

# ATP 2242 transcript

Fri, 6/17 12:27PM 29:39

## SUMMARY KEYWORDS

professor, winter olympics, won, skiing, curling, summer, games, questions, olympics, laughs, kathy, luge, sport, events, guess, film, detroit, favorite, thought, kirkland lake

## SPEAKERS

Beth Oljar, Jeffe Boats, Michael Jayson, Dan Maggio, Kathy Bush, Production Element

---

- M** Michael Jayson 00:00  
The University of Detroit Mercy presents an encore presentation of a classic Ask the Professor radio program. Today's show takes us back to February 2006.
- K** Kathy Bush 00:13  
The University tower chimes ring in another session of Ask the Professor, the radio show where you match wits with University of Detroit Mercy professors in an unrehearsed session of questions and answers. I'm your host, Kathy Bush, and we have three holdovers from last week. The grub was so good that couldn't leave. What can I say?
- B** Beth Oljar 00:33  
We've been eating just cupcakes here all week.
- K** Kathy Bush 00:35  
Eating cupcakes and -
- K** Kathy Bush 00:37  
And being bejeweled. Yes, I think I noticed there's some shaking here, which is not good for curling.
- D** Dan Maggio 00:37  
And drinking coffee

and drinking coffee.

**J** Jeffe Boats 00:42  
No.

**K** Kathy Bush 00:42  
Start drinking decaf. Okay. So let me introduce the panel to you. To my right, from the Department of Math and Math Education - He wants to take a hit off his coffee and I'm not letting him - sorry about that.

**J** Jeffe Boats 00:53  
I'm getting the coffee D-T's.

**K** Kathy Bush 00:55  
It's Professor Jeffe Boats.

**J** Jeffe Boats 00:57  
I'm gonna be shaking so much, my rock is gonna spin uncontrollably heading down the ice.

**K** Kathy Bush 01:01  
Are you planning on playing tonight?

**J** Jeffe Boats 01:02  
I am.

**K** Kathy Bush 01:02  
Yes, both professors Maggio and Boats are doing curling.

**J** Jeffe Boats 01:06  
We haven't been on the same team yet, which is probably why we're still friends.

**K** Kathy Bush 01:09  
Let us hope. Please.

**J** Jeffe Boats 01:11  
Curling is such a fun game though.

**K** Kathy Bush 01:12  
And the other curler on our team today is Professor Dan Maggio.

**D** Dan Maggio 01:17  
Hi, Kathy.

**K** Kathy Bush 01:18  
Hey. So you guys are curling where? At the Detroit Curling Club?

**D** Dan Maggio 01:22  
Yep.

**K** Kathy Bush 01:22  
Yes.

**D** Dan Maggio 01:23  
At eight o'clock.

**K** Kathy Bush 01:24  
Eight o'clock. All right.

**D** Dan Maggio 01:26  
Well, they're gonna shuffle us around tonight. There's a chance we may be on the same team.

**K** Kathy Bush 01:29  
Hey. Well, we'll find out more about that next week. Yeah. Okay. Now around the table to my left, from the Department of Philosophy, its chair, but she knows her time is finally running out. It's Professor Beth Oljar.

**J** Jeffe Boats 01:29  
Uh-oh.

**B** Beth Oljar 01:43  
The noncurler at this table.

**K** Kathy Bush 01:45  
That's okay, babe. That's alright.

**J** Jeffe Boats 01:46  
We've gotta get you out there. Because Kathy is like half Canadian. So

**K** Kathy Bush 01:50  
I've played, but I mean, in the past -

**K** Kathy Bush 01:52  
Betty was like, major bonspiel up in Kirkland Lake. Hecky yeah, my mom. Yeah. Big time. That was big sport. Well, you know, like she said, What would you do in Kirkland Lake when the winter started like in October and ran to like May.

**J** Jeffe Boats 01:52  
So we could have a great mixed team. We have 2 and 2.

**B** Beth Oljar 02:07  
Good point.

**K** Kathy Bush 02:08  
You know, you had to find something to do.

**B** Beth Oljar 02:10  
Just like in Mystery Alaska.

**K** Kathy Bush 02:11  
There you go. Exactly. Great film.

**B** Beth Oljar 02:14  
Great movie.

**K** Kathy Bush 02:16  
Okay. Well, hey, this is the show where you can send us questions on curling, on hockey, on Russell Crowe, on telephones being thrown, whatever. Okay. And if you stump the panel, you win a fabulous t shirt. And if you don't stump the panel, you still get a t shirt. Now, last time, we had some great questions about the Super Bowl. Well, these are questions, interestingly enough, about the Winter Olympics.

**J** Jeffe Boats 02:39  
And they're going to be showing a lot of curling - U.S. Curling and Canadian Curling.

**K** Kathy Bush 02:43  
Yeah. And again, we're fortunate to be -

**D** Dan Maggio 02:45  
Yes, to be next to Canada. Thank God.

**K** Kathy Bush 02:47  
The CBC coverage.



**J** Jeffe Boats 02:48  
Yep.

**K** Kathy Bush 02:48  
I am totally - I am pumped for that.

**D** Dan Maggio 02:50  
I mean - certainly, the Canadian coverage of the Olympics is far superior to U.S. -

**K** Kathy Bush 02:55  
Yes, because they're not so nationalistic. They'll show like everybody.

**D** Dan Maggio 02:58  
Yes.

**K** Kathy Bush 02:58  
You know,

**D** Dan Maggio 02:59  
And they show every sport.

**K** Kathy Bush 03:00  
That's exactly right. I gotta give the Canadians 10 for 10 full marks on that.

**D** Dan Maggio 03:05  
Mm-hm

**K** Kathy Bush 03:05  
You know, I really do

**B** Beth Oljar 03:05  
My favorite winter olympics sparts is that skiing and skating.

**K** Kathy Bush 03:10  
Oh, but that's okay -

**B** Beth Oljar 03:11  
Well, the Bobsled and the Luge are fun too.

**K** Kathy Bush 03:13  
Yeah, those are pretty hip. But no, I mean, I think every - you know, like in the Summer Olympics - Okay, you said you liked what? What's your favorite event in the winter? You'd like iceskating and -

