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## SPEAKERS

Announcer, Tom Stanton, Jeffe Boats, Roy Finkenbine, Dan Maggio, Gregory Sumner, Kathy Bush, Production Element, Speaker 1

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- A** Announcer 00:01  
The University of Detroit Mercy presents another encore presentation of a classic Ask the Professor radio program. Today's show takes us back to October 2008
- K** Kathy Bush 00:16  
The University tower chimes ring in another session of Ask the Professor, the radio show where you match wits with University of Detroit Mercy professors and their special guests in an unrehearsed session of questions and answers. I'm your host, Kathy Bush, and today we have again three regular panelists, and we've held our special visiting professor hostage. We have sent messages home to his family, however, so I guess it's not a real hostage. Sure, you know, or yeah, send us his credit card numbers.
- J** Jeffe Boats 00:43  
That would have been more effective.

K Kathy Bush 00:44

You know. Jeffe, you're going for the overkill again. All right, I said the shoes and socks were enough to send them, low key. All right, let's introduce the panelists. To my right, from the Department of Math and Math Education, it's Professor Jeffe Boats.

J Jeffe Boats 00:44

How you doing?

K Kathy Bush 00:49

I'm doing just fine. And across the table from the Department of History, its chair, and as well as the keeper of our Black Abolitionist Archive collection, it's Professor Roy Finkenbine

R Roy Finkenbine 01:11

Good to be here, Kathy. In the words of Homer Simpson, "Say something bad about pants"

K Kathy Bush 01:17

(Laughs) but always say something good about donuts. Absolutely, and sitting next to Roy, from the College of Engineering and Science, the director of its Pre-College Engineering programs, it's Professor Dan Dan, the math man. Maggio,

D Dan Maggio 01:29

Hi Kathy.

K Kathy Bush 01:30

How's it going, Dan?

**D** Dan Maggio 01:31  
Good, Kathy,

**K** Kathy Bush 01:31  
Glad to hear. Keep drinking coffee, Dan. There we go, and sitting across from Dan, certainly now released from his blindfold and handcuffs and hostage situation. It's our professor from Communication Studies, ahead of our journalism program here at UDM. It's Professor Tom Stanton.

**T** Tom Stanton 01:52  
Told you my family wouldn't care.

**K** Kathy Bush 01:59  
Actually, we did get a message from your family. They said next time wash the socks, but that's okay. So this is a show where you can send us questions about hostages. You could send us questions about anything - cartoons, kidnappings, you name it. If you stump the panel, you can win one of our two lovely T-shirts, and if you don't stump the panel, you still get a T-shirt. So, hey, you need a T-shirt? Send us some questions.

**A** Announcer 02:26  
You can email Ask the Professor at [atp@udmercy.edu](mailto:atp@udmercy.edu) or visit the Ask the Professor Facebook page.

**K** Kathy Bush 02:34  
We're back again with more questions, because we've been kind of holding on to these, and we don't want Pat Thompson out in Milford, Michigan, thinking that we were dissing him, but these have been some excellent questions dealing with the area of that Tom has written about, which is sports trivia. In fact, any favorite sports writers or journalists you've had over the years here in Detroit, people that you really revere? Or

T Tom Stanton 02:53

I think half the people are in sports journalism in Detroit were inspired by Joe Falls.

K Kathy Bush 02:57

Okay, yay!

T Tom Stanton 02:58

for the Free Press and Detroit News and the Sporting News, also Jim Murray out in Los Angeles.

K Kathy Bush 03:02

Okay,

T Tom Stanton 03:03

Red Smith in New York to go back further, Grantland Rice.

K Kathy Bush 03:07

Oh, yay, yay!

R Roy Finkenbine 03:09

Any poetry you can lay on us there?

J Jeffe Boats 03:13

You know what would be awesome, as if over the summer you could teach a course on sports trivia, and then you could hold it in a pub, and then the tests could be on those little TVs with the remotes, and you know, and it takes down. That would be awesome.

