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Michael Jayson 00:00

The University of Detroit Mercy presents another encore presentation of a classic Ask The

Professor program. Today's show takes us back to October 2007.

Kathy Bush 00:05

The University tower chimes ring in another session of Ask the Professor, the radio show where you match wits with University of Detroit Mercy professors in an unrehearsed session of questions and answers. I'm your host with the twisted tongue, Kathy Bush, and today let me introduce the panel to you. To my left from the Department of Philosophy, and about hopefully to be paroled from being the chair of the co chair of the core curriculum committee. Martyrdom by pinpricks, it's Professor Beth Oljar.

Beth Oljar 00:36

Dan, I think it'd be totally okay for you to scoop the pudding out of the remaining - the custard

out of the remaining chunk of the -

Kathy Bush 00:42

O pudding. We're talking about a wonderful, wonderful coffee cake from Knudsen's Danish

bakery in Detroit.

Beth Oljar 00:50 Yum-O!

Kathy Bush 00:50

Picked up very early this morning, but I was told it was made fresh. And I'd put it in the

refrigerator to keep the custard you know, from giving everybody botulism or something.

Dan Maggio 00:58 It's delilicious.

Kathy Bush 00:58

It is. They just kick out - Yeah.

Beth Oljar 01:01

As Drew says "Kathy always gets the best treats".

Dan Maggio 01:03

I'm on a sugar and caffeine high.

Kathy Bush 01:03

(Laughs) Sugar rules. Okay. Well, now around the table from Beth, another chair in the chair at the end of the table, the chair of the History Department, and of course, the person in charge of our Black Abolitionist Archives at the University. It's Professor Roy Finenbine.

Roy Finkenbine 01:23

Good to be here, Kathy, I just want to go on record, I am not here for the President's amusement.

Kathy Bush 01:28

Well, really glad to hear that.

Roy Finkenbine 01:31 You heard that comment?

Kathy Bush 01:32

Yes, I did. And I just thought, "Honey, please get over yourself."

Beth Oljar 01:35

Probably none of us would amuse him. So -

Kathy Bush 01:37

I was gonna say, I don't think he'd find any of us likeable or laughable during most of our work in lives, so. And on the other side of Roy, from the College of Engineering and Science. It's Dan Dan, the Tech Day Man Maggio, because he's got a big event coming up. Tell us about Tech Day, Dan.

Dan Maggio 01:56

We're - It's a 17th year for this wonderful annual event. (Laughs)

Kathy Bush 01:59

And you've got how many - ?

Dan Maggio 02:02

No, I actually love it. We have been eight - I think I have about 800 students?

Kathy Bush 02:05

Whoa! And of course, are you gonna have a new tech a t shirt?

Dan Maggio 02:09

We do have a new Tech Day t-shirt.

Kathy Bush 02:10 Who designed it?

Dan Maggio 02:11

Kathy Bush 02:13

Oh, that's cool. That was a great shirt.

Dan Maggio 02:15

We've modified it every year to mimic the - whatever the Rube Goldberg assignment is for that

year.

Kathy Bush 02:20

Okay We were trying to come up with a new design. Did I tell you about that? Yeah, you

mentioned it, but go ahead and tell our listeners.

Dan Maggio 02:24 That wasn't successful.

Kathy Bush 02:25

Well, you know, that's okay. Back to the drawing board.

Dan Maggio 02:28 So we have a new one.

Beth Oljar 02:29

I want a Tech Day t-shirt too. If you get me a Tech Day t shirt, I will make sure you get an Ethics

Bowl t shirt.

Dan Maggio 02:34 Okay

Kathy Bush 02:35

And what they're talking about are two wonderful gifts that we will send out to you if you send

Well, we're back to the old one.

questions to us about everything from the number 800 to comments from our president to

martyrdom, whatever you want to send us questions on. If you stump the panel, you get the shirt and if you don't stump the panel, you also get the shirt. So hey, get the shirt.

Beth Oljar 02:54

You can't lose. Yeah, so send us some questions.

Michael Jayson 02:56

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page.

Kathy Bush 03:18

And here's somebody who has been working on a number of shirts. We left off last time in the

middle of a set of questions from Dave Chow of Berkley, Michigan.

Beth Oljar 03:34

It's such a cute little town.

Kathy Bush 03:40

It really is. And I know he gave us some a scale. And you can hear my papers hitting the mic stand here. Sorry about that. And yes, we're looking at 14 out of 20; and so far, you only have two wrong.

Dan Maggio 03:54 Very good.

Kathy Bush 03:55 So that should work.

Beth Oljar 03:57
So we have four more we can get wrong and still pass.

Dan Maggio 04:01 I think so.

