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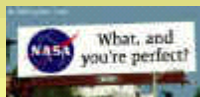
The President Scores!!!

April 24, 2006 - Jak se Maj! Good morning all! Its true! The President, with Zumbo at his side, scored on a very nice 23.5 lbs Tom with a 10+ inch beard last Wednesday morning. I had been stuck at home that morning with work related issues, and was on my way to work around 9:30 when my cell phone buzzed. Zumbo, acting as the official Presidential aide, patched me thru immediately so I could get the story straight from the source. According to official observations, the Tom had a very "thick" beard... What ever that means... So congrats to The President and Zumbo! That kinda success is not surprising considering the team. (Damn turkey probably was first stunned by a beer can flying out the window of the blind...)

This week is my week for turkey hunting. Season opens Wednesday, but for the FOURTH year in a row, I got work commitments that prevent me from going out on Wednesday. Its really not that big a deal, as Thursday thru Sunday is plenty, but its still kinda weird that it happens every year. We'll see if Zumbo can pull off the hat trick and help me score Tom #3 out on the ranch.

Work should be a major pain for a week or two. We just had a major power outage on Friday, so we're still patching stuff together with duck tape and chewing gum around here. I HAVE to go to some stupid training tomorrow and Wednesday and then I'm off the rest of the week. The time off is GREAT, but making up for it will be nasty at best. Next weekend is Fish Camp 2006 (YAHOO!!!), which means two more days off... YES!!! But when I return it will be ugly for awhile... OK, enough complaining... CAN'T WAIT!!!

How about some more billboards?



I really like the second one...

Spent a little time over at the Sausage Stuffers yesterday. The SEC-State and I were summoned to help move some furniture. The Sausage King is redoing pretty much the whole house. Who would have thought he'd know that much about the various shades of beige? Anyway, we were able to steer the topic of conversation over the Fish Camp 2006 (YAHOO!!!) with only minimal difficulty. Sounds like we're on schedule with everything. The Sausage Man has an idea for a

Sunday evening menu, so we got that going for us. I really can't wait to get up there.

Got this one from the FDA Chair:

A Polish immigrant went to the DMV to apply for a driver's license.

First, of course, he had to take an eye sight test.

**The optician showed him a card with the letters:
'C Z W I X N O S T A C Z.' "Can you read this?" the optician asked.**

"Read it?" the Polish guy replied, "I know the guy."

Probably a true story...

This Week's Reasons to Drink!

24 National Remembrance of Man's Inhumanity To Man Day. Atone for your barroom behavior. *Solemn shots of tequila.*

25 Cuckoo Day (English). Get cuckoo for cocoa shots!

Cocoa Shot

1 1/2 oz cognac

1/2 oz white chocolate liqueur

1/2 oz amaretto

1/2 oz cream

1 Maraschino cherry

Shake with ice, strain, garnish with a maraschino cherry, shoot.

26 Richter Scale Day. Shake it, baby, shake it!

Earthquake

1/3 gin

1/3 whisky

1/3 Pernod (Absinthe if you got it)

Shake with ice, strain.

27 Ulysses S. Grant's Birthday (1822). When informed that Grant was a drunkard, Lincoln retorted: "Find out what brand of whiskey Grant drinks, because I want to send a barrel of it to each one of my generals." *Whiskey.*

28 Crew of the HMS Bounty mutinied (1789). Among other outrages, the Captain cut off their grog. *Rum.*

29 Casse Canarie (Haitian Voodoo). AKA Breaking the Jugs, so as to free lost souls from purgatory. Makes sure you empty them first. *Jug of rum.*

30 Willie Nelson's Birthday (1933). Talk about follow through: He not only sings about whiskey, he distills the stuff. *Whiskey River Whiskey.*

What a GREAT Week!!!

Well, the trip north this weekend isn't looking too good. I can't make it, no way, no how. So, its either The President and AG making wood on their own, or we'll have to make plans for another weekend. I'll try to steer him to another weekend. I can't imaging the Cabin rent at Deer Camp if "somebody" doesn't help. More on that later....

