

BITS AND PIECES

Leslie Nielsen, Betty White are fancy-free in new film

Betty White and Leslie Nielsen will team for a romantic comedy called *A Change of Heart*. White stars as a conservative widow diagnosed with a terminal illness. Distraught, she decides to go to Mexico for a little fun, relaxation and distraction. And that's where she meets a handsome widower (Nielsen) and begins to loosen up. Romance ensues and Evelyn feels grateful for this bit of happiness in the time left her. Ed Begley Jr. co-stars in the project, with Jonathan Sanger (*Twin Peaks*) directing from a teleplay by Lynn Roth. *A Change of Heart* will air sometime next season.



Leslie Nielsen

Congratulations to Richard Dreyfuss, Anjelica Huston and Francis Ford Coppola, all recent recipients of Rudolph Valentino Awards, given annually by the Motion Picture Association of Italy.

The week of Sept. 16, look for a new syndicated series titled *Street Justice*, starring Carl Weathers and Bryan Genesse. Producers term the show a mix of drama, light comedy and action. Weathers, of course, is familiar to fans of the early Rocky features and *Action Jackson*. Genesse is an alumnus of the soap opera *The Bold and the Beautiful* and played a British rock star in Blake Edwards' *Skin Deep*.

Woody Allen is directing a series of commercials for an Italian supermarket chain and doesn't care who knows it. "Let people think what they want," he says, deflecting criticism of "selling out." Allen cites the facts that he has a large family and seldom shows a profit from his movies.

The Grammy Awards will stay in New York, at least for the time being. The only other city under consideration was L.A.; for the record, the City of Angels has played host to the awards 28 times, and the Big Apple, five.



A Nebraska crowd reacts to comic insights in *Elayne Bosler: Top Tomato*, Friday on Lifetime.



Roger Twibell is part of the team covering the Pan American Games, Saturday on ABC.

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Identify the Dwarf with rhythm

By Steven Alan McGaw

Questions:

1. One of the Seven Dwarfs played the drums. Which one?
2. Name the actress who played the title role in *The Girl Can't Help It*.
3. What was Ronald Reagan's last film?
4. Identify the actress who played Catherine Barkley in 1932's *A Farewell to Arms*.
5. Marilyn Monroe was fired from this movie just prior to her death. What was it?
6. In *Green Acres*, Oliver Douglas' middle name was what?
7. What was the title of Henry Fonda's first film, and who was his co-star?
8. Remember the long-running series *Hawaii Five-O*? Try these (and book 'em, Danno!): a.) Name the actor who played stolid lawman Steve McGarrett. b.) Who played McGarrett's reliable right-hand man?

Answers:

1. Dopey.
2. Jayne Mansfield.
3. *The Killers*.
4. Helen Hayes.
5. *Something's Got to Give*.
6. Wendell, for lawyer/statistician/role model Oliver Wendell Holmes.
7. The movie was *The Farmer Takes a Wife*; Fonda's leading lady was Janet Clayton.
8. a.) Jack Lord. b.) James MacArthur.



Joanna Kerns discusses her latest TV movie, *A Season of Fear*, on Thursday's *Entertainment Tonight*.