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**Interviewer:** The University tower chimes, ringing another session of ask the professor. The show in which you match wits with University of Detroit Mercy professors, in an unrehearsed session of questions and answers. I'm your host Matt Mio and let me introduce to you our panel for today. To my left from the Department of Philosophy, it's Professor Beth Oljar.

**Respondent:** Good to be here. I'm taking time off the impeachment trial and scare quotes.

**Interviewer:** Excellent, we're glad to have you here. Trial in quotes.

**Respondent:** Well, no witnesses, so there aren't going to be any.

**Interviewer:** It's just one person's word versus another.

**Respondent:** I heard Bolton's revelations in the New York Times are going to function as the witness that isn't called, I guess.

**Interviewer:** That's right. What an unprecedented series of historical events, as I believe those exact words in that order uttered at the Mio family dinner table by my historian wife, Nightly.

**Respondent:** Well, the lawyer Cipollini was actually in the oval office when one of those meetings about pressure on Ukraine happened, which would mean he's got a fairly serious conflict of interest, I would think.

**Interviewer:** I would guess.

**Respondent:** In defending the president.

**Interviewer:** You're talking like you understand the law or the rule of law.

**Respondent:** That yes, sort of.

**Interviewer:** Oh my, well, we're glad you're taking a break from all that to be here with us today. I'm continuing around the table, and Professor Kendra Evans is here from chemistry and biochemistry.

**Respondent:** Hello.

**Respondent:** And the provider of cookies.

**Interviewer:** Provider of cookies.

**Respondent:** Great. But today I'm not a provider; I'm actually a dealer.

**Interviewer:** You're more of a dealer, yes.

**Respondent:** And I didn't provide any today, I provided the offer to purchase Girl Scout cookies.

**Respondent:** Girl Scout Thin Mints, there's really nothing better.

**Interviewer:** Can't wait to try those new lemon shortbreads, Kendra, looking forward to that. Although I haven't even ordered any from you yet, so I guess I better [Inaudible 00:01:57.22]

**Respondent:** Slacker.

**Interviewer:** It's very important to time the delivery of your Girl Scout cookies with the start of Lent, that's all I have to say. I got to coordinate my calendar, they stay in our freezer for a long time, sometimes still after Easter.

**Respondent:** That's okay.

**Interviewer:** To my left, the of many different kinds of colors of collared shirts, Professor Dave Chow.

**Respondent:** Pleasure to be here, as always.

**Interviewer:** Professor of walnut, cranberry, cookies thanks for picking those up.

**Respondent:** Right about now and in spite of all this, I'm just thankful my prime minister just has doughnut issues, that's all.

**Interviewer:** He does have donut issues; those are some expensive doughnuts.

**Respondent:** That's okay.

**Respondent:** I'm not familiar with the donut issue thing, can you explain?

**Respondent:** He brought some designer brand doughnuts, and people are lambasting him for not buying Tim Hortons.

**Respondent:** Well, were they Canadian expensive ones?

**Respondent:** Yes.

**Respondent:** So it's still patriotic, it's okay.

**Respondent:** It must be nice to live in a country where that's the worst thing [Inaudible 00:02:55.08]

**Interviewer:** That's the lead story on the evening news, donuts.

**Respondent:** Well, he also have a blackface issue, not too long ago.

**Respondent:** Yes.

**Respondent:** I'm not there yet.

**Respondent:** I know I'm sorry, yes, citizen of a country.

**Respondent:** I just know that whenever I moved back, I will have to have like what at least six extra rooms for you guys to come across and hide out.

**Respondent:** Yes, we are going to be in trouble.

**Respondent:** I don't think six is enough.

**Respondent:** I just open like a huge gymnasium and lay down mats and let you guys sleep over.

**Respondent:** Okay.

**Respondent:** Sure. Can I bring the cats?

**Respondent:** [Inaudible 00:03:29.14], but will there be pork buns?

**Respondent:** There better be.

**Respondent:** Well, it will be a big sleepover, so there better be pork buns.

**Respondent:** As long as Matt brings up monopoly game of chocolate, that's all.

**Respondent:** Oh, that's right, next time. [Inaudible 00:03:46.20]

**Interviewer:** Continuing around the table, Professor Stephen Manning is here from political science.

**Respondent:** Good afternoon, Matt.

**Interviewer:** Good afternoon.

**Respondent:** So, you said.

**Interviewer:** That's a good NPR term there, good afternoon; I'm Stevinsky, that sort of thing. How are things going, Stephen?

