Beaver Bonspiel IV Round 6

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TOSSUPS

TOSSUP 1

Designed by Felix Schlag, it was introduced in 1938 to commemorate the two hundredth birthday of the man pictured on its front, who was also featured on the two dollar bill. For 10 points, name this coin.

ANSWER: The _JEFFERSON_ _NICKEL_, prompt on nickel

TOSSUP 2

Before the invention of radiocarbon dating in the mid-twentieth century, archaeologists were able to date some pre-Colombian civilizations by another method, which uses the pattern of rings inside tree trunks to measure the passage of time. For ten points, by what name is this method known?

ANSWER: _DENDROCHRONOLOGY

TOSSUP 3

Between the years of 1894 and 1898, the scientist William Ramsey helped to identify all but one of the gases that we know today as the noble gases. The one that he did not help to identify has a notorious reputation today, since it has been associated with human death. Name this inert gas.

ANSWER: _RADON_

TOSSUP 4

Some of his books include Immortality, Laughable Loves, Slowness, and the Art of the Novel. His most famous work, however, featured Tomas and Tereza, two lovers living through the Prague Spring of 1968. For 10 points, name this author of _The Unbearable Lightness of Being_.

ANSWER: Milan _KUNDERA

TOSSUP 5

This first baseman and outfielder played for the Dodgers, Cubs, Red Sox, Angels, and Royals, compiling a career .239 batting average. However, he is not remembered for his batting average or his .992 lifetime fielding percentage; rather, he will be remembered by a costly error he made as a member of the Red Sox during Game 6 of the 1986 World Series. For ten points, name him.

ANSWER: Bill _BUCKNER_

TOSSUP 6

Taking its name from a line in the Bob Dylan song "Subterranean Homesick Blues", this group advocated the destruction of American Imperialism as well as world-wide communist revolution. For ten points, name this Greenwich Village-based group of radicals.

ANSWER: The _WEATHERMEN_ (as in, "you don't need a weatherman to know which way the wind blows")

TOSSUP 7

Exhibit one for the plaintiff in a patent infringement dispute involving this process was the cover of Science magazine naming the Taq molecule "molecule of the year." After that, it was all downhill for Dr. Carey Mullis to prove that his process of heating DNA strands, binding them to flanking primers, and replicating via that Taq molecule was a significant discovery. FTP, name this process, used in "DNA fingerprinting".

ANSWER: _POLYMERASE CHAIN REACTION_ (prompt for more on PCR or Taq molecule if early)

TOSSUP 8

This legal term is defined as "the object upon which a crime has been committed." Even though this two-word phrase includes a Latin word for "body," it does not necessarily refer to a body. For ten points, identify this term of "legal-ese."

ANSWER: _CORPUS DELICTI_

TOSSUP 9

The infinity symbol has been described by some as an eight on its side. However, this sign is also used in meteorology to identify a weather phenomenon. For ten points, what is this meterorological term characteristic of hot, humid summer days?

ANSWER: _HAZE_

TOSSUP 10

Julian, Rosie, Mr. Robinson, Jubilee, Colin Zeal, Dan Abnormal, and Tracy Jacks have all been featured on songs by a pop group fronted by Damon Albarn. Name this band, which apparently loves to talk about Girls and Boys.

ANSWER: _BLUR_

TOSSUP 11

This recent best seller is an indictment of modern culture's irrational and unending quest for entertainment. Set in a halfway house and a tennis academy, the book features characters such as Don Gately and Hal Incandenza. Name this acclaimed work written by David Foster Wallace.

ANSWER: _INFINITE JEST_

TOSSUP 12

A Dutch possession in the 17th century, this nation's sovereignty passed to Britain in 1815. Indentured servants from India soon outnumbered African slaves, and today East Indians form the majority of the nation. It became independent in 1966. For ten points, name this South American nation whose capital is Georgetown, but whose most famous city is probably Jonestown.

ANSWER: _GUYANA_

TOSSUP 13.

