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Speaker 1: The University tower chimes ring in another session of Ask The professor, the show on which you match wits with the University of Detroit Mercy professors, and an unrehearsed session of questions and answers. I'm your host, Matt Mio. Let me introduce to you our panel for today. To my right, gesticulating wildly is Professor Heather Hill.

Speaker 2: I was just sending out a gang sign to Professor Oljar

Speaker 3: Because we're more than just friends. We're like a really small gang.

Speaker 2: Yeah, yeah, it's all right.

Speaker 4: Whoa. I see.

Speaker 2: Hello.

Speaker 1: Hello and how are you?

Speaker 2: I'm pretty good, good.

Speaker 1: Good.

Speaker 2: Good.

Speaker 1: Okay, that's good.

Speaker 2: Yeah, just drove back from Adrian today.

Speaker 1: That's right, that's right. Sort of ahead of whatever this precipitation we're getting now. It's kind of gross actually out there.

Speaker 2: A portion of the Southfield was flooded so we got to diverted off. Yeah, yeah.

Speaker 1: Oh, [crosstalk] give me a break.

Speaker 3: It's terrible. What if it was [unintelligible 00:58] as you were running into the building?

Speaker 1: I know it's, it's-- There's something about cold rain. I'll even handle warm rain. It was like refreshing and songs are written about it.

Speaker 2: What about a Purple Rain, what did you hear about that?

Speaker 1: Purple Rain, you know--

Speaker 4: Songs are written about that too.

Speaker 1: Sir, I just talked to my students this morning we had a cavalcade of photographs of celebrities who've died of fentanyl overdoses, and Prince was [crosstalk]

Speaker 4: Well yeah, that's a long list.

Speaker 1: Yes, unfortunately, we're learning a lot about opioid.

Speaker 2: You probably don't want to live in Oregon or Washington perhaps.

Speaker 1: [sigh] Yeah, it's just kind of sad. I'll tell you guys about the book I read over over break but not on the air. We will continue around the table. Professor Stephen Manning is here.

Speaker 5: Hello, man. Am I supposed to say something?

Speaker 1: Way to go with the brownies and the blondies. I almost said in an unrehearsed session of blondies and brownies, which also would have fit for our show today.

Speaker 5: I apologize for missing last week. I was ill so I thought I would make up for it by bringing-- so I hope we're even that way.

Speaker 1: Oh absolutely. Except for if you like baked your illness into your baked goods.

Speaker 5: No, no. You're like Typhoid Mary.

Speaker 2: In his case, I know where he lives.

Speaker 1: Oh well.

Speaker 3: No problem.

Speaker 5: You could go back to the kitchen until I was cleared to do so.

Speaker 1: Excellent. Excellent. Well we're glad to have you back. Hopefully it wasn't this you know Corona virus or Wuhan virus that we're dealing with here.

Speaker 5: No, no.

Speaker 1: That's good. Although the second case in the United States was just confirmed in Chicago. Yeah, pretty close by.

Speaker 5: Too close.

Speaker 3: I'm hoping to see the CDC's on it with their top door epidemiologists. And what have you.m?

Speaker 1: I really hope so too. Across the table from me, back to his traditional spot is Professor Jim Tubbs.

Speaker 4: How are you?

Speaker 1: I'm good. How are you too?

Speaker 4: Good.

Speaker 1: Thanks for coming today.

Speaker 4: Well, thanks for having me.

Speaker 1: You're looking natty in your gingham today.

Speaker 4: [laughs]

Speaker 1: At least, that's what my eyes tell me

Speaker 4: That's better than looking natty because of Nat's .

Speaker 1: Yeah, also true. At the students wait 20 minutes into my recitation this morning to say, "Let's go a level with [them?], we can't read anything you're putting on the board because of the size of it." You know, not that they couldn't read because of my bad handwriting, which was the problem. But I don't know,,it could actually be something different. That's what my eyes perceive right now. It looks nice, though. Looks very, very nice.

Speaker 6: It's empirically true, he's natty.

[laughter]

Speaker 5: I mean you could sit on the side of the wall and blend in a little bit.