**Respondent:** Just fine.

**Respondent:** And you know where Ukraine is, right?

**Respondent:** Yes.

**Respondent:** You know that Ukraine is not Bangladesh?

**Respondent:** Oh, yes, important to know.

**Respondent:** Does Prasad know?

**Interviewer:** Stephen, do you pronounce it Kyiv or Kiev? I've heard it both ways.

**Respondent:** I've heard it both ways too, and I don't know actually. I was surprised when I heard that pronounce anything other than Kyiv; it's always what I thought it was. But I've seen it written in Cyrillic and it's KY, not KI, which I always thought it was.

**Respondent:** Kyiv does make more sense.

**Interviewer:** I suppose. [Inaudible 00:04:46.17]

**Respondent:** Thinking about how it looks in Cyrillic, but I can't give any other location.

**Respondent:** We need a native.

**Interviewer:** Are there any Ukrainians n the panel? I don't think there, not yet at least.

**Respondent:** If they would just make Minsk their capital, that probably would be.

**Interviewer:** Those were the day. So from Heather Hill is here from English.

**Respondent:** Hello.

**Interviewer:** How is your film class? Is that one day a week, by the way?

**Respondent:** It's one day a week, yes.

**Interviewer:** Okay. So that's kind of tough sometimes?

**Respondent:** It's 4 to 6:30 on Tuesday.

**Interviewer:** He's searching for information about his?

**Respondent:** No, I'm not; I'm not at all.

**Respondent:** What films are we watching?

**Respondent:** We are watching The Passion of Joan of Arc from 1929. We are watching a Godard film called my life to live; we are watching Hitchcock's vertigo least portions of it and Rebecca.

**Interviewer:** Of course.

**Respondent:** And we are watching an Anne Hathaway movie called colossal, I don't know if anybody has seen this movie or no, I don't want to give it away.

**Respondent:** The actress is Anne Hathaway?

**Respondent:** Yes.

**Respondent:** Why do you call it an Anne Hathaway movie? She's in it?

**Respondent:** Yes, well, she's probably the lead.

**Interviewer:** Did she direct?

**Respondent:** She's the lead. It's kind of hard to describe without kind of giving it away, but it's interesting. Oh my goodness, professor Manning, well she plays kind of a drinking kind of

goodtime girl, and then halfway across the world, I believe it's in Japan, some sort of creature start stalking the city, much like Godzilla.

**Respondent:** I like it already.

**Respondent:** And she comes to find out she has some sort of synchronicity with this creature, and...

**Respondent:** Oh no, there goes Tokyo.

**Respondent:** Yes kind of, I don't really know how else to describe it.

**Respondent:** Okay, it's like a mother to the twin's kind of relationship.

**Respondent:** Yes, I mean, she discovers that her movements and what she does and says kind of controls the monsters. So yes, there are arguments about whether or not it's a feminist movie or not, and I kind of want to think about it.

**Respondent:** Vertigo was not a film I particularly liked.

**Respondent:** Oh, I don't know if I necessarily like it either.

**Respondent:** I'm not sure how I feel about rear-window, and those are like the two main.

**Interviewer:** One of my favorite movies of all time.

**Respondent:** Exactly.

**Respondent:** Oh, no, I mean.

**Respondent:** We can move on because I'm not doing a very good job of describing this movie.

**Interviewer:** It's enough for me already, it's a great hook, it might turn into some of our listeners turning in a set of questions about Anne Hathaway.

**Respondent:** Maybe the professors will watch the film.

**Interviewer:** Maybe we will watch.

**Respondent:** And some other things.

**Interviewer:** That's cool. Well, folks, this is a program we could send us questions regarding anything. If you stumped the panel, you win a prize; if you don't stumped the panel, you win a prize. You can send us the questions in a number of ways; you can email us at [ATP@university.edu](mailto:ATP@university.edu) reach just on the web at [University.edu/ATP](http://University.edu/ATP).

