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SPEAKERS

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

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:00
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 Philosophy, it's Professor Beth Oljar.

B Beth Oljar 00:18
Greetings, good to be here. I'm also left-handed, so you know we got this whole thing about leftness.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:24
You have new, tiny, fuzzy people at your house.

B Beth Oljar 00:30
I do



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:32

I cannot conjure for the life of me what their names are. But you mentioned it in social media.



Beth Oljar 00:36

Raven is my little panther. She's the girl, and Jack is the tabby.



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:42

Excellent.



Beth Oljar 00:43

Hi name is actually Jackfruit, but we're leaving that part off.



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:47

Oh, that's cool.



Danielle Maxwell 00:47

Is he the size of Jackfruit?



Beth Oljar 00:49

No, no, he's getting there.



Dave Chow 00:52

Prickly and fat, right?

B

Beth Oljar 00:53

Yeah, exactly.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:54

That's cool. I prefer to think about it more like Jack Skellington, Jack O' Lantern. You've got Raven on the other side. It's totally spooky cat names. That's that's great. That's awesome. But Jackfruit must have been like his given name.

B

Beth Oljar 01:08

Yes, that's certainly not something I would have thought to to name him. Yeah,

S

Stephen Manning 01:14

they don't have birth certificates. What do you mean given name? I was like, does the pet hospital have to pick a name

D

Danielle Maxwell 01:20

The pet finder name

D

Dan Maggio 01:21

It's from her birth mother. She meowed it.

J

James Tubbs 01:24

The christening name.

B

Beth Oljar 01:24

Yeah

 Beth Oljar 01:26
Whatever name they have at the shelter,

 Danielle Maxwell 01:28
They have some creative names.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:30
I think I could connect with everybody at the table, but Professor Maxwell when I bring up that the Cabbage Patch Kids have those little birth certificates.

 James Tubbs 01:37
Yes, they did.

 Danielle Maxwell 01:38
I am familiar with those, and so do Build-A-Bear.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:42
I didn't know Build-A-Bear had birth certificates.

 Danielle Maxwell 01:45
They do.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:47
Jack, it's short for jackfruit. I'm picturing him at a job interview, you know, in the future or something.

 James Tubbs 01:52
Hello, I'm Jackfruit.

 Beth Oljar 01:53
Actually, it'll probably just be Jacks. I'll end up calling him that.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:56
There you go. Moving around the table, we already know that Professor Danielle Maxwell from Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry is here.

 Danielle Maxwell 02:05
I am. I'm present.

 Beth Oljar 02:07
Another crazy catlady

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:08
Anything else?

 Danielle Maxwell 02:10
My brain's kind of running on empty after this week. It's been a long week. Working with first year students, there's a lot of you know life lessons to be learned in the first two weeks, and today was a big day of life lessons And it was a

 Beth Oljar 02:19
And it was a short week, so -

 Danielle Maxwell 02:20
It was a short week. But you know what? I punched like almost a whole no card this week, so I'm really proud of myself.

 Dave Chow 02:25
Who did you punch?

 Danielle Maxwell 02:27
I have a no card. Whenever I say "no", I put punches and I get ice cream. I said a lot of no's this week.

 Dave Chow 02:31
Really great. Well, you also got the bell working too, so

 Danielle Maxwell 02:34
I do have a bell in my office. Yes.

 Dan Maggio 02:35
Where do you redeem this card at?

 Danielle Maxwell 02:37
Wherever I get ice cream, I can just then I make people pay ice cream. Buy ice cream for me,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:42
Clark's.

 Danielle Maxwell 02:43
Clark's. He has a no card. He's just really bad at filling it out. Yeah,

 Beth Oljar 02:47
that's a good plan. Yeah,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:49
yeah.

 Dan Maggio 02:50
I'm not going to pursue this anymore.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:51
What I really need is a nobody, a buddy of mine who tells me to say no for everything that comes my way,

 Beth Oljar 02:58
like Mike Johnson and his son

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:00
Something like that. No comment.

 Beth Oljar 03:03
I'm not kidding.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:04
Professor Dan Maggio is here from the FIRST organization. Will you be my nobody, Dan?

 Dan Maggio 03:08
No.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:09
Perfect. No notes.

 Beth Oljar 03:13
No, it should be. Will you be my accountability buddy?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:16
Accountability buddy. Oh, jeez, of course. What's going on, Dan?

 Dan Maggio 03:21
Nothing, just a long week, so glad it's Friday

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:24
for dang sure. Have you made it over to the Beverly yet, by the way?

 Dan Maggio 03:29
no, I have not. I'm surprised, just because of how close it is to you.

 Danielle Maxwell 03:33
On Tuesday, meatloaf.

 Dan Maggio 03:35
Meatloaf Tuesday.

