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Matt Mio 00:01

The University tower chimes ring in another session of Ask The Professor, the show on which you match wits with University of Detroit Mercy professors in an unrehearsed session of questions and answers. I'm your host Matt Mio and let me introduce to you our panel for today to my left, furtively working on a key for your logic class. Oh, and you just ate a cookie. I do this every time

- Stephen Manning 00:22
 Working on a thin mint
- Matt Mio 00:23 working on the thin mint is Professor Beth Oljar.
- B Beth Oljar 00:26 Good to be here.
- Matt Mio 00:27
 It is the logic class though, right?
- B Beth Oljar 00:29 Yeah

- Matt Mio 00:29
 I'm seeing logic tables. So I assume that's -
- Beth Oljar 00:31
 Yep. In the logic class. Yep.
- Matt Mio 00:33
 So what are they doing just about midterm here?
- Beth Oljar 00:39

 Just about done with truth tables, and just about start proofs, which is when things get fun.
- Matt Mio 00:43
 Oh, the students think it's fun too, of course, because you make it fun.
- B Beth Oljar 00:48
 Eventually. Yeah. They say, "Oh, it's just like a little puzzle I have to solve and like, I have to use certain rules to solve it". I'm like, "Yeah, good."
- Matt Mio 00:56

 That's the way it works. Right. What else do you have? Do you have some intro this term?
- B Beth Oljar 01:01 No.
- Matt Mio 01:02
 Oh, I have the section of Foundations of Ethics and Contemporary Moral Issues. Okay
- Beth Oljar 01:06

where I did end up teaching abortion.

- Matt Mio 01:08 Okay
- B Beth Oljar 01:09
 I thought I would not. But
- M Matt Mio 01:11 it went through and
- B Beth Oljar 01:12
 I had the material prepped
- Matt Mio 01:14
 Well, that's a good thing to teach from.
- Beth Oljar 01:16
 So sloth, right, was really what generated that decision.
- Matt Mio 01:20
 Is it too controversial to ask how that topic went? Or, you know, were students receptive to thinking about things?
- Beth Oljar 01:26

 Yeah. It's fine. I mean, they realize that, you know, thinking philosophically about abortion is vastly different from pretty much any of the public discourse that goes on so -
- Matt Mio 01:38
 Of course. Yeah

- B Beth Oljar 01:38 Yeah.
- Matt Mio 01:39
 Okay. Great. Very cool. Professor Erin Bell is here. Erin, you're teaching this semester?
- Yes, I am strictly online though. So it's always interesting trying to make that a little more engaging. And, you know, I do like the face-to-face, but I'm glad I'm employed to do it in some way, I guess.
- Matt Mio 02:00
 This is the writing. Right?
- E Erin Bell 02:02 Yeah. You know, the old ENL 1310.
- Matt Mio 02:07
 That's all right.
- B Beth Oljar 02:07
 That's absolutely crucial.
- Erin Bell 02:09

 It is. I don't know, I tried So I know a few months ago, we were all talking about A-I. So I tried to be like really clever and come up with all these like different types of essay assignments.

 And I think people are either going to love it or loathe it. So far, maybe it's a little more on the loathing side, because they're like more critical thinking, more reflection, trying to beat the A-I,
- Matt Mio 02:34
 That's pretty cool, though.

which is impossible, but we'll see how it goes.

Beth Oljar 02:35

I did have a colleague at another university who sent me something that she says is actually working pretty well. It's at least putting the fear of God into students. It involves having them submit papers as Google Docs, they have to do that. And then there's a way in which - I guess - you can figure out literally, keystroke for keystroke, what they've done.

Erin Bell 02:57

Yeah, watching like the live edits kind of come in on a Google Doc, so you can see line by line. Because if it just copy, paste, copy, paste, you know, it's copied and pasted, that's a lot of time. So God bless your colleague; because, you know, like,

- Beth Oljar 03:11
 Well, yeah, not sure I'm gonna do it.
- Matt Mio 03:13

 Well, we appreciate you putting in the time with those mostly first years, right? Because that give makes all the rest of our jobs easier further down the line for sure. At least we hope it will.
- E Erin Bell 03:13
 All right. Yes.
- Matt Mio 03:26

We're back with guest panelist, Professor David Cassilo, new to the Department of Communication Studies. How's it going?

