

Sunday afternoon in Central Wisconsin, cold and damp, it must be March. Oh, it might just be me, or it might just be that Trivia is just 5 weeks away, daylight savings time kicks in next week and you know what that means, you spring backwards, because you spring backwards and fall forward, less injuries. I'm ready to play some Trivia. Eck and I are diligently working on the contest. We nearly have the first hour completed. The 2 of us look forward to this contest every year. I hope you have been following all the player profiles on Facebook, Triva (World's Largest Trivia Contest). I'm really hoping teams who have young players are opening their teams up to your children's friends. You and we need the new blood. We owe it to the future of this contest to keep it fresh and lively. And, you never know when someone will make you laugh, just keep having fun, keep taking notes, keep recognizing the difference between reality and fiction. It's just a weekend of fun and food and friends. Maybe not all in that order! I'm big on the food. Get out those books and enjoy the weekend. Again, it is an internet free writing experience for John and me. It's more fun that way. We don't know what is on the net and what is not, nor do we care. We just enjoy the crazy questions and writing them.

Be sure to look for us and like us on Facebook under Trivia (World's Largest Trivia Contest). There is still a daily question, just to keep you on your toes. We wrote the dumbest, funniest, most ridiculous question that we have ever done. You will know it when you hear it. Just remember, it's just a game. Chuckle, chuckle. Let's keep those Trivia team names on the edge. No one will ever blame you for pushing things out there.

The Trivia Kickoff movie will be held on **April 6 and 7 at midnight and on April 7 at 10:00** in the morning. It's going to be a great movie, one that I'm sure you will enjoy, because it has everything, love, gold, and horses. It will be on the mega screen at the Roger's Cinema on Church Street in Stevens Point. Admission is still only \$3 at the door. The title will be announced at the showing, is a PG rated movie, so use your parental judgment. It is a classic that everyone will enjoy. Don't miss it on the big screen. See you there and no need to bring your panning gear.

Trivia will be streamed live both audio and video. The link to the video will be listed on the Trivia website, 90fmtrivia.org. I hope you join us for the entire contest.

GUIDELINES FOR PARENTS OF STUDENTS DURING TRIVIA WEEKEND

IF HOSTING A PARTY . . .

EVERYONE HAS A RIGHT TO BE SAFE— Children, Youth, Teens, Students, Adults

- Set ground rules with your own children and let parents of other children coming know what they are. (A sheet of written rules and consequences helps all remember.)
- Understand local and state laws and consequences about curfew and use of alcohol and other drugs by underage youth.
- Have plenty of food and non-alcoholic beverages available.
- Ask parents of students coming to your home to help with food and supervision.
- Arrange for one or more responsible adults to be awake and aware at all times.

DURING THE PARTY:

- Avoid easy access to alcohol for anyone under 21 years of age.

- Notify any parent whose child arrives under the influence of alcohol or any other drug to come and pick them up. If parents are not available, call the police.
- If a teen arrives at the party with alcohol or other drugs, confiscate, and call parents or police for assistance.

IF YOUR TEEN IS ATTENDING A PARTY:

- Know where and for how long they will be there.
- Don't hesitate to call the parents hosting to check out guidelines and also offer to help with food or chaperoning.
- Make plans ahead of time with your teen on how to handle situations of concern.
- Allow the teen to call for a ride home at any time they have a concern.
- Phone the hosting family the next day and thank them for their hospitality.

Youth need boundaries and clear expectations with consequences. Although they may hassle you about them, the option of attending a party with boundaries or not attending any party will help them make the right choice. Keep it fun for them.

Team registration will again be \$40.00 per team. We had to raise the price this year. Trivia is a fund raiser for the Friends of 90FM and the station. This organization provides scholarships and capitol purchases at the station. Registration will be Monday through Thursday from 3 until 7 and Friday from noon until 6, the week of April 9th. Registration forms are available online at www.90fmtrivia.org to speed up the process. We will again have an assortment of goodies for sale, listed below. With the purchase of \$400.00 worth of goods, registration is free. With the purchase of \$200.00 worth of goods, registration is \$15.00. Merchandise will be posted online March 8th. Preorders will be taken at www.90fmtrivia.org beginning soon. I will send out an update when it is up and running. The deadline for orders is 7am, Sunday April 8, 2018. **We will be accepting MasterCard/Visa cards at the station for the entire week of Trivia.**

Teams who are playing from out of town and can't get to Stevens Point for registration can register by mail. The deadline for that is a postmark Monday, March 26, 2018, or in my hands by April 6, 2018. The registration form and other information is on the website at www.90fmtrivia.org. You will receive your copies of the New Trivia Times on Tuesday or Wednesday, April 10 or 11, 2018. There will be a page which lists all of the teams playing from outside the area so they can compare with each other on how they do in the contest.

