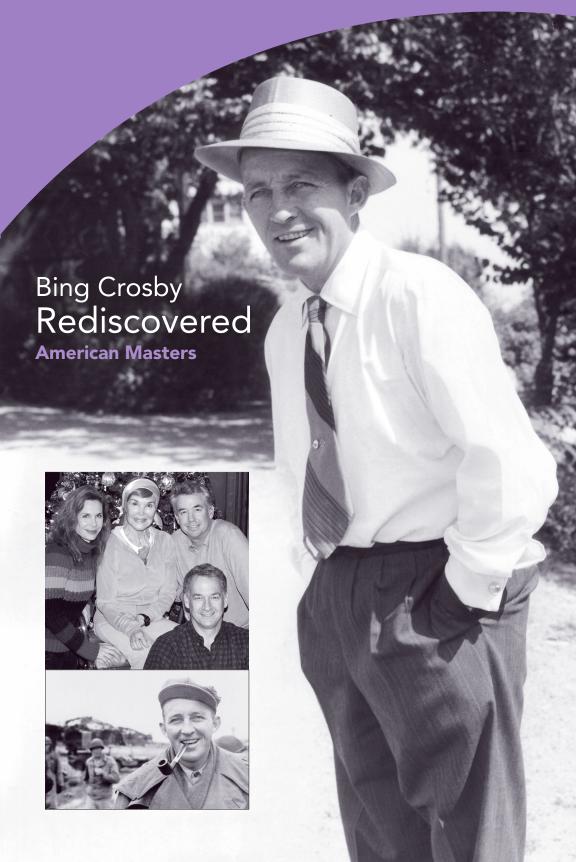
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July 20, 1969. With emotions ranging from awe to anxiety, we watched as something almost incomprehensible took place—the Apollo 11 landing on the moon, and Neil Armstrong's first steps onto the lunar surface.

I watched too, and even at my young age, I was fascinated with the power of television to deliver such an experience. That moment—shared by an estimated 500 million people around the worldmay have planted the seed for my career in public media.

I still believe in what all of us gain when we connect around inspiring content from PBS, NPR and local member stations such as ours. This month, you'll find a mix of new specials and PBS core programs, including Nature, NOVA, American Masters and Antiques Roadshow featured during our WILL-TV pledge drive Dec. 1-14. Based on viewer feedback, PBS is making a commitment to including the shows you enjoy throughout the year in the pledge drive schedule. Among them is NOVA: First Man on the Moon, offering a first-time portrait of Neil Armstrong, a private Midwesterner made famous by the Apollo 11 mission. See page 2 for details.

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Happy holidays and best wishes for 2015!

Moss Bresnahan, President and CEO

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A man for all seasons

Legendary crooner Bing Crosby may be best known for singing Irving Berlin's White Christmas, but his career of nearly 400 hit songs makes him the most recorded performer in history—an achievement unmatched by any other individual singer or group, including The Beatles, Elvis Presley or Frank Sinatra.

A brilliant entrepreneur, Crosby played an important role in the development of the postwar recording industry. As one of Hollywood's most popular actors, he won the Oscar for 1944's *Going My Way* and starred in the iconic "Road" films with Bob Hope.

Now a new **American Masters** documentary, *Bing Crosby Rediscovered*, offers fresh insight on Crosby when it premieres at 7 pm Tuesday, Dec. 2, on WILL-TV. Crosby's estate granted **American Masters** unprecedented access to the entertainer's personal and professional archives, including never-before-seen home movies, dictated recordings, photos and more.

The film features new interviews with all surviving members of Crosby's immediate family—wife Kathryn, daughter Mary and sons Harry and Nathaniel. It also reveals Crosby's struggles with his first wife, Dixie Lee, and their sons Gary, Dennis, Phillip and Lindsay. Mary addresses accusations of abuse first published in Gary's 1983 memoir, which tarnished their father's legacy. Gary speaks candidly about both his and his mother's alcoholism, as well as his difficulties with his father in a never-before-seen 1987 interview. Other new interviews include singers Tony Bennett and Michael Feinstein, record producer Ken Barnes, biographer Gary Giddins, and writers Buz Kohan and Larry Grossman, who share the story behind Crosby's Christmas special duet with David Bowie.



Complete list of Bing Crosby's top hits.

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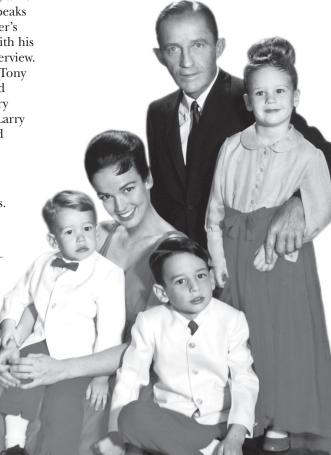
Bing Crosby collaborating with Frank Sinatra (left) and Judy Garland (right).

Frolicking with Bob Hope on a "Road" film.

Clockwise from top: Bing Crosby with his children Mary, Harry and Nathaniel, and second wife Kathryn, also on the cover.







WILL-TV pledge drive offers all-new specials



△Experiences that draw farm families together

Share warm winter memories of growing up on a farm with award-winning storyteller and author Jerry Apps. In this follow-up to his 2013 **Farm Story**, Apps shares his wit, wisdom and stories of family, neighbors and communities that worked together to survive the long winters that enveloped his rural boyhood home in central Wisconsin. **Farm Winter with Jerry Apps** airs at 7 pm Tuesday, Dec. 9.



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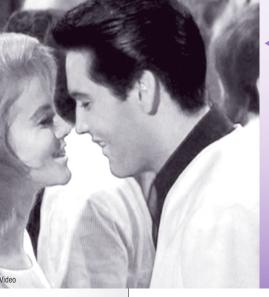


When Neil Armstrong set foot on the moon in 1969, he won instant fame. Yet this accomplished engineer and test pilot was so determined to stay out of the limelight that few know the personal story of how his rare combination of talent, luck and experience led to his successful command of Apollo 11. Through interviews with Armstrong's family and friends, **NOVA:** *First Man on the Moon* (8 pm Wednesday, Dec. 3) tells his story.

Video bonus: Watch the three-hour moon landing video from NASA. (Armstrong's famous words come at about the 3:30 mark.)

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■The inspiration of movie musicals

Take a journey across movie musicals' Golden Age, spanning from the Great Depression to the Civil Rights Movement, through in-depth looks at *The Wizard of Oz, Yankee Doodle Dandy, Singin' in the Rain, Seven Brides for Seven Brothers,* and *Viva Las Vegas.* Discover how these films overcame ballooning budgets, life-threatening injuries, inexperienced actors, dueling egos and a declaration of war to become among the most treasured movies in history. **Classic Hollywood Musicals** airs at 9 pm Tuesday, Dec. 2.

■One pilot's efforts to spread goodwill

Gail "Hal" Halvorsen was a C-54 pilot in the summer of 1948 when a Soviet blockade left the vanquished citizens of Berlin's Western zone without food and supplies. As two million people faced starvation, Halvorsen took part in the American-British-French operation that airlifted in food and coal. He took the goodwill gesture a step further as he dropped candy for the German children, telling them to watch for a plane that wiggled its wings. This touching story is told through first-hand stories from two of those Berlin children, now in their 70s, Halvorsen's friend and fellow airlift pilot, and Halvorsen himself. **The Candy Bomber** comes to WILL-TV at 8:30 pm Wednesday, Dec. 10.



▼Free preview: Downton Abbey Season 5

Will Lady Mary choose Gillingham or Blake? Will Edith's secret be revealed? Will Tom Branson return to politics?

