



NIGHT OWL LISTINGS

FROM 2:30 a.m. to 6:00 a.m.

- 4:35 **MOVIE: The Five Heartbeats** (Musical Drama, 1991) A musical group faces the many problems of runaway success. *Robert Townsend, Michael Wright* R
- 5:00 **Sports LateNight**
MOVIE: Charlie Chan at the Circus (Mystery, 1935) The big top turns into a carousel of doom. *Walter Dill, Keye Luke*
- 5:30 **MOVIE: Hoedown** (Musical Western, 1950) An out-of-work movie cowboy happens upon some real-life bandits. *Jaxa O'Malley, Jeff Conner*
- 5:55 **MOVIE: Steel and Lace** (Science Fiction, 1991) A woman returns from the dead as a cyberborg bent on revenge. *Cure Whit, Bruce Davidson* R
- 5:30 **Bill Flemming's SEC Football Preview** Florida, Tennessee, Auburn, Mississippi, Alabama, Louisiana State, Vanderbilt, Georgia, Kentucky, South Carolina, and Arkansas.
- 6:00 **MOVIE: Lights of Old Santa Fe** (Musical Western, 1947) A cowboy rescues a beautiful rodeo owner from bankruptcy. *Roy Rogers, Dale Evans*
- 5:40 **MOVIE: The Princess Bride** (Fantasy, 1987) A boy's grandfather reads him a fractured fairy tale. *Gary Elms, Mandy Patinkin* PG
- SUNDAY September 6**
- 2:30 **Sports LateNight**
MOVIE: Crack-Up (Drama, 1937) A
- test pilot who is actually a spy tries to fly across the Atlantic. *Peter Lore, Brian Donlevy*
- 2:50 **MOVIE: Imagine: John Lennon** (Documentary, 1988) Home movies of John Lennon offer a unique portrait of the artist. R
- 2:55 **MOVIE: Ruthless People** (Comedy, 1986) A man rescues after his showgirl wife is kidnapped. *Danny DeVito, Belle McTier* R
- 3:00 **Masterpiece Theatre** A woman goes on holiday but ends up spending it in a terrible room.
- MOVIE: Big** (Comedy, 1988) A carnival wench transforms a boy into a grown man overnight. *Tom Hanks, Elizabeth Perkins* PG
- Steve Allen's Golden Age of Comedy** The glory days of live TV from 1955 through 1961.
- Mountain Biking From Mt. Snow, Vt.** (H)
- 3:30 **MOVIE: The Prince of Tides** (Drama, 1991) A man confronts his own inner demons with help from a psychiatrist. *Rich Night, Barbra Streisand* R
- IHRA Drag Racing Empire Nationals** from Rochester, N.Y. (H)
- 3:40 **MOVIE: Why Me?** (Comedy, 1985) Two bombing safecrackers steal a ring with strange powers. *Christopher Lloyd* R
- 4:00 **MOVIE: A Kid for Two Farthings** (Comedy Drama, 1955) A boy buys a one-horned goat that seems to possess magical properties. *Celia Johnson, Dana Delany*
- WCW Main Event Wrestling**
- Sporting Life With Jim Huber**
- Martin & Lewis: Their Golden Age of Comedy** Jerry goes solo following the duo's breakup.
- MOVIE: When Worlds Collide** (Science Fiction, 1951) Two heavenly bodies head in Earth's direction. *Barbara Rush, Richard Cerr*
- MOVIE: Inferno** (Drama, 1953) A millionaire's faithless wife and her lover plan his death. *Robert Ryan, Rhonda Fleming*
- 4:30 **Bicycle Racing West Virginia** Mountain Classic (H)
- 4:35 **MOVIE: Warm Summer Rain** (Romantic Drama, 1989) An emotionally troubled woman has a sudden affair with a stranger. *Kelly Lynch, Barry Tubb* R
- 4:45 **MOVIE: The Great Impostor** (Biographical Drama, 1960) A man poses as a college professor, a penologist and a Trappist monk. *Fary Curtis, Karl Malden*
- 5:00 **MOVIE: Sleeper** (Science Fiction Comedy, 1973) A man frozen in 1973 awakens 200 years later in a dictatorship. *Woody Allen, Diane Keaton*
- Sports LateNight**
Sports Reporters
- 5:10 **MOVIE: The Mighty Quinn** (Adventure, 1989) A shy, carefree Canadian man is accused of murder. *Denzel Washington, Robert Townsend* R

STAR NOTES

T-birds drummer Texan by any standard

By Steven Alan McGaw
 "I've lived here longer than I have anywhere else," says drummer Fran Christina of the Fabulous Thunderbirds, "so I feel like a Texan." The lanky, Rhode Island native laughs and adds, "But I know Texans won't go for that."

Christina needn't worry, for he's earned his Lone Star credentials with the propulsive beat he provides for the state's best known rhythm and blues band. He's been a T-bird since the mid-'70s, with time out for a stint with Western swing curators Asleep at the Wheel.

A baseball star since his Little League try-out (he hit it out of the park), Christina had his eye on playing in the major leagues but loved drumming just as much. "I was bangin' on oil cans when I was 10," he recalls, "and got my first drum set when I was 12." Eventually, music won out and Christina says he has no regrets.

Christina and the rest of the Thunderbirds will be featured in an episode of TNN's *The Texas Connection* airing



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Saturday, Sept. 5. The drummer reports the band was allowed to assemble the show, and the rousing, music-filled hour features songs by Texas blues greats Delbert McClinton, W.C. Clark and original band member Lou Ann Barton ("a Thunderbird," Christina laughs). The band is also currently touring the nation in a blues revue featuring Buddy Guy and D.B. King.

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