

Perky comic brings out beast in all of us

People can be beastly. Yet nothing brings out our shared humanity like an animal.

Animals even bring the most unlikely movie stars together. Who can forget Jason Alexander and Faye Dunaway appearing together in the 1996 orangutan comedy "Dunston Checks In"? Iconic stars including Cary Grant, Clint Eastwood and Ronald Reagan have shared movies and top billing with creatures great and small.

It's no wonder that shows like "Meerkat Manor" (8 p.m., Animal Planet) and "Dog Whisperer" (8 p.m., National Geographic) have become Friday-night appointment viewing for families. The networks may have abandoned kid-friendly TGIF programming, but cable has picked up the slack with the help of some critters, wild and domesticated.

The trend continues with "Ms. Adventure" (9 p.m., Animal Planet). Host Rachel Reenstra visits zoologists and experts around the world to show how human nature and critter behavior share similar traits.

She gets close to a rather tame mother black bear and her cubs to demonstrate how bears discipline their children, protect them and watch over them rather patiently as they socialize.

Reenstra also shows us the family dynamics of penguins, bees and koala bears and discusses their activities with human parents and children during gag-driven man-in-the-street interviews.

A comedian by trade, Reenstra keeps the wisecracks flowing. The editing style and visual gags are much closer to "America's Funniest Home Movies" than traditional nature-documentary fare. Reenstra often tries a tad too hard to be cute and funny. Or to be the next Kelly Ripa. But moms and kids should like her. And dads will find her easy on the eyes. There's something here for the whole menagerie.

A wonderful space spoof, blending elements of "Star Wars" and "The Office," "Hyperdrive" (9 p.m., BBC America) follows the intergalactic adventures of the HMS Camden Lock, a space cruiser where the crew is a tad odd, and the captain a bit fat and his uniform is wrinkled and stained. The action takes place in the year 2151, on "Bring Your Clone to Work Day," to be exact.

The HMS Camden Lock is at risk of being reduced to the "Brat Run," ferrying juvenile tourists from Earth to the moon. Commander Henderson (Nick Frost, "Shaun of the Dead") tries to keep his job by conducting trade missions to far off and



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occasionally hostile galaxies. • The popular cable comedy "Psych" (10 p.m., USA) enters its second season. James Roday stars as a police consultant so quick and perceptive that people think he's psychic.

Can you blame him for letting them? Dule Hill co-stars as his buttoned-down sidekick.

Tonight's other highlights

• With increased security in mind, Ed challenges the staff to a friendly competition on "Las Vegas" (9 p.m., NBC, TV-14).

• Kevin falls for a soap star on "Brothers & Sisters" (9 p.m., ABC, TV-14).

• Things seem fishy when Adrian makes a new friend easily on the season opener of "Monk" (9 p.m., USA).

• A teacher and her teen lover go on a crime spree on "Numb3rs" (10 p.m., CBS, TV-14).

Cult choice

Decades before he was Jack Bauer, Kiefer Sutherland was the leader of a pack of California vampire teen toughs in the 1987 comic-horror guilty pleasure "The Lost Boys" (8:15 p.m., Cinemax).

Series notes

Andrea's fate seems uncertain as "Ghost Whisperer" (8 p.m., CBS, TV-PG, V) ... Bob Saget hosts "1 vs. 100" (8 p.m., NBC, TV-G) ... Disaster looms on "Nanny 911" (8 p.m., Fox, TV-14, V) ... Cultures clash on "Trading Spouses: Meet Your New Mommy" (9 p.m., Fox, TV-PG, D, L).

Late night

Dan Rather, Tricia Helfer and Andy Kindler appear on "Late Show With David Letterman" (11:35 p.m., CBS) ... Jay Leno hosts Rocco DeLuca and the Burden on "The Tonight Show" (11:35 p.m., NBC) ... Sarah Silverman, Greg Grunberg and Slayer appear on "Jimmy Kimmel Live" (12:05 a.m., ABC) ... Liam Neeson and Ali Larter chat on "Late Night With Conan O'Brien" (12:35 a.m., NBC).

Kevin McDonough is a TV columnist for United Features Syndicate.

