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SPEAKERS

Matt Mio, Ph.D., Stephen Manning, Production Element, Dave Chow, Beth Oljar, James Tubbs, Dan Maggio, Erin Bell, Michael Jayson, Heather Hill, Speaker 1

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Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:01

The University tower chimes ring in another session of Ask the Professor, the show on which you match wits with University of Detroit Mercy professors in an unrehearsed session of questions and answers. I'm your host, Matt Mio and let me introduce to you our panel for today. To my left, busily looking things up on her phone, it's Professor Beth Oljar,
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Beth Oljar 00:19

Hello, Matt, good to be here.
- D

Dan Maggio 00:21

Hi Matt.
- M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:21

Hello. Continuing around the table, Professor Dan Maggio is here from the FIRST organization The mic was right over your word. So Old Mission. That's Traverse City, right?
- D

Dan Maggio 00:25

It is

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:25
Excellent And it's really overkill for today.

D Dave Chow 00:26
I was gonna say - Why is Dan Maggio not wearing shorts today on a day like this?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:40
Seriously,

D Dan Maggio 00:41
I don't know

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:42
The first student who wore shorts to my classes this semester wore their shorts to class today.

D Dave Chow 00:47
I mean, seeing Dan in shorts is like the swallows of Capistrano. I mean, isn't it?

D Dan Maggio 00:52
I just didn't break them out yet.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:54
Not yet.

D Dan Maggio 00:56
How do you know it's not your cat that's texting you, like, "Where are you?" , instead of Drew?

D Dave Chow 01:02
It might be

B Beth Oljar 01:03
Well, Drew doesn't ask me for people chicken. The cat says "Mommy, where's my human chicken?"

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:09
Human chicken. Ugh - That gave me a weird feel. What is a human chicken?

E Erin Bell 01:10
Soylent Green

H Heather Hill 01:10
Exactly.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:10
Um - Segue to Dave Chow, like, I don't know what else to say.

D Dave Chow 01:11
The human chicken, I guess.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:15
What is a human chicken? I don't even know what a human chicken is.

D Dave Chow 01:25
No, that's what Mara had to be after that challenge that one year, wasn't it?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:29
Oh, she did dress up in a chicken suit

D Dave Chow 01:31
in Ferndale

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:31
and she shopped in Ferndale. A chicken suit and wearing a mask..

E Erin Bell 01:35
Oh, wow. I need to hear that story some time.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:38
It was a really cute thing. And I'm sort of surprised we've never done it again. I've seen it before.

J James Tubbs 01:45
(Laughs)

H Heather Hill 01:45
I'm not

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:46
avIt was a big grid of, like, things that you could donate money for. And like, the low level things were just a few bucks or whatever. And Chem Club tried to do a charitable thing. And the top ones were - Jon Stevens was gonna shave his head; which, for the record, he does all the time, so it wasn't like that shocking.

D Dave Chow 02:02
Didn't you have to shave too?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:03
I shaved my beard off. That freaked everybody out.

D Dave Chow 02:06
And Kendra had to handle a snake.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:08
Kendra had to handle a snake, right. Mara -

D Dave Chow 02:12
was in a chicken suit

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:12
was the chicken and then shopped in Ferndale. And then Marwa put her lab coat on and her goggles on and did all of her grocery shopping while her husband video recorded her. And she checked out and everything. It was awesome. It was like "Why are you dressed like this?" "Oh, it's just a thing." So, anyway - yeah. So, to answer your question, I have no idea what's going on. Professor Jim Tubbs is also here.

J James Tubbs 02:13
Hello.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:13
Good to see you again.

J James Tubbs 02:38
Thank you. It's nice to be seen and not viewed. (Laughs)

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:42
Vertical stripes always suit you. That's what I was gonna say. Yes. It's very, very nice.

J James Tubbs 02:48
Why, thank you. That could be useful.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:50
I feel like for some smidgen, Jim, we were on the trip with you because your pictures were just like, Oh my gosh, just absolutely incredible.

D Dave Chow 02:58
I tried to order room service. (The professors laugh)

J James Tubbs 02:58
Oh, good, good. I'm glad to hear it.