**K** Kathy Bush 03:24  
You're always thinking.

**T** Tom Stanton 03:25  
Is this a new tradition of Jesuit and Sisters of Mercy institutions?

**K** Kathy Bush 03:28  
Why not? You know, I think they've hit a few bottles of wine somewhere along in that tradition.

**J** Jeffe Boats 03:33  
You know, they're clamoring for more computer-based instruction.

**K** Kathy Bush 03:35  
Right, right. Let's combine those two. There we go. Well, interestingly enough, we didn't, with any of these sports questions, Patrick didn't bother to give us any grading scale. You guys are really smoking on home on that last kind of mixed one, but these are about baseball, okay? So let's see how they work. What hide was first used to cover baseballs in 1975

**J** Jeffe Boats 04:01  
Horse. Wasn't it?

**K** Kathy Bush 04:03  
No. If it is, it's not what it says here.

**D** Dan Maggio 04:07  
Hamster,

**K** Kathy Bush 04:08  
hamster. How many hamsters would it take?

**D** Dan Maggio 04:11  
I was just guessing.

**K** Kathy Bush 04:12  
And thank God, it wouldn't be a clincher ball, one of the 16 inch balls.

**D** Dan Maggio 04:15  
You said I should at least try in your class.

**K** Kathy Bush 04:17  
Yes. Okay,

**D** Dan Maggio 04:17  
Well, cow, I would say.

**K** Kathy Bush 04:21  
It is.

**J** Jeffe Boats 04:23  
They used to call it old horse hide, right? Maybe they switched.

K Kathy Bush 04:26

Ask this guy

T Tom Stanton 04:27

I was gonna go with human, but

K Kathy Bush 04:31

(Laughs) I think that was the German League 1939 or whatever. Yeah, there we go.

T Tom Stanton 04:35

I'm sorry about that. That was wrong

K Kathy Bush 04:36

No, no, no, no, no, no. What baseball announcer said that Pope Paul the Sixth's death, and this is a quote, "puts a damper even on a Yankee win".

J Jeffe Boats 04:47

I didn't know the pope was such a fan.

K Kathy Bush 04:48

I was gonna say he's tuned in on, you know, you know, long range radio, there, short wave.

T Tom Stanton 04:54

So, what year was that?

**K** Kathy Bush 04:56  
He died in 70s, Pope John Paul the Sixth, or this is Paul. Paul the Sixth, so,

**R** Roy Finkenbine 05:01  
so he died because - was it 63? When did Pope John Paul

**K** Kathy Bush 05:07  
that was in 64 yeah, so this would be after that, and then they had,

**T** Tom Stanton 05:11  
Mel Allen, maybe?

**K** Kathy Bush 05:11  
I'm sorry,

**T** Tom Stanton 05:12  
Mel Allen

**K** Kathy Bush 05:13  
not Mel Allen, this would be another famous New York announcer, though, that's it, Phil Rizzuto,  
yeah, that's that's him, but wow,

**J** Jeffe Boats 05:20  
The Money Store.

**K** Kathy Bush 05:21  
Yes, there we go. What country's first US major league player was Chan Ho Park?

**R** Roy Finkenbine 05:29  
Korea? South Korea?

**K** Kathy Bush 05:30  
South Korea, I was gonna say, name that Korea.

**R** Roy Finkenbine 05:34  
Parallel there.

**K** Kathy Bush 05:35  
Well, you know, somebody's got to keep that parallel. We're

**R** Roy Finkenbine 05:38  
We're supposed to annihilate North Korea, so then we'll be down to one

**K** Kathy Bush 05:41  
There you go. Although sadly, their leader, I guess, is in a bad physical or health condition. At least that's what's being reported, since there's not, you know, he's not being seen anywhere now. This question, I don't know, it seems a little out of date. But what two cities have the oldest stadiums in Major League Baseball?

**T** Tom Stanton 05:59  
Well, Boston and Chicago.

K Kathy Bush 06:01

Yeah, it's odd because this answer says Boston and Detroit. Oh,

T Tom Stanton 06:06

well, Fenway Parkway from the same day as Navin Field, which became Tiger Stadium.

K Kathy Bush 06:12

Yeah, but I mean, since it's now just down to like a flagpole, how many of you have seen been down there? Tom, obviously you have. I have. Anybody else been down?

