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Brethren:

I'm looking forward to Jim's shindig and getting to see everyone to start another Hot Stove season and banter about some rule changes whatever they might be. Maybe re-enforcements?

I'm trying to figure out why I'm getting such poor mileage out of my think tank, I'm not getting any younger and that's an excuse I will gladly use and it won't be long until I'm too old to drive. Scott refuses to let me negotiate a partnership with Jesse his oldest in regards to helping me "Will" my way into contention. I'm not averse to letting Jesse drive around Mr. Daisy, I need the help and the Tribe needs the help. Anyway, I will fall back on the quote of one of the Tribes charter members-- Chief Dan George "we will endeavor to persevere"

Some other observations.

Hank Aaron, "what's an oblique muscle?"

Willie Mays, what does "day to day" imply?

Scott Frost, "why is it always the goods players that get hurt and not the walk-ons?"

William Jennings Bryan, "what does luddite mean?"

Lindsey Graham, "Why do I have so many pool boys and no pool?"

Bob Hurlbut, "I'll never let my wife put out a Christmas letter without me first okaying it."

I am making headway in other contests.....Itchie's dead pool to be exact. After looking at the Pirnie's Christmas card this year Mitch looks 10 years younger than he did, well, ten years ago. Good for you Mitch. Whatever you've been doing, keep doing it. You have lowered your odds of going first and increased mine. Sorry boys, no dinner involved in winning that goat race.

Chuck, how is retirement working out? It's something I reflex on frequently and I always wonder if other guys have to weigh the same options: Continue to work without a desire to or retire and clean the house in perpetuity under the direct supervision from you know who? Both options have their pluses and minuses —continue to work and get paid.....or get the chance to work from home. At least at work I have "some" time to work on my team, I'm not sure that option will be available at home. So with every important decision I'm sure a coin flip will be involved. Anyway, life.

See ya Feb 1st at the 2019 winner's house. Congrats Jim!

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