- Dave Cassilo 03:33
 - Oh, it's going well. So that was a fun first round.
- Matt Mio 03:35

 Yeah. (The professors laugh) You've got the Is it the Vandy logo?
- _____

- Dave Cassilo 03:40
 It's Villanova. That's where I did undergrad. Yeah.
- Matt Mio 03:42
 Hit me over the head.
- Beth Oljar 03:43
 They are sometimes our nemesis in Ethics Bowl.
- Dave Cassilo 03:43
- Matt Mio 03:48
 That's right.
- Dave Cassilo 03:49

 And football. In the library, it shows University of Detroit Villanova football, newspaper or program from back in the day. Yeah.
- Matt Mio 03:57
 So you're taking care of the VN this semester. How's that going?
- Dave Cassilo 04:01

 It's going well. So I've got a good group of students. And they're really passionate about the stories that they're writing about. And we're reworking the website, which is I don't know if you've seen it, but looks like it hasn't been reworked since I was in middle school, which, uh (the professors laugh
- B Beth Oljar 04:17
 You could be right on that.
- Dave Cassilo 04:18

Yeah. So we're - Yeah, we're making some strides to be a little more digital.

Matt Mio 04:22

Awesome. That's great. I look forward to seeing that. I always like seeing a fresh copy of the VN because it gives me this nostalgia about learning to read from a newspaper.

- Dave Cassilo 04:32

 And you were the editor in chief, is that correct?
- Matt Mio 04:34
 A very long time ago.
- Erin Bell 04:36
 Really? I did not know that.
- H Heather Hill 04:37 (Singing: "a long, long time ago"
- Matt Mio 04:38
 A long time ago in another life,
- B Beth Oljar 04:40 and he co wrote the university's the school song.
- Matt Mio 04:44

 Yeah, well, we don't talk much about things that happened at our men's basketball games much anymore.
- B Beth Oljar 04:50

Matt Mio 04:51

They did just win their first game the other day. They are now 1 and 27, so - If you haven't seen the picture of the single person rushing the court after that win - (The professors laugh) That is not a joke. Someone runs out into the middle and goes like this (Matt shows what the fan did) and goes back to the side. And I felt very bad for everyone involved. But they gave us a solid half hour on THE TICKET (Detroit's 97.1 FM) the other day. It was all negative. But it was horrible. It - Just don't get me started. Professor Jeffe Boats is here. Good to see you again. Jeffe.

- B Beth Oljar 05:11
 That is just painful.
- Jeffe Boats 05:21 How's it going?
- Matt Mio 05:21

 How is your writing and editing going?
- Jeffe Boats 05:23
 Oh, pretty good. I'm in query wonderland right now, which basically means you send a letter out to a whole bunch of agents and hope somebody takes you seriously.
- Matt Mio 05:32
 That's cool. Very, very cool.
- Jeffe Boats 05:33
 Emphasis on the word "hope".
- Matt Mio 05:36
 Absolutely. Professor Stephen Manning is here.
- Stephen Manning 05:39

Hello Matt.

Matt Mio 05:41

Good afternoon. And oh, geez, did you actually get the motorcycle out on the 60 degree day?

- Stephen Manning 05:48
- Matt Mio 05:49
 Oh,
- Stephen Manning 05:50

it's kind of brushed down and there's a cover on it. And it's in the part of the garage where you have to move some other things out of the way. So it's - the garage is in winter mode now, but I was - I was tempted.

Matt Mio 06:04

I bet you were. I was surprised that Dave Chow didn't take his handsome car out. He said he ran it for a few minutes - on the warm day - and then went back inside. I'm like, Oh, man, there were so many classics on Woodward that day. It was bananas. Well, folks, this is a program you can send us questions regarding anything. If you stump the panel, you win one of our prizes. It's been a while since someone sent us a set of questions where they just take two dog breeds and push them together and do a new breed but you know, maybe we'll get a set of questions like that. Goldendoodle? sure. You can send the questions to us 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. So we had some questions sent to us by some sort of mystery question sender. And they say "Good afternoon professors. The 15 questions in this set have one thing in common. The answers to each are individuals notable for having done or said something. A passing grade is (very generous), and possibly grade inflating. 10 out of 15. For extra fun, there's an additional five-answer teaser question at the end. Ooh, I wonder what it's gonna tease. It's gonna be interesting,

Erin Bell 06:32 Okay

- H Heather Hill 07:20

 Kind of like, you know, that dog that teases our dog
- Matt Mio 07:26
 Why hasn't somebody thought of like a dog reality show yet? I mean, seriously, come on.
- Erin Bell 07:26 (Laughs)
- H Heather Hill 07:30
 Well, and her owner puts these little boots on her.
- Erin Bell 07:32 Oh my goodness,
- H Heather Hill 07:34

 because in the cold weather, she doesn't want her So, there's these little black boots and she prances around and gets Kenai all excited
- B Beth Oljar 07:42
 She's right out of Paris, this dog
- Stephen Manning 07:45
 We understand the attraction that's obvious.
- Matt Mio 07:48
 What's the name of the dog? What is when you said Oolah, I was like "Oh my gosh, ia that that really the dog's name?
- H Heather Hill 07:53

 No, no. I can't remember her name, to be honest.

