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SPEAKERS

Stephen Manning, Heather Hill, James Tubbs, Dan Maggio, Beth Oljar, Matt Mio, Ph.D., Announcer, Dave Chow, Danielle Maxwell

B Beth Oljar 00:00
That's right, just in case Dan gets snarky or something.

M 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 from the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, it's Professor Danielle Maxwell.

D Danielle Maxwell 00:21
It's good to be here.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:22
You have been awake for a very long time.

D Danielle Maxwell 00:26
I have been. Yes. Taylor's new album came out at midnight, so we had to do a midnight listening session, and then my husband had to go to the airport, so we had to wake up at 4am so I got three hours of sleep, so I did take a 20 minute nap in my office today.

H Heather Hill 00:39
You want some coffee.

D Danielle Maxwell 00:40
I have had no coffee today.

D Dave Chow 00:43
Welcome to the vampire club

B Beth Oljar 00:44
Thank you.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:45
Wow. I do not know how that's going.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:45
Oh, and I should be really careful, listeners. It is the tool, not the drink that is on the benchtop here.

D Danielle Maxwell 00:47
It's that youthful glow from Taylor Swift.

H Heather Hill 00:49
You're on a Taylor high.

D Danielle Maxwell 00:51
I'm on a Taylor high

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:53
Professor Beth Oljar is here from the Department of Philosophy, and we found the screwdriver on the floor under the chair. Otherwise, it looks like you're prepared with, like, a cellphone and and a screwdriver.

D Dave Chow 00:53
Dan

B Beth Oljar 01:16
That would be better. But speaking, I mean, Drew and I have been completely decaffeinated now for several weeks.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:23
Wow, that's great.

B Beth Oljar 01:25
He has to do it for surgery, and I'm being the supportive spouse.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:30
Oh, aren't you nice?

B Beth Oljar 01:31
Well, I don't want to have two coffee makers. That's too much.

H Heather Hill 01:35
Screw it. Do it.

D Dave Chow 01:36
Is that haiku?

H Heather Hill 01:40
I say no

B Beth Oljar 01:40
It's better for my heart, anyway. So no, we're drinking decaf, and I guess I'm just kind of mentally tricking myself. But it hasn't - other than the headaches, the caffeine deprivation headaches, it hasn't been too bad.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:56
Okay

B Beth Oljar 01:57
We went to half caffeine first.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:58
Okay,

 Stephen Manning 01:59
I prefer more jittery you, quite frankly.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:01
Oh, my gosh.

 Beth Oljar 02:04
There are many, many things that can make me jittery.

 Stephen Manning 02:07
You're a little bit too subdued, and I don't like it.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:09
Professor Dan Maggio is here from the FIRST organization. We haven't seen you in a couple weeks. How's the northern part of the Lower Peninsula?

 Dan Maggio 02:19
So I didn't go up north yet.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:21
Oh,

 Dan Maggio 02:22
I am going up in a couple weeks. I was in Pennsylvania with family and friends. Then I was in Stratford, Ontario,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:31
Always nice.

 James Tubbs 02:31
What did you see?

 Dan Maggio 02:32
for some culture. I saw Dangerous Liaisons, Annie, and Dirty, Rotten Scoundrels, which apparently they can make into a musical?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:41
Yes

 Dave Chow 02:41
They can make anything in to a musical

 Dan Maggio 02:42
And Ransacking Troy

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:46
Wow,

 Dan Maggio 02:47
which was good. Actually, Annie was the best.

 Beth Oljar 02:50
No Shakespeare? Was there not -.

 Dan Maggio 02:52
They stayed through - My friends stayed through Sunday. I did not. They saw As You Like It.

 Heather Hill 02:57
Could we make Ask the Professor into a musical?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:00
We probably could.

 Dave Chow 03:01
I don't see why not.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:02
Anything can be turned to do a musical now that we have Back to the Future,

 James Tubbs 03:02
He has attempted to sing.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:07
I mean, there's been a few times

 Danielle Maxwell 03:09
You got your tickets yet?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:09
I don't have my tickets yet,

 Beth Oljar 03:10
He was writing the score for sure.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:11
Oh, 100%

 Beth Oljar 03:11
Yeah,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:13
100% but so yeah,

 Dan Maggio 03:17
Some things lend themselves to musicals. Some things do not

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:21
There was a really good riff on this, even though it was a few years ago in the short lived streaming series for Hawkeye, as in the superhero in the Marvel Universe. They turned the Avengers into a musical from within the show,

B Beth Oljar 03:37
because Jeremy Renner can sing,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:39
Yeah, and he goes to it, and he's like, hiding his face the whole time because it's so bad. You should at least look it up on YouTube, Dan . It will make you laugh very hard. "If Captain America was a musical" like, overdone, what would it look like? You know,

B Beth Oljar 03:50
He sounds like more of a boy band singer, though. He has a nice voice,

B Beth Oljar 03:55
it's not that. It just was not what I would expect from Jeremy Renner,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:57
He has a nice voice

H Heather Hill 03:59
Maybe we should request some questions about musicals

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:02
I think that that sounds like a fine idea, especially musicals that are more recent editions to the mix.