Join WILL at the historic Virginia Theatre, 203 W. Park Ave., in Champaign, from 7-9:30 pm Friday, Dec. 12, to watch the first hour of the two-hour Season 5 *Downton Abbey* premiere coming to WILL-TV in January. Gather a group of friends, put on your finest Downton attire and join the fun! Doors open at 6:30 pm. The theater's concession snacks and beverages will be for sale and a cash bar will be available. Get more event details and let us know you're coming at will.illinois.edu/downton. You may also call 217-333-7300 to register. Registrations close at noon Friday, Dec. 12.

If you're in the Bloomington area, another WILL preview with our sister station WTVP will take place at the Normal Theatre, 209 W. North St., in uptown Normal, from 7-9 pm Wednesday, Dec. 10. More details are at will.illinois.edu/downton.

weekdays

NPR Morning Edition

with Renee Montagne, Steve Inskeep and David Greene

9 am

Classic Mornings with Vic Di Geronimo

Join Vic for music and companionship and make each morning a classic morning!

Noon

Afternoon Classics

Jeff Esworthy, Julie Amacher, Lynn Warfel and Mindy Ratner keep you company throughout the afternoon. Garrison Keillor's The Writer's Almanac is at 1:01. NPR News Headlines at 3:01.

5 pm

NPR All Things Considered

with Robert Siegel, Melissa Block and Audie Cornish

pm

The Evening Concert

Great performances from the great concert venues. Also on Sundays from 7-9 pm. Listings are subject to change.

Monday:

The 2013 Deutsche Welle Festival Concerts (DWF)

"TENSIONS" in HEIMBACH

Lars Vogt, piano; Heimbach Strings Britten: Young Apollo, Op. 16 Dvorák: Dumky for Piano Trio, Op. 90

MUSIC DAYS in HITZACKER Academy of Early Music Berlin Mozart: "Eine kleine Nachtmusik" Benda: Violin Concerto in A

12/15 HOLIDAY SPECIALS: Hanukkah Lights 2014 and Candles Burning Brightly

12/22 HOLIDAY SPECIAL: And Glory Shone Around:

An Early American Christmas with the Rose Ensemble 12/29 DWF: London Symphony Orchestra; Daniel Harding, conductor; Christian Tetzlaff, violin

Tchaikovsky: Violin Concerto Mussorgsky: Night on Bald Mountain

Tuesday:

Chicago Symphony Orchestra (CSO)

Michael Tilson Thomas conducts Mahler 9 Mahler: Symphony No. 9

Mahler: Blumine

Bernard Labadie and Marc André Hamelin 12/9 play Haydn and Beethoven Haydn: Piano Concerto in D major Beethoven: Symphony No. 1 in C major

12/16 Charles Dutoit and Mathieu Dufour Connesson: pour sortir au jour Mathieu Dufour, flute [CSO commission] Saint-Saens: Symphony No. 3 (Organ)

12/23 HOLIDAY SPECIALS:
Jonathan Winters' "A Christmas Carol" and
Festivo Alt.Latino with Coral Contigas

12/30 CSO: William Walton's First Symphony Walton: Symphony No. 1

Wednesday: **Cleveland Orchestra**

Bramwell Tovey, conductor

Baba Skride, violin

Mendelssohn: Midsummer Night's Dream

Bruch: Violin Concerto No. 1

12/10 Jahja Ling, conductor

Yuja Wang, piano Rachmaninoff: Symphonic Dances Prokofiev: Piano Concerto No. 3

12/17 Franz Welser-Möst, conductor

Wagner: "Tannhäuser" Overture Bruckner: Symphony No. 8 12/24 **HOLIDAY SPECIAL**:

A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

12/31 HOLIDAY SPECIALS:

Aspen Music Festival and Toast of the Nation

Thursday:

The New York Philharmonic This Week

Leonard Slatkin, conductor Rouse: Flute Concerto (New York Premiere)

Ravel: Boléro 12/11 Alan Gilbert, conductor

Stravinsky: The Fairy's Kiss Stravinsky: Petrushka 12/18 Alan Gilbert, conductor

Turnage: Frieze

Beethoven: Symphony No. 9 12/25 **HOLIDAY SPECIALS**:

Messiah from Washington National Cathedral and A Baroque Christmas from the New World

Prairie Performances and Holiday Specials

Concerts are subject to availability.

Millikin-Decatur Symphony (10/25/14) Michael Luxner, conductor

> Mozart: Overture to Don Giovanni Beethoven: Piano Concerto No. 5 in E-Flat ("Emperor")

Silvan Negrutiu, piano

Dvorak: Symphony No. 9 in E Minor ("From the New World")

12/12 Champaign-Urbana Symphony

Voyages (10/25/14) Stephen Alltop, conductor

Mendelssohn: Hebrides Overture, Op. 26 Corigliano: Voyage for Flute and Strings

Mary Leathers Chapman, flute

Williams: Escapades for Alto Saxophone and Orchestra from the film score Catch Me if You Can

Debra Richtmeyer, saxophone Rimsky-Korsakov: Scheherazade, Op. 35

12/19 HOLIDAY SPECIALS:

An Afro-Blue Christmas and Jazz Piano Christmas XXX

12/26 HOLIDAY SPECIALS:

Christmas With Morehouse and Spelman Glee Clubs and A Season's Griot 2014

9 pm

Night Music

Gillian Martin, Bob Christiansen, Ward Jacobson, Scott Blankenship or John Zech keep you company through the night and into the morning. NPR News Headlines at 9:01.

saturdays

7 am

NPR Weekend Edition

with Scott Simon

9 am

Classics By Request

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Garrison Keillor's **The Writer's Almanac** at 9:01. **NPR News Headlines** at 10:01.

11 am

Classics of the Phonograph

John Frayne's weekly exploration of memorable recordings from the 20th century. *Note: 10 am start.

12/6 Famous Recordings of Beethoven's Violin Concerto

12/13 *Historic Recordings of Handel's "Messiah"

12/20 Famous Holiday Recordings

12/27 Stravinsky Conducts Stravinsky

Noon

Afternoon at the Opera

The live Met Season begins this month.

*Note: 11 am start.

12/6 THE BARBER OF SEVILLE (Rossini). Michele Mariotti, cond, with Isabel Leonard (Rosina), Lawrence Brownlee (Almaviva), Christopher Maltman (Figaro), and the Met Opera Chorus and Orchestra.

12/13 *DIE MEISTERSINGER VON NÜRNBERG

(Wagner). James Levine, cond, with Michael Volle (Sachs), Johan Botha (Walter), Anette Dasch (Eva), and the Met Opera Chorus and Orchestra.

12/20 THE MARRIAGE OF FIGARO (Mozart). Edo de Waart, cond, with Erwin Schrott (Figaro), Danielle de Niese (Susanna), Rachel Willis-Sorensen (Countess), Mariusz Kwiecien (Count), Serena Malfi (Cherubino), and the Met Opera Chorus and Orchestra.

12/27 LA TRAVIATA (Verdi). Marco Armiliato, cond, with Marina Rebeka (Violetta), Stephen Costello (Alfredo), Ludovic Tézier (Germont), and the Met Opera Chorus and Orchestra.

4 pm

NPR All Things Considered

5 pm

A Prairie Home Companion

Garrison Keillor and friends present music, skits, and the latest news from Lake Wobegon. [Also Sundays at 2 pm]

7 pm

The Midnight Special

Rich Warren presents folk music and farce, show tunes and satire, traditional and contemporary with gentle irreverence and candid observation.

9 pm

Classics All Night

Bob Christiansen and Scott Blankenship keep you company Saturday night and into Sunday morning. NPR News Headlines at 10:01.

sundays

7 am

NPR Weekend Edition

with Rachel Martin

9 am

Sunday Baroque

With host Suzanne Bona Garrison Keillor's **The Writer's Almanac** at 9:01.

1 pm

The Record Shelf

Host Jim Svejda presents the best classical CDs and discusses the lives of some of the most famous composers and performers of classical music.