Speaker 1: Oh yeah that's true.

Speaker 3: Just be Barkley in these situations, to be it is to be perceived.

Speaker 1: There you go. I knew that Beth was gonna have a way to look at it and then I saw that Beth is wearing a similar color also. She'll be our traditional panel member, gets the mail into background.

Speaker 3: I was still acting on last week's read memo.

Speaker 1: That's right, the read memo. But before we get to Professor Oljar we will talk to Professor Dan Maggio, holding up the number five for some reason.

Speaker 3: Flashing more gang sign.

Speaker 1: Exactly. looking for attention. If my grandfather were here, he'd say you were just being Italian because we can't talk unless we're actually doing things like this.

Speaker 6: [crosstalk]

Speaker 1: Party time. Now we made it to Professor Beth Oljar and she has the vapors,

[laughter]

Speaker 3: The vapors, I have them

Speaker 1: I declare. [unintelligible 00:04:16] That's very, very nice. Good to see you again, Beth.

Speaker 3: Good to see you too.

Speaker 1: So glad to have you here.

Speaker 3: It's good to be back, and not teaching it--

Speaker 1: I know. That's really an interesting feeling, very interesting thing. This is the first time in 18 years I haven't had an afternoon laboratory to teach. And I feel like I'm living in the dream world, I just can't tell whether it's a nightmare or it's a night dreams, yes.

Speaker 3: Laboratory.

Speaker 4: Are you fulfilling your workload obligations?

Speaker 1: Oh my, yes I am.

Speaker 5: He lives on campus.

[crosstalk]

Speaker 6: There is a cat in my office.

Speaker 5: Over there, they'll give you a cat now. Wahoo.

Speaker 1: Yeah. No, I've heard people do that on this campus and I just, that's a that's a professional goal I have to never have a cat in my office.

Speaker 4: I think it's probably widespread in the architecture school.

Speaker 5: Well, that makes sense though, those lights are on 24 seven.

Speaker 1: That's part of the curriculum, you know, anyway. So I was gonna ask you how your classes are going? I'm going to make that mistake weekly. I hope you know because on purpose it gives you a chance to smile and go.

Speaker 3: Okay, I'm not teaching.

Speaker 4: You're going perfectly this time.

Speaker 1: The grading is minimal. Professor Dave Chow is here to be here.

Speaker 7: It's a pleasure to be here as always.

Speaker 1: Excellent, excellent. So what's on your mind? Let's see what you're sketching today.

Speaker 7: Nothing much. I'm just I'm just drawing rain. I'm so, my mind is still somewhere north on high 75 right now. So I just got back from Columbus a couple days ago.

Speaker 1: Oh okay.

Speaker 3: Some of us like weather like this but then I guess we're just demented.

Speaker 1: There's nothing wrong with it. Like unless you know your life.

Speaker 3: I grew up in Oregon, I like weather like that.

Speaker 5: I personally would prefer snow. At least I can see it, you know.

Speaker 2: San Francisco, the Bay Area is safe.

Speaker 1: Everybody has their preferences. For instance Professor Charles favorite kind of whether is--



Speaker 5: Give me snow, I'm okay with snow.

Speaker 1: Medicine Hat man, [crosstalk]

Speaker 3: I don't mind snow either. I don't mind cold. No matter how cold it is that's okay.

Speaker 7: Mind you, we can always dress up for it. As well as the summer where you can only peel off so many layers until you get arrested.

Speaker 1: Yeah, that is exactly correct. I was gonna say something about being in public.

Speaker 3: Or gender socialization intervenes.

Speaker 1: Also true. That's true. Folks, this is a program where you can just stipulate as wildly as you want to. You can send us questions regarding anything. If you stumped the panel, you win one of our prizes. If you don't stumped the panel you'll win one of our prizes. You can send us the questions in a number of ways. You can email us, at [atp@udmercg.edu](mailto:atp@udmercg.edu). You can reach us on the web at [udmercy.edu/ATP](http://udmercy.edu/ATP). Find us on Facebook or listen on your favorite smart speaker by asking you to play, Ask The Professor at University of Detroit Mercy.

