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October 25, 2010 - *Jak se maj!!! Hey everyone! Coming to you with a Sunday evening "Pre-Packer Game" edition of the diatribe... LOT'S of stuff going on these days, so I figured I better get the update done before the game...*

The Weatherman is home this weekend, and we just got done with a lesson... Tie-Tying 101... Ever try to teach a left hander how to tie a tie? Unreal... I think he's got a lot of work ahead of him. Anyway, he's working on his ties because he debuts tomorrow on UW-M PantherVision as their weatherman. PantherVision is the UW-Milwaukee TV station, and they were hard up for someone to do the weather, so he's their man. Should be interesting... If you want to check it out, the link is "somewhere" around here:

<http://panthertv3.imt.uwm.edu/panthervision/panthervision.html>

They tape it, so if you miss the 10am live version, it should be posted sometime, somewhere after... Good luck Chris!

What else is up? Crappy weather this weekend, huh? I had big plans to get stuff done outside, but that sure didn't happen. I got some shop stuff done and the basement straightened up a "little bit", but not much else. The sun came out for about 15 minutes this afternoon so I went out and took three and a half tons of leaves (they get REALLY heavy when they're wet) to the curb, and that's been it... Oh well...

Big day for the church website I've been working on. Today is the big "Go/NoGo" decision day. We are about 93% done, so I'm pretty sure we'll be a Go! That will mean that on 11/4 we'll turn it on and we'll be ready to announce it during that weekend's Masses. Should be fun... Once I know for sure, I'll send the link out...

Work has been busy, but last week was one of those with a lot of wheels spinning but couldn't get anywhere... Frustrating, but gotta keep plugging on. Trying to get as much done as possible so I can afford to take some days off this week and for deer hunting... Keeping the old fingers crossed!!!

Speaking of time off, I had kinda hoped to take last Friday afternoon off. Since I've been having a REALLY hard time taking time off (every time SOMETHING comes up) I didn't mention it to anyone to keep from jinxing it. Well, that didn't work as I woke up to furnace problems. Well, it turned out OK, as I called the furnace guy and he walked me through what to do, and it actually worked. Messed up the afternoon off, but so what. So I hung around home until noon and then took the bike into work. YES! Nothing like getting lemons and making lemonade! The only ride of the week, so it was a good one!

One of the reasons the weatherman came home this weekend was his car was on the fritz. Well,

it was really on the fritz, and won't be done until Monday or Tuesday... Not cheap either, so I kinda feel bad for him, but I've been there and done that, so hopefully it will be a good lesson to take better care... It does probably mean it will result in a trip one night after work to either deliver the car or meet him half way. We'll see...

The SEC-W/M had his big booyah bash this weekend, but I have not heard how that went. I think the FDA Chair was going to be on hand to help out, so I'm guessing it turned out great... Maybe we'll get an update for next week...

Big sports weekend... Denville girls volleyball is on a roll, hopefully to state. Yesterday the Denville spikers sent L-C home... The Chief Inspector's squeeze plays for L-C, so I felt bad about that, but I think they will turn the tables in round-ball, so it should even out...

Denville football ended its season on a sour note, losing their last game of the season... No playoffs there... But the Badgers did their thing in Iowa City and took the Heartland Trophy home for the next few years at least. That was a good game!!! I was pretty glad to see Big Red win, but I wouldn't have been crushed had they lost either. That fake punt was AWESOME! I had JUST commented that since they were punting, the game was over... AND TEHY FAKED IT!!! Awesome! Went on to score and hold on... Now let's hope they don't "stumble" down the stretch and Mich St. does...

What's going on at TherIFixedIt.com? Looks like they snuck into The President's computer room and took a picture!



The President is pretty frugal, but THAT'S ridiculous...

So, what's on the wine list? What, no wine? what else you got?

25 Anniversary of the Charge of the Light Brigade (1854). "Their's not to reason why, their's but to do and die." **Light beer.**

26 Anniversary of the Gunfight at the OK Corral (1881). Doc Holliday's last words while drinking a glass of whiskey: "This is funny." **Whiskey (but not funny whiskey).**

27 Dylan Thomas' Birthday (1914). "An alcoholic is someone you don't like who drinks as much as you do." **White Horse Scotch.**

28 St. Jude's Day. Patron saint of hopeless causes. **Tequila.**

29 Hermit Day. Stay home and drink all by your lonesome. **Yukon Jack.**

30 Feast of the Dead Children (Toltec). Oh, those creepy, creepy Toltecs. **Mescal.**

31 Halloween. Suit up as a historical drunk. **Zombie**

Hmm... Other than a couple tequila entries, nothing too exciting... I think I'll sub in some Old Fashions...