Find us on the Facebook or listen on your favorite smart speaker by asking it to play ask the professor at the University of Detroit Mercy. We have a set of questions here. Dear professors, to tell the truth, I can't remember if I've already sent these, so what the heck.

We've had so much snow already here in Munson, this December we're shocked happy, so I decided to send them. Twenty questions about snow, ice, and various other Yooper topics 80% is passing, that's 16 for you artsy types. Regards and good luck, Marylyn [Inaudible 00:08:26.11] of Munson, Michigan. She sent us questions before, so that's wonderful.

**Respondent:** Where is this place?

**Interviewer:** Munson?

**Respondent:** Yes.

**Interviewer:** I'm going to rely on Dave for this one, Munson is very far north, that much I know and we can't even see it on our map.

**Respondent:** [Inaudible 00:08:41.02]

**Interviewer:** She has actually supplied a rubric, which I find extremely amusing, so I'm going to read it out loud. You'll be graded accordingly 16 to 20 correct real Michiganders, 11 to 15 come across the big bridge once in a while.

**Respondent:** Troll boy.

**Interviewer:** 1 to 14, two peninsulas, two.

**Respondent:** That'll be me right.

**Interviewer:** It's alright, we'll see what we can do with these. Six cities in the Upper Peninsula have populations in excess of 7,000, can you name five?

**Respondent:** Marquette.

**Interviewer:** Marquette is number.

**Respondent:** Munson.

**Interviewer:** Munson is not there. Trevor city is below the bridge.

**Respondent:** Copper Harbor?

**Interviewer:** Copper Harbor is not on the mountain.

**Respondent:** Iron Mountain?

**Interviewer:** Iron Mountain is number six.

**Respondent:** Mackinac.

**Interviewer:** Mackinac is south of the bridge.

**Respondent:** Susie, Marie.

**Interviewer:** Susie Marie is number two.

**Respondent:** St. Ignace, no, that's not up there.

**Interviewer:** St. Ignace is not on the list.

**Respondent:** Where is Lake Superior State? Where's that?

**Interviewer:** Lake State is in Sue St. Marie, so we've got that covered. How about if I say this word in a certain way, moonlight?

**Respondent:** Escanaba.

**Interviewer:** Escanaba is on the list. We need one more, one more. Big vacation spot starts with the letter H.

**Respondent:** Houghton.

**Interviewer:** Houghton is right. The only one missing is Menominee, they're all above 7,000 residents, but there are only six about 7,000 residents. What are these Munson, Agate, laughing white fish, Wagner?

**Respondent:** Lakes?

**Interviewer:** Falls, they're actually waterfalls. The water was a good guess there Heather, but they're waterfalls, there's many more.

**Respondent:** Yes, close enough.

**Respondent:** [Inaudible 00:10:19.05] it's the same substance.

**Interviewer:** Eben Junction attracts several thousand visitors every winter, what's the big deal there?

**Respondent:** Elk.

**Interviewer:** No, it's not elk.

**Respondent:** Does it have something to do with trains?

**Interviewer:** It does not have anything to do with anything mechanical.

**Respondent:** The height of the snowfall.

**Interviewer:** Oh, you're getting closer.

**Respondent:** Skiing?

**Interviewer:** Not skiing.

**Respondent:** Ski jump?

**Interviewer:** Nope.

**Respondent:** [Inaudible 00:10:45.06] ice-skating?

**Interviewer:** Getting really close, Heather.

**Respondent:** Ice skating, sledding?

**Respondent:** Thickness of the ice?

**Interviewer:** It has to do with ice.

**Respondent:** Ice and height.

**Interviewer:** It's something that forms there at this time of year.

**Respondent:** Ice sculpture?

**Interviewer:** You're as close as we're probably going to get Heather ice sculpture, its ice caves that form off the cliffs.

**Respondent:** We did say [Inaudible 00:11:13.10]

**Respondent:** I did.

**Interviewer:** That was pretty close.

**Respondent:** Yes, I mean, that's clearly the top thing; it's the top of the ice cave.

**Interviewer:** The town of Eeben junction is the closest settlement to it; you have to hike three-quarters of a mile to get to the caves.