Kathy Bush 04:03
Dan, we're depending on you. I really felt badly how like at dinner everybody shoved the check
to you to make sure that the math ended up correctly.

Dan Maggio 04:11 Yes

Kathy Bush 04:12 I know.

Dan Maggio 04:12
By the way, that Chinese did not sit well with me.

Kathy Bush 04:14 Oh, I'm sorry.

Beth Oljar 04:16 Oh, no.

Dan Maggio 04:16 It was good food.

Kathy Bush 04:18 Okay.

Is that correct Mathman?

Dan Maggio 04:19
But - I think it was the MSG.

Kathy Bush 04:20 Maybe it is, you know

Beth Oljar 04:22 Or the nitrates,

Dan Maggio 04:23 Yes, whatever they use.

Kathy Bush 04:24 That could be it.

Dan Maggio 04:25
My experiences with Chinese food lately - not so good. Thai food is fine.

Kathy Bush 04:29 Okay

Dan Maggio 04:29
I don't know. Maybe it's just the restaurant.

Kathy Bush 04:31

Well, different shoes for different people. Okay. All right. So now well, let's get back today's questions, which are kind of interesting as they always are. What recognizable voice actor was to be the original voice of Darth Vader

Beth Oljar 04:49

Orson Welles?

Kathy Bush 04:50

Yes. Yes, indeed. George Lucas backed out on Wells because he was too recognizable, he felt

Beth Oljar 04:57 Hmm - True enough.

Kathy Bush 04:58

So he went with James Earl Jones.

Roy Finkenbine 05:02 "Luke. Luke. I'm your father."

Kathy Bush 05:04

He had such a great voice.

Dan Maggio 05:05

Did you know that Lucas is supposed to be producing a TV series - Star Wars TV series.

Kathy Bush 05:09 What? You're kidding me?

Dan Maggio 05:10

Yes. It's supposed to revolve around the main characters, but also minor characters.

Kathy Bush 05:15 Okay

Beth Oljar 05:16 Does he have anything to do with the the next Indiana Jones movie that's coming out - the fourth one?

Dan Maggio 05:21 No, that's Spielberg,

Beth Oljar 05:22

But I thought - didn't Spielberg and Lucas co-produce them?

Dan Maggio 05:27 Oh, I don't know.

Kathy Bush 05:27 Hmm. I don't know.

Beth Oljar 05:29 George may be too busy.

Kathy Bush 05:30

But for television that seems like such an odd format for that story. I mean,

Dan Maggio 05:34

It does. I'll watch it out of curiosity? But there are no Jedi apparently. There are no Jedi Knights.

Without Jedi. Really?

Kathy Bush 05:37 Okay.

Beth Oljar 05:42 Yeah.

Kathy Bush 05:44

Well, I can just ask this question: Does anybody know what James Earl Jones' first film was? and

it's a great film - a Stanley Kubrick film.

Roy Finkenbine 05:51

That's not the Great White Hope is it?

Dan Maggio 05:53 2001?

Kathy Bush 05:53

Think nuclear war. Doctor Strangelove. Yes, he is the African American pilot.

Roy Finkenbine 05:53 No.

Beth Oljar 05:53

I was gonna say In The Heat of the Night. But that's not Kubrick.

Roy Finkenbine 05:53 Ooh

Beth Oljar 05:53 Doctor Strangelove

Kathy Bush 05:54

and the voice is not as fully developed. But if you have the ear for his voice, which - again - because he has such a gorgeous voice. You can really hear it. Okay. The Pillsbury Doughboy Poppin' Fresh had a family. (Laughs)

Beth Oljar 05:55

That's right. I remember. A little pop.

Kathy Bush 06:16

He had a wife, a son and a daughter, which I was not aware of this fact. I always just thought he

was a solo act, but can you name the other members of his family

Dan Maggio 06:31 No

Beth Oljar 06:31 Mrs. Poppin' fresh?

Kathy Bush 06:33

Well, her name is kind of maybe the feminine take off on Popin'.

Roy Finkenbine 06:39 Poppy,

Kathy Bush 06:40
Poppy! Poppy Fresh Yes, that's his wife. Okay,

Roy Finkenbine 06:44
Which is the name also one of the - uh - I'm trying to remember CSI or one of the -

Kathy Bush 06:49 Really?

Roy Finkenbine 06:50
Who's the blonde on one of the -

Kathy Bush 06:51
You watch CSI, don't you?

Roy Finkenbine 06:53 Poppy something.

Kathy Bush 06:55 Oh really?

Roy Finkenbine 06:56
There's a whole family of Georgia flowers. They named all the all the daughters Rose and Violet
and Poppy

Beth Oljar 07:02
That's one of the CSI - maybe CSI Miami. It's not

Kathy Bush 07:04
Oh, it's not THE one that you watch. Okay. All right. His son is the same name as a substance
that was really big in discos.

