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M Michael Jayson 00:01

The University of Detroit Mercy presents another encore presentation of a classic Ask the Professor radio program. Today's show takes us back to September 2008.

K Kathy Bush 00:12

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 and their special guests in an unrehearsed session of questions and answers. I'm your host, Kathy Bush, and today we have three of our regular panelists with us. And we're so glad, because it's our first show of the academic year. So let me introduce the panel to you. To my left from the College of Engineering and Sciences and the Department of Mathematics, he's the guy who directs the Pre College Engineering Programs for the college. It's Dan Dan the DAPCEP man Maggio.

D Dan Maggio 00:51

Hi, Kathy.

D Dan Maggio 00:52

Welcome back.

K Kathy Bush 00:52

Hey, Dan.



K Kathy Bush 00:53
And how was your summer? What did you do on your summer vacation?

D Dan Maggio 00:57
What did I do? besides work?

K Kathy Bush 00:59
I was gonna say working like a dog. "roof"

D Dan Maggio 01:01
When to - I was in Minneapolis for a few days. Went to this really quaint, nice little Thumb cottage.

K Kathy Bush 01:09
That's right. You went to the Polka Fest in Kinde, Michigan. Absolutely

D Dan Maggio 01:13
The Polka Fest in Kinde, Michigan. It was fun. It was actually -

K Kathy Bush 01:17
And was the food not like to die for?

D Dan Maggio 01:20
It was good.

K Kathy Bush 01:20
Yes. And if you continue to eat a diet of that kind of food, you would die.

D Dan Maggio 01:24
And they had these particularly good cookies.

K Kathy Bush 01:27
Yes, the cookies were the best.

D Dan Maggio 01:28
The cookies were delicious.

K Kathy Bush 01:29
The ookies just kept moving. Okay,

D Dan Maggio 01:31
And - did some housework and the normal stuff.

K Kathy Bush 01:33
That's great. All right. Well, I'm glad you had a good holiday. Now on the other side - around the table, from the Department of History, its chair and the keeper of the Abolitionist Archives, which have moved to the library. But nevertheless, they're still with us. It's Professor Roy Finkenbine.

R Roy Finkenbine 01:47
Hi, Kathy. Good to be back.

K Kathy Bush 01:49
And how was your summer vacation?

R Roy Finkenbine 01:51
Well, it wasn't all vacation. As you know, I teach some accelerated classes during the summer. So that kept me going, and tried to do some research and, in fact, took a trip in late August down to Tennessee for a project I'm working on - which, among other things, in the course of one week, I had unexpectedly met one of the founders of Cracker Barrel, attended a Sons of Confederate Veterans meeting and preached in a Black Holiness Church.

K Kathy Bush 02:18

Whoa! okay, that's, uh -

R Roy Finkenbine 02:19

More later, but I figure that I have other qualifications - (Kathy laughs) I have other qualifications, because in September, Barb and I went over to Stratford, Ontario. So I consider that gives me foreign relations experience.

K Kathy Bush 02:32

Well, I bet it does, you know, because after all, any of us can look out our window and see Windsor. So why not? You know, absolutely

J Jeffe Boats 02:38

I have another reason why you should run for office because you have historical experience in leadership. I mean, the Black Abolitionist Archives moves around campus so much, it's almost like you've developed an underground railroad just for that room.

R Roy Finkenbine 02:52

Absolutely. Yeah. And I also can name at least- off the top of my head - 25 Supreme Court cases, which we know some people cannot do.

K Kathy Bush 03:01

Yeah. Well, you know, but some of those people aren't attorneys. Now, we did hear the voice of Professor Jeffe Boats from the Department of Mathematics and Math Education, who we must also announce is a dad.

J Jeffe Boats 03:12

Yes

K Kathy Bush 03:12

Yes. And he shared a picture today of the cutest little critter you could hope to see. But sorry, radio listeners, you can't. Maybe we can get it up on the website.

J Jeffe Boats 03:19

Maybe I'll put it up on my website.

Maybe I'll put it up on my website.

K Kathy Bush 03:21
You should.

J Jeffe Boats 03:21
And by the time this airs, I'll do it.

K Kathy Bush 03:22
Good.

J Jeffe Boats 03:23
Michael Lee Boats, and he was 10 pounds, 12 ounces when he was born.

K Kathy Bush 03:27
And now, you said, he's up to 16.

J Jeffe Boats 03:29
He's a big bunch of love.

K Kathy Bush 03:30
Wow, that's okay. And he is. He's a cute little critter. So what did you do besides, you know, changing Pampers and stuff. I hope you got to break away.

J Jeffe Boats 03:37
Oh, yeah, I got to play. I played a lot of baseball over the summer and, uh - and then changed a lot of Pampers.

K Kathy Bush 03:44
(Laughs) Yeah, That first year- yeah.

J Jeffe Boats 03:46

And we're doing a lot of home shopping right now. We're gonna - we're thinking of moving, because we're gonna need a big place pretty soon. We're hoping this isn't our only kid.

