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Beth Oljar, Stephen Manning, Michael Jayson, Dan Maggio, Matt Mio, Ph.D., Erin Bell, James Tubbs, Dave Chow, Heather Hill

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:02

The University tower times we're in another session of Ask the Professor the show in which you match wits with the 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. She showed up early, like she was told it's Professor Beth Oljar.

B Beth Oljar 00:21

Good to be here.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:24

Thank you for following directions, even though I know the the news coverage is basically 24/7 on the on the Queen's passing, it's kind of hard to ignore. You know, it's, it's over every channel.

B Beth Oljar 00:36

Yeah. And it's interesting. So it's making me want to watch THE CROWN again.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:41

Right.

M Matt Mio. Ph.D. 00:42

...and the new season.

But the new season - Season Five is going to be released in November. So actually, after I finished doing all the Harry Potters, which I just started last night, I'll go back to the crown, I think.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:54

Got it. I heard through the grapevine that - in honor of that sort of formal 10-day mourning that they do, they won't be doing any production during these 10 days. So that's good.

B Beth Oljar 01:04

Right. On season six. Yeah.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:07

Right, exactly. Moving to another chunk of the Commonwealth. It's Professor Dave Chow - of Canada.

D Dave Chow 01:17

Oh, pleasure to be here as always, so.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:20

So I was telling him the story of how basically, one of my wife's co workers is a New Zealander. And I don't know whether it was a joke or not, but the first item on Parliament's agenda this morning was secession from the Commonwealth. So how long 'til we expect the same from our neighbor to the north?

D Dave Chow 01:40

I don't think we ever will, honestly. I think Scotland will go before Canada will.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:45

That makes sense.

B Beth Oljar 01:45

Probably.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:46
Yeah, that makes sense a lot.

D Dave Chow 01:48
So - Oh, well

B Beth Oljar 01:49
The Aussies will go before Scotland does. I think.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:52
Probably

B Beth Oljar 01:53
That's my prediction

D Dave Chow 01:54
I don't know. I don't know. I'm not sure. It's always, you know - yeah, we'll see what happens. I'm still optimistic. I'm - You know what I'm actually waiting for. I'm waiting for new coins and new Canadian money.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:07
I knew you were gonna say that; because, frankly, the Chow phone could ring at any moment. They may need a Prince Charles portrait, let's be serious.

D Dave Chow 02:14
No, no, no, I do caricatures. He wouldn't like that. So

D Dan Maggio 02:18
Well, he kind of is one.



D Dave Chow 02:20
It's true.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:21
So true. So true. With the political angle, we can go to Professor Stephen Manning from the Department of Retired. First blush of not having Queen Elizabeth the Second around anymore on planet Earth. Stephen, what does it mean?

S Stephen Manning 02:38
So, you assume I keep up with this stuff in retirement. (Matt and Dave laugh) I mean, that's what retirement is. Actually, that's very interesting. We're talking about this - I had subscribed to some academic journals that I used, in teaching and research and stuff. And over the last several years, I've been getting the notices to renew these - and have, one by one, said no. It's going in the trash. And I believe the last one is on my desk.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:15
Wow.

S Stephen Manning 03:16
So, I'm at the point where "Do I really want this? I read it a lot less. I'm still interested, but - ". So if it ends up in the trash, that will be - I think - a threshold event in the -

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:28
If I remember your research area., Stephen, you were very much well versed in the politics in China, right?

S Stephen Manning 03:37
Well, yeah. China, Russia, the communist and then post communist.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:42
Okay.

S Stephen Manning 03:42
And now back to communist countries

AND NOW BACK TO COMMUNIST COUNTRIES.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:44

Right. So what does the death of Queen Elizabeth mean - in that arena, just off the top of your head?

S Stephen Manning 03:51

Yeah, I didn't - I mean, that wasn't one of my specialties. And it's, uh - I was reading - the New York Times had a special supplement on the Queen, of course, and all these pictures. And it was her coronation picture in June or July of 1953 - looking unbelievably young, compared to - you know - what she looks like now, but yeah, a lot of and they had quotes from all of the many recent presidents, I think, going back to at least Carter; but they're all very, very complimentary, on what a wonderful, wonderful person she was. Warm, intelligent, humorous. Of course, it doesn't make any difference too - - and I think, actually that her last official act was welcoming the new prime minister.