J James Tubbs 04:08
Oh, no.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:11
Professor Jim Tubbs is here from Religious Studies, and I think that we just found out that you prefer some of the older materials

 Dave Chow 04:19
The classics

 James Tubbs 04:19
Well, yeah. Ones that I can remember,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:21
I(Laughs) I just don't understand -

 James Tubbs 04:25
I haven't been able to get to New York as much lately

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:27
Exactly, exactly,

 James Tubbs 04:28
I still belong to the TDF, but I just haven't been able to get to New York lately.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:32
Sure.

B Beth Oljar 04:32
Oh, Funny Girl is the best one ever. So

D Dave Chow 04:35
You just want to relive your Diana Rigg days, that's all.

J James Tubbs 04:37
Oh yeah. That was good.

S Stephen Manning 04:39
Phantom Of The Opera is coming

D Danielle Maxwell 04:43
In February. Yes,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:44
That's been around.

B Beth Oljar 04:45
Is Barbra Streisand in? It? Probably not. So who cares? Just saying

H Heather Hill 04:51
And jittery Beth is coming out,

J James Tubbs 04:53
I kind of like to see the one that Jonathan Groff is is doing now

D Danielle Maxwell 04:53
Oh my gosh, yes

J James Tubbs 04:55
I think that would be good.

B Beth Oljar 05:00
He's so good as King George, the third in Hamilton.

D Dan Maggio 05:03
Yes.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:03
And I wish that I could tell you it would be, you know, a lot - how many people have said you have to drop everything you're doing and go see Hadestown as, like, the, you know, inheritance of Hamilton

D Danielle Maxwell 05:15
yes,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:15
like, keep good new musicals going forward. So - I haven't had a chance to see it yet

 James Tubbs 05:19
Well, you know, they're struggling - They're not making money.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:23
Right

 James Tubbs 05:23
the musicals right now on Broadway, they're struggling for that. I mean, they're charging a lot for the tickets, but it's not covering all their expenses. It's fone up and up and up,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:32
That's right?

 Stephen Manning 05:32
Yeah

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:32
All right, let's try this out. Professor Dave Chow,

 Dave Chow 05:36
Pleasure to be here

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:37
Department of Berkeley

 Dave Chow 05:38
As always.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:40
What was the last musical that you went to go see?

 Dave Chow 05:43
Oh, good lord.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:45
Was it a Viking theme seven-year-old's birthday party?

 Dave Chow 05:47
It might have been - I was joking Dan about Spamalot. That might have been it.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:53
Oh, well, that's great. Even Mighty Python can be turned in to a musical

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:55
Absolutely.

 Dave Chow 05:55
Yea see

 Dave Chow 05:58
Spamalot at the Fisher if I remember right

 James Tubbs 06:01
I loved Kinky Boots when it was here.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:01
Well see there's another one that's really good. Yeah. So you have a taste for the modern stuff.
I mean, come on,

 Dave Chow 06:08
usually quirky, that's all.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:10
Yeah. So Dan, just to quickly update you and any listener that may have missed that episode so far, we asked Dave about what he was doing before our last recording, and he said that he was at a seven year old's birthday party, and he said it was themed. We're like, "Oh, what was the theme?" He goes "Vikings, I'm pretty sure". And we're all like, "Wow. Like, of all the things, Spider Man, superheroes, you know, video game like, Vikings" "Oh, I'm sorry. I meant How to Train Your Dragon

 Danielle Maxwell 06:39
Not the Minnesota Vikings

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:40
not like general Vikings

 Beth Oljar 06:42
Well, there's a show, the TV show Vikings, which is pretty

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:47
which is really good. Yeah, it's pretty good.

 James Tubbs 06:49
White violence.

 Dave Chow 06:50
You got to admit when you walk into a backyard and you see, like, 10-20 kids with shields and swords -

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:03
I know. The theme is Vikings.

 Dave Chow 07:04
and I want to set them and drift on fire and push them in to the lake.

 Dan Maggio 07:07
Did they have a dragon there?

 Dan Maggio 07:12
Not even Toothless, Toothless is the star of the movie.

