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## SPEAKERS

Michael Jayson, Matt Mio, Ph.D., Stephen Manning, James Tubbs, Erin Bell, Danielle Maxwell, Dan Maggio, Brian Curtis, Heather Hill, Dave Chow

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- M** Michael Jayson 00:01

The University of Detroit Mercy presents a special edition of Ask The Professor. On this week's episode, we'll hear the second half of a special Ask The Professor program recorded at Detroit Mercy's Homecoming 2024. Now here's our host, Matt Mio.
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:18

We have a set of questions sent in by our good friend Amber Hubley. Who is the subject of the 2006 documentary, "An Unreasonable Man" was the title? Ran for president once in recent years.
- H** Heather Hill 00:33

Nader ?
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:34

It was Ralph Nader. Yeah. Ralph Nader, Yep, absolutely. I don't know if I saw that. And 2006 feels very, very long ago right now. What's the name of the small aircraft sent to Mars?
- D** Dave Chow 00:47

Perseverance.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:49  
So Perseverance was the rover.

D Danielle Maxwell 00:51  
Okay.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:52  
They actually sent an aircraft so that it would fly around in the Martian atmosphere. Do you remember what it was called?

S Stephen Manning 00:58  
A piper cub.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:00  
No.











J James Tubbs 01:01  
Drone number five sixty one

H Heather Hill 01:02  
Did it also begin with a P?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:04  
It didn't begin with a P, it begins with an I; and it's one of those classic NASA like, very inspiring one word names.

J James Tubbs 01:10  
Intrepid

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:11  
So close

-  Dave Chow 01:13  
Independence
-  Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:14  
Independence is close
-  Heather Hill 01:14  
The Inspiration.
-  Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:16  
So close
-  Dave Chow 01:17  
The Incontinence,
-  Erin Bell 01:18  
Illumination
-  Brian Curtis 01:19  
Does it start with an I?
-  Erin Bell 01:20  
It was an Imponderable. (James laughs)
-  James Tubbs 01:21  
Imponderable.
-  Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:24  
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So umm

**H** Heather Hill 01:25  
Give us the second letter.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:26  
Okay, it was "n" so -

**H** Heather Hill 01:29  
Oh that helps,

**S** Stephen Manning 01:30  
Incognito

**H** Heather Hill 01:30  
Incorrigible

**J** James Tubbs 01:31  
Inexplicable,

**D** Dave Chow 01:33  
Interstellar

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:34  
I'm going all in on, Incorrigible. That should be the name of - No. It was Ingenuity. The only one you didn't say. The only one you didn't say.

**D** Dave Chow 01:43  
I liked our names better



**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:44  
Oh my gosh, absolutely hilarious. Incurrrible.

**D** Dave Chow 01:48  
That's it. We're naming the next one

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:50  
The Starship Incurrrible.

**D** Dave Chow 01:51  
We'll sponsor it too. Put our logo on it.

**S** Stephen Manning 01:54  
When do we get to come home.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:56  
I know

**D** Dave Chow 01:56  
The Inexcusable

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:58  
Inexcusable. That's even good. In what year was the commemorative state of Michigan quarter stamped?

**D** Danielle Maxwell 02:06  
Oh, that was a long time ago.

**J** James Tubbs 02:07  
Oh, 2001.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:08  
It was a little bit closer to the modern day. Just a little

J James Tubbs 02:11  
2003

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:12  
it was 2004

E Erin Bell 02:13  
Okay

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:14  
You were really close. Really, really close.

D Dave Chow 02:16  
Incorrigible.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:16  
We had like 50 state quarters for a while, and then there were like a million other versions of everything.

D Danielle Maxwell 02:22  
Literally. Different ones

H Heather Hill 02:23  
Screwed everything up

J James Tubbs 02:24  
Now. like. evervthina's on the back of a quarter.

now, like, everything's on the back of a quarter,

**H** Heather Hill 02:26  
Right

**D** Danielle Maxwell 02:26  
Yeah

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:27  
I will, uh -

**D** Dave Chow 02:27  
I'm waiting for the Jim Tubbs quarter to show up at any minute.

**J** James Tubbs 02:30  
Close,. Yeah, it could be anything

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:32  
I will, possibly for not the first time, mention the story that - you know - didn't everybody have that big cardboard fold-out where you popped in each states quarter.

**D** Danielle Maxwell 02:32  
Of course. Everyone had it.

**J** James Tubbs 02:33  
Still got it

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:34  
And after a while, it's like, after 1, 2, 3 times, "Dad, I have to pay for this field trip today". I'm like, "We're popping these bad boys out. Here use the money." I think mine is still folded up on the floor somewhere.

**D** Dave Chow 02:53  
I gotta Park in Ferndale. I need a couple quarters

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:55  
Exactly. Pay Ap only

**D** Dave Chow 02:58  
True. I gotta go to Marvin's.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:01  
There you go.