Roy Finkenbine 07:14 Cocaine.

Beth Oljar 07:15 Yeah, I was gonna say -

Kathy Bush 07:17 Well, "Pass me the - ?

Dan Maggio 07:18

Dan Maggio 07:18

Kathy Bush 07:19
That's it. I t's popper. Okay, that's son popper. Now he's got a baby daughter. And her name is
not at all alliterative with the others. It's uh -

Dan Maggio 07:28 Gretchen

Kathy Bush 07:29

Gretchen Fresh. Oh my god, it sounds like you're getting sick or something. Gretchen Fresh!

Actually it's the name that Jeffe gives to the chocolate rabbit - that comes in - His name for it.

Dan Maggio 07:47

Oh, that's when I usually don't pay attention. (The professors laugh)

Beth Oljar 07:52

Professor Bunny - that's what -

Kathy Bush 07:54

Okay, but something like, um - it would be more kind of childlike. Short syllable.

Beth Oljar 08:00 Bun Bun.

Kathy Bush 08:01

Bun Bun. It is. Okay, so there's Poppin' Fresh, his wife Poppy, son Popper and baby daughter

Bun Bun.

Beth Oljar 08:07

That's - My mom always said when she was little when she was growing up that she looked like

Poppers

the Pillsbury Dough Boy.

Dan Maggio 08:11

When would we have actually ever seen them?

Kathy Bush 08:13

I guess on the commercial.

Dan Maggio 08:15 Oh, Okay.

Kathy Bush 08:16

I just always remember him with the giggle you know, when you hit this little, little jelly belly

Beth Oljar 08:20

(Trying to immitate the Pillsbury Doughboy)

Kathy Bush 08:21

That's it. Yeah, he would do that kind of

Beth Oljar 08:22

"Nothin' says lovin' like something from the oven".

Kathy Bush 08:24 Thank you.

Roy Finkenbine 08:25

I like the take off on him in Ghostbusters.

Kathy Bush 08:29 Oh. yes.

Roy Finkenbine 08:30
The Staypuff Marshmallow Man.

Kathy Bush 08:32 Yeah. Okay.

Beth Oljar 08:33
"Nobody steps on a church in my town."

Kathy Bush 08:37 That's right.

Beth Oljar 08:37
That movie - It never fails to be -

Roy Finkenbine 08:39
"If anyone asks you if you were a God, say yes."

Kathy Bush 08:42
There you go. Yeah, I'd like to see the rest of the family someday.

Beth Oljar 08:46
I think the cinnamon roll ads may have had them.

Yeah.

Beth Oljar 08:51 Yeah.

Kathy Bush 08:52 The whole flakin' -

Beth Oljar 08:53
the whole flakin' bunch of them.

Kathy Bush 08:55
Okay, who was the first US president to be a licensed pilot? So first US president to be a
licensed pilot.

Beth Oljar 09:05 JFK

Roy Finkenbine 09:07 Chester A. Arthur

Kathy Bush 09:08
He was - he was on PT boats. It was his poor brother that got either shot down or or exploded or
something, you know

Beth Oljar 09:15 It can't be FDR

Dan Maggio 09:17

Was it somebody from the war era?

Is that it? Okay, the whole clan. Okay.

Kathy Bush 09:18

Well, actually - somebody post war. I guess you could say

Beth Oljar 09:24 Eisenhower.

Kathy Bush 09:25

Yeah, it was Dwight Eisenhower.

Beth Oljar 09:28 Ike.

Kathy Bush 09:28

This was interesting because he found out that pilots earned more money and the person who put the kibosh on that was his wife Mamie. Because certainly in the early days sadly of aviation that there were a lot of crashes, a lot of accidents, and she told him "Oh, no. This is not gonna go on"

Dan Maggio 09:47

She probably said something different.

Kathy Bush 09:47

Well, she might have. She was a lady - Miss Mamie Doud herself, but I mean, come on. She

didn't want to see -

Dan Maggio 09:52

but a mean one, right? Didn't we learn that last show?

Kathy Bush 09:56

Well, it sounded like it. You know, this whole thing -

Beth Oljar 09:59

She was really mean to -

Kathy Bush 10:00

She was mean to Pat Nixon. That was kind of - Yeah,

Roy Finkenbine 10:04

because she only had a Republican cloth coat.

Kathy Bush 10:06

That's right. But yeah, she was not nice to her at all

Beth Oljar 10:09

I thought she made that comment to Kay Summersby, which at least would have been

intelligible psychologically.

Kathy Bush 10:13

Well, right. Yeah. No, I don't think they ever really conversed. We hope not. Yes. What

automobile was the first to have seatbelts?