Have I posted this before? Well, in case I didn't, here's for you democrats...



Talked to The President today to plan for this weekend's big wood cutting trip up at the cabin. He's doing well and sounds like he'll be good to go for the weekend and deer camp, though running just over idle... Nothing crazy... So we kinda came up with a quick menu and schedule and we'll go from there. Bob is heading up Wednesday night and I plan on heading up Friday morning after a meeting and sticking around until Sunday morning. The crew sounds set, but disappointing news from the FDA Chair as he can't attend due to work... Too bad, as I'm sure he'll miss out on a good time... can't wait!!!

Next Sunday is Halloween! Hard to believe November is almost on us... In honor of the holiday, here is perhaps the worse joke of the season, supplied by my buddy in Iowa...

One rainy, windy night, not unlike tonight, a man was walking home alone, down a dark, deserted street that ran right by the local cemetery.

As he passed the gates, he heard a bump in the darkness behind him.

Not daring to look back, he quickened his pace. But, the bumping noise continued behind him. He stopped and turned to see what it was.

Coming down the road behind him was a coffin, standing on end, bumping from side to side - BUMP, BUMP, BUMP. The man, terrified for his life, turned and ran into the driving rain.

Behind him, the coffin came faster - BUMP, BUMP, BUMP! Ahead of him, there was a branch that had fallen from a tree.

He reached down and grabbed it as he ran by.

Still running, he turned and threw it over his shoulder at the coffin - but it just splintered when it hit the coffin and the coffin continued coming faster - BUMPITY, BUMPITY, BUMPITY!

The man turned the corner onto his street and ran through his front gate, the coffin right behind him.

His splitting axe was resting against his woodpile so he snagged it, turned, and gave a mighty two-handed throw sending it end over end right at the coffin.

SMASH! - the axe shattered on the unnaturally strong wood of the coffin and it continued after him. The man dashed in his house, but the coffin crashed through the front door.

The man ran upstairs and grabbed his shotgun off the wall display. He blasted the coffin with both barrels, but the shot bounced harmlessly off the coffin as it continued up the stairs - BUMP, CLOMP, BUMP, CLOMP!

The man, desperate and scared to death, jumped into the bathroom and locked the door - knowing it would do no good.

The coffin Banged against the door, once ..., twice ..., and on the third time, the door exploded and the coffin came forward.

In desperation the man reached out his hand and grabbed whatever he could. All that was there was a bottle of cough syrup so he threw it at the coffin.

The bottle shattered, the cough syrup poured on the coffin and.....

The coffin stopped!

Bad, huh?

Well, that's about it... I though the update would be better, but didn't quite turn out that way... Oh well... Not sure about an update next week with the woodcutting and Halloween and all, but we'll see... As always, before I go, here are some words of wisdom for our junior members...

*"I'll bet living in a nudist colony takes all the fun out of Halloween." ~
Author Unknown*

Yeah, I bet it does... Ice skating must suck too...

As Red would say, "Keep your stick on the ice"!

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October 18, 2010 - Jak se maj!!! Hi everyone! Another BE-A-U-TIFUL day in Wisconsin... If it wasn't for two lousy football games, even with one great one in between, it would have been perfect! More on that later...

Let's start with some good news. Just got off the line with The President and he had a good report. He's doing pretty well, and any surgery is currently scheduled for "after" Thanksgiving. That means he'll be available, although on a limited basis, to lead us this fall. He's currently looking to head up for wood making as well as the opening weekend of Deer Camp 2010! Obviously, that depends on him still doing well, AND he'll have to behave, but it is great to hear he's doing better. Can't wait...!

Yesterday morning I spent a few hours doing "fall" work around the house... Raked leaves mostly, but also got the chimney cleaned... Then I decided that with the outstanding weather I was going to head out on the bike... Probably (but hopefully not) for the last big ride of the year... I figure if I keep saying that, I'll keep being wrong. I allocated 2 hours and headed out with a plan in mind...