Name's the same. This company's "7" model was driven by Patrick McGoohan in "The Prisoner", and its Espirit was James Bond's car in "For Your Eyes Only." The software company with this name, produces SmartSuite, Domino, and Notes, with caustic TV commercials by Denis Leary to boot. The black one is one of the most coveted cards is Magic: The Gathering. FTP, name the type of flower eaten by the forgetful ones in the _Odyssey_.

ANSWER: _LOTUS_

TOSSUP 14

All appeals in cases involving this area of law go to the Federal Circuit of Appeals in Washington, DC. That court makes decisions in cases like _Markman v. Westview Instruments_ on issues such as priority date, novelty and prior art, obviousness, utility, and infringment. FTP, name this area of law, established in Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution with the clause allowing Congress "To promote science and useful arts" by "securing ... for Inventors ... the exclusive right to their ... discoveries."

ANSWER: _PATENT_ law

TOSSUP 15

A straight line isn't necessarily the shortest distance between two points, at least in a world with gravitational fields. FTP, name the term in physics for the shortest path between two points, one example of which is a brachistochrone.

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ANSWER: _GEODESIC_ (prompt if early on brachistochrone)

TOSSUP 16

He saw the young Giotto painting a sheep on a stone, and, impressed by his talent, took him to study with him. Having already painted works such as the Santa Trinit Madonna now at the Uffizi, he was also occupied at the time with painting frescoes at the Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi, FTP, name this late thirteenth century painter, some of whose frescoes were destroyed in the recent Assisi earthquake.

ANSWER: CIMABUE

TOSSUP 17

A man is sentenced to death for getting his betrothed with child. His sister goes to plead with the magistrate for her brother's life, and he offers her brother's release if she will sleep with him. For ten points, this is the premise of what 1604 play, often called Shakespeare's "darkest comedy," which takes its title from a verse in Matthew where Christ says to "judge not, that ye not be judged"?

ANSWER: _MEASURE FOR MEASURE_

TOSSUP 18

Born in 1799, he graced the early nineteenth century with original literary works of virtually all existing genres and even created his own, that of the "novel in verse." His tragic death in a duel in 1837 was the crowning touch on a glamorous and celebrated life. For ten points, name the man who is called "the father of Russian poetry" and the author of _Eugen Onegin_.

ANSWER: Alexsandr _PUSHKIN_

TOSSUP 19

One of the "Keating Five," this man relies on his reputation as an honest man in his attempts at reform. This reputation may be well-earned, however, after surviving 6 years as a POW in Vietnam, during which time he refused to leave early due to his status as a prime bargaining chip, preferring to wait his turn. FTP, name this Arizona senator whose campaign finance reform bill is co-sponsored by Russ Feingold.

ANSWER: John _MCCAIN_

TOSSUP 20

He scored the series-winning goal against the Washington Capitals with a turnaround slapshot in the fourth overtime of the longest game in NHL history, giving the New York Islanders a 4 games to 3 victory in the first round of the 1987 playoffs. FTP, name this star center for the Islanders and the Buffalo Sabres who recently agreed to a contract with the New York Rangers.

ANSWER: Pat _LAFONTAINE

TOSSUP 21

Hubble's law uses the quality to predict the distance of galaxies. This specific subdivision of the Doppler effect was described by Hubble as the effect of galaxies exploding outward due to the Big Bang; their outward expansion causes the light waves from them reaching the observer to have a longer wavelength than usual. The net effect is similar to when a car horn sounds at a lower pitch when driving away from the listener. FTP, name this effect, named for the end of the spectrum of light the telescope receives.

ANSWER: _RED SHIFT_ (prompt if in first sentence on Doppler effect)

TOSSUP 22

Like most doctors, he supports donating the healthy organs of his dead former patients, and publicly stated so recently, in addition to similar comments in his 1991 book, "Prescription: Medicide." Unlike most other doctors, however, what Michigan doctor specializes in euthanasia?

ANSWER: Jack _KEVORKIAN_

TOSSUP 23

I came back to the Chicago area in May, mainly for one reason: So that I could more safely attempt to murder a scientist, businessman, or the like" So reads an entry in the diary of what man with many striking similarities to Matt Bruce, also a math concentrator in Harvard's Eliot House?

