**Classic Hollywood Packet**

**Tossups by Hedda Buzzer**

**When this performer was briefly considered for the role of Mrs. Robinson in *The Graduate*, she told Mike Nichols "I strip for nobody."After this woman swam nude in Ernest Hemingway's pool, he remarked "The water is not to be emptied." Early in the film *The Band Wagon*, reporters ignore Fred Astaire's character to take photos of this actress. Legendarily, after seeing a screen test for her, Louis B. Mayer said "she can't sing, she can't act, she can't talk, she's terrific!" Mickey Rooney's first wife, she was played by** Kate Beckinsale in the Howard Hughes biopic *The Aviator*. For 10 points, name this second wife of Frank Sinatra and star of films like *Mogambo* and *The Barefoot Contessa*.

ANSWER: Ava Lavinia **Gardner**

**When this actor hosted *Saturday Night Live*, he showed a short film his daughter directed called “Out of Gas.”The film *She Shoulda Said No!* was inspired by this man’s arrest for marijuana possession and sentencing to a prison farm. On *Family Guy*, he is billed as the star of the film *Out of Shape In Shape Guy* and he played Bill Murray’s boss in *Scrooged*.This man was the original narrator in the “Beef…it’s what for dinner” ad campaign. He placed a song on the Billboard charts titled “The Ballad of Thunder Road.” The antagonist in the original** *Cape Fear*, his best known role has “love” and “hate” tattooed on his knuckles.For 10 points, name this actor who played the psychotic Reverend Harry Powell in *The Night of the Hunter*.

ANSWER: Robert Charles Durman **Mitchum**

**The villainous “The Frog” on the *Courageous Cat* cartoon resembled this actor. In order to avoid blacklisting, he wrote the article “How the Reds Made a Sucker Out of Me” in 1952. According to Wikipedia, “Tan Divo” on *Star Wars: The Clone Wars* is supposed to be a caricature of this man. This man partnered with Vincent Price to run an art gallery, reflecting his passion for collecting. He was caricatured as “Rocky,” the partner of Hugo in a** Bugs Bunny cartoon. Last year’s MUT suggested that I resemble this actor, who is associated with the much imitated line “where’s your Messiah now?”, a reference to his role in *The Ten Commandments*. This actor was explicitly the inspiration for Chief Wiggum.For 10 points, name this actor best known for playing gangsters in films like *Little Caesar*.

ANSWER: Edward Goldenberg **Robinson** [or Emanuel **Goldenberg**]

**While working on *Saturday Night Live*, Tim Kazurinsky said he had a test in which he told a crude joke about this actor to guest hosts to see if they would laugh. In the Suzanne Vega song "Tom's Diner," the singer implicitly reads about the death of this man in the paper.In Walker Percy's *The Moviegoer*, this actor comes out of Pirate's Alley and Binx observes him having his cigarette lit by a young man. In a TV guest shot, this man meets a woman who disguises herself with rhinestone-studded glasses and a** huge putty nose that catches on fire. That guest shot was the first *I Love Lucy* episode to take place in Hollywood. This actor played a man who narrates a movie while his corpse rests in a swimming pool, and he himself infamously died when he hit his forehead on a table while drunk and bled to death. For 10 points, name this actor who played screenwriter Joe Gillis in *Sunset Boulevard*.

ANSWER: William **Holden** [or William Franklin **Beedle** Jr.]

**Wikipedia claimed this man directed “the first popular dance battle movie,” *Fast Forward*. This man has directed Bill Cosby in numerous films, including the critically maligned *Ghost Dad*. A more popular film he directed starred Gene Wilder and Richard Pryor as inmates and was called *Stir Crazy*. He was the star of a 1967 film that inspired a #1 pop song by Lulu entitled** “To Sir With Love.”In a 2005 loose remake of one of this actor’s earlier roles in which he played a doctor, his role was played by Ashton Kutcher. This man claimed an Oscar for playing a handyman who helps European nuns in the film *Lilies of the Field*.For 10 points, name this first African-American to win the Oscar for Best Actor, a star of movies like *In the Heat of the Night*.