 Danielle Maxwell 03:37
Meatloaf Tuesday.

 Dan Maggio 03:37
So maybe we'll try going during the week. Okay, I'll add it to my list.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:40
Or wait until the temperature drops.

 Dan Maggio 03:42
But I did go to Boodle's.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:45
Oh yeah,

 Dan Maggio 03:45
because they were on Gordon Ramsay's.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:47
That's right. That's right.

 Dan Maggio 03:48
And because I had gone there years ago. So I've kind of seen it evolve, or devolve. But it was good. I enjoyed it. We had a nice dinner, and yeah, the scary people from the TV show were not there.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:03
We're not there, so everything is fine, right? Absolutely, Professor James Balfour Tubbs the third.

 James Tubbs 04:10
No, junior.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:11
Oh, jeez, I was so close. I was in within one generation.

 James Tubbs 04:15
Good afternoon.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:16
But he, but he's a junior. Good to see you, Jim. Sorry about the email.

 James Tubbs 04:20
Oh well, yeah. We'll we'll hope that gets fixed.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:23
It's really important that the university reclaim those 2.01 megabytes or whatever it is of space that you know. Yeah.

 Beth Oljar 04:35
Could we be stingier?

 Heather Hill 04:37
Yeah, we could.

 Dave Chow 04:37
Yes.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:38
I mean, we could, except for it's what do we say? Pennywise, pound foolish, always. Always.

 James Tubbs 04:46
It's not exactly the Dale Carnegie method.

 Dan Maggio 04:50
Oh dear lord!

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:51
Good reference, though. Professor Dave Chow is here from the University of the Neighborhood.

 Dave Chow 04:57
Pleasure to be here as always.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:58
Excellent.

 Heather Hill 04:59
University of Life.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:00
The University of Life. Let me tell you.

 Dave Chow 05:03
Oh, I'm tenured then. I hope.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:05
What happens in our neighborhood after midnight that I haven't seen for many weeks?

 Dave Chow 05:10
Car crashes.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:11
Really?

 Dan Maggio 05:12
Yeah.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:13
On our street?

 James Tubbs 05:13
Not on our-

 Danielle Maxwell 05:14
No, there was one upside down on Woodward yesterday.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:16
No, I did hear about that

 Dave Chow 05:16
Okay, what was it? There was one down the block from Dan.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:19
Yep.

 Dave Chow 05:19
Near the Old Country Oven. There's a tattoo parlor, and then Stephen was telling me this morning at 12 and Woodward.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:25
Oh, jeez. Yes.

 Heather Hill 05:26
What was at 12 and Woodward

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:27
unbelievable.

 Stephen Manning 05:28
Oh, big accident. 12 and Woodward.

 Heather Hill 05:29
Really?

 Stephen Manning 05:30
Yeah. They had the they had to close down the one lane going north.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:33
Jeez.

 Beth Oljar 05:34
And yet we have bike lanes.

 Dan Maggio 05:36
It's all the all the people going for cheap gas.

 Dave Chow 05:38
No, no, no. That station was closed.

 James Tubbs 05:40
No, they were rushing to Shrine.

 Dan Maggio 05:41
So what happened to that station?

 Dave Chow 05:42
I'm not sure. They got roped off.

 Dan Maggio 05:44
Yeah,

 Dave Chow 05:45
I'm thinking Department of Agriculture.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:48
Oh, jeez.

 Dave Chow 05:48
Because they got yellow tape on all the pumps.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:51
Oh my gosh!

 Dave Chow 05:51
I've gone there 3:30 in the morning. It's all lined up.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:54
Gouging and stuff like that. Yeah, yeah. Aye, caramba. So

 Dave Chow 05:59
and diesel's up to over six bucks a gallon.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:00
That's right.

 Stephen Manning 06:01
It's up 48% since -

 James Tubbs 06:03
Diesels is the highest it's ever been.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:05
Yeah, oil will close relatively soon, over 120, from what I hear. Which is-

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:10
oh, the prices will go down, but not until after the midterms, according to President Orange.

J James Tubbs 06:14
That's right. When your \$5,000 check will come in the mail, then you have to spend in this country

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:18
after my DOGE check

J James Tubbs 06:19
After your DOGE check, yes.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:21
Professor Stephen Manning is here, also a professor of life. Now I think that that's going to be the standard at this point. How's life?

S Stephen Manning 06:29
Great.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:30
I like your - It sort of looks like a gas station logo, but actually it's a Fenway.

 Stephen Manning 06:34
You know what it is?

 Danielle Maxwell 06:35
It's a red triangle.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:36
Maybe I don't know.