**E** Erin Bell 03:02  
Pinball Wizard

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:03  
Out of the world's entire prison population, what percentage of them - oh, my - are American?

**E** Erin Bell 03:10  
A lot.

**D** Dan Maggio 03:10  
80 70.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:13  
I mean, whatever number is said, it's a big number by proportion. Let's just say that.

**H** Heather Hill 03:17  
49% it's lower than that. Oh



J James Tubbs 03:20  
33%

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:21  
It's lower than that.

J James Tubbs 03:22  
Oh, good.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:24  
I'll give it to you. 25 is what it was.

H Heather Hill 03:24  
27%

J James Tubbs 03:27  
Out of the whole world.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:28  
I mean in terms of land coverage, the United States is taking a bigger bite,

D Dave Chow 03:33  
Yeah, but when you think about those other countries, they probably just execute their people.

J James Tubbs 03:36  
Well, that's true. Yeah,

E Erin Bell 03:37  
It's big business.

**J** James Tubbs 03:38  
The Chinese do that.

**S** Stephen Manning 03:40  
We still do as well.

**H** Heather Hill 03:42  
We still do as well.

**S** Stephen Manning 03:43  
Did it a few days ago in - Oklahoma?

**D** Dave Chow 03:45  
Yeah,

**J** James Tubbs 03:46  
Nitrogen gas.

**D** Dave Chow 03:47  
Nitrogen?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:48  
That's right. Not a fun way to go. What mammal gets only two hours of sleep a day? I've never heard this.

**D** Dave Chow 03:57  
And it's not me.

**D** Danielle Maxwell 03:58



I was gonna say - is it me?



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:00

After the Tigers clinch the playoffs game,.



Stephen Manning 04:03

It's not our dog, I'll tell you that



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:05

It is not a dog.



Heather Hill 04:06

Or a cat



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:06

Is it a horse.



Danielle Maxwell 04:07

No,



Stephen Manning 04:07

He's awake two hours.



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:08

It's not a cat.



Erin Bell 04:09

It's not a sloth, is it?



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:10

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:10  
It's not a sloth,

**D** Dave Chow 04:11  
it's a mammal, huh?

**D** Danielle Maxwell 04:13  
It's a mammal.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:13  
So the best advice I can give you for this response is = It would be really difficult for this mammal to lie down.

**H** Heather Hill 04:22  
Is it a marine mammal?

**D** Danielle Maxwell 04:23  
It's not a horse?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:23  
Not marine it's not a horse

**D** Dave Chow 04:25  
A giraffe?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:25  
It's a giraffe

**E** Erin Bell 04:26  
Ohh

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:28  
Sleeps about two hours a day, and mostly is on the move.

**E** Erin Bell 04:31  
How do they know that?

**J** James Tubbs 04:32  
Yeah, how do they know?

**D** Danielle Maxwell 04:33  
They see the giraffe cams at the zoo and they watch them.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:37  
Well, I'm reminded of a comedian who once saw a sleeping horse in someone's front yard and then went to the front door and said, "I got some real bad news about your horse". And they're like, "It's just sleeping". (The professors laugh) And I'll leave the rest to your imagination, but they have the like, where are the anatomists? They have like, the reverse knees and stuff, so to get down and carry that weight. It's very difficult. They literally have to sleep standing up.

**H** Heather Hill 05:03  
Aww, poor babies.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:05  
Oh my! Who has the secret security code names Danny Collins and Daphne Clark? So it's a couple, if that helps.

**D** Dan Maggio 05:15  
Collins?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:16  
Ooh, it is sort of up your alley, Professor Bell

**E** Erin Bell 05:20  
Our mutual acquaintance had a whole category of trivia, and it was 10 different code names. I'm wondering if this was on it. It's up my alley.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:29  
It is up your alley, because I know you're a little bit of a Anglophile.

**E** Erin Bell 05:32  
Is it someone that wears a crown? Prince

**D** Dave Chow 05:37  
The royals?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:37  
Possibly.

**D** Dan Maggio 05:38  
Is it William and Kate?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:39  
Mm-mm.

**D** Dan Maggio 05:40  
The kids?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:41  
Nope.

**D** Dan Maggio 05:41  
The doas?

The dogs.

**E** Erin Bell 05:42  
Camilla?

**D** Dave Chow 05:42  
Charlotte?

**D** Danielle Maxwell 05:42  
Charles.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:43  
So close

**H** Heather Hill 05:43  
Charles and Camilla,

**D** Dave Chow 05:44  
One of the corgis,

**D** Danielle Maxwell 05:45  
Harry and his wife.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:46  
It's Harry and Megan.

**J** James Tubbs 05:47  
But they don't have security clearance anymore.

**D** Danielle Maxwell 05:47

Yeah.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:49  
Danny Collins and Daphne Clark.

**D** Dave Chow 05:53  
No, I'm sure they do. Probably private

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:54  
It's kind of interesting.