**B** Beth Oljar 03:21  
And the skiing.

**K** Kathy Bush 03:22  
Okay.

**B** Beth Oljar 03:22  
Bobsled, Luge.

**K** Kathy Bush 03:23  
Dan, what about you?

**D** Dan Maggio 03:24  
In the winter?

**K** Kathy Bush 03:25  
Yeah. Winter Olvmøpics.

**D** Dan Maggio 03:26  
Um, Probably the skiing. I do like the curling.

**K** Kathy Bush 03:29  
Mm

**D** Dan Maggio 03:29  
and hockey. I will catch a try to catch a game in hockey.

**K** Kathy Bush 03:32  
Yeah,. Jeffe.

**B** Beth Oljar 03:33  
Summer's all about the gymnasts.

**J** Jeffe Boats 03:34  
I like curling, of course, and I think downhill skiing.

**K** Kathy Bush 03:39  
Mm - Okay.

**J** Jeffe Boats 03:39  
And what's, uh - it's slipping my mind. Oh, bobsled and luge. I love that.

**K** Kathy Bush 03:43  
Yeah. Now for the Summer Olympics, you said gymnastics -

**B** Beth Oljar 03:46



Gymnastics - for me.

**K** Kathy Bush 03:47

Yeah.

**B** Beth Oljar 03:48

And track - and swimming - and diving. (Kathy laughs) Games have more stuff in them that I like to watch.

**K** Kathy Bush 03:53

Okay, and that's cool.

**J** Jeffe Boats 03:54

Almost all the countries are there.

**D** Dan Maggio 03:55

I think the diving.

**K** Kathy Bush 03:56

Yeah, the diving is always pretty interesting. Yeah.

**J** Jeffe Boats 03:59

I'm not picky in the summer. I love it all.

**K** Kathy Bush 04:01

Yeah, I mean, you know, those sports, I guess maybe just, they're they're kind of there. Okay. Well, these questions come to us from John Gettinger of Redford, Michigan. And so they're about various events. Okay. And again, we don't have a score here, so we're just going to have to set it on our own.

**D** Dan Maggio 04:18

80 per cent.

**K** Kathy Bush 04:18  
Okay.

**B** Beth Oljar 04:18  
So, events in the Winter Games.

**K** Kathy Bush 04:19  
Yeah. Okay. In freestyle skiing, the word "mogul" comes from what?

**D** Dan Maggio 04:25  
Mound? Hill?

**K** Kathy Bush 04:27  
Yes mound or small hill.

**J** Jeffe Boats 04:29  
Wow.

**K** Kathy Bush 04:29  
He claims it's from the Austrian word Mugel, M-U-G-E-L.

**J** Jeffe Boats 04:32  
Hm.

**B** Beth Oljar 04:33  
I'll buy that.

**K** Kathy Bush 04:35

Wouldn't that be German though? And not an Austrian word?

- K** Kathy Bush 04:38  
Okay, but okay, well, that's cool. That's okay. Which means small hill, or mound. Okay. In Figure skating, there's a gold-medal favorite from Russia, who is the first and only skater in history, (he doesn't say Olympic history, but in history), to successfully land a quad-triple-triple jump combination in competition.
- J** Jeffe Boats 04:38  
Yeah.
- D** Dan Maggio 05:01  
Oh, I don't know who that is.
- K** Kathy Bush 05:02  
Quad triple triple jump combination.
- B** Beth Oljar 05:05  
It's a Russian guy?
- K** Kathy Bush 05:06  
Russian guy.
- B** Beth Oljar 05:07  
Is it - It can't be Victor Petrenko. He's -
- D** Dan Maggio 05:10  
No. It would be very recent.
- B** Beth Oljar 05:12  
Yeah.

K Kathy Bush 05:12  
That's incredible.

D Dan Maggio 05:13  
I don't know the name.

K Kathy Bush 05:14  
That's an incredibly wild combination. Whew!

J Jeffe Boats 05:17  
You know, the angular momentum just to have the energy to do that.

B Beth Oljar 05:21  
To sustain the -

K Kathy Bush 05:21  
Thank you.

J Jeffe Boats 05:22  
It's fantastic. He must be very tall.

K Kathy Bush 05:24  
His last name is Plushenko. P L U S C H E N K O.

J Jeffe Boats 05:30  
That's when you put the thing in, and it goes down and hits all the pegs. Isn't that -

K Kathy Bush 05:34  
(Laughs) Yeah, right.

**B** Beth Oljar 05:35  
Well, I've heard of it. Now that you say the name.

**K** Kathy Bush 05:37  
Okay, but that's an incredible - I can't even imagine a quad triple triple.

**B** Beth Oljar 05:41  
Yeah, and now all the women are fighting to land triples. That's sort of the big thing?

**K** Kathy Bush 05:44  
That's what I mean, yeah. I mean, they've turned into these incredible- Yeah. And now a question about curling.

**J** Jeffe Boats 05:50  
Cool.

**K** Kathy Bush 05:50  
Curling is one of four Winter Olympic sports that is contested in doors. Can you name the other three?