J Jeffe Boats 03:53

Oh, great. Yay. All right. Well, let's see, on my summer vacation this year, I went to Ireland and I went to China. And I'm happy to announce that in China - I had a visit at the Beijing Political Union University. I was happy to find out that their students actually listened to us over the internet. So that was really exciting. And they were so surprised that they and I was so surprised that they actually recognized my weasley voice, even in the Far East. So it was an amazing, amazing UDM moment,

J Jeffe Boats 04:23

Maybe they can send us some Olympic questions.

K Kathy Bush 04:25

Actually, I have asked them to send us some questions. So I'm hoping that will be possible. So again, you know, this is the show where you can send us questions from east or west, from churches, on Foreign Relations, on law cases, on cookies and whatever you'd like to send. And if you stump the panel, you'll win one of our fabulous T shirts. And if you don't stump the panel, you still win a fabulous t shirt. So come on, you need a t shirt, send us some questions. So how can you get those questions to us?

M Michael Jayson 04:54

You can email Ask The Professor at ATP at UDMercy.edu or visit The Ask the Professor Facebook page.

K Kathy Bush 05:02

And wouldn't it be a great way to start off the new year by questions from one of our favorite contributors? The one, the only, Dave Chow


J Jeffe Boats 05:10


Oh


K Kathy Bush 05:10


of Berkley, Michigan

- J** Jeffe Boats 05:12
Dave, the puppy, Chow.
- D** Dan Maggio 05:12
Is Dave becoming the new Bert?
- K** Kathy Bush 05:14
I hope so. I think he has.
- D** Dan Maggio 05:15
Because I miss Bert's questions.
- K** Kathy Bush 05:17
Well, who doesn't miss Bert.
- D** Dan Maggio 05:18
And Bert's gifts.
- R** Roy Finkenbine 05:21
Hint-hint-hint. Actually, a big gift would be if he'd come back and be a guest panelist.
- K** Kathy Bush 05:25
which he would like to do. He said that. And he said, "Dear Profs: Here we go again, a new semester - new questions. Hopefully everyone there had a wonderful summer, is tanned and ready for a new semester at UDM. Things have been spruced up here on the CCS campus, and we're getting ready for another fun-filled semester here as well. So what better way for me to start off your academic year and mine than by sending you folks a new set of questions. A score of 16 out of 20", and then he puts also known as 80%. So we're not putting you to work today math guys, "not unless Kathy thinks I need to up to standards. I'd be more than willing to agree to whatever standards she wants to inflict on the panelists". Ooh, what a sense of power.


 Dan Maggio 06:06
Uh, 80 is good.

 Kathy Bush 06:07
80's good. You know,


 Roy Finkenbine 06:08
We don't need no stinkin' standards.


 Kathy Bush 06:10
I was gonna say - yeah, really? I want it to be 20 out of 20. There we go.

 Dan Maggio 06:14
We don't need standards, because we get hints.


 Kathy Bush 06:16
That's right. There we go. And that's exactly right. Alright, so 16 out of 20. He said "These go here, there and everywhere". All right. Number one, who was the only US president not sworn in with a Bible? So not sworn into office with a Bible?


 Kathy Bush 06:28
It wasn't Calvin Coolidge, was it?


 Kathy Bush 06:36
No. And that's such a great guess, because he was sworn in by his daddy, who was a Justice of the Peace, wasn't it?


 Roy Finkenbine 06:43
Mm-hm


 Ieffe Roats 06:43


 JANE BOULDS 06:45
Could it be someone who was sworn in in sort of an emergency?


 Dan Maggio 06:46
Yeah. That's what I was thinking.


 Kathy Bush 06:46
It is an emergency.


 Roy Finkenbine 06:49
It can't be Johnson.


 Kathy Bush 06:49
No, because it was actually, they - there was a Bible on Air Force One.

 Roy Finkenbine 06:53
(kidding) And it said Gideons.

 Kathy Bush 06:54
Yeah. Really. It could have said Reader's Digest condensed version, but it was still the big book. Think of some other presidents in the 20th century who've had to be sworn into office, sadly, after a shooting incident.

 Dan Maggio 07:09
Besides JFK?

 Kathy Bush 07:10
Besides JFK.

 Roy Finkenbine 07:13
Teddy Roosevelt.

K Kathy Bush 07:14
That's exactly right.

R Roy Finkenbine 07:15
Well, he's gotten a lot of press lately, because, you know, at least one of the candidates ,really, tries to claim that -

D Dan Maggio 07:19
He got shot?

K Kathy Bush 07:21
William McKinley did

D Dan Maggio 07:22
He was in the 1800's hundreds, wasn't he?

K Kathy Bush 07:23
No, this is 1901. Yeah. Sadly, McKinley developed gangrene from his wound. I mean, this was pre antibiotic, you know, and very sadly, that's what he died of. But Teddy Roosevelt was actually camping with his family up in Upper New York State. It's a really harrowing journey he had to take through the night, you know, actually in a horse drawn carriage.

