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A Fond Farewell to Two Public Radio Greats

Two public radio greats are hanging up the headphones. Garrison Keillor retired as host of *A Prairie Home Companion* in July, and Michael Feldman's *Whad'Ya Know?* stopped production in June.

Garrison Keillor hosted the very first broadcast of *A Prairie Home Companion* in 1974. The show underwent some changes over the years – including a hiatus, a temporary name change (to *American Radio Company of the Air*), and a few different home bases. With musical performances, comedy sketches, and Garrison Keillor's signature monologue, "The News from Lake Wobegon," the program has won the hearts of public radio listeners of all ages.

According to Keillor, "When the show started, it was something funny to do with my friends, and

then it became an achievement that I hoped would be successful, and now it's a good way of life."

Michael Feldman created *Whad'Ya Know?* in 1985. The two-hour weekly show featured comedy, interviews, and a weekly quiz.

"It may be called *Michael Feldman's Whad'Ya Know?*, but it really has been *Everybody Who Listens And Comes To The Shows's Whad'Ya Know?*. It's

the listeners at home and those who show up that make the show - I am just a conduit," Feldman joked. "I will be forever grateful to everybody - and their kids! - who made the show so much a part of their lives and of mine. Thank you so much!"

Turn to the next page to read about the new shows that are replacing *Whad'Ya Know?* on KIOS, and about the new host of *A Prairie Home Companion*.



Michael Feldman Hosted *Whad' Ya Know?*



Garrison Keillor Hosted *A Prairie Home Companion*

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A Way With Words

Tune to KIOS at 2:00 p.m. Saturdays to hear *A Way With Words*. This weekly, hour-long, caller-based program about language is hosted by author Martha Barnette (*Dog Days and Dandelions*) and lexicographer Grant Barrett (editor *Official Dictionary of Unofficial English*).

Based in San Diego, California, Barnette and Barrett spend each week delving into slang, grammar,

regional words and phrases, word origins, and more. Funny, informative, and fast-paced, each episode includes a word puzzle and slang quiz. *A Way With Words*, which has been around since 1998, will appeal to anyone with a curiosity about the English language, so if you enjoy lively intellectual discussions that range from pop culture and sports to history and science...give it a whirl!



Grant Barrett & Martha Barnette



Rick Steves

Travel With Rick Steves

Travel With Rick Steves can now be heard Saturdays from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.. Host and writer of over 100 public television shows and author of 30 best-selling guidebooks, Steves first traveled to Europe in 1969 while visiting piano factories with his father. In his 2009 *Travel As A Political Act*, Steves reflected on, "how a life of travel has broadened his own perspectives ... and can be a significant force for peace and understanding in the world."

This one-hour call in show reaches beyond the boundaries of Europe and features guest travel experts discussing topics such as urban Australia, Madagascar, Asian-American immigration stories, and changing Cuba. Tune in on Saturdays and take an hour to immerse yourself in another culture.

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Chris Thile to Host *A Prairie Home Companion*

Beginning in fall of 2016, Chris Thile will take over as host of *A Prairie Home Companion*.

"I grew up with the show," says Thile. "I take this opportunity, this job, immensely seriously and with great awe."

Thile is among the most highly acclaimed musicians of his generation. A singer, mandolin player, and multi-instrumentalist, he has been in the bands Nickel Creek and Punch Brothers. In 1996 at the age of 15, Thile made his *Prairie Home Companion* debut, in a broadcast that showcased remarkable young artists.

Twenty years later, Garrison Keillor says he is happy to pass the torch:

"Chris is my man. He is, I think, the great bluegrass performer of our time and he is a beautiful jazz player. There just isn't anything he can't do - and he is very enthusiastic about live radio."



Chris Thile

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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	
4 AM	MORNING EDITION					BBC World Service		
6 AM						Only a Game		Inside Europe
7 AM						Weekend Edition		
9 AM								
10 AM	ON POINT					Car Talk	Krista Tippett on Being	
11 AM						Wait, Wait ... Don't Tell Me!	On the Media	
NOON	THE TAKEAWAY					This American Life	Marketplace Weekend	
1 PM	NOON FORUM					Studio 360	Thistle and Shamrock	
2 PM	Blues in the Afternoon	JAZZ IN THE AFTERNOON				The Splendid Table	Folk Sampler	
3 PM						A Way With Words	River City Folk	
4 PM	ALL THINGS CONSIDERED					Travel With Rick Steves	Bluegrass Review	
5 PM						All Things Considered		
5:30 pm	MARKETPLACE					A Prairie Home Companion	American Routes	
6 PM								FRESH AIR
7 PM	AS IT HAPPENS					Jazz Happening Now	Conversations from the World Cafe	
8 PM	Beale Street Caravan	Latin Perspective	Night Lights	Jazz Profiles	Jazz Night in America	Jazz Junction	Sound Opinions	
9 PM	WFMT JAZZ NETWORK				WFMT JAZZ NETWORK		Mundo Latino	
10 PM							AfroPop Worldwide	
11 PM						Music from the Hearts of Space		
MIDNIGHT	BBC WORLD SERVICE				BBC World Service	Last Call	BBC World Service	
1 AM (to 4 AM)								
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