**D** Dan Maggio 05:58  
Hockey.

**K** Kathy Bush 05:59  
Yeah.

**J** Jeffe Boats 05:59  
Speed Skating,



**K** Kathy Bush 06:00  
Speed Skating.

**J** Jeffe Boats 06:01  
Usually.

**K** Kathy Bush 06:02  
Mm-hm

**B** Beth Oljar 06:03  
That's fun to watch.

**D** Dan Maggio 06:03  
Do they count the other skating?

**K** Kathy Bush 06:05  
Figure skating

**D** Dan Maggio 06:06  
Figure skating. Oh, no, I was not actually thinking of that.

**K** Kathy Bush 06:08  
Oh

**D** Dan Maggio 06:10  
There's the, uh - Is it the long-track speed skating and there's -

**B** Beth Oljar 06:13  
The short-track speed skating.

**K** Kathy Bush 06:14  
Yeah, but that's all like speed skating.

**D** Dan Maggio 06:15  
Oh, yeah, short track speed skating is really fun to watch.

**J** Jeffe Boats 06:18  
Yes.

**K** Kathy Bush 06:19  
That's great.

**D** Dan Maggio 06:20  
It's crazy. That's like, uh, roller derby.

**K** Kathy Bush 06:22  
Yes. I know. It's like, yeah, there's a lot riding on that. So -

**B** Beth Oljar 06:26  
Who doesn't remember - not that he was a short track skater - But who doesn't remember Eric Heiden?

**D** Dan Maggio 06:30  
Yeah.

**K** Kathy Bush 06:30  
Ah, thank you.

**B** Beth Oljar 06:31  
That was so awesome to watch.

**K** Kathy Bush 06:33  
That was great. Yeah, absolutely great. German luge master, Georg Hackl -

**B** Beth Oljar 06:40  
Yes, he won for like for a billion years.

**K** Kathy Bush 06:43  
Well, That's right. Okay. And he's already the only athlete to medal in the same event in how many straight Olympic Games?

**D** Dan Maggio 06:50  
I'd say six.

**B** Beth Oljar 06:51  
Four.

**K** Kathy Bush 06:52  
Right between that.

**J** Jeffe Boats 06:53  
Five. (Laughs)

**K** Kathy Bush 06:54  
Can you believe that? Five straight games.

**J** Jeffe Boats 06:56  
Wow.

**J** Jeffe Boats 06:57



And of course, he wants to add to this one in turn, which would be number six. That is amazing. That guy must be made of iron. I mean, think about it. That's a long time to be doing the Luge.

**B** Beth Oljar 07:08

His neck muscles and face must be made of iron. I mean, that's what always sort of amazed me about -

**K** Kathy Bush 07:12

Thank you.

**B** Beth Oljar 07:13

The way you have to keep your head up enough so you can see the course. But you don't want to decrease your aerodynamic ability.

**K** Kathy Bush 07:22

Yeah

**J** Jeffe Boats 07:23

Whenever I think the luge, I just remember this Robin Williams joke I cannot repeat on the air.

**K** Kathy Bush 07:26

Oh, Okay. Well, there are several events. Actually, there are three events, current Olympic events, Winter Games events that the United States has never won a medal in. Can you name those events?

**D** Dan Maggio 07:37

Curling.

**K** Kathy Bush 07:38

Curling is one of them. Absolutely.

**B** Beth Oljar 07:39

Bobsled or Luge have gotta be -

K Kathy Bush 07:41

Yeah, they have actually. The US women won bobsled last time.

K Kathy Bush 07:41

No.

D Dan Maggio 07:41

No, I think the bobsled they've won.

D Dan Maggio 07:46

I would say the Biathlon.

K Kathy Bush 07:48

Yes. Biathlon is one.

D Dan Maggio 07:50

And I would say -

K Kathy Bush 07:51

This is an event that used to just freak me out. Um -

J Jeffe Boats 07:55

The Long Jump, that, uh -

K Kathy Bush 07:56

No, it's got - The first name is always Nordic, but it's -

D Dan Maggio 08:02

**D** Dan Maggio 08:02  
It's not the, uh - Well, I was that's when I was talking about the Biathalon. I was trying to think of that area because generally we don't -

**B** Beth Oljar 08:03  
The Nordic -

**K** Kathy Bush 08:07  
It's called The Nordic Combined.

**D** Dan Maggio 08:13  
Oh

**K** Kathy Bush 08:13  
I think that's that freaky ski and shoot thing they do.

**D** Dan Maggio 08:16  
Oh, that's the Biathalon.

**K** Kathy Bush 08:16  
The Biathalon. Which I've always, like "what is up with that?" Okay, like, let me ski, let me shoot.

**D** Dan Maggio 08:21  
Cross country Skiing and downhill skiing? I don't know.

**K** Kathy Bush 08:24  
Whatever. But it's the Nordic Combined, which - Yeah, we'll have to look that one up. But is that -

**B** Beth Oljar 08:28  
How you do the shooting after your arms are so tired from - ?

K Kathy Bush 08:32  
Thank you.

J Jeffe Boats 08:32  
Yeah, well, that's the thing. I guess that's what the skill is.

K Kathy Bush 08:34  
Maybe that's it, But -

K Kathy Bush 08:35  
Yeah, we used to cross country ski in Gym class where I grew up. That's, uh, where I first

K Kathy Bush 08:39  
They do that up in the U.P. The kids up there - that's part of their exercise.

B Beth Oljar 08:44  
Cool.

B Beth Oljar 08:44  
You know, that's - I know. That seems pretty crazed in that way. Okay. What year did ice hockey make its debut? Now this is really weird. And it's kind of a tricky question, because it wasn't at a Winter Olympic game. It was in a summer Olympic game.

B Beth Oljar 09:01  
Was it 52, or later than that?

K Kathy Bush 09:03  
Oh, early? This is really bizarre.

D Dan Maggio 09:05  
I'll say 24.

K Kathy Bush 09:07  
That's the first Winter Olympics that ever occurred was in 1924.

D Dan Maggio 09:13  
So the first summer Olympics would have been in the same year?

