

Video wallpaper: Relief for buzzing brains

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LOS ANGELES (AP)—
There is in this world
something called Video
Wallpaper. No, not the ABC-
TV prime-time schedule.
Video Wallpaper, ac-
cording to the TV magazine
Panorama, is a genuine
product, made by Nebulae
Productions in Flushing,
N.Y. It consists of 14 half-
hour videotape cassettes
containing sights and scenes
from nature, meant to
tranquillize the buzzing brain.
"The 1980s' answer to
Muzak," Panorama calls it.

But television already has
this product in abundance,
you say... "Diff'rent
Strokes," "Vegas," "Sheriff
Lobo," etc.
Indeed, on the very next
page of that issue of
Panorama, there's a story
about the popularity of radios
that carry the sound from TV
stations. Why would anyone
want to listen to TV on the
radio?
Because, Panorama
reports a GE study as find-
ing, "a significant portion of
the market uses TV as a
background noise."
I think it's safe to extend

GE's findings to surmise that
all viewers use television as
background noise, video
wallpaper, if you will, at least
some of the time. And if you
can get video wallpaper for
free by simply turning on the
set, why lay out the cash for a
cassette?
That's not to knock the
product. Panorama says
Video Wallpaper is used in
mental hospitals and
biofeedback centers as a sort
of video Valium (as the
product's creator originally
wanted to call it). It's just
that not everyone owns a
videotape machine, and, in

an age of dwindling
resources, we might as well
make full use of what we
already have.
In that spirit, I present the
Viewers' Guide to Stupefying
Television sampler (with their
actual TV Guide
storyline descriptions):
SATURDAY—"BJ and the
Bear" (NBC) BJ takes Bear
to a vet and is later told that
the chimp's ailment is ter-
minal.
SUNDAY—"Okavango"
(PBS) A wide variety of
wildlife is observed in a
journey through a remote

delta in the African nation of
Botswana.
MONDAY—"Camp
Grizzly" (ABC) A summer
camp distinguished by run-
down facilities and in-
competent counselors.
TUESDAY—"Laverne and
Shirley" (ABC) To protest an
erroneous utility bill, the girls
have Carmine chain them
inside a gas-company
building, where they discover
a bomb is set to explode.
(And in case a double dose
is needed, "I Love Lucy,"
Lucy incites the usual ruckus
when Ricky forgets their

anniversary.
WEDNESDAY—"Diff'rent
Strokes," (NBC) Valentine's
Day finds the boys fondly
reminiscing about their
memorable experiences as
Drummond's adopted sons.
THURSDAY—"Merv
Griffin," from Las Vegas;
Sheeky, singer Mary Shore,
singers Sandler and Young,
Israeli mime Yacob Noy.
FRIDAY—"Dukes of

Hazzard." (CBS) Secret
Service agents driving the
presidential limousine
through the county stop just
long enough for car-crazed
Cooter to hot-wire it and take
off.

Little House's Arngrim inspires strong emotions

By JERRY BUCK
AP television writer
LOS ANGELES (AP)—
Alison Arngrim of NBC-TV's
"Little House on the Prairie"
inspires strong emotional
reactions in people.
Little girls throw things at
the TV set when she's on.
"People run up to me in
restaurants and say, 'I hate
you! You're terrible! But I
love it when you do nasty
things!'" the actress said.
The cause of these out-
bursts is her role as "Nasty"
Nellie Olsen, who has been
making life miserable for
Laura Ingalls for six years.
She's a pint-sized black-
mailer and a cheat.

"People eye me — is that
her?" said Miss Arngrim, 18,
whose long, flaxen hair is
covered on screen by a wig of
curls. "Then I say something
and they recognize my voice
and they recognize my voice
and back off. I went to a
movie theater and asked for
Dr. Pepper and popcorn. The
girl behind the counter said,
'Hot damn, it's Nellie Olsen!'"
She's also a budding Joan
Rivers. She has been doing a
standup comedy routine for
several years. She has an
album out as Amy Carter.
Her mother, former
Canadian actress Norma
Macmillan was the voice of

Caroline and John-John
Kennedy on "The First
Family" album.
Miss Arngrim is of
Icelandic descent. Her
father, Thor Arngrim, is a
former actor who's now a
producer and personal
manager. Brother Stefan is
an actor and was on "Land of
the Giants." Her mother has
completed an epic novel of
Canada.
Nellie comes by her
brattiness naturally. Her
mother is Harriet Olsen,
played by Katherine
MacGregor, the town gossip
and snob of Walnut Grove,
Minn.



MULTI-INSTRUMENTALIST GLEN MOORE performs two shows Monday at the Jambalaya, 915 H St. in Arcata. He recently issued a solo album on the Electra-Asylum label, and has played with guitarist Ralph Towner, tenor saxophonist Zoot Simms, percussionist Airtro Moreira, and is a long-time member of the group "Oregon." He will be accompanied Monday by violinist Danny Smith. Tickets are \$5 in advance at the Jambalaya.

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Saturday and Sunday, and
July 18 and 19.
The show is a musical
satire, especially of grand
opera, and includes
stereotyped heroes, heroines,
villains, ghosts and villagers.
The cast includes Carol
McWhorter as Rose Maybud;
Bill Ryder as Robin
Oakapple; Eleanor Call as
Mad Margaret; Mark
Hubbard as Sir Despard
Murgatroyd (the villain);
Jerry Beck as Sir Roderick
Murgatroyd (the ghost); Del
Jones as Old Adam; Phyllis
Jones as Hannah; and Nancy
Wright as Zorah.

Moore at Jambalaya

ARCATA—Jazz musician
Glen Moore, who plays bass
and piano, will perform two
shows Monday at 8:30 and 10
p.m. at the Jambalaya, 915 H
St.
Moore will be joined by
violinist Danny Smith, a long-
time confederate of bassist
David Friessen.
Moore recently returned to
his native Oregon from a
teaching residence at the
Naropa Institute in Boulder,
Colo. He has played with

tenor saxophonist Zoot
Simms, percussionist Airtro
Moreira, guitarist Ralph
Towner, and is a member of
the group "Oregon," which is
expected to play at the
Jambalaya in mid-autumn.
He has recorded numerous
albums with that group, and
recently released a solo
album.
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Today," George Jones
2. "Your Body Is an
Outlaw," Mel Tillis
3. "You Win Again,"
Charley Pride

4. "Bar Room Buddies,"
Haggard & Eastwood
5. "Friday Night Blues,"
John Conlee
6. "One Day at a Time,"
Christy Lane
7. "Midnight Rider," Willie
Nelson
8. "Trying to Love Two
Women," The Oak Ridge
Boys
9. "True Love Ways,"
Mickey Gilley
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**Glenn Ford to
star in 'Chesty'**
HOLLYWOOD (AP)—
Glenn Ford will star in
"Chesty," the life story of
Marine Lt. General Lewis
Brewer "Chesty" Fuller, the
much-decorated veteran of
Korea and World War II.
Ford, who rose to the rank
of Lt. Colonel himself while
serving with the Green
Berets in Vietnam, will
produce through his own
Glenn Ford Productions.
Filming is to begin on
locations in Israel and Korea
in early 1981.

KEET-TV board sets meeting

A meeting of KEET-TV's
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