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M Matt Mio 00:02

The University tower chimes bringing in 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. All the way in the upper left, which is where I always start. It's Professor Beth Oljar.

B Beth Oljar 00:22

Oh, good to be here.

M Matt Mio 00:23

Yeah, that's great. We're very happy to have you here.

B Beth Oljar 00:27

My upper left is Dave, so -

M Matt Mio 00:29

Oh, okay. And I gotta say, Dave is usually the guy who's generating the start on the Zoom and everything. But this week, it's you.

B Beth Oljar 00:38

Wow.

M Matt Mio 00:39
Because I know, and by the way, congratulations on you and Drew's wedding anniversary.

B Beth Oljar 00:44
Thank you.

M Matt Mio 00:45
You and Drew are pretty big movie people. Just in the interest of curiosity, you know, in the curiosity of interest, have you gone back to a big movie theater yet, since the pandemic started? You have no interest? It doesn't matter to you? Like, where are you on that spectrum?

B Beth Oljar 01:01
We haven't gotten back yet. I mean, I don't know that Drew would want to do that. So I don't know I may - we may end up going to a movie with Dan and Tom at some point, but we haven't. I'm sure the last movie we saw was with you guys. I can't remember what it was. But -

M Matt Mio 01:18
Wow.

B Beth Oljar 01:20
It's kind of nice to be at home and be comfy and -

J James Tubbs 01:23
And I have to say, so much is now available on - you know - from home.

M Matt Mio 01:28
Yes. The way that my family decided to solve this problem, Beth, was to wait for a movie we really wanted to see - which is the way we always are. I don't just go to the theater to see whatever like.

B Beth Oljar 01:39
Yeah,

M Matt Mio 01:40

Right. And it was the the new Marvel movie, you know, Shang Chi. And - we usually go up to my mom and dad's place in the Port Huron area, and my wife's eyes get really big. She's like, these could be some training wheels. Because they have so many movie theaters in Port Huron. And of course we go, there's nobody else in the theater, but our family, (laughs), and I was like, I feel totally safe here. You know, it's like, it's just not a popular activity when you're right next to the you know, the freshwater. What can I say.

B Beth Oljar 02:13

I want to see that movie about Aretha Franklin, though.

M Matt Mio 02:16

That looks good. So anyway, yeah, that was the first movie, just this last weekend, that I that I've seen in person in over 18 months, so. But it's sort of felt like a glorified living room, if that makes any sense.

B Beth Oljar 02:28

How cool to be the only people. That's kind of neat, though.

D Dave Chow 02:31

Actually -

B Beth Oljar 02:32

Like, they're playing the movie just for you.

D Dave Chow 02:34

I don't know if you remember, but there was one time - What was it - AMC, you could actually rent the entire theater - during COVID - for what like 99 bucks - and you and 20 of your friends could do it. But -

J James Tubbs 02:44

Yeah,

J James Tubbs 02:45

but the selection was like going - "Really?. I saw that like five years ago."

M Matt Mio 02:50
And that's the dulcet tones of Professor Dave Chow, remembering movies from five years ago.

D Dave Chow 02:55
Pleasure to be here as always. Actually, the thing that I've been itching to do is go down to the Ford Wyoming.

M Matt Mio 03:01
Sure, sure.

D Dave Chow 03:02
You know, while the weather's still decent.

J James Tubbs 03:04
Oh yeah. Today would be a great day for that.

B Beth Oljar 03:06
I want to do drive-ins again.

J James Tubbs 03:08
That's what the Ford Wyoming is.

J James Tubbs 03:09
That's a long-lost American past-time.

D Dave Chow 03:10
Yeah,

J James Tubbs 03:10
Yeah.

D Dave Chow 03:11

And Beth, right across the street, at the gas station, is some of the best hamburgers in town. Oh, it's so good. They're open till 11, so I've been itching to like, go down there, get a bag of burgers and fries, and just go watch a movie. It's been forever.

