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OVERBOARD

Cliff Robertson and Angie Dickinson (pictured) star in 'Overboard,' a heart-wrenching drama about a man's frantic search for his wife after she accidentally fell off their yacht far out in the South Seas. The world premiere feature, adapted from the best seller of the same title, will be telecast on 'NBC Monday Night at the Movies,' Sept. 25.

Robertson portrays an attorney who gives up his practice to realize his 20-year dream of sailing around the world. Dickinson plays his reluctant wife, who joins her husband in the fulfillment of his dream, which turns to tragedy when she falls overboard and is lost at sea.

During the frustrating hours spent searching for his wife, the attorney relives the moments which led to the accident and tries to understand his jealousy of the handsome Frenchman who had paid special attention to his wife during a stay in Tahiti.

'Overboard,' which was filmed on location in Tahiti and the South Seas, was written by Hank Searles and directed by John Newland.

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victim was supposed to be carrying, Barnaby travels to a small town to investigate. (R) 'Banacek: A Million The Hard Way' Stars: George Peppard, Margot Kidder. (R)

8 THE TONIGHT SHOW Guest host: Don Rickles. Guests: Ben Vereen, Suzanne Somers. (90 mins.)
12 FERNWOOD 2NIGHT

12:00
12 MISSION IMPOSSIBLE

1:00
8 TOMORROW Host: Tom Snyder. Guest: Senator Lowell Weicker. (R-Conn.) (60 mins.)

1:30
6 MOVIE -(ADVENTURE)** "Torpedo Alley" 1953 Dorothy Malone, Mark Stevens. A grounded flier joins the submarine service for action in Korea, where he proves his heroism and finds romance in a hospital. (90 mins.)

2:00
2 MEDICAL CENTER

them, hostile. (Pt. I. of a two-part episode)

8 DICK CLARK'S LIVE WEDNESDAY Guests: Suzanne Somers, Barry Manilow, Natalie Cole, Melissa Gilbert and Edgar Bergen. Magician Steve Baker will attempt to outdo Houdini's famous underwater escape. (60 mins.)

10 GREAT PERFORMANCES The Berlin Philharmonic with Herbert Von Karajan accompany cellist Mstislav Rostropovich in a classic performance. (60 mins.)

12 MOVIE -(TITLE UNANNOUNCED)

8:30
6 IN THE BEGINNING

10 MAKING TELEVISION DANCE Choreographer Twyla Tharp explores the creative relationship between television technology and modern dance. Performances include a rehearsal of 'Once More Frank' with Mikhail Baryshnikov and the premiere of 'Country Dances.' (60 mins.)

9:00
2 CHARLIE'S ANGELS Kelly falls in love with the handsome stunt-flying grandson of a notorious crime figure whose enemies intend to see that the young man doesn't live to inherit the family fortune. (60 mins.)

6 WEDNESDAY NIGHT MOVIE 'Three Days Of The Condor' Stars: Robert Redford, Faye Dunaway. A government researcher for

Golden State Warriors vs Portland Trail Blazers (2 hrs., 15 mins.)

10:00
2 VEGA$ A woman is killed and Dan discovers it was a case of mistaken identity, which leads him into the lives of three attractive Beverly Hills' socialites who go to Las Vegas for fun and adventure away from their husbands. (60 mins.)

10 IN PERFORMANCE AT WOLF TRAP 'Galina and Valery Panov' The former stars of Russia's famed Kirov Ballet (who have since defected) perform the pas de deux from Petipa's 'Don Quixote' and 'Harlequinade,' scene two from Fokine's 'Petrouchka' and the Adagio from Lev Ivanov's 'The Nutcracker.' (60 mins.)

11:00
2 6 8 NEWS
10 DICK CAVETT SHOW 'Is English a Dying Language?' Part II. Guests: Edwin Newman; John Kenneth Galbraith; Agnes DeMille; and John Simon.