FRIDAY EVENING

	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
WTTV	Friends (CC)	Every-Raymond	WWE Friday Night SmackDown! (N) (CC)				Friends (CC)	Will & Grace	Sex and the City	Will & Grace
WRTV	The Insider (N)	Extra (N) (CC)	Billy Graham Special Highlights	Desperate Housewives (9:01)			20/20 (N) (CC)		News (CC)	Nightline (11:35)
WISN	Inside Edition	Entertainment	Ghost Whisperer (CC)	Close to Home "Community"			NUMB3RS "Spree" (CC)		News (CC)	Late Show
WTHR	Wheel-Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	1 vs. 100 (N) (CC)	Las Vegas "Wagers of Sin" (N)			Law & Order "Fear America" (CC)		News (CC)	Tonight Show
WFYI	Business Rpt.	Religion-Ethics	Indiana Week	McLaughlin	Wash. Week	NOW (N) (CC)	Inside Indiana Business		Lawmakers	Time Goes By
WVNDY	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	Wicked Wicked Games (N) (CC)	Watch Over Me "Scars" (N) (CC)			News	Access H'wood	Bernie Mac	South Park
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WXI	The Simpsons	Seinfeld (CC)	Nanny 911 "Walker Family" (N)	Trading Spouses: Meet-Mommy			News (CC)		Seinfeld (CC)	Colts Up Close
WIPX	Growing Pains	Growing Pains	Mama's Family	Mama's Family	Diagnosis Murder (CC)		Charlie's Angels		Time Life Music	Paid Program
WDTI	Bill Purvis	John Hagee	Rod Parsley	Joni Lamb	Celebration		Van Impe Pres	Balanced Living	This Is Your Day	Believer's Voice

