

# Hoosier Home Companion

## Keillor Coming to Indianapolis for May Concert

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**"I**t's a good rule in show business not to wait in the wings too long before you come out to do an encore."

With that philosophy in mind, Garrison Keillor, author and former host of National Public Radio's *A Prairie Home Companion*,



KEILLOR

recently announced NPR's June 10 broadcast of *A Prairie Home Companion's Third Annual Farewell* from the Universal Amphitheatre in Los Angeles.

The show will be coming to Indianapolis as part of his *Third*

*Annual Farewell Tour*. That performance, and a dozen others in cities across the country, will not be broadcast.

Keillor and friends will perform one show at 8 p.m. May 23 in Clowes Hall on the campus of Butler University. Tickets are \$30, \$25 and \$22 and are available through all Ticketmaster outlets.

Accompanying Keillor to Indianapolis will be bluegrass singers Robin and Linda Williams, singer Kate McKenzie, composer/pianist Rick Dworsky, sound effects man Tom Keith and actor/comedian Dan Rowles.

According to Stewart Vanderwilt, marketing director for WBST-FM 92.1, a bus trip to the show — dubbed "the Powdermilk Express" — is being organized. Cost per person has not yet been established, but it will include round-trip bus transportation, a box lunch and a preferred ticket to the show.

"After first going to St. Paul and then New York to see farewell performances of *A Prairie Home Companion*," Vanderwilt said, "we felt kind of

committed to seeing the inevitable *Third Annual Farewell Performance*.

"When we heard it would be on the West Coast, we began making plans to pack up and head for California in June. We are very pleased, however, that the tour will be stopping in Indianapolis. This should allow many more people to experience the show first-hand."

WBST will also broadcast the June 10 concert from Los Angeles live, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The tour is also scheduled to stop in Greenville, S.C.; Cincinnati; Springfield, Ill.; Madison, Wis.; Ames, Iowa; Kansas City, Mo.; Oklahoma City, Okla.; Dallas; Tucson, Ariz.; Tempe, Ariz., and San Diego, Calif.

The program went off the air on June 13, 1987. The first *Farewell* special was performed June 4, 1988, in New York's Radio City Music Hall.

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■ For information about the bus trip, call WBST at 285-5888 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays.