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@familyrecords Unfrtunately not, but I have two sisters in Burlington, and they might be able to! about 1 hour ago 'reply ' retweet ' favorite

Wish I could go see ##WakeyWakeyinBurlington tonight, too!

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So I took my copy of Action Comics

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> Editor's Note:

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## The Snapshot:

**The Civil War** - It's Ken Burns. It's a documentary. What else do you need to know? Well this 150th Anniversary



The Civil War, Deadliest Earthquakes, ...



Commemorative Edition (commemorating the war, not the release of the documentary) is a 6-disc, 11-hour documentary of the highest order, with Burns in fine form and bringing the Civil actures along for the ride

War to life in your living room, with a few new extra features along for the ride.

**Deadliest Earthquakes** - Released before the Japan Tsunami, this fascinating and horrifying documentary looks at two recent devastating earthquakes, in Chile and Haiti. Harrowing stuff, but interesting.

**The Best Of Ask This Old House** - Learn how to do 44 household projects from the experts at This Old House. Includes before and after photos, downloadable materials, and two-discs worth of DIY goodness for those people out there who are way handier than I am.

**Julian Assange** - What is supposedly a documentary seems like a thinly veiled and cheaply produced puff piece out to strok Assange's ego, but skips over most of the controversial stuff. Directed by A.N. Other? As in another name for Assange inmself? Wouldn't surprise me.

**Birds of the Gods** - An interesting look at some amazing and beautiful birds of the New Guinea Rain Forest. Not the most interesting of all of the animal documentares PBS puts out, but certainly worth watching in high definition (the title is available on Blu-ray and DVD0 for the gorgeous footage.

**Bob Dylan** - Two new documentaries explore Dylan's career, basically splitting up his entire career over the course of two unrelated films. I'm not a big Dylan fan, but at almost two hours each, these really give a nice overview of a musical legend.

 $\mbox{Heart}$  - A nice recent concert from Heart, with a guest appearance by Allison Krauss. Not as rocking as they were back in the day, but it was nice to get some songs I dn't know along with all the big hits.

**Can We Live Forever?/How Smart Are Animals?/Can We Make it to Mars?** - Three new hour-long documentaries from PBS. Each one is broken up into segments, and each segment is written and directed by different talent, keeping things from getting dull or boring. Each documentary takes a stab at answering the questions the titles pose, but of course, most of them can't be answered concretely. Still, some fun science viewing.

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