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Michael Jayson 00:01

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

Kathy Bush 00:12

The University tower chimes ring in another session of Ask the Professor, the radio show where you match wits with University of Detroit Mercy professors in an unrehearsed session of questions and answers. I'm your host, Kathy Bush and today we have the big three back with us here on the panel. We've had a lot of fun discussing pets and their health problems, and it's just been a very interesting pre-program discussion. So let me introduce our panel, all animal lovers to you. To my left from the Department of Philosophy, someone who can't wait to get a house and a beagle puppy.

- Beth Oljar 00:50 A sweet puppy.
- Kathy Bush 00:51
 Sweet puppy. It's Professor Beth Oljar.
- B Beth Oljar 00:54 Glad to be here.

- Kathy Bush 00:55

 And we're glad to have you with us. And what would you name your puppy of love?
- Beth Oljar 01:00

 We keep going back and forth on that, because I sort of want something alliterative. So if we get a beagle, I want something that starts with a "B". Drew is kind of set on "Max".
- Kathy Bush 01:07 Okay, Max the dog.
- Beth Oljar 01:09
 Or Otis or something
- R Roy Finkenbine 01:11
 Mad Max.
- Kathy Bush 01:11 Mad Max.
- B Beth Oljar 01:13
 We could name it "Bagel".
- Kathy Bush 01:15
 That was my dad's dog's name. It was a beagle-basset hound mix, so he just called it "Bagel". It seemed to work.
- B Beth Oljar 01:22
- R Roy Finkenbine 01:22
 Beagles are moving up in the world.

- Kathy Bush 01:24

 They are. In fact, that's the voice of Professor Roy Finkenbine from the History Department and I'm sure you know the name of that dog.
- Roy Finkenbine 01:32 Uh, Barney.
- B Beth Oljar 01:33 Uno.
- Kathy Bush 01:34
 Uno. Yeah. Well know that he finally won.
- B Beth Oljar 01:37
 He was a Westminster Dog Show winner.
- R Roy Finkenbine 01:38
 I just remember him woofing after the -
- B Beth Oljar 01:39 but it wasn't Best in Show, right? It was best in the Hound category?
- Kathy Bush 01:42 He won Best of Show.
- Beth Oljar 01:43
 Best in Show?
- Kathy Bush 01:46

And like Roy said, he made happy noises. Roy Finkenbine 01:49 Yes, he did. Beth Oljar 01:49 They're just perfect dogs. I mean, in terms of their size, they have short hair. They have the wonderful ears. Kathy Bush 01:55 Now, Roy, you've had many pets. In fact, you just had a sad story about a pet a couple of years back, wasn't it? Roy Finkenbine 02:02 Yep. Beth Oljar 02:02 Oh, Brownie? Roy Finkenbine 02:03 Brownie. Kathy Bush 02:03 Yeah, that's always hard. You know, and especially with kids - when you have to explain -Roy Finkenbine 02:07 But we've now had Baby for seven years, and Baby is fully -Beth Oljar 02:08 Baby's not a baby anymore?

Roy Finkenbine 02:13

By the way, speaking of earlier discussion, Baby is a vegetable lover, Baby will eat any fruit, vegetable, as well as anything else. (Roy and Kathy laugh)

Beth Oljar 02:23

Does she insist on dip.

Roy Finkenbine 02:25

Well, if you gave it to her, she would eat it. But baby grew up, you know, early on - "on the street" as they say. Baby was an abandoned dog and they figured that her first winter she spent picking through garbage cans and stuff like that.

- Kathy Bush 02:38
- Roy Finkenbine 02:39

But Baby, you know - is a very good dog now. She still has that possessiveness of food so she'll take crumbles out of her bowl, and she'll go over in a corner because she was always worried about other dogs, you know, eating her food and stuff so

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Eating her food. Oh, my gosh. Poor dog. Well, at the far end of the table, the director of our Pre College Engineering Program, it's Dan Dan, the Peanut owner man Maggio, because Peanut is the cat that Dan had to take to the vet today.

Beth Oljar 03:07

It was almost as traumatic for Dan as it was for wounded Peanut...

Kathy Bush 03:11

But, you know, maybe some kitty downers, I do recommend them.

Dan Maggio 03:15

I'm seriously gonna have to look into that. for you,

- Roy Finkenbine 03:17 For you, if not it (Laughs)
- Kathy Bush 03:18
 I was gonna say, let's get those Danny downers then.
- B Beth Oljar 03:21
 Better living through chemistry for all species.
- Kathy Bush 03:23

 For all species that's it. Well, this is a show where you can send us questions about cats, dogs, hospital care, healthcare, whatever you want to send us. And if you stump the panel, you'll win one of our two fabulous T shirts. And if you don't stump the panel, you still get the T shirt. So hey, get the t shirt and send us some questions. Now how can you do that?
- Announcer 03:42
 You can email Ask The Professor at ATP@UDMercy.edu or visit the Ask the Professor Facebook page.
- Kathy Bush 03:51

 And we're going to start off with a set of questions that came to us via email from Harry Carpenter who has sent us questions before.
- Roy Finkenbine 03:58
 This is the bar guy.
- Kathy Bush 03:59
 This is the bar guy. That's right.
- Beth Oljar 04:00

Those were awesome questions.