D Dave Chow 03:02
It was hot a lot, starting in Aruba.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:06
Tell us how hot Aruba was.

H Heather Hill 03:07
How hot was it?

J James Tubbs 03:08
Oh, it was like 89

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:09
Oh, wow!

J James Tubbs 03:10
And Panama City was about 91

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:12
Wow, okay.

J James Tubbs 03:13
and a couple of states in Mexico were about 90 also. And going to the Panama Canal was you

and a couple of stops in Mexico were about 50 also. And going to the Panama Canal was, you know, a little sweaty.

D Dave Chow 03:14

Did you claim it for the US?

J James Tubbs 03:15

We got to see the prison. It's not very big, but the jail where Manuel Noriega was held right alongside the Panama Canal.

D Dave Chow 03:30

So were they selling souvenirs?

J James Tubbs 03:32

which looked like an insect magnet. They pointed out that it was not air conditioned. It was like a cinder block building with a flat top and barbed wire all around it.

B Beth Oljar 03:43

Very Alcatraz

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:44

Very much Alcatraz. Professor Erin Bell is here with us today.

E Erin Bell 03:50

I'll be swimming somewhere salty soon, so wish me luck. I'm taking three Bell children to Mexico.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:56

Excellent. But, I was like, "You guys, flying is no big deal. It's super awesome. You know, there's a car accident more likely on, you know, 14 Mile Road". But like, it seems like every other week there's some, like, major malfunction in the air and I'm having a hard time giving them the sell on how great air travel is.

H Heather Hill 03:58
Wow.

B Beth Oljar 03:59
They've never flown before?

E Erin Bell 04:06
No so they're really -

D Dave Chow 04:06
Think of it as a big bus.

E Erin Bell 04:21
That's what I said, and that it's very mundane after a while.

J James Tubbs 04:23
It's a bus that flies

E Erin Bell 04:24
T here was a fire, it looks like, the other day now

J James Tubbs 04:27
Yesterday, They had to climb out on the other wing.

D Dave Chow 04:31
Okay, so do you need to take them sky skydiving first?

E Erin Bell 04:35
I'm not taking them skydiving

D Dave Chow 04:37

I'll go with him It's a little 1994 Spring Break - Cancun. But I don't care. I'm not gonna apologize. It's gonna be awesome.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:45


Very cool.

 Stephen Manning 04:45

We can give you some of the dogs pills.

E Erin Bell 04:48

Yeah, Benadryl.

 Dave Chow 04:52

Puppy uppers, doggy downers.

E Erin Bell 04:54

Yeah, And people are not mad about that. If you have a baby on a flight, and they're like, sleeping, and you're like, "Yeah, I gave them a little Benadryl". They're like "Thanks"

H Heather Hill 04:54

They used to tell you to do that, to give the kids Benadryl.

 Stephen Manning 04:59

Give them some gum so it clears their ears, you know.

E Erin Bell 05:06

Yeah.

 James Tubbs 05:07

S. J. I I I II I I II

Yeah, especially when you're descending.

D Dave Chow 05:08

Yeah, and also put it on their seat so they won't jump up and down

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:11

Uh, professor of drug dealing, Stephen Manning

S Speaker 1 05:15

Just hemp. Just hemp.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:19

No one caught the puppy uppers, doggy downers joke. Folks, this is a program where you can send us questions regarding anything. If you stump the panel, you win a prize. If you don't stump the panel, you win a prize. You can send us the questions in a number of ways. Email us at ATP@UDMercy.edu, find us on Facebook and Instagram, or listen on your favorite smart speaker by asking it to play Ask The Professor at University of Detroit Mercy, "Dear Matt and profs, I'm dispensing with my usual and preferred practice of organizing question sets around a theme. This 20-question set is all over the place random. Please have fun. Love anonymous'. So we will take these questions from there. What is the oldest continuously published magazine in the United States of America?

D Dan Maggio 06:06

Readers Digest

D Dave Chow 06:07

Scientific American.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:08

It's Scientific American. Yeah. 1845.

J James Tubbs 06:11

Wow!

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:11
Still reaches more than 10 million people around the world every month.