2 pm

A Prairie Home Companion

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4 pm

NPR All Things Considered

5 pm

Classical Music

Mindy Ratner and Valerie Kahler are your hosts.

7-8 pm

The Evening Concert

Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center and a Holiday Special

12/7 Poulenc: Trio for Oboe, Bassoon & Piano Stephen Taylor, oboe

12/14 Mozart: Sonata for Piano, Four Hands, K. 521. Juho Pohjonen, Wu Han, piano duet

12/21 **HOLIDAY SPECIAL**: A Paul Winter Solstice Concert (Hour 1)

12/28 Ravel: Quartet in F Major Parisii Quartet

8-9 pm

The Evening Concert

The Spoleto Chamber Music Festival and a Holiday Special

12/7 Chausson: Piano Trio in G Minor, Op. 3 Pavel Kaleskinov, piano

12/14 Vivaldi: Chamber Concerto for Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, and Violin in G Minor, RV 107

12/21 HOLIDAY SPECIAL: A Paul Winter Solstice Concert (Hour 2)

12/28 Ginastera: Duo for Flute and Oboe, Op. 13 Tara Helen O' Connor, flute

10 pm

Harmonia

Angela Mariani presents Baroque and early music. **NPR News Headlines** at 10:01.

11 pm

The Romantic Hours

Music, poetry and romance with Mona Golabek.

midnight

Classical Music

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weekdays

6-9 am

Classical Music

9 am-noon

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Noon-overnight

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New programs combine with holiday specials



WILL-AM

Following up on the popularity of Ken Burns' September 2014 PBS documentary series about the Roosevelts, an hour-long special from American RadioWorks features historic radio broadcasts from Eleanor and FDR. The rarely heard archival audio in the First Family of Radio: Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt's Historic Broadcasts, as well as oral histories and contempo-

rary interviews, explores how the Roosevelts revolutionized political communication in America. The program comes to WILL-AM at 10 am Friday, Dec. 5.

At 10 am Friday, Dec. 12, **Breaking Ground—Military Children** covers how nearly two million U.S. children are affected by having at least one parent deployed to a war zone.

Innovation Hub (10 am Friday, Dec. 19, WILL-AM) looks at how innovations are reshaping our holidays by altering approaches to travel, family gatherings, food and more. Then at 10 am Dec. 26, Innovation Hub's New Year's Special looks at the research, industries, gadgets and more that will change our world.

Other WILL-AM specials include:

- All Songs Considered for the Holidays, 1-2 pm Sunday, Dec. 20
- St. Olaf Christmas Festival, 7-9 pm Wednesday, Dec. 24
- Tinsel Tales 3, 10-11 am Thursday, Dec. 25
- A Christmas Carol, reading of Dickens' story by the late U of I professor Paul Landis, 2-3 pm Thursday, Dec. 25

WILL-FM

Hanukkah Lights 2014 features new stories from acclaimed authors Debra Ginsberg, Anne Burt, Lesley Hyatt, Andrew Borowitz and Theodore Bikel at 7 pm Monday, Dec. 15.

Airing on WILL Radio for the first time is **An Afro-Blue Christmas** at 7 pm Friday, Dec. 19. The concert features Howard University's premier vocal ensemble and special guest pianist Cyrus Chestnut. It's followed by NPR's **Jazz Piano Christmas XXX**, the annual concert from the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

Then at 7 pm Thursday, Dec. 25, the Messiah from Washington National Cathedral is followed by A Baroque Christmas in the New World. This special, on WILL Radio for the first time, offers music from 17th- and 18th- century Mexico, Peru and Bolivia, including three free-standing works by Sumaya.

See the FM listings on pages 4-5 for the schedule of all holiday programs.



Monday - Friday		Saturday	Sunday
NPR Morning Edition with Jeff Bossert	5:00	BBC Overnight Continued	BBC World Service
	6:00	Commodity Week	Inside Europe
	6:30	Mid-American Gardener	
	7:00	NPR Weekend Edition	NPR Weekend Edition
	9:00	Car Talk	
See below	10:00	Wait Wait Don't Tell Me	Says You
Fresh Air NPR News 11:01	11:00	Ask Me Another	Car Talk
Here & Now hosted by Jason Croft NPR News 12:01	Noon	This American Life	Wait, Wait Don't Tell Me
Science Friday (F)	1:00	Songs	All Songs Considered/All Songs Considered for the Holidays (12/20)
	1:30		State Week in Review/All Songs Considered for the Holidays (12/20)
The Closing Market Report NPR News 2:01/ A Christmas Carol (12/25)	2:00	Radiolab	The Tavis Smiley Show
BBC Business Daily/ Commodity Week (F)/ A Christmas Carol (12/25)	2:30		
The World	3:00	TED Radio Hour	On the Media
All Things Considered with Jim Meadows	4:00	All Things Considered	All Things Considered
	5:00	Big Picture Science	The People's Pharmacy
	6:00	Commonwealth Club	Travel with Rick Steves
Fresh Air/St. Olaf Christmas Special (12/24)	7:00	Living on Earth	To the Best of Our Knowledge
See below (repeat of 10 am program/St. Olaf Christmas Special (12/24)	8:00	Latino USA	
BBC World Service	9:00	Alternative Radio	New Dimensions
	10:00	Bookworm	Le Show
	10:30	New Letters on the Air	
	11:00	Left, Right & Center	BBC World Service
	11:30- 6 am	BBC World Service	

10 am weekdays lineup

Monday: On the Media (repeat of previous Sunday) Tuesday: The Moth Radio Hour

Wednesday: Big Picture Science (repeat of previous Saturday)

Thursday: The TED Radio Hour (repeat of previous Saturday)/Tinsel Tales 3 (12/25)

Bold Listing = National/International News

Friday: The First Family of Radio: Frankln and Eleanor Roosevelt's Historic Broadcasts (12/5); Breaking Ground— Military Children (12/12); Innovation Hub: Unwrapping the Future (12/19); Innovation Hub: New Year's Special (12/26)

Agriculture

Dave Dickey, agriculture director; Todd Gleason, host, Closing Market Report & Commodity Week

Opening Market Report: 8:49 am; Mid-Morning Market Report: 9:49 am; Market Update: 10:58 and 11:58 am; Midday Market Report: 12:55 pm; Closing Market Report: 2:06 pm. To listen to archived ag reports, sign up for the Illinois Public Media Ag E-newsletter, or download our agricultural podcasts, visit www.willag.org. Call 217-333-3434 for market analysis, updated at 9:15 am and 3:15 pm daily.

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Scott Cameron, news and public affairs director

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Weather

Monday-Friday

AM: 6:09, 6:20, 6:35, 6:50, 7:09, 7:20, 7:35, 7:50, 8:09, 8:20, 8:35, 8:50 **PM:** 12:37, 4:06, 4:35, 5:06, 5:35

Saturday and Sunday

Occasional updates



Arts and Crafts-6-7 am; noon-1 pm

Sun and Wed: It's Sew Easy; Beauty of Oil Painting with Gary Jenkins

Mon and Fri: Lap Quilting with Georgia Bonesteel; Paint This with Jerry Yarnell

Tue and Thu: Knit and Crochet Now; Best of the Joy of Painting

Cooking - 7-9 am; 1-3 pm

Sun and Wed: Hubert Keller: Secrets of a Chef/French Chef Classics (begins 12/31); Neven Maguire: Home Chef; Pati's Mexican Table; Eat! Drink! Italy! with Vic

Mon and Fri: New Scandinavian Cooking; P. Allen Smith's Garden to Table; Ciao Italia; Joanne Weir's Cooking Class/Joanne Weir's Cooking Confidence (begins 12/29)

Tue and Thur: Chef John Besh's New Orleans/Chef John Besh's Family Table (begins 12/9); George Hirsch Lifestyles; Healthy Indian Flavors/Jazzy Vegetarian (begins 12/11); Clodagh's Irish Food Trails/Joy of Kosher with Jamie Geller: Hanukkah Special (12/16 & 12/18)/Chef's Life (begins 12/23)

Travel - 9-10 am; 3-4:30 pm

Sun and Wed: Journeys in India/Islands Without Cars (begins 12/10); Journeys in Africa/Travel with Kids (begins 12/10)

Mon and Fri: Travel Specials

Tue and Thu: Smart Travels-Europe with Rudy Maxa: In the Americas with David Yetman

Gardening/Home Improvement - 10-noon; 4:30-6:30 pm

Mon and Fri: This Old House; Rough Cut-Woodworking with Tommy Mac; P. Allen Smith's Garden Home; Vintage/Winemakers (begins 12/5) Tue and Thu: Hometime; Woodsmith Shop; Victory Garden; For Your Home

Wed: Ask This Old House; American Woodshop;

Garden Smart: Katie Brown Workshop

Sun: Ask This Old House; American Woodshop; Growing a Greener World; Katie Brown Workshop

Saturday Marathons - 5-11 am; 5-11 pm

Dec 6/7: Gift Giving

Add extra detail to homemade gifts.