**Respondent:** Three-quarters of a mile?

**Interviewer:** Yes.

**Respondent:** And people do this for fun?

**Interviewer:** People do it for all they do; they do it for fun. [Inaudible 00:11:34.25]

**Interviewer:** The Eeben research and extension center was established in 1899 by whom?

**Respondent:** Oh, some trapper, hunter person.

**Interviewer:** No, it's an entity, not a person.

**Respondent:** NASA?

**Interviewer:** It's not the DNR, not NASA.

**Respondent:** University of Michigan.

**Respondent:** Space force.

**Interviewer:** Beth is as close as we might get here, she said [Inaudible 00:12:01.06] how about?

**Respondent:** Michigan States.

**Interviewer:** NSU, yes, they study farm stuff there.

**Respondent:** They have the agricultural emphasis.

**Respondent:** Yes, why not.

**Interviewer:** Extension and research center, yes.

**Respondent:** Very extended.

**Respondent:** I wonder if that's a pattern because it's Oregon State and not the University of Oregon that has the big agricultural and ocean.

**Respondent:** That's true in most places; state schools are usually AG and tech.

**Respondent:** But the one with state in the name instead of University of State.

**Interviewer:** It's the land-grant institutions.

**Respondent:** It's different in the South.

**Respondent:** Everything's different in the South.

**Respondent:** Georgia State is not the same as Michigan State compared to University of Georgia?

**Respondent:** Like I would say, Kentucky State is very different than Kentucky. It's not the same parallel as Michigan State in Michigan; it's a different parallel.

**Respondent:** Kentucky State is probably far inferior to University of Kentucky, even more.

**Respondent:** I would not describe it as inferior, but I would describe it as different demographic.

**Respondent:** Because the Kentucky Wildcats in that state, I mean it's..

**Interviewer:** That's a big deal.

**Respondent:** I having gone to Western Kentucky University have been at the university that is most frequently perhaps maybe you University of Louisville. Anyway, we're described as inferior, but it's all just bogus.

**Interviewer:** I went to a school that was described that way too.

**Respondent:** I think about how much money I saved.

**Interviewer:** Yes, how about that?

**Respondent:** That's a good point, yes.

**Interviewer:** Craig Lake is Michigan's most remote state park, so that's the state park that borders Wisconsin in the north. Its 7,000 wilderness acres and six lakes were once owned by a very famous family known for living the high life.

**Respondent:** Vanderbilt's?

**Interviewer:** No.

**Respondent:** The Millers?

**Interviewer:** The Millers, yes [Inaudible 00:13:52.28]

**Respondent:** I did not think that was actually a hint; I was just making a joke.

**Interviewer:** Oh, that was fantastic; it's the champagne of beers.

**Respondent:** [Inaudible 00:14:04.15]

**Interviewer:** What's the most photographed sign by a popular anecdote in the Upper Peninsula? People stop every day to have their photos taken in front of the sign that says, this is the what? It was just in the Free Press last week.

**Respondent:** One word?

**Interviewer:** No, two words.

**Respondent:** And it's not Mackinac Bridge?

**Interviewer:** It's not Malvern with a very interesting name.

**Respondent:** Oh, wasn't this on under the radar?

**Respondent:** It was also under the radar.

**Respondent:** [Inaudible 00:14:48.20]

**Interviewer:** No, it's not Lexine; that's in the lower peninsula, by the way.

**Respondent:** I'm trying to remember those guys.

**Interviewer:** So there is a town in the Upper Peninsula whose name is gay, and so there's a bar in town so it's the gay bar and people get their picture taken next to it. Which is I just poked myself with my pencil, which is the most photographed spot in the Upper Peninsula, according to the Detroit free press?

**Respondent:** Lame.

**Interviewer:** Upper hand, red jacket, Ore dock, brick side, east channel what are these names of? These are things that we actually get in the Lower Peninsula?

**Respondent:** East channel implies the water way.

**Respondent:** Beers.

**Interviewer:** They're beers, yes, they're craft breweries. Yes, we have a lot of those. They're more than 20 craft brews in the UP Michigan. What travel guide first published in 2012 has inspired many in Upper Peninsula road trip?