D Dan Maggio 06:14
What about the Farmers Almanac?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:20
I don't know if it qualifies as a magazine. I mean, I see where you're going with this. Although I will tell you, because Poor Richard's doesn't really exist anymore. There's The Farmers Almanac and The Old Farmers Almanac, because everything has to have two families that fight with each other and then split off. But honestly, they're both post Civil War as their first formal publication of that style, even though they existed since the 1700s; and this says 1845, so that actually lines up. Scientific American in its current form, has been published since then. At the senior level of the National Bible Bee, How many Bible verses do participants memorize at the senior level?

H Heather Hill 07:04
Wow


J James Tubbs 07:05
5000


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:06
That's a little high.


D Dan Maggio 07:07
666


E Erin Bell 07:07
Ohhh!


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:09


 That was pretty good.


 Heather Hill 07:11
Let's say 500


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:12
Honestly, Dan is closer. It's 938

 Dave Chow 07:17
So are we talking senior children or are we talking senior citizens?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:22
That's a good question.

 James Tubbs 07:23
And I'm imagining they have to memorize them in the King James Version.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:28
Possibly. How many words do you think 938 verses is approximately


 Dan Maggio 07:33
I'd say 15 words a verse on average.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:37
I'm gonna give it to Dan. It's about 20,000 words. He said 15,000 that's pretty cool.


 Dan Maggio 07:41
Yeah, I was gonna say about 14 or 15 thousand.


 Dave Chow 07:42


 Dave Chow 07:45
The thou's and the shant's.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:45
The thou's and the shant's (Laughs)


 Dave Chow 07:46
Yeah, contractions,

 Heather Hill 07:50
And begat


 Stephen Manning 07:51
and the begets, yeah, all the begets.


 James Tubbs 07:54
When I was in South Africa, I attended a Quran reciting, um -

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:00
Oh yeahat


 James Tubbs 08:01
festival. And they had different levels of that, but at the highest level, and these were all young men -teenagers. They would start a verse randomly from the Quran, and the kid would have to continue it from where they started.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:21
That's incredible.


 James Tubbs 08:22
It was amazing.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:23
I mean, memorizing the entire Koran is a big deal


 James Tubbs 08:25
Well, most of them had memorized the entire Koran, but they could remember where those verses were too.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:29
Yep.


 Dave Chow 08:29
I can't even remember my wife's phone number. I mean, sheesh.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:32
(Laughs) Who is both the fourth fastest and the fourth youngest player ever to score 1000 points in the NHL? November 14, 2024,


 James Tubbs 08:43
Sid, the Kid? no.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:45
Sid was on the list, but this is fourth.


 James Tubbs 08:47
Ovechkin?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:47
Uh, not Alex Ovechkin. He's kind of old now, unfortunately.


 James Tubbs 08:50


 James Tubbs 08:50
Yeah, he is.


 Dave Chow 08:51
So, the youngest


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:52
Fourth youngest.


 Dave Chow 08:54
Mitch Marner? No. Austin Matthews?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:57
Some people call him MC Daddy.

 Dave Chow 08:59
Oh. Conor McDavid,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:00
Connor McDavid Oh, McJesus. I've heard McDaddy and McJesus.

 Dave Chow 09:01
No, we called him McJesus

 Heather Hill 09:06
You were getting there.

 Dave Chow 09:07
It was McJesus, because he got the game winning goal for us.



M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:10
What decibel level can fireworks sometimes reach?

S Stephen Manning 09:14
120

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:15
It's actually higher.

S Stephen Manning 09:17
140.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:17
It says 160 which is louder than a jet plane taking off from 100 yards away or standing right next to a jackhammer. It's a pretty big deal.


J James Tubbs 09:26
Wow. Well, I've heard some that felt like my head was getting squished in


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:28
At the end of 2023, how many restaurants were there in New York City?


H Heather Hill 09:36
Oh, wow!


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:37
This is a nice piece of -


J James Tubbs 09:39
7425


 Stephen Manning 09:41
15,000


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:41
Higher, Higher.


 Erin Bell 09:42
Whoa!


 James Tubbs 09:43
25,000


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:45
121,170. How does that compare to the tally of restaurants in the year 2000, 23 years earlier?


