

8th Annual Good Friday Bash

Throughout history, references have been made to the 8th Annual Good Friday BASH. Even as far back as 1 million BC, Caveman Grok uttered, "Ummga muuma ungop fish." And of course on the Ides of March when he was slain by Roman Senators, Julius Ceasar uttered to his closest friend, "Fish Stew, Brutus?" And, on the battlefield as Richard the II, or was it Richard the IV, (I don't know – it was one of those Dicks) who exclaimed, "A torsk, A torsk, - my kingdom for a torsk!" (Just an aside here, it was another famous Dick, President Nixon who protested to critics, "I am not a Chinook!")

Remember the great pianist Chopin who reminded his friends, "You can tune a piano, but you can't tuna salad." And wasn't it her disdainful retort to the unwashed masses that fueled the French Revolution as Marie Antionette looked over the balcony and proclaimed, "Let them eat chowder!"

During the American Revolution, Captain John Paul Jones, when asked by the British if he wished to surrender, rallied his sailors by shouting, "We have not yet begun to fish." And the Texican's fighting for freedom against Mexico used this slogan as their battle cry, "Remember the Abalone!"

In more modern times, Presidents and Statesmen have often referred to the BASH during memorable moments in history. President Teddy Roosevelt speaking on his philosophy of world relations reminded us to, "Speak softly and carry a big orange roughly." And Sir Winston Churchill, "We shall fish on the beaches, we shall net them on the landing grounds, we shall carry them in the fields and in the streets, we shall clean them in the hills; we shall never fillet." And the other President Roosevelt, Franklin D., and his immortal, "The only thing we have for beer is beer itself."

Even the movie script writers have referred to the 8th Annual Good Friday Bash. Remember the famous scene with Mae West when she lustily asks a male acquaintance, "Why don't you come up and fry me sometime?" And then there were Humphrey Boggart and Ingrid Bergman in Casablanca. Whenever they would clink there glasses together in a toast, Boggie would say, "Here's looking at you, cheese." Also as he gazed into Ingrid Bergman's eyes at the end of the movie and said, "Don't worry, we'll always have Herring." And in the Treasure of the Sierra Madre when the bandits shout at Boggie, "Brats!, We don't need no stinking brats!"

And finally, this year when she received this invitation, Kristin Dascalos was heard to exclaim, "Oh God!, we don't have to go to this do we?"

Which brings us to this year's version of the 8th Annual Good Friday Bash. The menu will include, but may not be limited to: Fish, and stuff to go with fish. The now nearly world famous "Everything but the Kitchen Sink" Seafood Chowder. (Please list any known allergies in your RSVP.) **FRESH** Tuna Salad. Other stuff.

This years event will be held at the Davis' residence at 115 Pawnee, Princeton, MN. Please RSVP by April 15, 2003 in writing to the above address, or by phone at 763-389-7814, or Al at work at 651-297-5250, or Al's cell at 763-350-1315, or email to aldavis@email.com.

For those who may be unsure, the BASH will be held on Friday, April 18th, 2003. That is Good Friday for those of us who use the Georgian Calendar. 6:30 – 7:00 start time, leave whenever you wish. Naturally, BYOB. If you have any other questions, please feel free to contact me.

The Cast:

Al Davis as	Caveman Grok	Tess Davis as	Mae West
and	John Paul Jones	and	Ingrid Berman
Johnny Cash as	Teddy Roosevelt	Meg Ryan as	Marie Antionette
George Bush as.....	Franklin D. Roosevelt	Jerry Orbach as	Julius Ceasar
Bill Clinton as	All the Dicks	Skip Humphrey as	Humphrey Bogart
Jerry Lee Lewis as	Chopin	Paul Douglas as	The bandit
Kristin Dascalos as	Herself	Jerry Mathers as	The Beaver