

## Celebrities



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Writer Garrison Keillor is taking on a few new projects lately. Shooting begins on a film version of his "A Prairie Home Companion," on Wednesday. He is also launching a weekly newspaper column in addition to his regular work.

### Keillor quickens pace with new projects

ST. PAUL, Minn. — Lake Wobegon's gotten a little more stressful these days.

Shooting begins Wednesday on a film version of **Garrison Keillor's** "A Prairie Home Companion," bringing him together with director Robert Altman and a star-studded cast including **Meryl Streep, Kevin Kline** and **Lindsay Lohan**.

Next weekend, Keillor launches a weekly newspaper column. About a dozen newspapers have signed up for the column, according to Tribune Media Services.

Meanwhile, his public radio show and its nonbroadcast spinoff, "The Rhubarb Tour," will visit a dozen more places by Labor Day.

He released a children's book and CD this spring and he's compiled a poetry anthology due in stores this fall. He has two more books in the works.

That's all in addition to the restaurant in the central Minnesota town of Avon in which he recently invested, and his ongoing radio commitments.

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