

Local Access

12:00 Monday Afternoon	12:30 Arabic Ministries
12:30 F.H. Police Journal	1:00 Senior Messenger
1:00 Dollars & Sense	2:00 Family Health Series
1:30 The Word of Life	3:00 Crisis in the Modern Family
1:50 Life Matters	4:00 Jr. Japanese
2:00 Founders Festival Pet Show	4:30 Village Workshop
2:30 Fair Housing Awareness	5:30 Groove Session
4:00 Shazrey Zedek Productions	6:00 Wednesday Evening
5:00 Patterson & Company	6:00 Library Check It Out
5:30 Lansing Connection	7:00 Winning Ways
Monday Evening	7:30 Defensive Tactics
6:00 Women on the Move	8:00 Music Box
6:30 Bagels & Talk	8:30 Lip Sync
7:00 Bridge with Experts	Thursday Afternoon
7:30 Pirate Pete	12:00 From the Desk of Mike Flanagan
8:00 Pet Pointers	12:30 Senior Spotlight
8:30 Night Life	1:00 Prescription for Your Health
9:30 Groove Session	1:30 Viewpoint
Tuesday Afternoon	2:00 My Vote Counts
12:00 Adventures with Pirate Pete	2:30 Chi-Aerobics
12:30 Happiest People Alive	3:00 Business & Residential News
1:00 Coffee & Conversation	3:30 Sports Yesterday
2:00 Salon Glamour	4:00 Clarenceville Schools
3:00 Cosmic Connection	Thursday Evening
4:00 Health Therapies	8:00 Community Update
8:30 Home for Life	8:30 Cosmic Connection
Tuesday Evening	7:30 Perspectives
6:00 Living with your Addictions	8:00 John Akouri Not So Live
8:30 Business & Residential News	8:30 The Voter
7:00 Cash Talks	9:00 Medical Update
7:30 F.H. Police Journal	9:30 Positively
8:00 Salon Glamour	Friday Afternoon
8:00 Conflict at Crossroads	3:00 Friday Pick of the Week
9:30 Democratic Close-up	CS3 Metrovision between 3pm and 9pm
Wednesday Afternoon	to request your favorite program.
12:00 The Way the Truth, the Life	Call 653-7303.

SOAP WORLD

Executive producer wants 'Loving' answers

BY CANDACE HAVENS

If you have ever wondered what the ABC soap "Loving" is like, now would be a good time to tune in and see. In a recent episode, Leo showed up dressed as Elvis to romance Shana. Ava donned a blond wig and started a conga line in order to save Jeremy from Falcon, and there was a great deal of laughter throughout the entire show. On another day, there was high drama when baby Tyler developed meningitis while his mother was at a sleazy hotel with her lover.

"Loving" is funny, remarkably sophisticated and worthy of attention, but the program isn't getting any. "We can't make excuses any more," says executive producer Haidee Grainger. "It is a battle, and I do not know why we are at the bottom of the ratings, because we have come up with what I think is a good, funny show."

"Loving" looks very different than it did when it debuted 10 years ago, and many of the changes have happened in the last year, after Grainger took over.

"We have a much faster pace for the show," she says. "It is a livelier looking show, we have a handsome cast and great music. The show is revitalized, but the problem is getting people to believe it. It is a terrific half hour, and you sit down to watch, and before you know it, it is over."

"We have some wonderful and exciting story lines coming up," Grainger says. "Alex Master (Randolph Mantooth) is back and is causing big trouble for Ava and Jeremy. If you remember, Alex was Ava's one true love."

"There will be an interesting turn of events around Ally and baby Tyler. Trucker will ask Angie out, and she will refuse him on the basis that she wants a black role model for her son. Viewers will be interested to see how things turn out with Dinah Lee and Curtis' marriage."

Grainger simply wants viewers to give "Loving" a chance. "I want the viewers to watch and then let me know what they do and do not like," she says. Viewers can send responses to the address below, and the letters will be forwarded to Grainger.

SATURDAY



ABC favorite "The Commish" launches its new season Saturday. Michael Chiklis stars as unorthodox police commissioner Tony Scali, and Theresa Saldana plays his devoted wife, Rachel.

Send your comments to Candace Havens, Soap World, P.O. Box 961009, Fort Worth, Texas 76161-1009.