Kathy Bush 04:02

They were, and he writes "Dear Profs: Here are a few more questions that I hope you will enjoy. Since you did a good job on the last test, I made these a little harder, but you will need to get nine out of 10, 90% for passing grade.

- Beth Oljar 04:15
 Sounds like my grading scale.
- Dan Maggio 04:17
 Sorry, he must have misread OUR passing grade.
- Kathy Bush 04:20 (Laughs)
- Dan Maggio 04:22
 We did push it to 80 per cent.
- Kathy Bush 04:23

We did push it to 80. "This way" he notes, "I will get back at all the Villanova teachers who snickered when they gave me a grade above failing. Payback time". He writes "Harry Carpenter, Villanova grad". And he writes "PS: The Hawk is dead. I hope you know that reference". And I said, "I sure do know that reference".

Beth Oljar 04:40
"The Hawk will never die", as they say at St. Joes.

Kathy Bush 04:43

That's right? And that's why I thought "Oh, you can tell he's a nova fan". Well, Beth, you tell us what you know about the hawk.

- B Beth Oljar 04:48
 Well, that's their mascot at St. Joseph.
- Kathy Bush 04:50 That's exactly right.
- B Beth Oljar 04:52

 And that's what they say at I guess they're the St. Joe Hawks or whatever
- ° 04:55

Yeah, I wrote back to him. I said, "Harry, thanks for these questions. And I love the hawk comment. Yes, indeed. I do know about the hawk, the hawk always will live." He writes back, "No problem. On a side note, a friend of mine is such a big St. Joe's fan, that during his wedding reception, he had the St. Joe mascot Hawk flapping his wings during the entire wedding reception. And in fact, during games, the hawk has to flap his wings at St. Joe's. The Hawk is in constant motion". He said "I thought it was hilarious, but his new wife did not." (Laughs)

- B Beth Oljar 05:24
 Well, and in fact, Audrey just oversaw the revision of their core. They have 217 faculty in their College of Arts & Sciences.
- Kathy Bush 05:33 Oh, really?
- Beth Oljar 05:34

 And she's like the lead person for revising their curriculum.
- 05:39
 Oh, okay. Okay, so again, 10 questions, We have to get nine of them. So I hope you're on your toes.
- Roy Finkenbine 05:47 Oh, the pressure's on.

- Kathy Bush 05:47 Okay.
- Dan Maggio 05:48
 I hope your clues are good. (Beth laughs)
- Kathy Bush 05:49
 Well, okay, I'm gonna try to do my best -
- B Beth Oljar 05:54
 So, the pressures on you too.
- Kathy Bush 05:55

 Yeah, these kind of came out a little strange, but Oh, my goodness! Hmm. All right. Can you name the cover of the Beatles album, where they had to rearrange the photo gallery?
- B Beth Oljar 06:08 Sergeant Pepper.
- Kathy Bush 06:10

 Okay, and can you name one of the figures that caused the most controversy and why they took it out?
- Dan Maggio 06:15
 Is it a religious figure?
- Kathy Bush 06:17

 Uh, Not exactly. Actually you had an interesting question from one of your philosophy students about this person.

- B Beth Oljar 06:27
 Hitler?
- Kathy Bush 06:27 Hitler. That's right.
- B Beth Oljar 06:28
 "What was so bad about the Hitler youth?"
- Kathy Bush 06:32 Okay, well -
- R Roy Finkenbine 06:34
 In the words of Marge Schott, "He was just a boy with a dream"
- Kathy Bush 06:36

 Just a boy was a dream. So he notes here that "Hitler was taken out of the background at the last minute because they thought it would cause too much controversy. John Lennon had selected his dry sense of humor would do that". Yes, indeed. What was the first Heath Ledger mainstream breakout role? And what was the film's title?
- Beth Oljar 06:57
 "10 Things I Hate About You"? Or "A Knight's Tale".
- Kathy Bush 06:59
 A Knight's Tale
- Dan Maggio 07:03
 That was before "Ten Things"?

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- Beth Oljar 07:05
 - No, "Ten Things" was before Knight's Tale.
- Kathy Bush 07:08
 It's "Ten Things I Hate About You".
- Beth Oljar 07:09

That was it. Yeah, it's basically a remake of" Taming of the Shrew" set in high school It is. Oh, I liked it.

Dan Maggio 07:13

Oh, no, no, that's a great movie. I liked it. And the soundtrack is great. I actually bought the soundtrack.

- Andrew Mansour 07:18
 Oh, did you?
- Beth Oljar 07:21

I just bought the soundtrack for "The Commitments" which, of course, is awesome.

Kathy Bush 07:25

Oh. That's a wonderful, wonderful one that way. So far, who is the oldest actress to receive a Best Supporting Actress nod and actually won?

- Dan Maggio 07:35
 Judi Dench.
- Kathy Bush 07:36
 Oh! Honey, she would hit you
- Dan Maggio 07:40

Somehody older than that? Oh was it in Driving Miss Daisy?

- Kathy Bush 07:42 Yes, it is.
- B Beth Oljar 07:43 Jessica Tandy.
- Kathy Bush 07:44

 Jessica Tandy. That's it.
- Dan Maggio 07:46
 But Judy would slap me. Yes.
- Kathy Bush 07:47 Yes, she would. Oooh, doggie!
- Beth Oljar 07:49
 She reminded me of Nano of my grandmother.
- Dan Maggio 07:52
 Did she win best or supporting actress?
- Kathy Bush 07:54 She got "best"
- B Beth Oljar 07:55
 I thought she got Best too. And it was very sweet and she kissed Hume. .
- Dan Maggio 07:55

Oh, best.