Hello Professors. I'm sure you all know very much about your home's such as; the year it was built, perhaps, how many square feet it is, where not to walk. If you don't want the floor to make noise when you're speaking down for late night snack, much more. Besides your home, your workplace is probably one of the top five places you spend most of your time, but how much do you know about the history of University of Detroit Mercy? It's time to put that to the test. All of these questions were taken from a website online 13 of 20 passing. Yes, please. Yes, please. [crosstalk]

Speaker 3: That's a pretty low percentage, 60 something.

Speaker 1: It is. That's what I'm saying. And this is like wide open here.

Speaker 4: Well they know us.

Speaker 5: Yeah, I'll do well.

Speaker 7: Hey listen to the show.

Speaker 1: Thank you very much, Rachel Simmer of Farmington Hills, Michigan. So well, thanks for sending the questions Rachel. In 1927 the University move many of its programs to live annoy and McNichols under the guidance of what priest president?

Speaker 4: John P McNichols.

Speaker 1: Yes it was father McNichols himself, after which he--

Speaker 3: A.k.A someone's Facebook.

Speaker 1: Someone's Facebook persona, yep. My annual post is coming up because it'll ping for father McNichols birthday which is not to my birthday. In 1940, who in the Detroit area was the head of the religious Sisters of Mercy?

Speaker 4: Catherine-- Oh no one.

Speaker 2: No. She lived a longtime--

[crosstalk]

Speaker 1: If you say Mary, I'm going to give you partial credit because I've covered a lot of this

Speaker 2: Mary, Martha.

Speaker 1: Mary Margaret, Mary this, Mary Catherine, yeah.

Speaker 5: And what year now?

Speaker 1: This was in 1940. This is right before Mercy Gallagher Troy.

Speaker 7: Should we know this name?

Speaker 1: We should because there was a building named after her on the old Mercy Campus starts with the letter M

Speaker 4: Manning.

Speaker 1: Yes, it was Carmelita Manning.

Speaker 4: Yes and she used to-- when the college was being built over there, she used to bring sandwiches and stuff for the workers to encourage them to keep going.

Speaker 1: Oh nice.

[crosstalk]

Job the family connection.

Speaker 1: Yeah, well, there you go name recognition.

Speaker 3: Was the sandwiches your idea, though?

Speaker 6: Connections, and number hurt.

Speaker 2: So the sister was your sister. Darryl, Professor Manning.

Speaker 1: Men, that's complicated.

Speaker 4: 1940, he said.

Speaker 5: Well, you never know. She's young for her age.

Speaker 1: And what year was the Jesuit presence in Detroit solidified with the founding of the University of Detroit?

Speaker 2: 1877.

Speaker 1: 1877, we should start at some point, some blue ribbon panel to celebrate our 150th anniversary. We got a couple of years to go on that. Oh,

Speaker 2: I would think somebody's working on that already.

Speaker 1: I really hope so.

Speaker 6: You want to work on that?

Speaker 2: No.

Speaker 1: Well we'll put Beth in charge of like streamers or something. It'll be

Speaker 3: No.

Speaker 7: Fireworks. Office apply.

Speaker 1: What a relatively high profile, rising profile, US Senator graduated from University of Detroit Mercy.

Speaker 6: One of elevens?

Speaker 1: Well, current Senator.

Speaker 6: Oh, currently Senator.

Speaker 1: You see him in the news quite a bit. Yeah,

Speaker 2: Gary Peters.

Speaker 1: Gary Peters. Yeah, he graduated from here.

Speaker 3: I knew there's a reason I voted for him although.

Speaker 1: It's super hard Gordon now but he's got that beard. Like he means business. Like I think it's a big deal.

Speaker 7: Like Grizzly Adams.

Speaker 1: He ran beardless but became bearded in the Senate.

Speaker 4: Hey, works for Trudeau.

Speaker 5: Oh, well, careful with the donuts there Canadian boy.

Speaker 6: I paid premium doughnuts.

Speaker 1: Oh my gosh.