K Kathy Bush 09:16  
No.

D Dan Maggio 09:17  
No, 28?

J Jeffe Boats 09:17  
No

K Kathy Bush 09:18  
No.

J Jeffe Boats 09:18  
First summer was 1896.

K Kathy Bush 09:20  
Right. That was the first summer games.

D Dan Maggio 09:21  
Oh, right.

K Kathy Bush 09:22  
But first ice hockey made its debut in this year -

D Dan Maggio 09:25  
It can't be much earlier than that.

K Kathy Bush 09:27  
Well, a little bit.

D Dan Maggio 09:28  
20?

K Kathy Bush 09:28  
1920, the Summer Olympic Games in Antwerp, Belgium were the first time that ice hockey was ever played in the Olympics.

D Dan Maggio 09:35  
How did they have ice?

D Dan Maggio 09:36  
In 1920?

K Kathy Bush 09:36  
Well, it must have been an indoor rink, you know that they -

K Kathy Bush 09:40  
Oh, sure.

D Dan Maggio 09:41  
Okay.

**K** Kathy Bush 09:41  
They had some kind of ice pallets or something that way. I guess.

**D** Dan Maggio 09:47  
They couldn't have had the techniques of freezing ice indoors. Maybe they could have.

**B** Beth Oljar 09:53  
Well, why not?

**D** Dan Maggio 09:54  
Because it was 1920.

**K** Kathy Bush 09:55  
Well, 1920 - Sure.

**D** Dan Maggio 09:56  
I don't know. I'm just guessing.

**B** Beth Oljar 09:57  
I was gonna say - refrigerated train cars before that, so they must have had -

**B** Beth Oljar 09:57  
Well, they had refrigerated - train cars.

**D** Dan Maggio 10:01  
Alright. Fair enough.

**K** Kathy Bush 10:02  
And they were clever.

...and they were eleven.

**D** Dan Maggio 10:03  
Sorry.

**D** Dan Maggio 10:03  
They're clever in Belgium, you know?

**B** Beth Oljar 10:06  
(Laughing) Dan wants us to stop beating him up.

**K** Kathy Bush 10:10  
Okay, the skeleton event - The skeleton gold medal was actually - was first won by an American in 1928 who beat his brother who took the silver by one second. Can you name that American?

**B** Beth Oljar 10:26  
The skeleton event?

**K** Kathy Bush 10:27  
Yeah. Skeleton.


**B** Beth Oljar 10:29  
I've never heard of it.


**J** Jeffe Boats 10:30  
That's like a really stripped down luge or something like that?


**K** Kathy Bush 10:32  
Yeah, it is. it's just - yeah, there's like nothing to it.


**D** Dan Maggio 10:34





 Dan Maggio 10:54  
I don't know.


 Kathy Bush 10:36  
Yeah. Jennison Heaton was his name. He won the gold medal in 28. He'd beat his brother John, who took the silver medal by one second. Now, a 39-year-old John Heaton would win the silver again in 1948, 20 years later, finishing second.


 Dan Maggio 10:52  
Hmm.


 Kathy Bush 10:53  
That's a pretty interesting; uh, very interesting. What was the first known Biathlon competition? When did it take place?


 Dan Maggio 11:03  
Within Olympic history?

 Kathy Bush 11:04  
This is not in the Olympics.

 Jeffe Boats 11:06  
This would be before that.

 Kathy Bush 11:06  
This would be before that.

 Jeffe Boats 11:07  
This would be after the invention of the rifle.

 Kathy Bush 11:09  
Yeah.

D Dan Maggio 11:10  
I'd say - 1820

K Kathy Bush 11:12  
Actually, that's late.

J Jeffe Boats 11:13  
Wow!

K Kathy Bush 11:14  
I know. I'm totally shocked by this.

J Jeffe Boats 11:15  
Did they use muskets?

K Kathy Bush 11:16  
That's what I'm saying. I cannot -

B Beth Oljar 11:17  
Those things weighed a ton. How much -

K Kathy Bush 11:18  
Yeah, that's what i'm figuring out - Okay, it's 1767. This is what's down here. And so I'm trying to figure out what kind of weapons did these guys carry. Because a musket -

B Beth Oljar 11:27  
Yeah, I'm thinking like a

K Kathy Bush 11:28

**K** Kathy Bush 11:29  
Like a breech-loading, right? Exactly.

**B** Beth Oljar 11:31  
Those things weighed like 40 pounds.

**K** Kathy Bush 11:32  
Yeah, you had to pack the powder and your cartridge and all that into the gun barrel. So I mean, so you had to carry the rod, you had to carry your pellets. He had to carry your powder, and your weapon.

**B** Beth Oljar 11:46  
And your gun was much heavier than what the -

**K** Kathy Bush 11:47  
and I'm trying to think how skis would have been made in 1767.

**J** Jeffe Boats 11:51  
Yeah

**K** Kathy Bush 11:51  
I don't think these were fiberglass puppies.

**J** Jeffe Boats 11:54  
The muskets weren't very accurate. I'm amazed they hit the targets.

**K** Kathy Bush 11:57  
That's what I'm saying. Like unless it's just bucksprad. I mean, you know, it's like hitting the broadside of a barn or something. When did the Jamaican bobsled team make their debut at the Winter Olympics?

**J** Jeffe Boats 12:10

Was that '92?

**D** Dan Maggio 12:11  
I was gonna say 88

**K** Kathy Bush 12:12  
You're right, Dan.

**B** Beth Oljar 12:14  
I remember Cool Runnings.

**K** Kathy Bush 12:17  
I was gonna say - that film. That had John Candy in it, didn't it? Cool Runnings.

**B** Beth Oljar 12:22  
I'm not sure.

**K** Kathy Bush 12:23  
Wasn't he in that? Well, while we think about that, let's take a break.

**P** Production Element 13:16  
(Ask The Professor FLASHBACK)

**M** Michael Jayson 14:38  
You're listening to an encore presentation of a classic Ask the Professor program from February 2006. Matt Mio and the current panel of professors will return later this summer with more brand new episodes. So send your questions today to ATP at UD Mercy.edu. Now let's return to this classic episode of Ask the Professor from February 2006.