Roy Finkenbine 10:23 (Laughs) Corvair

Kathy Bush 10:25

Yeah, really. No, no, this is actually earlier than the Corvair - because I remember my friend Sue Harmon, her dad when Unsafe at Any Speed came out, he went out and bought a Corvair. Just to spite Ralph Nader.

Beth Oljar 10:39

How old are we talking? I mean, like a Packard? Model T?

Kathy Bush 10:42 No. After those.

Beth Oljar 10:45

Okay. This is a company that's no longer - uh

Roy Finkenbine 10:48 Rambler.

Kathy Bush 10:49

It is a Rambler. It's a 1950 Nash Rambler.

Roy Finkenbine 10:52 (Laughs) Oh, gosh.

Kathy Bush 10:52

So it's a company that's no longer - you know - Although the Rambler name was picked up by

AMC.

Roy Finkenbine 10:57 AMC. yeah,

Kathy Bush 10:59

I saw this really horrible article about "cars that you should have never owned" and the top

three were cars that I owned. (Laughs)

Dan Maggio 11:07 Was that in TIME?

Kathy Bush 11:08 Yeah,

Beth Oljar 11:09

Did you have like a Pinto?

Kathy Bush 11:11 I had a Pinto.

Beth Oljar 11:11

You did? Did you have one that had like a billion miles on it.

Roy Finkenbine 11:13 Corvair.

Kathy Bush 11:14

Yeah. Okay. And then also a Gremlin

Beth Oljar 11:17

But you didn't have an Edsel

Kathy Bush 11:18

No, no, no. The Gremlin and then the AMC Pacer, which was like driving in a -

Dan Maggio 11:23 Yeah

Beth Oljar 11:24 A little moon bubble.

Dan Maggio 11:25

That's pretty brutal. I think I mentioned that if you if you go to TIME and you look at the top 50, the commentary is hilarious.

Kathy Bush 11:25

It was a moon bubble. You could never defrost that car in Michigan on a really cold day. You

would be scraping the inside of the windshield Yes, it is.

Dan Maggio 11:38

Really. In the 90s they were some just surprising cars like the Ford Explorer. They put the

Hummer on there. Thank God.

Kathy Bush 11:47

Oh, those things are scary.

Dan Maggio 11:48 A complete waste.

Kathy Bush 11:50

I hate getting on the highway

Beth Oljar 11:51

And they're so butt ugly. I'm sorry.

Kathy Bush 11:52

And they're so big. You can't see round. We can't see over them.

Dan Maggio 11:56

Because a vehicle like that in the city, there is zero need for it. Then it really - what's the

purpose in getting one?

Roy Finkenbine 12:04 Outside of Baghdad, I see none.

Kathy Bush 12:07

Yeah, I was gonna say, I really don't think you need them, but yeah,. But the great thing about

the Pinto is it was dead cheap. And the same thing about the AMC cars.

Dan Maggio 12:14

We're gonna get a thousand letters from Hummer owners. Sorry.

Kathy Bush 12:16

Probably. Too bad. But um, the AMC cars were so good on gas.

Beth Oljar 12:20 Well, there you go.

Kathy Bush 12:21

I have to admit, they were great on gas.

Roy Finkenbine 12:22

Boy, do you think that many people - ? No. I'm just kidding.

Kathy Bush 12:23 Yeah, there we go.

Dan Maggio 12:24

I'm sorry, nobody listens to the show. Never mind.

Kathy Bush 12:26

No. Well, I'll tell you a great story during the break about our AVP - actually knew our show

Dan Maggio 12:31

I know people listed to the show, because people that are not even from the area have heard

this show.

Kathy Bush 12:35 Yeah

Dan Maggio 12:36

a friend of mine from St. Louis -

Kathy Bush 12:37 Sweet

Beth Oljar 12:37 Good deal.

Dan Maggio 12:38

He heard my voice on the radio.

Kathy Bush 12:40

There you go. What is Donald Duck's middle name? Donald Duck's middle name.

Dan Maggio 12:47 Is it alliterative?

Kathy Bush 12:48

No, it isn't, which would be kind of cool. He'd be Triple D, you know, if he had a rap name?

Beth Oljar 12:53 Does it start with an "F"?

Kathy Bush 12:53

It is an "F". It starts with an "F" Yes.

Dan Maggio 12:55 Frank?

Kathy Bush 12:56 No.

Dan Maggio 12:57 Francis? Fred?

Kathy Bush 12:58

No, this is a name that's probably attached to what would appear to be a very spoiled little

fellow in a book that was popular in the early part of the century.

Roy Finkenbine 13:08 Fauntleroy?

Kathy Bush 13:08

It is! That's it! Little Lord Fauntleroy. His middle name is Fauntleroy.