 Beth Oljar 09:56
it's doubled


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:57
It's doubled. since 2000 That's fascinating to me.


 Dave Chow 10:01
What a culinary delight.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:03
Yes


 Stephen Manning 10:03
What's the latest year? 2023?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:06
2023, it says


 Erin Bell 10:10
After the pandemic.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:10
Yeah, and after 9 - 11


 Dave Chow 10:12
And then think about how many of those are just, you know, I remember like I was in San Diego for Comic Con, people would slip a menu underneath there, and it would look like a legit restaurant menu.


 Dan Maggio 10:20
Does that mean more people are there or people are eating out more?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:22
Both of those things, I would say.


 Dave Chow 10:24
Good food


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:26
As of June 2024, so that's less than a year ago, how many ocean going cruise ships are in operation?


 James Tubbs 10:34
Good grief, too many.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:38
(Laughs) Partial credit.


 James Tubbs 10:39
I would say about 400


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:41
430

 Erin Bell 10:41
What?! (The professors clap) Now, how many on order are actually being built through 2036, in addition to that seagoing 430?

 James Tubbs 10:52
Probably about 300 more.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:54
Oh, okay, it's only says 76 here, but I just had a heart attack. Yeah, says only 76 on order for the moment. How many miles of electric cable will Royal Caribbean's new cruise ship Star Of The Seas ,currently in the final stages of construction at the Meyer Turku Shipyard in Finland, use?

 James Tubbs 11:12
Electrical cable? How many miles of

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:14
How many miles of electrical cable to make this ship?

 Dan Maggio 11:17
1000



J James Tubbs 11:18
No, I'd say about 50,000

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:20
50 is too high. You said two?

D Dan Maggio 11:22
Yeah

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:22
It's a little low. It says 4722. FYI, the approximate distance of the European divide bike trail that goes from Portugal to Norway. (Laughs)

E Erin Bell 11:35
That's a lot of wire.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:36
That's a lot. They're gonna lay it out first to make sure it's the right length, and then they're gonna put it on the ship.

D Dave Chow 11:40
It's gonna be like Joann Fabrics, where they just kind of pull it out yard by yard.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:44
Oh, this is actually a pretty - I bet Jim knows this one. But such ships are fueled by what fuel?

D Dave Chow 11:51
Love

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:55
Oh, it says, this ship in particular, ships of that type, the one that we said -

S Stephen Manning 11:55
These are all cruise ships in general?

H Heather Hill 11:55
(Laughs)

J James Tubbs 12:03
I mean, that's like, bigger than anything else.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:05
Exactly. So it says it's going to be fueled by LNG. Does everybody know what that is?

J James Tubbs 12:09
Liquified natural gas. The ship that I was on, used, um -

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:10
Yes, liquified natural gas.

D Dave Chow 12:15
galley slaves.

J James Tubbs 12:16
No, it used kerosene type fuel. But it also used propane when it was in certain ports, because they wouldn't allow it.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:24
Yeah. Sure. Okay, sure.

B Beth Oljar 12:28



It wasn't a Greek Trireme



James Tubbs 12:32

No, we didn't have any people with oars. (Laughs) I was not volunteering,



Dave Chow 12:37

Jim, it's your turn to row on the right side.



Stephen Manning 12:40

Galley slaves and whips.



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:42

Jim was the guy with the drum. (Heather laughs)



James Tubbs 12:45

Yeah, that was me.



Dave Chow 12:46

Jim could keep a beat



James Tubbs 12:49

A one handed drum and a drink in the other hand.



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:52

By total number of units, what is the world's largest car maker?





James Tubbs 12:53


Units. Toyota.





Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:58


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:58
Toyota.


 Erin Bell 12:59
Okay.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:59
What's the second largest?


 Dave Chow 13:01
Volkswagen?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:01
Volkswagen

 James Tubbs 13:02
Yeah, because of all they own.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:05
I mean, there's a lot of Toyota in the States, that's for dang sure.

 Dave Chow 13:08
And overseas

 James Tubbs 13:09
Way too few

 Erin Bell 13:09
It's probably really low.



M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:09
What percent of Americans say they have confidence that all scientists act in the best public interest? 53 per cent. It's a modest number that does not leave you fully depressed. That's all I will say.