M Matt Mio 03:24

Excellent. So where are you on the movie-seeing spectrum, Dave?

D Dave Chow 03:28

I haven't seen a movie in forever.

M Matt Mio 03:31

Wow.

D Dave Chow 03:31

Other than, you know, like what comes across - you know - on cable and you know, Disney Plus and that's about it.

M Matt Mio 03:36

Right. Well, that's like what Jim was saying. That's pretty much all you need these days.

D Dave Chow 03:40

Yeah. I mean, I will admit, I do miss the movie experience - you know, the big screen. You know, the popcorn laced with the 10 w 30. I mean, you know, I do miss those days.

J James Tubbs 03:40

Yeah,

M Matt Mio 03:48

(Laughs) Who wouldn't?

B Beth Oljar 03:50

Well, yeah, cuz you remember - I mean, I remember seeing Raiders of the Lost Ark. That's the movie. I've seen it the

theatre the most times, but also seeing Ghostbusters with my brother when that came out in the theater, right. There are some movies you don't -

D Dave Chow 04:04
That just don't translate to home, you know?

M Matt Mio 04:06
Yeah.

D Dave Chow 04:07
As big of a TV as you have, as great of a sound system, It's still not the same as a movie theater. That's all.

M Matt Mio 04:12
Right. Speaking of 10 w 30, I'm just thinking about greasy things - Professor Jim Tubbs -

J James Tubbs 04:19
Hello.

M Matt Mio 04:20
who has been cleaning out a grease-addled property for most of the last few days, huh?

J James Tubbs 04:25
Yes. (Laughs) Yes, I think I've gotten most of the grease out, but the smell of the grease is still around.

B Beth Oljar 04:32
Sounds like they were quite the purveyors of the fry-alator arts, as Anthony Bourdain would call them.

J James Tubbs 04:39
Yes. Well - Yeah, I'm learning all kinds of things. I don't know quite how this happens, but I spent a long time, you know, cleaning out with like disinfectant and stuff - the refrigerator and freezer, and it still smells like cigarette smoke every time you open the door.

D Dave Chow 04:55
Oh, in the fridge?

J James Tubbs 04:57
In the fridge. Yes. I think I'm gonna go out and find the strongest citrus scented thing I can.

D Dave Chow 05:05
Are you gonna bring, like, the state of Florida?

B Beth Oljar 05:08
Get like four boxes of Arm and Hammer baking soda and put 'em in there.

J James Tubbs 05:11
just Yeah, well, I've got that in there now but you know, I think I need to like squeeze lemons on the walls for -

D Dave Chow 05:16
Jim, like I said, open a window or a door and let gravity do its thing, you know.

J James Tubbs 05:21
Yeah, well,

D Dave Chow 05:21
When it comes to the appliances - Just buy new,

D Dave Chow 05:24
I would recommend some high-powered zeolites, Jim, which are those rocks that are so porous, they just absorb all gaseous odors.

M Matt Mio 05:33
I would give that a try.

J James Tubbs 05:33
There we go.

J James Tubbs 05:34
There we go.

M Matt Mio 05:35
Yeah.

B Beth Oljar 05:36
Cool.

D Dave Chow 05:37
But sometimes there's only so much you can do. I think I've even told this story before, but we knew that my mom's parents who both were chainsmokers their entire lives. We knew it was a problem when they had bought an extra box of triscuits, you know, at the store and gave them to us because we were kids and we loved crackers. And it's like, we're eating the triscuits, and I'm like, "Yeah, that doesn't taste like a Triscuit." My mom actually put her foot down, which is great, and actually got both of my grandparents to quit later in life. However, they both succumbed to the long-term effects unfortunately, so.

D Dave Chow 06:11
That's too bad.

M Matt Mio 06:13
Yes, Professor Dan Maggio is also here with us today, just patiently listening to all this banter and waiting to drop the world's greatest bomb on us. And here it is.

J James Tubbs 06:22
He's been contemplating.