Dec 13/14: Globe Trekker: Around the World Start in the U.S. and see the world.

Dec 20/21: Joy to the World

Chefs and lifestyle experts help you

celebrate the holidays.

Dec 27/28: Midnight Celebrations

Get everything you need to ring in

See the full Create schedule at will.illinois.edu/tv/ schedule



Monday-Friday

9:00 PBS NewsHour

10:00 Nightly Business Report

10:30 Journal

Mondays

7:00 Jews & Christians: A Journey of Faith (12/8); Three Faiths, One God (12/15); Mysteries of the Jesus Prayer (12/29)

8:00 Local USA

8:30 Film School Shorts

11:00 POV (12/1); Jews & Christians: A Journey of Faith (12/8); Three Faiths, One God (12/15); Asian and Abrahamic Religions: A Divine Encounter in America (12/22); Beyond Theology: What Would Jesus Do? (12/29)

11:30 Independent Lens (12/1)

Tuesdavs

7:00 America Reframed

8:00 The Story of Adventist Education (12/23)

8:30 New Metropolis (12/2); Seaside Story (12/9); Serving America: Memories of Peace Corps (12/16); Living Courageously: The Spirit of Women (12/30)

11:00 America Reframed

Wednesdays

7:00 Independent Lens (12/10); Cafeteria Man (12/17); Frontline (12/24, 12/31)

8:00 POV (12/3); Frontline

11:00 Crisis of Faith (12/3); Independent Lens (12/10); Cafeteria Man (12/17); Frontline (12/24, 12/31)

Thursdays

7:00 Global Health Frontiers: Foul Water, Fiery Serpent (12/4); Nazi Mega Weapons (12/11); NOVA (12/18, 12/25)

8:00 America by the Numbers with Maria Hinojosa

8:30 America by the Numbers with Maria Hinojosa

12.2

11:00 Global Health Frontiers: Dark Forest, Black Fly (12/4); NOVA

Fridays

7:00 Life of Muhammad (12/5); Sacred Journeys with Bruce Feiler (12/19, 12/26)

8:00 Life of Muhammad (12/5); In My Lifetime (12/12); Martin Luther (12/19, 12/26)

11:00 Life of Muhammad (12/5); Rickover: The Birth of Nuclear Power (12/12); Sacred Journeys with Bruce Feiler (12/19, 12/26)

Saturdays

7:00 Washington Week

7:30 McLaughlin Group

8:00 Charlie Rose: The Week

8:30 European Journal

9:00 Buddha (12/6); American Experience: The Amish (12/13); American Experience: The Amish Shunned (12/20); Jerusalem: Center of the World (12/27)

11:00 Moyers & Company

11:30 Asia This Week

Sundays

7:00 Sky Island (12/7); Nature

7:30 Katmai: Alaska's Wild Peninsula (12/7)

8:00 Finding Your Roots (12/7); The Story of the Jews with Simon Schama

9:00 Global Voices

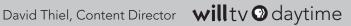
10:00 Little League: A History (12/14); Fire in the Forest: The Life and Legacy of the Ba'al Shem Tov (12/21)

10:30 Emery Blagdon and His Healing Machine (12/7); In the Wild: Edison, Ford & Friends (12/28)

11:00 Sky Island (12/7); Nature

11:30 Katmai: Alaska's Wild Peninsula (12/7)

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Monday - Friday		Saturday	Sunday
Market to Market (M) Nightly Business Report (T-F)	5:00	Barney & Friends	Sid the Science Kid
Body Electric (M,W,F) Sit and Be Fit (T, Th)	5:30	Angelina Ballerina	Peg + Cat
Odd Squad	6:00	Curious George	Curious George
Wild Kratts	6:30	Curious George	Curious George
Curious George	7:00	Daniel Tiger	Daniel Tiger
Curious George	7:30	Daniel Tiger	Daniel Tiger
Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood	8:00	Sesame Street	Sesame Street
Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood	8:30	Dinosaur Train	Dinosaur Train
Sesame Street/Elmo's Christmas Countdown (12/22-12/25)	9:00	Thomas and Friends	Cyberchase
	9:30	Bob the Builder	Space Racers
Dinosaur Train	10:00	Motorweek	Charlie Rose: The Week
Dinosaur Train	10:30	Growing a Greener World	Moyers & Company
Peg + Cat	11:00	Mid-American Gardener	America's Heartland
Peg + Cat	11:30	Victory Garden	Market to Market
Super WHY!	Noon	America's Test Kitchen	The McLaughlin Group
Thomas & Friends	12:30	Cook's Country	Religion + Ethics Newsweekly
Sewing Programs ▼	1:00	Lidia's Kitchen	Specials 12/7 1:00, 50 Years with Peter, Paul and Mary 3:00, 1965-1967 Rock Rewind 4:30, Victor Borge's Timeless Comedy 5:00, Doc Martin Behind the Scenes 6:00, Being Poirot 12/14 1:00, Jackie Evancho—Awakening: Live in Concert 2:30, Christmas with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir 4:00, Victor Borge's Timeless Comedy 5:30, Downton Abbey Rediscovered 12/21 1:00, Downton Abbey Seas. 4, P1 3:00, Downton Abbey Seas. 4, P2 4:00, Downton Abbey Seas. 4, P3 12/28 1:00, Downton Abbey Seas. 4, P4 2:00, Downton Abbey Seas. 4, P5 3:00, Downton Abbey Seas. 4, P6 4:00, Downton Abbey Seas. 4, P6
Painting and How To Programs ▼	1:30	Simply Ming	
Sesame Street/ Curious George (12/17)	2:00	Martha Stewart's Cooking School	
Curious George	2:30	Martha Bakes	
Arthur	3:00	Mind of a Chef	
Odd Squad	3:30	Hometime	
Wild Kratts	4:00	This Old House Hour	
Wild Kratts	4:30		
BBC World News	5:00	PBS NewsHour Weekend	PBS NewsHour Weekend
Nightly Business Report	5:30	Rick Steves' Europe	America by the Numbers with Maria Hinojosa

Daytime schedules will vary during the WILL-TV pledge drive Dec. 1-14. Please see listings.

1:00 pm Sewing

M: Fons & Porter's Love of Quilting
 Tu: Sewing with Nancy
 W: Knitting Daily

Th: Fit 2 Stitch F: Quilting Arts 1:30 pm Painting and How To

M: Rough Cut
Tu: Paint This with Jerry Yarnell
W: Woodsmith Shop

Th: Garden Smart

F: Woodwright's Shop

All kinds of natural aviators

Don't miss Nature: Best of Birds (7 pm Wednesday, Dec. 3), a special featuring some of the most memorable bird stories—compelling, emotional and humorous—from Nature's award-winning productions, including My Life as a Turkey, An Original DUCKumentary, Hummingbirds: Magic in the Air, Raptor Force, Birds of the Gods, Ireland's Wild River and many others.