J Jeffe Boats 07:45
I grew up in Western New York

K Kathy Bush 07:46
Did that start rumors in his reelection campaign of 1904?

K Kathy Bush 07:46
Yeah, you know, I mean, the mountains, rains. I mean, they were camping. They were climbing, you know, rock climbing and camping and fishing and out in the woods. And so he could get to Albany and get the train. So yeah, he was not sworn in on a Bible. So Go-o-o Teddy

Albany and get the train. 30 years, he was not sworn in on a Bible. So oo-oo ready.

K Kathy Bush 08:07

Well, the thing I always think about Roosevelt was the way that ,you know, he too early said that he would - he would only run for one more term that he wouldn't, you know - And he could have actually run for two consecutive terms.

R Roy Finkenbine 08:16

Yeah

K Kathy Bush 08:16

but he did not do that.

R Roy Finkenbine 08:18

I find it interesting how, at least there's a strand of Americans that keep confusing Keith Ellison's swearing in for the house Obama's swearing in in the Senate. You know, it's interesting stuff.

K Kathy Bush 08:31

That's one I've not heard. What movie was the first to gross over 100 million at the box office?

D Dan Maggio 08:37

Star Wars.

K Kathy Bush 08:38

No. This really surprises me as well.

J Jeffe Boats 08:41

E.T.

K Kathy Bush 08:41

Earlier than that? I think - yeah. Earlier than E.T. Definitely. This was a film that made people

afraid to go into the water.

J Jeffe Boats 08:49
Jaws.

K Kathy Bush 08:49
Yes.

D Dan Maggio 08:50
Oh sure. Okay, fine. Yeah,

K Kathy Bush 08:51
It really did, because I remember my sister Ann yelling out at Lake Huron, "Shark! Shark! and people coming out of the water. (Roy and Kathy laugh) Excuse me, like - we're in the Great Lakes. (The professors laugh) So, I think that film really -

K Kathy Bush 09:04
Yeah, Landshark. All right. What does a Ritz stick - R I T Z stick measure? A Ritz stick.

R Roy Finkenbine 09:06
(Laughs) Crackers.

K Kathy Bush 09:06
It has nothing to do with dance, does it?

R Roy Finkenbine 09:06
Landshark!

K Kathy Bush 09:19
Nothing to do with dance, although I would think it's probably something that, when all of you here - that when you got your first pair of shoes perhaps your first -

K Kathy Bush 09:28

Yes. It's a person's shoe size. You know that, um - Remember that strange thing you had to put your heel up against the metal part of it and had those- Yeah,

D Dan Maggio 09:28

The width? The size of your feet?

D Dan Maggio 09:39

They don't do that anymore. It's all self service.

K Kathy Bush 09:40

They don't?

D Dan Maggio 09:41

Just kidding.

R Roy Finkenbine 09:42

Yeah,

D Dan Maggio 09:42

Oh, Honey, you need to shop where I shop because I want somebody checking my little feet out.

K Kathy Bush 09:42

Oh, I hope they don't.

D Dan Maggio 09:42

A lot of stores you go in and you say "Can I look at these?" And they bring them out, throw them on the floor and walk away, and you've got to try them on yourself.

R Roy Finkenbine 09:52
In our day, we also could get the cheap X ray too.

K Kathy Bush 09:55
Oh, well. Oh, I know. They used to X ray people's feet.

D Dan Maggio 09:59
What?

K Kathy Bush 09:59
Yeah. Oh yeah.

D Dan Maggio 10:00
At the shoe store?

K Kathy Bush 10:02
because they claimed it was some type of like scientific perfect foot - fit or whatever. Think about the X rays - (laughs) I always wondered about the poor people that work there.

D Dan Maggio 10:11
Yeah, that's kinda scary.

K Kathy Bush 10:11
I know.

D Dan Maggio 10:11
Yeah

K Kathy Bush 10:12
Yeah. When you think about it now, I guess it wasn't - but it seems so like scientific and modern or something. So don't let little Michael do that.

J Jeffe Boats 10:20
No, no

K Kathy Bush 10:20
Write this down. Put that down on the list.

J Jeffe Boats 10:22
Nope. He's not gonna wear any shoes until he's old enough, and then he's gonna get big white high-top sneakers like daddy.

K Kathy Bush 10:27
Excellent. All right, who are the only two Asian-American actors to be part of Saturday Night Live's cast. So these are -

D Dan Maggio 10:36
Asian Americans

K Kathy Bush 10:37
Yeah. So there's only two, he claims - you know, and I don't -

J Jeffe Boats 10:43
That doesn't count John Belushi dressing up as the, uh -

R Roy Finkenbine 10:45
Samurai hit man.

K Kathy Bush 10:45
Oh Samurai (laughs)

K Kathy Bush 10:48
No. It could, but it doesn't. That was a good one.

D Dan Maggio 10:51
Wow, I can't picture one. Are these, um -

K Kathy Bush 10:54
There's one that's very familiar to me. The other name is not familiar to me.