D Dan Maggio 06:24
Bomb? I don't really have a bomb. I was curious from Jim, how long did those tenants live in your condo?

J James Tubbs 06:31
Four years.

D Dave Chow 06:32
Four years?

D Dan Maggio 06:33
Oh.

D Dave Chow 06:34
Did they ever leave?

D Dan Maggio 06:37
Part of - So I used to smoke - and part of what made me finally quit was the cleaning of the house and the realizing -

J James Tubbs 06:45
Yeah

D Dan Maggio 06:46
how disgusting that was. I used to do it a couple times a year and realize that, if my house is like that, my body can't be much better. So that was a great motivator.

J James Tubbs 06:58
I remember how shocked I was years ago. I needed some - for a very wide window - I needed some of those loose weave drapes, you know that still let a lot of light through. I found some at a friend's aunt's estate sale. The friend's aunt had died, and she had been a heavy smoker and they were just right. But I brought them home and washed them; And the water, when the wash cycle finished, was orange when it came out. I washed them again. Went through four washes and four rinses, and it was still orange every time - from all the nicotine.

D Dave Chow 07:32
It's perpetual. It's like an everlasting gobstopper

J James Tubbs 07:35
Yeah.

M Matt Mio 07:36
It is not lost on me - the irony of hearing the tower chimes in the middle of the show - considering I'm on campus today.

J James Tubbs 07:42
(Laughs)

J James Tubbs 07:43
We are not going to start another show in the middle of the show.

D Dan Maggio 07:46
Are you in your office?

M Matt Mio 07:48
Yeah.

D Dan Maggio 07:48
Upstairs?

M Matt Mio 07:49
Yep.

M Matt Mio 07:49
Yeah. See the picture of Kathy and Edwin - just over my ear?

D Dan Maggio 07:56
Yes.

M Matt Mio 07:57

Those were the days. But you're doing well Dan?

D Dan Maggio 08:00

I am, uh- actually made it to one movie earlier this summer. The problem is there aren't any good movies to see. And I would go see that Marvel movie, although he was one of my favorite characters from Kim's convenience, which is a show that it took off, uh -

D Dave Chow 08:18

BBC

D Dan Maggio 08:19

BBC took it off earlier this year very abruptly. So I'm a little bitter. And I'll go see it eventually. But actually because of Drew - Drew is helping us move through the sequence of - I don't know - 25 Marvel movies. I'm only on number four. So it'll be a while before I get to - to get to this -

B Beth Oljar 08:38

I was gonna say - Wasn't the last movie you saw The Courier at my house?

D Dan Maggio 08:39

Yeah, I saw The Courier. Yeah, That was pretty good.

B Beth Oljar 08:45

Last weekend.

D Dave Chow 08:46

Well I gotta say, even though I hardly ever plug things, right; that Shang-Chi was extremely entertaining. Probably a little bit too long. But I've just confessed to my wife I'm in love with Aquafina, as in the comedian Aquafina.

D Dan Maggio 09:00

Oh, she's fantastic.

D Dave Chow 09:01
Not the water.

M Matt Mio 09:02
One of the most funny people, and just her voice - just saying any regular line - makes me laugh out loud. And you will not be disappointed, if you're looking for some -

D Dan Maggio 09:13
Good.

M Matt Mio 09:13
some really great jokes.

D Dave Chow 09:14
Actually the one movie that - I will admit - I'm - I've been itching to see is the new Bond movie that's been delayed since what -

J James Tubbs 09:20
Yes, yeah,

D Dave Chow 09:21
two years almost now.

J James Tubbs 09:22
Yeah, almost two years.

D Dave Chow 09:23
It was a great trailer before Shang-Chi

B Beth Oljar 09:26

Who's playing Bond? Is it Daniel Craig?

J James Tubbs 09:27

It is Daniel Craig's last

D Dave Chow 09:28

It's still Daniel Craig.

J James Tubbs 09:29

It should be his last one. Yes.