Speaker 4: He was a campaign promise, wasn't it? [crosstalk] if I win, I'll grow bear.

Speaker 1: Oh wow I didn't hear that. Trudeau said that?

Speaker 2: All right, moving on. He had no beard when he was my congressional representative, which he actually was once because we're gerrymandering.

Speaker 1: Yeah, we're gerrymandering for sure. Okay. Who is the former CEO of Ford North America who graduated from University of Detroit?

Speaker 5: Oh, no, I should know this.

Speaker 3: Mary Berra. No the woman.

Speaker 4: It's not Merry. No that's GM

Speaker 6: Ford Motor. He was a good buddy [unintelligible 00:11:05]

Speaker 1: Yes, he was. They were roommates in Holden hall. I didn't like that.

Speaker 6: That's it.

Speaker 2: So Leo Hannifin was roommates with this person?

Speaker 1: With this person, yes. Who was had a pretty good presence until he retired from Motor company.

Speaker 4: Jack Nasir?

Speaker 1: No, he's Australia so that would be interesting.

Speaker 6: I don't remember his name.

Speaker 2: You can see him but you can't.

Speaker 6: I can hear the discussion.

Speaker 1: I'm afraid with [crosstalk], this one, off the list. It's Jim Padilla [crosstalk] Who was the University of Detroit men's basketball head coach for 1973 to 1977?

Speaker 6: Dick Vitale.

Speaker 1: Oh yeah. Claim to fame. He left in 1978 to do something. What was it?

Speaker 5: Go Pro.

Speaker 1: Yeah, so who was he coaching?

Speaker 5: Was it a Pistons

Speaker 1: The Pistons yeah. He actually left to coach the Pistons, did not do very well and then found ESPN and the rest is history. Absolute history. All right, what do we got here? Whoo I love it. How many total buildings are on the McNichols campus?

Speaker 7: 14.

Speaker 1: It's way more than 14.

Speaker 2: 25.

Speaker 1: 24, I'm giving it to you with the air bars. Yeah that's nice. It's not like the prices right where you can't go over



Speaker 2: This like the gutters and bowling when they put the bumper bowling.

Speaker 7: Well I was also thinking I kind of wanted to like find other things that you could count as buildings, like the touchdown Jesus status.

Speaker 2: Does [unintelligible 00:12:37]

Speaker 4: Exactly, like [crosstalk] off you.

Speaker 3: Touchdown Jesus really should count us its own building.

Speaker 1: Folks, what is the newest building on the McNichols campus\_ build in 2012?

Speaker 5: The fitness center.

Speaker 1: The fitness center, you're right. Too bad it doesn't have a catchy name.

Speaker 6: What about the extension on the backhoe?

Speaker 1: You know that technically wasn't a building, you know. Actually that was an extension.

Speaker 4: That was an addition, that was a wing.

Speaker 1: A new--

Speaker 6: Where the entrance Guard Station doesn't count, I mean?

Speaker 5: As structure it counts as a building.

Speaker 1: Touch that with a 10 foot pole.

Speaker 4: No, me neither. How about the new gate?

Speaker 7: The card system causes much, yes.

Speaker 1: Let's see. How many total sports teams does University of Detroit Mercy purport to have?

Speaker 2: 12.

Speaker 6: Purport 14 not actually have but purport to have.

Speaker 1: Plus men's plus women's equals--

Speaker 2: 12.

Speaker 1: It's not 12, it's higher.

Speaker 5: I'm gonna say 22.

Speaker 1: It's 20 is what it says here.

Speaker 2: Do we get that with the aero bars?

Speaker 5: Absolutely, it's within x percentage. One per bowling. Oh my God.

Speaker 2: It's clearly a margin of error here.

Speaker 6: Did we solve the cross?

Speaker 2: Oh yeah. I have a lot of cross players this semester.

Speaker 1: Dr. Anton M. Garibaldi is what number (th) president of the University? Now we're all UDM and all Mercy College.

Speaker 4: All the way back to 1877?

Speaker 1: Yes.

Speaker 6: So I don't do anything--

Speaker 2: That's a lot.