D Dan Maggio 10:57
Are these obviously Asian or they just have a kind of like a small -

K Kathy Bush 11:00
One is - both of them are part or Eur-Asian. I mean that they are part European background, part Asian background.

D Dan Maggio 11:08
I can't think of one.

K Kathy Bush 11:10
Okay, one, his initials are R. S. It's a male - R S. Alright, that's Rob Schneider.

J Jeffe Boats 11:17
He's part Asian?

K Kathy Bush 11:18
He says he's part Philipino.

J Jeffe Boats 11:20
I had no idea.

R Roy Finkenbine 11:20
I can see a hint, I suppose.

K Kathy Bush 11:24
Yeah, and the other is Fred Armisen. And he said he's part Japanese. So yeah,

R Roy Finkenbine 11:31
Is he really?

K Kathy Bush 11:32
Yeah, I don't know.

R Roy Finkenbine 11:35
They probably don't claim him.

K Kathy Bush 11:36
Yeah. You know, I was still like Michael Moore's idea that everybody should just intermarry with everyone else, so one day they'll just be beige people.

J Jeffe Boats 11:44
Oh, I used to laugh on Bullworth.

J Jeffe Boats 11:46
I love it though. I think it's such a great concept.

R Roy Finkenbine 11:48
Henry Allen Garnett, who was probably just a tier below Frederick Douglass black abolitionist in the 19th century had the same argument.


K Kathy Bush 11:55

 Kathy Bush 11:55

Yeah, I mean, you know, instead of all these bizarro categories, just - let's blend. Okay. This half of a famous comedic duo has three stars on the Hollywood Walk of Fame. And Groucho Marx once called him the greatest straight man ever.

 Dan Maggio 12:11


Was it Laurel and Hardy

 Kathy Bush 12:12

Not Laurel and Hardy. Think of another - they did a number of films, some of them -

 Dan Maggio 12:16

Abbott and Costello?

 Kathy Bush 12:16


That's it. So which one was it?

 Dan Maggio 12:18


It is. It's Bud Abbott. Yeah, he did kind of have that more kind of straight man quality

 Dan Maggio 12:18


Abbott

 Jeffe Boats 12:22

Oh, yeah. That's the harder half of the duo, too.

 Kathy Bush 12:24

I would think so. You did improve, right?

 Jeffe Boats 12:27

Yeah, being silly and goofy is easy. It's setting up the other guy is the skill.

K Kathy Bush 12:30
I would think so.

K Kathy Bush 12:31
Who's on first?

D Dan Maggio 12:32
Have you ever been to California to see this walk of fame with the stars?

D Dan Maggio 12:35
Because it's like every day some no-name celebrity is getting a star. (Kathy laughs) This will go on for like miles and miles.

K Kathy Bush 12:35
Yeah, I have.

K Kathy Bush 12:42
It's very - It's pretty big. Yeah. I mean, it's not like it's this enormous square that everybody gets like a driveway.

D Dan Maggio 12:47
It doesn't mean anything anymore when they give them to like -

R Roy Finkenbine 12:49
Jamie Lynn Spears.

K Kathy Bush 12:50
Well, yeah, that's what I mean. Yeah, I mean, I have to admit, I wanted to see like the glam stars, who I thought were like Betty Davis, and -

D Dan Maggio 12:58
Sure

K Kathy Bush 12:58
That's who I was looking for, I admit it. But you're right. They now have people - you're like, huh.

D Dan Maggio 13:02
There's like a whole parking lot full of stars.

J Jeffe Boats 13:04
It's Andy Warholism.


K Kathy Bush 13:05
Well, while we think about shame, let's take a break.


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


M Michael Jayson 14:44
You're listening to an encore presentation of a classic Ask the Professor program from September 2008. 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 September 2008.


K Kathy Bush 15:12
We're back with questions from Dave Chow of "berserkly" or Berkley, Michigan. And so far you've only - hmm, you can only get three more wrong, or you flunk? Okay, because it's 16 out of 20 that way.


J Jeffe Boats 15:24
He's tough.


 Kathy Bush 15:25
I know, well, you know, he's a professor too, you know.


 Roy Finkenbine 15:28
Mm-hm.


 Kathy Bush 15:28
There we go. Name the five Horizon League member schools that have left and joined the Atlantic 10 Conference. So these were former Horizon League -


 Roy Finkenbine 15:39
University of Dayton.


 Kathy Bush 15:40
Yep. Dayton.

 Jeffe Boats 15:41
Xavier.

 Kathy Bush 15:43
Yep.

 Roy Finkenbine 15:43
Is Marquette in there?

 Kathy Bush 15:45
No. Marquette, no. You know, Marquette had always been the big independent kind of thing. Let's see. Our dean used to teach at this school.

 Kathy Bush 15:53

Yes. This is a school in Philadelphia.

R Roy Finkenbine 15:53
St. Louis.

J Jeffe Boats 15:57
Duquesne. No, no. Temple.

K Kathy Bush 15:59
You got Duquesne. That's Pittsburgh. Uh, let's see. Not temple.

J Jeffe Boats 16:04
George Washington.