Well, next week I hope to have a positive report on my turkey season, and then an update for Fish Camp 2006. Did I mention I can't wait?!?!?!?

Before I go, a few words of wisdom for our junior members... this comes from the FDA Chair...

"Marriage is a relationship in which one person is always right, and the other is a husband." -- Unknown

Oh man! Ain't that a fact!!!

Until next time, take care...

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April 17, 2006 - Veselé Velikonocce! I hope everyone out there had a great Easter! Me, I had a good weekend. I even hit all four church services, so I got that going for me. Our Easter meal (with the in-laws) was great, unlike the experience the Nelson clan had. Spent a couple hours at the Mayor's in the afternoon, and had a nice time. Can't ask for much more...

Stopped over at The President's on Saturday. With lent over, we had a couple beers and discussed world issue. (Which is much easier with beer I might add!) The mystery visitor that left the stove on at the cabin has not yet revealed himself, but the case continues. Seems there was a light blue/gray car spotted at the cabin in mid-December. Not sure who's it is, but if its YOU, you better get your car painted...

The President would like to make a trip north the last weekend of the month (April 29-30) but so far its not looking too good. That is also the first weekend of racing, so none of T-Bone racing will be able to attend. That's my week for Turkey season, and I have a party on Friday night and the Prom is on Saturday night... Maybe we'll try for a day trip... we'll see...

Speaking of turkey season, ZUMBO SCORES AGAIN! Thursday morning our ace hunter called to report that he nailed a 25 pound bird... After sitting thru a rainy Wednesday it didn't take him long. As always, congrats!!!

While sitting at the Mayor's yesterday afternoon, the SEC-State and I were discussing departure times for Fish Camp. We're "kinda" thinking that maybe we could sneak up there Thursday night after work... We'll throw the idea around for a while and see what we come up with...

With lent over, I really don't need these, but what the heck!

This Week's Reasons to Drink!

*17 Daffy Duck makes his debut (1937). Do you best imitation. **Cold Duck (burgundy and champagne).***

*18 Paul Revere makes his midnight ride (1775). Make your own ride before the liquor stores close. **White Horse Scotch.***

*19 Homer Simpson makes his first appearance on television. Woo-hoo! **Sweet, sweet beer.***

20 National Karaoke Week begins. Ever notice how getting drunk makes you

sound like Sinatra and everyone else sound like retards? **Shot of courage.**

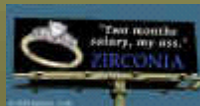
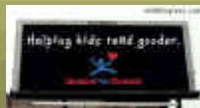
21 Alferd G. Packer Day. University of Colorado's cafeteria is named after the famous cannibal. **Dead Guy Ale.**

22 Jack Nicholson's Birthday (1937). Heeeeeere's Johnny! **Johnny Walker Black.**

23 The Reinheitsgebot is adopted (1516). German purity law demands that beer only be made of malt, yeast, hops and water. **Good German beer.**

Had a root canal done last Tuesday... **THAT** was fun! Not too bad, but an hour with a doc and assistant digging around in your mouth is never pleasant... And now, I have a trick knee... Cripes, I'm falling apart. I was sitting at the Mayor's table yesterday when all of a sudden it was like my knee cramped up. Considering there aren't any muscles in your knee (that I know of) I assume its something else. Pretty weird, and kinda goes off and on. Sometimes I can't bend my knee more than 1/4 way but other times its fine... Must be from an old football injury... Never really played football, but it sounds good...

How about some billboards?



Hope the SEC-Transportation sees that second one... :-)

I think that's about it for this week. I'm already way behind schedule...

But before I go, a few words of wisdom for our junior members...

"When ya got em' by the balls...their hearts and minds will follow." -- Unknown

THAT, has a lot of truth in it...

Until next time, take care...

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April 10, 2006 - **Jak se Maj! Happy Monday!** Hope everyone out there is doing well! I had me a nice, relatively quiet weekend, so no complaints here... This week should be good too. Tuesday will be a bear starting with a 8am root canal and ending with working 'till 1am. On the bright side, its Holy Week, and lent is over on Thursday, so I got that going for me...