**J** James Tubbs 05:55  
No, he's talking about with the -

**D** Dave Chow 05:57  
Oh, gotcha

**J** James Tubbs 05:59  
Crown security

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:00  
Uh, according to folks who keep track of such things - like, Heather was just saying, "Wait, how do we know that about giraffes?" How do we know about the first literary reference to French fries? I'll give it to you. It's a very, very famous novel, but it's the first time in written English, French fries were referred to. Do you know what that is?

**H** Heather Hill 06:10  
French fries were referred to as French fries.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:18  
Exactly



H Heather Hill 06:19  
or French fries were -

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:23  
Written in English. For the first time,

E Erin Bell 06:25  
Written in English. I need, like a literary period.

S Stephen Manning 06:28  
What - published in what year?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:30  
Let's see. Don't have the years. I don't want to embarrass myself. We're talking mid to late 1800s

E Erin Bell 06:36  
Oh

H Heather Hill 06:37  
French fries. So what text was it published in?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:42  
Exactly? What's novel? I can tell you it was a novel,

E Erin Bell 06:45  
Okay, and it's -

S Stephen Manning 06:48

French fries.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:51  
Author initials, C.D. That should give

**J** James Tubbs 06:54  
Charles Dickens.

**E** Erin Bell 06:55  
I was thinking of him.

**S** Stephen Manning 06:56  
Great Expectations.

**J** James Tubbs 06:57  
Bleak House (Laughs)

**H** Heather Hill 06:58  
Hard Times,

**D** Dan Maggio 07:01  
Tale of Two Cities,

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:01  
It was Tale of Two Cities. Tale of Two Cities.

**D** Dave Chow 07:01  
The golden arches.

**E** Erin Bell 07:05

I did not remember that

H

Heather Hill 07:05

It's interesting how we all picked ones that were least famous.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:10

(Laughs) Bleak House. He really loved French fries. Oh, that is awesome. Thank you so much Amber for those questions. Those were off the chain. They were really, really good. Okay, folks, more questions, more questions from our good friend Ben. He's got just the coolest Gmail, and we'll have to say it off the air, because I don't want to send you a thousand - 1000s of people listening to the show were going to email you if I mention it, but it is a play off of the Scarlet Pimpernel, and it's really cute. I appreciate it. Ben, thank you. Ben writes "Professors. Thanks for the mug a while back. I always seem to send you civics questions. Since it's election season, here's some questions about various branches of the United States government". So let's see what we can do with these. We'll start with a president. "Virginia famously had a dynasty of early presidents. You can tour all their former houses, which are open to visit since they've all been dead for a very long time". Thank you. Ben. (The professors laugh) How many of their houses can you name, since, of course, they all have names. This counts those who were considered Virginians when elected, not those born in Virginia, but made their names elsewhere and homes to tour elsewhere, i.e. William Henry Harrison, whose home is a national historic landmark in Indiana, or Woodrow Wilson, whose birthplace is a landmark in Virginia, but would be considered from New Jersey.

D

Dave Chow 08:39

Monticello is Thomas Jefferson.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:41

So we got Monticello and Jefferson

B

Brian Curtis 08:44

That's the only one I know, too.


M


Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:45


And Montpelier goes to? To Monroe? No


J


James Tubbs 08:49


 Madison


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:49  
Madison, Madison. So you've got 4 more


 James Tubbs 08:52  
Monroe's house is not far away. Let me think, what was the name of that


 Dave Chow 08:55  
They've got the four of the presidents.


 James Tubbs 08:57  
Right near Charlottesville,

 Heather Hill 08:58  
Tara?

 Danielle Maxwell 08:59  
(Laughs) Scarlett O'Hara, yes. Tara,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:03  
Well, you're missing the first one on the list.

 James Tubbs 09:07  
Well of course, Mount Vernon.

 Erin Bell 09:09  
Oh, Mount Vernon. I thought somebody had already said that

 ... 09:11

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:11  
No,

**J** James Tubbs 09:12  
I did too

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:13  
And you had mentioned Monroe, who's on the list; but you didn't say the name of the house.

**J** James Tubbs 09:16  
I know. I'm trying to remember.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:18  
Yes,


**J** James Tubbs 09:18  
I can picture the house. I just can't recall the -


**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:20  
Well, you certainly know the two cities that are completely surrounded by the city of Detroit, right? Think of one word from one of those cities, and you've got it.


**E** Erin Bell 09:29  
Ham.


**D** Dave Chow 09:32  
Monroe ?


**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:33  
Highland Highland is the name of Monroe's estate. And one of the neighborhoods that the University is very, very close to is one of the other presidents.


 Heather Hill 09:43  
Fitzgerald?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:46  
Mm-mm


 Heather Hill 09:46  
Sherwood?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:46  
Sherwood Forest was the nickname of JT'S estate,


 James Tubbs 09:51  
John Tyler.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:52  
John Tyler. So there's only one you haven't mentioned, and it's listed with the parentheses bonus, because Thomas Jefferson had two

 James Tubbs 10:00  
He did, I'm trying to remember the other house

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:03  
He had Monticello. And when he got sick of that, he went somewhere else.