ANSWER: Sir Sidney **Poitier**

**This man’s last “film” role was appearing in a safety short for the Construction Safety Associations of Ontario called “The Scribe.” The National Film Board of Canada also produced one of his last film roles, a travelogue entitled *The Railrodder*. In a television guest appearance, he played a janitor named Woodrow Mulligan who leaves the town Harmony to go into 1962, which he soon dislikes; that appearance is a** *Twilight Zone* episode titled “Once Upon a Time.” This man has a very brief cameo as “Jimmy the Crook,” a boatman in *It’s a Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad World*, and his final actual movie role was as “Erronius” in *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*. This man played a person known only as “O” in the Samuel Beckett written film *Film*. For 10 points, name this silent film comedian known for his pork pie hates, “The Great Stone Face” who starred in *The General*.

ANSWER: Joseph Frank “Buster” **Keaton**

**This actress claimed to be the cousin of her real-life relative, Israeli President Shimon Peres. A famous commercial for High Point coffee featured her saying the line “around here we don’t like coffee…we love it!” An infamous photo of her sitting on a piano being played by Harry Truman hurt the President politically. She got her start appearing on an iconic *Harper’s Bazaar* cover promoting a Red Cross blood drive. On the *Sopranos* episode “Luxury Lounge,” a masked Christopher punched and robbed his actress of her gift bag. This actress divorced husband** Jason Robards in 1969 due to his alcoholism. In her first major film role, she asks Harry Morgan “you know how to whistle, don’t you?” in *To Have and Have Not*. For 10 points, name this actress who was the final wife of Humphrey Bogart.

ANSWER: Lauren **Bacall** [or Betty Joan **Perske**]

**A 2005 book subtitled *The Parallel Sayings* recorded similar quotes of this actor and John Lennon. In his last film appearance, this man played a gangster named "God" in a LSD-themed film for Otto Preminger. Late in life, his controversial companion and manager was Erin Fleming. Woody Allen and Goldie Hawn dress like this man at the end of the film** *Everyone Says I Love You*. Gabe Kaplan played this actor in a one-man show and frequently impersonated him on the sitcom *Welcome Back, Kotter*.His theme song was "Hooray for Captain Spaulding." For 10 points, name this original host of *You Bet Your Life*, a mustachioed member of a clan of brothers that starred in films like *Duck Soup*.

ANSWER: Julius Henry "Groucho" **Marx**

**Charlton Heston said the most humiliating incident of his life was watching this woman's husband verbally abuse her in public. According to medical historian Barron Lerner, she became "the first public face of Alzheimer's" in the 1980's. In *Ziegfeld Follies*, Fred Astaire jokingly confuses Gene Kelly for this actress and reportedly Astaire claimed that this actress, not Ginger Rogers, was his favorite dance partner. This woman was married to both** Prince Aly Khan and Orson Welles, and the atomic bomb tested at Bikini Atoll apparently bore an image of this actress. In one of her most famous roles, she sings "Put the Blame on Mame." For 10 points, name this actress who played femme fatale roles in movies like *Gilda* and *The Lady from Shanghai*.

ANSWER: Rita **Hayworth** [or Margarita Carmen **Cansino**]

**According to a Harry Turtledove book, this man starred in the film *Rescuing Private Renfall*, a parody of *Saving Private Ryan*.In a commercial, this man wears a cowboy hat while being interviewed by Gig Young. The amusingly named Donald Turnupseed was ruled innocent of any blame in this man's death. Germaine Greer wrote that it was obvious that this actor "was as queer as a coot," and several acquaintances have confirmed that rumor. Jack imitates this man in the** song "Jack and Diane." Shortly before his death, this man filmed a commercial where he ad-libbed "The life you might save might be mine" in promoting safe driving. He died while driving a vehicle he referred to as "Little Bastard." For 10 points, name this youthful actor who died in a 1955 car crash, the star of *Rebel Without a Cause*.