- Matt Mio 07:56
 Okay. Well, that's for a future episode
- Stephen Manning 08:00
 Im not sure If I ever knew the name.
- H Heather Hill 08:01
 I don't know. We always see her
- Stephen Manning 08:03
 We sometimes talk to the pet owner
- Matt Mio 08:05 Okay, well -
- H Heather Hill 08:07
 Anyway, back to the questions.
- Matt Mio 08:08

 Who wrote one of Saturday Night Live's most famous sketches ,he one about the self-hating motivational speaker named Matt Foley = played Of course, by the late, great Chris Farley? Who wrote that sketch? Very famous-
- Beth Oljar 08:22

 Marty went to school with him, you know-
- M Matt Mio 08:23 comedy writer,

- H Heather Hill 08:24 Really? Chris Farley.?
- Matt Mio 08:26
 That's right. Like I remember hearing that. Marty Leever, one of our Philosophy professors
- H Heather Hill 08:31
 Who wrote that sketch, huh?
- Jeffe Boats 08:32
 Phil Hartman,
- Matt Mio 08:33
- Jeffe Boats 08:34
 It would be in that era
- Matt Mio 08:35
 You're in the correct era. This person-
- H Heather Hill 08:38
 Dan Ackroyd?
- Matt Mio 08:39
 I could give it away. He was know for-
- H Heather Hill 08:41 Bill Murray.

- Matt Mio 08:42

 Mr.Show before he started playing a very important lawyer role in Breaking Bad. Oh,
- Jeffe Boats 08:48
 Bob Odenkirk,
- Beth Oljar 08:49
 Bob Odenkirk.
- Matt Mio 08:50 Yes,
- Jeffe Boats 08:51
 I didn't know he was a writer for SNL. That's cool.
- Matt Mio 08:53

 Absolutely just a comedy genius. And that's why it's so odd he ended up in Breaking Bad and Better Call Saul. But that acting is just Those are two of my favorite shows of all time. Who composed the first work by a black woman to be played by a major US orchestra? Symphony Number one was played by the Chicago Symphony in 1933. Who composed it?
- H Heather Hill 09:19
 I can see a picture of her because I read an article about her quite some time ago.
- Matt Mio 09:24 initials F-P is what it says
- H Heather Hill 09:26 Florence.
- Matt Mio 09:27

That's right. It's not cost but-Heather Hill 09:33 Price. Matt Mio 09:34 Yeah. Stephen Manning 09:36 I was gonna give you a hint and say lane, Matt Mio 09:39 Florence Price. Heather Hill 09:41 Well, why didn't you answer then, if you knew the last thing? Matt Mio 09:43 (Laughs) So the next question is -Heather Hill 09:47 I don't know what's going on. Matt Mio 09:48 Who said "It is important to me that we don't take a position of being content censors." This is fairly recent. Beth Oljar 09:57 Zuckerberg

- Heather Hill 09:58
 Zuckerberg.
- Matt Mio 09:59
 I mean, you're In the wheelhouse, I'll tell you that
- B Beth Oljar 10:01 Elon Musk
- Matt Mio 10:02
 the answer, it's Daniel Eck. But what is he better known as being connected to? "It is important to me that we don't take a position of being content sensors"
- H Heather Hill 10:08 Not Facebook
- Jeffe Boats 10:12 Tik Tok ?
- Matt Mio 10:13
 Not Tik Tok
- H Heather Hill 10:13
 Twitter?
- Matt Mio 10:14

 Nope. If Twitter even exists, I don't know.
- Erin Bell 10:17 Right.

- H Heather Hill 10:18
 (Laughing) If Twitter even exists.
- Erin Bell 10:19
 A social media outlet.
- Matt Mio 10:21
 I mean, music social media, Spotify. Yeah. So who knows where all these wild social media things are going to take our fair country and world into the future here? Who was the first black

recipient of a Pulitzer Prize in any category? This would be 1950. Looking to the English prof.