 Erin Bell 10:07  
Little Monticello. (The professors laugh)

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:09

Little cello. No, no.

**H** Heather Hill 10:11  
Lemon cello.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:12  
It actually has Forest in the name, probably for the trees that were around it. That's a pretty good guess.

**S** Stephen Manning 10:18  
Forest Glen, Forest Hills, forest.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:21  
Jim's working - like digging deep

**H** Heather Hill 10:24  
Is "forest" the first word or ?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:26  
Second word. So it's a tree name forest,

**H** Heather Hill 10:29  
A tree name forest?

**S** Stephen Manning 10:30  
Oak forest?

**E** Erin Bell 10:31  
Oak horse,

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M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:31  
not Oak

H Heather Hill 10:32  
Beach forest,

E Erin Bell 10:33  
Fern forest,

D Dave Chow 10:33  
Pinapple

D Danielle Maxwell 10:35  
Palm forest,

H Heather Hill 10:36  
Maple

J James Tubbs 10:37  
Pine forest, Maple forest,

D Danielle Maxwell 10:39  
Fir forest

J James Tubbs 10:40  
Elm forest.

E Erin Bell 10:41  
Give us the first letter.



**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:43  
The first letter is p, but it's not pine or any of the other pineapple or anything else that we've heard.

**H** Heather Hill 10:48  
Poplar?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:49  
Poplar. Poplar Forest.

**D** Dave Chow 10:54  
Right on the tip of our tounge

**D** Danielle Maxwell 10:55  
We knew it - deep down

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:57  
Ben. These are absolutely wonderful. As of July, 2023 whose house is the most expensive to visit for one undiscounted adult with no accessories, self guided, not including parking, but still allows you at least unlimited access to the house,

**D** Danielle Maxwell 11:14  
Monticello. Monticello, it was very expensive

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:16  
Of all of those, and it's not Monticello. Middling of the pack is Monticello,

**J** James Tubbs 11:21  
Really? Cause Monticello is expensive.

**S** Stephen Mannina 11:24

It's Mount Vernon.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:25  
Mount Vernon is actually on the low end.

D Dan Maggio 11:27  
Oh, really,

H Heather Hill 11:28  
I'll go with Poplar Forest.

D Dave Chow 11:30  
Yeah

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:31  
So Poplar Forest is at the very, very bottom.

J James Tubbs 11:34  
Montpelier

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:35  
It's Montpelier. So just to be clear, Montpelier,

J James Tubbs 11:38  
I went when it was cheaper

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:38  
For Madison,

**D** Dave Chow 11:39  
Without your discounts,

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:40  
36 bucks.

**D** Danielle Maxwell 11:41  
Wow

**J** James Tubbs 11:44  
What ?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:44  
This is so great. Ben, just keep sending us questions. Number twonis Sherwood Forest - 35. You also have to call ahead and leave a message on the answering machine like it's the 1900s

**J** James Tubbs 11:55  
Yeah, but I think that's because that's all they have to keep it up.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:00  
Monticello is 32 for what's called the most popular tour. There are a bewildering array of other options. Mount Vernon, 26 for the grounds. \$2 for the house. So that's on the low end. Poplar Forest and Highland are only 18 bucks to visit.

**H** Heather Hill 12:15  
Wow!

**D** Danielle Maxwell 12:17  
Field trip anyone?

**D** Dave Chow 12:18  
Can't afford it

Can't afford it

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:19  
Oh, come on. Come on.

**D** Dan Maggio 12:20  
Just send pictures,

**D** Dave Chow 12:21  
Yeah

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:21  
Oh my gosh.

**D** Dave Chow 12:22  
Can I just tour the grounds, not the house?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:24  
This is highly political, so I'll look into Professor Manning direction. How many of the 57 Governors of the great state of New York have been nominated by a major party for president? That's a good one.

**S** Stephen Manning 12:37  
I thought you were going to ask "How many had been indicted?" (The professors laugh) I'm going with 57

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:43  
57 governors. But how many have run for president by major party?

**J** James Tubbs 12:47  
13

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:47  
It's a little high.

S Stephen Manning 12:48  
Yeah,

J James Tubbs 12:48  
11

S Stephen Manning 12:49  
nine.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:50  
It's 10. You got it. Pretty close.

S Stephen Manning 12:53  
Don't ask me to name them.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:54  
It's okay. It's absolutely okay. We've got some losers in there, obviously; so they're harder to remember. Of the 60 US presidential elections, how many had a former governor of New York on the top of the ticket for a noteworthy party? Governor was not necessarily their immediately preceding job. So of 60 elections, how many? It's kind of wild now that I think about it.

D Danielle Maxwell 13:18  
Seven

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:19  
it's a good chunk. It's a good chunk.

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H Heather Hill 13:21  
12. That's too much.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:22  
It's higher.