 Heather Hill 06:37
It's the Citgo sign.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:38
The Citgo sign It's been down this year. They took it down. They had to do some repairs on the. I think the roof of the building, over on left field, that and they had to take the sign down to do that. It's been down, so iFenway's not quite the same. Was it there when we were there? The sign?

 Heather Hill 06:55
No.

 Stephen Manning 06:55
It was down then.

 Heather Hill 06:56
No.

 Stephen Manning 06:56
Yeah. So

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:56
I think it's cool that they turned it into something that you could display like that's pretty cool.

 Heather Hill 07:01
Birthday present from somebody.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:03
Oh, very nice.

 James Tubbs 07:04
Oh, what a thoughtful somebody.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:06
A recent birthday. Coming to the table with her fan ready, but it's not actually that hot in the studio today, it's Professor Heather Hill.

 Beth Oljar 07:13
No, no. I went over to the student activities fair and just to say hello to students, and I ended up getting a lot of swag, including this lovely fan. Isn't that pretty?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:16
Is there a fan student org?

 Beth Oljar 07:24
I think this is from the Uganda Student Organization.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:28
Okay, very cool.

 Beth Oljar 07:29
Yes,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:29
very cool.

 Beth Oljar 07:31
But I thought since it does get warm in here, I might as well pull it out of my goodie bag.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:36
That's fantastic.

 James Tubbs 07:36
You need to be able to blow away the vapors.

 M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:38

The vapors. Well, folks, this is a program you can send us questions regarding anything. It's been a while since we've had questions about vapors. If you stump the panel, you will receive a brand new edition of the ATP coffee mug and an autographed photograph of the pros. If you don't stump the panel, we'll still send you the autographed photograph. You could send us the questions in a number of ways you could 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. "Professors, here are 20 timely questions related to Gloria Steinem, with some applicable adjacent questions. Rest in peace and power, dear Gloria. Yes,

 D

Danielle Maxwell 08:24

absolutely.

 M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:26

Excellent. Let's see what we've got here

 D

Dave Chow 08:28

from?

 M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:29

Oh, secret admirer.

 D

Dave Chow 08:32

Oh, that person.

 M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:34

In what year was Ms. Magazine founded?

 James Tubbs 08:36
1972

 Beth Oljar 08:38
71? I think

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:39
71 is what it says here, 71. But I mean, close, close, pretty close. Early 70s. On what show did a woman who called into the show tell Steinham to quote "rot in hell" unquote?

 Beth Oljar 08:53
Oh, it's probably Phyllis Schlafly Although I wouldn't think -

 Stephen Manning 08:56
You want the show though.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:57
The show.

 Stephen Manning 08:58
The show. The show.

 Dave Chow 08:58
Like Mike Douglas, Merv Griffin,

 Beth Oljar 09:02
Howard Stern

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:03
I mean, I want to give you the era. Except for the bonus question is, "in what year did it happen?"

 Dan Maggio 09:09
Is it American or British?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:09
American

 Stephen Manning 09:10
Good Morning America.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:11
American.

 Dave Chow 09:12
Okay. Phil Donahue.

 Stephen Manning 09:12
ress.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:13
No, this would be a more one-on-one talking situation.

 Beth Oljar 09:17
Larry King

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:18
Larry King. Yeah, it was Larry King live. What year was that? Is the question that follows.

 Dan Maggio 09:23
83

 Dave Chow 09:24
86,

 James Tubbs 09:25
87

 Danielle Maxwell 09:26
85,

 Dave Chow 09:27
Where's Kendra? Oh,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:29
it was 1990s. Oh, you know, close enough for government work, or good enough for Price's Right.

B Beth Oljar 09:34
My dad used to use that expression all the time.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:36
It's it's fun. It's fun. I'm just thinking in a time when podcasts essentially didn't exist, we called them radio shows. He had the video of being on the microphones, and that was sort of out of the ordinary. Like, wait, we're just going to watch these two people talk to each other, but you know, that's what it was. According to a 2024 report, note the year, women made how much? For every dollar a man made for the same work,

D Dan Maggio 10:03
79

B Beth Oljar 10:06
79, at the high would be the high.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:08
So it says here was 84 cents in 25. I don't think it's

J James Tubbs 10:11
I don't think it's gotten that high.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:12
As of 2025,

 James Tubbs 10:16
oh,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:16
what is that value?

 Dave Chow 10:18
It hasn't moved.

 Dan Maggio 10:19
79

 Beth Oljar 10:20
78.

 Dan Maggio 10:20
Yeah,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:21
I'll give the credit to to Dan and everybody that said less. It's 81 cents now. Yeah, it's literally gone down.

 Stephen Manning 10:28
So we're making America great again.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:30
We're making

 Dave Chow 10:31
we're winning bigly.

 Beth Oljar 10:32
Yeah. Well, we're definitely not making things great for America.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:37
Just the absolute worst. We're winning bigly. The national organization. for Women (NOW) was founded in what year?