First off, we better cover The President's birthday on Saturday. We had a Easter brunch over at Pa Nelson's place, and while we were eating, I got a cell call from The President. I had planned on stopping over at his place after our meal, so I figured this would work out pretty good.

Turns out he was calling from the cabin. Seems he got a rather high utility bill and when he called the electric company they said the meter was running. Oh Oh! So he and the AG and the son-in-law and daughter headed north. Arriving at the cabin, everything looked fine. Everything

locked, no lights on, pump off. But then he noticed the breakers were back in (and I'm darn sure we pulled them after Deer Camp!) and that THE STOVE WAS ON! The back burner was on medium! Holy Crap! We're lucky we're not looking at re-building!

He did find a pile of Parliament butts in the driveway, and he wondered who smoked those, but with the snow during deer camp, it could have been anybody. Quite a mystery. Everything is fine, but The President still has to pay the bill. Look forward to higher cabin rent again...

I did make it over to see The President on Sunday and delivered his birthday package. I don't think he remembered the issue he made out of it at Deer Camp, but he seemed to like it none the less... Even with lent winding down, I didn't even have a beer with him... That may be a record that will stand for a long time...

With lent almost over, I really doubt that I need this, but I found a site with 365 reasons to drink, one for each day of the year... It also includes a recommended drink of the day. You never know, some day I might not be inspired, so here goes the short list for this week:

Apr 10 - National Alcohol Screening Day. If you don't have a cocktail strainer, you can screen it through your fingers.

Butterfinger

1 1/2 oz butterscotch schnapps

1 1/2 oz Bailey's Irish Cream

2 oz milk

Pour butterscotch schnapps and Bailey's over ice, top with milk, shake it up, screen into glass.

Apr 11 - Barbershop Quartet Day. Hooch away the horror. **Old Fashioned.**

Apr 12 - Walk on Your Wild Side Day. Visit a bar that doesn't care for your type.

Wild Turkey 101.

Apr 13 - Thomas Jefferson's Birthday (1743). Ran up \$100,000 wine tab while in the White House. **American wine.**

Apr 14 - Anniversary of the Titanic Striking an Iceberg. Actual quote by one of the chaps at the ship's main lounge: "I ordered ice with my drink, but this is ridiculous."

Scotch and soda, hold the ice.

Apr 15 - Tax Day. If you ever needed a reason to drink, here it is. **Whatever you can afford.**

Apr 16 - Kingsley Amis' Birthday (1922). Writer's epitaph saluted him as a "supreme clubman, boozier and blimp." **Fat Bastard Chardonnay.**

I think I'm gonna like that section...

From today's headline, you can probably guess that I watched the Badger Hockey team this weekend. Awesome games to say the least! 14 years since they got screwed out of their last championship in Albany, but I think I'm finally over that bitterness. Way to go guys!!!

I got the newsletter published on the web site [here](#). If someone would check it out and let me know if it comes up all right (or doesn't) I'd appreciate it...

I got the Fish Camp 2006 initial correspondence out last week too, including our draft menu. Its less than a month away boys, and so far I have NO RESPONSES! Lets go! Have the fun of this

stuff is the planning...

Maybe on the way up to Fish Camp we'll see some billboards like these:



Kinda sets a theme for this week...

Like I said, this week is Holy Week with Easter 6 days away. We did have a really nice meal at Pa Nelson's on Saturday. Quite a spread to be sure. Food (and drink) this Sunday will no doubt be awesome as well.

To top it all off, Zumbo should be out in the fields this week for the Spring Turkey opener. I'm guessing that by 9am on Thursday he's done... Good luck Zumbo! (Like he needs luck...)

Oh yeah! Other news from Zumbo's wildlife refuge: Zumbo's eldest daughter has announced her wedding date, May 12, 2007. Hope that doesn't interfere with Fish Camp 2007! Congrats goes out to the happy couple in Colorado.