Challenging Poirot's little grey cells

Confined to a wheelchair and crippled with arthritis, the now elderly Hercule Poirot is reunited with his old friend Captain Hastings at Styles, the large country house where they met 30 years ago and solved their first murder investigation together. As Poirot's health deteriorates and their fellow guests begin to fall victim to confounding attacks, the great detective must summon the last of his strength to battle his ultimate nemesis. **Curtain: Poirot's Last Case** airs at 8 pm Sunday, Dec. 7.



The music of change

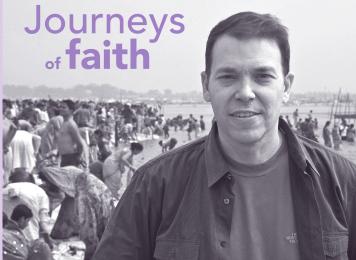
50 Years with Peter, Paul and Mary (8:30 pm Monday, Dec. 1) celebrates this trio's impact in bringing folk music to America's mass audiences while combining artistry, activism and inspiration. It features powerful, moving

performances starting with the group's emergence in Greenwich Village and continuing through the Civil Rights and antiwar eras, showing how the music that became the soundtrack of social and political change still resonates today.



Come along with historian Julian Davidson as he travels from Norway to the Italian Adriatic coast, sampling the delights of some of the most dramatic and fascinating railway journeys in Europe. In addition to the breathtaking scenery, Davison provides insight into culture and history in Great Railway Journeys of Europe at 7 pm Wednesday, Dec. 10.

Join New York Times best-selling author Bruce Feiler (right) on a journey to six of the world's most rigorous religious pilgrimages, all undertaken in one remarkable year. The six-part Sacred Journeys with Bruce Feiler opens a window into the human quest for meaning while also including world history and personal stories of faith exploration. The first two episodes air at 7 pm and 8 pm Tuesday, Dec. 16, followed by more installments on Dec. 23 and 30. See listings for individual program descriptions.



The party is at Joshua's!

In celebration of the release of his 2013 album. Musical Gifts. world-renowned violinist Joshua Bell welcomed cameras into his home for a rare and intimate concert. The result is Joshua **Bell Presents Musical Gifts** (9 pm Wednesday, Dec. 24), a salon-style performance of holiday standards featuring Renee Fleming, Michael Feinstein, the Young People's Chorus of New York and others.



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Friday Night Public Affairs

7:00 Washington Week

7:30 Charlie Rose: The Week

BritCom Saturday Night

8:00 As Time Goes By

8:30 Moone Boy

9:00 To the Manor Born

9:30 After You've Gone

10:00 Red Green Show

10:30 Doctor Who



On pledge drive days with this symbol, program start and end times may vary.

1 Monday

1:00 Aging Backwards with Miranda Esmonde-White

7:00 Antiques Roadshow (TV-G)

Junk in the Trunk 4. Part 1 of 2. New appraisals from all eight cities of the 2014 season. Highlights include a Steiff Pushmi-Pullyu Doctor Dolittle character; a Pablo Picasso linocut; and a pair of Italian carved door panels. Repeated 2 am Friday; 11:30 am Saturday; and 3 am Sunday.

8:30 50 Years with Peter, Paul and Mary (TV-G) See article page 10. Repeated midnight Tuesday; and 1 pm Sunday.

10:30 Newsline

11:00 Charlie Rose

2Tuesday

1:00 Sewing with Nancy 30th Anniversary Special

7:00 American Masters (TV-G)

Bing Crosby Rediscovered. See article page 1. Repeated midnight Wednesday; 1 pm Saturday; 8 pm 12/26; 1 am 12/27; and 2:30 am 12/29.

9:00 Classic Hollywood: Musicals See article page 3. Repeated 3 pm Saturday.

10:30 Newsline

11:00 Charlie Rose

3Wednesday

1:00 Painting the Wyland Way 2: Sea Turtle

7:00 Nature

Best of Birds. See article page 10.

8:00 NOVA (TV-G)

First Man on the Moon. See article page 2. Repeated midnight Thursday; 4 am Friday; 2 am Saturday; and 3 am Monday.

9:30 Downton Abbey Rediscovered (TV-G)
A look back at the first four seasons through cast interviews, video clips and behind-thescenes footage, plus a preview of season 5.

Repeated 1:30 am Friday; 9 pm Monday; 2:30 and 11:30 am 12/13; 5:30 pm 12/14; 3:30 am 12/15; 1 am 12/19; 4:30 am 12/23; 4:30 am 12/24; 4 am 12/29; and 4:30 am 12/30.

11:00 Charlie Rose

4Thursday

1:00 Joel Harper's Firming After 50

7:00 Mid-American Gardener (TV-G)

8:00 Doc Martin (TV-PG)

On The Edge. Part 1 of 2. Martin fails to restart his relationship with Louisa; meanwhile, her father arrives in Portwenn with a criminal scheme that affects Martin and Louisa.

9:00 Doc Martin: Behind The Scenes

Get an inside look at the early episodes of the popular show. Repeated 5 pm Sunday.

10:00 Last of the Summer Wine

10:30 Newsline

11:00 Charlie Rose

5Friday

1:00 Easy Yoga for Easing Pain

7:00 Tribute to Bruce Springsteen (TV-G)
Recorded at the 2013 MusiCare's Man of
the Year benefit, this concert features some
of music's biggest stars—including Alabama
Shakes, John Legend, Patti Smith, the Zac
Brown Band and Mavis Staples—performing
Springsteen's hits. Repeated 9:30 pm Saturday: and midnight Sunday.

10:00 Illinois Lawmakers

10:30 Newsline

11:00 Charlie Rose

6Saturday

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10:00 Great Railway Journeys of Europe

11:30 Antiques Roadshow

Junk in the Trunk 4. Part 1 of 2.

pm

1:00 American Masters: Bing Crosby Rediscovered

3:00 Classic Hollywood Musicals

4:30 Great Moments and Memories: The Lawrence Welk Holiday Special

7:00 Renee Fleming - Christmas in New York

8:00 Last of the Summer Wine (TV-G)

Last Post and Pigeon. In this last episode with

Compo, he's selected travel to France with a

group of local WWII veterans. Repeated 9:30

pm Wednesday.

9:30 Tribute to Bruce Springsteen (TV-G)
Repeated from 7 pm Friday.

7Sunday

1:00 50 Years with Peter, Paul and Mary

3:00 1965-1967 Rock Rewind (My Music)

4:30 Victor Borge's Timeless Comedy

5:00 Doc Martin: Behind the Scenes

6:00 Being Poirot

After 25 years of playing Hercule Poirot, David Suchet looks into the mysterious appeal of the great detective. *Repeated 1 pm Saturday.*

8:00 Agatha Christie's Poirot (TV-PG)

Curtain: Poirot's Last Case. See article
page 10. Repeated 10 pm; midnight Monday;
and 3 pm Saturday.

10:00 Agatha Christie's Poirot (TV-PG)

Curtain: Poirot's Last Case. Repeated from 8 pm.

8Monday

7:00 Suze Orman's Financial Solutions for You (TV-G)

This newest special focuses on helping individuals get a critical understanding of how money is tied to their unique emotional needs, then applying those "goals of money" to personal financial decision-making.