 Beth Oljar 10:47
Late 60s.

 James Tubbs 10:49
67

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:50
67. late 60s, close enough for government work. 1966. Who was the founder?

 Beth Oljar 10:57
Betty Friedan.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:57
Now,

 Beth Oljar 10:58
no.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:58
Yeah, Betty Friedan. Yep, you got it right on the first try. In addition to Gloria Steinem, who were the other three founders of the National Women's Political Caucus, circa 1971?

 James Tubbs 11:12
Oh, Bella Abzug.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:13
Bella Abzug was one of them.

 James Tubbs 11:14
Great name.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:15
One of the names is the name we literally just said. Who founded Natty?

 Beth Oljar 11:19
Betty Friedan.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:20
Betty Friedan, and last but not least, initials S C S

 James Tubbs 11:24
Shirley Chisholm.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:24
Shirley Chisholm, very very famous woman in politics. When Miz first came out, which television news anchor asserted, "quote I'll give it six months before they run out of things to say.

 Stephen Manning 11:38
Dan Rather, Harry Reasoning.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:40
It's Harry Reasoning. I mean, you you jumped on it very very close. It does say in the question he later apologized for the snarky remark.

 Beth Oljar 11:47
Oh, good,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:48
snarky at best. Yeah.

 Stephen Manning 11:51
What year did he do that?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:52
Ah, it does not say.

 James Tubbs 11:53
Must have been 72.

 Dave Chow 11:55
Yeah,

 James Tubbs 11:55
when it was new.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:57
Where was Gloria Steinem born?

 Dan Maggio 11:58
New York City.

 Dave Chow 12:00
In a hospital,

 Danielle Maxwell 12:01
United States,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:02
just a few miles from where we are sitting right now.

 Beth Oljar 12:05
Flint,

 Dave Chow 12:06
Clawson,

 Danielle Maxwell 12:07
before Detroit.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:09
Thank you for Clawson.

 James Tubbs 12:10
Gross Point.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:12
She was born in Toledo.

 Heather Hill 12:13
Oh, ok

 James Tubbs 12:14
I knew that.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:14
I knew that. Just under an hour away from the great city of Detroit, right down the block from Tony Pacos. When she was a child, in what state did Steinham's family spend the summers while her father ran the dance pavilion? You know, it's a common job. New York dance pavilion. Yeah, Pennsylvania, Michigan. It was Michigan. Yeah, she came up to good old Michigan to run, help her dad run the dance pavilion. I just have ideas of what they say where you know Michigan.

 James Tubbs 12:38
New York dance pavilion.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:38
Yeah,

 Dave Chow 12:38
Pennsylvania,

 Dan Maggio 12:38
Michigan.



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:38

It was Michigan. Yeah, she came up to good old Michigan to run, help her dad run the dance pavilion. I just have ideas of what they say where you know Michigan.



Beth Oljar 12:42

Yeah, yeah. They probably used to have them a lot in a lot of places. I



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:46

know CCS had the Institute of Music and Dance. Fantastic, considering. Oh, and I hope I'm not jumping ahead, but I'm envisioning at the age at which Gloria passed recently. Steinem did not receive any formal schooling until what official grade of the American educational system?



Danielle Maxwell 13:06

Fourth,



Stephen Manning 13:07

sixth,



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:07

sixth is what it says here. But I mean fourth-that's pretty close. She did not get any school till then.



Dave Chow 13:12

Why?



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:14

That's a great question.

D Dave Chow 13:15
Dance pavilion. Too busy working for her father.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:17
Yeah, exactly.

B Beth Oljar 13:18
Like we're friends, crazy religious. We're her parents crazy religious people who I doubted.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:23
I don't think so. Yeah, I don't know.

B Beth Oljar 13:25
Remember that line from Buffy the Vampire Slayer: "Homeschooling. It's not just for crazy religious people."

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:33
You were going to say something, Heather.

H Heather Hill 13:34
No.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:35
Okay. From what school did Steinem graduate magna cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa in 1956.

 Beth Oljar 13:43
Vassar,

 Stephen Manning 13:44
Brenmar,

 Dave Chow 13:46
Holyoke,

 Beth Oljar 13:47
Holyoke, cause she

 James Tubbs 13:48
Smith,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:48
Smith, Smith's College,

 Beth Oljar 13:50
the birthplace of American feminism.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:53
That's right. That's exactly right. After graduating from college, to what country did Steinem travel?

 Dan Maggio 14:00
The UK,

 Dave Chow 14:02
Canada,

 Stephen Manning 14:03
it is in Africa,

 Dan Maggio 14:04
France,

 Stephen Manning 14:04
Kenya.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:05
She went pretty far.