ANSWER: Theodore _KACZYNSKI_ or the _UNABOMBER_

TOSSUP 24

This Vulgate language became the first to have a written grammar in 1492, when a Catholic priest, Father Nebrija, first set down rules. For ten points, name this language sometimes called the "Tongue of Cervantes."

ANSWER: _SPANISH_ (or _CASTILIAN_).

TOSSUP 25

During the Taft administration, a quarrel erupted within the Presidential administration. This controversy centered around public lands in Wyoming, Montana, and Alaska opened to corporate development. This debate involved the Secretary of the Interior and the chief of the Agriculture Department's Division of Forestry. FTP, name either

of these men.

ANSWER: Richard _BALLINGER_(Secretary of the Interior) or Gifford _PINCHOT_(chief of the Division of Forestry)

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BONUSES

All bonuses are worth 30 points.

BONUS 1

Name the writer 30-20-10:

- 30: This 1959 Cornell graduate and Nathaniel Hawthorne share an interesting background: both have ancestors who served as judges at the Salem Witch trial.
- 20: He turned down the Howells Medal of the American Academy of Arts and Letters in 1975, after being denied a Pulitzer in 1974.
- 10: His latest novel, "Mason and Dixon", retells the story of the two famous surveyors.

ANSWER: Thomas _PYNCHON_

BONUS 2

For ten points each, name the Spanish monarch.

1) He fled in 1931 after the fall of the dictatorship of Primo de Rivera and the formation of the second republic.

ANSWER: _ALFONSO XIII_

2) He employed Diego Velasquez as his court painter.

ANSWER: _PHILIP IV_ or _FELIPE CUARTO_ or _FELIPE THE FOURTH_

3) This grandson of Alfonso XIII married a Greek princess, Sofia for whom a part of the Prado museum in Madrid is named.

ANSWER: _JUAN CARLOS_ I

BONUS 3

Identify the Mexican state, for ten points each:

1) The Spanish conquistadores landed here in 1519.

ANSWER: _VERA CRUZ_

2) Located along the American border, this state contains the cities of Tijuana, Mexicali, and San Quintin.

BAJA CALIFORNIA NORTE

3) This southernmost Mexican state is still inhabited by many ethnic Maya; after NAFTA took effect, a revolt broke out in this region.

CHIAPAS

BONUS 4

Golden Oldies! Given the name of the song and the year in which it hit number one, give the recording artist for ten points each.

1. 1971, Maggie May

ANSWER: Rod _STEWART_

2. 1959, Mack the Knife

ANSWER: Bobby _DARIN_

3. Hang on Sloopy

ANSWER: _MCCOYS_

BONUS 5

30-20-10. Name the author.

30: This French authors writings, which include the book Night Flight, reflect his love for open skies and freedom of action.

20: He was an aviator who was lost in action in World War II.

10: His most famous book, The Little Prince, is beloved by kids and adults alike.

ANSWER: Antoine de _SAINT EXUPERY_

BONUS 6

Name the city 30-20-10:

30) This Mediterranean city was enclosed by medieval city walls until 1859, when they were torn down and the city began to expand into a rigidly planned urban grid.

20) A 1994 Whit Stillman movie took its name from this city.

10) Baseball was first played as an Olympic medal sport at the games in this city; previously, it had been exhibition only.

ANSWER: _BARCELONA_

BONUS 7

Five men were honored in the first induction ceremony of the Baseball Hall of Fame. For five points each, and an extra five points for all five correct, name them.

ANSWER: Babe _RUTH_, Ty _COBB_, Walter _JOHNSON_, Christy _MATHEWSON_, and Honus _WAGNER_

BONUS 8

The Musical "Cats" recently became the longest running musical ever on Broadway. For ten points each:

Which musical did "Cats" pass for first?

ANSWER: _A CHORUS LINE

Who composed the music for "Cats"?

ANSWER: Andrew _LLOYD WEBBER_

When did it begin its run?