S Stephen Manning 13:23  
It's higher than 12?

H Heather Hill 13:24  
Oh wow?

S Stephen Manning 13:25  
16.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:26  
So it says here, 19. That's basically 1/3 all US presidential elections. So become governor of New York, and it's a done deal here. Dewitt Clinton, Martin Van Buren, Horatio Seymour, Samuel Tilton, Grover Cleveland, Theodore Roosevelt, Charles Evans Hughes, Al Smith, Franklin Roosevelt, and, of course, Thomas Dewey, famous two-time loser.

H Heather Hill 13:26  
Feeder. It's a feeder position. 15

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:51  
Feeder position.

S Stephen Manning 13:52  
Despite what the newspaper said

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:55

Oh, here we go. How many of those 19 - of those runs were Democratic ticket?

**H** Heather Hill 14:03  
Well, you just named them

**D** Dave Chow 14:04  
All of them?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:05  
Not all of them,

**B** Brian Curtis 14:07  
At least half of them. Right?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:08  
More than half

**J** James Tubbs 14:09  
I would say 12.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:10  
It's 12. Right on. Spot on, Jim. Yeah, exactly. And the majority of those, not too surprisingly, were FDR. That makes sense. All right, how many were on another ticket? Well, we've established this. Okay. So we've got Federalist, Free Soil. and of course, Bull Moose. Can't forget the old Bull Moose Party. That's a lot of fun. Let's move on to congressional trivia. Congressman Carl C Anderson died 17 of October, 1912. He has the ignominious, ignominious record for the first sitting congressperson to die from what? 1912

**J** James Tubbs 14:52  
Alcoholism

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:53

not alcoholism,

**D** Dave Chow 14:54  
STDs

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:55  
Something that sadly we still have today, and it's always a tragedy,

**J** James Tubbs 14:59  
Syphilis

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:00  
No.

**H** Heather Hill 15:01  
Measels

**E** Erin Bell 15:01  
Gun violence


**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:03  
No, that's a good guess.


**D** Dave Chow 15:04  
Food poisoning


**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:05  
1912 - so it had to be relatively new about the time of 1912, but we see it every day.


**D** Dan Maggio 15:06





 Dan Maggio 15:00  
Rabies It's not the flu


 Stephen Manning 15:11  
Fever


 Erin Bell 15:11  
Oh, a car accident.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:13  
A car accident.


 Heather Hill 15:14  
Ohhh

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:16  
Carl C Anderson. On the flip side, Congressman Thaddeus Sweet died first of May, 1928. The first sitting congressperson to die of what?

 Brian Curtis 15:26  
Diabetes.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:27  
No. Good guess. Good guess.

 James Tubbs 15:30  
A plane crash

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:31  
It was a plane crash. Yeah, 1928 I feel like 1928 - maybe the plane crashed into him, possible, too, you know? Yeah, I don't know. I don't know.



James Tubbs 15:42

It was not too long before Newt Rockne died in a plane crash. 32, I think



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:46

There you go. Connection to Detroit Mercy with Gus Dorais. They were buddies at Notre Dame. Gus Dorais coached our football team for a very long time. How many people attend - Oh, we're moving on to the Supreme Court. Sorry. How many people attended the Constitutional Convention? How many individual peeps?



Dave Chow 16:07

They have a painting of it, don't they?



Stephen Manning 16:09

57



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:10

55. I'm giving it to you. C'mon, that's pretty solid. Pretty solid. How many people signed the Constitution is the next question? Not that number . A little bit lower.



Stephen Manning 16:19

Little lower. Yeah.



Heather Hill 16:21

38



Stephen Manning 16:21

45



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:23

You're a little high. It's 39 but we got the basic idea.

**J** James Tubbs 16:26  
Yeah. Three from each colony.

**H** Heather Hill 16:28  
You're in the wheelhouse,

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:29  
In the wheelhouse.

**S** Stephen Manning 16:31  
But not the doghouse.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:33  
(Laughs) As long as it's not the doghouse. Of the 55 attendees of the Constitutional Convention, how many eventually sat on the Supreme Court? This is where this was going.


**J** James Tubbs 16:47  
Five.


**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:48  
You know, five is the exact answer. That's incredible, Jim. I don't even know if I could have guessed one of these. So let's see if we can guess one of someone who was in the Constitutional Convention and then ended up serving the Supreme Court.


**D** Dave Chow 17:03  
Gorilla Monson


**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:04  
No,





 Dave Chow 17:05  
Darn.

 Danielle Maxwell 17:06  
The only person I know that signed it is John Hancock.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:07  
John Jay is not on the list,


 James Tubbs 17:09  
not on the list


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:10  
Not on the list.

 James Tubbs 17:11  
Let's see.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:15  
I could not - I've never even heard a single one of these names.

 Danielle Maxwell 17:18  
Not a chance. Nope.

 Heather Hill 17:20  
Well then that's not helpful.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:21  
That's not helpful.