 Danielle Maxwell 14:07
Australia,

 Stephen Manning 14:07
Australia.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:08
From some of our department colleagues who go to this country quite often, we're talking about multiple 10-hour flights. Yes, India,

D Dan Maggio 14:16
India,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:16
India. I understand too.

D Danielle Maxwell 14:19
Obviously, her and Prasad have a photo together in his office.

B Beth Oljar 14:22
That would be entertaining.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:25
It's a good piece of culture to remember, and also an interesting piece of trivia. What fictional character was on the cover on the first issue of Miz. I'm looking in a Dave Chow direction because it was an illustration.

D Dave Chow 14:38
Was it like George Washington?

B Beth Oljar 14:39
Jessica.

 Beth Oljar 14:39
Oh no, I'm thinking the cat.

 Danielle Maxwell 14:40
Not Elmo

 Stephen Manning 14:41
Fictional.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:41
Not Elmo.

 Danielle Maxwell 14:42
Not Elmo.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:43
No, it was not Elmo. It was more of a very, very powerful woman figure.

 Dave Chow 14:49
Do you want a heart?

 Dan Maggio 14:50
Wonder Woman.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:50
Wonder Woman is who it was. Wonder Woman.

 Dan Maggio 14:54
Was either that or Miss Piggy?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:56
Well,

 Dave Chow 14:57
both powerful.

 Dan Maggio 14:58
Uniquely powerful.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:59
Yes. Yes. On what television show in 2014 did Steinham make an appearance? I didn't know this.

 Dave Chow 15:07
Friends, Cheers.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:09
No, it's it's a little known drama. I mean, you could call it a dramedy, but it was more of a drama. It starred.

 Heather Hill 15:17
what was the year?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:18
Juliana Margulis. Oh,

 Dan Maggio 15:20
The Good life,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:21
2014. The Good life is what it was called. Yes,

 Beth Oljar 15:24
I haven't watched that yet.

 Beth Oljar 15:25
Gooshow?

 Beth Oljar 15:26
Is it good?

 Beth Oljar 15:26
Goodshow? Yeah, I liked it.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:27
She she was married to some disgraced politician or leader.

S Stephen Manning 15:32
Yes, and his name was I can picture him

D Dave Chow 15:36
On the show.

S Stephen Manning 15:37
On the show. The show. Yeah. I can't remember his name.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:41
It's okay.

B Beth Oljar 15:42
We've been watching Castle, which is really mystery writer helps the NYPD.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:47
Leslie love that show.

B Beth Oljar 15:48
Yeah, that's pretty good.



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:49

That's good. What actress portrayed Steinem in the 2020 miniseries Misses America?



Beth Oljar 15:57

Was it Rose Byrne? Rose Byrne.



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:58

Rose Byrne. Wow, you knew that right off the top of your head, that's awesome. Generation X to a T. Steinem lived in the same apartment since 1966. In what city? That's awesome.



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:11

It was New York City. That's so awesome. Last I heard, the rent's too damn high. So why not? In what year was the Equal Credit Opportunity Act (ECOA) passed, which allowed women to apply for credit cards and loans in their own name without requiring a husband or male cosigner? I hear this more from my mom all the time because she gave birth to me in November of 1974, and right after that, was able to apply for a very first credit card.



Dan Maggio 16:11

New York city



Dave Chow 16:36

You cost that much?



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:45

Yeah, took several swipes.

J James Tubbs 16:48
He was a costly child.

B Beth Oljar 16:50
That's always something when you teach WGS 2000. There, I had a reading you probably use too about you know a day in the life of women in 1970, and the students are like, "What? They can't believe. I'm like, "You guys, literally, I can remember this. I was four, but still.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:09
No, it's true, absolutely true. I was just having a recovered memory of seeing black and white images of my mother pregnant with me, and the family joke is my dad bought her a T-shirt with the arrow pointing down at her belly, and it said tax deduction.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:27
That was that was a common joke back in the 70s. I was stupid or something like that. Could have been worse. In fall of 2023, how many female full professors and how many male full professors were there in the United States at degree-granting post-secondary institutions. So look, look, I have very specific numbers here.

D Dave Chow 17:27
Oh wow!

H Heather Hill 17:35
What was the year again ?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:49
Fall of 2023.

 Dan Maggio 17:51
Can we do percents instead?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:52
I mean, yes. Yeah, Dan. Because I can do the percentage in my head, but it's pretty horrific.

 Dan Maggio 17:57
So would the percents be like 1585,

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

 Dave Chow 18:05
37

 Beth Oljar 18:06
25,75, closer to that, or 37,

 Danielle Maxwell 18:09
33,66,

 James Tubbs 18:09
20,80,

 Dave Chow 18:13
Sorry, easy,

 Beth Oljar 18:15
You're terrible in philosophy, so.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:17
No, it's actually very, very close to 34. I can't do the math because

 James Tubbs 18:25
66

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:25
65. So yeah, you get the idea. So it's two two-thirds to one-third. My bad.