Well, there's probably more, but I'm tired of typing... I'm outa here...

But before I go, a few words of wisdom for our junior members...

"If your ship doesn't come in, swim out to it" -- Andy Tant

I'm guessing our junior membership does more sinking than swimming...

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April 2, 2006 - Jak se Maj! I hope all is well. Crappy day out today, but that's OK. The wife was in Madison over night, so I had a very relaxing day yesterday and a nice quiet morning... So far... But it IS Monday...

Well, the SEC-W/M has returned. He arrived a day late due to flight issues in LA, but arrive none the less. Looks good too... I had lunch with him and my eldest on Friday, and I'll readily admit, it was good to see him. Not much has changed though... Still talks a mile a minute, and he still knows everybody... He was on the hunt for a new vehicle on Friday, with a strict budget in hand from the Mayor herself... If you all haven't seen him by now, I'm surprised... Welcome back!

I am VERY, VERY, VERY happy to announce that the Deer Camp 2005 Newsletter was shipped last week and you each should have your copies by now. (If you don't its your own damn fault for not getting me your correct address.) I'll be posting a copy on the web site, hopefully today, so you'll be able to check it out there as well. It was a lot of work this year, and I had a few things going on, so I apologize for its late shipment. But better late than never... We'll have to discuss the topic at the next bored meeting if we want to continue the tradition...

Had a strange weekend... Had to get up early Saturday and go to work. Didn't start the day well

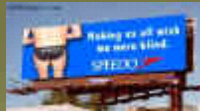
as after I got out of the shower, I noticed I was covered in blue fuzz... probably from the towel... got back in, rinsed off, and the next towel was the same thing... Gave up, and got dressed... Luckily all the fuzz came right off when I was dry... strange... Headed to work and things didn't go well there either... What "should" have taken 15 minutes took me 2 and a half hours... And I had to be to church for an all day retreat at 11:30... (Yes, I went to a retreat... Shut up...) Didn't get home till after 9pm... Long day...

Sunday was weird too... Work called at 2am and I was up for a while, so I slept in... No church, as I went Saturday... The wife left at 11am, the Chief went to work at noon, and I had the whole damn afternoon to myself... Did a couple things, but not much... Actually, very nice... I could use more of those...

Well, here's a couple more billboards...



Epecially parking lots with soft tar that you HAVE to stop at...



For some reason, this makes me think of opening morning, breakfast table, while The President is dressing to go out on The Hunt...

Lets see, what's going on... Well, turkey season is now days away. I don't think we'll get to hear any of Zumbo's words of wisdom at his annual Turkey Seminar. He has been a bit busy, so we'll cut him some slack, but hopefully, the tradition will resume next year... Fish Camp 2006 is a little over a month away, so I better get working on that... soon... Lastly, but CERTAINLY not least, we have a VERY special day coming up this weekend. The BIG 55! The DOUBLE-NICKEL! THE DAY!!! If you don't know what I'm talking about, expect your cabin rent to go WAY up this year...

Well, since I spent so much time in church this weekend, we should have a little church humor... Compliments of the Jack/Ass team...

John O'Reilly hoisted his beer and said, "Here's to spending the rest of me life! , between the legs of me wife!" That won him the top prize at the pub for the best toast of the night!

He went home and told his wife, Mary, "I won the prize for the Best toast of the night "She said, "Aye, did ye now. And what was your toast?" John said, "Here's to spending the rest of me life, sitting in church beside me wife."

"Oh, that is very nice indeed, John!" Mary said.

The next day, Mary ran into one of John's drinking buddies on the street corner. The man chuckled leeringly and said, "John won the prize the other night at the pub with a toast about you, Mary. "She said, "Aye, he told me, and I was a bit surprised myself. You know, he's only been there twice in the last four years. Once he fell asleep, and the other time I had to pull him by the ears to Make him come.

Well, the phones ringing off the damn hook... I better answer it pretty soon...

But before I go, a few words of wisdom for our junior members...

"If it weren't for people like you, there wouldn't be anyone like you!" -- The President

Our hero!

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