



Scarlett Byrne and Cooper Hefner with daughter Betsy Rose.

Babies

Hugh Hefner's son **Cooper**, 29, and *Harry Potter* actress **Scarlett Byrne**, 29, became first-time parents on Aug. 24 with the arrival of their daughter **Betsy Rose**. ● *Counting On* stars **Joy-Anna Duggar**, 22, and **Austin Forsyth**, 26, made son **Gideon**, 2, a big brother on Aug. 21 when she gave

birth to a baby girl, **Evelyn Mae**. ● Actress and reality star **Khadijah Haqq McCray**, 37, announced on Aug. 27 that she's pregnant with her third child with her husband, former NFL player **Bobby McCray**, 39. ● Whiskey Myers frontman **Cody Cannon**, 34, and wife **Haley**, 27, are expecting their first child together, a boy, this winter.

Weddings

Actress **Niecy Nash**, 50, revealed that nine months after filing for divorce from husband **Jay Tucker**, she married singer **Jessica Betts**. ● *Orange Is the New Black* actress **Jackie Cruz**, 34, and fashion designer **Fernando Garcia** tied the knot Aug. 28. ● MTV's *The Challenge* star **Kailah Casillas**, 27, announced she's engaged to *Love Island* season 4 contestant **Sam Bird**, also 27. ● *Siesta Key*'s **Madisson Hausburg**, 26, is engaged to the show's

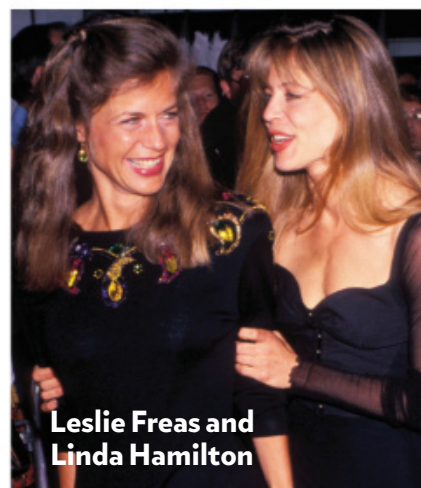
former producer **Ismael Soto**, 47.

Health

On Aug. 26 model **Olivia Culpo**, 28, revealed she's been diagnosed with endometriosis. ● Girls Aloud singer **Sarah Harding**, 38, announced that she has advanced-stage breast cancer.

Deaths

Terminator star **Linda Hamilton**'s twin sister **Leslie H. Freas** died at 63 on Aug. 22 in Mount Laurel,

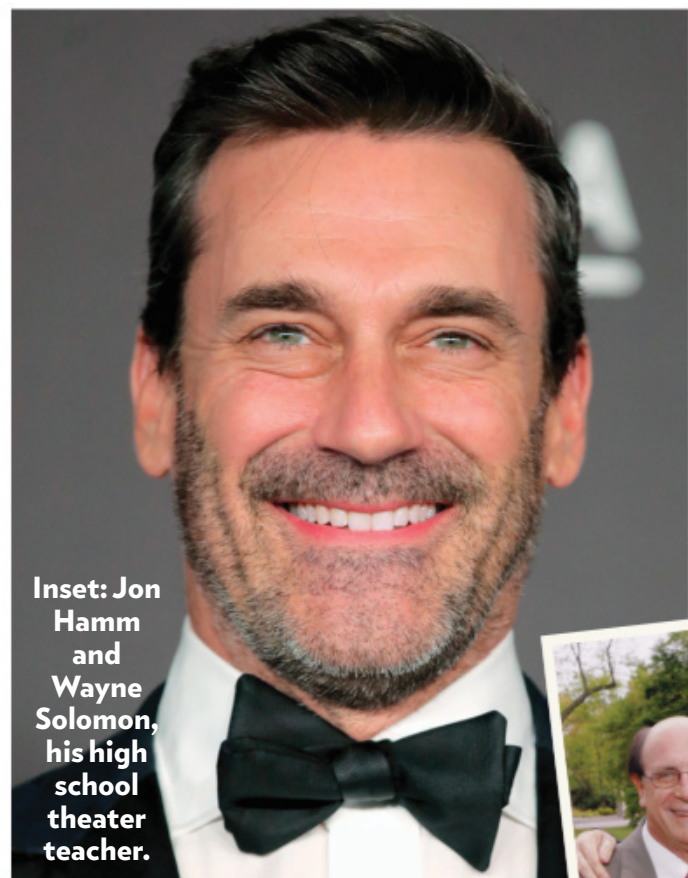


Leslie Freas and Linda Hamilton

Happy Birthday!
Taraji P. Henson, 50
 Sept. 11, 1970
Pink, 41
 Sept. 8, 1979
Adam Sandler, 54
 Sept. 9, 1966

N.J. No cause of death was specified. ● *Scarface* and *Carlito's Way* actor **Caesar Cordova**, 84, died of natural causes on Aug. 26 in Atlantic City. ● **Riley Gale**, 34, lead singer of metal band Power Trip, died of unspecified causes on Aug. 24.

By **DANA ROSE FALCONE**



Inset: Jon Hamm and Wayne Solomon, his high school theater teacher.

Jon Hamm

The former *Mad Men* star and St. Louis native, 49, is raising funds for community theaters

I've always been a champion of arts programs because I was a beneficiary. I was raised by a single mom, who put me in every publicly funded program she could because she wanted me to learn to appreciate the arts. After college I was incredibly lucky to be connected with the St. Louis Actors' Studio—I performed in a few plays that earned me my actor's equity card, which legitimized my chosen profession. I wouldn't be where I am without access to that, so a few of us who got our start with small theater companies—myself, Sterling K. Brown, Beau Willimon—we're raffling off virtual hangouts with us to raise funds for them. We're starting in St. Louis, and then hopefully, if we raise enough money, we can parcel it out to other communities. The arts are so important for fostering and maintaining a sense of community, which is so important, especially now.

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