight (N)
- 12 Little Men
- 22 Spin City (Part 1 of 2)
- 29 Everybody Loves Raymond
- 31 Just Shoot Me
- 33 Nightly Business Report
- 57 Newshour With Jim Lehrer
- A&E Law & Order
- BVO Bravo!Videos
- CNN Wolf Blitzer Reports
- DISC At Discovery.ca
- HIST Tour of Duty
- LIFE Goods
- NW International Newsfirst
- SHOW North of 60
- TLC Missing Without a Trace
- TNN Mad TV
- TSN That's Hockey. (N)
- VSN Cosby Show
- YTV Spongebob Squarepants

7:30 PM

- 3 Entertainment Tonight (N)
- 5 Wheel of Fortune
- 8 Jeopardy! (N)
- 11 Friends
- 22 29 Frasier
- 31 Seinfeld
- 33 Rural Free Delivery
- BVO Book TV
- CNN Crossfire
- LIFE Weird Homes
- NW Up Close
- TNN Mad TV
- TSN World Aerobics Championships.
- VSN Let's Sing Again!
- YTV Big Teeth Bad Breath

8:00 PM

- 3 11 Survivor: Africa (N)
- 5 Friends
- 6 Figure Skating.
- 7 Cinéma "Impératrice Sissi" (1956, Drame)
- 8 22 Whose Line Is It Anyway?
- 12 Rita MacNeil's Celtic Celebration
- 29 31 Movie ★★ "Nine Months" (1995, Comedy) Pregnancy throws a wrench into a man's easygoing lifestyle.
- 33 Antiques Roadshow UK
- 57 Nature
- A&E Biography "Vivien Leigh: A Delicate Balance"
- BVO Writing Life (N)
- CNN The Point
- DISC Wild Discovery
- HIST Turning Points
- LIFE Extra
- NW News Television
- SHOW Welcome to Paradox
- TLC Medical Detectives
- TNN Star Trek: The Next Generation
- VSN Ballykissangel
- YTV Dragon Ball Z

8:30 PM

- 5 Inside Schwartz (N)
- 8 22 Whose Line Is It Anyway?
- BVO Movie ★★ "Presumed Innocent" (1990, Drama) A married prosecutor goes on trial for his lover's murder.
- DISC Wild Discovery "Zoo School"
- LIFE Lofters
- TSN NBA Tonight. (N)
- YTV Freaky Stories

9:00 PM

- 3 12 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation
- 5 11 Will & Grace
- 8 22 Who Wants to Be a Millionaire (ITV)
- 33 Metropolitan Opera Presents "The Met Celebrates Verdi -- Part II" (N)
- 57 Nova
- A&E Pride and Prejudice (Part 1 of 3)
- CNN Larry King Live
- DISC Secrets of Science
- HIST Lost Fleet of Guadalcanal
- LIFE Circus
- NW International Newsfirst
- SHOW Traders
- TLC Sports Disasters II
- TNN Waltons
- TSN NBA Basketball. (Live)
- VSN Vision TV Insight -- Indepth (N)
- YTV New Addams Family

9:30 PM

- 5 11 Just Shoot Me
- LIFE Opening Soon
- NW German Journal
- YTV Breaker High

10:00 PM

- 3 Agency
- 5 12 ER
- 6 CBC News
- 7 Le TVA réseau et TVA sports
- 8 22 Primetime Thursday
- 11 Andromeda
- 29 Seinfeld
- 31 News
- 57 Scientific American Frontiers
- CNN Newsnight
- DISC Survival!
- LIFE Weird Wheels
- NW International Newsfirst

SHOW Movie ★★ "Orgazmo" (1997, Comedy) A Mormon missionary finds a new position as a porn star.

TLC Daytona Motorcycle Madness (N)
TNN Mad TV
VSN On Main Street
YTV Radio Active

10:30 PM

- 6 BBC World News
- 7 Tirages Loto-Québec
- 7 (10:36) Le Rêve d'Alonso
- 29 Frasier
- LIFE Weird Homes
- NW Scully/The World
- TNN Mad TV
- VSN Prayer Palace
- YTV Student Bodies

11:00 PM

- 3 5 8 12 22 News
- 6 Movie ★★ "Extraordinary Visitor" (1998, Comedy) St. John the Baptist must decide if humans are worth saving.
- 11 Body and Health
- 29 Simpsons
- 31 Seinfeld
- 33 Movie ★★ "Out of the Past" (1947, Drama) A former detective tries to escape old mob ties.

- 57 BBC World News
- A&E Law & Order
- BVO NYPD Blue
- CNN Greenfield at Large
- DISC At Discovery.ca
- HIST Untouchables
- LIFE Extra
- NW News Television: The National
- TLC Medical Detectives
- TNN Star Trek: The Next Generation
- VSN Vision TV Insight -- Indepth
- YTV Big Wolf on Campus

11:30 PM

- 3 (11:35) Late Show (N)
- 5 (11:35) Tonight Show (N)
- 7 Cinéma ★★ "Kidnapé"
- 8 22 (11:35) Nightline
- 9 Cinéma ★★ "L'Opus de M. Holland" (1995, Drame)
- 11 Sports.
- 12 News
- 12 (11:45) Sports Night.
- 29 3rd Rock From the Sun
- 31 Spin City (Part 1 of 2)
- 57 Charlie Rose (N)
- CNN Moneyline
- LIFE Weird Homes
- TSN Sportscentre.
- YTV Lucy Sullivan Is Getting Married