- 9:00 Downton Abbey Rediscovered (TV-G) Repeated from 9:30 pm Wednesday.
- 10:30 Newsline
- 11:00 Charlie Rose

9Tuesday

- 7:00 Farm Winter with Jerry Apps (TV-G) See article page 2.
- 8:30 Christmas with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir featuring Alfie Boe and Tom Brokaw
- 10:00 Last of the Summer Wine
- 10:30 Newsline
- 11:00 Charlie Rose

10Wednesday

- **7:00 Great Railway Journeys of Europe** (TV-G) See article page 11.
- **8:30 The Candy Bomber** See article page 3.
- 9:30 Last of the Summer Wine (TV-G)
 Last Post and Pigeon. Repeated from 8:30 pm
 Saturday.
- 11:00 Charlie Rose

11 Thursday

- 7:00 Mid-American Gardener (TV-G)
- 7:30 Illinois Pioneers

 Jeff Perkins. See article page 17.
- 8:00 Doc Martin (TV-PG)

 On The Edge. Part 2 of 2. Martin fails to restart his relationship with Louisa; meanwhile, her father arrives in Portwenn with a criminal
- scheme that affects Martin and Louisa.

 9:00 Father Brown (TV-PG)

 The Prize of Colonel Gerard. Ex-colonel Gerard is poisoned after arguing with his nephew, Edward, a former Korean War POW.
- 10:00 Last of the Summer Wine
- 10:30 Newsline
- 11:00 Charlie Rose

12Friday

- 7:00 Friday Night Public Affairs See page 12.
- 8:00 Live from Lincoln Center (TV-G)

 Curtain Up: The School of American Ballet
 Workshop. For the first time, an inside look at
 one of the world's premier ballet academies,
 plus the school's 50th annual performance
 from June 2014, featuring an all-Balachine
 program. Repeated 1 am Saturday; and 2 am
 Monday.
- 9:30 Victor Borge's Timeless Comedy (TV-G) A retrospective of Borge's comedy and music selected from global archives, featuring recently rediscovered material from The Tonight Show, The Hollywood Palace and other variety programs. Repeated 4 pm Sunday.
- 10:00 Last of the Summer Wine

10:30 Newsline

11:00 Charlie Rose

13Saturday

am

- 10:00 Farm Story with Jerry Apps
- 11:30 Downton Abbey Rediscovered
 - 1:00 Being Poirot
 - 3:00 Agatha Christie's Poirot
 Curtain: Poirot's Last Case
 - 5:00 Renee Fleming Christmas in New York
 - 6:00 Big Band Years
 - 8:00 Viewer Favorite from the Fund Drive

14Sunday

- 1:00 Jackie Evancho Awakening: Live in Concert
- 2:30 Christmas with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir
- 4:00 Victor Borge's Timeless Comedy
- 5:30 Downton Abbey Rediscovered
- 7:00 Masterpiece Classic (TV-PG) (DVS)

 Downton Abbey Season 4. Part 1 of 8. Six

 months after Matthew's death, family and servants try to cure Mary and Isobel of their deep depression. Meanwhile, O'Brien causes a final crisis. Repeated 1 pm 12/21.
- 9:00 Masterpiece Classic (TV-14) (DVS)

 Downton Abbey Season 4. Part 2 of 8. The fates of several characters converge at a house party; Gregson impresses Robert; Anna faces trouble. Repeated 3 pm 12/21.
- 10:00 Masterpiece Classic (TV-PG) (DVS) Downton Abbey Season 4. Part 3 of 8. Love is in the air at Downton Abbey, and darker emotions too, as Mary, Edith, Tom and Anna each struggle with a dilemma. Repeated 2 am Tuesday; and 4 pm 12/21.
- **11:00 Woodsongs** (TV-G)

 Amy Ray and John Fullbright.

15Monday

7:00 Antiques Roadshow (TV-G)

Junk in the Trunk 4. Part 2 of 2. New appraisals from all eight cities of the 2014 season. Highlights include a Steiff Pushmi-Pullyu Doctor Dolittle character; a Pablo Picasso linocut; and a pair of Italian carved door panels. Repeated 1 am Tuesday; and 7 pm Saturday.

8:00 Antiques Roadshow (TV-G)

Denver, Colo. Part 3 of 3. Highlights include two circa 1958 prototype modernist chairs; a turn-of-the-century salesman's sample canoe; and a 1941 Martin guitar. Repeated midnight; and 4 am Wednesday.

9:00 Journey to Planet Earth (TV-PG)

Extreme Realities: Severe Weather, Climate Change, and Our National Security. At a time of fierce partisan debates about climate change, this new series hosted by Matt Damon makes a strong case for finding ways to cope with the challenges of a rapidly changing planet. Repeated 3 am Wednesday; and 3 am Saturday.

- 10:00 Last of the Summer Wine
- 10:30 Newsline
- 11:00 Charlie Rose

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16Tuesday

7:00 Sacred Journeys with Bruce Feiler (TV-PG) (DVS)

Lourdes. Part 1 of 6. See article page 11. A group of wounded U.S. military travels to the famous Catholic shrine in southwest France in search of healing. Repeated midnight; 3 am Thursday; and 2 am Sunday.

8:00 Sacred Journeys with Bruce Feiler (TV-PG) (DVS)

Shikoku. Part 2 of 6. See article page 11. People from Japan and around the world take part in a 750-mile pilgrimage that includes 88 temples and shrines with a connection to Buddhist monk Kobo Daishi. Repeated 1 am Wednesday; 4 am Thursday; and 3 am Sunday.

9:00 Rick Steves Special (TV-G)
The Holy Land, Israelis and Palestinians
Today. See article page 16.

10:00 Last of the Summer Wine

10:30 Newsline

11:00 Charlie Rose

17Wednesday

7:00 Nature (TV-PG) (DVS)

Elsa's Legacy: The Born Free Story. A look back at what has happened to the lions and people featured in the book since it was published in 1960. Repeated midnight.

8:00 NOVA (TV-PG)

Making Stuff Wilder. From underwater wi-fi based on dolphin communication, to robotic "mules" for the military, New York Times technology correspondent David Pogue showcases new inventions and technologies. Repeated 1 am Thursday; and 3 am Friday.

9:00 NOVA (TV-PG)

Making Stuff Colder. David Pogue explores the frontiers of cold science, from saving the lives of severe trauma patients to ultracold physics, where bizarre new properties of matter are the basis of new technologies like levitating trains and quantum computers. Repeated 2 am Thursday; 4 am Friday; and 1 am Sunday.

10:00 Last of the Summer Wine

10:30 Newsline

11:00 Charlie Rose

18Thursday

7:00 Mid-American Gardener (TV-G) Repeated 11 am Saturday.

7:30 Illinois Pioneers

Mark Rubel. See article page 17.

8:00 Doc Martin (TV-PG)

The Apple Doesn't Fall. Portwenn's new police officer has narcolepsy; village plumber Bert Large is having a midlife crisis.

9:00 Father Brown (TV-PG)

The Grim Reaper. Farmer John Tatton's son, Alfred, is found dead after being caught in farm machinery; soon after, anonymous letters accuse Dr. Crawford of the crime.

10:00 Last of the Summer Wine

10:30 Newsline

11:00 Charlie Rose

19Friday

7:00 Friday Night Public Affairs See page 12.

8:00 Christmas with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir featuring Deborah Voigt and John Rhys-Davies

Soprano Deborah Voigt and British actor John Rhys-Davies join the choir for holiday favorites, including "The Holly and the Ivy" and "The Twelve Days of Christmas." Repeated 1 am Saturday; 3 am Monday; 7 pm Wednesday; 2 am Friday; and 3 am 12/28.

9:00 Christmas in Norway with the St. Olaf Choir

Filmed in one of the oldest Gothic cathedrals in the world (Nidaros Dom), this music special features the St. Olaf College Choir from Northfield, Minn. Repeated 2 am Saturday; and 4 am Monday.

10:00 Last of the Summer Wine

10:30 Newsline

11:00 Charlie Rose

20Saturday

7:00 Antiques Roadshow (TV-G)

Junk in the Trunk 4. Part 2 of 2. Repeated from 7 pm Monday.