- B Beth Oljar 10:25 Spotify,
- H Heather Hill 10:38
 Ellison? Let's see. No, that's not It's a female. For her second collection Annie Allen is the name of it. Initials G. B.
- Erin Bell 10:57
 Gwendolyn Brooks.
- Matt Mio 10:59
 Gwendolyn Brooks is what it says.
- Heather Hill 11:01
- Matt Mio 11:01
 1950. Yep. There was no, yeah, it didn't say male or female or whatever, in the stem of the question. So I understand a little confusion there. What filmmaker is the first person to be

nominated for Best Director Oscar in six different decades? That's bananas.

- Beth Oljar 11:18
 Billy Wilder
- M Matt Mio 11:19
 last time was 2022.
- Jeffe Boats 11:22 Clint Eastwood.
- Matt Mio 11:23
- D Dave Cassilo 11:24 Scorsese?
- M Matt Mio 11:25 Nope.
- B Beth Oljar 11:25
 That's a good guess though.
- Matt Mio 11:27
 That is a very good guess.
- Jeffe Boats 11:28 Coppola
- B Beth Oljar 11:29 Walt Disney.

Matt Mio 11:30 No. (Laughs) In 2022. Heather Hill 11:31 Can you repeat the question? Well, you never know Beth Oljar 11:34 That really would be impressive. (Laughs) Matt Mio 11:35 That would be impressive. We agree with that Erin Bell 11:37 cryo head Matt Mio 11:38 Yes, exactly. I actually thought- I wasn't impressed by the 2022 movie that this person -Heather Hill 11:44 Spielberg? Matt Mio 11:45 It's Spielberg. It was his West Side Story in 2022. Erin Bell 11:48 Oh,

Matt Mio 11:48

Which was wonderful, but it's just sort of like - I don't know what to make of the ones that just remake the original thing. You know what I mean? There was nothing new about it. "Let's do psycho - shot for shot." Why? Like, I don't understand. I just don't get it.

Beth Oljar 12:02

Although HITCHCOCK, the movie about the making of PSYCHO with Helen Mirren and Anthony Hopkins, is wonderful

Matt Mio 12:09

Very good. My wife reminded me, as we flipped through a couple channels falling asleep last night. We came across THE COLOR PURPLE, and that THE COLOR PURPLE 1985 - Because there was a remake recently, unfortunately. But in 1985, there were 12 Oscar nominations for that film and it was denied every nomination

- Beth Oljar 12:32
 I actually have never that, which is really odd.
- H Heather Hill 12:34 Oh!
- Beth Oljar 12:35

I've never seen that. But I've never seen To Kill a Mockingbird. I know. I've read the book. Of course, but I've never seen the movie.

- Matt Mio 12:41
 Alright. Stop the show let's get Beth in front of a television
- Stephen Manning 12:44
 So Leslie's back from San Diego?
- H Heather Hill 12:46 You must.

- Matt Mio 12:50
 It is important.
- Beth Oljar 12:50
 Because Gregory Peck is so cute.
- H Heather Hill 12:52

 Actually he's quite adorable in that.
- B Beth Oljar 12:54 Yeah
- Matt Mio 12:55

 Who is the first black woman to lead one of the 12 regional reserve banks in the Federal Reserve Bank's 108 year history.
- B Beth Oljar 13:04
 We'll need some initials, at least
- Matt Mio 13:05

 S M. C are the initials and she's connected, at least previously to the University of Michigan.

 She's an economist. I believe until their recent troubles with bad provosts, she was provost of the University of Michigan
- H Heather Hill 13:19 Sandra. Samantha.
- B Beth Oljar 13:23 Sharon.
- Heather Hill 13:24

Matt Mio 13:26

(Laughs) it's says Susan M. Collins was her name. She was recently identified. She identifies as Jamaican American, has an undergrad degree from Harvard and a Doctorate from MIT. So definitely low performing, right?

- H Heather Hill 13:40 Oh, yeah.
- Matt Mio 13:42

That is incredible. Who said this line, "I am a broken piece of machinery. I am ready" February 3 1924. Ooh, there was an anniversary a few days ago.

- H Heather Hill 13:52 Lee Majors. (the professors laugh)
- Matt Mio 13:55
 We get a lot of Lee Majors responses.
- B Beth Oljar 13:57
 I'm sorry. Could you repeat the question again? I'm so sorry,
- Matt Mio 13:59

 Who said "I am a broken piece of machinery. I am ready", February 3 1924. Among his last words to his wife, Edith, before he passed
- B Beth Oljar 14:09
 Oh, Wilson, Woodrow Wilson
- Matt Mio 14:10

Woodrow Wilson Yep. He never fully recovered. So that would have been - Oh, my, five years later - from a stroke he suffered in 1919. Who, after a 10-year relationship with Picasso, went on to marry Jonas Salk? What a great opening line there. Wow. Salk, of course, developed the polio vaccine.