M Matt Mio 09:32

That's right. Well, folks, this is a program where you could send us questions regarding anything. If you stump the panel, you win one of our prizes. You can send us the questions in a number of ways. Email us at ATP at UDMercy dot edu. Find us on Facebook and Instagram or listen on your favorite smart speaker by asking it to play Ask The Professor at University of Detroit Mercy. Here we go. "Dear profs: Life in the Upper Peninsula isn't just about drinking cheap beer. Some of us like good beer, too. More importantly, you can find the occasional yoooper who loves a good martini. Yes, that would be my husband Dennis and I. Here's to you profs, and here are 10 quick questions about this classic cocktail. Your friend from the U.P., where the state bird is the mosquito because they ate all the robins", It's Maryland Bachorik, yes from Munising, Michigan. Absolutely. Well, I don't know much about martinis, but it's a great segue to know there's that final Daniel Craig Bond coming out here.

D Dave Chow 09:52

He's a hottie.

D Dave Chow 10:38

I'm just - I know that I'm like Mr. Look Forward all the time. I'm pretty anxious in a good way to see who's gonna play bond next. I love Daniel Craig.

B Beth Oljar 10:46

I want it to be Idris Elba. I think Idris Elba would be wonderful.

M Matt Mio 10:49

It'd be a big thumbs up for me on Idris Elba, but -

B Beth Oljar 10:52
And he's a hottie too.

D Dave Chow 10:54
And the other one would have been, who was it, Tom Hardy I thought would have been a decent one

M Matt Mio 10:56
Tom Hardy. Yeah.

D Dan Maggio 10:57
Ugh.

D Dave Chow 10:59
No?

D Dan Maggio 10:59
I like him as an actor until I watched, um - Just recently he played Al Capone -

D Dave Chow 11:06
Oh, that's right.

D Dan Maggio 11:07
In a movie this last year or so. And it was a really dreadful movie. It was a - it was a difficult, just subject and the tone. But he was really bad.

J James Tubbs 11:19
Tom Hardy can be pretty much out there.

D Dan Maggio 11:21
Yeah. But I've seen him in other movies. He's he's a good actor. Maybe I need - Okay, I'll give him a chance again.

D Dave Chow 11:28
Here we go. In which Hemingway novel did he first mentioned a martini?

B Beth Oljar 11:35
For Whom the Bell Tolls.

M Matt Mio 11:37
It's not what it says here.

B Beth Oljar 11:39
Old Man In The Sea.

J James Tubbs 11:41
The Sun Also Rises.

D Dave Chow 11:42
It says "Sun Also Rises". So we got there.

B Beth Oljar 11:45
I was running out of -

M Matt Mio 11:46
In the novel, Jake and Lady Brett Ashley order martinis in Madrid bar. So "Sun Also Rises". When asked about his favorite Martini recipe, who said "I would like to observe the vermouth from across the room while I drink my Martini."
What a great line.

B Beth Oljar 12:04
It sounds like Churchill,

B Beth Oljar 12:06

It is definitely Winston Churchill

B

Beth Oljar 12:08

He just used to stand facing the direction of France. Right? And that was as close as the the vermouth or something got to -

M

Matt Mio 12:18

I just - Has there been a better quotable person in the history of the world? It's so wonderful.

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Announcer 12:25

You're listening to Ask The Professor from University of Detroit Mercy. We're grateful for those listeners who submitted questions for this week's episode. And we invite you to send us your questions at ATP at UDMercy.edu. The professors will return to answer more questions in 80 seconds. But first, let's enjoy these Ask The Professor memories from 1996. (ATP FLASHBACK)

D

Dave Chow 14:12

Oh my gosh. How about in moviemaking, what are they referring to when they use the jargon The Martini Shot?

D

Dave Chow 14:21

I'm assuming through a certain lens.

D

Dave Chow 14:23

No, it's not a certain lens.

B

Beth Oljar 14:25

A close up of a glass?