- Kathy Bush 08:03
 Yes. Yeah. Yeah. Who's Canadian, by the way.
- Beth Oljar 08:06

 But Dan Ackroyd was really good in Driving Miss Daisy. That really surprised me on how -
- R Roy Finkenbine 08:10
- Beth Oljar 08:10 what a great dramatic performance he gave in that film.
- Yeah, cuz usually I know people always say, "Oh, yeah, he acts a fool". But he does not so much. One of the worst nightclub disasters in history killed 100 people and had to deal sadly with a fire that broke out. Which rock band was playing that night?
- Dan Maggio 08:24 Was that THE WHO?
- Kathy Bush 08:28
- Dan Maggio 08:28
 No, that was a concert.
- B Beth Oljar 08:30 Oh, in Cleveland.

- R Roy Finkenbine 08:31 Cincinatti.
- Kathy Bush 08:32 Yeah, it was awful.
- Dan Maggio 08:35
 This wasn't the recent fire in Rhode Island.
- Kathy Bush 08:36
 No, no, no. You just mentioned that.
- B Beth Oljar 08:39
 So it's a fire in a club.
- Kathy Bush 08:40
 It's a fire in a club In a nightclub. Yeah.
- B Beth Oljar 08:43
 And the question is which band was playing?
- Kathy Bush 08:45 Yeah
- B Beth Oljar 08:45
 Well, I'm not even sure I know which club
- Kathy Bush 08:47
 They only had one really big hit "Once Bitten, Twice Shy." Think of sharks.

- Beth Oljar 08:52
 Oh, it's Whitesnake, right?
- Kathy Bush 08:53
 Not Whitesnake
- B Beth Oljar 08:53 Or Great White.
- Kathy Bush 08:54
 It is Great White. Yeah.
- Dan Maggio 08:56
 I don't even know Great White.
- Roy Finkenbine 08:59
 We should have bought that one-hit wonders album.
- B Beth Oljar 09:01
 So, it's probably like the Whisky a Go Go or some place on The Strip
- Dan Maggio 09:04
 Did they give a date on that?
- ° 09:04

Yeah, basically, it was just - yeah, that there had been "a lot of arrests, a lot of finger pointing" he notes, "but the one thing they knew for sure, that it was started by the pyrotechnics that the band had, like a flare?

Kathv Bush 09:17

- No, sadly, they don't.
- B Beth Oljar 09:19
 Well, it would have been like late 80s. I mean, they were one of those nameless hair metal bands.
- Roy Finkenbine 09:25 Yes.
- Kathy Bush 09:25 Yeah, maybe that's it.
- Roy Finkenbine 09:28
 I guess I'm old enough that I'm taking umbrage to the fact that the new wave for oldies rock stations is to now add 80s music.
- Kathy Bush 09:36 Oh, no!
- Beth Oljar 09:36
 That makes me feel old. (Kathy laughs)
- R Roy Finkenbine 09:39
 You know, once you get past about 75 -
- Kathy Bush 09:41
 Yeah, forget it. There we go.
- R Roy Finkenbine 09:43
 "Disco sucks".

- Kathy Bush 09:44
 In" The Little House On The Prairie" series, written by Laura Ingalls Wilder -
- B Beth Oljar 09:50 I have them all - still.
- Kathy Bush 09:52 did Half Pint ever marry?
- B Beth Oljar 09:54 Of course she did.
- Kathy Bush 09:55
 Well, name that husband.
- Beth Oljar 09:57
 Almanzo Wilder.
- Kathy Bush 09:59
 That's it. Yes, very good. Did you read those books as a girl?
- B Beth Oljar 10:02
 I did. I still have those books.
- Kathy Bush 10:05
 Okay. Oh, good for you.
- B Beth Oljar 10:06
 I love those books.

- Kathy Bush 10:07
 Okay, who is the world's largest toy distributor?
- Dan Maggio 10:12
 Distributor? Mattel?
- Kathy Bush 10:14 No, this is really -
- R Roy Finkenbine 10:15
 Walmart. No
- Dan Maggio 10:16
 China
- Kathy Bush 10:16
 Yeah, China you could say that. Yeah, true enough.
- Dan Maggio 10:19
 Walmart
- Kathy Bush 10:20

 Not Walmart. (Dan laughs) This is not necessarily always thought of as like a toy shop, but they put toys in things.
- R Roy Finkenbine 10:29
 McDonald's
- Kathy Bush 10:29

That's it, McDonald's .Roy's got it. Yeah.

- Dan Maggio 10:31 Really?
- Roy Finkenbine 10:31
 And I was right with China then.
- Kathy Bush 10:33
 Yeah. I was gonna say. You were right on both counts.
- Beth Oljar 10:36
 Go for the fries.
- Kathy Bush 10:37
 Well, you know, what do they call those for little people?
- R Roy Finkenbine 10:40
 Happy Meals? (Laughing) Little people.
- Kathy Bush 10:40
 That's it's a Happy Meal. Well, little people Little children.
- Dan Maggio 10:44
- Kathy Bush 10:45

 I like to call them little people. I think we shouldn't refer to them like as kids. They are little persons, baby women and baby men; and speaking of baby men, we need to congratulate Professor Mio on the newest addition to his family.