 Dave Chow 07:12
They probably had one, but I didn't see it.

 Dave Chow 07:12
No, they did not

 James Tubbs 07:12
They were imagining that

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:12
Unbelievable.

 Danielle Maxwell 07:12
They had the band. Imagine Dragons.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:13
Oh, there you go.

 Danielle Maxwell 07:15
Yeah,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:15
Continuing around the table, spicy as his shirt, It's professor Stephen Manning from the Department of being retired.

 Stephen Manning 07:21
Good afternoon.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:23
Yeah, good afternoon. Think I already asked you, when we were at that last taping, you know, what was the theme of your seven year old birthday party? And whatever. It didn't go as comedically for everybody when I asked as I was envisioning.

 Stephen Manning 07:35
You know, we didn't have birthday parties. We didn't have, like, graduation from the fourth grade parties. You know, grandma sent us a pair of socks she knitted, and that was pretty much it,

 Dave Chow 07:50
and you were thankful for it

 Danielle Maxwell 07:51
you didn't, like, hang out with friends around your birthday. Like,

 Dave Chow 07:54
Yes,

 James Tubbs 07:55
then you read a chapter from Dickens to make you feel a little better.

 Dave Chow 07:58
Performed a chapter from Dickens.

 Heather Hill 08:00
This is the world's tiniest violin.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:03
Oh no,

 Stephen Manning 08:04
in my family, my mother was two days older than my dad, and my younger brother was on one of their two birthdays, which were on July 3 and July 5.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:15
Oh my gosh

 Stephen Manning 08:16
So July 4 weekend was like a big party day thing and fireworks and stuff. But I was born in September, so-

 Danielle Maxwell 08:24
there was no celebration for you.

 James Tubbs 08:25
You were the let down.

 Stephen Manning 08:26
I just don't remember ever getting - I can't tell you a simple thing -

 Dave Chow 08:31
Fire.

 Stephen Manning 08:31
I can't tell you a single birthday present I remember getting.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:35
Oh,

 Stephen Manning 08:36
I probably did,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:37
right

 Stephen Manning 08:37
It was, it was kind of low key. And I think for my -

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:40
well, your retirement party made up for all of it

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:42
Right? That is exactly right, absolutely.

 Stephen Manning 08:45
Thank you.

 Heather Hill 08:46
You're welcome

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:47
Those, of course, being the dulcet tones of Professor Heather Hill from the Department of English.

 Heather Hill 08:52
Hi,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:53
hi. How are you? That was a very nice party.

 Heather Hill 08:55
Yeah, it was,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:57
it made up for all the

 Heather Hill 08:59
and it was a surprise party.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:00
Yes, surprise parties are tough.

 Beth Oljar 09:04
It almost wasn't.

 Heather Hill 09:07
That's right, yeah. Um, I got a covid shot yesterday.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:10
And how you doing?

 Heather Hill 09:12
I took a two and a half hour nap today. It really knocked me,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:15
Absolutley

 Heather Hill 09:16
I don't, I tried -

 Dave Chow 09:17
You made up for the sleep that Danielle didn't get.

H Heather Hill 09:18
Yeah, that's right. I mean, I tried, what? A few weeks ago I tried to get, I got the flu, and they wouldn't give me the covid because, you know -

B Beth Oljar 09:26
she's young and healthy.

H Heather Hill 09:27
But now apparently, I'm -

B Beth Oljar 09:30
You've aged enough?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:33
And quite frankly -

J James Tubbs 09:36
you gave them affidavits of decrepitude?

H Heather Hill 09:38
yeah, exactly,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:39
Heather don't forget your pneumococcal pneumonia, because that's 50 plus going forward too,

 Heather Hill 09:45
Really?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:46
have it with pneumonia

 Beth Oljar 09:47
You can get five vaccine shots,

 Heather Hill 09:49
wait a minute, you're saying I'm 50 plus,Is that what you suggesting?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:54
I had remembered recently that you said that you were slightly older than I was by a few seconds.

 Danielle Maxwell 10:00
By a few seconds.

 Stephen Manning 10:01
That's not the same as the RSV,

 Danielle Maxwell 10:03
nope,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:04
nope. Pneumococcal pneumonia, they're recommending for anyone older than 50 now,

 Beth Oljar 10:10
I got flu, Covid, RSV, shingles, pneumonia, first, shingles.

 Heather Hill 10:15
So I guess we need to get our RSV and our -

 Stephen Manning 10:19
I sent the thing to my doctor about the RSV, and you know, since he's already spent half of the 20 minutes a year he's allotted to see me, he has not returned my call.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:32
Oh, my,

 Danielle Maxwell 10:33
You're not selling getting older, any of you.