Speaker 1: 20th of this close [crosstalk]

Speaker 4: I will say 24th.

Speaker 1: It's the 25th, I'm giving it to him because it's within more--

Speaker 7: Okay. So we're counting all the former President of Mercy college as well as US [crosstalk]

Speaker 2: That's not a huge amount.

Speaker 4: It's not of that much. Since 1877. I don't think [crosstalk]

Speaker 2: We tell both.

Speaker 1: They give a deal. It was the tenure of a college president usually. That is also very interesting [crosstalk] Father McNichols was only a couple years when he croaked it's like 38. So it's kind of weird now, you know. I nearly misread this question. What is the average size of a UDM student? What is the average age of a UDM student?

Speaker 2: 26.

Speaker 1: You know what? It's 25. I'm giving it to you. 25 is the average age of Detroit Mercy students.

Speaker 6: That seems average is 24 or 25.

Speaker 1: No I mean, that's what is CCS to. According to the Detroit Mercy vision statement, we will be recognized as a premier private University in what region?

Speaker 2: Midwest, Mid lakes.

Speaker 1: Great Lakes region.

Speaker 5: That's what the [crosstalk]

Speaker 3: Whoops, we should admit that we don't know that.

Speaker 5: I found that the mission statement is numerous.

Speaker 1: Oh, I think it's okay. The vision statement is different fro. the mission. We're all familiar with the mission.

Speaker 7: What? Do you mean it's not tattooed on your forearm?

Speaker 1: Can you name one Jesuit priest who currently serves Detroit mercy as a professor.

Speaker 7: Jason Kelly.

Speaker 2: Jason Guerra.

Speaker 1: We've got lots.

Speaker 2: Simon Hendry.

Speaker 1: There's quite a good list.

Speaker 6: Tim Hitscan.

Speaker 1: Tim Hitscan, absolutely.

Speaker 6: Is he teaching classes?

Speaker 1: Yeah, I guess he does.

Speaker 7 : [crosstalk] That was last Saturday or Saturday before I didn't say anything. It was an Avalon bakery and [unintelligible 00:15:54] buy something.

Speaker 1: Oh my gosh. Wow that's interesting.

Speaker 2: And--

Speaker 7: I just observed this purchased that ice with water. So he's still around. I brought that out [crosstalk] Do you still see him on campus?

Speaker 2: Oh yeah. He sends out-- he sends out these lovely poems every few days.

Speaker 6: He's not the mission person anymore, but he's on campus.

Speaker 7: Oh, it's good-- it was good to see him.

Speaker 1: Yeah. So we did pretty well on those. We certainly fit into the passing of 13 out of 20. So that's really well done.

Speaker 3: I'm thinking we don't really get bragging rights on that but--

Speaker 4: No, no, it was not our proudest moment.

Speaker 7: It's okay. Jim, that's assuming [crosstalk]

Speaker 2: It's actually kind of going in that way myself, yeah.

Speaker 5: [laughs] Pride.

Speaker 2: I think proud moments are probably few and far between

Speaker 4: Christmas carol questions.

Speaker 1: A crucial question.

Speaker 4: Well I'm waiting for that, again,

Speaker 2: Again, yeah.

Speaker 4: Always.

Speaker 1: We have 10 questions sent in. Here are 10 themed questions about the city of Detroit. Please let Dr Lindsay know I participated. We've definitely done Samantha Sieg, S- I- E- G. She's a student at University of Detroit Mercy, while obviously was in Barros biochemistry lecture last semester. So we'll see WHAT WE have going on here. True or false. Okay, 50/50 shot. Belle Isle is larger square footage.

Speaker 7: Central Park.

Speaker 1: Yes that is a true statement.

Speaker 5: Okay, hold on. Before for [unintelligible 00:17:22] Dan, if we get word between seven and eight mile or seven to six mile again. It's the anniversary. It's the last time we did trivial challenging.

Speaker 6: Because I got it wrong last year.

Speaker 5: Yes, we all got it wrong, and regard what I said.

Speaker 6: No, we, we said, between five and six mile. It's between six and seven miles.

