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Beth Oljar, Stephen Manning, Mara Livezey, Announcer, Dan Maggio, James Tubbs, Dave Chow, Heather Hill, Matt Mio

M Matt Mio 00:02
The University tower chimes ring 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. In the upper left square, as he always is, it's Professor Dave Chow.

D Dave Chow 00:21
Oh it's me pleasure to be here, as always.

M Matt Mio 00:23
Except for that one time when you weren't in the upper left square.

D Dave Chow 00:27
Oh, see I got Jim in the upper left square right about now, that's all - so.

M Matt Mio 00:30
Oh, interesting. Everybody gets their own season of Hollywood Squares.

D Dave Chow 00:35
Eh, it couldn't be worse. I think it's more like Brady Bunch though - so

M Matt Mio 00:39



Matt Mio 00:39

So what fantastical projects are you working on right now, Dave?



Dave Chow 00:43

Uh, Am I working on anything fantastical? Ford Expedition.



Matt Mio 00:47

That's pretty cool.



Dave Chow 00:48

Eh it's work. I got a couple kids books, so - It's a living!



00:52

Nice. At this time of year I, you know, always make sure that I tune in or at least check the background info on the episode of Dead Files to make absolute sure that I'm not going to miss one with you on it, you know.



Dave Chow 01:04

The last season's all California. I just got done with one - I think I told you - last Monday.



Matt Mio 01:09

That's right. That's right.



Dave Chow 01:10

So, locally - Shelby township - so.



Matt Mio 01:13

It's a creepy time of year, so -



Dave Chow 01:15

It is.



M Matt Mio 01:15
It fits in very well. Not because of you - because of the show. Uh, we're joined today by Professor James Balfour Tubbs.

J James Tubbs 01:27
Well hello.

M Matt Mio 01:28
What's going on Jim?

J James Tubbs 01:29
Well, not too much. Just sitting here at home, looking at you.

M Matt Mio 01:36
I suppose there's worse ways to spend a Friday afternoon

J James Tubbs 01:39
Of course.

M Matt Mio 01:39
I suppose.

J James Tubbs 01:40
Of course. Much worse, in fact.

M Matt Mio 01:44
What's been tickling your fancy lately, Jim? Any new books or streaming series or anything?

J James Tubbs 01:49
Um, not lately? No. Next weekend and the weekend after that, I'm going to be visiting family in the mountains next weekend and then the beach the weekend after that so I'm looking forward to that and hoping the weather will be good

M Matt Mio 02:05
Yeah, does that mean you're heading to North Carolina?

J James Tubbs 02:07
Yes.

M Matt Mio 02:08
Excellent.

B Beth Oljar 02:09
Such a rough life

J James Tubbs 02:10
I know. I know.

M Matt Mio 02:11
(Laughs) Getting up at the crack of 10

J James Tubbs 02:15
And teaching in between.

B Beth Oljar 02:16
Oh yeah, well it's not like you haven't earned it, Jim. I'm just jealous.

J James Tubbs 02:23
Your day's coming?

M Matt Mio 02:24
Yes. Everybody's days coming - and that right soon. But not too soon for Professor Heather Hill.

H Heather Hill 02:33
Oh, I don't know about that. (Matt & Heather laugh) How are you, Matt?

M Matt Mio 02:39
How are you doing?

H Heather Hill 02:40
I'm okay. I - you know that one of our adjuncts disappeared?

M Matt Mio 02:47
Incredible.

H Heather Hill 02:47
So, I had to take over a third class.

D Dave Chow 02:50
Ooh!

H Heather Hill 02:51
Yeah. I mean I'm supposed to be on - I have a course release for finishing up my book project, but our department was kind of in need so I'm -

B Beth Oljar 03:00
Can you carry that over next semester?

H Heather Hill 03:03
Yeah, yeah, I'm gonna carry it over, but -

D Dave Chow 03:05
Is this like frequent flyer miles or something like that? You can kind of like -

H Heather Hill 03:09
I don't know, but it's, uh - It's a lot. It's a lot of work but -

M Matt Mio 03:15
Yeah. It is. I'm kind of hoping, based on your original invitation Heather, that I do get a chance to stop by at some time. It's just unfortunate my lab is at the same time as your course.

H Heather Hill 03:25
Well I'm actually looking at the schedule and trying to see if there's a way to squeeze you in here if you'd like I mean, Mara is coming and -

B Beth Oljar 03:33
I think you should just leave the students unsupervised in the lab, Matt.

