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Well, Punxsutawney Phil the Groundhog saw his shadow up on Gobbler's Knob very early Friday morning, and you know what that means; six more weeks of winter. ROARSHOCK PAGE was not surprised by the pugnacious woodchuck's prognostication; it was a long hard fall and it's already been a tough winter. We need more cold to get quite lean and hungry for the spring. Even as Persophene, we light our candles and begin our long walk back to earthly warmth and abundance. While we half hibernate, everything is thrown out in hopes of new glimpses of old subterranean truths. In one matter, this February 2001, we are wide awake, and urge you to help us: **SAVE KPFA**.
Check out: www.savepacifica.net. Please help now.

Federal Bureau of Individuality

Dear Dr. Troll (suspected author of that pre-boomtown Peasant Hill postcard awhile back),

Just what the hell was J. J. Howard in training *for*? 14 years is a long time, and breaking training like that must have gotten the poor boy kicked off the polo team by the head centaur, no doubt resulting in a heavy doze of culture shock for everyone involved. Fortunately, at the wild bash in question, I was to oversee his activities, since he was in fact assigned to my quarters. He only asked me to turn off the music once, and that was merely because we were both trying to sleep. I'd almost been assigned a room with Kara K. Bank ("although that would have been rather awkward, wouldn't it?" Nattily Done admitted, in chickening out of what could have been a most fascinating social experiment), but of all the fine young men present, Ms. Bank wound up having the most visible hot flashes around Mr. Howard, and they were last seen after lunch in Monterey with the benevolent dowager D'Arcy Albertsen. I mean, we all were at lunch together, and those two drove off into the afternoon, no doubt to break young J. J.'s 14-year training. However, I can attest to the fact that the young guy is possessed of infinite social grace, a fact I noticed the preceding night around a fire in the dunes. Zipping along at a stable elevation... (continued on Page 2)

Enivrez-Vous

Il faut être toujours ivre.
Tout est là:
c'est l'unique question.
Pour ne pas sentir
l'horrible fardeau du Temps
qui brise vos épaules
et vous penche vers la terre,
il faut vous enivrer sans trêve.
Mais de quoi?
De vin, de poésie, ou de vertu, à votre guise.
Mais enivrez-vous.
Et si quelquefois,
sur les marches d'un palais,
sur l'herbe verte d'un fossé,
dans la solitude morne de votre chambre,
vous vous réveillez,
l'ivresse déjà diminuée ou disparue,
demandez au vent,
à la vague,
à l'étoile,
à l'oiseau,
à l'horloge,
à tout ce qui fuit,
à tout ce qui gémit,
à tout ce qui roule,
à tout ce qui chante,
à tout ce qui parle,
demandez quelle heure il est;
et le vent,
la vague,
l'étoile,
l'oiseau,
l'horloge,
vous répondront:
"Il est l'heure de s'enivrer!"
Pour n'être pas les esclaves martyrisés du Temps,
enivrez-vous;
enivrez-vous sans cesse!
De vin, de poésie ou de vertu, à votre guise."

-- Charles Baudelaire

<http://eserver.org/poetry/enivrez-vous.html>

FEBRUARY ALMANAC

2/1	FIRST QUARTER MOON
2/2	CANDLEMASS GROUNDHOG DAY
	1882 James Joyce was born.
	1922 <i>Ulysses</i> by James Joyce published.
	1939 Joyce's <i>Finnegans Wake</i> published.
2/3	1874 Gertrude Stein was born.
2/4	1974 Patty Hearst kidnapped by the SLA.
2/5	JTEL'S DAY
	1914 William Seward Burroughs was born.
2/6	1564 Christopher Marlowe was born.
	1911 Ronald Wilson Reagan was born.
	1945 Bob Marley was born.
	1976 Leonard Peletier was arrested.
2/8	FULL SNOW MOON
2/9	1909 Davy Institute of Tree Surgery opened in Kent, OH.
	1944 Alice Walker was born.
2/10	1898 Bertolt Brecht was born.
2/11	1990 Nelson Mandela released from prison.
2/14	LAST QUARTER MOON VALENTINE'S DAY
	1989 Salman Rushdie was sentenced to death by the Ayatollah Khomeini of Iran for writing/publishing <i>The Satanic Verses</i> .
2/16	1909 Hugh Beaumont was born.
2/18	1885 <i>The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn</i> by Mark Twain was published.
2/20	1902 Ansel Adams was born.
	1954 Patty Hearst was born.
	1962 John Glenn first orbited the earth.
2/21	1903 Anais Nin was born.
	1925 The first issue of <i>The New Yorker</i> magazine was published.
2/22	1938 Ishmael Reed was born.
2/23	NEW MOON
2/25	1901 Zeppo Marx was born.
	1943 George Harrison was born.
2/26	1932 Johnny Cash was born.
2/27	1932 Elizabeth Taylor was born.
	1934 Ralph Nader was born.
2/28	1749 Henry Fielding published <i>Tom Jones</i> .
	1994 NATO's first combat action in history: four Bosnian Serb jets shot down by American fighters in a no-fly zone.

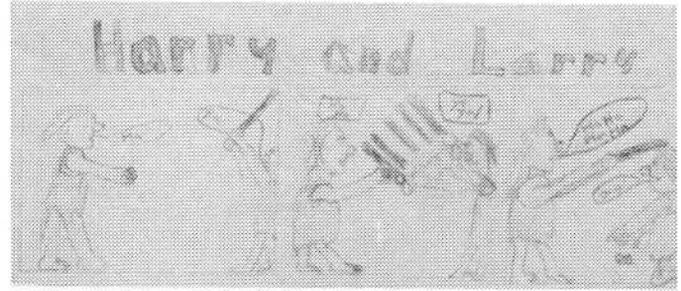
Cryptic Odd Old Note. Message?! Should I Call?!

D. A. "Troll" Wilson,
I stopped by Wed. 6/14/89. I'm not sure if you will get this message. Please call me if you do.

Juan Leary

Harry and Larry

by Dan Wilson



(continued from Page 1) ...under a full moon, I was able to avoid the alcohol that would have hindered and fogged my elevated perceptions had I partaken with everyone else. I was probably viewed as soft-spoken elder statesman by the ensemble. Although D. Prophet and Annette WG were easily vying for the funniest, and Robyn Wornowski was the one most deserving of a gag. Kharl Bergez should have promised Donnaa Massey the moon just to take her over the next dune for awhile, which is what she so desperately wanted anyway, and Kara Bank was being so virginally sincere as she and I confessed our mutual admiration. Through all of this J. J. Howard sat like a young centaur, laughing, joking, and radiating reassurance, sending out the calm vibes of some one who had been trained by Wilsons for the last 14 years. He was just about as calm as I was, although probably a hell of a lot more sincere, being trained by Wilsons and so less jaded and cynical, being younger and so less disillusioned. Helluva guy, that young Mr. Howard, helluva guy! Skull and bones. The moral of this story: the president select is still the president. Here comes the ministry of religion. Tax a million.

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