 Stephen Manning 18:33
That's 2023.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:35
That's 2023 is what it says for all full profs. That was full profs.

 Dan Maggio 18:39
Then we have to convert that to numbers.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:42
So it was 120,937 dudes, and 67,608 women full profs.

 Dan Maggio 18:51
Yeah.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:53
In 1978, we actually talked about this on our last show. Another piece of American culture. Gloria Steinem wrote a semi-satirical essay for Cosmo titled "If Men Could.

 Heather Hill 19:04
Menstruate,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:04
yes. So I read it after the last one. It was so good.

 Beth Oljar 19:07
Wasn't that hysterical?

 Danielle Maxwell 19:08
So good.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:09
Really, really good.

B

Beth Oljar 19:11

She's making a very sort of basic point about oppression and power, but she just does it in this hilarious way.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:18

In what year was the first pair of jeans made for women. They were Lady Levi's by Levi Strauss and Company. For the record, specifically for women working on farms and ranches. 84 is just about half a century too late.

D

Dave Chow 19:35

48

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:36

It was 1934 when the first pair of jeans made for women. I appreciate the cleverness of this. I'm going to need a little bit of your patience because a, it's the end of the week and I only have two brain cells to rub together, and b, it's a relatively longer list. There are 100. I do it every time looking at the map. There are 195 countries on Earth, almost 200.

J

James Tubbs 19:36

32,

D

Dave Chow 19:59

Yeah.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:00

35 of them, as of 2026, have female presidents or heads of state. This person is asking us for three of those countries.

 Dave Chow 20:09
Mexico.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:10
So we know one of them is Mexico, and you are correct.

 Stephen Manning 20:14
Finland

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:14
is Claudia Scheinbaum.

 Dan Maggio 20:15
Norway.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:16
Norway. I heard Finland.

 Dan Maggio 20:18
Finland.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:19
I don't have. I don't have Finland, but do I have Norway? I don't have Norway.

 Danielle Maxwell 20:24
Sweden

 Dan Maggio 20:24
Sweden, or Denmark?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:26
Sweden,no. Denmark, yes. Met Fredrickson, so we got two so far.

 Beth Oljar 20:33
Germany, well, not Philippines,

 Stephen Manning 20:35
not no.

 Danielle Maxwell 20:36
Switzerland,

 Dave Chow 20:37
Alberta.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:38
Oh, Alberta is not a country.

J James Tubbs 20:40
Oh, Japan! Japan,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:43
Japan. Yes, San Antokachi. Yes, very good. So this is great. These are the countries that currently have female presidents or head of state.

J James Tubbs 20:51
Are you going to read the 192 that we don't?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:53
No, there's only there's only 35 total that do.

J James Tubbs 20:56
Well, head of state would include all those that have a queen.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:58
Absolutely. Australia, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bosnia, Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada. That's the last one. Costa Rica, Denmark, Dominica, D.R. Congo, Grenada, Iceland, India, Italy, Japan, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Malta, Marshall Islands, Mexico.

J James Tubbs 21:18
When did Canada have it? Yeah, Canada.

H Heather Hill 21:21
Well, they were part of the cars. It's not just

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:24
it's not just a part of the prime minister. It's also the head of now. This is before the queen died.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:30
Yes,

 James Tubbs 21:30
that's a lot of countries.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:33
Right, Moldova, Namibia, New Zealand, North Macedonia, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Vincent de Granta, Slovenia, Suriname, Tanzania, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Ukraine, Venezuela, and the current president of the Vatican City, Raffaella Petrini. Just putting it out there.

 Beth Oljar 21:52
Really, that's my favorite piece of trivia.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:54
I mean, the Pope can't do everything. You were listing that

 Danielle Maxwell 21:56
You were listing that off. I just saw that like cartoon of the character listing off all the countries in the world.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:58
That is Yako from the Animaniacs.

 Danielle Maxwell 22:06
Yeah, that's it.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:07
You should know that.

 Danielle Maxwell 22:07
I don't know that

 Beth Oljar 22:08
they probably all have guaranteed maternity leave, though, except for United.

 Heather Hill 22:12
You guys did quite well. Thank you.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:14
Yes, our secret admirer .

 Beth Oljar 22:16
The second wave feminists in the room are like, right on.

 Stephen Manning 22:20
Another piece of Steinem trivia. Her favorite animal.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:24
Okay.

 Stephen Manning 22:26
Anybody know this?

 James Tubbs 22:27
No. Go.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:28
Is it well known?