TRIVIA 2018: THE TRIVIA RUSH OF 49

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FULL ZIPPERED CARDIGAN SIZES S, M, L, XL, XXL	\$38.00
½ ZIPPERED HOODLESS SWEAT SHIRT	\$35.00
MEN'S SPORTPANTS SIZES L, XL	\$24.00
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TIE-DYED T-SHIRTS SIZES M, L, XL, XXL	\$25.00
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BUCKET CAP	\$10.00
CAN COOLER	\$3.00
COFFEE MUGS	\$7.00
BREWERY PINT GLASS	\$6.00
CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS	\$10.00
REFRIGERATOR MAGNET	\$3.00
KEYCHAIN	\$3.00
BANDANAS	\$15.00
TRIVIATOWN, THE MOVIE	\$21.00
EXTRA COPIES OF NEW TRIVIA TIMES	\$10.00

Each question in the contest might run for two songs, except singing questions which run for three songs, and the final question which will run for one song. Each team is limited to one call per question. Each question is between 5 and 500 points, depending on the number of teams answering a question correctly. Just before the top 5 or 10 teams are read at the end of the newscast, we will announce the point values of the previous hour's questions. Of course there will still be the two running questions. We ask that teams do not collaborate with other teams and that the contest be treated as what it is...a game. Scores will be updated about every two hours or so on the internet at the trivia web site, www.90fmtrivia.org. Sometime after the contest begins, we will give out the Trivia Complaint Line

phone number. It is to be used for legitimate complaints concerning the validity of an answer. If your score does not match ours, ours is right. Please feel free to record and play back any part of the contest. In fact, you should use recorders because we will not repeat questions on the complaint line. However, no part of the contest may be broadcast or reproduced without the permission of 90FM and the OZ, including the pictures in the New Trivia Times. **The pictures in the New Trivia Times may not be posted on the internet.** Questions may not be reprinted for distribution.

Thanks to all those who worked so hard on the New Trivia Times and to all the businesses who put ads in the book. So many of them have been supporters for many years and we appreciate their support. .

Please mention to them that you saw their ad in the New Trivia Times. Let them know that you support them in return. When ordering food during the contest, check the New Trivia Times for deals and specials. And remember that these businesses are part of Trivia, please support them.

DON'T FORGET THE PARADE. CHECK THE ROUTE ON THE WEBSITE, 90fmtrivia.org.

Now, it's time for me to get down to the business at hand. The table is just as shaky as ever, but we persevere and keep writing. We eat, we write, later we eat more, mostly junk on the second eating. We need to look like we're serious about being couch potatoes. We have been enjoying some weird dark chocolate covered chip sort of thing that seems to be more crumbs than anything. I haven't figured it out yet, except after eating a couple pieces, the bag goes into pour it into your mouth mode. I hope you are listening to 90FM, because the Trivia teasers are being played. It's fun, and I am in need of the fun of Trivia this year. Had a tooth pulled about a month ago, really, who said "hey, enjoy your Golden Years!" Ha, golden years my foot. Posters will be going up in about 2 weeks, check them out. Billboards will again be up in Stevens Point. Make sure you look for them. Don't know where they are this year, who knows, it might be a question. The staff at the station again won awards for their work at the Wisconsin Broadcasters Association convention this past month. They work hard and have been lucky to be given kudos by this great WBA group. In keeping with the idea of food, cookies will again be making their appearance courtesy of the Alumni Association. Thanks to the good people there. For those of you who don't know about this, it's the first day of Registration, April 9th. You know, when I write this, I get really pumped up for the contest. My blood boils, my hair gets up on end, my taste buds get sharper, and I in general get more energy. Who am I???? I need more energy like I need a hole in my head. Spongebob Squarepants said it best; "I'm ready, I'm ready, I'm ready!" Eck is ready! We are ready. If you want to see a little about this great city of Stevens Point, do a search on Google for "Around the Corner – Stevens Point". I think you will be pleasantly surprised. What a great town! And, of course, the best darned thing is 90FM and this great contest, "The Trivia Rush of 49". I'm lost in all types of emotion this year, but am ready to be the lovable guy that I always am. Hahahaha!!!! Get ready world, here we come, we are ready to turn the radio to the bottom of the dial to 89.9FM to listen to and participate in the best weekend of the year. It's that time of the year, get your motor running and gather around whatever device you tune into the station, tune in your ears, get ready to sit or pace or stand or lay down, however it is that you get yourself ready, because it's time to play Trivia, Fast Eddie.....