R Roy Finkenbine 06:21

What do they have to raise? 289,000 or something, or it all goes. Is that the..

K Kathy Bush 06:25

Well, that's the threat.

T Tom Stanton 06:27

It's in stages, so that's the next stage.

K Kathy Bush 06:29

Yeah, it's.. it's just hard to look at. I, you know, it just is really hard to look at. I'm

R Roy Finkenbine 06:34

I'm not a very good prophet, because at one point, right before Tiger Stadium closed, I predicted that, based on statements he had made that our former panelist, Greg Sumner, if they were tried to tear down Tiger Stadium, would actually be chained to the outside of the stadium.

**K** Kathy Bush 06:50  
Well, not bloody likely, since he's walking around teaching.

**R** Roy Finkenbine 06:53  
Though he's now singing Woody Guthrie in his class on the Dust Bowl.

**K** Kathy Bush 06:58  
Well, there's an attraction. Come to UDM and hear lounge lizards in your classes. There we go. What baseball team's games are announced on TV by Skip Caray?

**J** Jeffe Boats 07:09  
The Cubs.

**K** Kathy Bush 07:12  
No.

**R** Roy Finkenbine 07:13  
The Braves

**K** Kathy Bush 07:14  
Yes, it is. It's Atlanta Braves.

**J** Jeffe Boats 07:16  
Oh, I was just gonna guess it was Harry Caray's son.

R Roy Finkenbine 07:19  
"Holy cow!"

K Kathy Bush 07:20  
Yeah, how long did Harry broadcast for the Cubbies, anyway?

R Roy Finkenbine 07:25  
Oh, several fifths, I think.

T Tom Stanton 07:27  
He was with the White Sox before that.

K Kathy Bush 07:29  
Yeah, that's what I thought he went from the Sox to the Cubs

J Jeffe Boats 07:32  
He was with the Cubs for a one, a two, a three decades or so.

K Kathy Bush 07:38  
Boy, everybody, people were talking about a Chicago Subway series this year,

R Roy Finkenbine 07:43  
faded fast.

K Kathy Bush 07:44

Yeah, wow, boy, that really, that was a huge disappointment. I have one nephew who was like, said he was so despotic he couldn't go to school. There you go. What shortstop holds the major league record for games played, assists, and double plays? Wow, that's nice. Yes, as your

J Jeffe Boats 08:03

back flip. Yeah,

K Kathy Bush 08:04

that's pretty nice. That's more than pretty nice. I'm, I like them, but I'm more impressed. What pictures 1.12 era in 1968 was the lowest? I know

R Roy Finkenbine 08:16

Bob Gibson, yeah,

K Kathy Bush 08:17

in post World War Two place. I'm wondering who would have had it if it's a

J Jeffe Boats 08:22

dead ball era. I mean, yeah,

K Kathy Bush 08:24

right. I mean, that's an incredible,

R Roy Finkenbine 08:27

but the thing that worked against that was the fact that you'd have starting pitchers go out and pitch double headers. Yeah,

**K** Kathy Bush 08:33  
yeah, isn't that amazing?

**J** Jeffe Boats 08:35  
Well, you know what was it? Cy Young had 40 wins or something, something in one season, but what he probably pitched 70 games.

**R** Roy Finkenbine 08:42  
I can hear the manager talking to the pitching coach. Well, he's up to 400 pitches. Do you think? Yeah, I mean, you know,

**K** Kathy Bush 08:48  
when you think about today, that is, that's true. It's just like with football, I'm always amazed when I first started learning about the game, and my dad told me that, you know, these guys used to play both ways, they played offense and defense, and I'm just like, you gotta be kidding, and they wouldn't

**J** Jeffe Boats 09:02  
drink water during the game, because that was for pansies.

**K** Kathy Bush 09:04  
Oh dude, you didn't

**J** Jeffe Boats 09:06  
want to ruin your conditioning by drinking water during the game.

K Kathy Bush 09:08  
Oh man, tear up, I guess. I guess, who was the last American League baseballer to win the Triple Crown in 1967

T Tom Stanton 09:22  
Charlie Street.