ANSWER: _1982_

BONUS 9

Name the French play which from the characters, 30-20-10:

- 30) Acaste (AH-kahst)
- 20) Oronte (OH- rohnt)
- 10) Philinte (FEE- lahnt)

ANSWER: _LE MISANTHROPE_ (mee-zan-TROP), or The _Misanthrope_

BONUS 10

Ah, the socialists! For ten points each, name the three French car companies that were once independent firms but are now associated under partial government control (30 Points):

PEUGEOT (POO-zho), _CITROEN_ (SI-tro-en), and _RENAULT_ (re-NO)

BONUS 11

Suppose that we have five persons and three chairs in which to seat them, one person per chair.

1) For ten points, how many ways can we seat people in the chairs if the order in which we seat them is taken into consideration?

ANSWER: _60_

2) For ten points, how many ways can we seat people in the chairs if the order does not matter?

ANSWER: _10_

3) For ten points, how many ways can we seat them in the chairs if the chairs are in a circle and only relative position matters?

ANSWER: _20_

BONUS 12

Many schools will dispute the U.S. News & World report rankings, but its hard to argue with College Boards assessment of the largest university campuses in the country. For ten points each:

1) What school recently took over the top spot as the largest single campus in the country, with over 48,000 degree-seeking students?

ANSWER: University of TEXAS

2) What school, the former #1, slipped a notch?

ANSWER: The _OHIO STATE_ University

3) E. Gordon Gee, Ohio States president, will soon leave to take over the helm of what much smaller Ivy League school?

ANSWER: _BROWN_ University

BONUS 13

Since cricket is not a very well known sport in the US, perhaps we should discuss it a bit. For ten points each

1) If a ball is hit and touches the rope marking the boundary, how many runs are scored?

ANSWER: _FOUR_

2) Like baseball, cricket has innings. But its innings are further divided. What are the units that innings are divided into?

ANSWER: _OVERS_

3) One of the most important international cricket tournaments is called "Sixes." In which former British colony is this tournament located?

ANSWER: HONG KONG_

BONUS 14

Travelers Insurance recently bought Salomon Brothers in a \$8.5 billion deal. Lets see what you've heard about it.

1) FTP, name the CEO of Travelers, described as a "genius at creating shareholder value." $\,$

ANSWER: Sanford WEILL

2) Weill was so described by, FTP, this Berkshire Hathaway owner who stands to make sick money off of his Salomon holdings.

ANSWER: Warren _BUFFETT_

3) And, earn another ten points by naming the stock trading house already within Travelers that will merge with the bond-trading Salomon.

ANSWER: _SMITH BARNEY_

BONUS 15

Interesting time to be a Mac user, no?

1) FTP, this mans appearance on the screen behind interim CEO Steve Jobs announcing a \$150 million investment at the MacWorld Expo in Boston put the word "sellout" in the minds of some Mac zealots.

ANSWER: William T. (Bill) _GATES_ III

2) FTP, give the code name for the next-generation Mac operating system currently in beta testing that will allow direct access to the Internet and World Wide Web without using a browser.

ANSWER: _RHAPSODY_

3) Due in part to Rhapsodys potential for linking streamlined network computers, this Oracle CEO recently joined Apple's board of directors.

ANSWER: Larry _ELLISON_

BONUS 16

So, Bill Weld doesnt get to be ambassador to Mexico.

1) FTP, name the Senate Foreign Relations Committee chairman who decided that the guvna didnt deserve a hearing.

ANSWER: Jesse _HELMS_

2) FTP, name the Republican Senator who had the longest service on Foreign Relations and was chairman prior to the 1986 election but was aced out by Helms for the chairmanship that time, thus providing extra impetus for him to challenge Helms authority.

ANSWER: Richard _LUGAR_

3) FATP, name the Reagan Administration Attorney General, under whom Weld served as head of the the criminal division of the DOJ, who could have cleared up the issue of Welds commitment to drug fighting but didnt, perhaps because of Welds lack of support for him during corruption investigations.

ANSWER: Edwin _MEESE_

BONUS 17

Given the description, name the nation FTPE.

1) The name of this Western Hemisphere nation derives from an African word meaning "high ground."

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ANSWER: _HAITI_

2) A tiny country in Central Africa, it was known as Rio Muni under colonial rule.

ANSWER: _EQUATORIAL GUINEA

3) In 1984, this African nation gave itself a new name which means "Land of Upright Men."

ANSWER: _BURKINA FASO_

BONUS 18.