12:00 AM

- 8 22 Politically Incorrect
- 11 Entertainment Tonight
- 12 (12:05) Open Mike
- 29 Mad TV
- 31 Star Trek: Voyager
- A&E Biography "Vivien Leigh: A Delicate Balance"
- BVO Homicide: Life on the Street
- CNN Larry King Live
- DISC Crocodile Hunter
- HIST Lost Fleet of Guadalcanal
- LIFE Real World
- NW News Television
- SHOW Movie ★★ "Bubbles Galore" (1996, Comedy) A porn star's ex-lover tries to block her latest production.
- TLC Sports Disasters II
- TNN Small Shots

*The arts & entertainment calendar for the Townships**what's on***MUSIC****Dec. 31**

DANCE on New Year's Eve at the Lennoxville Rifle Club, 22 Beattie Street. Pot-Luck supper at 6 p.m., followed by dancing. Admission charged.

New Year's Eve tickets on sale for the party at the A.N.A.F. Lennoxville. Open to all.

Danville Legion: New Year's Eve Dance with buffet. Dec. 31, 9 p.m. - 1 a.m. Country music with Sid Aulis. Reservations tel: 839-2594 or 839-3619. Everyone welcome.

New Year's Eve dance at the Royal Canadian Legion Br. 10, Sherbrooke, opening at 9 p.m. until closing. Music with Claude. Tickets on sale at the bar. Info: 563-4944.

EVENTS**Through December**

Light Of The Nations: display of nativity scenes at **Knowlton** United Church. An exhibit of Christmas Creches featuring close to 100 representations of Jesus' birth from more than 30 different countries. Hand-made works by local artists will also be featured. Exhibit open every Saturday and Sunday prior to Christmas from noon to 4 p.m. Donation of at least \$2 towards our elevator fund will be appreciated.

Dec. 1-23, 27-30, Jan. 3-6

VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS TEA at the Colby-Curtis Museum in **Stanstead**. Everyone is invited to visit Carrollcroft, the heritage home now completely decorated for the holiday season. Join friends for tea in a merry old-fashioned way, and let us offer you Natalie's wonderful scones, made on the premises, served with Devon cream, jam, squares and shortbread. Take time out from shopping to share with family and friends the simple pleasures of Christmas past. The Tea Room is open from 2-4:30 p.m., Wednesday to Sunday, from Dec. 1-23, Dec. 27-30 and Jan. 3-6. Admission is \$7, \$5 for tea only. For reservations call 819-876-7322.

Dec. 21

There will be a turkey bingo at the Royal Canadian Legion, Br. 10, 971 Galt E, Sherbrooke following the Friday night supper, registration 7 p.m. Everyone welcome. Info: 563-4944.

Dec. 22 and 23

Christmas Bake Sale at Café Chez Moi, 9 Maple St., Stanbridge East, Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 22 and 23, 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. Tel: 248-7038.

Dec. 22 - 28

Christmas Art Show and Silent Auction for Afghan Relief. There are just a few more days to participate in the silent auction at the North Hatley Li-

Spirit of the season in wax figurines




PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

The 'Noëls d'antan' exhibit has returned this year with infant Jesus dolls, statuettes and other figurines from artisan Lina Côté's impressive national and international collection.

brary. On offer are items donated by our artists: a book by Ann Mitchell, a box by Naisi LeBaron, a papier mâché angel by Donnie Rittenhouse, a photograph by Sherry Caron and paintings by Barbara Matthews, Pierre Laviolette, Gill Côté and Sara Peck Colby. All the proceeds will go directly to the Care Canada Afghan Crisis Fund. You get a wonderful piece of art and fewer children will suffer in Afghanistan. You can't miss. The auction ends at noon on Saturday the 22nd December. The Art Show continues to Dec. 28th. Library hours: Tuesday to Friday from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Wednesday evening from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Closed Dec. 25 and 26 and Jan. 1 and 2.

Dec. 23

On Sunday, Dec. 23, at 4 p.m., the Unitarian Universalist Church of North Hatley will be holding their annual Carols by Candlelight and Wasail. There will also be a small choir performing traditional french songs. Everyone is welcome to join us for this festive celebration of spirit and music, followed by hot mulled apple

cider and spice cakes.

Dec. 24 and 25

The Anglican Parish of Dunham and Frelighsburg Christmas Services: Dec. 24, Christmas Eve, 7 p.m. at Bishop Stewart Memorial in Frelighsburg and 10 p.m. at All Saints' in Dunham. Procession, Blessing of Creche and Holy Communion at both services. Christmas Day, Dec. 25, 9 a.m. at Bishop Stewart Memorial and 10:30 a.m. at All Saints: Holy Communion and visit to Creche.

Dec. 21

Turkey shoot dart tournament. Stanstead Legion. Registration 8 p.m. Names are picked out of hat. \$3 per person. 301 double-in/out.

Dec. 21

The Lion will host its annual food and toy drive with Mountain Dew today. Admission is \$2 plus a toy or a non-perishable food item.

EXHIBITS**Through to Jan. 6**

HURTUBISE UNCONDITIONALLY at the Centre culturel Yvonne L. Bombardier, is located at 1002, J.A. Bombardier Ave., Valcourt. Hours are

Tuesday to Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday and Friday, 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Info : 450-532-3033.

THEATRE**Dec. 21**

IMPROV NIGHT, Storyland3 presents a fundraiser for **Knowlton** Players at Knowlton Playhouse, 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$12. Info. and reservations: 819-538-0921.

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