K Kathy Bush 09:22  
you got it. The yes man,

R Roy Finkenbine 09:25  
there was another Triple Crown winner in the AL. Shortly before that was the 65 Tom 66 Frank Robinson

K Kathy Bush 09:33  
was it? Ah, neat, good player, liked him. He was,

R Roy Finkenbine 09:37  
according to the late Bill DeWitt, who traded him for, you know, six also rans in a sack of feed. He was an old 30.

K Kathy Bush 09:47  
Oh, yes, that's me. He

R Roy Finkenbine 09:50  
won the Triple Crown, right? What is the Triple Crown? You're you lead in batting average home runs and RBIs. I mean, think about that. That's

**K** Kathy Bush 09:58  
a pretty awesome achievement. It, that would be nice. One to have put on your

**S** Speaker 1 10:02  
thought about it. Okay,

**K** Kathy Bush 10:03  
okay. Home runs and

**J** Jeffe Boats 10:06  
RBI is often go together. Well, yeah, big in one, you're probably big in the other, but batting average, yeah, that kind of power and consistency is very.. thank you. Then you get people like

**R** Roy Finkenbine 10:14  
the Dave Kingman, who you know that was back in the 70s, Tom, you know, he'd have things like 30 home runs and 45 RBI off

**T** Tom Stanton 10:27  
the roofs of domes, yeah,

**K** Kathy Bush 10:28  
but still pretty neat. What Pittsburgh pirate had exactly 3000 career hits before dying in a plane crash?

**R** Roy Finkenbine 10:36  
Oh, Roberto Clemente,

**K** Kathy Bush 10:38  
yeah, wow, that's sad, you know. What's the LCS to a baseball pennant winner

**J** Jeffe Boats 10:47  
league championship series? That's right. Well,

**K** Kathy Bush 10:49  
you know, some people might think it's a New Deal agency, you know. You never know, depending on the context that way. How many seasons did Lou Gehrig play every inning of every game,

**J** Jeffe Boats 11:02  
all right. Well, when the record was broken, when with the guy from the Orioles, Ripken broke the record. It was 2100

**R** Roy Finkenbine 11:12  
and they played 140 54 game seasons.

**K** Kathy Bush 11:15  
Okay, we're gonna do this kind of experience

**J** Jeffe Boats 11:20  
that comes out to a little over 14 seasons, but as far as complete seasons, probably 13.

**S** Speaker 1 11:25  
You do it in 3000 or 2000 I think. I think Matt is

**T** Tom Stanton 11:30  
right. Or let me read the

**K** Kathy Bush 11:31  
question again. How many seasons did Lou Gehrig play every inning of every game, every

**R** Roy Finkenbine 11:36  
inning of it, every inning of every game? Yeah, no,


**T** Tom Stanton 11:39  
probably


**K** Kathy Bush 11:39  
one right, but I was doing way, you guys jumped in to, took that apart. It was beautiful to watch. I gotta admit, that logic is so great. It sounded really smart, or what? You know, they're completely


**R** Roy Finkenbine 11:59  
wrong.


**K** Kathy Bush 12:02  
That's okay, as we always tell our students, read the question. There you go. Okay. Who holds the record for most innings pitched in a major league season? And his name came up before. It is, say, young.


**J** Jeffe Boats 12:16  
What's the record? Probably about 400


 Kathy Bush 12:17  
Ah, geez, they, that they don't tell


 Jeffe Boats 12:19  
five, 600


 Kathy Bush 12:20  
Could be, couldn't tell you there. What major league baseball team did the Walt Disney Company assume operational control of in 1996

 Jeffe Boats 12:31  
Diamondbacks, right?

 Kathy Bush 12:32  
Not the Diamondbacks.

 Jeffe Boats 12:34  
Oh, the Angels.

 Kathy Bush 12:35  
It is. It's the California Angels. And while we think about Disney ball, let's take a break.

 Production Element 12:40  
(Ask The Professor FLASHBACK)

K Kathy Bush 12:40

and we're back with sports trivia questions, but this time on an American sport on baseball, which has been very, very good to this panel today. You guys are smoking at home on here. Okay, how many seasons saw Hank Aaron blast 50 or more homers?

