

Small Town Big Deal Episode Description 2026-2027 Season

Order in which they air

#110120 Gentle Pumpkin Palooza

Watch as a town of just 13,000 rolls out the welcome mat for over 300,000 visitors to celebrate the Great Pumpkin! Known as 'The Greatest Free Show on Earth,' this festival offers jaw-dropping sights, from massive gourds at the Giant Pumpkin Weigh-in to the baking of the colossal, 400-pound, six-foot-wide 'World's Greatest Pumpkin Pie.' It's a one-of-a-kind celebration you won't want to miss!

#110122 Snowbound: From Mush to Magic

Ever wondered what it's like to mush a team of sled dogs? Jann and Rodney take you along for the ride as they learn the ropes—no reins required—gliding through the snowy woods of Colorado. Then, explore a truly "cool" creation: a massive walk-through ice sculpture that grows a little more each night. And to top it off, it's not just dinner and a movie—it's an unforgettable sleigh ride, ending with a dinner show you'll never forget.

#110101 Mud, Muck, and Farmyard Feats

There's never a dull moment at North America's Premier Farm Show! Jann and Rodney hit the mud in the fastest John Deere Gator yet—62 horsepower, and 0-30 in just three seconds. Then, it's time to put their skills to the test in a milking contest. Will Farm Boy Rodney dominate, or will City Girl Jann surprise everyone? Plus, catch the American finals of the Stock Show Dog Trials before heading south for a weekend of classic country fun in Florida—think tractor pulls, frying pan tosses, and plenty of laughs.

#101102 Horse Trails and Arresting Treats

Jann and Rodney explore a unique California town where horses have the right of way—trails replace sidewalks, and stalls stand in for parking spots. But the real adventure begins when Rodney gets 'arrested' for dunking and driving... doughnuts, that is! Meet the small-town police officers who rescued their historic Main Street by buying a beloved bakery that's been serving since 1896. And don't miss the doughnut so irresistible that Jann jokingly proposes to the baker!

#110103 Field of Dreams; Hands on History

Travis Roy's college hockey debut was a moment of pure excitement—until tragedy struck just 11 seconds in, leaving him a quadriplegic. But his story didn't end there. Meet the man whose fields of dreams are helping Travis chase a new goal, one built on hope and resilience. Then, step inside a living museum where Rodney takes on the potter's wheel (with mixed results), and we finally answer an age-old question: what exactly is an ox?

#110104 Rolling Across Iowa

Every year, thousands of cyclists from across the U.S. and beyond pedal their way across Iowa. Demand is so high that organizers now cap participation at 8,500 and hold a lottery for entry. Jann and Rodney hit the route to meet some of the ride's most colorful characters (Team Spam, anyone?) and dive into quirky small-town traditions along the way. Ever tried your luck at Chicken Poop Bingo?

#120101 From Farm to Festival

Jann and Rodney trace sorghum from stalk to syrup, starting on a quiet Mennonite farm where the crop is grown, crushed, and cooked into sweet, amber goodness. Then it's off to a lively Virginia festival that celebrates the old-fashioned treat with music, food, and plenty of small-town charm. The adventure ramps up at the Virginia State Jousting Championships, where Jann takes a daring ride down the competition track—until her run comes to an abrupt, unforgettable stop!

#120102 The Sweet Taste of Yesterday

Step into a charming Vermont shop packed with nostalgic treasures you thought had disappeared long ago. Jann heads to the bakery to make their beloved 'button' cookies, while Rodney nearly puts his credit card into shock. Then it's off to learn how *real* maple syrup is made—tap by tap—but whose tree will deliver the most sap? The adventure wraps up in a family-run wooden toy workshop that feels like Santa's very own headquarters.

#120103 The Art of the Bale

Journey down Montana's whimsical '**Bale Trail**', where imagination runs wild across 22 miles of charming countryside. Along the route, you'll discover giant hay bales transformed into hilarious, artistic, and downright astonishing sculptures—crafted by creators from age **3 to 83**. The competition is surprisingly fierce, the creativity knows no bounds, and the whole experience is nothing short of *am-hay-zing*.

#120104 Fair Play and Udder Fun

Step into Southern California's **Mid-Winter Fair & Fiesta**, where anything you can make, bake, sew, grow, or show finds its moment to shine. Two best friends face off in a friendly livestock showdown, while Jann and Rodney visit a dairy with a remarkable **cow carousel** that milks 48 cows at once. And for a sweet finale—discover the fruit so sugary that some folks swear candy really *does* grow on trees.

#120105 Where Hope Takes Flight

Meet the young conservationists proving the future is in passionate hands. Then watch how one man's dream takes flight as a **World Bird Sanctuary** comes to life. Jann and Rodney even help feed a proud eagle and release a rehabilitated hawk back into the wild. Turns out, America's mystery baggage all lands in one small Alabama town—where thousands of items arrive daily and over a million curious shoppers flood in each year.

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#120106 The Taste of Savannah with Paula Deen

Rodney and Jann are in for a true Southern surprise when Paula Deen sweeps them through Savannah on a spirited, traffic-stopping private tour of the city she loves. The adventure gets even more delicious when Paula brings Jann into her own kitchen for a crash course in down-home cooking, while Rodney heads off to gather a little insider gossip from Paula's husband, Michael—straight from the source.

#120107 Oars of Art and the Colors of Hope

Did you know America has its very own canoe capital? We found it—and these aren't just canoes. They're breathtaking, handcrafted works of art, built from wood and canvas and shaped with pure devotion. Then we meet an inspiring group of students whose compassion rivals their leadership. Together, they help a young boy receive the service dog he's been dreaming of—then set out to "light their entire city blue," raising awareness and hope for families touched by autism.

#60110 Glad Tidings

A small Colorado town's come back from near extinction now boasts one of the most unique Christmas celebrations in the country. And every December the waters of Newport Beach, California glow with spirit of Christmas.

#60111 Christmas: Old School

Rodney and Jann enroll at the CW Howard Santa School in Midland, MI. It's a sneak peek inside the institution that's known as Yale of Yuletide education. And a look at a special Christmas tradition deep in the heart of Texas.

#90105 Celebrating Christmas in Big Ways

Lights! Lights! Everywhere Lights! You don't want to miss this dazzling display of Christmas lights that cover everything. Rodney and Jann add fun to the crowds of young and old in this tiny North Carolina town – bursting with yuletide spirit - known as Christmas Town USA! Then we visit a Christmas sweet spot in the heart of a small town known as Gingerbread Lane. Jon Lovitch works year-round creating hundreds of completely edible gingerbread houses topped with sweets that are on display every Christmas season. Get in the Christmas spirit as Rodney and Jann celebrate in a vintage New England town and learn to believe in Santa once again aboard the Polar Express

#90106 Jeff Foxworthy Talks Career and Christmas; The Queen of Ornaments

You'll go from belly laughs at Jeff Foxworthy's antics to beautiful messages from the heart in this episode. Jann and Rodney help us remember the real meaning of Christmas as they visit with this famous funny man – then find out how one precious lady went from making ornaments from her kitchen – to selling them around the world. Including Dollywood – and the White House.

#110105 Timeless Traditions: Exploring the Amana Colonies

We take you to a hidden German gem in the heart of the American prairie—the Amana Colonies. Founded in the mid-1800s, this 26,000-acre communal society is one of the longest-lasting in the world. In the 1930s, they opened their doors to visitors and began selling handcrafted goods, a tradition that continues today. Rodney attempts to learn their distinctive form of German while exploring these remarkably preserved villages, where history and craftsmanship still thrive.