- Beth Oljar 10:58

 Did they have another baby boy?
- Kathy Bush 11:00
 Another baby man, indeed.
- B Beth Oljar 11:01 Oh, boy.
- Kathy Bush 11:02
 So mother and child are doing fine. Matt's back at work. But yes, a new Mio-ett.
- Dan Maggio 11:08
 He's very busy, I'm sure.
- Kathy Bush 11:10

 I'm sure they must be like busy beyond crazy. What is the world's best selling car of the 20th century?
- B Beth Oljar 11:18
 The Ford Escort.
- Kathy Bush 11:19 Strange but true. No.
- Dan Maggio 11:22
 Let's think about that for a minute.
- Kathy Bush 11:23
 Yeah. Are you gonna work this out mathematically?

- Dan Maggio 11:25

 No. Can I ask one question is it an American car?
- Kathy Bush 11:28
 No, it is not an American car.
- Dan Maggio 11:30
 I would say the Toyota Camry.
- Kathy Bush 11:34
 It's a Toyota, but not the Camry.
- B Beth Oljar 11:37 Uh, Corolla
- Kathy Bush 11:38

 It's a Corolla. Absolutely. It said that the Toyota Corolla has surpassed the Volkswagen Beetle as the best selling car. As of 1999, Volkswagen had sold 23 million vehicles, the Toyota Corolla 24.5
- Dan Maggio 11:53
 I was gonna guess the Beetle, but I thought -
- Kathy Bush 11:55
 Yeah, you know, although you don't see that many Beetles around anymore,.
- Dan Maggio 11:59
 Yeah, I was gonna say. That's why I was going for Toyota.

- Kathy Bush 12:00
 - But yeah, I remember gosh, my sister and drove one until literally the floorboards, like, rotted out. I mean -
- Beth Oljar 12:06

Can you get her ride pimped by Xzibit on Pimp My Ride? I actually liked that show. I found it kind of entertaining. Although it's the same every - it seems the same every time, because the guys basically do the same same thing.

- Kathy Bush 12:06 Yeah, truly.
- B Beth Oljar 12:10 Let's put \$100,000 worth of equipment in a little car. Right
- Kathy Bush 12:24 Well, you know -
- Dan Maggio 12:25
 Like, concert-size speakers.
- B Beth Oljar 12:27
 Oh, I know. The stereos are always unbelievable.
- Kathy Bush 12:30
 I don't know how anybody drives once they put that sound system in. You know two
- Dan Maggio 12:33

 You know two things about the show. Number one, if they did that to my car, I would sell it for all the money that it's worth. Number two, I'd be lucky if I got home before it got stolen.
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- (Laughs)
- Dan Maggio 12:44
 So I wonder if they thought about just the cars getting stolen.
- B Beth Oljar 12:48 (Laughs)
- Dan Maggio 12:48

 You're gonna show millions of people and potential thieves. Here's a \$100,000 car, and you're gonna show him driving down the street?
- Roy Finkenbine 12:48
 Yeah, Secure My Ride. "And this belongs to Jenny Smith of "
- B Beth Oljar 13:00
 And they do go to the people's houses.
- Dan Maggio 13:03
 I know. I don't know if they've considered that. I know.
- Beth Oljar 13:03 You're right.
- Kathy Bush 13:06

 Probably they haven't. You know, a lot of times they don't make those kinds of considerations.
 This sport has the fastest speed of a projectile in -
- Dan Maggio 13:18 Jai-Alai

- Kathy Bush 13:18
 Yes. How did you know?
- Dan Maggio 13:20

 Because I've heard that before.
- Kathy Bush 13:21 It's true. Yeah.
- Dan Maggio 13:23
 The ball travels upward of I don't know, I wanna say 100 miles an hour.
- Kathy Bush 13:25 188 miles an hour. Yeah.
- Beth Oljar 13:28

 And where do people play that besides Florida?
- Dan Maggio 13:30 Miami.
- Kathy Bush 13:30
 In Miami. I've seen a -
- Beth Oljar 13:31
 Well, yeah. In Florida; but where else in the United States do people play Jai-Alai besides Florida?
- R Roy Finkenbine 13:37

There are a limited number of clubs in cities around the US.

- B Beth Oljar 13:40 Okay.
- Roy Finkenbine 13:40
 I remember seeing ads for them in Cincinnati.
- Kathy Bush 13:43 Really?
- Roy Finkenbine 13:43 Yeah.
- Kathy Bush 13:44

 Cool. I've always put it as a South Florida kind of sport. I figured, but maybe Atlantic coast, but -
- Beth Oljar 13:50
 I just remember it from the opening Do you remember the opening sequence for Miami Vice? (Laughs)
- Kathy Bush 13:53 Oh, okay. I was gonna say -
- Dan Maggio 13:53
 From Miami Vice. Yes. If anybody knows about it, it's probably due to Miami Vice primarily,
- Kathy Bush 14:01
 Yeah, there's a number of different clubs. We always considered it the curling of South Beach (The professors laugh). And people are very dashing. It's sort of like, you know, fencing wearing the white flannels, I mean, it's a really kind of attractive look in that sense, or I think

it's a pretty good look, at any rate. Okay.