M Matt Mio 03:37
(Laughs)

D Dave Chow 03:39
And all the cabinets open too.

H Heather Hill 03:41
Yeah,

B Beth Oljar 03:42
What's the worst that could happen?

M Matt Mio 03:45
Um -

H Heather Hill 03:46

I'll look and see if there's some place for you here. You know, it's just- I'm going to run out of honoraria money so -

M Matt Mio 03:52
Oh my gosh. Well, I would not do it for the money. I would do it for -

H Heather Hill 03:55
Yeah, I know you wouldn't.

D Dave Chow 03:56
We take free labor too.

M Matt Mio 03:58
Yeah, my favorite movies. That's the point.

H Heather Hill 04:00
I might - I could maybe squeeze you in on December. No, wait a minute -

D Dave Chow 04:06
What year though? What year?

H Heather Hill 04:10
No, no, I mean, what we're all talking about is that - because I'm teaching the study of film class, I am doing a visiting scholar conversations element of the course, where I'm having people from different disciplines come in and talk about whatever films they feel they want to talk about, so -

D Dave Chow 04:25
Oh,

H Heather Hill 04:27
So Mara is coming in and Prasad is coming in and Beth is coming in and



D Dave Chow 04:32
My favorite Prasad.

H Heather Hill 04:34
Yeah. Yeah.

S Stephen Manning 04:35
Well since Prasad's coming, scholar is very, very loosely defined. (Group laughter follows)

B Beth Oljar 04:40
I'm going to talk about Ghostbusters, so, you know.

M Matt Mio 04:43
Awesome!

H Heather Hill 04:44
Yeah. Oh you are. I'd better write that down.

J James Tubbs 04:47
On a deep philosophical film.

H Heather Hill 04:48
But the class meets just once a week, so I only have a certain amount of time; but you know, I mean, if somebody -
There's - You could come in - I'm feeling bad -

D Dave Chow 04:57
Haunt the place.

M Matt Mio 04:58
Don't feel bad.

M Mara Livezey 04:58
We could tag-team a movie if you want.

H Heather Hill 05:01
Yeah,

D Dave Chow 05:01
yeah,

H Heather Hill 05:02
We could absolutely tag team a movie. That would be really cool.

D Dave Chow 05:05
You want the production side of things too? I can -

H Heather Hill 05:08
Well yeah, I mean, I - You know I -

D Dave Chow 05:11
Heather's not teaching anymore. We're just gonna have guests drop in all the time.

H Heather Hill 05:14
Yeah, that's right (laughs). We had to put the course together so fast.

M Matt Mio 05:17
Right. Right.

H Heather Hill 05:20
But yeah, actually, Dave that might be good to have you come in at some point. So -



D Dave Chow 05:24
Uh-oh.

M Matt Mio 05:24
Yeah, the logistic of having someone sort of filch out right in the middle of the semester is kind of brutal, so -

H Heather Hill 05:31
And Professor Manning is coming in to talk about The Lion King.

M Matt Mio 05:34
Oh, sweet! That's a segue, if I ever heard one, because here's Professor Stephen Manning, whose favorite film is the Lion King.

S Stephen Manning 05:42
Oh, not favorite, but I think there were - years ago I did something. I watched it so often, when my kids were young - with them -

M Matt Mio 05:51
Right

S Stephen Manning 05:51
you know, kind of unthinkingly just kind of, you know, as a babysitter type of thing. And then it struck me at some point that it was - it's a deeply political film, so -

M Matt Mio 06:00
That it is.

S Stephen Manning 06:01
I wrote some stuff on it, so I'm going to talk to them about that.

M Matt Mio 06:04
That's very, very cool.

S Stephen Manning 06:05
I think the paper I wrote was something like Simba Meets Aristotle or something. So

D Dave Chow 06:06
Wow!

S Stephen Manning 06:06
Or was it Simba Eats Aristotle? (The group laughs)

B Beth Oljar 06:12
But what does Timon do? Not bad for cowardly little meerkat.

M Matt Mio 06:21
That's right. Nathan Lane. Continuing around the horn here, Professor Beth Oljar from Philosophy is here.

B Beth Oljar 06:31
Hello.

M Matt Mio 06:31
What's going on? I might as well just keep going here. Like what movie are you gonna- Oh, you're gonna talk about Ghostbusters.

