



People & Events

IT CAME FROM OUTER SPACE



Lorie Kellog and Joe Bevilacqua are the writers, producers and hosts of the satellite radio show 'The Comedy-o-rama.'

Photo provided

Area couple hosts satellite radio show

■ "The Comedy-o-rama" Election Special features comedian Al Franken and radio personality Bob Edwards.

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AT CAMP Waterlogg, nestled in the woods of Napanoch, a funeral service for Fluffy the Chipmunk continues, as it has since his tragic demise on July 4.

Left-wing humorist Al Franken will join the mourners at the dilapidated children's camp, as it hosts its first-ever Election Special, which can be heard on XM satellite radio on Nov. 2.

The Election Special is the latest absurd installment from Camp Waterlogg, also known as the home of radio producer Joe Bevilacqua and his wife, Lorie Kellogg. Together, they are the voices behind the stories, players in what Bevilacqua affectionately calls a "theater of the absurd" that is broadcast several times each week on XM satellite radio.

In their dispatches from Camp Waterlogg, there are many references to the area and its roads. Some are slight variations from reality, such as "Catskill County." In the Election Special, Dan Rather-not reports for CNN: Catskill Neighborhood News.

BEVILACQUA AND Kellogg are

Comedy-O-Rama

WHAT: "Homeland Security Comes to Camp Waterlogg"

WHEN: Nov. 2 from 6 to 8 a.m., 2 to 4 p.m., and 10 p.m. to midnight; and Nov. 6 from 7 to 8 a.m. and 7 to 8 p.m.; Regular Comedy-O-Rama broadcasts: Fridays at 5 a.m., 1 and 9 p.m. and Sundays at 8 a.m. and 8 p.m.

WHERE: XM satellite radio channel 163

ONLINE: www.comedyorama.com

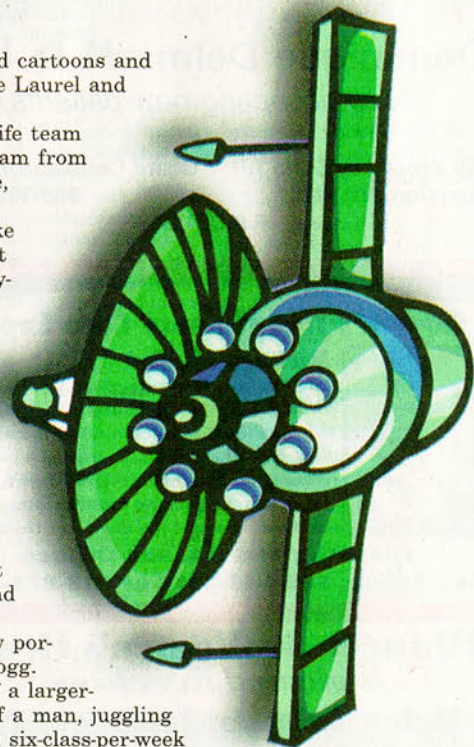
part of a recent shift away from the public airwaves and to satellite, where listeners pay monthly subscription charges and get programming that's out of the reach of the Federal Communications Commission. It was a move popularized this month by shock jock Howard Stern, who has agreed to take his program to the Sirius Satellite network in 15 months after his most recent tiff with the FCC.

For Bevilacqua, satellite offers something - besides the ability to curse - that public airwaves cannot: room. With hundreds of channels, there's a definite place for the Bevilacqua brand of humor and storytelling, inspired by

the world of animated cartoons and classic comedians like Laurel and Hardy.

The husband-and-wife team broadcast each program from their Napanoch home, which they have redesigned to look like the Ranger Station at Hanna-Barbera's Jellystone National Park. Because the recording is done here instead of in a studio, and much of the comedy is improvisational, the stories have a unique, intimate feel.

It becomes difficult to separate Kellogg and Bevilacqua from the many characters they portray at Camp Waterlogg. Bevilacqua is himself a larger-than-life caricature of a man, juggling the radio show and a six-class-per-week teaching gig at Ulster County Community College, as well as writing books,



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