

## BITS AND PIECES

## FAMILY FAIRE

### New Hall of Famers; Sagansky untied

Here's looking at you, kids. The Academy of Television Arts & Sciences (ATAS) has announced the next six inductees into the ATAS Hall of Fame: Bill Cosby, Andy Griffith, Ted Koppel, Sheldon Leonard, Dinah Shore and R.E. (Ted) Turner. The official induction will be held on Oct. 3 at the Walt Disney World Resort in Orlando, Fla.

The ATAS has also announced that the Disney/MGM Studios Theme Park in Florida will become the East Coast home for the ATAS Hall of Fame Plaza.

No noose is good noose. Since the *New York Times* declared the flowered tie dead on Father's Day, fashion-conscious men everywhere have been tugging at their collars, wondering what's next. In couture-correct Hollywood, the cravat of the moment must display an abstract or geometric pattern or one found in nature (a rain forest-inspired motif is good). But in a recent interview, Jeff Sagansky, head of entertainment programming for CBS, television's No. 1 network, side-stepped the whole issue: Sagansky's white button-down shirt was open at the neck. Instead of a tie, he sported a white hankie in his breast pocket ... for dabbing the crocodile tears he sheds for other networks, one presumes.



Sheldon Leonard

... It's who you know. *Beverly Hills, 90210* co-star Tori Spelling is "the best assistant casting director we've ever had," according to her dad, executive producer Aaron Spelling.

"She reads all the fan magazines, and she knew everybody. She's the one who suggested Shannen Doherty to us (for *90210*). She's the one who suggested Jason Priestley. She's the one who told me I had to meet Grant Show (*Melrose Place*).

"I think that was for her own benefit," the father says of his 19-year-old daughter.

### Packed with programs, will Snick satisfy?

By Suzanne Gill

Beginning Saturday, Aug. 15, Nickelodeon's prime-time schedule isn't just a home for aged reruns. Now there's Snick — short for Saturday Night on Nickelodeon.

The two-hour programming block will be given over to a foursome of original Nick series: two established hits and two new ventures.

Snick begins with myth-buster *Clarissa Explains It All*, a show about kids that parents like, and, even more unusual, a show about a girl that boys like.

Following *Clarissa*, Nick rolls out *Roundhouse*, a variety show featuring a dozen young performers in a fast-paced series of songs and skits.

Next up is *Ren & Stimpy*, the animated series that became a cult favorite with teens and adults on the strength of just six episodes in its first season. The flea-bitten cat and dog are back with 20 new adventures this summer and fall.

Finally, there's *Are You Afraid of the Dark?*, a suspense anthology that begins each week as the members of the Midnight Society gather by firelight to tell spooky stories.

The Snick block is aimed at 8- to 12-year-olds, and parents of younger children may want to draw the line before the two hours are up. For older kids, this may be even more fun than terrorizing the baby sitter. — *TV WEEKLY*



Harrison Ford and Annette Bening star in *Regarding Henry*, debuting Saturday on HBO.



Singer Joe Cocker performs on Wednesday's episode of NBC's *The Tonight Show With Jay Leno*.



Friday on NBC, unpredictable Sandra Bernhard guests on *Late Night With David Letterman*.