Speaker 7: What?

Speaker 6: We had a trival challenge with [crosstalk] question. It was the first mile of concrete road [unintelligible 00:17:46] And we blew it and the other one I'm gonna hang my hat on, Rusty Coons. I blew that one too. And I often "Whoo"-- sorry, I'm okay now.

Speaker 1: Speaking of sports though, the first, professional sports team generated in Detroit, was in 1894, to this day, the team still compete. So contiguously, what team am I talking about?

Speaker 2: The Tigers.

Speaker 1: The Tigers, yeah that's a pretty good, pretty good guess. One of the oldest professional sports teams in the United States, actually. Let's see. True or False Detroit is the only city in the continental US where you look south and see Canada.

All: Correct.

Speaker 1: Yes Correct, yes, as far as we know. Although there are some parts of the United States up where you're from--



Speaker 2: Where you can see Russia from your house?

Speaker 1: Yes, partial credit. Absolutely.

Speaker 7: That's true and watch the countdown Sarah. There's a place in Washington where you can actually see part of Vancouver Island.

Speaker 4: Yeah. You look South West.

Speaker 1: Well the issue here is that the questions stated that you're in the city. So I know there's a city [crosstalk] but from a city, yeah, we'd like to brag about looking south and--

Speaker 4: Going to South over the ambassador bridge to [crosstalk]

Speaker 7: And pay him five bucks toll.

Speaker 4: Yeah, sorry.

Speaker 1: True or false, that the Detroit Institute of Arts collection is among the top five in the United States.

Speaker 2: True.

All: Yes.

Speaker 1: It's actually false. It's number six.

Speaker 5: When I moved here it was fourth.

Speaker 1: Yeah, so it's up there. Right, well I believe this was a little bit of a trick question.

Speaker 6: All right, who does the rankings?

Speaker 1: Yeah. And what does that mean, top, five top six.

Speaker 4: Well we're just lucky they didn't get dispersed when the city went bankrupt.

Speaker 1: We are very lucky about that.

Speaker 2: Yes we are. DIA is. a wonderful [crosstalk]

Speaker 3: [crosstalk] top fives have the Rivera court and those.

[crosstalk]

Speaker 5: So, if that being said I wonder what the other ones are.

Speaker 7: What's the measure is it value of the holdings

Speaker 1: I have number of items. Like I have no idea what it was.

Speaker 6: Obviously, the met in Manhattan is the biggest.

Speaker 5: I think we're gonna challenge this. [crosstalk]

Speaker 2: I disagree that it's true.

Speaker 1: What year. Oh, this is also kind of sad. What year was Joe Louis arena built?

Speaker 6: 1980s [unintelligible 00:20:01]

Speaker 1: You're a little bit late. Earliest '77.

Speaker 4: Earliest '79.

Speaker 1: That's what I have here, 1979.

Speaker 4: Because I remember I was in school. We were still going to the Olympia.

Speaker 1: Big awesome. if you want to see like a sweet thriller, we got was it Kelvin Pollarc as the coach of the Red Wings and Miss Terry saw Chuck biopic movie about to come out. That's super exciting. It looks like it's a really good movie. Check it out, called Goldie.

Speaker 2: Why is that pronounced that way? When I said that word, I think biopic not Biopic. But I've heard lots of people pronounce it the way you did.

Speaker 1: Yeah, that's [crosstalk]

Speaker 4: I was just thinking biography.

Speaker 3: I've never heard it pronounced that way I always hear biopic.

Speaker 7: I've always heard biopic too.

Speaker 5: Oh no you know what it is. You need it rhymes with myopic.

Speaker 1: I guess that, yeah, all happen. That's for purple, orange.

Speaker 2: You just trying to sound highfalutin there Professor Maya.

Speaker 5: I said [unintelligible 00:20:57] thought that was good enough, scientific.

Speaker 2: Yeah that's it. Yeah.

Speaker 1: On average, Metro Detroiters consume this very large leads the nation number of pounds of potato chips every year.