M

Matt Mio 14:27

I mean, these are good guesses but that's not what the Martini Shot -

J

James Tubbs 14:30

Any of the Thinman movies was like a constant Martini Shot.

B Beth Oljar 14:37
"I'm busy spending all that money I married you for."

D Dave Chow 14:41
Um,

D Dan Maggio 14:42
So, what is it about a martini that would capture a shot?

D Dave Chow 14:46
on a desktop? on a certain surface?

B Beth Oljar 14:50
olives?

D Dan Maggio 14:51
crisp?

M Matt Mio 14:55
I think that you haven't lost your attention that martinis are a great way to have a cocktail hour.

D Dave Chow 15:03
It's a long pause.

D Dan Maggio 15:05
Like a social?

M Matt Mio 15:08
I mean, you're almost there.

B Beth Oljar 15:10
Is it a bar scene?

M Matt Mio 15:12
No, you know what it is? It's the last shot that you take on any day of recording. So when that shot is complete, it's a Martini Shot.

J James Tubbs 15:19
Oh, then it's happy hour. Okay.

J James Tubbs 15:21
Yeah. Exactly, exactly. The Martini Shot. So The Martini Shot could be lots of different camera angles. Just interesting. Who claimed that after four martinis, she'd be under her host?

D Dave Chow 15:36
Ooh.

J James Tubbs 15:37
Dorothy Parker, probably.

M Matt Mio 15:38
It was Dorothy Parker. Yes, the quote is "I'd like to have a martini, two at the very most. After three I'm under the table, but four I'm under my host."

J James Tubbs 15:48
Yeah.

B Beth Oljar 15:48
So Funny. So funny.

M Matt Mio 15:51

It's so great. Oh my gosh. Robert Benchley is often credited with this line - "Why don't you get out of those wet clothes and into a dry martini?" In which movie did he actually say that to Ginger Rogers? I would be totally lost on this one.

D Dave Chow 16:12
I'm

D Dave Chow 16:12
I'm relying on Jim

D Dave Chow 16:14
Yeah. Right about now I've got this tambourine in a - you know - heavy metal band look about me, so - Ugh!

B Beth Oljar 16:24
I can't even think of Ginger Rogers movies.

M Matt Mio 16:27
Jim, I'll give you a little bit of a hint. There is a military rank in the title, if that helps.

D Dave Chow 16:35
Major?

D Dan Maggio 16:36
General? Lieutenant?

D Dave Chow 16:37
Major, Sergeant?

D Dan Maggio 16:38
Captain

D Dave Chow 16:40
Corporal punishment.

M Matt Mio 16:44
You know -

D Dave Chow 16:44
Some help we are, Dan.

M Matt Mio 16:46
The name of the movie is basically in 2021 style downright creepy. It's The Major and The Minor.

D Dan Maggio 16:54
Oh.

D Dave Chow 16:55
Ooh!

J James Tubbs 16:55
Good Lord.

M Matt Mio 16:56
Yeah.

D Dave Chow 16:57
It does sound kind of - creepy

D Dave Chow 17:00
Oh, my word. Who said when referring to his bartender "He knows how I like my Martini. Full of alcohol."

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D Dave Chow 17:14
Mae West?

M Matt Mio 17:16
it's gonna be a little more contemporary, but like last 35 years contemporary.

M Matt Mio 17:21
What, like a Norm from Cheers or somebody like that.

M Matt Mio 17:25
You're getting closer.

D Dave Chow 17:26
Cliff?

M Matt Mio 17:27
No,

B Beth Oljar 17:28
it's not Nick Charles?

J James Tubbs 17:29
No, he said it was a little more recent.

D Dave Chow 17:34
What, like Hawkeye Pierce or something like that from Mash?

M Matt Mio 17:38
Recent-er

D Dave Chow 17:40



Oh, recent-er



Dan Maggio 17:41

Was it a female character?



Matt Mio 17:43

You know, it is a male character who is animated.



