

celebrity q&a

BY JAY BOBBIN

Amy Smart

OF 'DC'S STARGIRL' ON THE CW



How have you found it to play in the world of "DC's Stargirl," which employs both realism and fantasy?

It's so incredible, because the creativity of the storylines and the fan base – and this whole world is just pretty fascinating, so cool. I love being part of "Stargirl" because we're like a big family. We spend six months together every year, and the talent on this is amazing, from all these actors to Geoff (Johns, the showrunner) to the writers to the special-effects team. To me, it's sort of a brand-new experience, even though I've been in this business so long. It's been really eye-opening. and so much fun.

Though your character Barbara knows more in the current Season 2 about her daughter Courtney's super-activities as Stargirl, how was it for you to play the role initially, without her seeming too naive?

There's just so many family dynamics in trying to keep the balance of being a mom and a daughter. Obviously, so much went on in the

first season, where Barbara was completely oblivious to it. Her instincts and her intuition knows something's not right, but she has to continue to just go with what she knows ... which is not much, in the first season.

And which is really fun for the second season, because she becomes privy to everything going on – and part of the team in a way. From my personal experience, parenting is so hard. There's just so many challenges; your children are constantly challenging you, and it makes you look in the mirror so much and see where your own weaknesses are, and your patience. I think with Barbara, she has really great intentions for her daughter and her stepson, trying to balance life and be a good mom and role model.

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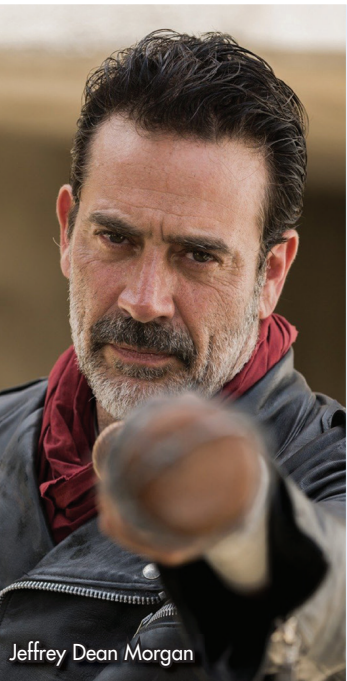
BY JOHN CROOK

Adios!

Questions:

- 1) On "The Walking Dead," what character's death at the hands of Negan (Jeffrey Dean Morgan) caused an uproar among the show's fans?
- 2) On "Grey's Anatomy," which character suffered a breakdown after her handsome boyfriend, Denny Duquette, died following a heart transplant?
- 3) What long-running HBO drama series featured recurring appearances by the father of the Fisher family, despite the fact that he was creamed by a speeding bus in the opening moments of the first episode?
- 4) The writers of the thriller "24" served notice to viewers that they should assume nothing when they killed off what main character in the final moments of Season 1?
- 5) What classic 1970s CBS sitcom featured an Emmy-winning episode in which Chuckles the Clown, dressed as a peanut, was killed when a rogue elephant tried to shell him?

Answers:
 1) Glenn Rhee (Steven Yeun)
 2) Dr. Izzie Stevens (Steven Yuen)
 3) "Six Feet Under"
 4) Teri Bauer, the wife of central character Jack Bauer (Kiefer Sutherland)
 5) "The Mary Tyler Moore Show"



Jeffrey Dean Morgan



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