B Beth Oljar 06:37
No, actually, I hadn't decided what movie - I mean, I was thinking about doing Clueless and Emma. I've never seen Clueless. So first, I have to watch it. And I haven't seen that version of Emma. But, um -

H Heather Hill 06:51
You don't have to do that. You don't have to. You can do whatever you want.

B Beth Oljar 06:56

But then I would actually have to think about it.

M Matt Mio 06:59
(Laughs)

D Dave Chow 07:00
And then I have to ask you - what version of Ghostbusters too - so

M Matt Mio 07:04
Oh, sheesh. Come on.

B Beth Oljar 07:04
There's only one.

S Stephen Manning 07:06
I know. I know. I'm just just -

M Mara Livezey 07:08
The new one.

B Beth Oljar 07:10
Eh, I'm a scientist.

M Matt Mio 07:11
I'm actually sort of surprised to hear you say you haven't seen Clueless. So, there was a time, because that would have been when I was an undergraduate at Detroit Mercy, that Clueless probably would have been in my top 20 movies. It's it's very entertaining. It follows the Emma story almost exactly. And it involves a whole bunch of actors and actresses that became very famous, including Paul Rudd, in the modern era. So, it's a great movie.

H Heather Hill 07:36
As if!

B Beth Oljar 07:36
That film was good, so yeah,

D Dan Maggio 07:39
(Laughs) Good one, Heather.

B Beth Oljar 07:41
Maybe All The President's Men. I don't know. I'm not - I'm still thinking.

H Heather Hill 07:44
whatever you want to do. Right?

D Dave Chow 07:46
Die Hard

H Heather Hill 07:48
it's, you know, the theme of the class is - I'm doing like remakes - and I don't want to devote all of our conversation to the class. But you know. Jim, do you have a movie you'd like to do for my class? I have the schedule out right now? I'll put you in.

D Dan Maggio 08:06
No, I'll pass. I'd rather come listen to what others have to say. So, Mara, what are you doing? What chemistry movie with chemistry undertones are you gonna do?

M Mara Livezey 08:17
You know, I'm not doing chemistry undertones. I heard what Heather's plan was, and I heard that she was doing Guess Who's Coming to Dinner and Get Out, and Get Out has been my favorite movie of the past - very long time.

D Dan Maggio 08:33
Yeah. That's a good movie.

M Mara Livezey 08:34

Mara Livezey 08:34
So, that's the one.

M Matt Mio 08:35
There you go.

D Dave Chow 08:36
Whew! I thought you were gonna do Cats.

H Heather Hill 08:37
Do you guys get the connection - Guess Who's Coming to Dinner and Get Out?

M Matt Mio 08:42
Mm-hm, Mm-hm.

H Heather Hill 08:43
Isn't that kind of cool?

M Matt Mio 08:45
It is. I was about to segue to Professor Mara Livezey. Now we know what one of her favorite films of the last few years is. So that's a that's a good starting point.

B Beth Oljar 08:54
Really brilliant film.

B Beth Oljar 08:56
It's good to have you here. Mara. Mara, did you appreciate "Us"?

M Mara Livezey 09:02
Yes. So I liked "Get Out" more - because "Us" was certainly much creepier and scarier than "Get Out" was. "Get Out" was just very disturbing. But "Us" - Yeah, kind of blows your mind right there at the very end of the movie.

M Matt Mio 09:20
Mm-hm.

D Dan Maggio 09:21
Yes.

M Mara Livezey 09:22
Very good acting. And - you know, the white people die first. So, that's cool.

D Dan Maggio 09:27
(Laughs)

M Matt Mio 09:27
That's right. And there has never been a better segue for me to introduce Professor Dan Maggio of the FIRST organization.

J James Tubbs 09:37
Of white people.

D Dave Chow 09:40
Yeah,

D Dan Maggio 09:41
I was trying to figure out what the transition was. Okay.

M Matt Mio 09:43
It's a joke. It's a joke.

D Dan Maggio 09:46
Am I gonna die - Am I gonna die first on today's episode?

D Dave Chow 09:49
NO.

M Mara Livezey 09:49
Hopefully not.

D Dan Maggio 09:51
We could have a murder - an Ask The Professor murder episode. So, one of us dies and then we have to figure out who did it.

M Matt Mio 09:58
Like a Who-Done-It would be awesome.

D Dan Maggio 10:00
Yeah.

M Matt Mio 10:01
It would be a lot of fun.