 Beth Oljar 10:36
not that he's bitter.

 Dan Maggio 10:37
He's not exaggerating.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:38
Not at all.

 James Tubbs 10:38
My doctor spends a lot of time with me

 Heather Hill 10:40
What is the actual purpose here?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:42
So, yeah, you know, this is a program where you can send us questions regarding anything, including made up studies about the connection between drugs and all sorts of diseases. If you stump the panel, you win a prize. If you don't stump, oh, wait, if you stump the panel, you can win the new edition of the ask the professor, coffee mug and autograph photograph. If you don't stop the panel, we'll send you the autograph photograph. You can send the questions in a number of ways. You can email us at ATP@UDMercy.edu, find us on Facebook and Instagram, or listen on your favorite smart speaker by asking it to play Ask The Professor at University of Detroit Mercy. We have a secret set of questions sent in. They're so secret -

 Danielle Maxwell 11:20
Secret ?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:21
that I can't even read them. That's it. It's over. No, I can read them.

 Heather Hill 11:24
We all win.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:25
I just can't tell you who they're from.

 Beth Oljar 11:26
So he's gonna sit there and read to himself

 James Tubbs 11:28
Ooh, they're from a secret source,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:30
Secret source. "Professors, as we rapidly approach the Halloween season - (frankly, I feel like we've been there) I thought a 15 question set of ghostly teasers was in order. Have fun. And of course, boo"

 Stephen Manning 11:45
That's so cute,

 Dave Chow 11:47
Adorable,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:48
Which Saturday Night Live characters popularity earned him an animated Halloween special in 2017

 Dave Chow 11:56
not David S pumpkins.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:58
David S pumpkins, yes, absolutely. David S, pumpkins,

 Dave Chow 12:02
how do I remember that?

 Stephen Manning 12:03
Love they put the middle initial in there.

 Dave Chow 12:05
Have to

 Danielle Maxwell 12:06
You share the name with David.

 Dave Chow 12:07
Pardon

 Danielle Maxwell 12:07
you share the name.

 Dave Chow 12:08
I do

 Danielle Maxwell 12:08
pumpkins. That's how you know it.

 Danielle Maxwell 12:08
Well, it was like, on Glee, Brit it was Britney s,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:14
oh, yeah,

 Beth Oljar 12:15
Pierce,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:16
Oh, that's true.

 Dave Chow 12:16
Like Harry trumen

 Beth Oljar 12:18
You said it fast, it was like Britney Spears, that's how, yeah,

 Danielle Maxwell 12:26
I put that together

- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:28
I remember Glee inspired a heck ton of Halloween costumes one year because somebody on the show had shoved a giant knife into a box of cereal, making them a serial killer. And like, we had lots of kids that year that had knives in
- D** Dave Chow 12:42
so original
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:43
cereal boxes.
- B** Beth Oljar 12:44
Such a great
- D** Danielle Maxwell 12:44
my brother dressed up as that. Yeah,
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:46
there you go. Who performed the 1962 single Monster Mash. It's been remade many times,
- H** Heather Hill 12:57
if we sing it
- D** Dave Chow 12:58
not sheb wooly.

 Stephen Manning 13:00
You want some you need some you need some coffee to get your brain.

 Dave Chow 13:06
Who is it? Allen? Something,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:06
no Allens

 Heather Hill 13:07
something in the something's

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:08
that it was a something in the something's era.

 Dave Chow 13:11
Okay,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:11
so that's that.

 Dave Chow 13:12
My question mark of the mysterians,

 Stephen Manning 13:14
Just what I was thinking off

 James Tubbs 13:16
One hit

 Dave Chow 13:17
I know one hit wonder.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:19
Oh, question mark of the mysterious that guy grew up in Royal Oak. It's, I'm surprised. So it's a riff on a classic character actor from movies before that time,

 Dave Chow 13:37
Peter Laurie Boris Karloff.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:38
Boris Karloff, so is Bobby Boris Pickett and the blanks who perform

 Dave Chow 13:44
And the fences.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:45
No, the band is actually mentioned in the song

 Heather Hill 13:49
And the mashes and the pumpkins and the

 Danielle Maxwell 13:52
graveyard,

 James Tubbs 13:54
that's good, though,

 Dave Chow 13:55
tombstones,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:56
I mean, tombstones is

 Heather Hill 13:57
close, and the headstones,

 Dave Chow 14:00
they were referred to as the crypt kickers. The crypt kickers.

 Danielle Maxwell 14:04
Don't remember that line in there, but okay,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:06
yes, his vocal group was the crypt kicker five.