- Dan Maggio 14:18
 It's to hide the bruises.
- Kathy Bush 14:20
 Yeah, that's probably you're right, because that's a hard ball and to get hit with that sucker.
 That would hurt like 10 men.
- Dan Maggio 14:24 Yeah.
- Roy Finkenbine 14:26
 Bore a hole right through 'ya.
- Kathy Bush 14:27
 Okay. This ship exploded in Havana Harbor on February 15, 1898.
- R Roy Finkenbine 14:34
 USS Maine.
- Kathy Bush 14:35 That's right.
- Beth Oljar 14:36
 Remember the Maine
- Kathy Bush 14:37
 And, of course, he notes that there -

R Roy Finkenbine 14:39

There were no weapons of mass destruction aboard.

Kathy Bush 14:40

Yeah. The cause of the sinking became the subject of much speculation. Yeah, I mean, of course, the Hearst papers I'm sure wanted to be a Spanish bomb.

- R Roy Finkenbine 14:49
 Bad boiler it looks like now.
- Kathy Bush 14:51
 Bad boiler is that what they really think it is?
- R Roy Finkenbine 14:53 Mm-hm.
- Beth Oljar 14:54

But wait a minute, wasn't that sort of one of the main events that led to the Spanish-American War? That was the event.

- Roy Finkenbine 15:01
 That was the main event. Yeah.
- B Beth Oljar 15:03
 It was a bad boiler?
- Kathy Bush 15:05

Yeah, bad - Well, it could have been. I mean, remember at that time, there had been advances in naval technology to a certain level but, you know, turbine engines were not - I mean, a lot of them were still coal fueled. And so that was steam, and you could really have a lot of bad explosives.

- B Beth Oljar 15:21
 Oh, I could see how you could have it. But to think that you know, we have this war because of
- Kathy Bush 15:24

 Well, what was the famous telegram "You supply the pictures, I'll supply the war" wasn't that the famous -
- Dan Maggio 15:25
 Oh, that's from the James Bond movie.
- Kathy Bush 15:27
 No, that's from William Randolph Harris. (Laugh)
- 15:29
 Well, something very similar to that was in the James Bond movie probably three movies ago.
- Kathy Bush 15:40 Really?
- Dan Maggio 15:41 where they had the media mogul, Jonathan Price.
- Kathy Bush 15:44 Oh, okay.
- Dan Maggio 15:46

 He played the character, but he had a very similar line.
- Kathy Bush 15:49

 Oh. so maybe they're playing it off on the William Randolph Hearst.

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- R Roy Finkenbine 15:52
 Well, plagiarism in public life being what it is
- Kathy Bush 15:55

 Oh, there's no plagiarism in public life. What do you mean, Roy? Not at all.
- Roy Finkenbine 15:59

 What I thought was funny was that after the accusation from the one camp, then we found out that Hillary's closing line in the debate before last was actually borrowed from an Edwards and Bill Clinton speech.
- Kathy Bush 16:10
 Oh, well, there you go. So care to share. It's a good thing. This Detroit singer was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 1987. Can you name that singer?
- Dan Maggio 16:20 87
- B Beth Oljar 16:22
 Is it Aretha?
- Kathy Bush 16:23
 It is Aretha Franklin. Well, you guys just absolutely blew them on home. You got them all.
- Roy Finkenbine 16:29 We got them all. Wow.
- Kathy Bush 16:30 You got ten for ten.

Beth Oljar 16:31

We're such smart little students.

R Roy Finkenbine 16:33

Can we get those photos finally done so we can autograph them and send them?

Kathy Bush 16:33

Now even though Mr. Carpeter writes at the bottom "Note, you do not need to send me any more items. The shirts were good enough," we're gonna find something to send you because you totally totally -

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Maryrose has one on her computer screensaver.

Kathy Bush 16:48

Actually, all of you do if you use that sequence of screen savers from the university. It's on them.

Dan Maggio 16:50

What?! The one in which we're lying on the ground looking dead?

R Roy Finkenbine 16:57

Maybe we can just print out a color copy and send it to them.

Kathy Bush 17:02

Now speaking of Maryrose, Patrick, we actually have a set of questions from Mary Rose.

Beth Oljar 17:07

Oh, good!

- Dan Maggio 17:07 Really?
- Kathy Bush 17:08 Yes.
- Dan Maggio 17:08 Hi, Maryrose.
- Beth Oljar 17:08

 Well, we all apparently have it according to Kathy,
- Kathy Bush 17:10
 You do. It's on your screensave.
- Dan Maggio 17:12
 I don't use the university -
- Kathy Bush 17:13
 Oh, you don't use University screensaver. Okay, well, we'll have to find out some way to do it.
- Roy Finkenbine 17:16
 I've still got the old one that Matt put together.
- Controlled the North State of the State of t

our own college upstairs and she writes "This is a history exam for those who don't mind seeing how much they really remember from what went on earlier in their lives". She said "Best of all, before you attempt this test, everybody should get a good grade". All right. In the 1940s where were automobile headlight dimmer switches located? So this is to dim your headlights

Rov Finkenhine 17:21

- And I don't want to lose that.
- Dan Maggio 17:49
 Oh, it was a button on the floor.
- Kathy Bush 17:50 Yes.
- Dan Maggio 17:51 Yes.
- Kathy Bush 17:51

 Dan, now how do you know how do you know that from the 40s, love?
- Roy Finkenbine 17:54
 Dan drives a really old car.
- B Beth Oljar 17:56

 No, he doesn't. He drives a Ford Focus.
- Kathy Bush 17:58
 He drives a great car.
- Dan Maggio 18:00
 I think the Oldsmobile that we had had that on the floor.
- Kathy Bush 18:03 You're kidding.