K Kathy Bush 16:05
No. Gosh, let think.

R Roy Finkenbine 16:07
Villanova.

K Kathy Bush 16:08
Boy, um - I know that neither of you are readers of Butler's Lives of the Saints, so I'm out of clues on this one. I should know this since I'm from St. Bonaventure University.

R Roy Finkenbine 16:15
St. Joe?

K Kathy Bush 16:15
Uh, it's La Salle.

R Roy Finkenbine 16:16
Le Salle.

J Jeffe Boats 16:16
Oh

K Kathy Bush 16:17
Yeah. Okay.

R Roy Finkenbine 16:19
Well, now that I'm teaching Michigan history and staying - four hours ahead of the students.

K Kathy Bush 16:24
Yeah. Oh my gosh. That's right.

D Dan Maggio 16:27
You're admitting that on the air?

K Kathy Bush 16:28
Well, no, listen, when I -

R Roy Finkenbine 16:29
I'm admitting it to all of my fellow faculty members.

K Kathy Bush 16:31
No, that's - There's nothing worse than that. I remember teaching high school - I was the only person in the department after maternity leave that had micro and macro, and they said "You're teaching Econ". I said "But I haven't had micro macro in like four years". And they said "Yeah, but you still had it". So - there is that, that bad feeling of like "Okay, I hope nobody read ahead for two weeks, because I'm in trouble here."



R

Roy Finkenbine 16:49

Alma Payne who was older professor; in fact, she retired during the time I was at Bowling Green. But she had started teaching about the time at World War II.

K

Kathy Bush 16:58

Hm.

R

Roy Finkenbine 16:59

And - Bowling Green was a much smaller college, you know, it was the a little teachers college. And she said, "I came in as a new faculty member, and anything was fair game. As long as it was history, they were going to assign it to me". (Kathy laughs) She said, "So I learned that I could teach anything with a textbook and a four hour headstart".

K

Kathy Bush 17:17

Wow, that sounds like something Father Muller said - that during World War II, when many faculty left, he said they were reassigning classes left right and center and they just said "Just start reading fast and teach well", and that was their instructions. That was something. In the 1983 iconic movie Star Wars Episode VI, Return Of the Jedi, what character did Sebastian Shaw play?

D

Dan Maggio 17:42

Did he play one of the bears?

K

Kathy Bush 17:44

No.

D

Dan Maggio 17:44

No. Sebastian Shaw.

J

Jeffe Boats 17:45

The Ewoks. Yeah. Ewok, which is Wookiee backwards.

K

Kathy Bush 17:49

Class.

Okay.

D Dan Maggio 17:51
Um, don't say anything quite yet.

K Kathy Bush 17:52
Let's see. Actually, he played - It sounds like he -

D Dan Maggio 17:59
Wow, I'm trying to think of the main new character -

K Kathy Bush 18:01
Somebody who was unmasked.

D Dan Maggio 18:03
Unmasked?

J Jeffe Boats 18:04
Oh - Darth Vader

K Kathy Bush 18:05
Yeah

R Roy Finkenbine 18:05
So, he was the face of Darth Vader.

K Kathy Bush 18:07
Yeah, He played the unmasked Darth Vader. And then it said "He also appeared as the disembodied spirit of Anakin Skywalker"?



D Dan Maggio 18:14
Yeah, at the very end. Yeah.

K Kathy Bush 18:16
Okay

D Dan Maggio 18:17
Yeah.

K Kathy Bush 18:17
Anakin? Is that the right way to say it?

D Dan Maggio 18:19
Yeah, Anakin Skywalker. That's the same guy,

K Kathy Bush 18:21
Darth Vader and Anakin Skywalker are one in the same?

J Jeffe Boats 18:24
Where have you been? (laughs)

K Kathy Bush 18:25
I don't know. The first time I saw a Star Wars picture, I actually fell asleep. I couldn't keep track of it all, and after that, I thought, "Oh, I've just got too much in my head already".

R Roy Finkenbine 18:34
Yeah, I thought it was all downhill after the initial bar scene.

K Kathy Bush 18:35
I know my nephew told me that I am not a complete human.

J Jeffe Boats 18:40
Star Wars was the first movie I ever remember seeing.

K Kathy Bush 18:42
William Howard Taft.

K Kathy Bush 18:42
Mm-hm, and that's what my nephew said, "You are not a total human being, Aunt Kat, because you don't get into this". And I was like "Okay, you're right". Which U.S. president was also affectionately known as Uncle Jumbo?

K Kathy Bush 18:49
I would have said the same thing.

R Roy Finkenbine 18:58
Jon Stewart or Stephen Colbert - one of them - I think it was Colbert the other night was doing these "famous presidential campaign slogans". And some of them were real. You know, "I like Ike" and so forth. Then there were made up ones like William Howard Taft - something about a raft.

K Kathy Bush 19:14
Oh no. This is another president who did seem to have a wide girth, but not to the extent of Taft, who I think had the widest hide in in the White House.

R Roy Finkenbine 19:29
Can you pin it down to a century?

