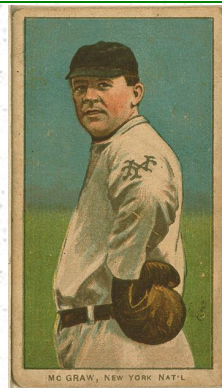


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#### Brothers:

Zero hour approaches. With the Draft a mere four days away, it is nearing panic time for this correspondent.

I did not even know until last Friday's lunch that Jeff Kent had injured himself in an off-diamond incident and was questionable for Opening Day; or that C.C.<sup>1</sup> Sabethia had girthed up to Charlie Kerfeld-like proportions in the offseason and is struggling on the mound; or that Brownie is battling a sore wing and raising furrowed brows at Vero Beach; or that Curt Schilling is threatening to sit out the entire season if drafted by the Lincoln Tribe in the first round. All critical pieces of information, and all new to me on Friday.

The lesson? It's time to bone up, Bonedaddy, and to get ready for Saturday's epic battle.

#### MOCK DRAFT

To help those of you who were not at last Friday's little gathering at Wild Wings, I am providing the results of our five-round mock draft. Since the results were compiled by Possum and relayed to me via Internet, I disclaim all warranties of accuracy, as Possum may very well have plugged in a few new trial balloons of his own. Not that I'm suggesting that any of his mock draft picks are anything other than entirely legitimate and intellectually honest.

<sup>1</sup> Does anybody know what C.C. stands for? Crown and Coke? Cake and cookies?

	<u>Senators</u>	<u>Reds</u>	<u>Wahoos</u>	<u>Skips</u>
1.	Johnson	ARod	Helton	Pedro
2.	Bagwell	Nomar	IRod	Morris
3.	Maddux	Kent	Walker	GuerreroV
4.	VazquezJ	RiveraM	Berkman	GreenS
5.	Hoffman	Boone	Nen	Suzuki
	<u>Tribe</u>	<u>Cubs*</u>	<u>Tigers</u>	<u>Blues</u>
1.	Sosa	Schilling	Piazza	Mussina
2.	JonesC	Brown	RamirezM	Griffey
3.	Delgado	GonzalezL	Pujols	Zito
4.	Wood	Abreu	Aurilia	Palmeiro
5.	Oswalt	Durham	Glavine	MillerW
	<u>Pirates</u>	<u>Cardinals</u>	<u>Bombers</u>	<u>Chiefs</u>
1.	Bonds	Jeter	Giambi	AlomarR
2.	GonzalezJ	Hudson	GarciaF	Mulder
3.	Tejada	Giles	Glaus	Sheffield
4.	Clemens	WilliamsB	Rolen	Beckett
5.	Thomas	Posada	JonesA	Erstad

Good luck in your Eleventh Hour preparations. May the baseball gods be with you.

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