

Winners & Losers 2002



AMERICA'S WATCHING

Reality still rules!
Plus, with or without Kim
Delaney, we will always
love a good crime show

From Must See TV to MTV, 2002 was filled with some hits, some flops, and more than a few surprises. Herein, the champs (Ozzy!) and the chumps (Ally) who best defined another season of laughter, tears, and above all, tuning in.

THE OSBOURNES (MTV) When MTV announced its cameras would document the personal life of an aging rocker who once bit the heads off small animals, who would have guessed they would create a TV phenomenon? The idea is simple, if a little odd: Ozzy Osbourne, the head-banging singer of "Crazy Train" and "Bark at the Moon," invites viewers into the shockingly normal life he

shares with his tough-talking wife Sharon, punky daughter Kelly and sarcastic son Jack. But amazingly, it's a show that your mother could, and probably does, embrace. Despite the steady stream of bleeped-out words, unintelligible conversations, ego trips and gross-out behavior, the Osbournes are a family like a lot of others out there. Sharon's cancer devastates the whole clan; Jack hugs his

parents before going out for the evening; the family dogs really rule the roost; everyone nurtures Kelly's burgeoning singing career. It's family values, the Ozzy way, equal parts *Family Ties* and *The Addams Family*. Who wouldn't want to watch that? Sharon has suggested that the show may end after the second season, but we're hoping that their antics go on well beyond 2003.