

Entertainment Outlook

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Q. Where did Shadoe Stevens get his name? — F.E.S., Rossiter, Pa.

A. The story he tells is that God told him to change his name. Stevens was born Terry Ingstad. He says that one day he was in Alamogordo, N.M., and God said he should call himself Shadoe Stevens henceforth. Maybe next time, God will teach him how to act.

Q. My father, William Oscar Lahti, died about four months before I was born. My mom has since died. Every time I see Christine Lahti, I wonder if she could be related. I would love, from my heart, to know. I haven't seen the Lahti name since I was 4 years old in Cape Cod, Mass. I know my family was from Finland originally. What can you tell me about Christine Lahti and her background? — I.L.G., Little Rock, Ark.

A. When I interviewed Christine Lahti, she told me her family was originally from Finland, too. Her father was surgeon in Michigan. But that's all I know. I've sent your letter on to her.



Shadoe Stevens Monte Markham

Q. Who was the woman Susan Hayward portrayed in the movie "I Want to Live"? — J.H., Wallenstein, Ontario.

A. It was Susan Hayward — and she played a real person, Barbara Graham, a prostitute who was framed — in this film, at least — and executed for murder. Hayward won an Oscar for her performance in the 1958 movie.

Q. What was the name of the series Chad Everett was in, in which he played a doctor? — L.B., Togo, Minn.

A. That was "Medical Center," which ran from 1969 to 1976.

Q. I have a bet with my parents: On "Baywatch," I say the star is David Soul. My parents say no. I'm talking about the actor who plays the leader of the whole patrol, not David Hasselhoff. — S.C., Port St. Lucie, Fla.

A. You're talking about Monte Markham — not David Soul. Mark-

ham plays the captain of all those lusty lifeguards.

Q. I have a bet with a friend about "Renegades." Was it a movie or a series? I say it was a series, starring Patrick Swayze. — M.H., Dixon, Ill.

A. It was both, actually. There was a TV series in 1983 on ABC, starring Swayze and Randi Brooks. But there have been two movies with that title — one in 1930 with Warner Baxter and Myrna Loy; the other in 1989 with Kiefer Sutherland and Lou Diamond Phillips.

Q. Did Elizabeth Taylor play Helen Burns in the '44 version of "Jane Eyre"? — A.P.E., Wyomissing, Pa.

A. Yes. That was just her third film role. It wasn't until later that same year, when she starred in "National Velvet," that she became famous.

Q. Could you please tell me who Connie Chung is married to? Is he also on TV? — M.E., Sweetwater, Texas.

A. In her private life, Connie is Mrs. Maury Povich. He is the anchorman of a New York-based TV news program.

Q. Are there any books out about movie stars who died and how they died? I enjoy so many stars, and I was shocked to read in your column some time ago that Brandon De Wilde had died. — P.D., Reading, Pa.

A. No, there is no such book. It might be a good idea for the morbid among us — call it "Who Used To Be Who." The closest is the annual World Almanac which has a comprehensive list of stars who are deceased.

Q. Some time ago, I saw an ad for the movie "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest," and it said it was in color. I have seen the movie three times, but it was always in black and white. Have they colorized this film? — C.W.W., New Albany, Ind.

A. If you saw it three times in black and white, you must have seen it on a black and white TV set. It was always in color.

Q. My question is about Lucille Ball. Did she ever make a movie called "DuBarry Was a Lady"? If she did, she wasn't the star. I never forgot that picture. — L.C., Morille, Iowa.

A. You may never have forgotten it, but your memory is a bit spotty. Lucille Ball was indeed the female lead in that '43 film, with Red Skelton and Gene Kelly as her co-stars.

Q. Could you please tell me who is Candice Bergen's mother? I know her father was Edgar Bergen. — M.T., Bechtelsville, Pa.

A. Can you tell me about Andrew Stevens? I wondered about his parents — Stella Stevens and ??? — L.J., Clute, Texas.

A. Andrew Stevens' father was a gentleman named Noble Herman Stephens. Candice Bergen's mother is a beautiful ex-New York model named Frances Westerman. She has done some acting in movies and TV as Frances Bergen.



Stephen King Julie Newmar

Q. Some of my middle-school friends and I are Stephen King fans and we are wondering if you give us a mailing address for him. — M.L., Naples, Fla.

A. You should know by now that I don't print addresses, even if I know them. But King lives in Bangor, Maine, and I imagine a letter addressed to him there would be sent to him. He is Bangor's star citizen.

Q. My friend and I have a bet concerning Julie Newmar. During the "Batman" series, when she was Catwoman, I bet she was under 120 pounds and less than 5 feet 6 inches tall. He says she was heavier and taller. Also, I say she was less than 25 when she played Catwoman, and he says she was older. If I'm correct I win a steak. — G.A.M., Erie, Pa.

A. Pay up. Julie's statistics list her at 5 foot 10, 130 pounds. And since she was born in '30 and "Batman" ran from 1966-'68, she was somewhere around 36 when she was Catwoman.

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