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Hey!

November 8, 2002

Happy November! I adore this month! The sheer anticipation of the holidays ahead, the cooler weather, the football rivalries, the trees showing off, friends, family, the decorations, the music, the food . . . **EVERYTHING!** I am also hoping to get some time to go home to Mississippi between now and the New Year. Not sure when yet, but will let you know as soon as I know.

You remember I told you my birthday was last week? Well, a good friend gave me all the equipment I need to paint . . . tons of paints, brushes, canvases, palette, aisle, lots of brushes, an instruction book . . . everything! Nicest gift I think I have ever gotten. However, I have never picked up a paint brush in my life. Sincerely!

I did two paintings this weekend just to experiment with mixing paints and to see what each brush could do and . . . well . . . I like them!

I am really kinda shocked at how much I love doing it, and

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quite honestly, for a very first attempt, how well they turned out.

I have examined every painting I can find at home and at work to see examples of how to do the lighting and shading, to try to get some depth into them, and I am stumped! It is amazing how much closer you look at other paintings after you start yourself. I am noticing things I NEVER did before!

I probably ought to take a few lessons, but don't know when I would find the time! I know what is wrong with them and why, I can even see where the perspective is wrong (I know that probably just comes with practice), but I just don't know what to do next to finish them off.

There are several people I plan to ask. So many of my friends are such talented artists. Maybe if I just keep at it, some of the stuff I have learned about design and shape and contrast from doing the Follies, doing all of the design at work, and taking some of the workshops I have taken recently will pay off. We will see. I think my friend created a monster! I just LOVE it!

*I also wanted to tell you that I heard from my son this week. He wrote and sent me photos of where he lives and where he works.*



*This is home!*

*This is work!*



*Hello! What are "we" doing wrong?*

*Can you imagine being*

*23, single with a dog/wolf, working at Keystone, living in a mountain resort with friends, and riding your snowboard to work everyday while you are studying resort management? I personally hope he is having a BLAST! Those are times we can never recapture.*

*Keystone actually just laid off 50 employees. Luckily, he and his boss are still there . . . keep your fingers crossed . . . what a bummer that would be!*



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Well, it is prime time football season. Almost time for all of the rivals to play. I though I would send you the usual "football photo album." (Again, please remember this is meant as a "GOOF.")

I'll tell you another "GOOF." JP is going to play in the "Charity Bowl" this Thanksgiving Day. This is a man who has been down in his back now for two months with a crushed vertebra from an old high school football injury left untreated . . .but he is going to play come HELL OR HIGH WATER!

The Charity Bowl is when all of the "former athletes" from the area come together to play on Thanksgiving Day. All of the proceed go to local charities. AND, they play FOR REAL! Most of them are in their 20's and 30's. JP is NOT in his 20's or 30's!

I think he has lost his mid-life mind! One too many tackles, if you ask me! He actually played in the early 80's for the professional team, the Washington Federals, a USFL team. (Remember them?)



So while you are all sitting around  
The Washington Redskin

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*enjoying your food preparation and watching parades and getting ready for football games to start - think about me. I will be on the sidelines, waiting by the ambulance, watching JP play TACKLE FOOTBALL!*

*Oh, man. It is going to be UGLY! But I will be glad to finally be DONE with it. For the past two months he has been like a little kid. Every time I turn around at home . . . in the kitchen, in the bedroom, in the bathroom putting on my make up . . . he is there, snarling, hunched over in a three point stance, aiming to tackle me. WHAT A NUT! I will be sure to take photos and to let you know how it "shakes out".*



Bruce Smith



Gayle Sayers



William Fuller

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The FearsomeFoursome!



Joe Jacoby



The Famous Pete Johnson!

Terry Bowden



I don't remeber who these guys are,  
but they play for the Bengals





My son (years ago) with the Naval Academy's Mascot, Billy!



Cheering



Parades



Tailgating at the Ole Miss vs Miss State Game with my brother.



Tailgating at Navy with an old friend



*Take care and remember...Life is short.*

*We need to make it a good one.*

*Grow in Peace and Wisdom.*

*Your Friday Friend,*

*Judi Godsey*



The Dog Pound!

*P.S. 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.*

*P.S.S. 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. You tend 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). I don't have time to sit, read, and retype jokes all day!*

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