**Respondent:** TripAdvisor?

**Interviewer:** No.

**Respondent:** Where to find ELQ meetings?

**Interviewer:** You're the closest.

**Respondent:** Is it some DNR thing?

**Interviewer:** It's sort of like that. This is a detailed profile of 109 of the UP's finest bars. What is it? It's actually a very straightforward name.

**Respondent:** The bar guide?

**Interviewer:** It's the upper bar guide basically is what it is, yes. And it says yes, Dennis and I have been happily working our way through the book from Munson, very interesting. The Keweenaw Peninsula is famous for its rugged beauty, but its South Shore is also known for what?

**Respondent:** Gems? Minerals?

**Interviewer:** No. Well, maybe a mineral, but not a very precious metal.

**Respondent:** Katoski stones?

**Interviewer:** No.

**Interviewer:** It has to do something with the beaches that are there.

**Respondent:** Black sand?

**Interviewer:** Yes, I mean, basically, it's the colored sand beaches. Michigan doesn't have that many of those if you think about it, mostly we have rocky beaches. So the sandy beaches are known between Traverse City and going north in the Lower Peninsula, and of course the south shore of the Keweenaw Peninsula.

**Respondent:** Does it really count as a beach if it's not sand?

**Interviewer:** Yes, it's a good question.

**Respondent:** It's a rocky shore with no sand.

**Respondent:** Not a beach.

**Interviewer:** At almost 3 feet tall, what roadside attraction towers over US Highway 41? A few miles north of Calumet?

**Respondent:** Some lighthouse?

**Respondent:** A big Bunyan statue there.

**Respondent:** Totem pole.

**Interviewer:** I love where you're going with this, but you need to think about the weather.

**Respondent:** Like a huge thermometer, barometer?

**Interviewer:** It's a giant thermometer, but it doesn't measure temperature. It measures?

**Respondent:** Rainfall.

**Interviewer:** Not rainfall, snowfall. When visiting the thermometer, you can see the height the snow reached in 1978. A record-setting 390.4. Inches.

**Respondent:** This is sad.

**Interviewer:** It's ridiculous.

**Interviewer:** It like makes 2014 look like a walk at the park.

**Respondent:** But why do they call it a thermometer and not a snowmometer?

**Interviewer:** Because they started it at the side of the road, and then sooner or later, all the snow melted. But the bar that showed how high the snow was remained. So now you go get your picture taken next to it like this is what 390 feet looks like.

**Respondent:** [Inaudible 00:18:19.11]

**Interviewer:** What's the most remote national park in the contiguous U.S?

**Respondent:** Isle Royal?

**Interviewer:** Yes, it's got to be Isle Royal, the largest island in Lake Superior. Can only get there by sea plane or boat. Interesting, to some parentheses, it's only about 15 miles from Minnesota but 56 miles from the Michigan shore, so it still belongs to us, though.

**Respondent:** And if anybody goes get to the boat early...

**Interviewer:** Oh no, you've been?

**Respondent:** Yes.

**Interviewer:** Oh, what's it like?

**Respondent:** The thing is if you get to the boat late, you have to sit in the back and freeze.

**Interviewer:** I see.

**Respondent:** But it's wonderful hiking, it's rugged, it's serene it's everything you could imagine and no bears.

**Respondent:** That's a plus.

**Respondent:** [Inaudible 00:19:03.05]

**Interviewer:** In June 1942, Henry Ford's plant in Kingsford stop making charcoal and began producing what World War 2 aircraft?

**Respondent:** B-52s?

**Interviewer:** It wasn't B-52's. That's a good guess.

**Respondent:** Does it starts with F?

**Interviewer:** It doesn't, it starts with a G.

**Respondent:** 32's, I'm just throwing random numbers out?

**Respondent:** It starts with a G.

**Interviewer:** Yes, it starts with a G; it's not what you think it is.

**Respondent:** Not the gremlin?

**Respondent:** The G jet?

**Respondent:** Gunner?

**Interviewer:** No, it has to drink the way that these craft fly.

**Respondent:** Gossamer.

**Respondent:** Glider.

**Interviewer:** They're gliders, yes, they call them gliders.

**Respondent:** It's a flying thing. I missed that.

**Interviewer:** American gliders flew in the European Pacific and China Burma India theaters during the Great War. The town of Ternary, I love this so much, holds a famous race each February. What kind of crafts race down Main Street?