ANSWER: James **Dean**

**The Vatican sent Father Silvio Massante to investigate outlandish rumors about this actress. J.B. Matthews of the American League for Peace and Democracy accused this actress of being a Communist decoy. Her first husband was the star of horror films such as *The Mole People* and *Revenge of the Creature*. In 1968, while representing a medical society, she saw Soviet forces firing on civilians during** Prague Spring.Graham Greene controversially wrote about her "well-shaped and desirable little body," and she was depicted as a sphinx by Salvador Dali in a painting that called her "the most sacred monster of the cinema." During the Velvet Revolution, this conservative served as the ambassador to Czechoslovakia. For 10 points, name this star of *Curly Top*, a curly-haired child actress from the 1930's.

ANSWER: Shirley **Temple** [or Shirley Temple **Black**]

**This man doubtless displeased Marshall Steinbaum when he wrote to Jimmy Carter and said "Israel is the only successful democracy in the Middle East." The *Harvard Lampoon*'s "Worst Actor of the Year" Award was named for this man. Much of his better known films were produced by his own company, Bryna. In the 1960's, this man bought the rights to the novel *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest* and starred in a play version on stage before giving up the rights to the eventual film producer, a relative. He re-embraced Judaism after a 1991 helicopter crash. This man noted that** Anne Hathaway was "gorgeous" in a hammy Oscar speech. Wikipedia says he "helped to end the Hollywood blacklist" by insisting that Dalton Trumbo get credit for writing his film about gladiators. For 10 points, name this star of *Spartacus*.

ANSWER: **K**irk **Douglas** [or Issur Danielovitch **Demsky**]

**In an appearance on Michael Parkinson's talk show, this man came out dressed as a Gestapo member. This man sent his daughter a telegram saying he wouldn't speak to her again after his children critiqued a 1979 film he made. On *The Muppet Show*, this actor told Kermit he does not exist and that there is no "real me." This man believed he lost an Oscar because one of his critically acclaimed films ended with an outtake of him blowing a line where he speaks in "jive." He refused to appear on the same set with Orson Welles, which complicated the shooting of the** 1967 *Casino Royale*. This man's longtime director, Blake Edwards, noted he was mentally unhinged.For 10 points, name this British actor who played Inspector Clouseau in *The Pink Panther* movies.

ANSWER: Richard Henry "Peter" **Sellers**

**In a commercial, this actor muses on the "age of miracles" while demonstrating a Polaroid camera. That commercial was referenced in a film in which his widow played a teacher who insists this actor played an early "action hero." In his old age, this man awarded an Oscar to the producers of *Amadeus* without bothering to read the other nominees. This man is mentally replaced by Arnold Schwarzenegger by the daydreaming protagonist at the beginning of** *Last Action Hero*. He reportedly asked a colleague who was actually not sleeping to simulate fatigue if it would be easier to just act; that man was Dustin Hoffman. This man had a tumultuous nearly 20 year long marriage to Vivien Leigh. For 10 points, name this actor who an Oscar for his 1948 version of *Hamlet*.

ANSWER: Laurence Kerr **Olivier**

**This actress' uncle was the Pulitzer winning author of the play *Craig's Wife*. A famous *Collier*'s photo by Howell Conant shows her rising from water with wet hair. When she won the Oscar, the favorite that year was Judy Garland, who was about to make an acceptance speech from the hospital. She turned down the lead in** *Marnie* because she did not want to play a kleptomaniac. A 2014 film about her was attacked by this actress' family, premiered in the U.S. on Lifetime, and starred Nicole Kidman.She died in 1982 in a car accident when a stroke caused her to drive down a mountainside. For 10 points, name this actress who left Hollywood to marry Rainier III and become the Princess of Monaco.