- Dan Maggio 18:04
 I know that one of the cars I've driven had it on the floor. No, I did not drive cars from the 40's.
 No
- Kathy Bush 18:04
 How cool! I was gonna say, Dan.
- Dan Maggio 18:09
 It had a big, big - something (Kathy laughs) boat Oldsmobile.
- Kathy Bush 18:15
 Oh yeah. Thank you. Oh, I know. Those cars were like huge all together.
- Dan Maggio 18:21
 Then I had my Uncle Joe's green Granada. Oh, good.
- Kathy Bush 18:24 Oh, you had a Grenada?
- Dan Maggio 18:26 Yeah.
- Kathy Bush 18:26 Oh, my goodness.
- Dan Maggio 18:27

 My Uncle Joe gave it to us when he died.
- Kathy Bush 18:28

 Oh, that was nice. Well, not nice that he died, nice that you got the car. Okay. After drinking Royal Crown Cola, many people put holes in the bottle top and re use the bottle for what

- Dan Maggio 18:43
 Candle?
- Kathy Bush 18:44

No, no. This Royal Crown cola was like a Coca Cola, and that people would punch holes in the bottle top to be able to reuse the bottle for something.

- R Roy Finkenbine 18:55
 A Moon Pie holder?
- Kathy Bush 18:57
 No, that would be good though.
- Dan Maggio 18:58
 To hold incense?
- Kathy Bush 18:59

This is probably something that a lot of people don't do any longer, but probably our grandparents or at least your mother and my mother did a lot of at home after doing their laundry.

- Dan Maggio 19:09
 Iron?
- Kathy Bush 19:09 Yes.
- Dan Maggio 19:10
 Oh, it's just like a spray bottle.

- Kathy Bush 19:11
 - A sprinkler. Yeah. So you could sprinkle water on the ironing -
- Dan Maggio 19:14
 Did it have to be that particular brand that they used?
- Kathy Bush 19:17
 For some reason, she notes that Royal Crown. I'm gonna have to ask somebody in the family about that.
- R Roy Finkenbine 19:21
 You could also use it for training your cat.
- Kathy Bush 19:23
 You could. I know Cindy Langham of our Communication Studies Department told me that was how to train a particular cat at one time to use a spritz bottle.
- Beth Oljar 19:31
 Oh, to just squirt it when it's doing something?
- Roy Finkenbine 19:33
 That would help to keep it from attacking the leaves and plants
- Kathy Bush 19:35
 Yes. Or like jumping up on your dining room table.
- Dan Maggio 19:39
 That's how Dr. Evil disciplined Mini-Me.
- Kathy Bush 19:41

I know. I thought about that, and like - I don't want to do that.

Dan Maggio 19:44

(Laughs) The most hilarious part, I think, of all three movies - when he gets squirted. That was just hilarious. (Roy laughs)

Kathy Bush 19:50

Why was having milk delivered a problem during northern wintry weather?

Beth Oljar 19:55

Because it would freeze - and then the bottles would explode?

Kathy Bush 19:58

Right. If you left to deliver outside of the front door, it would push the cardboard top up off the bottle and there would be a problem.

R Roy Finkenbine 20:06

They used to use the little delivery doors then.

Beth Oljar 20:08

Water is one of the few things that expands when it freezes.

Kathy Bush 20:12

Yeah

Dan Maggio 20:12

I think it's the only -

Beth Oljar 20:13

Is it the only thing does?

- Dan Maggio 20:15
 I should ask Matt.
- Kathy Bush 20:16
 I know my temper expands when it freezes . Okay? (Laughs)temper expands when it's been freezing. This article has got to stop.
- Roy Finkenbine 20:25
 We're less than a month away now.
- Kathy Bush 20:27
 I know. I'm scratchin', but it's gotta hurry. I mean -
- Roy Finkenbine 20:30
 What did Punxsutawney Phil indicate?
- Kathy Bush 20:32 He saw his shadow
- Dan Maggio 20:34
 Six more weeks.
- Kathy Bush 20:34 Yes, six more weeks.
- Dan Maggio 20:35
 But who believe that?
- Kathy Bush 20:37

- Dan Maggio 20:38 Sorry.
- Kathy Bush 20:38
 I totally believe in the little animal.
- Roy Finkenbine 20:40
 I'm gonna wake up tomorrow, and it's gonna be the same day over and over.
- Kathy Bush 20:42
 Yeah, over and over and over. What popular chewing gum was named after a game of chance?
 And this was at one time a popular chewing gum
- Dan Maggio 20:53 LIFE? No, no. (Roy laughs)
- Kathy Bush 20:54
 Uh, starts with a "B". So think Las Vegas. Think of a game that you play that begins with a B.
- Beth Oljar 21:00 Bingo?
- Kathy Bush 21:02 Oh, no dear.
- Dan Maggio 21:02
 Backgammon?