Speaker 1: Really? They are better made I mean [crosstalk]

[crosstalk]

Speaker 1: It's seven donations. [crosstalk]

Speaker 2: Wait a minute. What's the fact again? What's the fact to it?

Speaker 1: On average Detroiters consume how many pounds which leads the nation of potato chips a year? The answer is seven.

Speaker 4: I think I may surpass that.

Speaker 6: Single handedly Jim and I we've, we've upped the-- I avoid chips because I would beat the average.

Speaker 7: Well we make up for you then. It's okay.

Speaker 6: Good, thanks.

Speaker 7: Remember, Dan, that--

Speaker 5: You're always there for me Dave.

Speaker 7: We want that dove too remember.

Speaker 5: But I would eat chips all the time, which is why they're not at my house yet.

Speaker 1: I'm pretty sure that folks are going to be able to do this one. Every time I say that by the way I fall flat on my face but whatever. The official motto of Detroit is "Speramus meliora; resurget cineribus," which stands for what in Latin?

Speaker 4: Try our Coney Island.

[laughter]

Speaker 1: Say that again please.

Speaker 1: Speramus meliora; resurget cineribus

Speaker 2: From the ashes, we arise or something like that [crosstalk]

Speaker 1: That's right. We hope for better things; it will rise from the ashes. Yes. Very well done.

Speaker 3: Pretty sure she's the only one who can read Latin.

Speaker 5: I heard the 'cineribus' and you got on the 'cineribus' immediately. But I thought there was a three headed dog.

Speaker 1: Oh no, 'cineribus'. What was Detroit's claim to fame with regard to phones, telephones?

Speaker 5: First with area codes.

Speaker 1: Not first with area codes.

Speaker 5: First people to answer [unintelligible 00:22:42]. Today is the first party line.

Speaker 1: No, no, but I love the way you think.

Speaker 5: I thought we had the first exchange or the first--

Speaker 1: Yeah, it's pretty close. this is the first--

Speaker 6: Does it has to do with the Bell building over on six mile?

Speaker 1: No, not necessarily. It was just the first place that it was decided that everybody would get an individual phone number. Like everybody was sort of being directly connected until the phones got the wrong numbers.

Speaker 1: I want my own.

Speaker 2: I wonder what year-- What year was that? We don't know?

Speaker 1: It did not say it. It didn't say it.

Speaker 7: I mean operator will have to connect you.

[laughter]

Speaker 3: Well, the only place I've ever lived, where area codes took on a kind of socio economic status and meaning. If you've seen eight Mile at least, right.

Speaker 1: True, the three one third [crosstalk] you out beat it.

Speaker 3: That's right.

Speaker 1: There's only been like four extra area code since I've been born. Like all of southeastern Michigan used to be 313.

Speaker 6: To be 13248586 and 734.

Speaker 1: And 810.

Speaker 6: Oh that's right. Dam, okay.

Speaker 3: When I first moved here, I was 810 and then I was 248, now I'm in the 313.

Speaker 6: That was my first pager. I immediately thought of the classic Seinfeld episode where New York had gotten its first extra new area code. And everybody thought that that Elaine was like from another part of the country or something. Because she will give her number like, "Can I have my older area code back?"

Speaker 1: Kind of sad. We reached the point in the show where we do our ATP favorites. All we need is a favorite to talk about. I have a favorite Prof that I could ask to come up with the favorite but I'll see what happens organically.

Speaker 2: What are we doing now, I'm sorry. I tuned out [crosstalk]

Speaker 4: Pick a favorite, that we can all talk about.

Speaker 2: I'll pick a favorite. How about a favorite theme song to a TV show?

Speaker 4: Oh that's actually good. I'm gonna start this one out.



Speaker 3: That's actually good.

Speaker 1: Yeah. Oh, I am going to pick myself from the beginning but the bottom line is the DuckTales theme gets in my head, a lot. That's all I have to say.

Speaker 5: Oh, see, I was waiting for Danny Elfman theme from you.

Speaker 1: The Simpsons yeah. I mean after 36 years,

Speaker 2: [crosstalk] I've got quite a few.

