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## CRITIC'S CORNER

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► NBC has finally found a way to make *Suddenly Susan* funny: replace it with a repeat of *Friends* (tonight, 8 ET/PT). All right, it's just one night, and it's an episode that has run twice (a repeat from last season that pits the friends in a competitive game of catch). But at least it's an opportunity to laugh at one of NBC's Monday night sitcoms, and when was the last time anyone did that? In a nice way, I mean.

► PBS premieres *Wonders of the African World With Henry Louis Gates Jr.* (9 p.m. ET/PT, times may vary), a six-part series spread over three nights that hopes to do for African civilization what Kenneth Clark's *Civilisation* did for the West. The series kicks off with *Black Kingdoms of the Nile*, a profile of ancient Nubia.

► Debra (Patricia Heaton) gets a visit from her sister Jennifer, played by guest star Ashley Crow, on the hit CBS sitcom *Everybody Loves Raymond* (9 p.m. ET/PT). Turns out Jennifer



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'Everybody Loves Raymond': Patricia Heaton, right, with guest star Ashley Crow

has changed her habits in ways that the family finds shocking.