MUSINGS XV JUNE - SEPTEMBER 2010

VERY DISTURBING IN THIS DAY AND AGE TO SEE A SIGN WITH AN UPSIDE DOWN (M) ON A BUSINESS, RESTAURANT, ETC.

ANOTHER ROGER GOODELL GEM. SUPER BOWL IN NEW YORK IN FEBRUARY, MAYBE HE IS HOPING FOR ANOTHER "REFRIGERATOR BOWL" LIKE GREEN BAY HAD. "INEPT"

I REFUSE TO EXERCISE.

CUBS SHOULD BUY A NEW CAP FOR STARLIN CASTRO. ONE THAT DOESN'T COME DOWN OVER HIS EARS.

NOT A NEWS FLASH BUT A FACT! GENERAL MANAGER DALE TALLON GETS DEMOTED AND FORCED OUT BY A CHAMPION BEANIE BABY SALESMAN

BAD WEEK. I MISSED "HAWK" HARRELSON NIGHT AT SOX PARK. JUST AS WELL, THE HAWK HARRELSON NIGHT MIGHT HAVE BEEN TOO EMOTIONAL.

I DOUBT THAT EX-GOVERNOR BLAGO AND CAROL MARIN WILL BE EXCHANGING CHRISTMAS PRESENTS THIS YEAR.

NO ONE SEEMS TO KNOW WHAT THE ENTRÉE WAS AT THE LAST SUPPER.

LOOK-A-LIKES. RYAN DEMPSTER (CUBS) AND PAUL KONERKO (WHITE SOX).

HOW DO YOU APPLY OR WHO DO YOU HAVE TO KNOW TO GET ON THE ED MCELROY SHOW?

THE BRITISH OPEN MUST HAVE SET A RECORD FOR TELEVISION COMMERCIALS.

WHERE HAVE YOU GONE PETER GAMMONS? THE MOST KNOWLEDGEABLE SPORTS (NON SCREAMING) REPORTER IN THE BUSINESS. AT ONE TIME CONSIDERED FOR MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL COMMISSIONER.

HAVE YOU EVER SEEN ANYTHING AS GOOFY AS THE SIX FLAGS COMMERCIAL?

WHAT IS A "BAD PENNY?"



I MISSED THE CHICAGO BLACKHAWK VICTORY PARADE DOWNTOWN I IMAGINE IT WOULD HAVE BEEN A LOT OF FUN BEING PUSHED AND SHOVED IN THE MIDDLE OF TWO MILLION PEOPLE I HAPPENED TO BE VERY BUSY THAT DAY TAKING A NAP

VERY HAPPY TO REPORT I BOUGHT 23 NORTHWESTERN TICKETS FOR THE ILLINOIS STATE GAME UNDER THE CANOPY IT WAS A NICE FAMILY OUTING.

SAW A MCDONALD SIGN THAT SAID 6 CHICKEN NUGGETS FOR ONE DOLLAR FROM 11:00 PM TILL 3:00 AM. THOSE TIMES ARE RIGHT IN MY TIME ZONE.

IN THE PAST 3 YEARS OR SO I HAVE NEVER BEEN OUT TO BREAKFAST SO MUCH IN MY LIFE. I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT I WAS MISSING, BETTER THAN THOSE LATE NIGHT HAMBURGERS WITH HALF OF THE RESTAURANT PATRONS OVER SERVED.

HOW LIFE CHANGES. AT THIS TIME IN LIFE IT IS EXCITING TO GO TO BREAKFAST OR LUNCH WITH SOMEONE. I RECENTLY HAD TWO OF THOSE IN ONE WEEK. BREAKFAST ON OUR WAY TO BUY NORTHWESTERN TICKETS AND LUNCH AT SCHALLER'S PUB WITH ABOUT 10 LEO PEOPLE. PAT MCGAVIN IS WRITING A STORY ABOUT "OLDER GENTLEMAN" THAT GO TO ALL OF THE LEO HOME BASKETBALL GAMES. IT WILL BE IN THE LEO ALUMNI WEBSITE. WWW THOSELEOMEN.COM THREE OF US HAD OUR PICTURE TAKEN WITH JIM THOME'S FATHER AT SCHALLER'S.

A GOOD THING: SO FAR NO HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL COACHES SUSPENSIONS HAVE OCCURRED.