Erin Bell 14:12

I thought when you said Picasso, you were gonna say Picard. And I was like, "Oh, I know this one. Yeah."

- B Beth Oljar 14:14

 Is this an artist?
- Matt Mio 14:33
 Um, sure. I'm not familiar with the name (Jeffe laughs). FG are the initials
- H Heather Hill 14:46 You said F G?
- Matt Mio 14:47
 F G Yes. Yeah.
- B Beth Oljar 14:50 It's not Frida Kahlo. Yeah, I
- Matt Mio 14:52

Yeah, I mean, thinking about other famous artists of the time. So Francoise Gilo. I don't recognize the name. I'm sorry. Sorry about that - person who wrote these questions.

- B Beth Oljar 15:05
 Who hasn't given you their name?
- Matt Mio 15:06

Not at all. Um, let's switch gears - shall we? Who holds the world's record as the youngest person who wrote, produced and performed a billboard number one, 1988. The song was Foolish Beast

- Jeffe Boats 15:23
 Beat.
- Matt Mio 15:24
 Oh, Foolish Beat. Oh,
- Erin Bell 15:27
 Was it Tiffany, Debbie Gibson?
- Matt Mio 15:30
 Yeah. Debbie Gibson. I think we had a little bit of autocorrect there. Oh, man, that is awesome.
- H Heather Hill 15:37
 A Madonna wanna-be.
- Erin Bell 15:39

 A little bit. A little bit but she was very, very talented and she was kinda doing everything. before Britney Spears before Taylor Swift
- H Heather Hill 15:46
 Oh, I know. I'm not gonna -
- Matt Mio 15:49

 I couldn't help myself. I saw a wonderful little Super Bowl meme because some crackpot is out there this last week saying that Travis Kelce and Taylor Swift are gonna get together and she's going to conceive the Antichrist.
- Beth Oliar 16:02

Matt Mio 16:04

Fans are posting in the comments right below it like "She has to give birth to the Antichrist too? She does everything." I was like, Oh, that's pretty good.

- Erin Bell 16:14
 She's already doing so much.
- Matt Mio 16:15

 Nothing compares to Puppybowl.
- H Heather Hill 16:18
 She's a Renaissance woman.
- Matt Mio 16:19

In Puppy Bowl last weekend, they kept cutting up to the little sky box and Taylor Snift, a little Bichon Frise, was looking down on the game. That was awesome.

- H Heather Hill 16:33
 I didn't watch Puppy Bowl
- Beth Oljar 16:33

My sister used to have one of those dogs and it's actually pronounced bitchen frizzy, according my brother in law. That's how you say it.

- H Heather Hill 16:41
 What was what was the name again? What was-
- B Beth Oljar 16:43 Taylor Snift

- H Heather Hill 16:44
 Taylor Snift. Oh, that's adorable.
- Matt Mio 16:47

 My 20 year old oldest child came down, peered over the couch as we're watching Puppybowl, which was very entertaining. And he goes Oh, man, I don't even know if I could say with a straight face "Puppybowl 20. Wow, they've been around the block" or something to the effect

of like, "I'm getting old." I'm like, yeah, Puppybowl 20, who would have thunk it?

- H Heather Hill 17:05
 It's been around for a while now
- Jeffe Boats 17:06
 All that time and has never been champion.
- Matt Mio 17:11
 It was like 83 to 81
- H Heather Hill 17:15
 What was the final score
- Matt Mio 17:16 83 to 81.
- H Heather Hill 17:17 Wow.
- Beth Oljar 17:18

 But could you Imagine it with kittens. It just wouldn't.

Matt Mio 17:21

The kittens are the halftime show. A kitten rode a motorcycle and jumped over stuff at the halftime. It is the most surreal thing.

Jeffe Boats 17:28

Oh no. They didn't jump the shark, did they?

Matt Mio 17:30

No, It did not. But I actually almost took a picture of my tv and sent it to you, Beth, because they have like cutaways to like, you know, the production crew. I'm thinking about people running, you know, the video, whatever. And it's kittens, but they were all like playing with this toy in the corner like "Oh, chaos in the booth!" It's just silly, stupid puns the entire time. It just really entertaining. I needed that.

- Jeffe Boats 17:31
 Good.
- B Beth Oljar 17:40
 Like "The Secret Life of Pets". You should watch that if you'd ever have
- Matt Mio 18:01

Yeah, a palate cleanse after the Lions lost. What was the pen name adopted by Gloria Watkins. Most folks know this one, right?

