

# *FROM THE BULLPEN*

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"I have been to the mountaintop,  
and I've seen the other side."

Martin Luther King-1964

Dear Colleagues:

And on the other side is baseball. As in Braves vs. Twins, Game Two, 1991 World Series. Despite weasel-outs from most League members, the old Skipper still managed to make his way up to Minneapolis to be a part of the Fall Classic. As a last resort, I took my wife. It wasn't cheap, but at least I had someone to shag beers for me.

The old SandJigger man claims that he could not make it up to Minneapolis because of a multi-million dollar contract which demanded his attention over the weekend. Sure. The enclosed Top Ten List explores the menu of possible actual reasons for SandJigger's last-minute bailout.

Shamu could not make it to Minneapolis, either, but not because of a lack of desire or spirit. With his nuptials just around the corner, old Shamu spent the weekend at a Catholic marriage encounter with Jan. Our deepest sympathies, Shamu. Also enclosed you will find a list of Shamu's ten deepest thoughts as he participated in the marriage encounter weekend.

Lastly, all are invited to watch Game Four of the World Series Wednesday night, probably at the Scorecard. Underbelly will be in attendance from Lincoln, and a gathering of four or five of the League faithful is sure to be a good time.

Yours in the spirit,

Skipper

**SKIPPER'S TOP TEN LIST OF REASONS  
THAT SANDJIGGER BAILED OUT OF THE  
WEEKEND WORLD SERIES TRIP TO MINNEAPOLIS**

10. Refused to participate in degradation of Native Americans.
9. Busy working on Billy Jack's presidential campaign.
8. Trying to keep a low profile after being arrested in California with Jimmy Swaggart.
7. Molly won't let him go either.
6. Afraid rabid Braves fans might complete scalp job.
5. Agreed with Anne that he would rather stay home and go to crafts fair with her.
4. Caught up in false sense of self-importance at work.
3. Still pouting at gutter finish of Mudhens.
2. Afraid of chance meeting with Aunt Linda in Minneapolis.
1. Anne said "Don't even ask, Buster!"

**SHAMU'S TOP TEN THOUGHTS DURING  
WEEKEND MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER SESSION**

**10.(I wonder what the score of the game is now.)**

**9.(I wonder if they serve Bratworsts here.)**

**8.(I wonder if they serve beer here.)**

**7.(I wonder what the score is now.)**

**6.(Yeah, right, Jan, I would much rather be here than with Skipper drinking beer and watching the World Series.)**

**5.(Christ Almighty, we've already been here one-half hour and nobody has even mentioned when we are going to eat.)**

**4.(Heh! Heh! Taping this can of Copenhagen inside my underwear was a stroke of genius. Neither Jan nor the Monks will find it.)**

**3.(I wonder if they lock the kitchen in this place at night.)**

**2.(Whew! Wearing my mesh jersey under this sports coat was not a good idea. I wonder where my Polo all-purpose cologne/deodo-rant/mouth wash/foot powder/hair spray is.)**

**1.(Dear Lord, thank you for giving Jan to me. Help us to make our marriage strong. Help me to be a loving husband and good com-municator. Hmmm. I wonder what the score is now.)**