Heather Hill 17:24

Is there one named John?



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:26

There are two named John



Danielle Maxwell 17:28

Adam or John.



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:29

Partial credit, partial credit. How about we - because I see that Stephen's gears are turning here. If I say Oliver, you might say -



Stephen Manning 17:38

Wendell Holmes,



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:39

No.



James Tubbs 17:41

Oliver Twist.



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:43

Oliver Ellsworth,



Dave Chow 17:45

Of course



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:46

John Rutledge

**J** James Tubbs 17:47  
Oh, John Rutledge. Yes, from South Carolina.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:48  
James Wilson, William Patterson and John Blair. Oh my gosh. By the way, because this is really going to work for radio and podcasting. Ben notes, "Make sure you are not immortalized on Wikipedia with a picture like John Blair".

**D** Dave Chow 18:06  
Eww!

**H** Heather Hill 18:06  
Oh ok

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:07  
So we're looking at the photo of John Blair, and he's pretty stern, pretty stern, like many of the people of the time were.

**D** Dave Chow 18:13  
That's a serious constipated look.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:14  
Exactly. Oh my gosh,

**B** Brian Curtis 18:17  
Sort of purple,

**D** Dave Chow 18:18  
Yeah. Oh

**D** Danielle Maxwell 18:19  
Sort of purple, yes.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:21  
According to the US Senate, John Tyler is the one-term president who made the most Supreme Court nominations. How many nominations did he make?

**D** Dave Chow 18:31  
4 ?

**D** Danielle Maxwell 18:31  
6?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:31  
Was it one? Was it two? Was it three,

**J** James Tubbs 18:34  
5?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:35  
I have not heard the number

**D** Danielle Maxwell 18:37  
six

**H** Heather Hill 18:38  
nine.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:38  
It was nine.

**D** Danielle Maxwell 18:39  
Holy cow! That's like a whole baseball team. I totally knew that

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:39  
No seriously like the whole bench.

**D** Dave Chow 18:39  
What?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:45  
And he was a one term president, Well, but our Supreme Court has had different numbers over time.

**J** James Tubbs 18:50  
It hasn't always been nine,

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:51  
Well, as always, you can make nominations,


**H** Heather Hill 18:54  
But that doesn't mean-


**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:54  
One refused, four withdrew, two had no action taken (Thank you Congress) one postponed, and only one of them was confirmed


**J** James Tubbs 19:05  
One ninth.


**H** Heather Hill 19:06




 Heather Hill 19:06  
So he tried his darnedest


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:07  
Yeah, he really did. He really did. Just keep trying, you know


 James Tubbs 19:11  
Had at a very cooperative Senate,


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:12  
Oh my gosh. How many different seats did he try to fill with those nine nominations?

 James Tubbs 19:21  
Two,

 Danielle Maxwell 19:22  
Two.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:22  
It was two. Yeah.

 Heather Hill 19:23  
There you go

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:24  
Poor guy. Poor guy. No one was listening. No wonder he didn't look too happy. Ben, those were fantastic, hilarious questions. I can't believe you did research into how much it cost to go to Montpelier. That is so cool. Oh my gosh. Let's move on to some other questions we've got here. " Matt and panelists, it's been a while since I came up with one of my entertainment lists for the panel. They seemed to have enjoyed them in the past, so here's some more. As with my questions before, I will list four movies and it'll be up to the panelists to guess who was the actor or actress who starred in all four of those movies. I hope the group will find them challenging. Good luck". Our good friend, Julie Elder from Poughkeepsie, New York. Thanks, Julie,

**H** Heather Hill 20:08  
Thanks Julie

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:10  
Ooh, we're gonna start off strong. Here. Are you ready? Oh my Caligula. Hitchcock, The Long Good Friday. Barbie.

**D** Dave Chow 20:23  
The most recent Barbie?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:24  
the Barbie movie, yep.

**D** Dave Chow 20:26  
And when was the last time we saw Caligula?

**D** Danielle Maxwell 20:27  
Wasn't that -

**H** Heather Hill 20:28  
But the narrator,

**D** Dave Chow 20:30  
The woman at the end, where she's like the- It's not Julie Andrews. It's - You're using hand gestures. Say more

**D** Danielle Maxwell 20:37  
The woman at the end, where - like - Margot Robbie's in, like that dream -



E Erin Bell 20:39  
Right

D Danielle Maxwell 20:39  
and she finds, like - the maker of Barbie. Like, who is that woman?

E Erin Bell 20:43  
It's not Dame-

D Dave Chow 20:45  
No, it's not Dame Maggie Smith,

J James Tubbs 20:48  
Helen Mirren.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:49  
Oh, it's Helen Mirren. Yes.

D Danielle Maxwell 20:51  
Thank you.

H Heather Hill 20:51  
Awesome

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:52  
Awesome. And, you know, major props to Dame Maggie Smith, who passed.