Speaker 4: I know for me it's they're [unintelligible 00:24:44, mysterious. They're all together in key. The Addams Family.]

Speaker 7: Mine is the opening to, the man in the high castle.

Speaker 1: Oh okay so I still haven't seen this yet but everybody says that it's great.

Speaker 7: You need to see that right. It's a very soft--

Speaker 2: I think you gotta pick one with-- I don't know. Does that have lyrics?

[crosstalk]

Speaker 7: And the visual, the visual to the opening is equally compelling. But the song is a very--

Speaker 2: This is not about the visual. It's just a song [crosstalk]

Speaker 7: I know I'm just saying, as well, but the song is-- Giving the content of the show, the song is very slow, very quiet, female vocalist, very, very interesting.

Speaker 2: It's a creepy version of [unintelligible 00:25:26]

Speaker 1: But it's good.

Speaker 7: Yeah. It's nice.

Speaker 2: [singing]

Speaker 7: Like it's stocked in my head.

Speaker 2: Maya, what would you come up with?

Speaker 3: I think the show was called greatest American hero, William Cathay.

Speaker 7: Oh yes, believe it or not.

Speaker 3: Yeah, I have like that and Mary Tyler Moore. Mary Tyler Moore Show. That was like liberating for girls of my age to be watching that show.

Speaker 6: When she threw her hands up at the end, yeah, she's gonna make it after all.

Speaker 2: And she went to jail because she wouldn't reveal the source on the story.

Speaker 5: That's right when journalism was still worthwhile.

Speaker 1: Very good choices Dan is stroking his chin.

Speaker 4: Well, my first reaction was Game of Thrones. Because when you first hear that music, you're like, "[crosstalk] another episode about this--"

Speaker 1: So that's, that's good.

Speaker 2: Same with Deadwood that has a really distinctive--

Speaker 4: Yeah, Deadwood had a distinct too.

Speaker 3: Laverne and Shirley isn't anybody? I mean--

Speaker 6: Yeah, so if I think long enough I'll change my mind.

Speaker 5: I got one that I still play every now and then just because, for whatever reason I like hearing it. The loss of space themes when it was written by Johnny Williams yeah right before he was John Williams.

Speaker 2: [unintelligible 00:26:35]

Speaker 5: So that was always a moving theme song.

Speaker 2: Well clearly, Three's Company is my favorite.

[singing] [laughter]

No, I'm kidding.

Speaker 7: I just want to ride up like a toppling over.

Speaker 2: I'm kidding. It doesn't have to have lyrics.

Speaker 1: I was gonna ask about that. Because if we're having a no lyrics metric here, I would have chimed in actually I'm really listening to the theme song to the Manda Lorain in a lot later--

Speaker 6: Or W [unintelligible 00:26:58]

Speaker 2: [name] is great, year.

Speaker 3: What a great show.

Speaker 2: Westworld is really good to the current series.

Speaker 1: Oh, I haven't seen any of that.

Speaker 3: West Wing has great opening, West music, Westworld. Not West wing.

Speaker 6: Ladies has a long ago, most of [laughs] [unintelligible 00:27:17] choices are okay well here's also another.

Speaker 5: What about like Green Acres Barney Miller?

Speaker 2: It's the place to be.

Speaker 1: As the professor sings is coming next season.

Speaker 3: Hill Street Blues, remember that.

Speaker 6: That was a good one.

Speaker 2: All right, so I created a monster here.

Speaker 6: Just a few notes you're leaving us in karaoke.

Speaker 1: You know we'll be great if someone sent in something about TV show themes. But I'm afraid that's all the time we have for this episode.

Speaker 5: So that's a request.

Speaker 2: So it's time say goodbye, Dave.

Speaker 5: See you.

Speaker 1: Beth.

Speaker 3: Bye.

Speaker 1: Dan.

Speaker 6: Bye.

Speaker 1: Jim.

Speaker 7: Goodbye.

Speaker 1: Steven.

Speaker 4: Goodbye.

Speaker 1: Heather.

Speaker 2: Bye bye.

Speaker 2: And now these words.

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