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Mickey and Michael  
on reader's mind

By Taylor Michaels

Q: I was wondering if you could give me some information about Mickey Rooney and Michael Keaton. —Jamie Wolf, Detroit Lakes, Minn.

A: Rooney was born Joe Yule Jr. on Sept. 23, 1920, in Brooklyn, N.Y. In 1921, he appeared as Baby New Year on the stage where his parents were appearing. At 6, he was already a veteran, having appeared as Mickey McGuire in several short comic films. He then went on to star in *Boys Town*, *Babes in Arms*, *Captains Courageous* and appeared in his first Andy Hardy film in 1937. He received special Oscars in both 1938 and 1983. Rooney has had eight wives, beginning with Ava Gardner in 1942. In the late '60s, Rooney joined the Church of Religious Science, which he claimed changed his life. The actor's biography, *The Beginning and the Middle*, was published in 1985. He currently appears in *The Adventures of the Black Stallion* on The Family Channel.

Michael Keaton was born Michael Douglas on Sept. 9, 1951, in Pittsburgh. He is the youngest of seven children. After attending a couple years of college, he got a job at a Pittsburgh PBS affiliate as part of the technical crew. Three years later, he moved to Los Angeles and landed a small part on the series *Maude*. Norman Lear was impressed by the actor and gave him a recurring role on the show. It was his film debut in *Night Shift* that started his climb to stardom. Keaton's upcoming movie, the sequel to *Batman*, will be released June 19.

Q: I am writing to find out if you have any information you could give me on Krusty the Clown. I recently saw his movie *Point Break* and I have come to be a big admirer of his. I thought he looked really cute in Bill and Ted's Excellent Adventure. I want to find out as much as I can about this handsome "dude." —Stacey George, Benton, Ark.

A: Krusty is a very private person. All I have for you is an address. Write him c/o of PMK, 955 South Carroll Drive, Suite 200, Los Angeles, Calif., 90048.

Q: I just want the networks to know we are sick of talk shows. They take off game shows and other shows and replace them with talk shows. We were



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getting three talk shows a year ago. Now we are getting eight in the daytime schedule. I have seen the same shows with different hosts. I'm sick of listening to other people's troubles. They aren't all that interesting. —June Brammer, Kennebec, S.D.

A: Most of the talk shows do not originate from the networks. Most of them are syndicated and your local stations decide whether to show them or not. Write your local stations and let them know how you feel.

Q: I would like to know if Melanie Griffith is Andy Griffith's daughter. —Irene Winn, Manteca, Calif.

A: They are not related. Melanie is the daughter of Tippi Hedren, an actress famous for her performance in Hitchcock's *The Birds* and *Marnie*.

Q: I would like an address for Johnny Depp so I can write him and tell him I loved Edward Scissorhands. I would also like information on Arnold Schwarzenegger. —Becky Mooneyham, McMinnville, Tenn.

A: Write Depp care of ICM, 8899 Beverly Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif., 90048. Schwarzenegger was born in Austria on July 30, 1947. He began bodybuilding at 15 and went on to win the Mr. Universe competition in 1969. In 1976, he appeared in *Stay Hungry* and then *Pumping Iron* in 1977. Action films like *Predator* made him a superstar. Schwarzenegger is married to Maria Shriver, and they have two daughters.

Send your questions about the world of entertainment to Let's Talk, Features Dept., P.O. Box 961009, Fort Worth, Texas, 76161-1009.

Name Belushi's  
first movie

By Steven Alan McGaw

Questions:

1. Identify the film, starring Jack Nicholson, in which John Belushi made his feature debut.
2. The film *Panic in the Streets* is set in what city?
3. Name the actor who played Billy the Kid in the film *Dirty Little Billy*.
4. Identify this character: Terry Dunn.
5. Who played the father, mother and daughter, respectively, in 1950's original version of *Father of the Bride*? (Bonus: Who directed the film?)
6. Ronald Reagan's last film was ...
7. In the movie *Breaking Away*, what did Dave Stoller's dad do for a living? (Bonus: Who played the role?)
8. This comedy team was the nation's top box office attraction in 1952.

Answers:

1. *Drive, He Said*.
2. New York City.
3. Paul Doolley played Mr. Stoller, a used car salesman.
4. The 1964 remake of *The Killers*.
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Pierce Brosnan discusses his role in *The Lawnmower Man* on Thursday's *Entertainment Tonight*.