Heather Hill 18:11

The pen name adopted by Gloria Watkins.

Matt Mio 18:14

Little known fact: When I was a student here at Detroit Mercy, she was slated to give a talk on campus that got poo -pooed by our president at the time,

Heather Hill 18:25

Dr. Ruth? Nope.

- B Beth Oljar 18:27 Gloria Steinem.
- Matt Mio 18:28
- H Heather Hill 18:31
 Can you give us some initials
- M Matt Mio 18:32
 B H. all lowercase?
- Beth Oljar 18:36
 Bella Hooks
- H Heather Hill 18:38
 Oh, yes. Yes, I've heard about this.
- Matt Mio 18:40

She derived her name from her great grandmother and she was said to write her pen name in lowercase to shift sort of emphasis from herself to her ideas. Yes, that was - There were a lot of political cartoons in the VN that semester that had a bell with hooks hanging - like, in the background of like everything that happens

- Beth Oljar 18:59
 I taught her book when I first came here.
- Matt Mio 19:01

Gave Sister Maureen a hard time. God rest her. Yes. What famous person was afraid of the dark, crowds and solitude? Going back to a comment Beth made a few minutes ago, we should

be able to get this. What very famous director was afraid of the dark, crowds and solitude.

- Jeffe Boats 19:20 Hitchcock.
- Matt Mio 19:20

Yeah, Hitchcock he made a lot of movies about those things, but apparently was scared of them. Who was the first woman to be nominated twice for Best Director? That's a good one with Oscar season coming up.

- Jeffe Boats 19:34 Sofia Coppola?
- Matt Mio 19:34
 That's a good guess. Initials J. C
- E Erin Bell 19:39 Jane-
- Beth Oljar 19:40 Oh, Jane Campion
- Matt Mio 19:41

 Jane Campion. The second one was Power Of The Dog, which I have not seen. So
- Beth Oljar 19:46
 You're not really missing anything in my opinion.
- Matt Mio 19:48

 You didn't dig it, huh? It was Hurt Locker was the first one, right?

- B Beth Oljar 19:53
 She didn't direct that.
- Stephen Manning 19:54
 The Piano
- Matt Mio 19:55
 The Piano, that's right.
- Beth Oljar 19:58
 I mean, they're really good performances. There's no question. Although why anyone would think that New Zealand looks like Montana is beyond Like, you people really don't know what mountains look like, do you?
- Matt Mio 20:10

 You could just go to Montana to film too, you know, I mean Maybe there's no tax credit there
- B Beth Oljar 20:16 it's, you know, kind of an interesting, you know-
- H Heather Hill 20:19
 Who's the main actor in The Power Of The Dog?
- B Beth Oljar 20:21
 Oh, Benedict Cumberbatch.
- Matt Mio 20:23
 Oh, really? It is Cumberbatch?
- Beth Oljar 20:25

It's about toxic masculinity.

- Matt Mio 20:27 Okay,
- H Heather Hill 20:29
 I think Okay.
- Matt Mio 20:30
 Yeah. What American First Lady was a compulsive shopper, ran up huge debts that she tried to hide by falsifying bills and misappropriating federal bonds?
- E Erin Bell 20:40 Dolly Madison
- M Matt Mio 20:41
 It wasn't Dolly Madison.
- B Beth Oljar 20:43
 Sounds like something Mary Lincoln would have been in to?
- Matt Mio 20:45
 It is indeed Mary Todd Lincoln. Thats who we're looking for
- Beth Oljar 20:48

 Because there's that scene in Lincoln. When they're having the big party and she really lets

 Tommy Lee Jones have it about household accounts for the White House.
- Matt Mio 21:00

 Right. Right. (Laughing) "She lets Tommy Lee Jones have it" I love it. She travels in time to the future.

- Beth Oljar 21:06
 - She's like "You know, people are never going to love you the way they love my husband and how important it is for you to remember that." Wow. Don't run afoul of her.
- Matt Mio 21:18

Nice little bit of sports trivia here: Who was the first black woman and the first female college player enshrined in the Basketball Hall of Fame. Also officially the first woman drafted by an NBA team? It's actually kind of a piece of trivia

- B Beth Oljar 21:32 Cheryl, um - No,
- Matt Mio 21:35

The initials are L H, the queen of basketball. She led the Delta State Cleveland Mississippi women's basketball team to three consecutive national championships in the mid 70s and was drafted by the New Orleans now Utah Jazz. She has also scored the first basket in women's Olympic history,

- Jeffe Boats 21:53 Leslie.
- Matt Mio 21:54

 No, that's a good ol name though. I like that.
- Jeffe Boats 21:57
 I'm embarrassed. I should know this one.
- H Heather Hill 21:59 Lauren
- Matt Mio 22:00

It's sort of hard. How about - oh, gosh, I just nearly gave the whole thing away. So who was Ricky's wife ?