**Respondent:** A soapbox?

**Respondent:** A bathtub?

**Interviewer:** Not bathtubs, not soapbox.

**Respondent:** Outhouses?

**Interviewer:** Yes. They have the outhouse classic several hundred spectators and teams of two push the customized...

**Respondent:** Several dozens.

**Interviewer:** To the finish line. Does anybody know what the other thing [Inaudible 00:20:28.00] is known for something else? Every once in a while, Dave, we can buy it at Westbourne. It's a very interesting thing, and you're going to have to look it up.

**Respondent:** Dragon fruit, I mean, is it something weird like that.

**Interviewer:** No, it's regular weirder if that makes. They take bread okay, regular roll bread by the way, maybe a little bit thicker than usual, but regular bread. They let it stale, they toast it, and they cover it with like half an inch of cinnamon sugar.

And then they put it in a bag, and they let it out into regular temperature and pressure for several weeks. Ternary toast, and you can buy bags of this stuff at Westbourne even like right now. It's the weirdest thing in the world; let's eat old bread [Inaudible 00:21:17.18]

**Respondent:** French toast is the same thing; I mean you basically made that from [Inaudible 00:21:24.03]

**Respondent:** It's so good, though.

**Respondent:** Yes, but that's usually made from stale bread [Inaudible 00:21:27.13]

**Respondent:** But not like months old in the world, like open to the atmosphere, like that's really old.

**Respondent:** Okay.

**Respondent:** [Inaudible 00:21:38.26]

**Respondent:** It's like a week, though.

**Interviewer:** You're right, though, because stale bread does do better French toast because it soaks up the egg a little bit better. So we can do Berkeley bread if we just like leave it out on the front porch.

**Interviewer:** It's just weird because you go to Westbourne and you buy it, we're so used to let's say the plastic generation, it's literally in a stapled once paper bag, and then you break the staple, and there's toast [Inaudible 00:22:03.02]

**Respondent:** Let's hear it for packaging.

**Interviewer:** It's just the weirdest thing ever. I bought it once I was like alright its bread with cinnamon.

**Respondent:** Okay. You bought it once, but did you buy it again?

**Respondent:** Okay, that's the marketing hook right there.

**Respondent:** I'm going to bring a loaf next week.

**Respondent:** And explain why Westbourne doesn't have it very often.

**Interviewer:** Also true, the make it certain times a year.

**Interviewer:** [Inaudible 00:22:22.25] the largest mountain range in the UP shares its name with what well-known great lake?

**Respondent:** One out of five, superior.

**Respondent:** Ontario.

**Interviewer:** Nope.

**Respondent:** Michigan?

**Interviewer:** No. I think I waited out.

**Respondent:** With the homes, I didn't start with H?

**Respondent:** Damn right.

**Interviewer:** I know, oh my gosh. Emit was at the table the other day, my seven-year-old son. He was kind of chanting to himself softly [Inaudible 00:22:54.21] am I'm like what are you doing? He goes [Inaudible 00:23:00.19]

**Respondent:** [Inaudible 00:23:12.28] if I have to name all five of them, except just.

**Interviewer:** The monks in Eagle Harbor are very famous for making something?

**Respondent:** Jam.

**Interviewer:** Jam is good.

**Respondent:** Maybe they make wine or something like that.

**Interviewer:** I'm interested to see whether you've even heard of this next one because it just happened to my family two weeks ago, and I was surprised by how hardcore it got.

Everybody can think of something, call it geekdom, call it fandom whatever, where there's a nice line down the middle, one faction versus another. There's a serious debate in the UP when it comes to eating your pasty, what is it?

**Respondent:** Gravy, no gravy.

**Interviewer:** Gravy versus?

**Respondent:** Ketchup.

**Interviewer:** Ketchup, yes. There are ketchup people, and there are gravy people, it's kind of freaky, and then it happened at my own dinner table.

