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Long list of former cast members return for season finale of 'Dallas'

Mary Crosby, Linda Gray, Steve Kanaly, Jack Scalia, Ted Shackelford and Joan Van Ark returned to the *Dallas* set to guest star on the season's two-hour finale. Producer Leonard Katzman predicts, "It will be the greatest cliffhanger in the history of the series." Joel Grey also guest stars on the episode scheduled to air mid-May.

Vivian Vance, who played Lucille Ball's pal Ethel Mertz in the *I Love Lucy* series, was honored posthumously on Valentine's Day with a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

Producer Aaron Spelling has announced a *Dynasty* reunion is scheduled to air as a miniseries in November. Many of the stars will return for the ABC show.

CBS Sports' second straight season of Major League Baseball coverage begins Saturday, April 20, when the New York Mets visit the Montreal Expos, and the Detroit Tigers play the Chicago White Sox. This broadcast will be the first of 16 on the network.

Sidney Poller, after an absence of 35 years from television, returns to star in *Separate But Equal*, a GM Mark of Excellence presentation. The two-part miniseries will air in April on ABC.



Jack Scalia

Sisters Audrey and Jayne Meadows act together for the first time in more than 20 years, portraying sisters, in an episode scheduled to be broadcast later this season on *Uncle Buck*. "We haven't done anything like this since the old *Steve Allen Show*," noted Audrey, who stars as Mrs. Hogoboom on the series.

Producer Fred Silverman has announced that Andy Griffith will be returning in the fall for his fifth season on *Matlock*. Griffith had previously announced this would be his last year in the titled role.

What do you know about the Oscars?

By Steven Alan McGraw

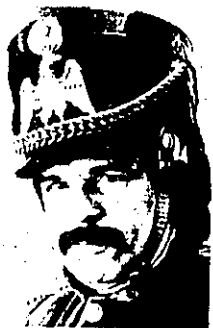
It's Oscar week and I'm excited! Many thanks to actor and Oscar-ophile Steven Morris for his help with this Academy Awards-related quiz.

Questions:

1. One year the Oscar telecast ended 20 minutes earlier than the network had allotted. a) What was the year? b) Who was the host of that segment of the show? c) How did they fill the time?
2. Name the first year in which the winners were revealed by the opening of sealed envelopes.
3. Can you identify the first year in which all nominees for the best actress and actor trophies were born in the U.S.?
4. Cite the first and only person ever to win an Academy Award entirely by write-in vote.
5. Only one round of Oscar presentations have occurred in which no film took more than one award. When?
6. When were the supporting actor and actress awards added?

Answers:

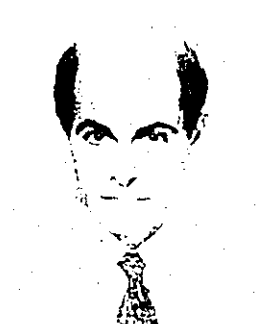
1. 1968. The Academy Awards telecast was cut short by a fire in the lobby of the Hollywood Roosevelt Theatre. The telecast was cut short by a fire in the lobby of the Hollywood Roosevelt Theatre. The telecast was cut short by a fire in the lobby of the Hollywood Roosevelt Theatre.
2. 1929.
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5. 1968.
6. 1955.



James Van Der Beek stars as a swashbuckling sergeant on *Zorro*, Fridays on The Family Channel.



Betsy King will defend her title during the Nabisco Dinah Shore Invitational, Saturday on ABC.



Brackman (Alan Rachin) sends his firm into an uproar Thursday on NBC's *L.A. Law*.