11:30
2 POLICE WOMAN--S.W.A.T. Police Woman--'Bloody Nose' Pepper becomes involved with a paranoic priest and his wife, resulting in her cover being broken. (R) S.W.A.T.--'Dealers In Death' Hondo sends Doma Luca and T.J. on special assignment to track down the supplier of sophisticated automatic weapons being used in a series of crimes. (2 hrs., 15 mins.)
6 CBS LATE MOVIE 'Hawaii Five-O: The Flipside Is Death' A daring bank robbery is carried out under the cover of a mock military emergency squad. (R) 'Kojak: Sister Maria' Stars: Telly Savalas, Kevin Dobson. (R)
8 THE TONIGHT SHOW Guest host: Don Rickles. (90 mins.)

11:45
12 TRAIL BLAZER POST GAME SHOW

12:00
12 LOVE EXPERTS

12:30
12 FERNWOOD 2NIGHT

1:00
8 TOMORROW Host: Tom Snyder. Guests: Kitty Kelly, author of 'Jackie Oh!', Lester David, author of 'The Lonely Lady Of San Clemente' (60 mins.)

1:30
6 MOVIE -(WESTERN)** "Tall Stranger" 1957 Joel McCrea, Virginia Mayo. In 1865 Colorado, a man who's rescued from death by a wagon train aids them in getting land opened. (90 mins.)

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the detective slays Jackson's brother during a robbery. (R)

12:00
12 MISSION IMPOSSIBLE

12:30
2 MOVIE -(SCIENCE FICTION)**½ "Invasion Earth 2150 A.D." 1966 Peter Cushing, Bernard Cribbins. Small band of resistance fighters, aided by brilliant scientist, fight to free Earth from an invasion by super-intelligent robots from outer space. (105 mins.)
8 INSIGHT

1:00
8 JOY IN MY SOUL

1:20
8 SOUND OF TRUMPETS

2:15
2 COLLEGE FOOTBALL '78 This show features weekly highlights of key contests which are scheduled during the 1978 NCAA Football Season.

2:25
6 MOVIE -(MYSTERY)*** "Sleep, My Love" 1948 Don Ameche, Claudette Colbert. A man tries to drive his wife insane, until a third party intervenes. (2 hrs.)

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EVENING

6:00
2 ABC NEWS
6 CBS NEWS
8 NBC NEWS
10 KEEP IT RUNNING
12 EMERGENCY ONE

6:30
2 8 NEWS
6 CAROL BURNETT AND FRIENDS
10 CINEMATIC EYE 'Torment' Host Benjamin Dunlap, film expert from the University of South Carolina, explores the cultural and social context of Ingmar Bergman's Cannes Film Festival Award-winning film.

7:00
2 MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL Minnesota Vikings vs Chicago Bears
6 MERV GRIFFIN SHOW Guests: Roy Rogers, Dale Evans, Cleo Laine, Karen Holt. (60 mins.)
8 EVENING
10 MACNEIL LEHRER REPORT
12 I LOVE LUCY

7:30
8 HOLLYWOOD SQUARES
10 ECONOMICALLY SPEAKING 'Minimum Wage'
12 HOGAN'S HEROES

8:00
6 WKRP IN CINCINNATI WKRP's new rock-and-roll policy has repercussions ricocheting off the walls of the station with advertisers and listeners alike threatening to leave the sinking ship, and it all falls on the head of Andy Travis.
8 LITTLE HOUSE ON THE PRAIRIE John Ireland guest stars as the father of a blind boy who gains self-respect when he is picked to play quarterback in a very unusual football game. (60 mins.)
10 LIVE FROM THE MET 'Verdi's Otello' James Levine conducts the Metropolitan Opera in the season premiere featuring Jon Vickers as Otello, Renata Scotto as Desdemona, Cornell MacNeil as Iago and Jean Kraft as Emilia. (3 hrs.)
12 MOVIE -(COMEDY)*** "Houseboat" 1958 Cary Grant, Sophia Loren. Italian symphony conductor's daughter, concealing her identity becomes a widower's family maid. (2 hrs.)