**K** Kathy Bush 15:05  
We're back with questions about the Winter Olympics which we are looking very much forward to. And you guys have been really doing great. You're only not one person as fair

to. And you guys have been really doing great. You've only got one wrong so far

**B** Beth Oljar 15:13  
Bode Miller better not go on and on about partying before -

**K** Kathy Bush 15:16  
I was gonna say, you know Bode made the cover of Newsweek; and they had this huge interview, you know, with him. And then they started mentioning other sports figures that may or may not have been toasted when they were, you know, participating in sports. Of course, the famous Oksana Baiul and her meltdown and -

**J** Jeffe Boats 15:33  
Yeah, what's your favorite memory? Doesn't necessarily have to be a great performance or - let's throw out "Miracle On Ice" because that's what -

**K** Kathy Bush 15:39  
Yeah, I was gonna say. That's - Yeah.

**J** Jeffe Boats 15:40  
What's your favorite like memory of the Winter Olympics?

**K** Kathy Bush 15:42  
Oh, The Winter Olympics? Wow.

**B** Beth Oljar 15:45  
Torvill & Dean doing Bolero.

**K** Kathy Bush 15:48  
Oh, That's beautiful. Yeah, that was at Sarajevo, right? those Winter Olympics. I have to admit - this will show my age - It was Peggy Fleming winning the Olympic gold medal.

**B** Beth Oljar 15:56

Oh, in '68.

**K** Kathy Bush 15:57

In Grenoble. Beautiful. I just - She was incredible. It was like watching dance. I couldn't believe that she was on ice.

**B** Beth Oljar 16:04

Talk about aging well. she still looks like -

**K** Kathy Bush 16:06

Thank you. I know. Like, OH, Don't you hate her.

**J** Jeffe Boats 16:08

I can't remember his name. Maybe you can help me out - but I think it was 84 or 88. Some American won the men's downhill skiing on one ski - because he lost his ski about 30 seconds from the bottom and he just finished it.

**B** Beth Oljar 16:19

It was either Bill Johnson or one of the Mahre brothers.

**K** Kathy Bush 16:21

Yeah. Beauty.

**J** Jeffe Boats 16:21

but that's it.

**D** Dan Maggio 16:23

My favorite memory is Tonya Harding when she broke her skate.

**B** Beth Oljar 16:26

And she's from Portland too, on the wrong side of the tracks. So I've always sort of had a soft spot -

spot

- K** Kathy Bush 16:31  
You know, I bet she probably felt like the outsider, you know, with all the other girls - Yeah.
- D** Dan Maggio 16:37  
No. That's -
- K** Kathy Bush 16:39  
Like what happened to her now? What is she doing?
- B** Beth Oljar 16:41  
She's a boxer.
- K** Kathy Bush 16:42  
She's what? She's a boxer?
- J** Jeffe Boats 16:44  
And not a bad one.
- B** Beth Oljar 16:45  
But I can't stand Nancy Kerrigan.
- D** Dan Maggio 16:45  
Poor thing.
- K** Kathy Bush 16:45  
No, but oh, that poor girl.
- D** Dan Maggio 16:48

But that didn't justify what she tried to do.

**K** Kathy Bush 16:50  
No!

**B** Beth Oljar 16:50  
No, not at all.

**K** Kathy Bush 16:51  
But get over it. You know, like Hello. Okay.

**D** Dan Maggio 16:54  
Whatever.

**B** Beth Oljar 16:55  
Nancy. You didn't win. Deal.

**K** Kathy Bush 16:57  
Okay. American skier and gold medalist in Turin, Lindsay Kildow was awarded this by local farmers for her World Cup win in France in 2005. What did they award her?

**B** Beth Oljar 17:12  
A really big pig.

**K** Kathy Bush 17:13  
Not a big pig.

**K** Kathy Bush 17:15  
A cow. Absolutely. She was awarded a cow by the Dairy Farmers Association of Val D'Isere in France.



D Dan Maggio 17:15

A cow?

D Dan Maggio 17:22

Which she immediately had cut up.

K Kathy Bush 17:24

She had a choice. She could have accepted the cow or \$1,200 in prize money, and she chose the cow.

J Jeffe Boats 17:31

Hm.

K Kathy Bush 17:32

That's amazing.

D Dan Maggio 17:32

What did she do with the cow? Eat it?

K Kathy Bush 17:34

I guess. I mean, eventually. I don't know. I mean, you'd have to

J Jeffe Boats 17:37

Well, she threw it down on some English (unintelligible)

B Beth Oljar 17:43

"And if you don't leave, we will punch you another time".

K Kathy Bush 17:47

That's it. I mean, wow, I mean, nothing against her. Maybe she didn't want to insult the

farmers.

**D** Dan Maggio 17:52  
Maybe the farmer might actually let her keep the cow.

**K** Kathy Bush 18:00  
Okay, American Shani Davis failed in his historic attempt to compete in both of these speedskating events in the same Olympics. What were they?

**D** Dan Maggio 18:11  
Um, short -

**K** Kathy Bush 18:12  
Yeah.

**D** Dan Maggio 18:12  
Short track and -

**K** Kathy Bush 18:13  
And long track.

**D** Dan Maggio 18:14  
Long track?

**K** Kathy Bush 18:14  
That's right. But he notes here that "He is still the world record holder in the Men's 1500 meters in speed skating". So that's gotta be long track, right. 1500 meters?