E Erin Bell 20:57  
I knew it was, like, iconic British actress. I just.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:00  
How about - oh, here we go, The Graduate, Garbo Talks, Honeymoon In Las Vegas. G-I Jane

**S** Stephen Manning 21:08  
Joanne Woodward

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:09  
That's not what it says here. Initials A, B

**S** Stephen Manning 21:12  
Ann Bancroft

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:13  
Ann Bancroft, yes, Ann Bancroft.

**J** James Tubbs 21:16  
I didn't realize that, but apparently, so

**S** Stephen Manning 21:18  
That's what I was thinking of.

**H** Heather Hill 21:19  
You're thinking of Anne Bancroft?

**S** Stephen Manning 21:21  
Yeah I got them mixed up.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:22  
How about - nice Detroit connection -Get Shorty, Mississippi Burning, Hoosiers, The Bird Cage.

H Heather Hill 21:28  
Gene Hackman

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:30  
How do you all know that off the top of your head? What a great movie. Get Shorty, great story.  
great movie. Elmore Leonard.

S Stephen Manning 21:37  
Another Detroit connection,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:38  
Yeah. Speaking of connections, the French Connection, Blue Thunder, Marathon Man, JAWS 2

D Dave Chow 21:47  
Roy Scheider.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:49  
Roy Scheider

D Danielle Maxwell 21:50  
I need to watch movies.

B Brian Curtis 21:51  
I haven't seen any of those movies.

D Danielle Maxwell 21:51  
I know. We need to watch movies.

D Dave Chow 21:53  
You haven't seen JAWS?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:54  
You haven't seen JAWS 2? JAWS, 3D

D Danielle Maxwell 21:57  
I don't think I've seen JAWS 1, let alone JAWS 2

D Dave Chow 21:59  
Just don't go see that before you go swimming.

J James Tubbs 22:01  
You need a bigger boat.

H Heather Hill 22:02  
Yeah, you're gonna need a bigger boat.

D Danielle Maxwell 22:04  
I don't have a boat.

E Erin Bell 22:05  
You'll need to get one then,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:06  
Oh my gosh, I know, I bring this one up too much too, but someone always posts especially spooky time of year. I just showed my kids JAWS. For me as a child watching that movie, I couldn't even turn on the water in the bathtub. They just laughed and fell asleep halfway through it. I'm like, yeah, it's different levels of horror. You know, different levels of horror. How about Annie Hall, Deer Hunter, Biloxi Blues and, of course, Batman Returns,

E Erin Bell 22:32  
Matthew Broderick No. -

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:39  
Mm-mm.

E Erin Bell 22:39  
Annie Hall

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:40  
Famous actor,

E Erin Bell 22:41  
Actor,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:43  
that was my clue.

E Erin Bell 22:44  
Oh,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:44  
Christopher Walken

H Heather Hill 22:44  
That was your Christopher Walken impersonation?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:49  
That was my Christopher Walken. I'm never gonna do it again.

E Erin Bell 22:54  
I got it.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:56  
Gangs of New York, Django Unchained, Inception. What's Eating Gilbert Grape, that's a giveaway

E Erin Bell 23:03  
Leo.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:03  
Leo Dicaprio. Oh my. The Flintstones, Die Another Day. Gothica, Monsters Ball.

D Dan Maggio 23:14  
Ethan Hawke

S Stephen Manning 23:15  
Halle Berry.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:15  
Halle Berry,

E Erin Bell 23:16  
Yes

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:17  
Yep, absolutely.

S Stephen Manning 23:18  
How'd I know that?

M Matt Mio. Ph.D. 23:20



Tomorrow Never Dies, Kung Fu Panda 2, Guardians of the Galaxy Volume Two, Everything Everywhere, All At Once. Dan's favorite movie.

**D** Dave Chow 23:32  
Easy, Dan!

**D** Danielle Maxwell 23:32  
It's not Jamie Lee Curtis?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:33  
No, it's not Jamie Lee Curtis, Another major star of that movie.

**D** Dave Chow 23:38  
Michelle Yeoh

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:39  
Michelle Yeoh. Sorry if I missed it.

**E** Erin Bell 23:40  
We should know that.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:41  
Michelle Yeoh. Yeah, absolutely.

**D** Dave Chow 23:42  
Why should we know that?

**E** Erin Bell 23:43  
Because she was on, um -

**D** Dave Chow 23:45  
Star Trek,

**E** Erin Bell 23:45  
Yes,

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:46  
Oh, because she's, well, what's her character name on there.

**D** Dave Chow 23:49  
Philippa Georgiou

**E** Erin Bell 23:50  
Yes, she's awesome.

**D** Dave Chow 23:53  
What's that new Star Trek movie to come up with? Section 31?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:56  
Section 31. She's the star. Now I'm looking at Professor Maxwell here with this one. Cable Guy, Shallow Hal, Gulliver's Travels, Nacho Libre.