 Dan Maggio 14:12
Were they a one hit wonder? Do you think

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:14
I would say that we never heard from them ever again?

 Dave Chow 14:16
I don't see Daniel staying up late waiting for that song.

 Danielle Maxwell 14:16
I'm not waiting for them.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:16
That's literally how -

 Danielle Maxwell 14:20
That's the metric. That's the bar.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:22
That's how the song starts. I was working in the lab.

 Heather Hill 14:29
There you go.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:30
You have a lab.

 Danielle Maxwell 14:31
That's not a lab

 Stephen Manning 14:31
That's a good voice, that's a good voice.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:33
That's my Boris Karloff, which of these is not a real place? Halloween Town, Oregon

 Danielle Maxwell 14:40
That exists.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:41
Pumpkin center, Indiana, Frankenstein, Missouri. Tombstone, Arizona.

 Heather Hill 14:46
Frankenstein, Missouri,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:48
Whoa and that was like, I'm afraid that you're all incorrect. Halloweentown Oregon does not exist. Every one of the other ones does. Certainly. Tombstone. Own Arizona, certainly. Yeah,

 Dan Maggio 15:01
you're voted off.

 Danielle Maxwell 15:01
I'm voted off the island. I thought that's why they recorded Halloween Town.

 Heather Hill 15:01
I like Halloweentown It's such a good movie.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:01
Oh my god,

 Heather Hill 15:01
There were two of them. Weren't there?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:01
There's several.

 Stephen Manning 15:01
Oh, so your neck of the woods

B Beth Oljar 15:10
Yes.

S Stephen Manning 15:10
You know where it is in Oregon.

B Beth Oljar 15:13
Well, since it doesn't exist, I do not, in fact,

S Stephen Manning 15:16
a trick question,

B Beth Oljar 15:18
but I know where to get the good pumpkins. We used to go to Saudi's Island.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:21
Heck yeah.

H Heather Hill 15:21
Pumpkin Heck yeah.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:23
Which of these films wasn't directed? I'll tell you what. We'll do. The affirmative positive here. Each of the following films was directed by Tim Burton, except one, which is the exception, Frank and weenie betel juice, Coraline, Edward Scissorhands.

 Dave Chow 15:40
Coraline

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:41
Coraline, yes, that was different. That's exactly correct.

 Heather Hill 15:44
Coraline is kind of creepy,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:46
super creepy

 Heather Hill 15:47
I remember taking Olivia to that Coraline, she's directed by him, I guess.

 Heather Hill 15:50
No,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:51
no, No

 Danielle Maxwell 15:51
someone else,

D Dave Chow 15:52
but not the people that did the sewing were from

D Dave Chow 15:55
CCS.

D Danielle Maxwell 15:56
The button eyes are the worst,

H Heather Hill 15:57
right? Coraline is, yeah, yeah. It's creepy.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:01
Plus Coraline, I would say, is sort of like, if you could make a connection to South Park, it's actually animation based on what it would be if they had done the three dimensional animation. So it's like animated to look like it's little puppets and stuff, but it's not actually little puppets like Nightmare Before Christmas. Kind of weird. The epic music video for Michael Jackson's Thriller was directed by the filmmaker who also helmed what epic movie from the ladies?

D Dave Chow 16:29
John landus

B Beth Oljar 16:29
Yeah, It was John Landus

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:31
directed

 Dave Chow 16:31
What did he was a platoon?

 Beth Oljar 16:32
American erewolf in London.

 Dan Maggio 16:34
No. Ghost No, no.

 Dave Chow 16:36
Shoot,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:37
not Ghostbusters.

 Dave Chow 16:38
Deer Hunter is what like Apocalypse Now, John, what did he I know

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:43
I've got a great clue for you.

D Dave Chow 16:47
What else did he?

B Beth Oljar 16:48
No, he didn't do Animal House,

D Dave Chow 16:50
twilight zone, where he killed somebody.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:53
Two guys just walked in. The first Blues Brother asked for a fried chicken, and the other one asked for white bread with nothing on it. It's the Blues Brothers. Yeah, you got it.

B Beth Oljar 17:04
You should have said we're getting the band back together.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:06
We're getting the band back together. Murphy, oh, that's so good.

B Beth Oljar 17:11
We're on a mission from God, just like Socrates,

D Dave Chow 17:16
which stage production is based on the infamous Salem Witch Trials.

 Heather Hill 17:21
The curcible

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:22
The crucible

 Heather Hill 17:23
Arthur Miller,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:23
yes,

 Danielle Maxwell 17:24
it's a good book,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:25
Absolutely. Giles Corey and the puppet, which 1932 film is regarded as the first feature length zombie movie. I bet Dave knows this one.