- Kathy Bush 21:03 No, no, no,
- Beth Oljar 21:04
 Baccarat? We couldn't have named a gum that.
- Kathy Bush 21:08 No, it's Blackjack.
- Dan Maggio 21:09 Oh.
- Beth Oljar 21:10
 Oh, right right. Blackjack Chewing Gum.
- Kathy Bush 21:12 Yeah
- Dan Maggio 21:13
 We should have known that In Pump Up The Volume, that's what Christian Slater's character -
- Kathy Bush 21:17 That's right
- Beth Oljar 21:18
 Black Jack gum.
- Kathy Bush 21:20

 During World War II silk was rationed for the war effort. So what did women use to make it look as if they were wearing silk stockings?

- Roy Finkenbine 21:28 (Laughing) Spray paint.
- Kathy Bush 21:32
 They did. They went with leg paint or like makeup? I'm gonna give you credit for that.
- Roy Finkenbine 21:36 (Laughing) Oh, gosh.
- Kathy Bush 21:36

 No, because the hardest part was to try to do the seam on the back.
- R Roy Finkenbine 21:39
 It didn't help on those chilly days.
- Kathy Bush 21:40
 It probably would not have but yes, because -
- Roy Finkenbine 21:43
 Which is why their temper rose.
- Kathy Bush 21:45
 I bet yeah. But they had to use silk for things like parachutes.
- B Beth Oljar 21:49
 Right
- Kathy Bush 21:49

 Yeah. So sadly, no more nylon stockings. Yeah. What postwar car turned automotive design on its ear because people claimed they couldn't tell whether it was coming or going? This is a

- Dan Maggio 22:06
 I don't even have a guess.
- B Beth Oljar 22:08
 What does the model name start with? What's the first letter? Well, let's see.
- Kathy Bush 22:10

 An "S", as in Sssss! So 1946. Try to think of an auto company It's no longer in existence, this auto company.
- Dan Maggio 22:20
 Studebaker?
- Kathy Bush 22:21 Yes, that's it - the 1946 Studebaker.
- Dan Maggio 22:23
 I can't picture a Studebaker. Was it very big and kind of curved?
- B Beth Oljar 22:27
- Kathy Bush 22:28

 All those cars were, like, huge and as you say, they used like real metal. I mean, like, lots and lots of metal, you know, so they had -
- Roy Finkenbine 22:36

 That way when you hit something there was you know, a mile between you and the person you hit.

- Kathy Bush 22:39
 Thank you. Yeah, it wasn't like aluminum foil cars.
- B Beth Oljar 22:43 Like we have now.
- Kathy Bush 22:44
 Yes. Really. What was Butch Wax and how was it used?
- Dan Maggio 22:48
 Butch Wax?
- Kathy Bush 22:49
 Butch Wax.
- R Roy Finkenbine 22:49
 It was to keep your hair standing up.
- Kathy Bush 22:52 There you go.
- Dan Maggio 22:52
 There are several things I could (Laughs) Like Alfalfa?
- Kathy Bush 22:54
 That's okay. Yes, it was to stiffen especially like those flat tops. No. Alfalfa just had cowlicks, didn't he? Yeah,
- Roy Finkenbine 23:06

You know, your buzz cuts.

- Kathy Bush 23:07 Right.
- Beth Oljar 23:09
 Well, and think about Fonzie on HAPPY DAYS.
- Kathy Bush 23:12 Yeah, like that kind. Yeah. Okay.
- Dan Maggio 23:13
 The wave.
- Kathy Bush 23:14
 Well, sort of. Yeah. Those were like punk hair cuts though
- Roy Finkenbine 23:18

 My brother in high school had the buzz cut with cherry wax.
- Kathy Bush 23:23
 Okay. What was the most dreaded disease of the 1940s?
- R Roy Finkenbine 23:29
 Polio
- Kathy Bush 23:29
 Yes, exactly. Before inline skates, you know, boots skates, how did you keep your roller skates attached to your shoes?

Dan Maggio 23:38 Oh, you would put you feet in them, and there was a key that you would turn -Beth Oljar 23:41 Mm-hm Dan Maggio 23:41 and these metal clamp grippers would slide in and out. Kathy Bush 23:46 Right. They were like a clamp. Dan Maggio 23:47 Talk about dangerous (Begins singing) "I've got a brand new pair of roller skates" Kathy Bush 23:51 That's right. So the key was really important. Beth Oljar 23:53 I had some of those. Kathy Bush 23:54 That's it. Okay. A great popular song of the 40s, went "I'll be down to get you in a _____, honey". Okay, so this would be - No, this would be considered a more expensive form of transportation for someone in the 1940s. Dan Maggio 24:03 In a bit? Oh, to get you in a -

Kathy Bush 24:10

In a - Yeah.