D Dan Maggio 10:02
I'll get working on that.

D Dave Chow 10:03
killed somebody in the chem lab with, uh - with the lead pipe or something like that. I mean -

M Matt Mio 10:08
With a beaker.

M Matt Mio 10:09
Or - killed somebody with a wicked argument - from the Philosophy Department.

D Dave Chow 10:14
A club.

M Matt Mio 10:15
I know what Dan is gunning for here. He wants us all in full - possibly regalia - but costume. You want to do your very own Murder By Death with us playing all of the roles.

D Dan Maggio 10:27
Speaking of one of my favorite movies, that's got to be up there in top 10 for sure. And I just saw a clip - You know how you see random clips on Facebook, Instagram; and there was the one with Truman Capote, when he was -

H Heather Hill 10:38
Lionel Twain. Choo-choo Twain.

D Dave Chow 10:39
Lionel Twain

D Dave Chow 10:41
(Laughs) No, that was the address. Remember?

D Dan Maggio 10:47
That was his address Yeah, 2 - 2 Twain.

D Dave Chow 10:50
Oh, great.

M Matt Mio 10:52
Alright, folks -

H Heather Hill 10:52
Olivia loves that movie, too.

D Dave Chow 10:54

Okay. That being said, I'm afraid to see who would have to play who out of our motley bunch.

M Matt Mio 11:00

(Laughs) Folks -

H Heather Hill 11:01

Nick and Nora.

M Matt Mio 11:01

This is a program where you can send us questions regarding anything; and if you stump the panel, you win a prize, you can send us the questions in a number of ways - emailing us at atp@udmercy.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. Thar ya be. I have a very, very short set of questions from a longtime question sender we haven't heard from quite a while. "Hi profs. It's been a while since I've submitted questions. Recently, however, I've been inspired to send you a very personal set of questions about the Olympics. As a preview, the question requires you to guess- A) The names of the three Olympic gold medalists who I've personally met, and B) The circumstances in which I met her or him. As you can see, there is only one question, but quite a longer response. You pick the passing score, (question mark)", from Palm Springs, California, best wishes, our friend Alan Ira - who hasn't sent us questions in a long time.

M Matt Mio 11:11

Okay, so Okay, let's - let's back it up. Palm Springs, Does that help? Maybe

M Matt Mio 12:14

It might, but he's done a pretty good job here. So again, "I've met three Olympic gold medalists in my life. Name the three Olympians and the circumstances in which I met him or her." Now if that's all I was to give you, which is the vibe I'm getting from this very short set of questions, I think that would be rather difficult. So I think we're going to sort of back our way into this. And I'm going to give you the circumstances under which Alan met that person and see if you can guess who that Olympic gold medalist is. It's the late 1970s I competed at a track meet in LA. I was 14 at the time. I competed in the long jump"

D Dan Maggio 12:55

Bruce Jenner.

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D Dan Maggio 12:57
"Although I didn't medal, I got to meet this person who was signing autographs.

B Beth Oljar 13:02
Carl Lewis.

D Dave Chow 13:04
Rinaldo Nehemiah?

M Matt Mio 13:06
I thanked him for signing my brochure. He said "thank you for coming to this tournament that's named after me."

D Dave Chow 13:15
So I'm thinking what? Edwin Moses, Renaldo Nehemiah, who else were track stars back then.

D Dan Maggio 13:22
It would be an older

M Matt Mio 13:24
Well, this person would have been on in years, if they had met in the late 70s. Probably, arguably one of the most historically significant runners of track ever.

D Dave Chow 13:35
Jim Thorpe.

B Beth Oljar 13:36
Steve Prefontaine.

J James Tubbs 13:37
Jesse Owens.

M Matt Mio 13:37
It was Jesse Owens. Yes!

D Dave Chow 13:43
Good call.

M Matt Mio 13:43
Absolutely. Number two - In the mid 1980s, I took a weightlifting class at Santa Monica City College. Although it was a weightlifting class, the instructor required the students to jog through Santa Monica before lifting. For some reason the instructor, who was in his mid 40s at the time, always led the pack of runners, even though there were young track and field athletes in the class. Later, I learned this instructor was _____. Despite his historical significance, the Olympic gold medalist was modest and mild mannered and was an excellent PE teacher. The initials are T - S.

D Dave Chow 14:25
T.S? Tommy?