**Respondent:** What's in a pasty?

**Respondent:** It's like a meat pie [Inaudible 00:24:13.25] and stuff like that.

**Respondent:** Like Irish potatoes.

**Respondent:** I think ketchup.

**Respondent:** They come from Britain, so why not ask a British person?

**Respondent:** Where's Jim Tubb when we need them?

**Respondent:** It's probably not ketchup.

**Respondent:** I could text [Inaudible 00:24:25.05]

**Respondent:** Somebody sends some pasties.

**Interviewer:** It would be great, Barb's and Clausen, that's the way to go right there. But my kids would not eat these things, they love them, but they would not eat them with the gravy.

**Respondent:** Yes.

**Interviewer:** Come on.

**Respondent:** Is it like regular gravy, like a thanksgiving gravy?

**Interviewer:** I think it's a chicken-based gravy.

**Respondent:** It hasn't done anything to you.

**Respondent:** Beef gravy?

**Interviewer:** It's good, you can't go wrong, and it's a minor food. Let's wrap up this question, and frankly, I think I've only taken us down on one of these. So we're definitely Michiganders, it's solid here. But what's a stormy Cromer?

**Respondent:** Careful now.

**Respondent:** Sounds like a drink.

**Interviewer:** It's not a drink, but that's a really good guess.

**Respondent:** Is it a race?

**Interviewer:** It's not a race.

**Respondent:** Then it's some kind of food?

**Interviewer:** Nope.

**Respondent:** Some weird handshake?

**Respondent:** Is it a snowmobile?

**Interviewer:** No, but it's really good that you're thinking after all these questions about it being cold.

**Respondent:** A boat?

**Respondent:** Is it like a formation, the ice fishing cuddle?'

**Interviewer:** Kromer spelt like chrome?

**Interviewer:** Kromer, K-R-O-M-E-R.

**Respondent:** Is it made out of Chrome?

**Respondent:** Because that makes it perfectly clear [Inaudible 00:25:47.03]

**Respondent:** Fishing pole?

**Interviewer:** No. Heather was on the right track by thinking cold, a lot of these have been.

**Respondent:** Is it like a snowmobile, a tractor, a plow?

**Interviewer:** No. You might need one if it's really cold outside.

**Respondent:** A shovel? A snowplow? Is it some sort of cold-weather garment?

**Interviewer:** I believe if you look in our technician's office, it will help you.

**Respondent:** It's a hat?

**Interviewer:** It's a hat, yes.

**Respondent:** Wait a minute; are these the ones with the ear flaps?

**Interviewer:** Exactly.

**Respondent:** Oh, Dave told me about this one.

**Interviewer:** Yep, Marilyn makes it very clear, it's a hat, the hat all capitals of the yupi. The stormy Kromer mercantile company founded in 1903, and their iconic hats are still made in Ironwood; they are awesome.

**Respondent:** But they're Midwestern?

**Interviewer:** Oh, it's quite, but this is the one you have to wear if you're in UP.

**Respondent:** Is that cousin Eddie's attire?

**Interviewer:** Sort of like that, so it's got the black and red pattern and then the big flap that comes around.

**Respondent:** It's a derivative, one maybe of the other.

**Interviewer:** Exactly. 1903 though that's been around for a while.

**Respondent:** I thought Michael was patting his [Inaudible 00:27:01.12]

**Interviewer:** He was sort of rubbing his head for good luck. [Inaudible 00:27:06.06]. You should look it up; it's just sort of interesting for regular small mom-and-pop style businesses that have been around for more than a hundred years. You would have expected a couple of generations to go yes, I'm not into making the hat anymore.

**Respondent:** Like Chinese food?

**Interviewer:** Chinese food? Come on.

**Respondent:** When was the last time you went to a sit-down place?

**Interviewer:** Oh, you're right, China Ruby, my heartbeats.

**Respondent:** I'm still upset.

**Interviewer:** Yes [Inaudible 00:27:36.00] I don't know what else to say, except for the fact that I'm afraid it's time for us to say goodbye, in the way that we all do which is individual as I go around the table saying your name. Heather?

**Respondent:** Bye.

**Interviewer:** Steven.

**Respondent:** Bye, Matt.

**Interviewer:** Kendra.

**Respondent:** Bye.

**Interviewer:** Beth.

**Respondent:** Bye.

**Interviewer:** And now these words from University of Detroit Mercy.

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