B Beth Oljar 04:36

Yeah.

D Dave Chow 04:36

Her 15th.

S Stephen Manning 04:37

And I think on Tuesday, it was - Yeah, her 15th. I think on Tuesday, it was her, uh - She was hospitalized Tuesday, and then the death two days after that.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:49

Incredible.

S Stephen Manning 04:49

It won't change British politics at all. But, you know -

B Beth Oljar 04:52

Drew did tell me an interesting story that he heard - which ties into Russia - that apparently the

Queen was meeting Putin as one of the world leaders that she met. And there was some other British government official who was there who had a dog. And the dog would not stop growling at Putin. So the Queen leans down to pat the dog and says softly, "Good boy". (The professors laugh) I hope that that's true, you know.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:52
Yeah.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:55
That is awesome.

B Beth Oljar 04:58
It may not actually be true, but it should be.

E Erin Bell 05:28
It should be. It should be.

S Stephen Manning 05:30
Well, it is widely known that Putin would have a dog at some of these meetings to intimidate whoever he was speaking with. So I suspect that story is true

J James Tubbs 05:41
Particularly Angela Merkel, she had had a bad experience as a child with dogs, and he would always bring a mean dog with him.

B Beth Oljar 05:41
Yeah.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:43
Well, we're being joined again by a professor Erin Bell, who is all over the College of Liberal Arts and Education social media lately. Congratulations on your, uh - It was a presentation. Right Erin?

- E** Erin Bell 06:04
I guess so. Yeah, that's what I heard. I ran into a student in the library yesterday. He was like "Oh, I just saw you on social media". Yeah, there's been a lot going on with the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning. And though I am not on the tenure track, I like to keep up, and that's one of the reasons I am here. I want to learn more. And I think, you know, the main thing that I've gotten out of the last couple of days with the death of the queen is just an intense need to listen to more Freddie Mercury. So that's where I'm headed with this. But yeah, thanks for having me. And it's been great. I'm really excited to be part of this community.
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:41
Excellent.
- D** Dave Chow 06:42
We're a community?
- E** Erin Bell 06:43
You're a community.
- D** Dave Chow 06:44
Oh, Dear Lord.
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:49
Professor Heather Hill is back. I believe this is the first episode you're in this season - you and Stephen. We're glad to have you here in season 2023.
- H** Heather Hill 07:01
Thank you. It doesn't feel like I've been - I don't feel like I've ever left.
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:06
Well, because the show at Dakota Inn ended up basically being the last episode of the 2022 season.
- H** Heather Hill 07:16

Oh, Okay. My chronology was a little confused, I guess.

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Stephen Manning 07:21

Tell them why we missed last week.

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Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:24

Oh, why's that?

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Beth Oljar 07:24

I did.

S

Stephen Manning 07:26

Oh, you already told them.

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Heather Hill 07:27

I thought - I think he was talking to me.

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Beth Oljar 07:29

Oh

H

Heather Hill 07:30

But that's okay. If you'd like to go ahead and say it again. I -

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Stephen Manning 07:34

No. I want to hear you say it.

H

Heather Hill 07:38

Me? Oh, Stephen's brother is in town. So we have been busy with him.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:45

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:45
Nice.

H Heather Hill 07:46
Yes. It has been very nice.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:48
Showing him around town and -

H Heather Hill 07:50
Phoenix. He's from Phoenix. Yeah.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:52
Yeah. I was gonna say for someone from Arizona, I don't think we've had much better weather this summer than these last few days. It's been pretty nice.

S Stephen Manning 07:59
We really lucked out. Yes. He's had 111 degrees in Phoenix since he's been here. He wakes up here, and he goes out - and I told him to bring a jacket because it's now, you know, high 50s In the morning when we get up. So yes, he's loving the weather and not looking at the weather in Phoenix that he's returning to on Sunday.

H Heather Hill 08:17
And the Tigers actually won - the game we took him to.

B Beth Oljar 08:21
That's cool.

H Heather Hill 08:23
That was nice.

S Stephen Manning 08:24

And they actually played some -

H Heather Hill 08:25

And refreshing.

S Stephen Manning 08:26

They played some decent baseball. And it was a Friday night so they had, of course, the fireworks. So that was enjoyable.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:32

Nice. Professor Dan Maggio is also here. What's going on Dan?

D Dan Maggio 08:37

Oh, not too much. Laughing at Bally. I'm assuming that was Bally on camera.