I headed east through Stangleville and then north on 42 through Kewaunee, Alaska and Algoma. I head north out of Algoma on Hwy S, and then cut off on my new most favorite road in the state, Hwy U north to Sturgeon Bay. Hwy U is absolutely gorgeous, at least this time of year. It's really twisty and windy and goes through some just beautiful scenery. The colors were spectacular! I was almost sad to reach Sturgeon Bay. From there I headed west on C, and then south to N and over to Chaudoir's Dock. I stopped there quick to check it out as I spent

some time there fishing with Aunt Marcy and Uncle Gerry when I was young. Good times and good memories. From there I wound my way home on some back roads and clocked just over 106 miles in 2 hours and 15 minutes. What an absolutely sweet ride! Next summer I have definitely added to the "trip" list that ride only extended up into the peninsula all the way to the end. Too bad Door Co. is invaded by FIBs all summer, cause it's kind of neat... Different than around here and nice to see...

Got some VERY good reviews on last weekend's booyah. The SEC-W/M took a large batch south to his local establishment, and I took a pail to work. Both crews provided RAVE reviews on the FDA Chairman's work on Ma Nelson's booyah! The rest of the week my co-workers asked every morning, and I'm sure this will extend for weeks to come, if I brought more booyah in... I told them they'd have to wait...

Speaking of work, it's been very busy... I had tons of "homework" this weekend, and I got very little done. Lack of ambition combined with great weather and lots of football to watch contributed to the lack of output. Oh well, it'll still be there tomorrow...

Been really busy with our parishes' website as well. We had planned on going live next weekend, but we had to postpone as we just weren't ready. HOPEFULLY we'll be ready in a couple more weeks, cause I need a break from it for a little while before we hit "Phase 2".

Up and down football weekend, that's for sure! The Denville 11 have become so unimpressive that they didn't even make the paper on Saturday! I had to look it up on a Madison website to find out they got mauled again. But mighty Bucky made up for it with their win over the over-rated and "headless" Ohio Butteyes... I say headless, as I am NOT a Pryor fan. The guy is an incredibly gifted athlete, he runs like a freaken thoroughbred, but he does not belong behind center in a pro-set offense... Glad they lost, and SUPER glad they got beat by Bucky!!! Let's hope Bucky can beat the Hrakra-Eyes next week...

Then came the Packers... I didn't have high expectations due to all the injuries... Heck they looked terrible BEFORE everyone got hurt! But they hung in there, but when they tied it and DIDN'T go for two and the win, I figured they were done... Unfortunately, I was right... Decent game to watch through, but a little frustrating... Well, at least the Bares and Cowgirls lost... Even if that meant Brent Fart won... I think I hate Jerry Jones more than Brent Fart... I do NOT want the Cowgirls to get a home Superbowl game!

Hey... Badger hockey has started... they split last weekend in some Ice Breaker Tourney taking 3rd... Friday and today they pummeled Alabama-Huntsville (yeah, they have a hockey team for some reason) 7-0 and 5-2... Good start for a very young team...

Got this from the Jack/Ass team... I assume it is in honor of The President:

Colonoscopy Journal:

I called my friend Andy Sable, a gastroenterologist, to make an appointment for a colonoscopy.

A few days later, in his office, Andy showed me a color diagram of the colon, a lengthy organ that appears to go all over the place, at one point passing briefly through Minneapolis.

Then Andy explained the colonoscopy procedure to me in a thorough, reassuring and patient manner.

I nodded thoughtfully, but I didn't really hear anything he said, because my brain was shrieking, 'HE'S GOING TO STICK A TUBE 17,000 FEET UP YOUR BEHIND!'

I left Andy's office with some written instructions, and a prescription for a product called 'MoviPrep,' which comes in a box large enough to hold a microwave oven. I will discuss MoviPrep in detail later; for now suffice it to say that we must never allow it to fall into the hands of America's enemies.

I spent the next several days productively sitting around being nervous.

Then, on the day before my colonoscopy, I began my preparation. In accordance with my instructions, I didn't eat any solid food that day; all I had was chicken broth, which is basically water, only with less flavor.

Then, in the evening, I took the MoviPrep. You mix two packets of powder together in a one-liter plastic jug, then you fill it with lukewarm water. (For those unfamiliar with the metric system, a liter is about 32 gallons). Then you have to drink the whole jug. This takes about an hour, because MoviPrep tastes - and here I am being kind - like a mixture of goat spit and urinal cleanser, with just a hint of lemon.. .