 Dave Chow 17:36
Dasperatto

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:37
No, that's not what it says. I can give you the hint that it has the word zombie in the title.
Always helpful.

 James Tubbs 17:44
I'm married a zombie,

 Danielle Maxwell 17:46
like zombie NATO.

 Dave Chow 17:47
I taught zombies.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:48
That's pretty good

 Beth Oljar 17:49
I was gonna say Frankenstein,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:50
but no, because 32 would been like before 50 schlock. So it was a little more serious that that makes any sense.

 Beth Oljar 17:57
Oh,

 Dave Chow 17:58
March up

 Danielle Maxwell 17:59
zombie takeover.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:01
The film was called White Zombie is what it was called. It's a beginning sort of classic

 Heather Hill 18:06
of Alex, but it was an allegory for the time period

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:09
exactly,

 Heather Hill 18:11
just like the crucible was

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:11
exactly

 Heather Hill 18:12
McCarthy, the zombie creator.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:17
Who knows what plays will come out of this era. I mean,

 Beth Oljar 18:20
Exactly

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:21
According to a 2021, survey, what percentage of Americans say they believe in ghosts?

 Beth Oljar 18:27
It's ridiculous.

 Dan Maggio 18:28
27%

 James Tubbs 18:30
84%

 Dan Maggio 18:31
82%

 Heather Hill 18:32
80

 Danielle Maxwell 18:32
72

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:33

I mean, I'm going towards Beth. And she didn't even say a number, a ridiculous number, at least partial credit. It's 41% and pretty much anything over something else is probably not right. So,

B

Beth Oljar 18:46

so 80 would be ridiculous. Ridiculous. Ridiculous.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:49

I mean, 41 is still pretty ridiculous,

B

Beth Oljar 18:52

Ridiculous.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:53

What I decided to ask AI today, somebody said that there's gosh, I gotta remember this based on the number of people who have a certain level of wealth in the world that's bordering on the trillions, like how much is owned by essentially only 10 people, and it's 42 trillion. So just off the top of my head, I go work for me, AI, how much money wealth exists on earth right now, and it's only 450 trillion, just to give you

D

Dave Chow 19:18

only?

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Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:19

it's all the money of everybody everywhere, and 42 trillion of it is owned by only 10 people in the United States,

 Stephen Manning 19:31
10%

 Beth Oljar 19:31
2% of our population owns 90% of the wealth.

 Dave Chow 19:35
Now does that also take into consideration crypto? I

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:38
Good question.

 Dave Chow 19:39
Or is that just, just saying, I'd never asked anybody before how much money there exists.

 James Tubbs 19:44
That's a paper representation of air.

 Dave Chow 19:46
We've had this one before, and it's very, very always leads to funny commentary. What was the original name for what we call candy corn? Do you remember?

 James Tubbs 19:54
Oh, chicken feed.

 Dave Chow 19:55
Chicken feed is what it was called. Yes. I mean, it makes sense. They like to eat corn kernals

 Heather Hill 20:00
I don't think Olivia's gonna make a chicken feed sweater.

 Danielle Maxwell 20:03
No, I don't think that would sell very well.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:06
What Frank Sinatra song served as the inspiration for the name of the dog and the very famous cartoon Scooby Doo?

 Danielle Maxwell 20:15
There's a song called Scooby Doo?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:19
What Frank Sinatra song served as the inspiration for the name of the cartoon dog named Scooby Doo he says, Scooby Dooby Doo in the song, exactly you're singing it. You're literally singing the song.

 Dan Maggio 20:32
Strangers in the night,

 Dave Chow 20:33
strangers in the- thank you.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:35
Exactly,

 Danielle Maxwell 20:37
I only know one Scooby Doo song, and that is the theme song,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:39
Which is a pretty good song, by the way,

 Danielle Maxwell 20:42
that's the only one I know,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:44
totally acid rock,

 Beth Oljar 20:46
Who's pesky kids

 Beth Oljar 20:47
that's right,

 Dave Chow 20:47
if it wasn't for the meddling,

D Dave Chow 20:48
Meddling kids,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:50
what is the name of the hot dog eating green ghost who attacks Bill Murray in the originalc Ghostbusters?

H Heather Hill 20:55
Oh, what is that called? What is he called? What is he called?

B Beth Oljar 20:59
Slimer?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:00
Slimer is his name. That's exactly

D Dave Chow 21:02
wha't Casper. So I mean,

B Beth Oljar 21:04
he slimy. I feel so funky.

H Heather Hill 21:08
Movie Assistant,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:10
So great.

