

FRIDAYFOLLIES

January 24, 2003

Hey!

It is time for the SUPER BOWL! Are you ready? Actually, I am not particularly fond of either team this year, but do plan to enjoy the game. For the past three or four years now, JP and I look through recipeto see what we are going to make, cook up all kinds of hot dips and tailgate food, and then sit down and enjoy the game together, alone! We discovered that when we do that, we actually WATCH the game and it is so much fun! You know we love to party and be with friends, but this is one time we just hold our OWN little “party”. Also traditional for this time every year, I send you my “Football Follies Montage!” I hope you get a chuckle out of it, and that you enjoy the weekend.

THE DOG POUND!!



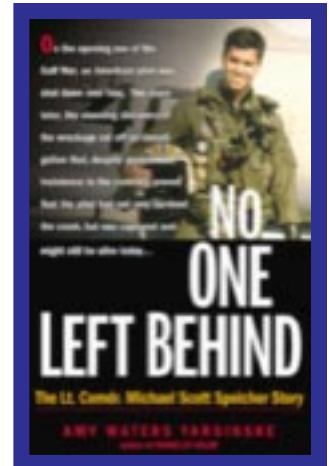
Well, it has been snowing on and off now for two weeks, and we still have not had any accumulation! That is one thing about living so close to the Atlantic Ocean. Within five miles or so, the temperature and wind currents keep the air just warm enough that snow usually turns to rain. Bummer! They are predicting it again for this Wednesday night, so we will see. It snowed, literally all day today, (Tuesday, the 21st) and yet, no accumulation. I have to tell ya, though, just watching it come down makes me happy. I have seen so little of it in my life.



Great news in the “Friend Department” this week!

A good friend of mine (I told you about her a while back) wrote a book and was featured on the Paula Zahn show this summer. Well, she has been talked about all over the networks recently. Amy Yarsinske’s book, No One Left Behind is about Navy pilot Scott Speicher who was shot down in Iraq the first night of Operation Desert Storm in 1991, and was given up by our “leaders” for dead. But he isn’t. Scott is still alive! He has been held captive all of this time by Saddam!

Amy’s clandestine investigations and her controversial book have actually caused the United States Government to change Scott’s status from “Killed in Action” to “Missing in Action.” That is the first time in history that someone’s status has been changed! No One Left Behind has not only earned Amy a Pulitzer nomination for nonfiction, but has also placed her in the running for the National Book Award. Both prizes are among the most prestigious for any author. AND, just last week the book also won a “Listen Up Award” from Publishers Weekly as one of the best audiobooks of the year! This is one of the most prestigious recognitions an audiobook can have. Amy is also doing a series of interviews for Maxim magazine’s spring issue. “You Go, Girl!”



JP and me jokin’ around with Wolf Blitzer

Last week Amy was watching CNN with Wolf Blitzer and she saw him interviewing Senator Pat Roberts who is the Chair of the Senate Intelligence Committee. He mentioned Amy by name and her book numerous times during the inter-



view. We hope (Amy and I) that when Scott is rescued, she will be allowed to be present.

Get this, this woman who was a Naval Intelligence Officer before she retired, became a mom with three children, and wrote literally scores of books, went to Saudi Arabia and interviewed a very prominent informant. She flew over there not knowing who she was going to meet, or where, or who would even pick her up from the airport. (Can you imagine?) Her informant had information about Scott that he wanted to share. It verified that he was still alive. You see, the thing with Saddam Hussein is that he understands America maybe better than we understand ourselves. He knew that we would not sit tight and let Scott go without trying to rescue him. He has kept him alive all of this time as a negotiating piece.



There is so much that goes on in this world that we don't know about. Anyway, good luck to you, Amy. I know you will fill very fulfilled when Scott is released, and I also am betting the movie will be great! (smile. . .)

Hey!, Now it is Thursday and guess what! We finally got that SNOW! We actually only got about three inches, but around here, that is enough to shut everything down. It is so nice today to sit at home and watch movies by the fire and look outside and see the snow coming down. What a wonderful winter gift!

Now I will leave you with my traditional "Football Follies Montage!"





Joe Jacoby



The Redskins'
Mascot



Bruce Smith



Go Bengles!



William Fuller



Gayle Sayers and my brother, Larry.



The Fearsome Foursome



Irvin "Blueprint" Parker



Pete Johnson



The Naval Academy
Goat and Jeremy



Terry Bowden

God bless.

Remember, life is short...we need to make it a good one.

Grow in peace and wisdom.

Your Friday Friend,

JUDI GODSEY

And my favorite football players, JP and Robert Woodhouse



PS. NOTE OF CAUTION... 20 employees were fired from The New York Times here in Norfolk for sending lewd and indecent e-mails. (To my knowledge, none of

the 20 were on our list – even though some of the attorneys who represent the company were!) I have asked each and every one of you on this list to tell me if these "Follies" place you in jeopardy, or even if they offend you. Please understand that they are intended to be light-hearted and are not mean-spirited in any way. If you are ever offended, do not hesitate to ask to be taken off the Friday list.

PSS. If you send a joke and I don't use it, it is because it has been used before, and I try not to repeat. Remember, I have been sending these since August of 1997. One tends to go through huge numbers of jokes that way.

Disclaimer: When anyone asks if I type all of these jokes, the answer is, "No!" I cut and paste one evening during the week (30 minutes, TOPS). Obviously I don't have time to sit, read, and retype jokes all day!