Beth Oljar 13:17 Donald Fauntleroy Duck.

Kathy Bush 13:21

Well, okay, now I mean, you know his nephew's names.

Beth Oljar 13:24 Huey, Dewey, and Louie.

Kathy Bush Right. I had a history teacher in high school that gave you extra credit if you can name which duck wore which color of hat - or shirt. He collected comic books. He was like totally insane on those.

Beth Oljar 13:35 (Laughs)

Kathy Bush 13:36

And Uncle Scrooge. I mean, he had all these weird bizarre trivia questions about -

Roy Finkenbine 13:40 Scrooge McDuck

Kathy Bush 13:41 Scrooge McDuck, indeed.

Beth Oljar 13:42

Too bad he didn't have Drew as a student.

Kathy Bush 13:44 Oh, is he into that?

Beth Oljar 13:46

Well, Drew collected comic books for years.

Kathy Bush 13:49

Yeah. What American city is also known as the City of Carousels?

Roy Finkenbine 13:59 Peoria.

Kathy Bush 13:59

(Laughs) Peoria. I wonder if Peoria, if they are a city of something, city of whatever

Beth Oljar 14:10

It can't be San Francisco.

Kathy Bush 14:12

It's on the West Coast, actually..

Beth Oljar 14:14 Okay.

Dan Maggio 14:15 West Coast

Beth Oljar 14:16

And it's not San Francisco

Kathy Bush 14:17 It's not San Fran. No.

Beth Oljar 14:19 Not Seattle

Kathy Bush 14:20

Not Seattle, but you're getting close.

Roy Finkenbine 14:23 Portland

Kathy Bush 14:24

Yes it is Portland, Oregon. So I was gonna ask you B what's up with that?

Beth Oljar 14:29

Portland is the city of carousels?

Kathy Bush 14:30

That's what it says - City of Carousels, and this is carousels as in you know - (Kathy does her

impression of the music of a carnival) "Doo-doo, doodle-doodle"

Beth Oljar 14:37

Well there - wow. I mean, there used to be one out at Jantzen Beach Mall, which I don't think

even exists anymore. I mean, Portland always been the city of roses to me.

Kathy Bush 14:46

Ant highways designed, maybe, in a carousel shape or -

Dan Maggio 14:50

Are there roundabouts? Roundabouts. Yeah

Beth Oljar 14:52

Yeah, there are some highway entrances and exits where you basically are - you know - really

curving around or highways that curve around the city. Hey,

Kathy Bush 14:59

Okay. Well, while we think about city design, let's take a break.

Production Element 16:49

Kathy Bush 17:14

And we're back with questions from Dave Chow of Berkley, Michigan. And the last one was kind

of a shocker about the City of Carousels. Beth is still pondering this one,

Beth Oljar 17:24

I'm learning things about my home city that I didn't even know.

Roy Finkenbine 17:27 We'll be investigating.

Kathy Bush 17:28

I think so. I think you need to call on Sally or somebody and say "What up with the carousels, dawg?" Oh, yeah. Really. Road trip! We need to do that. Who was the first US president to be born outside of the original 13 states? First US president not born in the -

Dan Maggio 17:33 Road trip! Lincoln?

Kathy Bush 17:46

Yes. Good, Dan. Excellent. Was he born in Illinois? Well, yeah.

Roy Finkenbine 17:52 Uh, actually, Kentucky.

Kathy Bush 17:53 Kentucky. That's right.

Roy Finkenbine 17:54

Then the family moved Indiana and then Illinois. He was born a matter of few miles from the

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Beth Oljar 17:54 Oh, that's right.

Kathy Bush 18:03 Oh, my gosh!

Roy Finkenbine 18:03
What are the odds of them becoming presidents of opposing -

Kathy Bush 18:06
Ohhh! Ewww! Oh my goodness. Um, back to comics.

Beth Oljar 18:12 Okay,

Kathy Bush 18:12

Maybe we need to hit the cell phone to Drew on the quick dial. Named the two creators of the Batman comic book character. Now, one of the names is the same name as someone who taught math here. Cornish? Not Cornish. of that era, Jim Lenahan. Mary Jo Nichols.

Dan Maggio 18:33 Bob Kane?

Kathy Bush 18:33 Bob Kane. Absolutely.

Beth Oljar 18:34
And then Frank somebody or other - right?

birthplace of Jefferson Davis.

Kathy Bush 18:38
No. This is kind of an interesting name. The last name is the same name as something that you,

uh - a hand expression that you shouldn't make out the window when you're irate at a driver

Beth Oljar 18:51 Bird?

Kathy Bush 18:52 Not the bird, but -

Dan Maggio 18:55
I can't think of another one.