Dave Chow 17:48

Oh, Barney.



Matt Mio 17:49

Mm-mm, but you're close.



Dave Chow 17:50

Homer.



Matt Mio 17:50

It's it's Homer Simpson. Yeah. You said Homer. Homer Simpson.



Dave Chow 17:54

Okay.



Matt Mio 17:54

I just - I love the blandness, of "He knows how like my martini, full of alcohol."



Beth Oljar 18:01

Yeah, I didn't know he drank anything other than Duff Beer.



Dan Maggio 18:05

Yeah,

M Matt Mio 18:05
That's a good point. Except for, you know, the the hilarity of the line.

D Dave Chow 18:10
Well, no, The Flaming Mo. I mean, so he's been known to do a few others.

B Beth Oljar 18:13
I remember. That's right.

M Matt Mio 18:17
And we'll never forget Marilyn's point about "life in the U.P. not just being about drinking cheap beer. Sometimes we like good beer."

D Dave Chow 18:24
It's called warmth. So,

M Matt Mio 18:27
Hey, what is the 5050? What's the 5050 - referring to martinis?

B Beth Oljar 18:33
Half vermouth and half -

D Dave Chow 18:35
Gin,

B Beth Oljar 18:36
Vodka, gin.

M Matt Mio 18:38



And with one extra addition, apparently traditionally.



Dan Maggio 18:42

Uh, olives?



Matt Mio 18:42

It says instead of olives, that it's orange bitters.



Beth Oljar 18:46

Oh, okay.



Dan Maggio 18:46

Okay.



Matt Mio 18:47

Who called the martini, "America's lethal weapon"? What a great piece of history this is.



Beth Oljar 18:55

Roosevelt.



Matt Mio 18:56

No. I'm gonna - I want you to think about this from the other side of the table, Beth.



Dan Maggio 19:02

So it's not an American.



Matt Mio 19:04

Right.



James Tubbs 19:05

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Churchill again?

M Matt Mio 19:06

No, but that would make a lot of sense. Somebody who would have been at odds with America during arguably the rise of the -

D Dave Chow 19:15

What - Stalin? or somebody like that. Lenin? Khrushchev?

M Matt Mio 19:18

Getting closer. It was Russia.

B Beth Oljar 19:20

Khrushchev

M Matt Mio 19:20

It was Khrushchev. Yeah.

J James Tubbs 19:22

Oh, Khrushchev.

J James Tubbs 19:23

Yep. Khrushchev.

J James Tubbs 19:24

What did he like to drink, straight vodka?

M Matt Mio 19:26

Probably.

B Beth Oljar 19:27

So he will crush us, but not our Martinis.

D

Dave Chow 19:30

No, he'll crush the ice.

M

Matt Mio 19:33

So we're, uh - because it just happens - taking in whatever part of Hunt for Red October is on X number of weeks ago, and there's the part where the head of the you know, Russian Navy is coming to his office for the day and the scene is setting up that he's gonna get the letter from Ramis. But I love that movie. I love that book. The first time I read and saw them. And he goes in, remember, and like everybody is greeting him. and he always goes, "Yeah"

B

Beth Oljar 20:01

Yeah, yeah.

M

Matt Mio 20:04

I do that all the time at home. Apparently, Leslie had never seen this movie. And she's like, "Is that why you do that?" It's a great movie! It's a great -

B

Beth Oljar 20:13

It is a great movie. In fact, there's, yeah, I mean, one of the greatest sort of episodes of symbolism in film in that movie, because there's a moment where the Russian submarine turns around very quickly to look at the American submarine. So there's just kind of this standoff - the two submarines. While that's happening, Sean Connery is talking about the Cold War.

M

Matt Mio 20:14

Right.

B

Beth Oljar 20:17

You know, "this was a war with no battles, only casualties", right. "And I widdowed my wife the day that I met her." But while he's talking about this, the two submarines are literally facing off and trying to remain silent so that they're undetectable by the other sub. It's just - I thought it was really clever.