Lets see how much you remember about _Marbury v. Madison_.

1) Chief Justice Marshall established judicial review by finding , FTP, Section 13 of what law unconstitutional on the grounds that Congress could not expand the Supreme Courts Article III jurisdiction?

ANSWER: _JUDICIARY ACT OF 1789_

2) This ruling precluded the court from giving the type of relief Marbury requested, an order by the courts to unwilling public officials to perform one of their official functions. FTP, name this writ, still sought in public records cases and others.

ANSWER: Writ of MANDAMUS

3) Marburys nomination was voted on by the Federalist Congress, but his appointment was not delivered on time. FTP, who was the Federalist Secretary of State who failed to get Marbury his commission on time?

ANSWER: John _MARSHALL_

BONUS 19

The big six accounting firms are now the big five. FTP, name the two major accounting firms that recently merged to form one behemoth.

ANSWER: _PRICE WATERHOUSE_ and _COOPERS & LYBRAND_

And, for ten points for three, twenty points for all four, name the other four of the big five.

ANSWER: _ANDERSEN_, _DELOITTE & TOUCHE_, _ERNST & YOUNG_, _KMPG/PEAT MARWICK

BONUS 20

Can you squeeze more soft money into your pockets than hard money? Answer these campaign finance questions F15PE.

1) What 1883 law, prohibiting solicitations for money on federal property, are Vice President Gore and possibly President Clinton alleged to have broken? Hint: another president lost his life over the issue before the law was passed.

ANSWER: PENDLETON Act

2) Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott has proposed an alternative to McCain-Feingold that would ban donations by this group of traditional Democrat supporters who spent over \$35 million in the last election cycle.

1) LABOR UNIONS

BONUS 21

- 10 points each, name the following English women novelists.
- 1) Heavily relying on stylized conversation, this author mocked the hypocrisy of the Edwardian world in books such as "Brother and Sister" and "Mother and Son."

ANSWER: Dame Ivy _COMPTON-BURNETT_

2) Often compared to Henry James and George Eliot for the subtle insights she brings to dilemmas faced by modern women, her novels include Jerusalem the Golden, the Needles Eye, and the Gates of Ivory.

ANSWER: Margaret _DRABBLE_

3) She wrote many novels about social conditions in 19th Century Britain, including May Barton, but is most famous for her work, Life of Charlotte Bronte.

ANSWER: Elizabeth _GASKELL_

BONUS 22

The US Secret Service gives code names to the First Family, each of which starts with the same first letter. Five for one, fifteen for two, and thirty for all three, what are the code names for the Clintons?

ANSWER: _EAGLE_ (Bill), _EVERGREEN_ (Hillary), _ENERGY_ (Chelsea)

BONUS 23

Jiang Zemin will be coming to the U.S. starting tomorrow, and will even be speaking down the street a bit from here. FTPE:

1) This is the first visit to the U.S. by a Chinese leader in how many years?

ANSWER: _12_

2) What government position did Jiang hold during the Tiananmen Square massacre?

ANSWER: _MAYOR_ of Shanghai

3) Relations between the two nations hit another ebb last summer when the PRC navy showed excessive force in what strategic body of water?

ANSWER: _TAIWAN STRAIT_ or _FORMOSA STRAIT_

Two galaxies recently "collided," providing us the best view yet of what will come to our own galaxy very soon. FTPE:

1) What is the nickname given to these two galaxies, so names because of their shape?

ANSWER: _ANTENNAE_

2) To the nearest five million light-years, how far away are the Antennae?

ANSWER: 65 million (accept 60-70 million)

3) This is a preview of what will happen in 5 billion years when the Milky Way collides with what nearby galaxy?

ANSWER: _ANDROMEDA_

BONUS 25

Nelson Mandela recently visited Libya, dismissing U.S. complaints by stating that Gadhafi helped his country when the U.S. "supported the enemy." For fifteen points each, name the two now-dead leaders of Eastern European countries mentioned by Tony Karon of Time Magazine as other erstwhile supporters of Mandela he may have been loathe to visit.

ANSWER: Erich _HONECKER_ and Nicolai _CEAUCESCU