- Heather Hill 22:10 Lucy?
- Matt Mio 22:11

 Lucy. And the last name is the same as the guy that played Oh, geez.
- H Heather Hill 22:18
 Just just
- Matt Mio 22:19
 It's Harris. Lucy Harris. Okay. Her first name was originally Louisa, but she went by Lucy
- H Heather Hill 22:25 Lucy Harris.
- Matt Mio 22:27

We've got a lot of interesting stuff going on. There's a couple of female refs skating in the NHL now. We had a whole bunch of female refs showing up in the NFL playoffs this year, and things are definitely getting very, very different across the board. And this year, I think Major League Baseball will have the first on base ref who is female.

- B Beth Oljar 22:50
 It's a world gone mad.
- H Heather Hill 22:51
 I know, it's gone crazy man. Cats sleeping with dogs -
- B Beth Oljar 22:56
 Mass hysteria!

Matt Mio 22:58

Who reportedly was the first actress to show her navel on television?

- H Heather Hill 23:02
 Barbara Eden?
- Matt Mio 23:03

That's not what it says here I'm not familiar with the name YM are the initials. I wish there was a little more info here on where this , uh -

- B Beth Oljar 23:13
 Yolanda? il's the only name I can think of that starts with a Y at the moment.
- Matt Mio 23:16
 Sadly, the first name is the name of the maid from the Clue movie.
- H Heather Hill 23:21
 From the what movie? The clue movie?
- B Beth Oljar 23:25
 That is not helping me as a clue, Matthew
- Stephen Manning 23:27
 How about Richard Chamberlain, as a as a hint.
- Heather Hill 23:31
 Why don't you just -? Oh, I finally realized something. (Matt is laughing in the background)
- Erin Dall 22,26

- EIIII DEII 23.30
 - I think I realized it too.
- Beth Oljar 23:38

It just took me a while. He was a serious crush of mine .

- Matt Mio 23:40
 So first name, Yevette
- Erin Bell 23:42 Oh, okay.
- Matt Mio 23:43

And last name starts with an M. It says Yvette Mimieu . I'm not familiar with the name.

Heather Hill 23:50

It sounds made up. I think this anonymous person has just made all of these up

Matt Mio 23:57

Possibly. It's entirely possible. Absolutely. The extra credit bonus question: Name the five artists or groups - performers, who've had Top-40 singles in each of the last four decades. See if you can get like one of these. That would be great

- H Heather Hill 24:12
 - Say that again, I'm like zoning out over here.
- Matt Mio 24:14

Five artists or groups or performers - so, music - who've had Top 40 singles in the last four decades. So we'll say the 2010s the 2000s the 90s and the 80s.

B Beth Oljar 24:25 Sheryl Crow?

- Matt Mio 24:26
 I don't have Sheryl Crow here.
- B Beth Oljar 24:28
 Elton John?
- Matt Mio 24:29
 I don't have Elton John here.
- Jeffe Boats 24:30 Rolling Stones.
- Matt Mio 24:32

 Nope. No Stones. No Aerosmith. Okay, we keep going back to Aerosmith.
- Erin Bell 24:35
 I know. Someone said that already.
- Dave Cassilo 24:37 Janet Jackson.
- Matt Mio 24:38

 Janet Jackson is a good guess. I'm giving you partial credit, because it's actually Michael Jackson. He had a whole bunch of these posthumous singles that were released. So sure. Someone wants to own the whole book, right?
- H Heather Hill 24:50 Springsteen

- Matt Mio 24:51
 People, when Lady Gaga came on the scene, they' were like "She's the new BLANK"
- B Beth Oljar 24:55
 Madonna
- Matt Mio 24:55

 Madonna is also on the list. Whether that's true or not. Okay,
- Beth Oljar 24:59
 Clearly a plagiarism issue there
- Matt Mio 25:05

 A very interesting performer who just keeps going and going. Real first name Alfred.
- B Beth Oljar 25:11
 Weird Al Yankovic?
- Matt Mio 25:12 Wierd Al. Yes,
- Erin Bell 25:13
 Oh my goodness. Number ? Okay
- Matt Mio 25:16
 I'm not joking. This is great. This is great.
- Jeffe Boats 25:19 Top-40