M Matt Mio 14:28
I was gonna say - same name as the Detroit Mercy mascot.

D Dave Chow 14:32
Okay.

M Matt Mio 14:32
and last name is just about one of the most common in the United States.

M Mara Livezey 14:37
Smith.

M Mara Livezey 14:38
Yeah, Tommie Smith was the famous weightlifter from the late 70s, early 80s Olympics.

M Mara Livezey 14:44

Okay.

M Matt Mio 14:45

I think it's cool to run into somebody - doing something in your regular life - and then finding out later - um, I can't help but mention, even though I cannot remember her exact name right now, which embarrasses me. Her name, I think, is Katie Sprang. Of course Professor Chow knows this - She won first ever gold medal for the United States in these last Olympics in Women's Weightlifting.

D Dave Chow 15:10

Oh no - silver.

M Matt Mio 15:10

She lives just a couple blocks from where Dave and I live in Berkley, Michigan.

D Dave Chow 15:14

No. Isn't it silver though? The one -

M Matt Mio 15:16

Was it silver? Oh, I thought she was a gold medalist.

D Dave Chow 15:19

Yeah, she was in the - was it - I think it was - Wasn't she like the grand marshal of the cruise? I think it was silver medal, if I remember right.

M Matt Mio 15:28

Yep. I think it's pretty cool -

D Dave Chow 15:30

Not a bad medal to win, but still.

M Matt Mio 15:33

That's right.

D Dave Chow 15:34
Pretty cool.

M Matt Mio 15:35
Last one. Alan Ira met an Olympic gold medalist. "In the early 2010s, I was at an outside shopping mall in Calabasas, California. While walking around, I spotted this person. She was taller than appearing on TV, I thought. I never had the courage to ask for an autograph at that juncture."

H Heather Hill 15:57
Jackie Joyner Kersee?

M Matt Mio 15:58
Mm-mm. That's a good guess, though.

D Dave Chow 15:59
Kerri Strug. Like a Kerri Strug - Mary Lou Retton kind of -

M Matt Mio 16:03
No. This is somebody that I think you all mentioned earlier.

S Stephen Manning 16:09
Sport - Is this summer or winter Olympics?

D Dave Chow 16:11
gymnastics?

M Matt Mio 16:12
This was Summer Olympics. It's a track and field star

B Beth Oljar 16:17

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Carl Lewis?

D

Dave Chow 16:19

No - female though.

D

Dan Maggio 16:20

You're not talking about Bruce Jenner, are you?

H

Heather Hill 16:21

I thought you said it was female

M

Matt Mio 16:22

Caitlyn Jenner is the correct answer.

H

Heather Hill 16:24

Oh, Caitlyn Jenner. Okay.

M

Matt Mio 16:27

So these are, uh - I, of course, can't help but wonder when Dave Chow was going to make the mention of the Cheers episode of Jeopardy, "Indeed, these three people have never been in my kitchen".

D

Dave Chow 16:39

True.

M

Matt Mio 16:40

These are the three Olympic gold medalists that Alan Ira has met in person; and I got to say meeting Jesse Owens has got - I mean - that's got to be up there. Right? Wow.

J

James Tubbs 16:49

That's a big one.

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M Matt Mio 16:49
Yep.

B Beth Oljar 16:50
There's a really good movie about his races in Germany, and in fact, it's called "Race" -

B Beth Oljar 16:55
is the name of the film, it's actually pretty good.

M Mara Livezey 16:55
Yeah.

D Dave Chow 16:59
Great name.

B Beth Oljar 17:00
Yeah.

A Announcer 17:02
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 UD Mercy.edu. Now let's return to our host Matt Mio with more questions for the panel.

M Matt Mio 17:29
We've got another short set of questions here with a good theme, and I think we're gonna have a lot of fun with it. "Hi, profs. It's July." Well, it's not July anymore. It's October. "But the temperature is 61 degrees. What can I say - summer in the U.P. As we sat chilling, literally, in the yard with our dogs, we were inspired to jot off a few questions about fictional pups. We hope you're all well" signed Marilyn, Dennis, Izzy and Boomer. All coming to us from Munising, Michigan. And you can sort of see a picture, but you can't see a picture.

D Dave Chow 18:07
There are two sheep dogs.

M Matt Mio 18:08
I can't get the background to work.

D Dave Chow 18:10
Oh, geez.