M

Matt Mio 20:59

Absolutely. And since I know my parents, listen, I have to put a shout out for my dad, who essentially as a genre, as broad as it might seem, is obsessed with submarine movies of any type. And so he's - I think I've mentioned it before

brood as it might seem, is obsessed with submarine movies of any type. And so he's - I think I've mentioned it before - it's killing him, but he can't see the Tom Hanks one cuz it's only on Apple TV.

D Dan Maggio 21:18
Oh, that's right.

M Matt Mio 21:20
He goes, "I might just get a subscription just so I can watch that movie".

D Dave Chow 21:23
I think he'd get it for - what, 30 days or something like that. Isn't it?

M Matt Mio 21:26
Something like that. Yeah.

B Beth Oljar 21:28
He should watch U-571

M Matt Mio 21:32
Yep, that's a great one. I mean, he'll he'll pop on Run Silent Run Deep for fun. That's all.

J James Tubbs 21:33
That was a good one. That was a good one.

M Matt Mio 21:39
Or Das Boot for that matter.

D Dave Chow 21:41
Yeah, that's a good one.

J James Tubbs 21:42

Yeah.

B Beth Oljar 21:42
A Classic.

M Matt Mio 21:43
Couple more here, Professors. Worldwide, I think we already know this, what's the most popular Martini garnish?

B Beth Oljar 21:50
An olive?

M Matt Mio 21:52
Mostly Olive - prepared in what way though?

D Dave Chow 21:56
Pickled?

B Beth Oljar 21:57
Stuffed

M Matt Mio 21:58
It is. It's stuffed with blue cheese in the traditional martini.

D Dave Chow 22:03
Blue cheese, Ooh!

M Matt Mio 22:05
I don't know how my - I believe I can fairly say that I've never had a martini in my entire life. But that actually does up the anti there with the blue cheese stuffed olives. Last, but not least, (thank you so much for sending in the questions Marilyn and Dennis. As for the only two people who drink martinis in the Upper Peninsula). Why is James Bond shaken not stirred modern cocktail faux pas?

B Beth Oljar 22:31
cuz he's chipping the ice.

D Dave Chow 22:33
Yeah, you're diluting it.

J James Tubbs 22:36
I've heard it bruises the vermouth, when you shake it.

M Matt Mio 22:40
All these are good. And you're sort of driving at what's written here. It's about melting the ice and diluting at the same time. That one of the main points of having a martini, like I'm sorry, as a non Martini drinker. But organic chemist, I have to point this out. You want that completely translucent drink served to you in that container. That's part of the mystique. And when you shake it, it becomes cloudy, and now it just looks like you're drinking dishwashing.

D Dave Chow 23:11
It's Elmer's Glue.

B Beth Oljar 23:12
Oh Martin Sheen on - there's an episode of The West Wing where Martin Sheen goes through this whole long actually monologue with his assistant about why James Bond is a wuss because he's basically ordering a watered down Martini.

M Matt Mio 23:30
There you go.

B Beth Oljar 23:31
I'm like, Yeah, well -

M Matt Mio 23:33
Okay, it's time for our favorite part of the show. The Frank Burroughs and family Ask The Professor imponderables list. We've never done this one before. Not like we've done any of the ones that I've ever brought up, but I'm kind of anxious to hear what folks' favorite game of cards to play is. What's your favorite card game? I can get us going

anxious to hear what folks' favorite game or cards to play is. What's your favorite card game? I can get us going while you think, because I mean, seriously, we all at least live in Michigan.

B Beth Oljar 24:00
Euchre is gonna be

D Dave Chow 24:01
Yeah

B Beth Oljar 24:02
which I've never played.

D Dave Chow 24:04
I'm a four year Euchre man at CCS, so that's where I learned.