 Beth Oljar 21:10
But the best part of that scene is when Dan Akron has the cigarette in his mouth, and then his mouth drops open and the cigarette sticking to his lip,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:18
The dumbest stuff

 Heather Hill 21:19
Well, and the opening is all about them losing their funding University. They're teaching at right?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:25
Dr bankman, your methods are specious.

 Beth Oljar 21:29
I've worked in the private sector. They expect results.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:33
Please tell me you've seen the original ghoastbusters

 Danielle Maxwell 21:36
I have not I'm so sorry



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:38

That is that's on the list for this month. Come on, it's spooky month. You got to watch



James Tubbs 21:43

Stream it tonight.



Heather Hill 21:43

You do not need to see the other one.



Danielle Maxwell 21:43

Just the first one? I have a list of movies that are coming from the show. So here it is.



Beth Oljar 21:50

I saw that in a theater when it came out. My brother and I,



Danielle Maxwell 21:52

I know the outfits look like they're like the brown plumbers.



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:55

That's right. The symbol of Dia de los Muertos, the Day of the Dead is a female skeleton a very fancy hat. Who has what name? I have a cup with her on it at home.



Heather Hill 22:06

Lola,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:07
nope.

 James Tubbs 22:08
Rosa,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:09
no. I'm trying to think of someone we know around here who has the same name, but I can't, unfortunately, think about her nickname is La Katrina. She's like the leader of the Day of the Dead, if that makes any sense. But she dresses very fabulously. Name three famous residents of the pier la chaise cemetery in Paris, the most visited cemetery in the world,

 James Tubbs 22:31
Chopin, Jim morison, novel art and heloise, a number of them, Oscar Wilde, a great crib

 Beth Oljar 22:41
Hendricks isn't buried there. I don't think he's buried in Washington.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:44
Yes, yeah. So we've got Morrison and wild but I was looking for one more the the little bird of Paris,

 Heather Hill 22:50
Edith, Piaf,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:52
yes. Famous singer

 James Tubbs 22:54
Chopin has a nice grave there.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:56
Nice you've been there.

 James Tubbs 22:58
Oh, yeah.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:58
Oh, wow, that's cool.

 James Tubbs 23:00
Jim Morrison's grave is just, it's just covered with offerings cigarettes and little bottles of booze and joints that people leave around the it used to have a bust of his head, but it got broken off so many times. It just left it all

 Beth Oljar 23:14
Still Not quite sure where people got the idea he was a poet.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:18
I mean, he wrote some lyrics, yeah,

 Beth Oljar 23:20
but that's not, -

 Dave Chow 23:21
doesn't necessarily say he was a good poet.

 Beth Oljar 23:23
To get poet status, you need to be you know, Bob Dylan, Johnny Mitchell,

 Danielle Maxwell 23:28
Taylor Swift,

 Beth Oljar 23:29
yeah.

 James Tubbs 23:31
I think if you take enough drugs, you will be poetically moved by what he wrote.

 Danielle Maxwell 23:37
She wrote an album called the tortured poet society.

 Beth Oljar 23:40
I used to say in graduate school, yes, but he wasn't a very good poet.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:43
Oh, well, okay, anybody can be a poet, that's,

D Dave Chow 23:43
I mean, anybody can be an artist.

B Beth Oljar 23:46
We're great because of Ray men's Eric, although he had a decent voice.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:52
Well, I'm glad you brought up the having been at Morrison's grave, because I just relatively recently, in the last couple years, realized that for the people who care about these sorts of things, like Morrison's grave is always covered by stuff. But there's another there's an American in America, buried in America, whose grave is also always covered with stuff. And it's Edgar Allan Poe's. And I understand that there's a whole bunch of Baltimore Ravens fans that go to his grave marker before every game and then march over to see the Ravens play. I just thought I was like, oh, that's actually kind of cool.

B Beth Oljar 24:25
Actually, my viewing plan for tonight is the Raven. But I also have outside of my downstairs bathroom picture of poet says I'm just a PO boy nobody loves me.

J James Tubbs 24:38
When I was in grad school, I lived on the west range colonnade, and right I was right down the row from the room that Edgar Allan Poe lived in when he was a student there.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:49
Yeah, I still find his life very interesting. And his writing was, you remember,

D Dave Chow 24:53
Matt you remember that was one of my greatest High School stunts,

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Dave Chow 24:56

Absolutely, I remember. We'll tell everybody, oh, um. English teacher was going to play Basil Rathbone Reading was, I think, the Raven or No, one of those. And I just happened to be working the radio station that morning I came into the class, and the teacher got called on the hallway, and I swapped out the record for vanity sixes. Nasty girl waiting for him to drop takes one look he was going to drop the tone arm down, and I was gonna be a hero, but, but didn't happen.