Beth Oljar 18:56

A fist? (Laughs) I'm not explaining this terribly well. Am I? The finger? (Laughs)

Kathy Bush 19:04

Yes. Bill Finger Bob Kane was the artist and Bill Finger was the writer of Batman. Now, the

original Batman. I mean, doesn't it - That goes back to like the 30s, doesn't it?

Beth Oljar 19:08 It's pretty old. Mm-hm.

Kathy Bush 19:17 It's pretty old. Okay.

Roy Finkenbine 19:18 Depression era, yeah.

Beth Oljar 19:19

Kathy Bush 19:20 (Laughing) And he's psycho.

Beth Oljar 19:21

Well, he saw his parents murdered.

Kathy Bush 19:22 That's right.

Beth Oljar 19:23

So he - I mean, Batman is basically -

Roy Finkenbine 19:26 And he didn't get counseling.

Kathy Bush 19:28

Well, yeah. Because it was like just a ton of it available, like in the 30s. Right. Yeah. "Don't eat, Dear. We're saving money for therapy." (The professors laugh) "We can't get your new shoes. Your brother needs therapy". Yeah, I don't think that was really happening.

Roy Finkenbine 19:42 They were rich.

Kathy Bush 19:43

Oh, that's right. Oh, that's right. His family -

Beth Oljar 19:44 The Waynes. Yeah. And he's psycho.

Kathy Bush 19:44

They lived in stately Wayne Manor, right?

Beth Oljar 19:46 Sure.

Kathy Bush 19:46

Yeah, there we go. Who was the first US president to drive a car? First US president to drive a

car.

Roy Finkenbine 19:55

I'm guessing it wasn't William Howard Taft. There's a fit issue there.

Beth Oljar 20:06

Wilson? No, that's too early.

Kathy Bush 20:08

That's later, actually. That's later, which is kind of a surprise.

Beth Oljar 20:12

Okay, so Wilson is too late.

Kathy Bush 20:14 Wilson is too late.

Beth Oljar 20:17

Can't be McKinley. That's too early

Kathy Bush 20:19

Well, actually - Well, McKinley has a connection to the car, but that's okay.

Roy Finkenbine 20:23

So, it's gotta be Teddy Roosevelt.

Kathy Bush 20:24

Teddy Roosevelt. That's correct.

Beth Oljar 20:25 T- R

Kathy Bush 20:26 Well -

Roy Finkenbine 20:26

Did he drive it while he was hunting?

Kathy Bush 20:30

Oh, sort of like our windshield cowboy president. Oh, you're referring to the LBJ hunting thing, aren't you? Yeah. Last week on REAL TIME, on Bill Maher's show on HBO, he had been Vincente Fox on, the former president of Mexico - who in his recent publication, his new book, describes George Bush as a windshield cowboy. And I thought that's an interesting expression. And he explained why - that when they were visiting in Mexico, when the Bush's came to visit him in Mexico, President Fox had been riding since he was like two years old. And he had this beautiful stallion that he had - there were a pair and he said, "Do you want to ride with me?" because he had always heard that he was like big on the Texas Ranch.

Beth Oljar 21:10

Well, that shouldn't be a problem

Kathy Bush 21:11

but it was. Bush assured him that "Oh, no security would not allow this" and "Oh, it was too dangerous" or whatever else. So when he reciprocated, you know his visit then to the Bush, - Crawford ranch, he said there weren't many horse. I mean, he took him around like him in a Range Rover or some kind of Jeep or something that way. So he said "In Mexico, we would refer to someone like that as a windshield cowboy".

Roy Finkenbine 21:34

Well, he bought the ranch shortly before he started his 2000 campaign. I mean, it's not like this is something that has been his norm No, no, but -

Beth Oljar 21:42

Well, and for - actually, for security. I can kind of see why you might not want two world leaders out

Kathy Bush 21:48

Princess Anne rode ponies, honey.

Roy Finkenbine 21:50 He's a failed oil jockey.

Kathy Bush 21:53

Yeah, but I mean, I just thought -

Beth Oljar 21:54

But he should be able to ride a horse.

Roy Finkenbine 21:55 Fake Texas accent.

Kathy Bush 21:55

Oh, yeah. I mean, come on. Hello. Where did you go to school?

Roy Finkenbine 21:58

which seems to deepen in certain situations

Kathy Bush 22:01

Isn't it amazing how that accent comes on and goes -

Beth Oljar 22:04

Although to be fair on that, my mother's southern - especially when she got angry -

Kathy Bush 22:09 Oh, okay

Beth Oljar 22:10

always came out more - and even with Sally, will lapse in to the same thing when she gets

really worked up.