T Tom Stanton 12:40

None.

K Kathy Bush 12:40

That's right. That's absolutely correct. What ballpark was Pete Rose playing in when he broke Ty Cobb's career hit record?

R Roy Finkenbine 12:40

Riverfront.

K Kathy Bush 13:26

Yes, that was his own stadium, was it not? Okay, Tom, Your opinion, Pete Rose, Hall of Fame?

T Tom Stanton 14:34

Uh, talent-wise, but not -

R Roy Finkenbine 14:36

as a player, not a coach I would say.

T Tom Stanton 14:38

yeah, he's not gonna go in. He violated the one rule that's posted in every locker room

**D** Dan Maggio 14:43  
What - don't bet? They put in the locker rooms?

**K** Kathy Bush 14:45  
Oh, yeah

**D** Dan Maggio 14:45  
Maybe he's never read it

**T** Tom Stanton 14:47  
since 1919

**K** Kathy Bush 14:48  
Yeah, I mean it's not like it just got put up like five years before or whatever, it's been there a long time.

**R** Roy Finkenbine 14:55  
And as I think I told you, Eddie, is it Cicottez?

**T** Tom Stanton 14:59  
There's a debate over how to pronounce his name.

**R** Roy Finkenbine 15:03  
He's buried in Livonia.

K Kathy Bush 15:05  
Is he really?

R Roy Finkenbine 15:06  
The theory is he used some of his ill-gotten money to buy a farm in what is now Livonia.

T Tom Stanton 15:11  
He was one of the pitchers from the 1919 White Sox.

K Kathy Bush 15:14  
Oh, my gosh I didn't know that. That's amazing. You don't like the Costa's compromise, let him in, but then put on the plaque, 'banned for major league baseball'?

T Tom Stanton 15:23  
Well, I don't know, you're gonna put Shoeless Joe into.. well, that's

K Kathy Bush 15:26  
what I mean. I just.. I always think, no, I don't think it's nice

T Tom Stanton 15:29  
that the Hall of Fame stands for something. I

K Kathy Bush 15:31  
think it is. My sister always would wear his number, she was ruthless playing clincher ball in the league in Chicago. So I always have this great argument with her. So now I can say a real sports authority, somebody writes about it thinks you're wrong. Thank you. That'll make Thanksgiving so much better this year.

**T** Tom Stanton 15:45  
Yeah, I'm sure.

**K** Kathy Bush 15:46  
It always does. What major league baseball team has fans dubbed the Cheese Heads?

**J** Jeffe Boats 15:52  
Major League Baseball?

**K** Kathy Bush 15:53  
Yeah, that's.. I've never heard this. It is the Brewers, but I never knew that they were called.

**T** Tom Stanton 15:58  
It should have been football team.

**K** Kathy Bush 15:58  
That's what I thought was Cheese Heads.

**R** Roy Finkenbine 16:00  
Yeah, they have the running sausage or something,

**K** Kathy Bush 16:03  
yeah.

R Roy Finkenbine 16:05  
When they hit a home run, the guy that comes down into the -

T Tom Stanton 16:07  
Bernie Brewer

R Roy Finkenbine 16:08  
sign a beer, yeah, that's yeah,

K Kathy Bush 16:10  
I could see something like foam heads or something, because of the Bruce. There's the

R Roy Finkenbine 16:13  
player Tom that took out the running sausage.

T Tom Stanton 16:17  
Oh, you're kidding moment.

K Kathy Bush 16:21  
Why do they let people get

G Gregory Sumner 16:25  
that?

**K** Kathy Bush 16:30  
What legendary manager explained "You have to have a catcher, if you don't, the pitch will roll all the way back to the screen".

**R** Roy Finkenbine 16:36  
That's gotta be Casey Stengel

**K** Kathy Bush 16:43  
Thanks, Case. Never thought of that.

**J** Jeffe Boats 16:48  
As someone who catches in a baseball league, I love catcher quotes. I think my favorite is it's a quote from Bob Euchre. Bob Euchre was asked, "How do you catch a knuckle ball?" And he said, "Wait until it stops rolling".