 Dave Chow 22:29
Sun Silence.

 Dan Maggio 22:30
From her. What what country did she first go to when she graduated from college?

 James Tubbs 22:34
India.

 Dan Maggio 22:35
India. So her favorite animal became a cow.

 Dave Chow 22:37
What's that?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:38
A mongoose. Oh, cobra.

 Dan Maggio 22:40
A mongoose.

 Beth Oljar 22:41
That's great, actually.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:42
What was it?

 Dave Chow 22:43
Tiger?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:45
Is it? Is it your ring? Elephant.

 Heather Hill 22:48
Yeah, I didn't know that. Yeah, when I was putting the questions together, I didn't know that.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:51
Oh, there's a ton. I love elephants.

 Stephen Manning 22:53
There's a beautiful.

 Heather Hill 22:53
Yay, Gloria!

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:54
Speaking of elephants, did you see what happened at the tropical pollution with the elephant?

 Danielle Maxwell 22:58
No, no, we had they had an elephant.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:03
They had live elephants.

 Danielle Maxwell 23:04
Oh my God! Poor elephant.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:05
It took a tinkle on the way out.

 Danielle Maxwell 23:07
Oh!

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:07
And wait till you hear what the elephant did.

 Beth Oljar 23:09
This is terrible. No, it's terrible that they had it there.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:12
Oh gosh! There's a great picture

 Stephen Manning 23:14
in Steinem's apartment when she was still alive, when she had one of her groups, and there was a green couch, and there was a print, beautiful print above this of an elephant down, and a little boy in front of the elephant reading, kneeling, reading, reading a book to the elephant.

 James Tubbs 23:32
Oh, knee!

 Stephen Manning 23:33
That's lovely, lovely. But she collected all kinds of elephant stuff as some other.

 Dave Chow 23:38
I'm collecting things.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:39
No, we have one of our imponderables, and just enough time to ponder the imponderable. Oh, we've got to ponder. Yes, we're going to have to ponder the imponderable. Oh boy,

B Beth Oljar 23:49
we would like a lot, actually.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:51
We would like to hear, and maybe it's less about a competition and more about just telling fun stories. The professor's stories with regard to talking yourself out of a ticket. I think this could be really interesting.

S Stephen Manning 24:03
Oh my gosh!

D Dave Chow 24:05
How much time do we have?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:07
I will start with the easiest one because this didn't actually happen to me, but it did get me out of a ticket while I was a passenger in a car. When I was a teenager, couldn't drive yet. My friend's dad got pulled over while he was driving us to movie but. He had taped a picture perfectly the same size as his own head over his driver's license of Pope John Paul II, and hadn't told anybody. But whatever, cop pulls him over, you know, you know, papers, whatever. Some people say I look like the Pope. Gives him his ID, and the cop just cracked up. He's like, "Get the hell out of here, and I'm like, oh, I gotta remember that. I don't know why it came up that way.

D Dave Chow 24:44
Well, I mean, it depends which poll.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:46
Yeah, well, exactly. Poll the time it

D Dave Chow 24:48
won't get you more time.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:49
Yeah, exactly. Done all the seconds.

D Dave Chow 24:52
Exactly.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:52
So stories you've heard, stories that have happened to you.

B Beth Oljar 24:56
I've never actually gotten a ticket.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:58
You're pretty awesome.

B Beth Oljar 25:00
It's less impressive than it sounds, believe me. Although I was one time in a I was at one time in a car with an ex boyfriend who told me that if we ever got pulled over to act like we were fighting, because cops would give us a break.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:19
Oh, I love it. What a great idea!

 Beth Oljar 25:21
And I'm like, that seems really stupid to me, but okay.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:25
It just might work.

 Dave Chow 25:26
So you reached over and slugged him one.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:28
It's like the Chris Farley, David Spade, like there's a bee in the car, like exactly,

 Beth Oljar 25:33
exactly.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:34
That car didn't have a roof too, which made it even funnier. But yeah, exactly. Other getting out of ticket stories, perhaps.

J

James Tubbs 25:43

Well, I can tell a story about getting pulled over. I don't think I was at risk of getting a ticket per se, but my senior year in college, I went to a small college in the middle of Virginia, and we had to have a biology project, and the project had to involve maturing tadpoles into frogs, and you would be doing something to them, you know, along the way. So I had my I had gone down to this lake on campus, Shawgrove Lake, which was really brown water, but I had I had to go home for spring break and still keep these tadpoles alive, so I had to take them with me. So I had taken them home and bringing them back, had them in a bucket in the back, and their water I had collected in a big gallon bourbon bottle was left over from a big party, and I just collected the lake water in that, and so anyway, coming back up a two-lane road from Wilmington-that was all there was then. Coming back up the road, it was a very very windy day, and I was driving a big old '64 Buick that was getting you know pushed around on the road, so I got pulled by this cop, and he comes up to the window and wants to see my license. Says, "mr. Tubbs, I noticed that you were weaving on the highway. And I said, "Well, in case you hadn't noticed, there's a 50 mile an hour crosswind here. So he started looking in the back window of the car, and he said, "What's that in in the back?" And I said, "What are you talking about? He said, "Well, what's in the bucket?" And I said "tadpoles". He said, "What's in the jug?" I said, "Tadpole water". He said, "Tadpole water?"