B Beth Oljar 08:42

Yeah

B Beth Oljar 08:44

She cannot figure out where she wants to go. So she's just wandering all over the desk.

D Dan Maggio 08:50

I survived another long week and looking forward to the weekend.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:54

That's right. The waning days of summer, Dan.

D Dan Maggio 08:58

Yes. It's fantastic.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:00

Summer is winding down. Yeah, I think that even if it is relatively warm today, waking up and seeing 58 on the ole thermostat in the car is kind of a big deal. I agree with everybody who's mentioned that.

D Dave Chow 09:13

It's a Canadian summer.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:14

Yeah, exactly. Last but most certainly not least, Professor Jim Tubbs is here with us today.

J James Tubbs 09:20

Hello. Hello.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:22

What's your take on the passing of the Queen, Jim?

J James Tubbs 09:26

Well, I agree with one of the commentators for - I think it was MSNBC who's British - commented that his brain was fully prepared for this, but other parts of him were not. I kind of felt that way when, you know, they were announcing on television that she was under medical supervision for the whole day, and then they come on and announce that she died.

B Beth Oljar 09:52

Yeah

J James Tubbs 09:52

I mean, you know, she had just been crowned a month before I was born. So my whole life has been - with her -

H Heather Hill 10:01

Let's see - That's what? 2022 minus -

J James Tubbs 10:06
1953. She was crowned in June, and I was born in July.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:09
That's incredible. That is absolutely -

D Dave Chow 10:13
Do we all have a weird connection to the Crown somehow somehow?

B Beth Oljar 10:16
Well, you know the name Elizabeth does produce incredible results. I'm just saying.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:21
There we go.

H Heather Hill 10:22
my birthday is the same as the Queen Mother's birthday or was, oh, July 22.

B Beth Oljar 10:29
Drew's family were the Queen's ditch diggers.

E Erin Bell 10:32
I'm Erin Elizabeth and my dad was from Glasgow. So you know, while you're talking about Scottish independence, the last time I was there was right before the vote and there was tangible electricity in the air, but we all know how it went. So -

D Dave Chow 10:47
Yep.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:48

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:10

Maybe next time. Maybe next time.

H

Heather Hill 10:52

We should have some questions about Elizabeth the second.

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Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:55

At this point, that's a no brainer. And I hope that the listeners are going to - you know - immediately diligently get to work. But till then, folks, I'll just remind you this is a program you can send us questions regarding anything. If you stump the panel, you win a prize. If you don't stump the panel, you win a prize. You can send us the questions in a number of ways. You can email 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. Okey dokey. I've got a set of questions here. Something a little bit of a short list of softball, if you will, to get us going. "Dear profs: Here's a list of 10 questions about Michigan. I'm choosing that a passing grade is eight out of 10. Good luck. This is Lane Stevens who was a student in Jason Roche's classes last year. So Lane Stevens sent us some questions about the great state of Michigan. We know that Minnesota is the land of 10,000 Lakes, but Minnesota actually has nearly 15,000 Lakes.

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Dave Chow 12:03

Who's counting?

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:04

How many lakes does Michigan have?

D

Dan Maggio 12:06

I think it's like 11,000?

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:10

It's 11,000. Yeah, it's just about 11,000 lakes, so we can take that title too.

H

Heather Hill 12:15

Dan - Dan - Dan.

D Dan Maggio 12:20
Jefje's not here today, so I get to answer the numbers questions.

B Beth Oljar 12:22
Yes.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:25
Do you remember Michigan's motto? You don't need to say it in Latin if you don't want to.

D Dave Chow 12:31
If you seek a pleasant Peninsula, look about you - or something like that.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:34
That's exactly the wording. "If you seek a pleasant peninsula, look about you". Absolutely.

S Stephen Manning 12:40
I was gonna say land of 11,000 Lakes, but I guess not.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:44
Pretty close. Pretty close. Water, winter wonderland?

D Dan Maggio 12:49
Mm-hm.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:49
What is Michigan's state stone?

E Erin Bell 12:55
Petoskey Stone.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:56

Yeah. Petoskey Stone. I have, I think, sort of blown my wife's mind. We only go up to my mom and dad's place near Port Huron three times a year, the three major American summer holidays. And every time we go to the beach, I just lean over and pick up a rock and like, "Well, here's a Petoskey Stone". She's like, "They're really common". I'm like, "I think that's why they are our state stone". It's everywhere. It's everywhere.