H Heather Hill 13:24
60%

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:26
You're pretty close. It actually says 76.

J James Tubbs 13:28
Oh, good. That's a lot better than I thought.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:31
Oh, no. that was 1845. No, I'm just kidding

J James Tubbs 13:35
At least Trump hasn't ruined that number yet.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:38
How much did investors and vaccine makers make or lose in market value on the Thursday after President elect Trump named RFK Jr as his choice to lead the HHS?

J James Tubbs 13:50
I'd say they lost about 20%

D Dan Maggio 13:53
I'd say 20%

D Dave Chow 13:53

40%

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:53

I mean, that's a good percentage, but we actually have a hard revenue number here. Yes,

D Dave Chow 13:58

Oh,

D Dan Maggio 13:59

Oh

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:00

Yes. They lost \$8 billion so, yeah, that's, uh - Okey doke.

D Dave Chow 14:08

There goes my 401 K

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:10

Who won this year's Booker Prize literary award?

E Erin Bell 14:13

Oh, I should know that.


J James Tubbs 14:15


Oh, I saw a discussion of this on television, but I forgot it.


D Dave Chow 14:18


Sounds like?


J James Tubbs 14:19

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It was only about a month ago,


 Heather Hill 14:19
What's her name?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:20
S, H,


 Stephen Manning 14:21
Samantha Harvey.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:23
Samantha Harvey. What was the name of the novel

 Heather Hill 14:27
You read more than I do. We don't have a chemist


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:29
We don't have a chemist at the table anymore. Otherwise, I'd use a word.

 Heather Hill 14:31
Is it orbital?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:32
It's orbital, yes, where an electron is found. How long is this book?

 Dave Chow 14:36
Can't we just go how heavy the book is?


 Heather Hill 14:40

 Heather Hill 14:42


It's 175 pages.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:43


It's less. It's 136 pages long. Was it the shortest novel to win this prize since its inception in 1969?

 Heather Hill 14:44

Yes.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:52


No. Penelope Fitzgerald's OFFSHORE was 132 pages.

 Erin Bell 14:59

Did you read it? Did either of you read it?

 Stephen Manning 15:01


I just finished it.

 Erin Bell 15:02


Is it worth the read?

 Stephen Manning 15:03


Very much so


 Erin Bell 15:04

Okay.


 Stephen Manning 15:04


Yeah, it's about five astronauts from four different countries who are in a spaceship -


 Heather Hill 15:11
They're orbiting


 Stephen Manning 15:12
and they're orbiting the Earth. And it's very, um -


 Dave Chow 15:16
So, it's kind of like Gilligan's Island in space.


 Stephen Manning 15:18
It's very - it's fascinating. It's really fascinating, how they contemplate what they're doing, and they look down at the earth and, you know, they keep orbiting.


 James Tubbs 15:26
Well, I wonder how the two they got stuck up there for another 10 months think about what they're doing.

 Heather Hill 15:32
Right. Is there a movie star and a professor?

 Dave Chow 15:34
Yeah

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:35
Sings: "and Mary Ann". How many?

 Dave Chow 15:37
(Laughs) I mean, that's what it sounds like.

 James Tubbs 15:39

(Sings) "Here on Gilligan's moon."

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Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:41
How many people in the United States - how would you measure this - have played pickleball sometime in 2024?
- H

Heather Hill 15:49
How many?
- M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:50
How many? So the population the United States is roughly 320 million people
- D

Dan Maggio 15:54
1 million
- E

Erin Bell 15:55
2 million.
- M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:56
It's far greater than either of those numbers.
- E

Erin Bell 16:00
Really?
- J

James Tubbs 16:00
I would say 150 million.
- D

Dan Maggio 16:01
That's unfortunate,

—

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:02
150 is a little high. 50 is the closest. Roughly 40 million people have played pickleball in 2024

E Erin Bell 16:09
We have it at the fitness center.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:11
Yep

D Dave Chow 16:12
And actually, I mean, I've heard that, you know, they're trying to convert old KMarts and you know, like those big retail stores.

H Heather Hill 16:12
Yep. It gets people moving. That's what's important.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:20
Sure.