ANSWER: Grace Patricia **Kelly**

**This man died before he could accept the role of Grandpa Joe in Tim Burton's *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*. He did not serve in World War II because of a back injury suffered during Martha Graham's dance classes. This man's son, Carey, lost a congressional race twice to Republican Bob Dornan. In a commercial, this man does a voice-over describing a man's "strange idea about what justice is," including support for poll taxes and literacy tests. Lyndon Johnson contemplated offering this actor an ambassadorship to Ireland, and he narrated TV commercials against** Robert Bork's Supreme Court nomination. In a rare villainous role, this man played Dr. Mengele in *The Boys from Brazil*.For 10 points, name this actor who played Atticus Finch in *To Kill a Mockingbird*.

ANSWER: Eldred Gregory **Peck**

**Two Eastern European immigrants dug up and stole this man’s coffin to extort money from his widow. He was accused of violating the Mann Act during his affair with Joan Barry. His only competitive Oscar came for Best Original Score in 1973 for one of his older re-released films. In one of his last film roles, he played a man who uses a fire hose on members of HUAC. This actor’s actual last film appearance was as a steward in an unsuccessful movie starring Marlon Brando as “Ambassador Ogden Mears.” This man married the teenage daughter of** Eugene O’Neill and was involved in a contentious battle with Orson Welles about who really wrote his black comedy based on the serial killer Landru. This star of *Monsieur Verdoux* played the dictator Adenoid Hynkel on film. For 10 points, name this silent film comedian who played the Little Tramp.

ANSWER: Sir Charles “Charlie” **Chaplin**

**Regarding her more famous screen name, this actress said the first name was meant to be pronounced with two syllables and the surname reminded her of an animal. This person accepted the Oscar on behalf of the absent Anne Bancroft, which some said was simply an attempt at grabbing the spotlight. Xander Berkeley’s film debut was in a movie about this woman. While over sixty years old, she played a 28 year old character on the** soap opera *The Secret Storm*. She effectively succeeded her late husband on the board of the Pepsi Cola Company. In the pilot of *Night Gallery*, this actress played a blind woman who purchases a man’s eyes.A depiction of this woman screams “no wire hangers” at her daughter in the Faye Dunaway film *Mommie Dearest*.For 10 points, name this star of *Mildred Pierce*.

ANSWER: Joan **Crawford** [or Lucille **LeSueur**]

**This actor played himself in a *Fall Guy* episode set on a train. He controversially wrote an article memorializing his friend Stanley Baker in which he discussed Baker’s womanizing escapades. This man reportedly replied “both” after being asked if he wanted to be thought of as a great actor or a household word. For years, a hologram of this man was used to narrate *Jeff Wayne’s Musical Version of The War of the Worlds*. This man once competed with Robert Kennedy over who could recite the greatest number of Shakespeare’s sonnets, and he was banned from the BBC after he wrote an article questioning Winston Churchill’s sanity. His memoir, *A Christmas Story*, is set in a small town in** Wales. This man won a Tony for playing King Arthur in the original *Camelot*. For 10 points, name this Shakespearean actor twice married to Elizabeth Taylor.

ANSWER: Richard **Burton** [or Richard Walter **Jenkins**]

**During the Yeltsin administration, a film starring this man became the first American program to be broadcast on Russian television. He’s not Ronald Colman, but he and his wife were depicted as Jack Benny’s neighbors on the TV version of *The Jack Benny Program*. This man got into a fistfight with Henry Fonda, after which they resolved never to discuss politics again. He began writing poetry in his later years and penned a tribute to his late** dog Beau that he read on the *Tonight Show*. In impassioned testimony, this man told Congress that colorizing black-and-white films was “artistically wrong.” This man’s last film role was as Sheriff Wylie Burp in *An American Tail: Fievel Goes West*. He oddly won an Oscar for one of his lesser roles, the reporter in *The Philadelphia Story*.For 10 points, name this actor who starred in *It’s a Wonderful Life*.