8:00 Britcom Saturday Night See page 12.

10:00 It's a Wonderful Red Green Christmas

11:00 Doctor Who Series
The Runaway Bride.

21 Sunday

6:00 Masterpiece Classic (TV-PG) (DVS)

Downton Abbey Season 4. Part 4 of 8. Bates tries to learn what's troubling Anna. Meanwhile, Thomas installs a new ally and Alfred takes up cooking. Repeated 1 pm Sunday.

7:00 Masterpiece Classic (TV-PG) (DVS)

Downton Abbey Season 4. Part 5 of 8. Rose's surprise party for Robert risks scandal. Mary meets an old suitor while Edith gets troubling news. Repeated 2 pm Sunday.

8:00 Masterpiece Classic (TV-14) (DVS)

Downton Abbey Season 4. Part 6 of 8. When
Robert and Thomas make a sudden trip,
everyone's life becomes more complicated.

Mary and Blake come together over pigs. An
unwelcome visitor appears. Repeated 12:30
am Monday; 2 am Tuesday; and 3 pm Sunday.

9:00 Masterpiece Classic (TV-PG) (DVS)

Downton Abbey Season 4. Part 7 of 8. Robert and Thomas return from America; Bates disappears for a day; Edith prepares to go abroad; suitors flock to Mary; and Rose makes her move. Repeated 1:30 am Monday; 3 am Tuesday; and 4 pm Sunday.

10:00 Globe Trekker (TV-G) (DVS) *Delhi & Rajasthan, India.*

11:00 Woodsongs (TV-G)

David Broza and Mike Stevens & Okaidja

Afroso with Raymond McLain.

22Monday

7:00 Antiques Roadshow (TV-G)

The Boomer Years. Vintage treasures from the Baby Boom years include a 1956 Elvis "Love Me Tender" standee; a 1958 Martin Luther

King Jr. letter; and circa 1960 Charles Schulz comic strip art. Repeated 7 pm Saturday.

8:00 Antiques Roadshow (TV-G)

Phoenix, Ariz. Part 1 of 3. Highlights include a circa 1905 advertising display for waterproof baby pants; a 1797 Chippendale marriage chest; and a collection of original Charles Schulz "Peanuts" artwork. Repeated midnight.

9:00 Tales from the Royal Bedchamber (TV-PG)
A look at the changing fortunes of the monarchy as shown through the rise and fall of their magnificent beds. *Repeated 1 am Tuesday.*

10:00 Last of the Summer Wine

10:30 Newsline

11:00 Charlie Rose

23Tuesday

7:00 Sacred Journeys with Bruce Feiler (TV-PG)
(DVS)

Jerusalem. Part 3 of 6. See article page 11. During the week of Sukkot, Jews and Christians travel "the Jesus trail" from Galilee to Jerusalem. Repeated midnight; and 3 am Thursday.

8:00 Sacred Journeys with Bruce Feiler (TV-PG)

Hajj. Part 4 of 6. See article page 11. Millions gather to take part in the annual five-day pilgrimage in Saudi Arabia, an event open only to Muslims. Repeated 1 am Wednesday; and 4 am Thursday.

9:00 Frontline

From Jesus to Christ: The First Christians. Part 1 of 2.

11:00 Charlie Rose

24Wednesday

7:00 Christmas with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir featuring Deborah Voigt and John Rhys-Davies

Repeated from 8 pm Friday.

8:00 Purdue 80th Anniversary Christmas Show (TV-G)

See article page 16.

9:00 Joshua Bell Presents Musical Gifts (TV-G) See article page 11.

10:00 National Christmas Tree Lighting 2014 Join the nation's first family for this annual tradition.

11:00 First Silent Night (TV-G)

Actor Simon Callow uncovers the moving origins of the "Silent Night" Christmas carol, now translated into 300 languages.

25Thursday

Noon 30th Annual Fort Lauderdale Christmas Pageant

1:00 Around the World: The Crane Candlelight Concert

2:00 50th Annual Holiday Wassail Concert

3:00 Anderson University's Candles & Carols

4:00 Holiday Handbells: The Raleigh Ringers

7:00 Call The Midwife Holiday Special (TV-14) See article page 16. *Repeated midnight; and 1 am Tuesday.*

8:30 Vicious (TV-14)

Holiday Special. Freddie and Stuart host a holiday soiree. A wicked game of Truth or Dare

brings up hidden truths. *Repeated 9:30 pm Friday.*

9:00 Father Brown (TV-PG)

The Laws of Motion. Ruthless Audrey McMurray, a rally driver and property owner, is killed in a hill climb after someone tampers with her car's brakes.

10:00 Last of the Summer Wine

10:30 Newsline

11:00 Charlie Rose

26Friday

7:00 Friday Night Public Affairs See page 12.

8:00 American Masters (TV-G)

Bing Crosby Rediscovered. Repeated from 7 pm 12/2.

9:30 Vicious (TV-14)

Holiday Special. Repeated from 8:30 pm Thursday.

10:00 Last of the Summer Wine

10:30 Newsline

11:00 Charlie Rose

27Saturday

7:00 Antiques Roadshow (TV-G)

The Boomer Years. Repeated from 7 pm Monday.

8:00 Britcom Saturday Night See page 12.

28Sunday

7:00 The Great British Bake-Off

In this top-rated United Kingdom program, 12 home bakers take part in a baking competition which tests every aspect of their skills in the quest to be crowned Britain's best amateur baker.

8:00 Masterpiece Classic (TV-PG) (DVS)

Downton Abbey Season 4. Part 8 of 8. Lady Rose meets the Prince of Wales and faces a dilemma. Trouble also plagues Cora's mother, her brother, Edith and almost everyone else at Downton Abbey. Repeated 12:30 am Monday; and 2:30 am Tuesday.

10:00 Globe Trekker (TV-G) (DVS)

Globe Trekker Special: Pirates, Galleons &

11:00 Woodsongs (TV-G)

Suzy Bogguss and Valerie June.

29Monday

7:00 Antiques Roadshow (TV-G)

Manor House Treasures. Inspired by the estates in period dramas such as Downton Abbey, this episode features a circa 1810 Lord Byron cellarette and portrait; a Louis Vuitton steamer trunk; and a 1905 Louis Comfort Tiffany necklace.

8:00 Antiques Roadshow (TV-G)

Phoenix, Ariz. Part 2 of 3. Highlights include a 1982 bronze maquette by renowned sculptor Henry Moore; an heirloom amethyst jewelry collection; and an early abstract painting by noted modern artist Chuck Close. Repeated midnight.

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9:00 Independent Lens (TV-PG)

Don't Stop Believin': Everyman's Journey. Follow the real life rock and roll fairy tale of Filipino Arnel Pineda, selected from his YouTube video to become the frontman for iconic American rock band Journey. Repeated 3 am Wednesday.

10:30 Newsline

11:00 Charlie Rose

30Tuesday

7:00 Sacred Journeys with Bruce Feiler (TV-PG) (DVS)

Kumbh Mela. Part 5 of 6. See article page 11. A look at the Hindu festival where people come to bathe in the water where the sacred Ganges and Yamuna Rivers meet. Repeated midnight.

8:00 Sacred Journeys with Bruce Feiler (TV-PG) (DVS)

Osun-Osogbo. Part 6 of 6. See article page 11. A group of African Americans travels to Nigeria to attend the festival honoring the Yoruba Goddess Osun. Repeated 1 am Wednesday.

Beautiful music from West Lafayette

More than 280 campus and community performers are featured in **Purdue University's 80th Anniversary Christmas Special** at 8 pm Wednesday, Dec. 24. The program takes viewers from the show's beginnings in 1933 up to the 2013 concert.

Holiday time at Nonnatus House

Join your favorite midwives for this third holiday special of the critically acclaimed series, which will begin its fourth full season in March 2015. **Call the Midwife 2014 Holiday Special** is at 7 pm Thursday, Dec. 25.