K Kathy Bush 19:30
Uh, late 19th century, um -

K Kathy Bush 19:35
Grover Cleveland. Yeah, I mean, he was kind of paunchy, but he married a beautiful woman.

R Roy Finkenbine 19:35
Oh, Grover Cleveland,

R Roy Finkenbine 19:40
Yes. "Ma, ma. Where's my pa? Gone to the White House, Ha ha ha"

K Kathy Bush 19:43
He didn't marry that lady. He married the other one. There we go. Okay, who played the part of the chief on the old TV series "Get Smart"?

D Dan Maggio 19:54
I can picture his face and his voice, but I couldn't -

J Jeffe Boats 19:56
I'll tell you that the movie that came out this summer was really really good.

K Kathy Bush 19:59
It was great. All right. The actor's name is Edward Platt, P-I-a-t-t. Okay.

D Dan Maggio 20:04
Uh-oh, are we losing?

K Kathy Bush 20:05
Actually, you're right now at two and a half. Okay, in 1989, Bally introduced the first pinball machine to use a celebrity voice Who was that celebrity?

D Dan Maggio 20:18
What year?

—

K Kathy Bush 20:19
1989. So Dan was just a wee lad back in Erie, Pennsylvania (laughs)

D Dan Maggio 20:25
No. I was here.

K Kathy Bush 20:28
(Laughs) just a bee-bee

J Jeffe Boats 20:30
The Terminator.

K Kathy Bush 20:31
fThat's such a great guess.

K Kathy Bush 20:33
Uh, the voice is Elvira.

D Dan Maggio 20:33
That's a good guess.

D Dan Maggio 20:35
Oh, now I get it.

J Jeffe Boats 20:37
(laughs)

K Kathy Bush 20:37
So I was gonna say, do we have any Elvira fans here?

D Dan Maggio 20:40
I was gonna guess KISS, something like that.

K Kathy Bush 20:42
It's Casandra Peterson. More commonly known as Elvira.

D Dan Maggio 20:47
Yes.

K Kathy Bush 20:48
For the pinball game "Elvira and the Party Monsters". See, I never played those games that had voices. I love pinball.

D Dan Maggio 20:55
But not with the voices.

K Kathy Bush 20:57
Yeah

D Dan Maggio 20:57
It doesn't matter.

K Kathy Bush 20:58
Did you ever play a game called Super Soccer?

D Dan Maggio 21:00
No.

K Kathy Bush 21:01
Oh, that was such a great game, because it actually had these little soccer balls that, when you get into like double bonus, it came flying down. It was wonderful.

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D Dan Maggio 21:09

Oh, I played pinball when I was a kid.

K Kathy Bush 21:10

All right. Which Prime Minister is on the Canadian \$5 bill.

R Roy Finkenbine 21:16

It's not McDonald.

K Kathy Bush 21:17

It's not McDonald. But he -

J Jeffe Boats 21:19

Laurier?

K Kathy Bush 21:20

Yeah, it's Wilfrid Laurier. Good for you. Name three of the actors who have played the Alfred role in the Batman film series.

J Jeffe Boats 21:29

Allen - Oh, the film series?

K Kathy Bush 21:30

Yeah, the film series.

J Jeffe Boats 21:30

Okay, so not Allen Napier then.

K Kathy Bush 21:31

K Kathy Bush 21:31
Yes, he is. Allen Napier is one of them.

J Jeffe Boats 21:34
He wasn't in - Oh, he was in the 66 film.

K Kathy Bush 21:37
Right. I was gonna say, he's in that one.

D Dan Maggio 21:38
You said a film series?

K Kathy Bush 21:39
Yeah, it says in Batman movies.

D Dan Maggio 21:41
Movies? Michael Caine.

K Kathy Bush 21:42
Yeah, Michael Caine. Because he was in that last one.

J Jeffe Boats 21:44
Um, gosh - British actor. Initials are M.G.

J Jeffe Boats 21:44
Okay, now the middle one. Who is in the middle one?

D Dan Maggio 21:52
I can kind of picture him.

K Kathy Bush 21:53
Isn't it awful when you can see someone - ?

D Dan Maggio 21:56
I've only seen the movie once

K Kathy Bush 21:57
Really?

D Dan Maggio 21:58
Yeah.

K Kathy Bush 21:58
Okay. Michael Gough.

D Dan Maggio 22:00
No.

K Kathy Bush 22:01
Okay. So that will just take you

J Jeffe Boats 22:02
Oh, G-O-U-G-H. Right?

K Kathy Bush 22:03
Yeah.

K Kathy Bush 22:04
And he notes here that William Austin and Eric Wilton played Alfred in the 1940s serial of Batman, which I don't remember -

J Jeffe Boats 22:04
Okay.

J Jeffe Boats 22:11
I've never seen that.

K Kathy Bush 22:12
You've seen them, Roy?

R Roy Finkenbine 22:14
No.

K Kathy Bush 22:14
Oh, okay. Oh, but you do you know the actors? I thought you were-

R Roy Finkenbine 22:19
No, I was just shaking my head.