Kathy Bush 22:15

Well, the connection - back to McKinley - is that he notes here. I love Dave's questions and his answers. His says "The first president to drive a car - Teddy Roosevelt", and he said "William McKinley was the first to ride in one - his own hearse". Ohhh! Well, so I suppose like everybody else was kind of probably pulled on horse drawn caisson probably.

Roy Finkenbine 22:19 Mm-hm

Kathy Bush 22:33

I would imagine. Yeah. Okay. And our final question from Dave. "Which of the North American

major league sports was the first to have an all star game?"

Beth Oljar 22:46 Basketball

Kathy Bush 22:47 No

Roy Finkenbine 22:47 I'm guessing hockey.

Kathy Bush 22:49 No. Which is like, No,

Roy Finkenbine 22:50 I saw you get excited.

Kathy Bush 22:52

I know, but - Well, this is for a reason.

Dan Maggio 22:54 Baseball

Kathy Bush 22:54

It is baseball. Yes, it was Major League Baseball in 1933 held their All Star game at the Century

of Progress. World's Fair in Chicago.

Beth Oljar 23:03 Cool

Kathy Bush 23:03

because we're in the World Series right now and just

Roy Finkenbine 23:05

I believe it was - what - newspaper sponsored or something, Wasn't it?

Kathy Bush 23:08

Mm-hm - which is so cool. Okay. Oh, Dave, You didn't win. But your questions are so great. It's gift time, and we love them and send more. And thank you so much.

Beth Oljar 23:20 Absolutely.

Kathy Bush 23:21

Okay. I love those questions that sort of vary in range. Yeah, they're just - they're really good.

Beth Oljar 23:26

You never know what to expect.

Roy Finkenbine 23:27 They keep us on our toes.

Kathy Bush 23:28

Okay, our next set of questions comes from l- et me see, let me get to the back page because he's got an email address, which is not his name. Uh, A.L Mitchell. But he doesn't give a hometown - which is always sad.

Dan Maggio 23:43

What's his email address? No, Never mind.

Kathy Bush 23:44

Well, no, no, we're not gonna read that over the air.

Beth Oljar 23:47 Hi A. L .

Kathy Bush 23:48

There are 20 songs. He said "14 Correct is passing". So once again, we're hitting that 70%

Dan Maggio 23:53

It sounds like our listeners are listening to our advice.

Kathy Bush 23:55

I was gonna say, which is really really nice.

Beth Oljar 23:56
And giving us a grading scale?

Dan Maggio 23:57 It is very generous.

Kathy Bush 23:58 Yeah. Okay.

Dan Maggio 23:59
I think they should really up it because honestly, we rarely get below 90.

Kathy Bush 24:03
Well, Mister Honors Program, dude. Okay. (Laughs)

Dan Maggio 24:05
If you didn't give us any hints, we probably would be flirting with the 70's.

Kathy Bush 24:08
Okay, that's true. That's true.

Dan Maggio 24:10
But that's okay. Keep the hints -

But that's okay. Keep the hints -

Kathy Bush 24:11 Keep the hints coming?

Beth Oljar 24:11
We'll split the difference and 80% should be -

Kathy Bush 24:13 Okay

Beth Oljar 24:13
If omebody doesn't provide a scale, that's what we should set as our own.

Kathy Bush 24:17 Yeah

Dan Maggio 24:17 80? Fine. 80's good.

Kathy Bush 24:18 Okay,

Roy Finkenbine 24:19 "I'm good with a middle C"

Kathy Bush 24:20

Middle C? Really. "I'll take a passing grade. Okay. Thanks"

Beth Oljar 24:23

Roy wants his gentleman's C.

Kathy Bush 24:25

Yeah, I had somebody come in and say "Is it too late to do pass/fail in your class?" Like, "Uh- huh. You had to do that the first two weeks, Dear." Okay. All right. All right. So who wrote these 20 songs? 14 correct is passing. "Who wrote Joy To The World?" and he notes "the Three Dog Night version". (Laughs)

Roy Finkenbine 24:41

(Laughs) Well, that is important to note.

Kathy Bush 24:44

Yeah, that is important to note because you know, the other is - you know,

Beth Oljar 24:47

Presumably you can't just say "the performer" right to say Three Dog Night wouldn't be -

Kathy Bush 24:52 um,

Beth Oljar 24:53 is it one of the -

Kathy Bush 24:54

It is - I think - a member of Three Dog Night Yes. Initials are H. A.

Beth Oljar 25:00

I can't remember their names.

Kathy Bush 25:01 (Laughs)

Beth Oljar 25:03

Can I get, like, half a point because -

Kathy Bush 25:05

Yes, you can. It's Hoyt Axton.

Beth Oljar 25:08 Oh!

Kathy Bush 25:08 So you do get that one.

Beth Oljar 25:09
But he's like a country dude.