- Dan Maggio 24:12
 A taxi?
- Kathy Bush 24:12
 A taxi. That's right. "Because of wartime gas rationing, taxis were hard to come by and expensive", she notes.
- B Beth Oljar 24:18
 I'll buy that.
- Kathy Bush 24:18

 So, you know, I suppose instead of taking like a street car, or the bus line, or whatever, a taxi probably seemed very, very chic. Or you know, very expensive in that sense.
- Roy Finkenbine 24:29
 That was before \$4-a-gallon gas.
- Kathy Bush 24:32
 I was gonna say. Yes, indeed. Okay. What was the name of the Indian princess on The Howdy Doody Show? This is a really long name.
- Dan Maggio 24:42
 I'm not even gonna guess.
- Kathy Bush 24:43
 She's a princess. But yeah, it's It's Princess Summer, Fall, Winter, Spring. (Laughs) All four seasons put in a single Yeah.
- B Beth Oljar 24:56
 In the same human being,

- Kathy Bush 24:58
 I guess. Okay. A popular song in the 1940s said "Praise the Lord and pass the " what?
- B Beth Oljar 25:04
 Ammunition
- Kathy Bush 25:05 That's it.
- Dan Maggio 25:06
 (Laughs) That was a real song?
- Kathy Bush 25:09 Yes.
- B Beth Oljar 25:09 Fair enough.
- Kathy Bush 25:10

Yeah, I'm trying to think of the second line. (Dan laughs) "Praise the Lord and pass the ammunition", something - something "wishing. And we'll all come home free" I know is the end of it. Yeah. Who left his heart in San Francisco?

- B Beth Oljar 25:19 Tony,
- Dan Maggio 25:20 Tony Bennett.
- Markey Book OF SO

- Katny Busn 25:20
 Tony Bennett. That's right.
- Beth Oljar 25:21
 That's such a great song.
- Kathy Bush 25:22

 And what did your mom get for saving Green Stamps?
- Dan Maggio 25:26
 Oh, you could trade them in at the You could trade them in.
- Kathy Bush 25:29 That's right.
- Dan Maggio 25:29
 For anything you want.
- R Roy Finkenbine 25:30 For all kinds of stuff.
- Kathy Bush 25:31
 All kinds of stuff. Yes, indeed. Lots of stuff.
- B Beth Oljar 25:34
 Toasters and blenders and
- Dan Maggio 25:35 Yep. Get a makeup desk.

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- Kathy Bush 25:38 Yeah,
- Dan Maggio 25:38
 That's what they did on The Brady Bunch.
- Kathy Bush 25:39 Okay.
- Dan Maggio 25:39
 You could get a color TV.
- Kathy Bush 25:42
 You got a color TV from Green Stamps?! Oh, my gosh!
- Dan Maggio 25:44

 No. Don't you remember that episode with the green stamps, the House of Cards? "What's your bracelet, Marsha?" (Kathy laughs) Don't you remember that?
- B Beth Oljar 25:48
 "Marsha, Marsha, Marsha".
- Dan Maggio 25:53

 Don't you remember that? I liked The Brady Bunch.
- Kathy Bush 25:55

 That's great. Somebody send Dan some Brady Bunch questions. And finally, what was the name of the singing group that made the song CABDRIVER a hit?
- R Roy Finkenbine 26:02 The Mills Brothers.

- Kathy Bush 26:03
 That's exactly right. Okay.
- Roy Finkenbine 26:05 From Piqua, Ohio.
- B Beth Oljar 26:06
 At shirt
- Kathy Bush 26:06
 Yeah. All right. Well, Maryrose, you didn't really stump us, but we'll try to make sure that you get A t shirt
- Dan Maggio 26:14
 The leftover coffeecake.
- Kathy Bush 26:15
 Oh, no. We love Maryrose.
- R Roy Finkenbine 26:19
 We'll ut polyurethane on it, so it preserves it.
- Kathy Bush 26:21
 Absolutely. And our next set of questions come to us from Dave Chow.
- Beth Oljar 26:26
 Dave, you're the man.
- Kathv Bush 26:27

Dave. Okay. He said, "There's unbridled excitement down here. I'm actually thinking about calling in sick on opening day for the first time ever." (Laughs) Because he's dying to get some Tiger tickets. "Looking forward to all of you and cheer on our beloved Tigers."

- Roy Finkenbine 26:42
 A lot of games are gonna be sold out this year.
- Kathy Bush 26:44
- Roy Finkenbine 26:44
 It's gonna be very hard to get tickets.
- Beth Oljar 26:47
 But that'll be all those people in Comerica Park seeing the UDM logo.
- Kathy Bush 26:52
 Oh, That's right. They'll see our sign "We want great things for you".
- Roy Finkenbine 26:54

 Ron Naski was telling me that just anecdotally two students have told him that that's their first contact with UDM. They saw the sign at a Tigers You know watching games at Comerica Park.
- Beth Oljar 27:03
 I'm guessing Gary Lichtman had something to do with making that happen.
- Kathy Bush 27:03
 Yeah, and knew nothing about it. I know. Which I thought that's kind of cool. It was Michael Joseph. Of course. Who else? The famous, the one and only.
- Beth Oljar 27:14

The man, the only.

- Kathy Bush 27:15
 Okay, let me thank our panel, Professor Maggio.
- Dan Maggio 27:18
 Thanks Kathy.
- Kathy Bush 27:19
 Professor Finkenbine
- Roy Finkenbine 27:20
 On to some more Thumb goodies.
- Kathy Bush 27:22
 Absolutely. Professor Oljar.
- B Beth Oljar 27:24 See you next week.
- Kathy Bush 27:24
 Now this word
- A Announcer 27:26
 You can email Ask The Professor at ATP@udmercy.edu or visit the Ask the Professor Facebook page.
- Kathy Bush 27:38

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