The instructions for MoviPrep, clearly written by somebody with a great sense of humor, state that after you drink it, 'a loose, watery bowel movement may result.. '

This is kind of like saying that after you jump off your roof, you may experience contact with the ground..

MoviPrep is a nuclear laxative. I don't want to be too graphic, here, but, have you ever seen a space-shuttle launch? This is pretty much the MoviPrep experience, with you as the shuttle. There are times when you wish the commode had a seat belt. You spend several hours pretty much confined to the bathroom, spurting violently. You eliminate everything. And then, when you figure you must be totally empty, you have to drink another liter of MoviPrep, at which point, as far as I can tell, your bowels travel into the future and start eliminating food that you have not even eaten yet.

After an action-packed evening, I finally got to sleep.

The next morning my wife drove me to the clinic. I was very nervous. Not only was I worried about the procedure, but I had been experiencing occasional return bouts of MoviPrep spurtage. I was thinking, 'What if I spurt on Andy?' How do you apologize to a friend for something like that? Flowers would not be enough.

At the clinic I had to sign many forms acknowledging that I understood and totally agreed with whatever the heck the forms said. Then they led me to a room full of other colonoscopy people, where I went inside a little curtained space and took off my clothes and put on one of those hospital garments designed by sadist perverts,

the kind that, when you put it on, makes you feel even more naked than when you are actually naked..

Then a nurse named Eddie put a little needle in a vein in my left hand. Ordinarily I would have fainted, but Eddie was very good, and I was already lying down. Eddie also told me that some people put vodka in their MoviPrep.

At first I was ticked off that I hadn't thought of this, but then I pondered what would happen if you got yourself too tipsy to make it to the bathroom, so you were staggering around in full Fire Hose Mode. You would have no choice but to burn your house.

When everything was ready, Eddie wheeled me into the procedure room, where Andy was waiting with a nurse and an anesthesiologist. I did not see the 17,000-foot tube, but I knew Andy had it hidden around there somewhere..

I was seriously nervous at this point.

Andy had me roll over on my left side, and the anesthesiologist began hooking something up to the needle in my hand.

There was music playing in the room, and I realized that the song was 'Dancing Queen' by ABBA. I remarked to Andy that, of all the songs that could be playing during this particular procedure, 'Dancing Queen' had to be the least appropriate.

'You want me to turn it up?' said Andy, from somewhere behind me.

'Ha ha,' I said. And then it was time, the moment I had been dreading for more than a decade. If you are squeamish, prepare yourself, because I am going to tell you, in explicit detail, exactly what it was like.

I have no idea. Really. I slept through it. One moment, ABBA was yelling 'Dancing Queen, feel the beat of the tambourine,' and the next moment, I was back in the other room, waking up in a very mellow mood.

Andy was looking down at me and asking me how I felt. I felt excellent.

I felt even more excellent when Andy told me that IT was all over, and that my colon had passed with flying colors. I have never been prouder of an internal organ.

On the subject of Colonoscopies...

Colonoscopies are no joke, but these comments during the exam were quite humorous.... A physician claimed that the following are actual comments made by his patients (predominately male) while he was performing their colonoscopies:

1. 'Take it easy, Doc. You're boldly going where no man has gone before!'

2. 'Find Amelia Earhart yet?'
3. 'Can you hear me NOW?'
4. 'Are we there yet? Are we there yet? Are we there yet?'
5. 'You know, in Arkansas, we're now legally married.'
6. 'Any sign of the trapped miners, Chief?'
7. 'You put your left hand in, you take your left hand out... '
8. 'Hey! Now I know how a Muppet feels!'
9. 'If your hand doesn't fit, you must quit!'
10. 'Hey Doc, let me know if you find my dignity.'
11. 'You used to be an executive at Enron, didn't you?'
12. 'God, now I know why I am not gay.'

And the best one of all:

13. 'Could you write a note for my wife saying that my head is not up there?'

I've seen that before... but it's STILL hilarious!

What's going on at TherIFixedIt.com?



Specifically designed for The President's Recuperation and Advanced Therapy sessions...

The President reported he had a couple cocktails to "ease" his stomach. I see no reason why we shouldn't join in! Here are some ideas...