D Dave Chow 16:21
You know, you don't have to worry about weather. And I've also heard, aren't the people on 11 Mile Road a little miffed because of the noise from it, Matt?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:26
Mm-hm

J James Tubbs 16:27
Yeah, people that live next door to a pickleball court -

S Stephen Manning 16:30
They don't like it.

J James Tubbs 16:30
They're complaining about it.

B Beth Oljar 16:31
All of those old malls and retailers that have gone out of business, should be converted in to homeless shelters

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:36
Or something.

D Dave Chow 16:38
or pickleball

H Heather Hill 16:39
Maybe both.

D Dave Chow 16:40
Yes. Well, in Traverse City, the old Kmart was converted into the curling club.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:44
I know that I'm gonna regret bringing this up, but I may or may not have heard through the grapevine that a member of the AJCU, let's just let our listeners look it up on their own, is seriously considering getting into building an old folks home on campus, where, for the able they are allowed to have jobs on campus and interact with the students. And I'm like, this could be something that could turn into something pretty interesting.

J James Tubbs 17:09
It could. Well, because they live in a state that allows you to do that

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:14
Exactlv. Folks. What state. until recentlv. was for three decades the only one with two female

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D

Dave Chow 17:25

Michigan

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:26

No

D

Dave Chow 17:28

California?

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:29

it's California. Yeah

D

Dave Chow 17:30

Diannne Feinstein and Barbara Boxer?

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:33

Mm-hm. What British post punk band formed in 1976 and with but one constant member just released its 14th studio album. That's a great piece of trivia right there.

D

Dave Chow 17:43

The Clash?


Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:44


No. 65 year old front man, wow.





Erin Bell 17:49


Post punk


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:50
ff I had some lipstick, and I just went, like this.


 Dan Maggio 17:53
Was it - oh, they just interviewed him on Terry Gross's Fresh Air.


 Dave Chow 17:57
Who, Dan?


 Dan Maggio 17:58
It was the New York Dolls.


 Dave Chow 18:00
David Johansen?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:01
No, it's not


 Dan Maggio 18:01
No, it's not Dolls

 Heather Hill 18:03
The Pixies.


 Dave Chow 18:04
81, was it, Matt?


 Dan Maggio 18:04
No, they're Irish


 James Tubbs 18:07
76

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:09
76


 Erin Bell 18:10
oh, 76


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:11
Yes, my entire lifetime.(Laughs)


 Erin Bell 18:13
Yeah,

 Dave Chow 18:14
No, no, no, but we should know this.

 James Tubbs 18:17
but they're just children compared to the Stones.

 Erin Bell 18:20
Right.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:20
It's true. They're going out for another tour this summer. I don't even know how it's possible.

 Dan Maggio 18:25
Did you say they're British or American?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:27
British post punk.

D Dave Chow 18:28
Post punk.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:29
76

D Dave Chow 18:30
I'm thinking The Clash

D Dan Maggio 18:33
Not the Bronski Beat

D Dave Chow 18:34
No, not Jimmy Somerville

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:35
How about I say "whenever I'm alone with you"

E Erin Bell 18:40
Oh, The Cure.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:42
The Cure. Robert Smith. We dressed up for Halloween at Shrine Catholic High School and Academy back in the early 90s, and one of my friends dressed up as Robert Smith, and had the lipstick going across her face. And every teacher "You've got something there"

S Stephen Manning 19:01

(Laughs)

E

Erin Bell 19:01

They just didn't get it.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:02

I know. That was on purpose. What percent of the money spent from 2022 inflation Reduction Act, the landmark climate law that is pouring more than 390 billion in to clean energy technology, has flowed to Republican congressional districts

D

Dave Chow 19:17

Far too much.

J

James Tubbs 19:17

65

H

Heather Hill 19:18

80

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:19

It's 80% on the dot. Wow.

J

James Tubbs 19:23

Well, they probably had more environmental needs.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:25

Yeah, they probably had the need. Who did Quincy Jones persuade to perform the guitar solo on Michael Jackson's hit BEAT IT?

D

Dave Chow 19:33

Eddie Van Halen

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:34
Eddie Van Halen, "who did so extremely reluctantly" it says here, very interesting.