Gaining understanding of lands considered holy

A new Rick Steves' Special: The Holy Land, Israelis and Palestinians Today (9 pm Tuesday, Dec. 16) weaves together both the Israeli and the Palestinian narratives to better understand a place that is, for a third of humanity, literally holy land. Steves delves deeply to better understand and empathize with both peoples, learning about security walls, disputed settlements and the persistent challenges facing the region as Israelis and Palestinians learn to coexist peacefully.

9:00 Frontline

From Jesus to Christ: The First Christians. Part 2 of 2.

11:00 Charlie Rose

31 Wednesday

7:00 Live from Lincoln Center (TV-G)

Gershwin Celebration at The New York Philharmonic with Dianne Reeves. This annual New Year's Eve celebration rings in 2015 with George Gershwin favorites, featuring Dianne Reeves and Norm Lewis. Repeated 10 pm.

9:00 Michael Feinstein New Year's Eve at the Rainbow Room

Performers include Kelli O'Hara, Christine Ebersole, Darren Criss (Glee), Aaron Tveit (Graceland) and Leslie Odom (Smash).

10:00 Live from Lincoln Center (TV-G)
Gershwin Celebration at The New York
Philharmonic with Dianne Reeves. Repeated
from 7 pm.











Illinois Pioneers guests: a youth mentor and a recording studio founder

Retired electrician Jeff Perkins (above, left) founded Caring Black Men of Decatur several years ago after seeing too many news stories about young men getting into trouble. Perkins got together a group of about 20 men to begin an effort to provide mentors and role models for African American youth. "They sit down and talk with young men about what it is to be a man and about the expectations of their family and community," said **Illinois Pioneers** host David Inge.

David's conversation with Perkins is one of two new **Illinois Pioneers** episodes airing this month. This episode airs at 7:30 pm Thursday, Dec. 11.

Caring Black Men of Decatur now works in 13 of 22 Decatur schools and sees 300 young men a week. "Perkins says school officials have been pleased with the results pointing to improved grades and behavior

for the young men who participate," David says.

On Dec. 18, Illinois Pioneers sits down with Mark Rubel (above, right), founder of the legendary Pogo Studio. "When Rubel was 8 years old, his parents gave him a little battery-powered tape machine," David said. He experimented with recording and then splicing, cutting and altering the tape any way he could. When he was 12, he took up the bass after seeing an instrument in a store shining like it was "lit from heaven," David said. "So it's probably not a surprise that he became a musician." Rubel has played bass with Captain Rat and the Blind Rivets for more than 30 years.

From the mid-1980s until last year, Rubel worked at Pogo Studio in downtown Champaign. Now he lives in Nashville, where he teaches studio technique at the Blackbird Academy, housed in one of Nashville's and the world's best recording studios. "He recently purchased a home that came with its own studio, where he says Pogo will rise again," David said.





<u>DECEMBER 31, 2014—"Decades of Song"</u> The Virginia Theater, 203 West Park St., Champaign

Celebrate the coming of the New Year with The CHORALE! Conducted by its founding director, Julie Beyler, and accompanied by Dr. Michael Hammer, The CHORALE will sing familiar melodies from the 40's, 50's and 60's and will showcase the award winning barbershop quartet, **After Hours**. Tickets are available at the Virginia Theatre, by phone at 217-356-9063, or online at thevirginia.org.

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Intern Lise Graham brings new social media perspective to WILL

Lise Graham sees the good side and the bad side of social media. "I think it's the enemy sometimes, for sure," said the University of Illinois College of Media senior in broadcast journalism. "For my generation, it so easily skews people's perceptions of themselves. It's not real."

But there's a lot that's positive about using social media such as Twitter, Facebook and Instagram. "I think helping people find Illinois Public Media content in new ways is exciting," she said. Her generation has to be good at social media because many careers today require it, and because it is useful in managing their social lives. "But lately, I've made it a point to find an application for social media in the real world—like cooking and reading and enjoying my friends," she said.

Lise is interning in the WILL newsroom this semester, offering story ideas and



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helping strategize about the use of social media. She's researching Tumblr, another form of social media, and will report her findings to marketing director Lisa Bralts.

Many of her friends won't listen to a long news story on the radio or online. "I believe that radios will be around as long as there are cars," she said. "That's great, but what are we going to do with it? How are we going to make people care?"

Public media may seem old-fashioned, Lise said, but it's the most sincere option. "It all comes back to the honesty and transparency. It's a liberated but unappreciated mechanism that we have."

Lise grew up watching WTTW-TV so she learned the value of public media early. She discovered public radio when her uncle told her to listen to WBEZ Chicago's Wait, Wait...Don't Tell Me. "The first podcast I listened to was *The Moth*," she said. "I love stories. If you have a good story, I want to hear it."

In high school, she worked at the award-winning radio station at Lyons Township High School in La Grange. In college, she has interned at WGN Radio and Norton Advertising Agency, both in Chicago, and has been a writer, producer, social media director and on-air personality at WPGU Radio in Champaign. She spent a semester abroad at the University of Sheffield in England where she worked at Forge Student Radio. "I'd love to work overseas," she said.

Book Mentor Profile: Sarah Dean

Why did you become a Book Mentor?

I'm blessed that the company I work for, Rogards Office Plus in Champaign, offers paid volunteer hours every quarter. I knew I wanted to do something with literacy... then through one of our customers, Meyer Capel Law Firm, I learned from our contact about their involvement with the Book Mentor Project. I immediately thought it was a great opportunity for me. I love working with preschool and elementary school age kids and to be able to combine time with kids and literacy seemed like such a wonderful thing.

Did you love reading when you were a child?

Actually, I was a slow reader...I enjoyed reading, but really struggled with it. So it's important for me now to make reading fun for kids.

What do you enjoy about reading to the kids on Book Mentor days?

I like the theatrics of it and that they get invested in the characters. I also enjoy seeing their reactions to what's happening in the story and getting them involved with it—I like that exchange.

What was your favorite childhood book?

The one that I have the best memories of is a Dr. Seuss book called Oh Say Can You Say? that I read with my mom. It's a book of tongue twisters with fun characters and made-up words.

What is your favorite book you've read to the Book Mentor kids?

Not a Box. It's so simple, and it leaves so much room for generating ideas and encouraging kids' imaginations.

Amdocs, Meyer Capel, PNC and Rogards all have employees who participate in the Book Mentor Project, along with community volunteers. They visit early childhood classrooms once a month to share a book and do an activity with the children. PNC supports the Book Mentor Project with a three-year \$90,000 grant.

Sarah Dean (left) and Heather Culbertson of Rogards

share the story Not a Box as volunteers through the

Book Mentor Project by the numbers

75 community volunteers

4,248 books provided to **700** families annually

42 early childhood classrooms served





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Not pictured: John Adams (Atlanta); Ann Beck (Charleston); Bill Black (Danville); Dave Grothe (Savoy); Joe Lewis (Champaign); George Richards (Danville).

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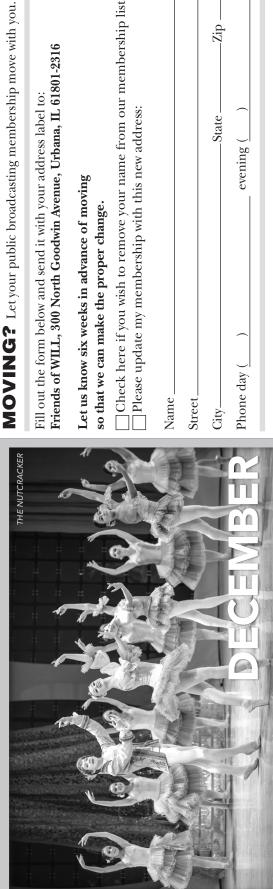
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