18 Persons Day (Canada). Celebrates the day women were recognized as "persons." *Pink Lady.*

19 Reptile Awareness Day. Hold your heads up high, lounge lizards. *Rum and Coke.*

20 National Brandied Fruit Day. *In a pinch, you can mix brandy with a can of fruit cocktail. You heard me.*

21 Anniversary of the Battle of Trafalgar (1805). *Grog guzzlers trounce the wine*

snobs. **Navy Rum neat.**

22 National Nut Day. You know who you are. *Nut Brown Ale.*

23 Hungarian Independence Day. So long vodka; hello sweet, sweet freedom.

The Mad Hungarian

4oz shots Rum

12 oz Root beer

Pour rum over ice in a beer mug. Top with root beer.

24 United Nations Day. Unite the liquors of the world into one body—yours. *Long Island Ice Tea.*

Hmm... Long Island Iced Teas next Sunday... Haven't had one of those for a while... They are "DANGEROUS"! That Mad Hungarian sounds good too...

Hope you caught my sister's birthdays last Friday... Happy Birthday Cherie!!!

Here's a good one I got from my buddy in Iowa... Hunting related... :-)

Three guys are out hunting and sitting around the evening campfire exchanging their worst experiences.

The first guy says the worst thing that ever happened to him was, he was up on scaffold 7 stories high washing windows when the scaffold collapsed and he fell, breaking every bone in his body and he was hospitalized for six months.

The second guy says the worst thing that ever happened to him was, he was hitch-hiking and a Greyhound bus ran over him, breaking his back and he wound up in the hospital for nearly a year.

The 3rd guy was not saying anything, so one of the others asked him about his worst experience.

He said, "Well, I'll tell you about the second worst thing that ever happened to me, I was out hunting one time and I had to take a dump, so I stepped behind a tree, dropped my trousers, and crouched down into *the* position."

"Yeah? What happened next?" Asks his friend.

"I got a little too close to the ground and -- WHAM -- a bear trap snapped shut on my testicles."

One of the other guys said, "God! If that was the second worst, what in the world was the worst?"

He calmly replied, "Oh, It was when I reached the end of the chain."

Oh yeah! Every guy reading that just went white in the face!!!

Well, not much planned this week... I think I have an in-law party next weekend, but that's about it. I gotta start planning for the wood making trip the end of the month though! Planning is always fun, and The President thinks he'll make it up there with us, so that makes it a CELEBRATION! Plus, in exactly one month, I'll be packing my things... You know why?

BECAUSE DEER CAMP 2010 IS ONLY ONE MONTH (and a day) AWAY!!! Woohoo!!!
Time to start the lists and menus and schedules and plans and everything else... CANNOT WAIT!!!

Think we should get a bunch of these for the junior members? (Click on it to enlarge)



Well, that's about it... Hope you enjoyed! As always, before I go, here are some words of wisdom for our junior members...

"What happens here, stays here!" ~ Robert Debroux

During my first Deer Camp... No wiser words were ever spoken... and the look I got from Pa Nelson as he said them burned them into my brain forever... :-)

As Red would say, "Keep your stick on the ice"!

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10-10-10 - Jak se maj!!! Howdy folks! Happy 10-10-10 day! Just got back from The President's to drop off some booyah and get an update on how he's doing. He's pretty good right now from the looks of things and he reports that he's about 80%. (You'd think he's giving a football report or something) He's going to the doc tomorrow and hopefully getting a good report and schedule a time to go under the knife to get things fixed permanently. We had a nice chat and he's definitely in good spirits. But I'll have to admit, it was a "little" weird sitting at his table and chatting and not having a beer... Probably a good thing as I had enough beer today anyway. So that's the scoop on Bob, but keep him in your thoughts and prayers...

I was dropping off booyah for The President and First Lady tonight as today was the Nth Annual World Championship Booyah Cookoff! The FDA Chairman had his crew assembled before sunrise and he whipped up one of his best batches ever! Seriously! This wasn't a "top 5" effort, this was more like a "top 1" effort. It was awesome! Plus he took home the "Showmanship" award... Mostly due to the blaze orange BBC aprons (Thanks to our beautiful librarian and seamstress oldest sister!), and the fact that the team that "should" have won the showmanship award took home another award, and we were the only other team that did anything. But we'll take it anyway! It was a SERIOUSLY beautiful day, that's for sure, but I think it really affected the turnout as the number of people that showed up was really down. It was too nice out, the Packers were on, and there were tons of other events in the area, so that hurt, but hopefully we still made enough for a nice donation to CP. Great job team!