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A&E	CSI: Miami "Blood Brothers" (CC)	CSI: Miami "Rap Sheet" (CC)	CSI: Miami "Shock" (CC)	CSI: Miami "Rampage" (CC)	CSI: Miami "One of Our Own"
AMC	Black Dog (6) (PG-13) '98 **	Open Range (R) '03 *** Robert Duvall. Western. Cattle herders battle a ruthless rancher in 1882. (CC)			Back to the Future Part III ***
AP	The Planet's Funniest Animals	Meerkat Manor	Meerkat Manor	Ms. Adventure "Parenting" (N)	Animal Cops Detroit (CC)
BET	106 & Park	Hotwired (N)	Soul Plane (R) '04 ** Kevin Hart, Method Man. Comedy. (CC)	Comicview (CC)	Jamie Foxx
BRavo	Gangs of New York (R) '02 ***	Leonardo DiCaprio. A man vows vengeance on the gangster who killed his father. (CC)			Gangs of New York (R) '02 *** Leonardo DiCaprio.
CNBC	On the Money	Fast Money	The Apprentice: Los Angeles	The Big Idea With Donny Deutsch	Mad Money
CMT	Cowboy U Cowboy boot camp.	Cowboy U (N)	Trick My Truck	Trick My Truck	Trick My Truck
CNN	The Situation Room	Paula Zahn Now (CC)	Larry King Live (CC)		Anderson Cooper 360 (CC)
COM	Scrubs (CC)	Scrubs (CC)	Daily Show	Colbert Report	Mind of Mencia
DISC	Dirty Jobs "Hoof Cleaner" (CC)	Surgery Saved My Life (CC)	Surgery Saved My Life	Surgery Saved My Life	Surgery Saved My Life (CC)
EI	El News (N)	The Daily 10 (N)	Fridays: The El True Hollywood Story "Friends." (CC)	The Soup (N)	Starveillance (N)
ESPN	SportsCenter (6)	NBA	NBA Basketball Detroit Pistons at Minnesota Timberwolves. (CC)		NBA Basketball: Cavaliers at Nuggets
ESPN2	Alli's Dozen	Boxing Friday Night Fights. (CC)			Tennis Australian Open -- Early Round -- Day 6. (CC)
FAM	Smallville "Vengeance" (CC)	Bridget Jones's Diary (R) '01 *** Renée Zellweger, Hugh Grant. (CC)		Whose Line? Whose Line?	The 700 Club (CC)
FNC	Fox Report With Shepard Smith	The O'Reilly Factor (CC)	Hannity & Colmes (CC)	On the Record-Van Susteren	The O'Reilly Factor
FOOD	Good Eats	Unwrapped	Emeril Live Comfort foods.	\$40-a-Day	Giada-Getaway
FOXMV	The Sicilian Clan (6) (GP) '69 **	Miller's Crossing (R) '90 *** Gabriel Byrne. Crime Drama.			Miller's Party (R) '90 *** Gabriel Byrne. Crime Drama.
FOXSM	Totally Football	FSN Live	Mizzou Basket.	Women's College Basketball	Illinois State at Indiana State.
FX	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	That '70s Show
HALL	Walker, Texas Ranger (CC)	Walker, Texas Ranger (CC)	McBride: It's Murder, Madam '05	John Larroquette. Mystery. (CC)	Diagnosis Murder "Murder Two"
HGTV	If Walls Could	House Hunters	Designed to Sell/Buy Me	24 Hour Design	Save My Bath
HIST	Modern Marvels	Tobacco. (CC)	The Lost Evidence (N) (CC)	Shootout! (CC)	
LIFE	Still Standing	Still Standing	Reba (CC)	Reba (CC)	The Girl Next Door (NR) '98 ** Tracey Gold, Tom Irwin. Drama. (CC)
MSNBC	Hardball (CC)	Countdown With Keith Olbermann	Warrior Nation: Malice	Warrior Nation: Showdown	MSNBC Reports
MTV	Dance Life (CC)	Maui Fever	MTV Cribs	MTV Cribs	MTV Cribs
NICK	OddParents	Jimmy Neutron	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Nicktoons TV
OXY	Adventures in Babysitting (PG-13) '87 **	Elisabeth Shue. Comedy.	Adventures in Babysitting (PG-13) '87 **	Elisabeth Shue. Comedy.	
SCIFI	Jake 2.0 "Jerry 2.0" (CC)	Jake 2.0 "Middleman" (CC)	Jake 2.0 "Whiskey-Tango-Foxtrot"	Jake 2.0 (CC)	Stargate SG-1 "Allegiance" (CC)
SPIKE	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	World's Most Amazing Videos	Disorderly Conduct: Video
TBS	Every-Raymond/Every-Raymond	King of Queens	King of Queens	The Mexican (R) '01 ** Brad Pitt, Julia Roberts. Comedy-Drama. (CC)	The Mexican (R) '01 ** Brad Pitt.
TCM	Doctor, You've Got to Be Kidding	The Odd Couple (G) '68 *** Jack Lemmon. Comedy. (CC)		Barefoot in the Park (G) '67 *** Robert Redford. Comedy.	
TLC	Home Chef	Home Chef	What Not to Wear Large clothing.	What Not to Wear	Back to the Dance Floor
TNT	Without a Trace "Party Girl" (CC)	Air Force One (R) '97 *** Harrison Ford. Terrorists hijack the president's plane. (CC)	Crimson Tide (R) '95 *** Denzel Washington. (CC)		
TOON	Foster's Home	Gym Partner	Class of 3000	Codename: Kid	Squirrel Boy
TVL	TV Land Myths	I Pity the Fool	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	M*A*S*H (CC)
USA	Law & Order: Criminal Intent (CC)	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit	Monk Monk has a new friend. (N)	Psych "Forget Me Not" (N) (CC)	House "Words and Deeds" (CC)
VH1	Fabulous Life Of...	Surreal Life Fame Games	Surreal Life Fame Games	Hogan Knows	Hogan Knows
WE	Dharma & Greg	Hope & Faith	Hope & Faith	Hope & Faith	Case Reopened "Black Dahlia"
WGN	America's Funniest Home Videos	To Live and Die in L.A. (R) '85 ** William L. Petersen. (CC)		WGN News at Nine (CC)	Sex and the City/Scrubs (CC)
DISN	Hannah Montana (CC)	The Suite Life of Zack & Cody	Hannah Montana	Cory in the House (N) (CC)	Max Keeble's Big Move (PG) '01 ** Alex D. Linz. Comedy. About to move away, a schoolboy takes revenge against his tormentors. (CC)
ENC	The Brothers Grimm (6) (PG-13) '05 ** Matt Damon. Fantasy. (CC)	The Parent Trap (PG) '98 *** Lindsay Lohan, Natasha Richardson. Comedy. Reunited twin girls try to get their parents back together. (CC)		Sin City (10:15) (R) '05 *** Jessica Alba, Alexis Bledel. Crime Drama. Sordid characters run amok in a crime-ridden metropolis. (CC)	
HBO	Inside the NFL (CC)	Mr. & Mrs. Smith (PG-13) '05 ** Brad Pitt, Vince Vaughn. Action. A husband and wife are assassins for rival organizations. (CC)		Rome "Passover" Mark Antony makes plans to leave the city.	Extras (CC)
SHOW	Beauty Shop (PG-13) '05 ** Queen Latifah, Andie MacDowell. Comedy. A determined hairstylist competes with her former boss.	The L Word "Lavin' La Vida Loca" Bette adjusts to her new job. (CC)		Masters of Horror "Black Cat" Edgar Allan Poe. (N) (CC)	Boxing Juan Manuel Lopez vs. Cuahtemoc Vargas.
MAX	The Hills Have Eyes (6:30) (R) '06 ** Aaron Stanford. Horror. (CC)	The Lost Boys (8:15) (R) '87 *** Jason Patric, Dianne Wiest. Horror. A boy's brother falls in with a pack of teenage vampires. (CC)		The Ringer (PG-13) '05 ** Johnny Knoxville. Special Olympics train a man to win their games. (CC)	Sex Games Cancun (11:35)
TMC	Salvage (6:10) (NR) '06 ** (CC)	Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events (PG) '04 *** Jim Carrey. A count plots to steal an inheritance from three orphans.		Beyond the Sea (PG-13) '04 ** Kevin Spacey, John Goodman. Biography. An older Bobby Darin tells his own life story. (CC)	Cliffhanger (R) '93 *** (CC)
STARZ	Derailed (7:05) (R) '05 ** Clive Owen, Jennifer Aniston, Vincent Cassel. Suspense. Adulterous lovers face a violent blackmailer. (CC)	The Shaggy Dog (PG) '06 ** Tim Allen. A top-secret serum turns a workaholic prosecutor into a canine.		The Pacifier (10:45) (PG) '05 ** Vin Diesel. A Navy SEAL becomes the guardian of five siblings. (CC)	