**J** Jeffe Boats 18:24  
Yeah. It's a mile, basically. Almost a mile.

**K** Kathy Bush 18:27

Oh, yeah. That would be bad. This family of Lake Placid, New York is the first to produce three generations of Olympians. Father Jack, at 91, was a double gold medalist in speed skating. Son Jim senior was a US Ski Team member in '64 Innsbrook. And in the 2000 games, Jim Jr. won a gold medal in the skeleton. What is this family's last name?

**D** Dan Maggio 18:53

Wow. I don't know.

**K** Kathy Bush 18:54

That is - Wow, that is some record.

**B** Beth Oljar 18:56

That's a good question.

**J** Jeffe Boats 18:56

Yeah.

**K** Kathy Bush 18:57

I mean,

**D** Dan Maggio 18:58

No idea.

**K** Kathy Bush 18:58

Three generations of Olympians. The Shea family. S-H-E-A. Wow. That's incredible.

**D** Dan Maggio 19:05

It is.

**K** Kathy Bush 19:06

**K** Kathy Bush 19:00  
You know, but think if you had to be like the next generation and had to live up to that legacy. You know, it's sort of like being Gretzky's son.

**J** Jeffe Boats 19:13  
Yeah.

**K** Kathy Bush 19:13  
You'd better find another sport to play. You know what I'm saying? (Dan laughs)

**B** Beth Oljar 19:16  
Do you guys cheer for America - when you watch the - for American athletes when you watch the Olympics?

**K** Kathy Bush 19:21  
Uh, It depends on the sport. I gotta admit it.

**B** Beth Oljar 19:24  
Oh, fair enough.

**K** Kathy Bush 19:24  
Yeah. If it's U.S. versus Canada in hockey -

**B** Beth Oljar 19:27  
But i'm thinking of the Summer Games. So when it's our swimmers and divers and track and -

**D** Dan Maggio 19:31  
I don't really cheer for anybody, I just like to watch.

**K** Kathy Bush 19:35  
I cheer for certain American sports. I admit it. I mean, USA. It's my nation. It's my country plavin' it.

B Beth Oljar 19:41  
Well, and when we sweep something in track and -

K Kathy Bush 19:43  
Oh!

B Beth Oljar 19:44  
I've always thought -

K Kathy Bush 19:44  
Except, as I say, in hockey, which should be Canada's all the time. Okay. Men's and women. It should be - And curling - our sport.

B Beth Oljar 19:52  
I've always thought of the Olympics as a fairly harmless form of patriotism. Rooting for, for American athletes. You know, when They're up there crying, and The National Anthem is playing.

B Beth Oljar 20:01  
That's pretty kind of cool.

K Kathy Bush 20:01  
I think that's the bomb.

K Kathy Bush 20:03  
Yeah. Hey, like Miracle on Ice. That was - I swear, I cried like a baby. I did.

B Beth Oljar 20:08  
That is so awesome though.

**K** Kathy Bush 20:09  
I mean, it was a four-hanky rating that game. You know, not just beating the Russians but going on and winning the gold. Those guys wer like -

**B** Beth Oljar 20:16  
"Do you believe in miracles?"

**K** Kathy Bush 20:17  
I sure did that day. What country has won more gold medals at the Winter Olympics than any other country?

**D** Dan Maggio 20:25  
Russia.

**K** Kathy Bush 20:26  
No.

**J** Jeffe Boats 20:26  
Austria

**K** Kathy Bush 20:27  
No

**D** Dan Maggio 20:28  
West Germany

**K** Kathy Bush 20:28  
No

**K** Kathy Bush 20:29

Norway. They have won more gold medals at the Winter Olympics than any other country. Now there are two countries south of the equator that have won medals at the Olympics.

**B** Beth Oljar 20:29  
Norway

**J** Jeffe Boats 20:42  
In fact, there's only two that have ever won medals at the Olympic Winter Games. Can you name those two nations?

**J** Jeffe Boats 20:44  
Good question.

**D** Dan Maggio 20:48  
Australia.

**K** Kathy Bush 20:49  
Australia's one. Absolutely.

**K** Kathy Bush 20:51  
I was gonna say. Okay, you got the Aussies.

**J** Jeffe Boats 20:51  
Now for the hard one.

**D** Dan Maggio 20:54  
South of the equator?

**K** Kathy Bush 20:55  
South of the equator.

J Jeffe Boats 20:56  
Oh, Chile.

K Kathy Bush 20:57  
No.

J Jeffe Boats 20:58  
Is it in South America?

K Kathy Bush 20:59  
It's not South America, which totally shocks me.

D Dan Maggio 21:04  
South of the equator?

K Kathy Bush 21:07  
Right, because the Bobsled team, they're not -

J Jeffe Boats 21:09  
Not India.

K Kathy Bush 21:11  
No, not India.

D Dan Maggio 21:12  
It's not - No. Korea is not south of the equator.

J Jeffe Boats 21:14  
No



K Kathy Bush 21:14  
No. It's mighty cold in Korea. It can get mighty cold in Korea.

D Dan Maggio 21:20  
I don't know except to guess.

K Kathy Bush 21:23  
Go ahead. Think Peter Jackson.

D Dan Maggio 21:26  
Oh, New Zealand.

K Kathy Bush 21:27  
New Zealand. Yeah.

J Jeffe Boats 21:28  
Oh, that feels cheap.

K Kathy Bush 21:29  
Oh, sorry. Well, you know,

B Beth Oljar 21:32  
It's just the same as Australia anyway. Who are we kidding? (Kathy laughs)

J Jeffe Boats 21:34  
It's Australia Lite. 1/3 of the calories. (Kathy laughs)

K Kathy Bush 21:37  
It's supposed to be beautiful. It is supposed to be gorgeous in New Zealand.