ANSWER: James “Jimmy” **Stewart**

**Martin Short claims that a *SNL* studio audience refused to laugh or applaud when this man cameoed, leading to it being cut at dress rehearsal. He said “confidence is very *sexy*!” when doing a commercial for Skin Bracer aftershave. Gene Colan said he based his drawings of Dracula on this actor, and Jack Kirby reportedly based Darkseid on him.A persistent urban legend is that this man ad-libbed** Marisa Tomei’s name in awarding her the Best Supporting Actress Oscar, while another story says that his distinctive face was due to being in a plane crash during World War II. When he won the Oscar, he announced he crapped bigger than host Billy Crystal and also memorably did one-handed push-ups on stage. For 10 points, name this man who won an Oscar for playing Curly in *City Slickers*.

ANSWER: Jack **Palance** [or Volodymyr **Palahniuk**]

**This man frequently claimed that his middle name is Foghorn. He married the former wife of William Saroyan. When he won an Oscar, he accepted the award with a bruised face having just been in a bicycle accident. A persistent urban legend states that his man’s real last name was a seventeen letter name ending in “yasky,” which was a joke this man started; he used that awkward last name as billing for his cameo in *Earthquake*. His most frequent co-star directed him in the comedy film** *Kotch*. He had a heart attack in 1966, interrupting the filming of scenes for his Oscar winning role in *The Fortune Cookie*.For 10 points, name this actor noted for his frequent co-starring roles with Jack Lemmon.

ANSWER: Walter **Matthau** [or Walter **Matthow**]

**A character becomes upset when he misses a chance to reenact this event in a David Cronenberg film that adapts J.G. Ballard’s novel about Dr. Robert Vaughan’s fetish cult. A conspiracy theory says this event was the result of a curse on a woman’s lover named Sam Brody. Kenneth Anger’s *Hollywood Babylon* shows a photo of a dead dog apparently killed in this event. Other conspiracy theorists note that this incident occurred about a year after a woman joined Anton LaVey’s** Church of Satan. It led to a requirement that an underride guard be placed on all tractor-trailers. This incident resulted in the death of three adults, although the three children in the backseat survived and the rumors that one woman was decapitated are untrue. For 10 points, name this June 1967 car accident that killed the famous sex symbol mother of Mariska Hargitay.

ANSWER: **death** of Jayne **Mansfield** [or Vera Jayne **Palmer**]

**Roger Moore said this rumor was exaggerated, comparing it to the practice of taking “selfies” today. After Garry Trudeau joked about this rumor in *Doonesbury* when a man received a Medal of Freedom, that man said Trudeau was as “funny as a tumor.” Because Mike Royko hinted at this rumor, the man it involves called him a “pimp.” This rumor explains how a man could work as a middleman for another man to obtain** Chicago funding to win the West Virginia Democratic primary. This rumor is frequently brought up to explain how a performer got the Oscar winning role of Angelo Maggio, which was dramatized as a subplot involving Johnny Fontane in *The Godfather*.For 10 points, name this persistent rumor which suggests a singer/actor had criminal connections.

ANSWER: That Francis “Frank” **Sinatra** was connected to the **mob**

**The director kept changing ideas for the ending of this film, at one point claiming the actual moon landing foiled his idea that the title character would end up on the moon. When this film finally premiered in incomplete form at Cannes, Costa-Gavras supervised it because its director had died the year before. Patty McCormack, best known for playing the lead in *The Bad Seed*, plays Dulcie, a girl who befriends the title character in Mexico City.This film adaptation takes the original story and sets it in the present day, with the title character attacking a movie screen with a sword in one key scene. It is mentioned in *Ed Wood* by its director, who says the** financing for it fell through for the third time. Some of the earliest filming of it took place after the director had been removed from *Touch of Evil*; it was originally to feature Charlton Heston as the title character.For 10 points, name this never completed Orson Welles that adapted a Cervantes work.

ANSWER: ***Don Quixote***