

ON TV THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, JUNE 10

■ **"The Sopranos"** A great cast and a landmark show sleeps with the fishes. (HBO, 9 p.m.)

■ **"The 61st Annual Tony Awards"** Will "Spring Awakening" fend off the touring-friendly "Mary Poppins"? Will Christine Ebersole of "Grey Gardens" and Frank Langella from "Frost/Nixon" win out? Broadway is on the edge of its seat. (CBS, 8 p.m.)

▶ **"Army Wives"** Kim Delaney's return to episodic TV last week was a resounding success — the most-watched premiere in the Lifetime channel's history. Clearly this show about the wives of soldiers will be around for a while. (Lifetime, 10 p.m.)



■ **"John From Cincinnati"** "Deadwood" creator David Milch is involved with this series about surfers and one (possible) alien — all bets are off on what it all means. (HBO, 10 p.m.)

MONDAY, JUNE 11

■ **"Big Love"** Polygamy is the new "in thing" with this underappreciated HBO drama starring Bill Paxton. Will Season 2 keep the streak going, and will the Henrickson clan's now-known family arrangement hurt its hardware business? (HBO, 9 p.m.)

■ **"Hell's Kitchen"** The men's and women's teams face off. The reward: time with Chef Ramsay away from the kitchen. Shouldn't the reward be time away from the kitchen AND away from Ramsay? (Fox, 9 p.m.)

TUESDAY, JUNE 12

■ **"High School Football All-Star Game: New York vs. New Jersey"** The Governor's Bowl (which New York has won three times in a row) airs on TV after taking place June 10 at West Point. (MSG, 11 p.m.)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13

■ **"Cousins"** Primates may not be man's best friend, but they're our closest relatives, as this documentary makes clear. One link missing is the old "Planet of the Apes" maxim: "Ape must not kill ape." (WLIW 21, 9 p.m.)

■ **"The Fever"** Vanessa Redgrave is a traveler felled by a dreadful illness in a Third World country, prompting her hallucinatory, and perhaps self-satirizing, dread of perpetuating cruelty and injustice around the world. Based on Wallace Shawn's one-man show. (HBO, 9:30 p.m.)

■ **"Rescue Me"** The fourth season premiere of Denis Leary's dark comic drama boasts a new baby for his character, Tommy, and a sexy volunteer firefighter (Jennifer Esposito) heating things up. (FX, 10 p.m.)

THURSDAY, JUNE 14

■ **"Are You Smarter Than a 5th Grader?"** Think your little scholars are ready for prime time? Have them brush up on their skills by watching this quiz show before



Bob Barker's goodbye

heading to the open casting call on Saturday at 8 a.m. at the Javits Center. (Fox, 8 p.m.)

FRIDAY, JUNE 15

▲ **"The Price Is Right"** Bob Barker's 35-year run finally comes to an end with his final Showcase Showdown. Go on down, Bob. (CBS, 8 p.m.)

■ **"Daytime Emmy Awards"** The 34th annual smackdown between talk-show hosts, soaps and game shows. (CBS, 9 p.m.)

SATURDAY, JUNE 16

■ **"The Music in Me: A Family Special"** Preteens perform the diverse music they love. Included is an 11-year-old penny whistle player in Pearl River, N.Y., and a 10-year-old jazz pianist in Pembroke Pines, Fla. (HBO, 7:15 p.m.)

■ **"Baseball: Mets at Yankees"** With their season in disarray, the Yankees' best hope for a happy story line could come in this three-game subway series. Or it could be the nail in the coffin. Can Steinbrenner fire himself? (WPIX 11, 1 p.m.) *Michael Giltz*