ANOTHER BIG BIRTHDAY PARTY COMING SOON GRANDAUGHTER AVERY EARNER'S 1ST BIRTHDAY PARTY AT GAELIC PARK'S PATIO. THINGS ARE VERY DIFFERENT IN THE 21ST CENTURY MY MOTHER TOLD ME THAT MY 1ST BIRTHDAY PARTY WAS HELD AT SHEWBRIDGE FIELD.

I NOTICE THAT ALL CANS OF FRUIT SOLD IN THE SUPERMARKET NOW HAVE POP TOP LIDS. DON'T YOU FEEL SORRY FOR THE COMPANY IN CHINA THAT MAKES ELECTRIC CAN OPENERS?

TO ALL OF MY JEWISH FRIENDS. I HOPE YOUR HOLY DAYS IN SEPTEMBER ARE JOYOUS AND PLEASANT

TODAY IS LABOR DAY 2010. THANK GOD FOR UNIONS AND LABOR RELATIONS BOARDS. THANK GOD THAT THE HENRY FORDS OF YESTER YEAR IN THE U.S.A. ARE GONE. TOO BAD THE REST OF THE WORLD STILL

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HAS SWEATSHOPS AND MODERN DAY SIMON LEGREES.

AER LINGUS LOST 21 MILLION LAST QUARTER. DOES THAT MEAN AIRFARE WILL BE HIGHER OR LOWER IN OCTOBER FOR APRIL FLIGHTS? INTERESTING TO THE EARNER CLAN AS WE ARE PLANNING AN EASTER TRIP TO EIRE.

SEAT BELT LAWS TAKE AWAY AN INDIVIDUAL'S INDEPENDENCE.

HALF TIME ENTERTAINMENT AT THE NORTHWESTERN-ILLINOIS STATE GAME WAS SUPERB. IN CONSISTED OF THE TWO UNIVERSITY BANDS AND 8 HIGH SCHOOL BANDS ON THE FIELD SIMULTANEOUSLY THE PROGRAM CONSISTED OF PATRIOTIC SONGS ON 9/11 BETTER THAN THE SUPER BOWL BOOGALOO NONSENSE.

BASEBALL MANAGERS ARE OVERRATED. CASEY STENGEL PROVED THAT HE LED THE BROOKLYN DODGERS TO LAST PLACE. HE LED THE YANKEES TO 1ST PLACE. HE LED THE METS TO LAST PLACE. DON'T YOU THINK THE PLAYERS HAD SOMETHING TO DO WITH THAT? MY GRANDMOTHER COULD HAVE MANAGED THE YANKEES.

LEO ALUMNI AND LEO HIGH SCHOOL ARE PLANNING ANOTHER VETERAN'S DAY CEREMONY IN THE LEO COURTYARD ON NOVEMBER $5^{\rm TH}$ IT IS VERY IMPRESSIVE. I'LL DRIVE ANYONE THAT WANTS TO GO.

I HAVE NEW GLASSES. I ALSO HAVE A CATARACT IN MY ONLY EYE. DOCTOR SAID I AM ABOUT A ½ INCH AWAY FROM LOSING MY NIGHT TIME DRIVING PRIVELEGES.

LOOK A LIKE: TRACY BUTLER AND BARBIE DOLL.

WHEN NOT ON CAMERA, DOES PRINCE PHILIP EVER SKIP AHEAD OF QUEEN ELIZABETH?

HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE THE REPORTER WHO WAS ASSIGNED TO COVER THE "NORTH AMERICAN BED BUG SUMMIT" HELD IN ROSEMONT ILLINOIS?

ALTHOUGH MY LIFE IS VERY DIFFERENT NOW, MY DAYS ARE PLEASANT FOR THAT I THANK GOD AND ALEVE.

GOD BLESS,

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ON THE ONE ROAD

Chorus

We're on the one road, sharing the one load
We're on the road to God knows where
We're on the one road, it may be the wrong road
But we're together now who cares?
Northmen, Southmen, comrades all!
Dublin, Belfast, Cork or Donegal!
We're on the one road, swinging along, singin' a soldier's song!

Though we've had our troubles now and then Now's the time to make them up again Sure aren't we all Irish anyhow?

Now is the time to step together now

Chorus

Tinker, tailor - every mother's son Butcher, baker - shouldering his gun Rich man, poor man - every man ın lıne All together, just like Auld Lang Syne!

Chorus

Night is darkest just before the dawn From dissension, Ireland is reborn Soon, will all United Irishmen Make our land a Nation Once Again!

Chorus