**D** Danielle Maxwell 23:56  
Jack Black, I'm like I haven't seen a single one of these. (Laughs)

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:12  
Big Chill, The Right Stuff, Silverado, and, of course, Jurassic Park.

**S** Stephen Manning 24:19  
Oh, what's the guy does the apartment commercials.

**D** Danielle Maxwell 24:23  
Jeff Goldblum

**H** Heather Hill 24:26  
The guy who does the apartment commercials.

**D** Dan Maggio 24:31  
You need to write the movies on a sheet of paper all of them.

**D** Danielle Maxwell 24:33  
It's like that show on Disney Plus, yes.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:37  
"You do have dinosaurs on your dinosaur tour, right?" (The professors laugh) Saving Private Ryan, oh, this is a great one. Little Miss Sunshine, Contagion, and Asteroid City, very recent one, Saving Private Ryan, Little Miss Sunshine, Contagion, Asteroid City. It's one of the absolute classic directors.

**D** Dan Maggio 25:00  
Greg Kinnear?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:00  
No.

**D** Dave Chow 25:01  
Bill Murray?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:02  
Always melts into every role he's given, possibly the lead character on the greatest TV show of all time.

**D** Dan Maggio 25:09  
Oh, it's the dad on Little Miss Sunshine, the grandfather.

**H** Heather Hill 25:13  
Yeah, right. No

**D** Dan Maggio 25:14  
No, it's not

**S** Stephen Manning 25:15  
Bryan Cranston.


**D** Dan Maggio 25:16  
Can you say the movies again?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:17  
Bryan Cranston is who we're going after, yeah. I almost said, of course, the greatest TV show of all time is all organic chemistry.

**B** Brian Curtis 25:25  
I was thinking it had to be a Heisenberg reference, right?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:31  
How about Wolf of Wall Street, Legend Of Tarzan, Whiskey Tango Foxtrot and Suicide Squad, both of them up. Oh, I'm so surprised. We've actually already mentioned this actress multiple times here

**D** Dave Chow 25:47  
We did?



M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:48  
Yeah

D Dave Chow 25:49  
It's an actress. There's a hint.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:50  
I mean, if I say that she plays Harley Quinn, you know it's -

H Heather Hill 25:53  
Margot Robbie.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:54  
Margot Robbie, yeah, yeah, exactly. Oh, you're not like a DC, uh -

D Danielle Maxwell 25:58  
I didn't watch Harley Quinn

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:59  
Okay, okay, yeah, she's Harley Quinn, although that's Lady Gaga in the new movie that's coming out very soon, he's been in everything Avengers End Game, Jurassic Park, Goodfellas, Do The Right Thing.

D Danielle Maxwell 26:12  
Chris Pratt?

S Stephen Manning 26:14  
Samuel Jackson

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:15  
Samuel Jackson, yes, who has the Guinness Book of World Records record for most movies

released over 18 months. It's like - greater than 18, which isn't even possible, if you think about it.

**S** Stephen Manning 26:28

And he does the commercials,

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:29

And he does the commercials. Love that guy. Revenge Of The Nerds. He was the football coach. Arachnophobia, Barton, Fink, Speed Racer, John Goodman. Yes, very nice. A very underrated actor

**D** Dan Maggio 26:38

John Goodman.

**D** Dave Chow 26:42

The thin John Goodman,

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:45

My Favorite Martian, Speed, Terms of Endearment, Pleasantville. Local

**D** Dan Maggio 26:51

Jeff Daniels.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:51

Jeff Daniels. Yeah, absolutely

**D** Dave Chow 26:53

Oh that's right he was in Speed. I forgot. He was the partner,

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:57

Mm-hm. The Da Vinci Code, The Golden Compass, Gods and Monsters and of course, X Men, The Last Stand,

**E** Erin Bell 27:04  
Um, Sir-r-r Ian McKellen.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:07  
Ian McKellen. Gandalf himself.

**S** Stephen Manning 27:10  
Sir-r-r.

**E** Erin Bell 27:11  
I'm like -

**H** Heather Hill 27:11  
"Sir-r-r"


**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:18  
Professors, I'm so sorry, but time flies when you're having fun. That is the end of our show for today. So the time has come for us to say goodbye. Heather,


**H** Heather Hill 27:28  
Uh, goodbye. (Matt laughs) Sorry.


**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:32  
Erin


**E** Erin Bell 27:33  
Sir-r-r. No, just - goodbye.


**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:35


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:35  
Dan,


 Dan Maggio 27:35  
Goodbye.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:36  
Dave,


 Dave Chow 27:37  
See ya.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:37  
Jim.

 James Tubbs 27:38  
À bientôt

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:39  
Danielle,

 Danielle Maxwell 27:40  
Adios

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:40  
Brian,

 Brian Curtis 27:41  
Goodbye, Thank you for the hard questions.





M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:43

And Stephen,

S

Stephen Manning 27:44

Goodbye

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:44

And now these words

M

Michael Jayson 27:46

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Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:58

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