The only real downer was the fact The President didn't attend due to his condition, and the fact the FM wasn't there to rig the votes and take home an award... And of course provide entertainment!

Not much else going on in my world other than church work and work work... Church work has involved some meetings and the never ending saga of getting their website up and running. I spent almost all day Saturday working on it! We had hoped to get the website up and running by the end of October, but it looks like that will be postponed until early November. BUT, it IS coming around and looks really good. We just need to get some more content done and get some behind the scenes issues resolved and we should be good to go...

Work work has been really busy too, but not as bad as September was... At least so far. We did hire a new network engineer, so that is really nice to have someone to work with. He actually took on-call this week, so for the first time in 2 and half years, I wasn't on call 24x7. SWEET!!! That will continue on and off as we rotate weeks, but it will be really nice not to always have to worry about that.

Been doing a little PC work on the side too for my buddy Skipper... I fixed up one PC for him and it took almost no time at all. But the second one has been the devil to me. I've tried multiple drives and installs and cables and controllers and it still freaks out. I think it's broken for good. Kinda sucks, but we'll find some sort of replacement for him...

I was really disappointed that with the gorgeous weather this weekend I didn't get out on the bike, but I did take a fantastic ride after work on Wednesday. I skipped out a "little" early, got home by 4:30 and was on the bike by 4:45 heading south. Took "R" down to Manty and didn't feel like stopping, so I took HWY LS down the lakeshore to Sheboygan. SWEET road... Very nice, and with the fall colors kinda here and there, it was really neat. Headed west through Howards Grove, up to Kiel, then back home through Valdars and Kellnersville. It was WAY dark by the time I made it home, and getting pretty cold, but it was a really great ride. Probably the last "long" ride of the season. I gotta start thinking about putting it away for the year, but I hope the weather holds and I get a few more short rides in...

Last Friday we celebrated my lovely sister's birthdays in downtown Denville. Due to schedules, they combined their parties, and we had some great pizza down at the new "Saloon". Very nice time, but I ate WAY too much pizza. Happy Birthday Cindy and Cherie!

Kind of a crappy football weekend... Well, actually, the local teams were 2-1, with Denville and the Badgers BOTH winning! Socking that we headed into Sunday 2-0, but the Packers stunk up the joint today and went home with that overtime loss. We only got to see the second half due to booyah responsibilities, but the second half was literally painful. It wasn't as if the Redskins deserved to win, but the Packers sure didn't either. With all the injuries, things are getting kinda pessimistic, but here's hoping they turn things around...

Sorry... Had to take a break and take my beautiful bride and the dog for a walk... Pretty nice out! But I can't say I was too enthused about going for a walk... After getting up at 4:30 and being on my feet all day, I'm kinda tired... But I gotta keep the peace... :-)

Speaking for peace, how about some booze to help calm you down?

11 Vinalia (Roman). The biggest Roman wine shindig of the year. **Flagons of wine.**

12 Columbus Day. Explore new bars and libations. **Cutty Sark.**

13 Sammy Hagar's Birthday (1947). "Once I tasted really good tequila I became a new man." **Cabo Wabo Tequila.**

14 Mega Kenka Matsui (Japan). Rough-house festival in which shrine palanquins jostle one another. Yes! **Sapporo Beer.**

15 UB40's Red Red Wine reached top of U.S. charts (1988). Suddenly drinking vino seemed kind of cool. **Red, red wine.**

16 Oscar Wilde's Birthday (1854). "Work is the curse of the drinking classes." **Absinthe.**

17 Anniversary of the First Oktoberfest (1810). Over a million gallons of beer were guzzled at Prince Ludwig's wedding. **Beck's**.

Hey, how about a little Absinthe party Saturday night? Every have the stuff? Interesting... To say the least...

Missed the weekly "ThereIFixedIt" segment... Here's an interesting adaptation:



Now who in their right mind would use an old washing machine drum for a grill? I can see using an old washing machine TUB for a booyah kettle, but you gotta draw the line somewhere...