**K** Kathy Bush 16:58  
There you go. Why not? There it is. What explosive base stealer took a 2.75 million pay cut to play for the Kansas City Royals in 1995

**T** Tom Stanton 17:10  
Probably Ricky Henderson.

**K** Kathy Bush 17:11  
No, because I love Ricky Henderson. That guy could jump

**J** Jeffe Boats 17:19  
The Mets.

K Kathy Bush 17:20

No, actually this name is not one that's familiar to me, but that doesn't mean too much, because I'm not exactly a Royals fan, but - Vince Coleman

J Jeffe Boats 17:28

Oh, yeah.

K Kathy Bush 17:29

Really?

R Roy Finkenbine 17:29

Yeah.

K Kathy Bush 17:30

Okay, was he a lifer?

J Jeffe Boats 17:32

He was a Cardinal

K Kathy Bush 17:35

No, I mean, I mean, some guys stay with teams, right? Was wondering why.

J Jeffe Boats 17:38

No, that was a trade. I think he was a Cardinal. Vince Coleman

R Roy Finkenbine 17:41

I think you may be right

K Kathy Bush 17:42

I'll have to ask Charles, because if he ever even carried water into their stadium, he'd know about it. What made you? He does. I'm not kidding. Ask him, he'll tell you who was like the pitching coach in 74 for

T Tom Stanton 17:54

Doesn't he have a Marty Marion jersey?

K Kathy Bush 17:56

Yes. Oh my gosh, he's like a mad dog on him

J Jeffe Boats 18:02

GQ Magazine said they were the best uniforms in all sports, Cardinals jerseys card

K Kathy Bush 18:07

scare. Well, don't say that in parts of Chicago, buddy. I remember not flat on the

R Roy Finkenbine 18:13

1968 baseball issue from Sports Illustrated that had it was a photograph of inside the Cardinals locker room, and had September's jersey, and all the names displayed there, and the caption was the million dollar starting lineup. Wow, I just think

K Kathy Bush 18:33

now my million bucks is about nothing big uniforms,

**T** Tom Stanton 18:36  
though. I mean, should ever see the Chicago White Sox short pants uniforms? Those were classic, very,

**K** Kathy Bush 18:42  
yeah, very classic.

**J** Jeffe Boats 18:44  
Fitting for the disco era.

**K** Kathy Bush 18:47  
Well, yeah, there's, there's some that, like, dude, you look like you play for a really bad bar league, you know? No, that's one thing I have to compliment the Yankees on. Yankee pinstripe is very classic look, nice look. There you go, so I said my nice thing about New York. I'm gonna go to heaven now. What former Giant star is the godfather of Barry Bonds?

**R** Roy Finkenbine 19:08  
Oh, Willie McCovey,

**T** Tom Stanton 19:10  
Willie Mays.

**K** Kathy Bush 19:11  
Yeah, and do you think he's a shoe in for the Hall of Fame?

**J** Jeffe Boats 19:14  
Willie Mays?

**K** Kathy Bush 19:16  
No, no, Barry Bonds.

**T** Tom Stanton 19:18  
Yeah, he's in

**R** Roy Finkenbine 19:19  
with an asterisk

**K** Kathy Bush 19:20  
Well, do you think?

**T** Tom Stanton 19:22  
He had a great career before he started pumping up,

**K** Kathy Bush 19:26  
yeah

**R** Roy Finkenbine 19:27  
Although he could never do it in the playoffs, he was not Mr. October,

**K** Kathy Bush 19:32  
Yeah, that happens. Well, we have to say farewell to Dan, who's doing the conference call thing. Oh, we're gonna miss your contributions here, Bucko

R Roy Finkenbine 19:39  
Where are your priorities, Dan?

K Kathy Bush 19:42  
What's the most home runs hit by one player in a single Major League game?

D Dan Maggio 19:50  
Four.

K Kathy Bush 19:52  
You answered that? It's true, Dan. Thank you for that final contribution, dawg. They didn't ask that. At what establishments were 90% of the viewers watching the first televised World Series? Where did these viewers go for the first televised World Series?