J

James Tubbs 27:32

And I said, "It's lake water for the tadpoles when I have to change it." "Uh huh". He said, and he just kind of looked at me for a long time, then he gave back my license, walked back to his car, and I could hear the radio squawking. You know, as soon as he got in the car, so I got away with that one.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:39

Is that what young people are calling it?

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:50

Nice. No, that's good. That's a good story.

B

Beth Oljar 27:52

Tad pole water.

D Danielle Maxwell 27:52
Tad pole water.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:55
Wow. Oh my gosh, we got to get at least one or two more. Come on.

S Stephen Manning 27:58
I was in grad school in Madison, Wisconsin, and my mother was visiting me, and we had been shopping at - I used to shop at a co-op. I was a member of a food co-op, and we'd been shopping there. And then to get back to where we were going, like my flat, I guess, I did a U-turn in the street,

B Beth Oljar 28:17
uh-oh,

S Stephen Manning 28:18
which I've done several times since

B Beth Oljar 28:21
the illegal U-ey,

S Stephen Manning 28:22
and immediately (makes the sound of a police siren) so I said, "Aw geez". So I've got my mother in the car, so I pull over, and the cop comes up, usual thing, paperwork and stuff, and you know "What are you doing?" I said, "Well, we just got a phone call that my - This is my mother visiting from Alabama. We just got a phone call when we came out of the store, that my father had been in the accident. He was in the hospital, in Madison." He said, "What hospital?" , kind of like test questions. "Madison General", and he said, "Well, okay, but no more U-turns. No more U-turns. Hope your dad's okay". My father wasn't with us. He was back in. I think my father was actually -

 Heather Hill 28:45
You fabricated the whole thing?

 James Tubbs 28:49
And your mom kept her mouth shut?

 Stephen Manning 29:00
He did a thing-

 Danielle Maxwell 29:03
Good for your mom.

 Stephen Manning 29:04
He did a fellowship thing in Nigeria. I think he was not even in the country. My father, but he was in the hospital

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 29:13
Oh my gosh. Because I was sure it was going to end with like, "Let me give you an escort".

 Beth Oljar 29:18
Just like I was watching Nine To Five last night, just like that.

 James Tubbs 29:23
Yes, exactly.

S

Stephen Manning 29:24

But as I was doing this, my mind was going in two directions. One was -

H

Heather Hill 29:24

Did you take any Ethics courses while you were in college?

S

Stephen Manning 29:30

make sure I get the story right, right, so I don't screw this up with the cop because I thought things were going pretty good, but at the same time, I remember thinking, what is my mother going to think of me for telling this story?

J

James Tubbs 29:45

How did she look at you after that?

B

Beth Oljar 29:47

What did she think?

S

Stephen Manning 29:48

Well, and we drove away, and there was silence. Neither one of us said anything, and eventually we got back.

H

Heather Hill 29:53

We never speak of this again.

S

Stephen Manning 29:54

And and I said, "Well, was that okay that I did that?" She said, "Well, you didn't get a ticket."

B Beth Oljar 30:00
The practical test for truth

S Stephen Manning 30:06
"You're the one who brought me up. So if you got a problem with this behavior, you know, look at yourself."

S Stephen Manning 30:16
And actually we were out the other night downtown. I had occasion to repark the car. I won't go into details as to why. So I did two different U turns in the case of parking the car. It was like what two nights ago or something. So I continued. When was this?

H Heather Hill 30:28
Just remember - Don't drink and drive because you might hit a bump, and spill your drink

H Heather Hill 30:34
Last night. Speaking of drinking,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 30:42
Professors. I'm afraid that's all the time we have for today. So the time has come to say goodbye, Heather.

H Heather Hill 30:50
Bye bye.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 30:50
Stephen.

 Stephen Manning 30:51
Goodbye.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 30:51
Dave.

 Dave Chow 30:52
See ya.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 30:52
Jim.

 James Tubbs 30:53
Farewell.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 30:53
Dan.

 Dan Maggio 30:54
Goodbye.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 30:54
Danielle.

 Danielle Maxwell 30:55
Adios.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 30:55
And Beth.

 Beth Oljar 30:56
Goodbye.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 30:57
And now these words from University of Detroit Mercy.