E

Erin Bell 13:20

It's so cool.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:21

Yeah, very, very cool stuff. What city was the first capital of the state of Michigan before Lansing?

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Dave Chow 13:27

Detroit.

S

Stephen Manning 13:28

Saginaw.

D

Dave Chow 13:30

I'm gonna go Detroit

B

Beth Oljar 13:31

Detroit.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:32

It was Detroit. It was Detroit. It wasn't Clawson, so -

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:35

(Laughs) I was just waiting for the Clawson jokes.



Dave Chow 13:39

I know. I know. It's one of our tropes. Isn't it?



Erin Bell 13:43

I didn't know that. So that's - I'm glad I'm here then. I'm super glad I'm here. (Dave laughs)



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:48

The first woman inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame at the time was a Detroiter. Who was she?



Beth Oljar 13:56

Aretha Franklin.



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:58

Aretha Franklin.



Dave Chow 13:59

Oh, okay.



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:01

Makes perfect sense. Oh, my gosh, Michigan has the longest freshwater coastline in the United States - based on the number of miles. How long would you say that coastline is?



Dave Chow 14:14

Uh-oh, Dan, save our bacon, please.



Dan Maggio 14:16

I mean, how long do you think it's up one side of Michigan on the coast?



Dave Chow 14:19

Well, let's not forget the U.P.

J James Tubbs 14:22
You got to do the U.P. too. Yeah.

D Dan Maggio 14:25
So if you do 300 on two sides, plus the Thumb. Maybe that's 700 plus the U.P.

D Dave Chow 14:32
The U.P. is almost all surrounded.

D Dan Maggio 14:35
I'm gonna guess 1800 miles.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:38
Hmm. It's about double that.

D Dave Chow 14:40
23?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:42
3300 miles.

B Beth Oljar 14:43
I figured it had to be several thousand. But I didn't want to say anything, because I'm not from here.

D Dan Maggio 14:50
I was waiting for somebody to jump in - (Matt laughs)

D Dave Chow 14:53
And save your bacon, right?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:54
Yeah, exactly. Hey, how many - Yeesh! How many quadrillion gallons of fresh water are in all five Great Lakes combined.

D Dave Chow 15:06
Wow, quadrillion.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:09
That's what comes after a billion.

D Dave Chow 15:12
Yikes!

J James Tubbs 15:13
No, after a trillion

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:15
Oh, after a trillion. Pardon me, yes. trillion

B Beth Oljar 15:18
A bajillion quadrillion. (Matt laughs)

D Dave Chow 15:21
Yeah.

J James Tubbs 15:22
I would say 74 quadrillion.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:25
It's one more power down, Jim. It's only six quadrillion.

J James Tubbs 15:30
Only.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:34
That's a lot. Let's just say -

J James Tubbs 15:35
That is a lot.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:38
Last, but most certainly not least, I love this. It's been a while since I've heard this one. There is supposedly a 30 to 40 foot long monster that lives in Lake Erie. What does that monster's nickname?


D Dave Chow 15:51
It's not Ogoopogo, is it? No, it's - Not champ.


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:55
Mm-mm


D Dave Chow 15:56
Not Nessie


J James Tubbs 15:58
Bowser?


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:01


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:01
It's not Nessie.


 Beth Oljar 16:04
Bessie?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:05
(Laughs) So they apparently nicknamed it Bessie. I mean, I guess it was a play on Nessie. Yeah. So that's, that's what we're dealing with here. That was very nice. Thanks for sending in those questions, Lane. That's pretty fun. As always, when the students send us questions, somehow, it's as if the professors - you know, like, instructed them to - they supply the source material, at least where they found it on the internet. That's a good place to start.

 James Tubbs 16:05
Lessie?

 Dave Chow 16:32
Hey, it beats the good old days of - what - them giving you the website. Yeah, on the sheet of paper.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:37
That's right. "Hey, Professor Mio and ATP panelists, what did you do during COVID Stay-at-home protocols? While I stayed home, and watched Classic Talk or interview shows that I could find on YouTube. This leads me to today's set of questions - four questions attached - just four. Each question describes one of my favorite talk shows that I watched during the lockdown. Your job is to decipher the title of the show. As a hint, all of the shows went off the air several decades ago". That's a good start.

