

Singer Phil Collins could have been a Bugaloo

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Dear Ken: Who were the Boogaloos? My mom calls me and my sisters that sometimes, and we don't know what she is talking about.

I'm guessing your mom is a child of the '70s and must be referring to "The Bugaloos," a 1970-1972 Saturday morning TV show for kiddos. The series featured a musical quartet of four teens with British accents. The young actors had antennas and wings and could fly. Their characters were Harmony, a bumblebee; Joy, a butterfly; Courage, a ladybug; and I.Q., a grasshopper. They lived in Tranquility Forest and had an enemy in the jealous Benita Bizarre (Martha Raye). The show was produced by brothers Sid and Marty Krofft and ran for 17 episodes. Among those who tried out for the show was a young singer named Phil Collins, who now must be thankful he didn't win a role.

Dear Ken: What can you tell us about Asa Butterfield, the boy who stars in the movie "Hugo"?

That would be London-born Asa Maxwell Thornton F. Butterfield, 14, who began acting at age 7. Two years later he got his first starring role in the film "The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas." He then played Mordred in three episodes of the Syfy Channel's "Merlin," before appearing with Anthony Hopkins in the 2010 film "The Wolfman." That same year he also starred as Norman in "Nanny McPhee and the Big Band." He next may star as Ender Wiggin in "Ender's Game," which is slated to begin filming in Louisiana in two months. Butterfield has an older brother, Morgan (a drummer in the English band Oates), and a younger sister. He plays the piano, computer games and squash and enjoys reading. He also has two pet cats.

Dear Ken: In James Garner's "The Rockford Files" TV show, what was Rockford's first name? How many episodes were there?

The detective's name was James ("Jim") Scott Rockford. The series ran from 1974 to 1980, and there were 122 episodes and eight TV movies. A pilot for a new version of the series was made in 2010 with Dermot Mulroney playing Rockford. NBC passed on it.

Dear Ken: What has happened to Patricia Heaton who played the wife and mother on "Everybody Loves Raymond"?

Heaton, 53, currently stars as Frankie Heck on the ABC sitcom "The Middle." She and British actor David Hunt have been married since 1990 and have four sons ranging in age from 18 to 12. They divide their time between Los Angeles and Buckinghamshire, England, and they also own a house in Heaton's hometown of Bay Village, Ohio.

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