M Matt Mio 18:11
Oh, well, it's a really cute picture. They are gigantic English Sheepdogs, and they look as big as horses. "Fictional dogs and their owners. I'll give you the name of the dog. You say who the owner of that dog is? Buck."

M Matt Mio 18:29
This is a very famous piece of literature.

D Dave Chow 18:29
Okay, who had a -

D Dave Chow 18:31
Heather -

S Stephen Manning 18:32
Neither Jack London, um

D Dan Maggio 18:35
Called Of The Wild?

S Stephen Manning 18:37
Yeah.

M Matt Mio 18:37
It was the character John Thornton from Call Of The Wild. That's right. his dog was Buck. And if I remember correctly, it was like a German Shepherd or something.

S Stephen Manning 18:46
And probably there was a terrible movie with, um -

H Heather Hill 18:48
Harrison Ford?

S Stephen Manning 18:49
Yeah. So it was Harrison Ford, it was - it was terrible. It was an animated -. The dog was animated. It got terrible reviews.

M Matt Mio 18:57
Wow.

D Dave Chow 18:58
Yeah, I heard technically it was amazing. But the story was horrible. So -

S Stephen Manning 19:02
Yeah.

M Matt Mio 19:03
How about - This is a very unique name: Asta. A-S-T-A.

H Heather Hill 19:08
Oh, um -

D Dave Chow 19:09
Nick and Nora Charles.

H Heather Hill 19:10
Nich and Nora Charles.

M Matt Mio 19:11
Yep.

H Heather Hill 19:13
We are just talking about Nora.

M Matt Mio 19:16
Crazy. Small world.

J James Tubbs 19:18
It's in like very crossword puzzle.

H Heather Hill 19:21
Yeah.

H Heather Hill 19:22
Marilyn Bachorik, by the way, from um, who's written us questions quite a bit, from Munising, Michigan. She says "This one actually has two answers. See if you can get both." If I tell you there's a fictional dog named Tramp -

D Dave Chow 19:36
Lady and the -

D Dave Chow 19:37
Lady and the, from the Disney

J James Tubbs 19:39
Also, Tramp - Wasn't that the dog on My Three Sons?

M Matt Mio 19:43
Yes, that is exactly correct. The Douglas family from My Three Sons. It occurred to me the other day after realizing -

my youngest of three sons, Emmett is going to turn 10 in 2022 - that I've survived a pretty big chunk of that decade without people bringing up My Three Sons very much, so that's pretty good I think for 10 years.

J James Tubbs 20:06

Well, that - and that most of the people that watched it are now dead.

D Dave Chow 20:10

Hey, hey hey now

M Matt Mio 20:15

Whose dog - fictional dog was named Daisy?

D Dave Chow 20:20

Blondie. The Bumsteads.

M Matt Mio 20:21

Yeah. Blondie and Dagwood.

J James Tubbs 20:22

The Bumsteads.

M Matt Mio 20:24

I always thought that it was weird because the comic strip Daisy looked very different from the one from the show. What was the name of the show again? I always look to Dave for -

D Dave Chow 20:33

The show? What?

M Matt Mio 20:34

The TV show that was based on Blondie and Dagwood.

—

D Dave Chow 20:37
Oh, it was a movie. It was a movie series.

M Matt Mio 20:38
Oh, movie series, okay,

D Dave Chow 20:40
Yeah, the one in the comic strip would always tell it like an overinflated sausage.

M Matt Mio 20:44
So these are some pretty unique dog names - Whose dog in the movies was named Brinkley?

D Dave Chow 20:51
Brinkley?

M Matt Mio 20:55
I think if I remember this correctly, the character was played by Tom Hanks.

S Stephen Manning 21:01
Not Sleepless in Seattle.


M Matt Mio 21:03
No.


B Beth Oljar 21:03
Big?

D Dave Chow 21:04
It wasn't Castaway.

M Matt Mio 21:05


 Matt Mio 21:05
Nope. Definitely not Castaway.


 Dave Chow 21:09
Joe Versus the Volcano.


 James Tubbs 21:12
You've Got Mail.


 Matt Mio 21:14
It was You've Got Mail. Yes.

 Dave Chow 21:15
Okay. I was gonna go Forrest Gump, but that wasn't gonna go there. So

 Matt Mio 21:21
Which very, very fictional owner owned the very, very fictional dog, K-9? not the word canine

 Dan Maggio 21:29
Oh, Doctor Who.

 Matt Mio 21:30
Yeah,

 Dave Chow 21:30
Okay.