D Dave Chow 19:39
And his son, little Wolfie

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:39
Mm-hm. So my wife's cousin is out in Montana. It's actually not the best story. He's our age and through a clot, actually recently and needed to be helicopter transported to Salt Lake City, because Montana does not have the right doctors. He ends up in this hospital. He's recovering. Mike is doing very, very well. A cautionary tale for all of us, late 40s, early 50 year olds. And his doctor is Dr Anzalone. And he goes, "You know, I grew up in Detroit. We know a guy who plays for the Lions, Alex Anzalone". He's like, "Yeah, he's my brother. And our other brother is also an MD that works in this hospital."

H Heather Hill 19:41
Oh, wow

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:43
All the Anzalones converged on Mike's bed, like, "Hey, can we get his number?"

J James Tubbs 20:23
Does he have long hair too?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:24
That was the joke. "Do they all have the flowing locks?" "No. It was quite sensible and short"

J James Tubbs 20:30
A walking shampoo commercial.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:33

Oh my gosh. Alex Anzalone, that's awesome. I hope he comes back. Please, please.

D Dave Chow 20:38
He's coming back.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:38
Come back. Be healed. Where is the heart - Oh, my - of Frederick Chopin, who died in 1849 at the age of 39?

B Beth Oljar 20:47
Somewhere in Poland

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:49
I'm gonna give you full credit. Yeah, it is pickled in a jar in Warsaw in a church. Sure.

D Dan Maggio 20:56
Do we know why it was pickled?


D Dave Chow 20:56
I was gonna say, I wasn't sure if that thing was part of Jim's last cruise ship.


E Erin Bell 21:00
because Polish people like pickles.


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:03
It's true.


E Erin Bell 21:04
We do.


- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:05
It's a good question, though. Dan, like, they think it's gonna be able to be, like, hooked back up to something, and they'll be really good at piano. Or, you know, I don't know.
- D** Dave Chow 21:12
Is this like Futurama here?
- E** Erin Bell 21:14
Exactly, like -
- D** Dave Chow 21:15
head in a jar
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:18
Oh my gosh.
- H** Heather Hill 21:21
Actually, that would make a good jar to make pickles in. That would be - cucumbers.
- D** Dan Maggio 21:26
And eggs. Pickled eggs.
- H** Heather Hill 21:29
You could pickle eggs. Yeah
- D** Dan Maggio 21:30
Nice display.
- H** Heather Hill 21:32
Do you like pickled eggs?


 Dan Maggio 21:34
Yes,


 Heather Hill 21:34
I do too, actually.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:36
Professors, how long, according to actual, real scientific studies, do crows hold a grudge?


 Dave Chow 21:43
Forever

 James Tubbs 21:44
For life


 Dan Maggio 21:46
Is that Sicilian crows or just regular crows?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:48
Crow mafia? Oh my gosh, that's where we get the word murder from. John Marsloff, a professor at the University of Washington, Go Huskies, estimates that birds remember those who have done them wrong for possibly up to 17 years.


 Heather Hill 22:11
Birds or just crows?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:13
I believe that we are holding the improper noun.


 Beth Olari 22:17


 Dan Maggio 22:17
They have brains the size of, like, walnuts


 James Tubbs 22:19
They've got a lot of filing space for grudges.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:21
If you want to be completely freaked out about this quantity. I don't know if any of you are familiar with, mostly on YouTube, Mark Rober. He's a young guy. He does all sorts of engineering things.


 Dan Maggio 22:32
Yes.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:33
Yeah, he's in the the Lego zone.

 Dan Maggio 22:34
He's the greatest.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:36
He's also a very kind person who donates a lot of the money that he makes. Last fall, for his Halloween special, he came up with a 27-step escape room. They were very simple puzzles, and gave it to a crow, and gave it to like a toddler; and the crow did the whole thing from beginning to end. It needed to be shown once what to do, and then, yeah, he had, he he's cool because he gets inspiration from the things that actually happened to him. He was getting DoorDash.


 Dan Maggio 23:07
He did the glitter -


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:08
He did the glitter bomb, yes


 Dan Maggio 23:09
He did the squirrel Olympics in the yard


 Dave Chow 23:10
Yeah, the squirrel Olympics. that was wonderful.