K Kathy Bush 22:22
Oh, okay. And you're allowed to do that. Okay. Which U.S. car manufacturer was the first to use a Phillips head screw?


D Dan Maggio 22:22
Uh, pick one. GM.


K Kathy Bush 22:26
Well, no, this would be a luxury car, I guess you could call it.


D Dan Maggio 22:35
Manufacturer?


manufacturer?


 Kathy Bush 22:36
Manufacturer in the United States.


 Dan Maggio 22:37
Which car or which manufacturer?


 Kathy Bush 22:39
Manufacturer.


 Dan Maggio 22:40
Oh

 Kathy Bush 22:41
They were big here in Detroit - Michigan and Clark Street are their cross streets where they made their car.

 Dan Maggio 22:47
Like, going way back. Do you mean like Ford?

 Kathy Bush 22:49
No, no,

 Roy Finkenbine 22:50
Not one of the current big three.

 Dan Maggio 22:50
Chrysler?



K Kathy Bush 22:52
Not one of the current big three. But still, I mean, considered like, a classic ride. Big Car.

D Dan Maggio 22:59
Cadillac?

K Kathy Bush 22:59
That's it.

D Dan Maggio 23:00
Oh, well, I was thinking of Cadillac at first but then I thought that they're part of GM

D Dan Maggio 23:06
but they weren't back then. See, you can tell who's a native Detroiter. Michigan and Clark.
That's okay. That was always the Caddy plant. But that's okay. You're from Erie where they did
That Thing You Do.

K Kathy Bush 23:06
Yeah

D Dan Maggio 23:16
That's true. (Kathy laughs)

K Kathy Bush 23:18
You're famous.

D Dan Maggio 23:19
We had our share of manufacturing, but not at the car level.

K Kathy Bush 23:23
Is it sort of like Detroit - that it's kind of no longer -

D Dan Maggio 23:25
There's no more manufacturing.

K Kathy Bush 23:26
Oh, my goodness.

D Dan Maggio 23:27
Oh, there's little outfits, but the huge places -

K Kathy Bush 23:30
are gone, eh? Ay-ay-ay. Which game features Josephine Scarlet. Blanche White and Jonathan Green?

D Dan Maggio 23:40
CLUE

K Kathy Bush 23:41
Yes. Okay. And he notes that the other characters in the North American version are Colonel Michael Mustard, Professor Peter Plum and Miss Elizabeth Peacock.

D Dan Maggio 23:53
I would never have known their first names.

K Kathy Bush 23:55
Oh

J Jeffe Boats 23:56
There isn't a seventh one?

K Kathy Bush 23:57
Oh

K Kathy Bush 23:57
I thought there was, Yeah.

J Jeffe Boats 23:59
Only six. Okay.

K Kathy Bush 23:59
Now, that's interesting that he calls it the North American version.

D Dan Maggio 24:02
They probably made a -

K Kathy Bush 24:04
Is there a South American version? (laughs)

D Dan Maggio 24:05
like a European or a -

J Jeffe Boats 24:07
with different weapons.

K Kathy Bush 24:09
Yeah, but I love that game.

J Jeffe Boats 24:10
The Italian version has the Uzi.

K Kathy Bush 24:11
That's it. Oh, did you play CLUE?

D Dan Maggio 24:15
Yeah. I love CLUE.

K Kathy Bush 24:16
Oh, I was gonna say. That's a great game. It really is. What does the "S" in Hunter S Thompson's name stand for?

D Dan Maggio 24:24
Um, nothing.

K Kathy Bush 24:25
This is unbelievable.

D Dan Maggio 24:27
Is it just "S"?

K Kathy Bush 24:28
No, it isn't. It's not Yeah, It's not a trick question.

R Roy Finkenbine 24:30
Is this part of his given name?

K Kathy Bush 24:33
It is, actually; but it's the same name as a Republican who served as a budget director.

R Roy Finkenbine 24:38
Hm.

K Kathy Bush 24:40
Whose first name was -

R Roy Finkbine 24:41
Stockman.

K Kathy Bush 24:41
Yeah, it's Hunter Stockton Thompson. Well, that sounds like so long.

R Roy Finkbine 24:45
It was Stockman that was the budget director. Stop-man.

K Kathy Bush 24:48
Okay, well, close enough. It sounds like it. But - all right. In the movie Raiders of the Lost Ark, how was the sound of the opening of the Ark Of The Covenant made?

D Dan Maggio 24:58
They opened up a pop can.

K Kathy Bush 25:00
They didn't open up a pop can. They opened up something that's probably - hopefully - in most people's homes.


R Roy Finkbine 25:05
Refrigerator?


D Dan Maggio 25:06
Fire extinguisher.

K Kathy Bush 25:07
No, something that we probably all use on a more than once a day basis; hopefully, again.


R Roy Finkbine 25:13


 Roy Pinkerton 25:12
A toilet?


 Kathy Bush 25:13
It is a toilet. Exactly. Sorry, but I mean -

 Dan Maggio 25:16
What?