 Matt Mio 21:31
And Marillyn says specifically Dan, "Which doctor?"

 Dan Maggio 21:35



Tom Bake, the fourth doctor.



Matt Mio 21:36

Tom Baker. Yes.



Dave Chow 21:37

Wow, There you go, Dan.



Matt Mio 21:40

A modern classic - How about Eddie? The tiny little dog named Eddie.



Dave Chow 21:46

Frasier Crain.



Heather Hill 21:47

Frasier's dad.



Dave Chow 21:48

Oh, Frasier's dad. Alright.



Matt Mio 21:49

Martin Crain. Oh, no.



Beth Oljar 21:51

Yeah, there's no way Frasier Crane was gonna have a dog. Although -



Dave Chow 21:57

Jack Russell would be appropriate,




Beth Oljar 21:58


... I think I'd like a dog. I'd like a dog. I'd like a dog. I'd like a dog. I'd like a dog.


Niles had that ridiculous Italian Greyhound, right? Right. Anybody remember?


 Matt Mio 22:04
Yep.


 Dave Chow 22:04
My brand new neighbors have an Italian Greyhound that I've yet to see. So I'm curious.


 Matt Mio 22:09
How about Nana? N -a -n- a.


 James Tubbs 22:12
oh, Peter Pan,


 Heather Hill 22:14
Peter Pan.

 Matt Mio 22:15
The Darling family, mm-hm. Very good. This one's kind of a giveaway, for those of us who grew up in the 70s and 80s with cartoons, whose dog was named Astro?

 Dave Chow 22:28
The Jetsons

 Dave Chow 22:28
Oh, The Jetsons.

 Matt Mio 22:30
The Jetsons. A very, very, very recent addition to this list -ho owns Cheddar?

 Dave Chow 22:38

Cheddar? Kraft dairy foods, I know that but, uh -

M

Matt Mio 22:43

Probably. I can't tell off the top of my head if this show is still on television. But it could be in its sixth seventh or eighth season, or having recently shut down. So it's pretty recent.

S

Stephen Manning 22:55

It must be a Wisconsin based show.

M

Matt Mio 22:58

(Laughs) Actually, if I'm remembering correctly, it's New York based, Stephen.

S

Stephen Manning 23:06

Cheddar?

S

Stephen Manning 23:07

Is this Everybody Loves Raymond.

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Matt Mio 23:09

No, but that's a good guess. It's actually more recent than that, Beth, on the show. The show has a prominent star - Andy Samberg.

D

Dan Maggio 23:18

Oh, Brooklyn. 911?

M


Mara Livezey 23:19


Brooklyn Nine-nine.


S


Stephen Manning 23:20


Nine-nine. Yeah.


 Dan Maggio 23:20
Nine-nine. Sorry.


 Matt Mio 23:27
How about another classic from the 90's sitcom era. Um, Murray M-U-R-R-A-Y.

 Dave Chow 23:33
Ooh.

 Dan Maggio 23:34
I hate this when it's on the tip of my tongue. I can picture the show.


 Matt Mio 23:37
I can barely believe that everybody didn't just spit it out. I did not ever watch this show, but it -

 Dave Chow 23:43
What does the star look like? Come on.

 Heather Hill 23:46
What kind of dog is it?

 Matt Mio 23:46
This was as popular As Friends during its time.

 Dave Chow 23:50
What, like, Friends or something like that?

 Matt Mio 23:54
How about - Helen Hunt?

 Dave Chow 23:55

D Dave Chow 23:56
Oh, uh-

H Heather Hill 23:57
Mad About You.

D Dan Maggio 23:57
Mad About You. Yeah.

M Matt Mio 23:59
Professor Hill Yes. Mad About You. Marilyn says "Thanks for coming on my tour of 12 of these. Here's, just for goofiness, a bonus question. Very, very prominent 80's sitcom. The extremely classy - one of the extremely classy main characters owned Noel, the pig. Who was that?"

J James Tubbs 24:21
Oh, um, Designing Women.

M Matt Mio 24:23
Yeah, that's right. It was Suzanne Sugarbaker Yeah, Designing Women.

B Beth Oljar 24:29
Love that show. My mom and I -

M Matt Mio 24:30
Noel, the pig.

J James Tubbs 24:31
That had the best writing of any show on television.