As I mentioned, we celebrated my sister's birthdays last Friday, but Cherie's is officially this week, so if you see her on Friday, please wish her a great day! Happy Birthday Cherie!!!

Well, I got the OK from The President tonight to make an expedition with the crew and travel north to the cabin to make some wood. As he likely won't be able to lead us, I had to get special dispensation, which he readily granted. We'll be heading up the last weekend in October (Halloween Weekend) and we'll make some wood, maybe get some projects done, check out deer stands, eat and drink... Mostly the last one, but you know how dry the air is up there! Actually, the big deal is to get another stack of wood ready for winter as we probably have enough for deer camp, but you never know! We get another -7 below on opening day, and we could run out! Anyway, we have a core group lined up, but we can always use more BBC members! More details to come...

Kind of a weak update, but I'm pretty tired, and I got a lot on my plate these days, so you get what you get... Hope you like the quality despite the lack of quantity!

So with that, I'm out of here... But as always, before I go, here are some words of wisdom for our junior members...

"It was one of those perfect autumn days which occur more frequently in memory than in life. ~P.D. Jame

Yep! THAT Was today for sure!

As Red would say, "Keep your stick on the ice"!

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Oct. 4, 2010 - Jak se maj!!! Hi Everyone! "One tired puppy here coming to you on a Sunday night." That is the exact same opening I had last week, but THIS week it's a REALLY good tired. I spent about 9 hours making wood yesterday, and you know what? Driving a keyboard all week long does NOT get you in shape to make wood for a whole day... Everything started good and it was a BEAUTIFUL fall day to be out cutting. I headed out to Zumbo's and dropped a couple trees, but the hard part is all the hauling and cleanup... THEN comes the splitting, and I forgot just how HARD Elm splits when it's green. Even with that awesome electric splitter it was still a fight... But I got 3-4 cords cut and about 1 and a half split. Now I just need to get the rest that's

cut out there hauled home and split and I should be good to go. I may cut some more, but I want to get what's out there done first, but we'll see... On to the real news...

Talked to The President today and things are not going as well as planned. He got out of the hospital Tuesday and had a couple decent days, but things are flaring back up, and he's pretty sure the rest of the year will be more or less shot for him. Yes, he's going to Deer Camp at ALL COSTS, but he'll likely be paying some penance and not imbibing as normal. From MY perspective, what that means is the boys are going to want me up ALL NIGHT partying, and then The President is gonna wake me up at 4:30 AM (5 minutes after I hit the sack) and want to go out and actually hunt... I can't WAIT!!! I may be the one dead after all this... Actually, as obvious as it sounds, this is not a fun thing to go through, especially for an active guy like Bob. So keep him in your thoughts and prayers...

On to some good news... Got an email from the Bush's out west and they are expecting their first baby. YEAH!!! So Zumbo and my beautiful blonde sister are going to be grandparents... Congratulations all! Maybe this is just me reading stuff between the lines that isn't there, but it sounds like they've been trying, so they are very excited. I'm thinking Al's just been practicing, but never let on... Just kidding! Anyway, they are anticipating the new arrival in April, so the Nelson bloodline extends further into the next generation. Can't wait to meet little baby Bush!!!

Speaking of grandkids... Stopped over at the SEC-Transportation's place tonight to do a little computer work for him. Let me tell you, little George is a stitch. The kid is hilarious... He is little Greg junior without a doubt, only cuter and smarter... lol! I'm sure he has his days, but he was quite the little belier (is that how you spell that???) tonight and was very entertaining... I think it's time for them to have another...

The next generation spent the night up at Kingsbury Kottage for their annual Cousin's Weekend. Sounds like the turnout was a bit light, and other than a raw burned pizza (You'll have to get that recipe from the SEC-W/M) they had a nice but calm and uneventful time... Hmm... I'm not sure I'm buying that...

Man, I am so sore even typing is painful... I gotta go grab some more Advil...

Speaking of pain, I mentioned I had tooth problems a week or so ago, and it's all good now, but I found out what's a bigger pain than tooth problems. It's my beautiful bride with tooth problems. She got her teeth cleaned and it seems she's come out of it with an infected tooth or something. You would think the WHOLE WORLD is ending or something. Wow... I thought I was a big baby... I certainly hope that gets taken care of tomorrow... I almost went to church to light a candle for her... Well, really for me, but you get the drift...