 Dan Maggio 23:15
And they soundly defeated his tasks


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:17
Uh-huh. For years, he claims he's been ordering DoorDash, and the crows get to the food on his porch before he can even get there to retrieve the food. And he goes, "Oh, I wonder how smart they are". And then designs this -


 Dan Maggio 23:28
I thought you were talking about the porch pirates, because he also did the glitter bombs

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:32
He did the glitter bombs

 Dave Chow 23:33
and the stink ones too

 Dan Maggio 23:35
which is fantastic.

 Beth Oljar 23:37
And the birds, right?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:37

The birds and the birds, absolutely, you might know these birds from the birds. I mean, it's pretty it's kind of trippy

B

Beth Oljar 23:45

I never really got that movie.

H

Heather Hill 23:51

I think that Hitchcock had something up

D

Dave Chow 23:54

Oh, yeah, he did. Would not let her sign a contract.

D

Dan Maggio 23:57

He kept her out of movies. Yeah, Hollywood

D

Dave Chow 24:02

avHollywood

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:02

That's right. One more question.

H

Heather Hill 24:04

Sadistic weird stuff going on.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:06


It is some weird stuff, that is for sure. One more question, profs. What are the NFL teams required to provide at halftime for the visiting team? I think I've heard this before.


D


Dave Chow 24:16


A locker room


 Heather Hill 24:17
Towels


 Erin Bell 24:17
Snacks, nap time


 Dave Chow 24:19
Hugs.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:20
Erin. Gets it. It's three dozen sliced oranges.


 Erin Bell 24:23
Oh, just like soccer


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:26
Absolutely,. Three dozen sliced oranges. I think that. that's awesome.


 Erin Bell 24:30
That's cute. It's just, you know, back to pee wee football.


 Stephen Manning 24:33
It's in the contract.


 Erin Bell 24:33
Do they have to be a certain kind of orange? I wonder, like high quality?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:36
Does it have to be the Cuties?


 Erin Bell 24:38
Yeah.


 Dave Chow 24:39
Halo


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:39
Yep.


 Heather Hill 24:40
Navels straight from -


 Dave Chow 24:41
a navel


 Heather Hill 24:42
Florida.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:43
It feels like the whole - what am I thinking here? Like the kiddie soccer thing, right? Like, you know, whose mom was in charge of bringing the oranges. And I don't mean to be gendered with that. Anybody's parent could bring the oranges, but it's like -


 Beth Oljar 24:43
(Laughs) No,e when you said kiddie soccer, -


 Dave Chow 24:50
Oh, not that kind of kitty soccer.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:50


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:00
Why can't we have a kitty soccer? Not like


 Heather Hill 25:02
Not like puppy bowl.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:03
Oh, Puppybowl. Why are the kittens always the cheerleaders at Puppybowl? I think it's kind of speciesist


 Dave Chow 25:12
because the llizards can't do the dance. Okay. That's true, actually,


 Beth Oljar 25:15
I'm not sure that's actually what speciesist means.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:19
But we watch puppy bowl pretty much every year. I'm just putting that out there. It's pretty entertaining.


 Beth Oljar 25:24
If you aren't made happy by puppies, ike you're lacking a heart or soul.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:29
There's nothing you can do. There's pretty much nothing you can do.


 Heather Hill 25:32
You're an anti dentite.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:35
Well, we can't be an anti dentite at Detroit Mercy, that's for sure. We've got tons of pre dents in our classes. Oh my gosh, yes. All right, profs. I'm so sorry. That's all the time we have for today.


our classes. Oh my gosh, yes. All right, probs, I'm so sorry. That's all the time we have for today, and the time has come to say goodbye. Heather,


 Heather Hill 25:50
bye.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:50
Stephen,


 Stephen Manning 25:51
Goodbye.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:52
Erin,

 Erin Bell 25:52
Good evening.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:53
Dave

 Dave Chow 25:53
See ya

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:54
Dan

 Dan Maggio 25:55
Goodbye,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:55



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:55

and Beth,



Beth Oljar 25:56

Goodbye. And now these words,



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