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Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:25

Oh,

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Dave Chow 25:25

everybody else in the class was cracking up. Couldn't believe I had the gall to do that. That's all, I think that's and I was the only one with a straight face, and he knew it was me.

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Stephen Manning 25:33

So how long is the suspension?

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Dave Chow 25:35

No, he let me slide. Okay. I was okay.

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Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:38

Professors, each of these is the name of a bone in the human skeleton, except one. Which is the exception. Is it radius,

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Dave Chow 25:45

no.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:46
Humerus.

 Danielle Maxwell 25:47
That's good

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:47
Sirius

 Dave Chow 25:48
yep,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:48
Sirius.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:49
Toxics,

 Danielle Maxwell 25:50
Serious.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:50
Yes. Do not.

 Danielle Maxwell 25:52
Thank you, Father Albright,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:53
right. Do not crack your coccyx. That hurts.

 James Tubbs 25:56
No, that hurts bad.

 Beth Oljar 25:57
Any disc injury in that absence,

 Danielle Maxwell 26:00
Any spine injury noo

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:02
And this is great. This actually makes me feel very, very good as an X or because we, sort of, you know, carry the trick or treat bag, as so to speak, in 2025 which organization will celebrate 75 years of its trick or treat program,

 Danielle Maxwell 26:17
UNICEF

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:17
raising \$200 million for humanitarian aid? UNICEF, absolutely

B Beth Oljar 26:21
Do they still get the we got the little orange box.

J James Tubbs 26:25
They gave that up, I think about 15 years ago.

D Danielle Maxwell 26:28
I did it when I was a kid.

J James Tubbs 26:29
Oh, I did it too.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:30
Yeah, yeah, yeah. The last couple years on, this is not a joke. The kids will have something clipped to their bag with a QR code on it.

D Danielle Maxwell 26:37
A QR code?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:38
You just take the picture and you can donate from there.

D Danielle Maxwell 26:39
Stop

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:39
No, that's the way to do it, because then you don't need to carry the money around.

 Danielle Maxwell 26:40
Venmo Cashapp

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:40
Listen to this one.

 Beth Oljar 26:40
I liked my little orange box

 Danielle Maxwell 26:40
The little orange box was cute

 Beth Oljar 26:43
I can always raid my dad's changed. Or -

 James Tubbs 26:57
the problem is, your parents had to have a bowl of candy and a bowl of money. You know,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:01
yes, absolutely,

 Danielle Maxwell 27:03
That's fine.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:04
Absolutely,

 Heather Hill 27:04
something on Facebook where somebody is suggesting giving out milk weed seeds for butterfly,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:13
Butterfly I don't think that's a bad idea. At minimum, usually -

 Stephen Manning 27:16
You got any Butterfingers?

 Dave Chow 27:18
Butterfly, Butterfingers

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:20
Dave was pledging last year to our neighborhood, "I think I'm gonna give out, like, corn chowder".

 Dave Chow 27:25
I always give out corn chowder. "Here's some crackers".

B Beth Oljar 27:30
I don't understand the like giving apples.

D Danielle Maxwell 27:32
Ask what he gives,

B Beth Oljar 27:33
give him candy and give him the goods.

D Dave Chow 27:36
Matt remember,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:37
Second year I'll give out hot dogs this year, not to the kids. I have candy for the kids, but I give hot dogs to everybody

D Dave Chow 27:44
we got talked to the other neighbors. I was gonna do fried rice. You're gonna do hot dogs. We're gonna see what the kids are gonna do.

J James Tubbs 27:49
Now I know where I'm going on Halloween.

D Dan Maggio 27:49
Oh my, a big Ghost coming by. That's probably me

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:49
Cool.

 James Tubbs 27:49
A hungry ghost. A hungry ghost,

 Dave Chow 27:50
Matt, why is it that ghost walking around with Tupperware.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:01
I always thought that you were gonna have this little Ziploc bag, like, why do we have a Ziploc bag full of corn chowder? Oh my gosh, Professors, I'm so sorry, but the time has come to say goodbye. Heather,

 Heather Hill 28:16
bye.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:16
Steven,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:17
Dave

 Stephen Manning 28:17
goodbye.

 Dave Chow 28:18
See ya.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:18
Jim,

 James Tubbs 28:18
farewell.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:19
Dan,

 Dan Maggio 28:20
goodbye.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:20
Beth

 Beth Oljar 28:21
Bye

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:21
Danielle

 Danielle Maxwell 28:22
Adios,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:22
And now these words,

 Announcer 28:24
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 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:34
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