 Kathy Bush 25:17
Yes, they recorded a toilet tank lid being removed. So maybe -


 Jeffe Boats 25:25
Oh

 Kathy Bush 25:25
the water was running or -

 Dan Maggio 25:27
Okay. Alright.

 Kathy Bush 25:28
Jiggle that handle - before they removed it. (laughs)

 Dan Maggio 25:33
Interesting.

 Kathy Bush 25:33
It could be, but that's - Do we doubt Puppy Chow? How can we do that? All right. In the classic Milton Bradley board game OPERATION, what is the name of the patient that everyone operates on?

J Jeffe Boats 25:47
Mr. Body or something like that?

K Kathy Bush 25:48
No, this is really funny.

J Jeffe Boats 25:50
Oh, yeah, you're right, Mr. Body

K Kathy Bush 25:52
you're thinking - I was gonna say you're thinking of the CLUE game again.

D Dan Maggio 25:53
John Smith?

K Kathy Bush 25:53
No, gosh, actually,

D Dan Maggio 25:54
Is it a first name?

K Kathy Bush 25:57
The first name would be more like something you would probably associate with dentistry than surgery. That something they would drill after in a dental procedure.

D Dan Maggio 26:07
Cavity?

K Kathy Bush 26:07
Cavity.

Cavity.

D Dan Maggio 26:08
His first name is cavity?

K Kathy Bush 26:09
His first name is Cavity.

K Kathy Bush 26:11
Well, there are cavities in your body.

J Jeffe Boats 26:15
Uh-huh

D Dan Maggio 26:15
Cavities Are Us

K Kathy Bush 26:16
No, no Cavity, and his next name is the same name as a Looney Tunes character from the southwest. Yosemite

J Jeffe Boats 26:26
Yosemite

D Dan Maggio 26:27
Sam. Cavity Sam?

K Kathy Bush 26:29
That's it. Cavity Sam.



R Roy Finkenbine 26:30
Kathy has the game up in our office.

K Kathy Bush 26:33
I love that game.

J Jeffe Boats 26:33
Did we get the like censored version in America that we grew up by?

K Kathy Bush 26:36
Maybe there was, but I want to look at that game. Didn't you love playing - Did anybody else play that game?

D Dan Maggio 26:40
We used to play that one all the time.

K Kathy Bush 26:42
And you had to be really -

D Dan Maggio 26:43
I can't do it

K Kathy Bush 26:43
like - no shaking - because, you know, you'd set that BEEP - you know, buzzer thing, which was really scary.

D Dan Maggio 26:48
We used to play it all the time.

K Kathy Bush 26:49
I do - I think that's a great game.

J Jeffe Boats 26:52
It traumatized me, Kathy. It traumatized me, and that's why I didn't go to med school.

K Kathy Bush 26:56
Is that it? Really?

J Jeffe Boats 26:57
No.

K Kathy Bush 26:57
Oh, Gosh, You did it so well. I really believed you. Okay. Who was the first US president to call for a universal health care program?

R Roy Finkenbine 27:06
Uh, Truman?

K Kathy Bush 27:07
No, earlier than Truman.

R Roy Finkenbine 27:08
Oh, wow.

K Kathy Bush 27:09
Actually earlier than Truman.

D Dan Maggio 27:12
Really? Roosevelt?

K Kathy Bush 27:13

It's which Roosevelt.

K Kathy Bush 27:15
Teddy Roosevelt.

R Roy Finkenbine 27:15
Teddy?

D Dan Maggio 27:16
Oh, I was gonna say the other one.

D Dan Maggio 27:17
Well - again, he had his very progressive side. He really -

D Dan Maggio 27:20
That was 100 years ago? How long ago was that?


J Jeffe Boats 27:22
A little over 100.


D Dan Maggio 27:26
So they had that idea?


K Kathy Bush 27:27
Yeah.

D Dan Maggio 27:28
And nowadays we get buy it on the open market, they'll take care of you.


R Roy Finkenbine 27:32

 Roy Finkenbine 27:32
Just like Britain and Germany were actually doing it at that point.


 Dan Maggio 27:35
I thought England didn't do until after World War II.


 Kathy Bush 27:38
It did. That was national health. That didn't come in until forty-


 Jeffe Boats 27:40
I always say - look at Canada. Whatever Canada does, we figure it out about 30 to 40 years later. Everything that becomes legal there eventually is legal here.


 Kathy Bush 27:47
Yeah, it's kind of - (End of show BELL rings) Oh, we have to stop there. We still have a few more, but we'll bring those back. You'll have to stay until next week. But let me thank our panel. Professor Boats -

 Jeffe Boats 27:55
Oh, we could use a little more northern exposure, eh?

 Kathy Bush 27:57
Hey, all right, Professor Finkenbine.

 Roy Finkenbine 28:00
Good to be here.

 Kathy Bush 28:00
and Professor Maggio.

 Dan Maggio 28:02
Thanks, Kathy.



Kathy Bush 28:03

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Michael Jayson 28:30

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