 Beth Oljar 17:12
Oh. okay.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:13
"A passing score is three out of four". That makes sense. "FYI, your panelists should be free to discuss whether they also liked these shows"

D Dave Chow 17:22

I hated them all.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:22

"Thank you very, very much. Good luck from Palm Springs, California". It's our old friend, Alan Ira. Thank you for sending in the questions, Alan.

B Beth Oljar 17:31

Tom Schneider is going to be one of these hosts, I think.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:34

There we go.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:35

But, I could be wrong

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:36

So it's a relatively - I mean lengthy based on the regular set of questions that we have. A couple lines of description of the show, and then we'll see if you can grab the title. The host of this show was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin in 1936. It debuted in the early 70's and was revamped several times. The host interviewed, among others, Hitchcock, Bruce Lee, Jimmy Hoffa, John Lennon, Ayn Rand, Faye Dunaway, Patti Page, David Letterman. Ken Kesey, U2,

D Dave Chow 17:36

Arsenio.

E Erin Bell 18:11

Dick Cavett?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:13

No. The Sex Pistols, cast members of Star Trek and the actress who played on The Little Rascals. On a lighter note, the host also interviewed Charles Manson in a California medical facility in Vacaville, California.

D Dave Chow 18:26
Mike Douglas?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:28
Mm-mm

B Beth Oljar 18:28
No, I I know who did that Manson interview. I can't -

D Dave Chow 18:31
What's he look like, Beth? Come on. Work it out.

D Dan Maggio 18:33
Were these all evening, ate talk shows?

B Beth Oljar 18:38
That wasn't Tom Snyder was it?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:40
It was Tom Snyder. Yeah, the show is the very hilariously named Tomorrow Show with Tom Snyder. Yep, absolutely. I never had a chance to watch that. I grew up in the early 70s. However, I have a burned-in-my-brain memory of Dan Ackroyd doing his Tom Schneider on SNL.

D Dave Chow 19:03
Accurately too. With the cigarette and everything.

H Heather Hill 19:05
Yeah, I saw that before I actually saw the real one.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:10

His laugh as Tom Schneider is actually like top quality comedy material. Okay, let's see. This show aired in the early 90s. ran in the early morning following Saturday Night Live. The host was a licensed psychiatrist spoke to callers who had personal questions about relationships.

E Erin Bell 19:30

Dr. Drew

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:31

Well, it doesn't say that.

D Dave Chow 19:33

No?

E Erin Bell 19:33

Dr. Ruth?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:34

No.

E Erin Bell 19:34

I was so excited that I was going to get one right this time.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:37

It's okay. It's okay. The questions were about relationships, medicine, psychology and family. Examples of callers included a child who stopped attending school because he was bullied, a wife who was worried how her young son would react if he found out his father was a crossdresser. Okay. A female victim of domestic violence by her husband who is a police officer, a minister's wife whose out-of-control husband was having multiple affairs and an aunt whose preteen nephew was recently arrested for, um - oh geez uh - not good things with a child. According to Wikipedia -

D Dave Chow 20:10

D Dave Chow 20:10
A happy go lucky show.

H Heather Hill 20:11
Was it a female host?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:13
No. It doesn't sound like it. According to Wikipedia, the host was the author of a best selling autobiography "Making Of A Psychiatrist", which ended up being nominated for a Pulitzer Prize. What was either the host of the title of that show?

H Heather Hill 20:27
Dr. Drew is a great guess.

D Dave Chow 20:29
Yeah.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:30
I know, 100% That's not what it says here.

D Dave Chow 20:33
It was after Saturday Night Live?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:33
After Saturday Night Live. "Early 90s", it says.

E Erin Bell 20:34
And this is when I was actually up at that time.

D Dave Chow 20:38
Yeah. I know.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:44

I have a very, very, very vague recollection of the show, but I always flip the channel, (I know I've said this before), to channel 20 in Metro Detroit, this would have been when I was a student here. And it was like the weird stuff. It was the occult stuff, that "in search of"; and every once in a while you would see a certain professor at University of Detroit Mercy on those shows.

D Dave Chow 21:16

What's his face.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:21

Father Saliba talking about the occult - in his awesome Maltese accent.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:22

This show was Night Talk with David Viscott. That's what it was called.

D Dan Maggio 21:29

I never heard of it.