T Tom Stanton 20:10  
Not following you.

K Kathy Bush 20:11  
Okay, I know it's really oddly worded, so I'll try to reword it. These establishments, or these businesses, are where 90% of viewers who watched the first televised World Series watched it from.

R Roy Finkenbine 20:23  
Bars?

K Kathy Bush 20:24  
Yeah, taverns they have here. Well, I mean, that would make sense.

**J** Jeffe Boats 20:28  
Not everybody had televisions back then.

**K** Kathy Bush 20:29  
No, I wonder, although what was the first year they televised the World Series? Wow,

**R** Roy Finkenbine 20:33  
supposedly when the stock market crashed in '29, Franklin Delano Roosevelt went on television, according to Joe Biden,

**K** Kathy Bush 20:42  
really?

**R** Roy Finkenbine 20:43  
and talked to the American people.

**J** Jeffe Boats 20:46  
That's impressive, considering that the television first broadcast was 1936 wasn't it? The first broadcast -

**K** Kathy Bush 20:52  
Didn't they do it at the world's fair in New York. It was like some pavilion that was like the world of tomorrow, or whatever, and that's where it was done.

**J** Jeffe Boats 21:03  
Well, actually, been the world of three years previous, because 36 Olympic Games, Hitler broadcast on television, it was the first signal that was strong enough to leave the atmosphere.

K Kathy Bush 21:11  
Really? Oh

J Jeffe Boats 21:13  
that's why in the book Contact, Carl Sagan has the aliens who hear the transmission send it back to us

J Jeffe Boats 21:20  
Really?

J Jeffe Boats 21:21  
so, which is a little confusing at first. Your first contact with outer space is them sending a message from Hitler back at you. Kind of wonder about them a bit in

K Kathy Bush 21:28  
All these interesting technological things. The bit about recording with electronic tape and things, what they did was really, and then brought to the U.S by Bing Crosby. I'm not kidding, he really did. He used his first craft music show. I mean, true enough, not that Bing was connected to the Nazi party. Please, Grandma, don't get upset with me on that one. What governor was on hand at home plate to greet Hank Aaron when he broke Babe Ruth's home run record?

T Tom Stanton 21:52  
Jimmy Carter

K Kathy Bush 21:53  
Jimmy Carter, how cool. I mean, that is really great. What did Babe Ruth, Ted Williams, Willie Mays, and Roger Hornsby all do in their first Major League at bats.

**T** Tom Stanton 22:05  
Frequent a whorehouse,

**K** Kathy Bush 22:09  
(Laughs) Whoa! Not Ted, please hit a

**J** Jeffe Boats 22:12  
Hit a home run,

**K** Kathy Bush 22:14  
hit a home run?

**J** Jeffe Boats 22:15  
no?

**R** Roy Finkenbine 22:15  
Strikeout,

**K** Kathy Bush 22:16  
Strike out. Yeah. Oh, please. In Legend of Teddy baseball. My dad loved Ted Williams, because he fought not just in the big one, but in Korea as well. I've had to hear the story of Teddy ball game my whole life long. What Bean Towner is second only to Pete Rose in total major league games played? So this Boston player, second only to Pete Rose in total Major League.

**T** Tom Stanton 22:40  
Must be Yastrzemski

K Kathy Bush 22:41

It is the Yaz again. Absolutely. And our last question for baseball trivia, what Major League Baseball team was forced to endure a 20 day road trip in 1996?

J Jeffe Boats 22:56

Oh -

K Kathy Bush 22:56

20 days on the road, that just doesn't seem -

J Jeffe Boats 22:58

Was that due to a natural disaster or being forced relocated.

K Kathy Bush 23:02

there's not any more information

T Tom Stanton 23:04

earthquake, maybe.