M Matt Mio 24:34
That's wonderful. So - we are moving on to our absolute classic - a new set of Imponderables, or Favorites from Frank Burroughs and the Burroughs family, and I feel like we may have touched on this at some other time, but it's sort of a recast of somethina that was all close to our hearts as the weather turns cool. What is the professors'

favorite comfort food. I'm just gonna go straight up for my great grandma's mac and cheese. It's totally gross, but it gets you every time. You pour whole milk in with it. So it curdles as it cooks, and you basically make your own cheese at the same time. With a thick crust at the top. It's basically my favorite food in the whole world.

J James Tubbs 25:20
I think mine would be spaghetti with meat sauce.

D Dave Chow 25:22
Ooh. It's definitely got to be a pasta.

J James Tubbs 25:25
Yeah.

M Matt Mio 25:25
(Laughs) It could be other things.

B Beth Oljar 25:29
Yeah, but rice, noodles, something like that.

D Dave Chow 25:32
But, you know, it's definitely got to have a food coma quotient to it.

J James Tubbs 25:35
Mm-hm.

D Dave Chow 25:35
Right. Right.

J James Tubbs 25:36
A sleep-inducing quality.

D Dave Chow 25:39
Or like thanksgiving turkey maybe? No.

M Mara Livezey 25:42
I'm gonna say like a really good lasagna with like good meat sauce in it.

S Stephen Manning 25:47
Spicy chili with jalapeno cornbread.

J James Tubbs 25:51
That sounds good.

M Matt Mio 25:52
On a cold autumn day, like going for the food one so early in the list. It's just like,

H Heather Hill 25:58
I know this is gonna sound odd, and this is more like a food that I sometimes crave. I really like tuna melts with grilled red onions, and pickles on the side, and an order of onion rings.

B Beth Oljar 26:11
Onion rings. Yeah.

M Matt Mio 26:14
That sounds awesome. My stomach is doing somersaults.

D Dave Chow 26:17
I know. I know.

J James Tubbs 26:18
Yeah, mines beginning to grumble. Mm-hm.

D Dave Chow 26:21
Ravioli. Ravioli, right about now. Man, that sounds good.

D Dan Maggio 26:24
If I have a day off, and I go out and get something to eat, it's always eggs, hashbrowns and bacon. So I'm gonna go with that.

D Dave Chow 26:31
Dan, I thought for sure you were gonna go like fish and chips or something like that.

D Dan Maggio 26:34
But pasta, though, is always good.

J James Tubbs 26:36
Hey, how about a nice plate of poutine?

D Dave Chow 26:39
Oh! I am done. Oh!

M Matt Mio 26:42
I saw something online the other day, which of course lines up at the time of year perfectly about how that wagon-wheel sized pumpkin pie that Costco sells was actually not made last year. But it's back.

D Dave Chow 26:54
What?!

M Matt Mio 26:55
And, uh - we tell a story in our family of my brother, having one in his trunk and forgetting about it, but during the winter. And so at some point, he became so hungry, traveling - that he ate half of it. And I mean, that thing is hard to eat one piece of.

J James Tubbs 26:56



Uh, Yeah



Matt Mio 26:57

much less half of it.



Dan Maggio 27:09

If you go to Westborn, I bought a pie a couple weeks ago that I took to Beth's. It was made by Crust, which is out of the Flint area. They make amazing things. It was double crusted apple pie. It was one of the best pies I've ever had. I think they definitely use lard in the crust.



Matt Mio 27:33

You do know if we keep on doing shows like this, there's going to be the Ask The Professor weight loss program too. So -



Matt Mio 27:39

Yeah. We're already there. Yeah, that definitely sounds like the needed segue that I needed because I'm afraid our time is up and the time has come to say goodbye, Mara.



Mara Livezey 27:51

Good-bye



Matt Mio 27:52

Dan.



Dan Maggio 27:53

Goodbye. Thank you.



Matt Mio 27:54


Beth.




Beth Oljar 27:55

I'm hungry now.


 Matt Mio 27:56
Stephen,

 Stephen Manning 27:57
Yeah. What's for dinner?


 Matt Mio 28:00
Heather.

 Heather Hill 28:00
Bu-bye.

 Matt Mio 28:02
Jim,

 James Tubbs 28:02
Farewell.

 Matt Mio 28:04
And Dave.

 Dave Chow 28:05
See ya.

 Matt Mio 28:06
Now these words -

 Announcer 28:07
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Matt Mio 28:17

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