B Beth Oljar 21:30

Never heard of it.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:31

I'm pretty sure, in a line or two, you're gonna get this one. This TV show first aired in 1967. It ran for nearly 30 years. The daytime talk show included topics that were controversial at the time. Same sex marriage -

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:48

Yeah. Same-sex marriage, atheism, whether feminine products should be allowed to advertise on TV -

D Dave Chow 21:51

Phil Donahue

Phil Donahue

- D** Dan Maggio 21:51
That's ridiculous
- D** Dave Chow 21:54
and homeschooling, circa 1981. That's wild.
- D** Dan Maggio 21:55
That's ridiculous
- B** Beth Oljar 21:56
Phil Donahue
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:56
The Phil Donahue Show. That's right.
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:57
What - He started in the 60's? I didn't know that.
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:02
Yeah. That was old stuff. Old stuff.
- D** Dave Chow 22:05
And he - Wasn't he married to Marlo Thomas?
- D** Dan Maggio 22:07
Yeah.
- J** James Tubbs 22:08

Still is.

B Beth Oljar 22:08

Still is.

D Dave Chow 22:09

Okay, yeah.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:11

I have visions - being very, very young - of my mom watching Donahue. And then we did a skit in high school, (again, early 90s), of a talk show, just any talk show. And the friend of mine who played the host on it would do the Donahue thing, where he would get down on one knee and hold the microphone out (laughs). I think about that every once in a while. Like - that was his like his calling card. You know?

B Beth Oljar 22:38

Hey, some of us remember Dinah Shore - and Mike Douglas.

J James Tubbs 22:42

Yes.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:42

Oh yeah

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:44

However, that's not the last one. So we only have one more.

D Dave Chow 22:48

Uh-oh, it's make or break.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:49

This show ran... from 66 to 90. The host, who once ran unsuccessfully for mayor of New

This show ran - wow - from 66 to 99. The host, who once ran unsuccessfully for mayor of New York, interviewed celebrities -

H Heather Hill 22:57
Jerry, what's his name? Springer.

D Dave Chow 23:00
No, He was Cincinnati

D Dan Maggio 23:01
Cincinnati.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:01
No

H Heather Hill 23:02
Oh

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:03
Artists, authors, theologians, labor leaders, writers, intellectuals. His guests included, among others, Mother Teresa.

J James Tubbs 23:12
Dick Cavett?

D Dave Chow 23:14
David Frost?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:16
No.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:17
Tom Wolf. George Wallace.

D Dave Chow 23:19
Come on Stephen. Work it out.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:21
Richard Nixon, Ronald Reagan. Margaret Thatcher. Ginsburg, Chomsky. Skinner. Oh my gosh.

D Dan Maggio 23:28
Oh, Was he on CNN ?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:31
Truman Capote, Oliver North -

B Beth Oljar 23:34
That's quite a list.

D Dan Maggio 23:36
Who is the talk show host on CNN? Nine to 10.

D Dave Chow 23:40
Wolf Blitzer, you're thinking of?

D Dan Maggio 23:42
No, uh, Larry King.

D Dave Chow 23:43
Oh

- E** Erin Bell 23:44
That's a good guess.
- D** Dave Chow 23:46
Hang on - It's the Stephens head. I can see it swirling around his eyes right about now
- S** Stephen Manning 23:50
and I can't get it out.
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:51
How about I do this. How about I give you - I mean, he's looking for the name of the show. Alan is, but I'll give you the name of the show because I think it might help you discover the host. The name of the show was Firing Line - was what it was called.
- D** Dan Maggio 24:03
Oh.
- S** Stephen Manning 24:04
William F. Buckley
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:05
Buckley, yeah.
- D** Dan Maggio 24:07
Oh, I was gonna say that, but I thought these were only nighttime shows.
- D** Dave Chow 24:11
Yeah. (Matt laughs)
- S** Stephen Manning 24:13

What were the years of that? 66 to 99?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:16

That's what it says. Yeah. staying power. And what's brutal to me about looking at those numbers, (I'm sorry, I can't help myself. I am not reveling in this by a longshot) is the cutoff for how entranced we were about talk shows - Right? Is right when reality TV turned on. Because basically it replaced it, if you think about it.

J James Tubbs 24:38

Yeah

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:40

I remember watching Morton Downey Jr. I remember.

