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Woody a Texas export;
'Li'l' bit different

By Taylor Michaels

Q: I'm very interested in knowing a little about Woody Harrelson from Cheers and White Men Can't Jump. Is he really from Indiana? If so, is he from Hanover, like in Cheers? What are my chances of meeting him here in Indiana? Is there an address where I can write him? —Stacey Fenzel, Peru, Ind.

A: Harrelson was born in Midland, Texas, but he was raised in Ohio, where he got his first taste of acting in a Lebanon High School drama class.

He then attended Hanover College in Indiana, where he appeared in more than two dozen stage productions before receiving a bachelor of arts degree and moving to New York. (It's surely no coincidence that his character hails from Hanover.)

The actor frequently tours with his band, Manly Moondog and the Three Kool Kats (they appeared on the ABC in Concert: Halloween Jam at Universal Studios special), and other than a surprise speaking engagement at his alma mater, this is probably the best way to catch him in person. You may write Harrelson in care of Creative Artists Agency, 9830 Wilshire Blvd., Beverly Hills, Calif., 90212. Perhaps an inquiry as to his band's future play dates will reveal a location near you.

Q: I am a big fan of Shirley MacLaine. She is such a fine and diversified actress. I had a great time with my mother at her recent performance with Frank Sinatra at Radio City Music Hall. Could you please tell me where I can write to her? —Jessica Rith, Queens, New York.

A: It's true, the Metaphysical One (born Shirley MacLean Beatty — Warren's sis) is 58 and still shaking a leg with the best of them. You may write her in care of ICM, 8899 Beverly Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif., 90048.

Q: There used to be a show on television called Hardball. The characters' names were Charlie Battles and "Kaz." Can you please tell me what Kaz's full character name was? —Dana L. Gelfo, Mokena, Ill.

A: Richard Tyson played young, motorcycle-straddling cop Joe "Kaz" Kacziorowski to John Ashton's older Battles. The show first ran in the fall of 1989 and was "retooled" for another run in the summer of 1990, but it was canceled immediately afterward.



Woody Harrelson

Q: I've been a fan of actor Powers Boothe for years. Would you be so kind as to tell me a little more about him and if CBS is going to show his movie Family of Spies again? —Richard Candler, High Point, N.C.

A: Boothe was born in 1949 in Snyder, Texas, and won a 1980 Emmy Award for his performance in Guyana Tragedy: The Story of Jim Jones. Boothe's other films include Emerald Forest, By Dawn's Early Light, A Breed Apart, A Cry for Love, The Plutonium Incident, Southern Comfort, Into the Homeland, Southern Double Cross and Extreme Prejudice. The two-part miniseries Family of Spies: The Walker Spy Ring, co-starring Lesley Ann Warren, could reappear on an independent TV station or perhaps on a network like USA. CBS has not announced any plans to rebroadcast it at this date. Keep an eye on your local listings.

Q: When I was younger I saw a movie called Little Abner. It was full of life, fun and music. I have been looking for it since that time and would now love for my kids to see it. Is it on video? —Diane Welty, Ingram, Texas.

A: Both the 1940 dramatic comedy and the 1959 musical comedy based on Al Capp's Dogpatch comic-strip characters are available on videotape, but only under the vernacular spelling of Li'l Abner. The slight difference in spelling may have thrown you off the trail at your video store.

Send all questions to Let's Talk, Features Dept., P.O. Box 961009, Fort Worth, Texas, 76161-1009.

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Who liked
gin?

By Steven Alan McGaw

Questions:

1. In *The African Queen*, what was Charlie Allnut's liquor of choice? (Bonus: Name the character and the film in which the same intoxicant is referred to as "my only weakness.")
2. The second film to pair Robert Redford and Paul Newman was ...
3. In 1966's *The Bible*, what animals were the first to board Noah's ark?
4. Two actors have received Oscars for portraying the same character in separate films. Identify the role, the performers and the movies.
5. Who took the title role in 1944's *Jane Eyre*?
6. What color stockings did Shirley MacLaine wear in *Irma La Douce*?
7. What 1930 film was advertised with the slogan "Garbo Talks!"?
8. In *Breaking Away*, what was the name of Dave's cat?

Answers:

1. Gin was favored by both Charlie and Dr. Precious (Ernest Thesiger) in *The Bridge of Frankenstein*.
2. *The Sting*.
3. The zebra.
4. Marlon Brando and Robert De Niro were recognized for their portrayals of Al Capone in, respectively, *The Godfather* and *The Godfather, Part II*.
5. Joan Fontaine.
6. Green.
7. *Anna Christie*.
8. Fella.



Thursday on CBS' *Knots Landing*, Anne (Michelle Phillips, pictured) marries Greg (William Devane).