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Late-night paparazzi darling checks into rehab

Actress Lindsay Lohan has checked into rehab.

"I have made a proactive decision to take care of my personal health. I appreciate your well wishes and ask that you please respect my privacy at this time," said the 20-year-old actress in a statement issued Wednesday through her publicist, Leslie Sloane Zelnick.

Us Weekly reports that Lohan entered the posh Wonderland Center in Los Angeles at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, arriving in a sport-utility vehicle and clutching a Jamba Juice.



LOHAN

moved into the French Quarter.

"It's great if they're here to stay and to be a part of the community," said Rayna Nielsen, who lives across the street from the early-1830s masonry mansion where the celebrity couple have been spotted in recent weeks.

Nielsen said the street was closed off while the couple moved in earlier this month.

Real estate records for the house, which is near the French Market, show it was purchased for \$3.5 million in cash Jan. 2. Neither Pitt nor Jolie is named in the transaction. Mondo Bongo Trust is listed as the buyer.

A real estate listing for the property shows the house has a grand spiral staircase, elevator, gourmet kitchen and a large private courtyard.



JOLIE



PITT

NEW ORLEANS

Pitt, Jolie move into home in New Orleans

Neighbors have seen them come and go and can't be more tickled that celebrity couple Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie have

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THE QUEEN (PG-13) 1:45, 4:15, 7:00, 9:30

SPECIAL ENGAGEMENT No passes or discount coupons

Stage, film actor takes on role of TV crime-buster

By LYNN ELBER

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LOS ANGELES

Liev Schreiber is a smart and articulate actor, but there's another very good reason to listen to the man.



SCHREIBER

Whether he's discussing his guest role on "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation" and the art of donning latex gloves or his upcoming Broadway project "Talk Radio," Schreiber's silken voice is a reminder that Brits don't have a corner on glorious pipes.

Neither does the stage or the big screen. While Schreiber is a theater star — he was deemed the "foremost Shakespearean actor of his generation in America" in a New York Times review last year — and busy

with films, TV has managed to snare a bit of his talent.

Schreiber appeared in the noteworthy 1999 HBO movie "RKO 281," about Orson Welles' struggle to make "Citizen Kane," and has narrated documentaries ranging from sports ("Babe Ruth") to science ("Nova" programs).

His four-episode arc as a forensics investigator on "CSI" (9 p.m. Thursdays on CBS) is an unusual commitment for the actor, who insists his lack of series credits shouldn't be confused with cultural snobbery.

"I love playing cops and robbers. I wouldn't be an actor if I ever lost that," Schreiber said.

"I've never done (a series) before not because of qualms about TV but because of the

schedule. I've always been somebody who likes switching it up, and from pretty early on in my career I was lucky enough to do that."

His resume is testimony to that eclectic mix, with Mamet, Pinter and, of course, Shakespeare plays sharing space with the "Scream" films in which he played the ongoing, ill-fated character Cotton Weary.

His "CSI" stint coincides with the absence of star William Petersen, who took a theater break of his own to perform on stage in Providence, R.I.

A Rhode Island photo book (Petersen's gift to Schreiber), a laptop computer and a pack of cigarettes were the only items on display in Schreiber's studio trailer during a lunch-

break interview. "I was kind of terrified at the speed at which they work in TV," he said.

"They're basically producing an hour-long feature film, in terms of production quality, once a week. They do in effectively eight days what the average film company does in two months."

"When I got into it I found the pace of it really works for the actors: you just keep going. You don't get a lot of takes but you work all the time, so it's easier to stay focused and not get distracted. I like it," he said.

So he proved up to the challenge? "We'll see," he said, smiling. "But I certainly enjoyed the tempo."

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