8:30
6 PEOPLE

9:00
5 M.A.S.H. Hawkeye becomes so disgusted with the stalled Panmunjon peace talks that he impulsively takes matters in his own hands.
8 MONDAY NIGHT AT THE MOVIES 'Overboard' Stars: Angie Dickinson, Cliff Robertson. In the course of achieving his 20-year dream of sailing his yacht around the world, a man experiences the deepest tragedy of his life when his wife falls from the boat deck and is lost at sea. (2 hrs.)

9:30
6 ONE DAY AT A TIME

10:00
2 THEY'VE KILLED PRESIDENT LINCOLN
6 LOU GRANT Lou's attempt to expose a pill-pushing doctor lands Rossi in jail. (60 mins.)
12 NEWS

10:30
12 NEWSMAKERS

11:00
2 6 8 NEWS
10 DICK CAVETT SHOW Guest: Vincent Price.
12 LOVE EXPERTS

11:30
2 MOVIE -(DRAMA)**½ "Any Second Now" 1969 Stewart Granger, Lois Nettleton. When a philandering photographer falls in love with another woman, he attempts and fails to kill his wife, and makes a second attempt to his undoing. (110 mins.)
6 CBS LATE MOVIE 'The Rockford Files: The Dark And Bloody Ground' Jim Rockford's lawyer friend pressures him into investigating the death of a screenwriter. (R) 'For Better, For Worse' Stars: Gene Hackman, Liv Ullmann.
8 THE TONIGHT SHOW Guest host: Steve Martin. Guests: Cheryl Ladd, Steve Landesberg. (90 mins.)
10 UNIVERSITY OF OREGON FOOTBALL
12 FERNWOOD 2NIGHT

12:00
12 MISSION IMPOSSIBLE

1:00
8 TOMORROW Host: Tom Snyder. Guest: Bill Butler, godfather of roller skating. (60 mins.)

1:30
6 MOVIE -(WESTERN)** "Timberjack" 1954 Vera Ralston, Sterling Hayden. A young man fights crooks taking over a lumber mill who also killed his father. (2 hrs.)

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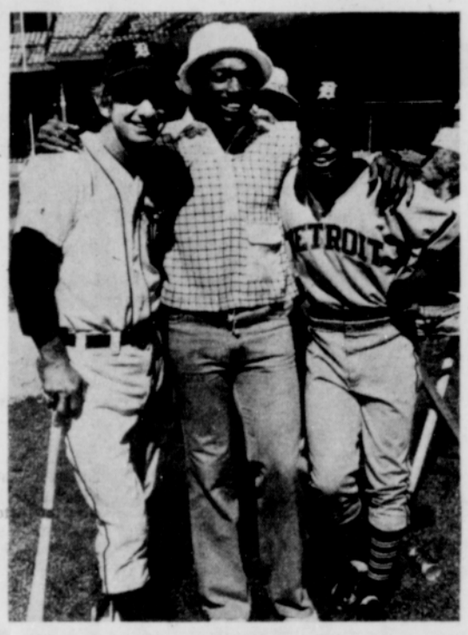

ONE IN A MILLION: THE RON LEFLORE STORY

LeVar Burton stars in 'One in a Million: The Ron LeFlore Story,' about the incredible rise of Detroit Tiger centerfielder Ron LeFlore from prison to the major leagues, to be broadcast on 'The CBS Tuesday Night Movies,' Sept. 26.

Also starring in the film, which is based on the autobiography 'Breakout' by LeFlore with Jim Hawkins, are Madge Sinclair, Paul Benjamin, James Luisi, Billy Martin (as himself, pictured left with Ron LeFlore, center, and LeVar Burton), Zakes Mokae and Larry B. Scott.

In the story, LeFlore, a 19-year-old hoodlum hanging out on the streets of Detroit, is sent to prison for armed robbery. Far from a model prisoner, he winds up in solitary confinement again and again.