- Matt Mio 25:19
 Oh, Top 40, my bad. Not number one
- E Erin Bell 25:21
 I was gonna say
- Matt Mio 25:22
 an Irish band U2. And gosh, sort of a smooth jazz performer.
- B Beth Oljar 25:24
- E Erin Bell 25:31 Kenny G
- Beth Oljar 25:36

 If I'm going for jazz saxaphone, there's so many better choices than-
- Jeffe Boats 25:40
 Weird Al should be in the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.
- Matt Mio 25:43
 He's not in the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame?
- Jeffe Boats 25:44
 He's never been nominated, as far as I'm aware
- Matt Mio 25:46

 Oh my gosh, I never would have thought of that. Well, mystery person, thank you so much for sending these questions

- H Heather Hill 25:52 Yes. Thank you mystery person.
- Matt Mio 25:53

Thank you Yvette Mimieux. We love you for showing your navel on television. We only have a few seconds left and something we do every once in a while on the show, Dave, is we go to this list of things sent by the family Burroughs and they ask us to tell us our favorite of something. So this is a little bit out of the ordinary but I think it will still be interesting. What is an aroma that you find is your favorite aroma? or just maybe a good aroma that you enjoy.

- Jeffe Boats 26:25

 Napalm in the Morning.
- Matt Mio 26:26 Yeah, that's nice.
- Jeffe Boats 26:28

 Napalm in the morning.
- Erin Bell 26:29
 Oh my goodness.
- B Beth Oljar 26:30
 Nice. You and Marlon.
- Matt Mio 26:34

I'm gonna say like a pine scent. I think it's the weirdest thing. For most of my life, I've had a fake Christmas tree, but my parents always had a real one when I was growing up; and I had no idea how much that are printed upon me. Yeah, I'll light a candle that's pine, and I'm like "oh my gosh", It's overpowering

- Beth Oljar 26:53 Uh, the ocean, I guess
- Matt Mio 26:58
 That's a good one.
- H Heather Hill 27:01
 Beth stole mine.
- Matt Mio 27:03
 There are lots of oceans
- H Heather Hill 27:05

 No, I'm kidding.
- Stephen Manning 27:06
 Cilantro.
- Erin Bell 27:07
 Ooh. That's a controversial choice.
- B Beth Oljar 27:12
 Garlic
- Matt Mio 27:13
 It is
- Stephen Manning 27:13
 Garlic. Yeah, garlic

- H Heather Hill 27:15
 I like lemon balm.
- Matt Mio 27:17

 And that's good. Well, even like lemongrass in that area. Sure.
- Erin Bell 27:23

 How about the not when the fire is happening, but then you had a campfire and then the next day everything smells like the smoky campfire smell. I like that smell.
- Matt Mio 27:31
 That is a good smell.
- Jeffe Boats 27:32
 The smell of a well-oiled baseball glove.
- Dave Cassilo 27:36
 I like baseball dirt too.
- Matt Mio 27:38 Oh, yes.
- B Beth Oljar 27:39
 It makes me think of that scene in Searching For Bobby Fisher at the beginning
- H Heather Hill 27:43
 The smell of Fenway Park.
- Jeffe Boats 27:44

 Basball dirt is magic, because it's impossible to run around it and not feel happy.

- Matt Mio 27:49
 Yeah, that's absolutely true.
- Stephen Manning 27:52
 Freshly mowed grass.
- Matt Mio 27:53

 Freshly mowed grass is a big one. Absolutely.
- H Heather Hill 27:56 Siberian Husky dogs.
- E Erin Bell 27:57 Oh,
- Stephen Manning 27:59
 They don't smell
- Beth Oljar 28:00
 Bacon
- Matt Mio 28:01

 Do Golden doodles smel?l is my question
- Jeffe Boats 28:03 Oh, Taylor Snift
- Beth Oljar 28:05
 She's probably dosed in some Chanel Number Five she's working.

- Matt Mio 28:08

 Seriously. I'm afraid, professors, that we are out of time and the time has come to say goodbye Heather.
- H Heather Hill 28:17
 Bye
- Matt Mio 28:17 Stephen.
- Stephen Manning 28:18
 Goodbye
- Matt Mio 28:19
 Jeffe
- Jeffe Boats 28:19 Todalo
- Matt Mio 28:20
 Dave
- Dave Cassilo 28:20 Bye
- Matt Mio 28:21 Erin.
- Erin Bell 28:21

- Goodbye
- Matt Mio 28:22 and Beth
- Beth Oljar 28:22 Goodbye.
- Matt Mio 28:23
 And now these words.
- Announcer 28:24

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- Matt Mio 28:34

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