**B** Beth Oljar 21:40  
It's greener than huge chunks of Australia.

**K** Kathy Bush 21:44  
Okay, and final question. Legends Eric Heiden, Dan Jansen, as well as current stars, Chris Whitty, and Casey Fitz Randolph all share something in common. What do they share?

**D** Dan Maggio 21:57  
They're twins.

**K** Kathy Bush 21:58  
Well, there's like four of them though.

**D** Dan Maggio 22:00  
They're not twins themselves, but they have a twin.

**K** Kathy Bush 22:03  
No. It has something to do with where they come from.

**D** Dan Maggio 22:06  
Oh.

**J** Jeffe Boats 22:07  
Austria?

**K** Kathy Bush 22:08  
No, they're all Americans.

**J** Jeffe Boats 22:09

Oh, are they?

K Kathy Bush 22:09  
Yeah. Sorry about that.

D Dan Maggio 22:10  
Uh, Minnesota?

K Kathy Bush 22:11  
Not Minnesota.

B Beth Oljar 22:12  
Were they all from New York?

D Dan Maggio 22:13  
Wisconsin?

K Kathy Bush 22:13  
They're all from Wisconsin. They're all cheeseheads (Dan laughs) Okay. All right. So well, even with setting the standard that we set, John, sorry about that.

D Dan Maggio 22:22  
He lost?

K Kathy Bush 22:23  
Yeah.

D Dan Maggio 22:23  
Oh, I thought we missed - Okay.

**K** Kathy Bush 22:25  
No, you only missed two.

**D** Dan Maggio 22:26  
Those were excellent questions.

**K** Kathy Bush 22:26  
Weren't those good questions, and they just have, like, so much to -

**B** Beth Oljar 22:30  
You should have asked about the Summer Games.

**K** Kathy Bush 22:31  
Yeah, there you go. Hey, that would do it.

**J** Jeffe Boats 22:34  
He's got a couple of years to think 'em up.

**D** Dan Maggio 22:35  
Where are they going to be in '08? The summer?

**K** Kathy Bush 22:39  
In China. Aren't they? In Beijing? Yeah.

**B** Beth Oljar 22:42  
Cool.

**J** Jeffe Boats 22:43  
Have they decided 2012 yet? Was that gonna be London?

K Kathy Bush 22:45

Yeah. London.

D Dan Maggio 22:45

Yeah. That was it. London.

K Kathy Bush 22:47

Oh. Yeah. And you know, that was so sad because they had that announcement this summer. And then like two days later-

K Kathy Bush 22:53

The bombings occurred. Yeah, the underground in London, which you know - But, as usual, the perfect British kind of flame, they just rose above it and did what they needed to do

J Jeffe Boats 22:53

Oh, the bombings.

D Dan Maggio 23:03

I wonder if that was coincidence. Or if that was planned.

K Kathy Bush 23:05

You think? Oh, I hope not. You know, Detroit made a bid for the Summer Olympic Games - in 1956. I'm not kidding you. I'm not kidding you. Okay, all right. We lost to Melbourne. All right. You know, come on. Okay.

B Beth Oljar 23:18

Why would we want - ?

K Kathy Bush 23:20

That was when they built the Rouge Park pools. They built the Clark Park.

D Dan Maggio 23:23  
Did you say in 56?

K Kathy Bush 23:25  
56.

D Dan Maggio 23:25  
Oh, that's different.

B Beth Oljar 23:26  
Yeah. Submitting, you know, the world community to a Detroit summer - I can't imagine -

D Dan Maggio 23:31  
It would be very hot and humid here.

K Kathy Bush 23:34  
Yeah. That's fine. The humidity, I know, is very hard to take in the summer, which is true.

D Dan Maggio 23:38  
It is.

B Beth Oljar 23:38  
Winter, snow. No problem. I can deal with that. But the humidity in the summer is what kills me.

K Kathy Bush 23:43  
Yeah. It does get a little humid here. I thought the legs were supposed to be temperate and protect us, but I guess that's not the way. Okay. And now we're gonna move to some common trivia questions.

J Jeffe Boats 23:54

Well we're very common. So this should be right up our alley.

**K** Kathy Bush 23:56

These are about FIRSTS. Okay. So these are people who have been first, okay. Kurt Browning - his first occurred in 1988. He was the first male figure skater to do what?

**B** Beth Oljar 24:10

He probably won the world championship and not the Olympic Gold Medal.

**D** Dan Maggio 24:14

A double?

**D** Dan Maggio 24:14

A triple jump?

**K** Kathy Bush 24:14

Not a triple jump.

**B** Beth Oljar 24:16

He always melts down during the Olympics. He's great in any competition.

**D** Dan Maggio 24:19

A triple triple?

**D** Dan Maggio 24:22

In '88?

**K** Kathy Bush 24:22

He did a quadruple jump. A single. He just did a single quadruple jump.

K Kathy Bush 24:22  
In '88. So, that had to be like -

D Dan Maggio 24:31  
I thought the quad just made its appearance in like last four or five years. Okay. All right. I believe you.

B Beth Oljar 24:36  
Elvis Stojko - there's a Canadian

K Kathy Bush 24:38  
In deed

K Kathy Bush 24:39  
In addition to Kurt Browning,

K Kathy Bush 24:41  
Yeah. Aretha Franklin.

D Dan Maggio 24:43  
No, she didn't figure skate. (The professors laugh)

K Kathy Bush 24:47  
No, she was drivin' down the freeway.

D Dan Maggio 24:48  
So I'm gonna guess that this is random. These are random questions.

J Jeffe Boats 24:51  
The First Lady of Soul. There you go.



**K** Kathy Bush 24:52  
She is. but yeah - (Kathy laughs) And now I have this image of Aretha on skates - which is like so bad.. She was the first female artist to be inducted into what?