M Matt Mio 24:09
Euchre's the way to go for most of us here, although I -

J James Tubbs 24:12
When I was a kid - when I was a child, we played a childhood bridge game called Rook, which I use to enjoy a lot.

D Dan Maggio 24:19
Yeah.

J James Tubbs 24:20
I think that's fun.

D Dan Maggio 24:21
Probably Hearts too. I like Hearts. Pinochle. We used to - my mom and aunt taught me Pinochle.

B Beth Oljar 24:29

Poker.

B Beth Oljar 24:30
I played bridge, but I never really - I never got - Huh?

B Beth Oljar 24:35
Bridge is a dying art. I remember my parents used to play that a lot. But that was the thing to do in the 70s You know, my parents and their friends would get together and play bridge.

D Dave Chow 24:46
Yeah, what's another one I've been playing, um - The one with a little board where you use pegs

J James Tubbs 24:52
Cribbage.

D Dave Chow 24:53
Cribbage that's the other one I was gonna think of. Yeah,

M Matt Mio 24:56
Cribbage. I was at the Berkley Michigan Historical Society x number of months ago and they were just archiving a lot of the Berkeley area newspapers, a one sheets - really from honestly the teens, the 20s, the 30s. Berkley was founded almost 100 years ago so they're preparing for the centennial, and I was just cracking up and of course my wife's an historian. The society part was always like "Mr. And Mrs. Oljar have had a bridge party for the last three years, and if you're interested, stop by and mention" (Laughter) Things are very different.

J James Tubbs 25:39
well, I'm sure it was invitation only.

B Beth Oljar 25:43
When we got our new - I had to have a new air conditioning, a new air conditioner put in and a new furnace from Beyer Heating and Cooling and they called me Mrs. Warner, which was weird.

M Matt Mio 25:54

Yeah, I'm sorry to - My eyes darted to the screen there, Beth. But I just thought it was hilarious that they were just advertising sort of a personal party and then of course, I walk away with the great modern burden of shame. I'm like why is that any different from someone taking a picture of a burger and putting it on Instagram. It's pretty much the same.

B Beth Oljar 26:13

That would not have been at all unusual in The South, where there are reports on various parts - Am I wrong about this, Jim ? I mean, the part of Louisiana my grandmother was from there were frequently reports about -

J James Tubbs 26:26

Oh, yeah. When I was growing up, the society column would have all the details about the cotillions and the parties people were having.

M Matt Mio 26:36

The cotillions. That's incredible. Yeah. I mean, we are a very, very hardcore card playing family in the Mio family, mostly because of this Euchre derivative, that my dad claims that caught on like wildfire when he was playing at lunch at Ford Motor Company at the beginning of his job. And he taught it to my brother, who has now taught all of his in laws, and they go all in with cash, like all the time, and I'm just like, "you guys are too rich for my blood." And my brother collects playing cards, which is kind of a cool hobby. And we actually play with some of them instead of not ever unwrapping them.

D Dave Chow 27:11

Hey, Matt, Now, I don't know if your brother listens to the show or not, but have you ever thought about doing custom playing cards for him?

M Matt Mio 27:18

I have and I need to push that further. Because the truth is, we never worry about birthday or Christmas presents for my brother, whose birthday was just the other day. Because inevitably you're shopping. You see a cool deck of cards, you buy it, you shove it in a drawer, you dust it off when it's his birthday, you know, it's it's - That's pretty much the way we treat him. And I am not exaggerating. I think he has five or six regular size Rubbermaids with - completely full of decks of cards. It's pretty, pretty interesting stuff. Unfortunately, the time has come for us to say goodbye for today. Dan.

D Dan Maggio 27:55

Uh, have a great weekend,

M Matt Mio 27:57



Jim.



James Tubbs 27:58

Good bye,



Matt Mio 27:59

Dave.



Dave Chow 28:00

See ya.



Dave Chow 28:01

And Beth.



Beth Oljar 28:02

Bye



Matt Mio 28:03

now these words



Announcer 28:04

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Matt Mio 28:14

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