Roy Finkenbine 25:10
Hoyt Axton. Yeah. He was a country dude.

Kathy Bush 25:12
Oh, okay, well, that's cool.

Roy Finkenbine 25:14

A heavy-set country dude, trust me. He was not in Three Dog Day. Oh, okay. All right, fine. Um, Leaving On A Jet Plane. And this is the Peter Paul and Mary version. And this is someone who wrote some country but wrote a lot of pop songs. Jim Webb?

Kathy Bush 25:30
No. last name is the same name as the city in the Rocky Mountain region.

Kathy Bush 25:36 John Denver.

Roy Finkenbine 25:37
And isn't it ironic that they've been, you know, given the way he died, that they've been pushing his best of album, and they always play (singing) "Leavin on a jet plane"

Kathy Bush 25:47
I know. Really. Would you stop doing that? I know. I just think that's like really, really bad.

Beth Oljar 25:52
He was such a great advocate, though, before Congress facing the PMRC. I mean, he and Frank

Zappa and Dee Snider. I mean, what a combination.

Kathy Bush 25:56

Yeah. I know. That's what I mean, when you think about John Denver. Yeah, okay. My head just exploded right here on my coffee table. Okay. Um, Happy Trails To You. And he notes, "the Roy Rogers version". I didn't know there was another version.

Roy Finkenbine 26:15
I didn't know there was either.

Kathy Bush 26:16
This is the Roy Rogers version.

Beth Oljar 26:19
Did a Gershman write that?

Kathy Bush 26:21

John Denver

Roy Finkenbine 26:21 Pat Buttram.

Kathy Bush 26:23

Really, yeah really. Um, do you know the tune? - "Happy trails to you until we meet again" Oh,

okay.

Beth Oljar 26:28 Yeah.

Kathy Bush 26:29

This would be somebody who was close to Roy. Dale Evans. Yeah. She wrote it

Dan Maggio 26:32 Dale.

Roy Finkenbine 26:35

Trigger (Laughs) He tapped it out!

Kathy Bush 26:39 (Laughs)

Beth Oljar 26:39 "Wilbur!"

Kathy Bush 26:41

Wilbur! You know, I just found it really frightening that a friend one time visited the Roy Rogers ranch and came back with a picture to show that Trigger is like stuffed.

Dan. No

Beth Oljar 26:52 Ooh!

Kathy Bush 26:53

I know. I was like, "Did you have to take a picture of that? I really wish you hadn't."

Beth Oljar 26:56 Gross!

Kathy Bush 26:57 I know

Beth Oljar 26:57

Just - that trigger is stuffed and actually in a museum is kind of icky.

Kathy Bush 27:02

Yeah. I know. Well, not as icky as Bentham. He gets rolled out every year for the University of

London. He's in a glass case.

Roy Finkenbine 27:11

I mean, really what use - ? What is the utility. I ask you,

Kathy Bush 27:15

I guess, because it was in his will, and they took his money, dawg, so -

Dan Maggio 27:18

Well, some people have their pets stuffed and preserved and stick them in their house.

Kathy Bush 27:21

I was joking with Beth the other day that I might do that with Fat Boy.

Dan Maggio 27:25

To come home and see your dead dog every day -

Roy Finkenbine 27:26

Of course, I think it's kind of weird. This was a 19th century thing. And the Mormons still do it. But the whole thing of posing your dead children right after they die and taking, like family photographs and individual photos and all this stuff.

Dan Maggio 27:36 I'm sorry. What?

Kathy Bush 27:37 Yes. It was.

Dan Maggio 27:38

No, they don't do that. Do they?

Roy Finkenbine 27:39 Yes.

Dan Maggio 27:39

Well, you know, it was - I would have imagined in the 19th century that I mean - certainly, child mortality rates and infant mortality rates in the 19th century - Roy could back me on this. But a family portrait with a dead child or dead whatever is really morbid.

Roy Finkenbine 27:54 Mm-hm

Beth Oljar 27:59

Well, but I mean, nobody smiled in 19th century photographs.

Kathy Bush 28:03 Yeah. Thank you.

Roy Finkenbine 28:05

Have you seen that book with constant death trip?

Kathy Bush 28:07

Yeah, I mean, there it is, you know. Oh, well, we're gonna have to stop there on that happy note

Roy Finkenbine 28:13

On a Wisconsin death trip.

Kathy Bush So let me thank our panel . Professor Maggio

Dan Maggio 28:16

I'm trying to understand other people's perspectives.

Kathy Bush 28:18

Good for you, Dan. Professor Finkenbine.

Roy Finkenbine 28:21 I'm not smiling,

Kathy Bush 28:22 Okay. And Professor Oljar.

Beth Oljar 28:25 Back next week

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