**J** Jeffe Boats 25:03  
The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.

**K** Kathy Bush 25:04  
That's exactly right. She was the first one inducted there. Michael Jordan in 1988 became the first basketball player ever pictured on what?

**D** Dan Maggio 25:14  
Everything in the world.

**B** Beth Oljar 25:16  
A box of Wheaties?

**K** Kathy Bush 25:17  
It was a box of Wheaties. Yes, but you are right, Dan, I have to give you a bonus point for that one, because Michael's on what Fruit Of The Loom. He's doing -

**D** Dan Maggio 25:25  
Well, he was.

**K** Kathy Bush 25:26  
He was doing the hot dog commercials. He was really doing that. Penny Marshall, in 1988, was the first woman film director to have done what?

**J** Jeffe Boats 25:38  
Whatever they have - Oscar?

K Kathy Bush 25:39  
No, she didn't win an Oscar.

B Beth Oljar 25:42  
Golden Globe?

K Kathy Bush 25:43  
No, this is more of a -

D Dan Maggio 25:45  
Produced her own movie?

K Kathy Bush 25:46  
kind of a monetary -

B Beth Oljar 25:48  
Oh, the movie grossed X number of dollars?

K Kathy Bush 25:51  
Yes.

D Dan Maggio 25:51  
Oh, The highest grossing film by a woman producer?

K Kathy Bush 25:54  
Yeah, she was the first woman film director to have a film take in more than \$100 million at the box office.

D Dan Maggio 26:01  
Was that big?

K Kathy Bush 26:01  
Yeah, it was big. That was the film.

B Beth Oljar 26:03  
That was a funny film.

D Dan Maggio 26:04  
Yeah, that was a good movie.

B Beth Oljar 26:05  
It was cute.

K Kathy Bush 26:06  
Yeah. It was.


D Dan Maggio 26:08  
It was cute. That's a good word for it.


K Kathy Bush 26:12  
This comedian was the first guest on The Tonight Show, the first episode that Jay Leno permanently replaced Johnny Carson as host. This is 1992.


D Dan Maggio 26:21  
Comedian?


K Kathy Bush 26:22  
Comedian


D Dan Maggio 26:23


 Dan Maggio 26:23  
David Brenner.


 Beth Oljar 26:23  
David Letterman.

 Kathy Bush 26:25  
No.


 Dan Maggio 26:25  
No, I don't know. Let me guess.


 Kathy Bush 26:28  
I'm gonna let you guess.

 Dan Maggio 26:31  
Male, you said?

 Kathy Bush 26:32  
Male comedian. Has done film and television work. Has done both.

 Dan Maggio 26:37  
It's not Robin Williams. No.

 Kathy Bush 26:38  
No, not Robin Williams.

 Beth Oljar 26:38  
Garry Shandling?



K Kathy Bush 26:39  
No. Good guess.

J Jeffe Boats 26:40  
George Carlin?

K Kathy Bush 26:41  
No.

D Dan Maggio 26:42  
Andrew Dice Clay.

K Kathy Bush 26:42  
(Laughs) I said film and television.

D Dan Maggio 26:46  
He was in film. He was in 16 Candles. No it wasn't 16 Candles, it was, uh - What was he in? He was the doorman -

B Beth Oljar 26:55  
but he's revolting. So -

K Kathy Bush 26:56  
Yeah, I was gonna say - it's not him. This one is a little more charming. I can say he's a huge fan of baseball. That might help you.

D Dan Maggio 27:03  
Oh, Billy Crystal.

K Kathy Bush 27:04  
Billy Crystal. That's right. That's interesting that he was Jay Leno's first -

D Dan Maggio 27:08  
What's the movie that Andrew Dice Clay was the doorman in? And it was -

J Jeffe Boats 27:13  
Oh. Was that -

D Dan Maggio 27:16  
Pretty In Pink

B Beth Oljar 27:17  
I didn't see that.

K Kathy Bush 27:18  
Oh, okay. Yeah. Okay,

B Beth Oljar 27:20  
That's one of the few movies in that sort of genre, that block, that I -

K Kathy Bush 27:23  
Yeah

B Beth Oljar 27:24  
that I missed.

K Kathy Bush 27:25  
Maya Angelou in 1993 was the first female poet to do this.

D Dan Maggio 27:30  
Sneak at the inauguration.

Speak at the inauguration.

**K** Kathy Bush 27:31  
That's exactly right. She read her poem on The Pulse of Mourning.

**D** Dan Maggio 27:34  
Mm-hm. Bill Clinton.

**K** Kathy Bush 27:36  
Wonderful.

**D** Dan Maggio 27:36  
It was very good.

**B** Beth Oljar 27:37  
Well, she's an outstanding poet, so it's not surprising.

**K** Kathy Bush 27:41  
Well, we'll have to stop there. But the last shall be first and let me thank our panel. Professor Oljar.

**B** Beth Oljar 27:47  
Later.

**K** Kathy Bush 27:47  
Okay. Professor Maggio.

**D** Dan Maggio 27:49  
Later

**K** Kathy Bush 27:50



Kathy Bush 27:50

Professor Boats.



Michael Jayson 27:51

You can email Ask The Professor at ATP at UDMercy.edu. Tweet to us on Twitter @ Ask the Professor, or using the hashtag Ask the Professor UDM, or visit the Ask the Professor Facebook page.



Kathy Bush 28:11

Ask The Professor is transcribed in the facilities of the CST Department at the University of Detroit Mercy's College of Liberal Arts and Education. Ask The Professor is produced, technically directed, witnessed and inspired by Michael Jayson, our executive producer is Dr. Vivian Dicks. So until next week, I'm your host, Kathy Bush. Let's go curlers of the world



Michael Jayson 28:32

and we're back with another edition of Ask the Professor next week. So please plan to join us