K Kathy Bush 23:05

No, but that's what I'm saying. What would keep a team 20 days on the road? That would really suck

R Roy Finkenbine 23:10

fans didn't want to watch -

**T** Tom Stanton 23:12  
San Francisco Giants.

**K** Kathy Bush 23:13  
No, no. Any other guesses? National League - I could tell you that.

**J** Jeffe Boats 23:21  
No idea, and it's

**R** Roy Finkenbine 23:22  
And it's not the Expos

**T** Tom Stanton 23:23  
what happened in 96

**K** Kathy Bush 23:25  
Oh, actually, we had one more question.

**J** Jeffe Boats 23:26  
Oh, the Braves.

**K** Kathy Bush 23:27  
It's the Braves

**J** Jeffe Boats 23:27  
because of the Olympics

**R** Roy Finkenbine 23:28  
That's where apparently many professors at Georgia Tech - the university decided to make money by moving all the professors out of their offices that summer and renting out the offices to the media. I bet they're non-union.

**K** Kathy Bush 23:45  
I was gonna say - they really did that?

**R** Roy Finkenbine 23:47  
They did that.

**K** Kathy Bush 23:48  
It's totally evil. I'm sorry. There was one question that I actually missed. What was Pitcher Doc Ellis, the first Major Leaguer to wear in his hair on the field?

**J** Jeffe Boats 23:58  
Tell me it's not ponytails,

**K** Kathy Bush 23:59  
but it is something that, um, is an accoutrement for the hair

**T** Tom Stanton 24:06  
barette,

**K** Kathy Bush 24:06  
not a barrette, but

**R** Roy Finkenbine 24:07  
Is it a substance,

**K** Kathy Bush 24:08  
No, no, no, nothing like that. Sorry, don't, we're not defaming any sports players.

**R** Roy Finkenbine 24:13  
No, I meant like Pomade -

**K** Kathy Bush 24:14  
oh no, no. No substances. I'm sorry, It says here curlers, so I don't know if you did the spongy thing or that's really interesting. Okay, well, those are great questions, Patrick. You probably like gave up on us because I was holding on to these for several months, but we really appreciate them, and we'll make sure that you get, in fact, 2t-shirts We'll make sure you get one each

**R** Roy Finkenbine 24:40  
next year. Send us some baseball questions for World Series show or something like..

**K** Kathy Bush 24:44  
Oh, well, I know. Okay. Growing up, who was your favorite team then

**J** Jeffe Boats 24:47  
I grew up on the Mets, but I've since converted to the church of the Detroit Tigers.

**K** Kathy Bush 24:50  
Oh, okay.

**J** Jeffe Boats 24:52  
They had the worst season ever. That's when I was like going out for exercise and walking, you know, like 11 miles, and I'd walk the derailleur. Of a game. Okay, and so that was.. I'm trying to.. I'm blanking on the announcer's voice now.

**R** Roy Finkenbine 25:05  
The Ernie Harwell, yeah. I wish he hadn't

**J** Jeffe Boats 25:09  
retired.

**K** Kathy Bush 25:10  
Well, yeah, that voice was voice was just -. if you grew up in this area, that's the voice that you heard.

**J** Jeffe Boats 25:16  
Ernie kept me company on a lot of long walks.

**J** Jeffe Boats 25:17  
How about you, Tom.

**T** Tom Stanton 25:18

Oh, third generation.. grew up with a father who would recite the 1935 Tigers line-up for me. Gehring, Greenberg, Rogel, Marv Owen, the whole group, and so I learned of the game from him, who learned of it from his father, who saw Ty Cobb play after he had immigrated from Poland, after my grandfather immigrated, not Ty

**R** Roy Finkenbine 25:38

And for fans that are listening that haven't read Tom's book, The Final Season, they really should. It's a piece of work.

**T** Tom Stanton 25:45

Thank you.

**K** Kathy Bush 25:45

It was a gift my brother really, really loved, and he was like the ultimate baseball guy.

**T** Tom Stanton 25:51

Well, thank you very much.


**K** Kathy Bush 25:51


Yeah. Well we'll stop here. Let me thank our panel, Professor Maggio, Professor Finkenbine G Professor Boats.


**J** Jeffe Boats 26:03


You're out.

 Kathy Bush 26:04  
Oh no, and Professor Stanton

 Tom Stanton 26:05  
Go Dodgers

 Kathy Bush 26:06  
All right

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