He is befriended by another inmate Jimmy Karalla (Luisi), who encourages him to take up baseball. He is a natural and soon becomes the star of the team. Karalla, through his friendship with a restaurant owner on the outside who knows Detroit Tigers manager Billy Martin, arranges a tryout for LeFlore, who impresses Martin with his tremendous raw talent.

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EVENING

6:00
2 ABC NEWS
6 CBS NEWS
8 NBC NEWS
10 GERMAN
12 EMERGENCY ONE

6:30
2 8 NEWS
6 MERV GRIFFIN Guests: Farrah Fawcett Majors, Porter Bibb, Chevy Chase. (60 mins.)
10 JAPAN: THE LIVING TRADITION

7:00
2 CROSS WITS
8 EVENING
10 MACNEIL LEHRER REPORT
12 I LOVE LUCY

7:30
2 MUPPET SHOW Guest: Roy Clark.
6 JARVIS TAX REVOLT
8 THE NEXT STEP BEYOND
10 CROCKETT'S VICTORY GARDEN 'Fresh Spring Flowers from Bulbs'
12 HOGAN'S HEROES

8:00
2 HAPPY DAYS When Fonzie loses his vision because of a head injury, he begins to realize the true meaning of friendship.
6 PAPER CHASE Franklin Ford III discovers the pressures of a successful lawyer father and generations of legal tradition in his family can be injurious to contract law when his father visits the classroom while on a job-interviewing mission at the college. (60 mins.)
8 GRANDPA GOES TO WASHINGTON Senator Joe Kelley tries to introduce a bill which would prevent the firing of federal employees living together without 'benefit of clergy.' (60 mins.)
10 JAMES MICHENER'S WORLD 'The South Pacific: End of Eden' This program explores the South Pacific cultures that have remained unique and innocent in face of today's industrialization. Michener prefers to examine them before they are lost to the influences of the 20th century. (60 mins.)
12 MOVIE -(ADVENTURE)**½ "Kings of the Sun" 1963 Yul Brynner, George Chakiris. A Mayan leader comes to America with his surviving tribesmen and encounters Indian warriors. (2 hrs.)

8:30
2 LAVERNE AND SHIRLEY Laverne is riding high when she starts dating Jake, the leader of the Purple Fiends of Fear, but turns white with fright when she finds out that he's mixing romance with robbery.

9:00
2 THREE'S COMPANY Stanley Roper sneaks a peek at an x-rated diary Chrissy is typing and suddenly gets the idea that Chrissy thinks he's her type.
6 TUESDAY NIGHT MOVIE 'One In A Million: The Ron LeFlore Story' Stars: LeVar Burton, Billy Martin, Madge Sinclair. The drama tells the incredible rise of Detroit Tiger Centerfielder Ron LeFlore from prison to the major leagues. (2 hrs.)
8 BIG EVENT MOVIE 'Battered' Stars: Karen Grassle, Mike Farrell, LeVar Burton. The stories of three women of varied backgrounds and ages who suffer physically, emotionally and psychologically at the hands of their brutal husbands. (2 hrs.)
10 MOVIE-(DRAMA) **** 'The Caretaker' 1964 Donald Pleasance, Alan Bates. (2 hrs.)

9:30
2 TAXI The sexy voice on the answering service triggers Alex's romantic instincts, and her alluring manner prompts him to arrange a dinner date that turns into one big surprise.