D Dave Chow 24:43

Oh, Good Lord.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:45

How do you like them apples? Okay. We're getting closer to the end of our episode; and since we have such a great panel here today, what I think might be important is for us to go back to the list of the Burroughs Family Imponderables. We're gonna take a look and give everybody a chance to freely respond to oh, I don't know if we've ever talked about this one before.

D Dave Chow 25:07

Oh, he's scaring me.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:09

What's that, Dave?

D Dave Chow 25:10

You're scaring me, Matt. You've devilish look about you, like -

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:15
Well, only because I think that we're all old enough that we can talk about this now. What's your favorite app on your mobile device?

B Beth Oljar 25:24
Amazon Shopping

D Dave Chow 25:25
(Laughs)

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:26
Nice. That was gonna come up no matter what.

D Dave Chow 25:29
Are we talking useful? Are we talking entertainment? What are we talking about?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:32
Are we going Flappy Bird here? You know what I mean? Like, Wordle?

B Beth Oljar 25:38
I don't play games on my phone, so - except Solitaire very occasionally.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:45
I noticed that a number of us are looking at our phones going, "Let's see where frequency is on these apps"

D Dan Maggio 25:52
I don't know if I have a favorite. I can tell you the one I probably use the most is Instagram.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:58
Instagram. Sure.

J James Tubbs 26:00
I think probably my credit union app.

D Dan Maggio 26:03
Yeah, I use that a lot. (Heather laughs)

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:04
Yeah. There you go.

B Beth Oljar 26:05
It makes your life easier. Yeah.

D Dave Chow 26:09
I'm gonna go Shazam. It's easy enough.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:12
Okay,

E Erin Bell 26:12
So, I have something that's, um, like Shazam. And this is really nerdy, but so super cool. It's called Merlin. And it's for bird watching. (Dave laughs)

D Dan Maggio 26:21
Birds - Yeah, I have that.

D Dan Maggio 26:24
I love it when I'm traveling. Because you can do recordings. And it's almost like you get these little snapshots, because I can do a screen grab, and then it identifies the bird call.



D Dave Chow 26:34
So you literally listen for a bird with this app?

E Erin Bell 26:38
Yeah, It's in my fanny pack. I pull out my phone, and I hit record. And it like, tells me what birds I'm hearing, which is really, really super cool. So I think it's a cool thing. My family kind of thinks it's quite nerdy, but I just think it's amazing.

H Heather Hill 26:54
In the same vein, I had for a while a plant identifier app on my phone; but I had a free trial, and then it got too expensive.

D Dave Chow 27:02
Oh, that plant ID thing or whatever?

H Heather Hill 27:05
Yeah, so I got rid of it.


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:07
I had one for a long time, (I think it went the way of Heather's description); where it was like free for a while, and then suddenly it just wasn't on my phone anymore. And it was like over 16,000 molecules. And the students didn't know it, but it was the bane of their existence because I never had to repeat a chemical structure on any given - I would just hit the randomizer, and I'd be like, "Well, that's the molecule we're talking about today. So, you've never seen it before. Oh, apparently it's an anti-cancer drug". You know, it's kind of a cool compendium of structures


H Heather Hill 27:37
That's cool.


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:38
Anything else?


H Heather Hill 27:41

 Heather Hill 27:44
Stephen


 Stephen Manning 27:42
I have one, but I don't use it very often. They send me stuff, so I'm not even sure it's an app, but it's on Huskies. I think it's called Happy Husky or something.


 Dave Chow 27:51
(Laughs)

 Erin Bell 27:51
Yes.


 Stephen Manning 27:52
This summer, they had a big thing on "Why is your Husky panting?" Well, because it's hot - you know?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:58
Oh, my gosh. This is the perfect button for our episode here, because I'm afraid we're out of time. And the time has come for us to say goodbye - Jim.


 James Tubbs 28:08
Goodbye,


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:09
Dan.


 Dan Maggio 28:10
Good bye


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:11
Heather.


 Heather Hill 28:12
Enjoy your next meeting. Matt.


 Heather Hill 28:13
Thanks. Erin -


 Erin Bell 28:16
Bye bye,


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:16
Stephen.


 Stephen Manning 28:17
Goodbye

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:18
Dave.

 Dave Chow 28:19
See ya.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:20
and Beth.

 Beth Oljar 28:21
Good bye.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:22
And now these words

And now these words.



Michael Jayson 28:24

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Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:32

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