

Miscellaneous Ramblings.....

Another irreverent interlude from my office to yours. John Julis



The rumor mill abounds, at least it was the way I felt on September 28th when someone called me to tell about Holley's recent Chapter 11 filing. Later that day, someone sent me a copy of the filing, so I knew it was true. Personally, I feel that they will never get out from under the staggering debt incurred in the late 1990s. You can buy companies with other people's money, but eventually you must pay it back... with interest! The better the payment history, the lower the interest rate. Holley's primary lender was getting 12.5%!!

The television airwaves are filled with useless banter about "the chase" or "the countdown," or is it "the meltdown?" With NASCAR we are treated to a lap-by-lap report about "if the season ended now." I guess the announcers have not checked to see that there are some races left. I guess I'm too old to sit on the edge of my seat for another month.

A six year old goes to the hospital with her grandmother to visit her grandpa. When they get to the hospital she runs ahead of her grandma and bursts into her grandpa's room. "Grandpa, grandpa," she says excitedly. "As soon as grandma comes into the room, make a noise like a frog!" "What?" grandpa asked. "Make a noise like a frog," she exclaimed. "Grandma said that as soon as you croak, we're all going to Disneyland!!!"

The health care debate rolls on... I wish we all could have prevailed with "health insurance through our trade associations." California Senator Feinstein wrote me that she "could not support the legislation, as she was afraid it would damage the insurance industry." (I still have the letter.) Now she is ga-ga over President Obama's unknown health care bill. Politicians should have to wear uniforms like the NASCAR drivers so we know their corporate sponsors.

Did you know that in 1969 when we were landing Apollo 11 men on the moon, the rudimentary computer in the lunar lander had only 41 kilobytes of memory! The compact size of the computer has about the same memory as it would take to save about two issues of my column! Just prior to the landing the computer crashed from overload! With the mainframe unit 239,000 miles away, Armstrong and Aldrin took the controls and landed the Eagle module by hand. That was some flying!

- If life was fair, Elvis would be alive and all of the impersonators would be dead.
- War is God's way of teaching us geography.
- Bigamy is having one wife too many... so's monogomy!

The Man of The House:

A husband had just finished reading a new book entitled "You Can Be the Man of Your House." He stormed in the kitchen to his wife and announced, "From now on, you need to know that I am the man of this house and my word is law. You will prepare me a gourmet meal tonight and when I'm finished eating my meal, you will serve me a sumptuous dessert. After dinner, you are going to go upstairs with me and we will have the kind of sex that I want. Afterwards, you are going to draw me a bath so I can relax. You will wash my back and towel dry me and bring me my robe. Then you will massage my feet and hands. Then tomorrow, guess who's going to dress me and comb my hair?" The wife replied, "The damn funeral Director would be my first guess."

You may have missed the August 18, 2009 issue of the Wall Street Journal that wrote about President Obama making a \$2 billion dollar loan to Brazilian Oil Exploration Co. The money is to explore for oil off the coast of Brazil. This oil is under contract to be sold exclusively 100% to China! Who is the benefactor of Obama's latest largess? Why, gazillionaire George Soros who was the largest single contributor to Obama's election campaign. Soros also wants America unarmed through his moveon.org web site. Let's remember this in three more years!

Internet chatter would have one believe that all of our gun rights are about to be taken away. The best foil for this misinformation is to do two things:

1. Join the NRA (Not real expensive, but worth it.)
2. Write NRA about any questionable legislation. (You can bet that they are on top of the situation.)

Why does Sea World have a seafood restaurant? I'm halfway through my meal and realize that I may be eating a slow learner!

Some great quotes from Hollywood Squares TV game show:

"If you are making a parachute jump, how high should you be?" Charley Weaver: "Three days of steady drinking should do it!"

"Why do Hell's Angels wear leather?" Paul Lynde: "Because chiffon wrinkles too easily."

That's all for this time.

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