10:00
2 STARSKY AND HUTCH Hutch must persuade Starsky not to quit the force after Starsky accidentally blinds a beautiful bystander during a robbery-shootout and then falls in love with her. (60 mins.)
12 NEWS

10:30
12 NEWSMAKERS

11:00
2 6 8 NEWS
10 DICK CAVETT SHOW 'Is English a Dying Language?' Part I. Guests: Agnes DeMille, choreographer and author; Edwin Newman, NBC-TV commentator and author; John Kenneth Galbraith, author, professor and former ambassador; and John Simon, drama critic and language columnist.
12 LOVE EXPERTS

11:30
2 TUESDAY MOVIE OF THE WEEK 'Avanti' Stars: Jack Lemmon, Juliet Mills. A story about a man who falls in love with his father's mistress.
6 CBS LATE MOVIE 'Barnaby Jones: Murder-Go-Round' Hired to locate the money that a hit-and-run

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EVENING

6:00
2 ABC NEWS
6 CBS NEWS
8 NBC NEWS
10 KEEP IT RUNNING
12 EMERGENCY ONE

6:30
2 8 NEWS
6 CAROL BURNETT AND FRIENDS
10 SOCCER FOR EVERYONE

7:00
2 CROSS WITS
6 MERV GRIFFIN Guests: Orson Welles, Joey Travolta, Sally Struthers. (60 mins.)
8 EVENING

10 MACNEIL LEHRER REPORT
12 I LOVE LUCY

7:30
2 MATCH GAME
8 SHA NA NA Guest: Chubby Checker.
10 PERFORMANCE
12 HOGAN'S HEROES

8:00
2 EIGHT IS ENOUGH Joannie's professional debut as an actress becomes a bittersweet conflict of interest for Tom, torn between his role as proud parent and his unexpected assignment as theatre critic. (60 mins.)
6 THE JEFFERSONS Allan Willis, the 'white sheep' of the racially-mixed Willis family, arrives in town after a several year absence and finds things just as he left the CIA becomes involved in international espionage when his co-workers are massacred. (2 hrs., 25 mins.)

8:30
8 WEDNESDAY NIGHT AT THE MOVIES 'Zuma Beach' Stars: Suzanne Somers, Mark Wheeler. A once-popular singer becomes involved with the problems of a group of teenagers when she goes to the beach to unwind and forget about her faltering career. (2 hrs.)

9:30
12 N.B.A. BASKETBALL

TV: The Family Viewpoint

by Beatrice Gross

"A Tender Mother/Child Drama"

Bravo for the new image of the child in the After School Special 'One of a Kind,' airing on ABC-TV on Wednesday, Sept. 27. On one familiar, sweetly old-fashioned level, 'One of a Kind' is a story of a lonely child, called upon by her single mother to assume too much responsibility and finding solace in talking puppets. On another level, it describes the growth of a very competent 10-year-old girl.

Lizzie sees in the violent "traditional" Punch and Judy show a replaying of her own unhappy life with her mother. She writes her own more human, gentle script. Her mother sees Liz's play and understands her child better. They come together, better able to cope.

Clearly, Liz is a much stronger child than the waif who was saved by the carnival puppeteer in the movie 'Lili.' She is as comfortable with language and complex thoughts as any of the adult characters but she is stronger, more moral and inventive—in all ways a thoroughly competent girl.

Being denigrated by superficial writers is as much a problem for children as it is for women, so it is with great relief that I find this show doesn't put kids down, even in kindness. In fact, the 10-year-old Lizzie does most of the teaching. She is a youngster who gets justifiably angry, who fights for what she wants and finds creative solutions that do solve problems.

Add to this the obvious delights kids have in puppets, the behind-the-scenes aspect of the puppeteer who "talks" through his dolls, the carnival atmosphere, and you have a show which will engage charm and benefit your children—and you.

On a deeper level, it is the story of Carrie, the mother toughened by her life, trying to find a bit of relief from dreariness, annoyed by her daughter's unwillingness to help shoulder the burdens and responsibilities of their difficult existence. Her impatience with Liz, her inability to give unqualified love, her broken promises, her unwillingness to allow her child time to be a child raises thoughtful issues.

Despite the rational rhetoric, we see that if both the child's needs *and* the mother's needs are considered seriously (but are actually violated by economic realities), an ideal resolution of the problems posed in 'One of a Kind' is unlikely. The show should move families to do some hard thinking.

Beatrice Gross is the author of 'The Children's Rights Movement' and other books.

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