Got out on the bike 3 times this week. No real long rides, but almost 200 miles all together, so it was a good week. She really doesn't like starting when it's getting colder like this, but once she warms up she's just fine. Kinda hoping to get one more long ride in, but I think that option is starting to fade. We will see...

My buddy Skipper stopped over last night for a couple beers and to pick up a PC. He dropped off a couple PCs 2 weeks ago for me to look at and one is done. The other has issues, so since that may take a bit, he figured he could use the other one for a while. Anyway, we sat around yakking for a bit, had a couple beers, and that was it... Funny, I don't think we've ever done that... Just kinda chatted, behaved, and felt good the next day. Go figure... I didn't think it could be done...

Got through the whole first season of episodes of Northern Exposure. It's only 8 episodes, but still, that's a lot of TV for me. I do remember now why I loved that show so much... Well, maybe not exactly why, but I know that I did and still do... Something about it, but it just kinda kames

you think but still feel good... Weird... 5 more years to go...

Weird football week... The Monday night Packer/Bare game just pretty much sucked. That doesn't need to be rehashed... Then the Badgers lost yesterday... Can't hardly explain that, other than they deserved it. Then the Packer/Liun game today was just yucky... I really thought they were going to fumble again at the end and lose... I really did... I was surprised they held on... Not even going to mention the Denville game this week... Overall, it just kinda made football unenjoyable this week... Well, here's hoping next week will get better...

So, let's see what ideas are going through The President's mind as he recovers... From the IFixedIt.com site...



Ok, Ok... Not even BOB WOULD do that...

If you're thirsty, here are some ideas for your week...

*4 Vodka Day. "Vodka is our enemy, so we must utterly consume it!"—Russian idiom in response to Soviet anti-vodka campaign. **The enemy.***

*5 Monty Python's Flying Circus debuts (1969). "American Beer is a lot like making love in a row boat—it's fucking close to water."—Eric Idle. **Holy Grail Ale.***

*6 National German-American Day. Their beer tastes so much better when they're not shooting at us. **Bourbon and schnapps.***

*7 The Budweiser (Czech version) brewery begins operations (1895). You guys wanna trade? **Czech Budweiser.***

*8 Anniversary of the Great Chicago Fire (1871). Started by a sober cow. **White Russian.***

*9 St. Denis' Day. Patron saint against frenzies and headaches, in that order. **Hair of the dog that mauled you.***

*10 Richard Burton and Elizabeth Taylor remarried (1975). Reuniting the century's finest husband/wife drinking team. **Flat champagne.***

HEY!!! The 7th is all about Czechvar, my FAVORITE beer! It was the ORIGINAL Budvar (Budweiser) until those Nazi's at AB stole the name and then claimed it was their's all along... Not to mention, this is GOOD GOOD beer! I think I'll go get a 12'er on the 7th and see what I can do... Better plan on calling in sick the next day too...

You know, its October, so winter is RIGHT around the corner... Saw this and it kinda cracked me up...



I'm sure that bear is like "Son of a bitch! I hope none of my bear buddies saw that..."

My big sister and Mayor of Denville celebrates her birthday this week. We're heading to downtown Denmark to celebrate, so watch out!!! If you see her Tuesday, be sure to wish her a great day!

Word is that the World Championship Booyah cookoff is this weekend. Hmm... Didn't have it on my calendar, so I just shot an email off to the FDA Chairman to confirm. THAT is always a blast, so I'm kinda hoping so.... Funny, haven't heard the FM spouting off about it based on his so-called "award" last year. Well, hope it's on, and I hope we have LOT'S and LOT'S of help...

Well, with the news of The President being in ill health, looks like it's up to me to setup a wood making expedition up at the cabin. We don't REALLY need any more wood, but I think it would be irresponsible not to go make some more. Talked to the SEC-Transportation about it tonight, so he's going to check with his buddies' availability. I'll get an email out to the BBC to see who's up for it. Might be tough sledding if The President isn't there to lead us, but perhaps we can fumble through... I WILL warn The President to turn his cell phone off after 10pm though...

Well, that's all I got! Oh, I'm sure there's more, but more details would cause subscription rate to go up, and NO ONE wants that... But as always, before I go, here are some words of wisdom for our junior members...

"Some men go through a forest and see no firewood" ~ English Proverb

Some women too...

As Red would say, "Keep your stick on the ice"!

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