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Georgy Russell for Governor Blog

Thursday, May 27, 2004

Yak Farmers Yak It Up, with the Help of Pun

Tell me that my title for this blog entry should not be the title of [this article](#) (yah, I picked it up from /.) .

- posted by [Georgy](#) @ 10:56 AM

Monday, April 12, 2004

The Jury Is In

Phil M was first to write in with the name of everyone's favorite Benji wannabe, second was Greg . Drumroll please....BOOMER!

Another contender for title of Benji Wannabe was a dog named Rusty, sent in by David, which actually is more similar to the name Duster, but the photos I found of a television dog named Rusty resemble a German Shephard - not Benji.

Thanks to everyone from me and my brother, who was ecstatic to have the answer but subsequently shocked when he found that I blogged to get it!

Here's a site where you can read Boomer nostalgia and see photos of the little guy!

[Just Boomer!](#)

- posted by [Georgy](#) @ 1:29 PM

Tuesday, April 06, 2004

String Cheese Continued, Benji Dog look alike

Got a couple of answers to my question, the first from "the web" or rather this [site](#) which has answers to a lot of questions, and the second comes from a good friend in Oakland. Both sound more like part of a DNA course to me ("protein strands") than something you'd put in a kid's lunch, but what do I know?

Now that we've got that one out of the way, my brother Archie SWEARS that there was a Benji dog knockoff on television for a short while. Does anyone know of the name of wannabe Benji? He says Duster. I think he's wrong.

7. What makes string cheese "string" apart?

Patti: The cheese is made so all of the fibers are formed in one direction. The cheese curd is pressed into one long mass and then stretched with a machine. This process causes the protein fibers to end up all in a parallel fashion. When the cheese is taken apart, it naturally separates into a "string" or long strip. The separate strings will stretch even more when you eat them if you pull the ends gently away from each other. Some of the string cheeses will spring back (like elastic) to it's original string length when the ends are released. The more expensive brands stay stretched because there is more cheese in them than the cheap stuff.

Wolf: String cheese is a quick cheese. The process for making this cheese doesn't require as much blending or attention. The results are that it forms layers of cheese rather than a solid formation of blended cheese. These layers easily separate when pulled. The original intent wasn't to create a cheese that was stringy, but they had to come up with a name that would explain it's texture so that people would buy it. Thus string cheese

The second comes from a good friend from Oakland:

"String cheese is just another form of mozzarella. Unlike other types of cheese, when you make mozzarella, you don't cut the curds after their initial formation, you **stretch** them. The stretching of the fresh curd is what allows it to develop those long protein strands that make for ooey-gooley pizza fixins, and other such delightful cheesyness."

- posted by [Georgy](#) @ 2:52 PM

Monday, April 05, 2004

Question

Why is string cheese stringy?

- posted by [Georgy](#) @ 12:49 PM

Saturday, April 03, 2004

Homeland Security

As reported [here](#), an Oakland baggage screener claims the federal government fired him because of his efforts to unionize his co-workers. Apparently, organized workers interfere with defending terrorism. According to TSA chief James Loy, who signed an order in January 2003 forbidding collective bargaining by the 56,000 airport baggage screeners, "Fighting terrorism demands a flexible workforce that can rapidly respond to threats,"... "and unions could hinder that flexibility."

And let us not forget President Bush's famous last words regarding TSA employees when the Homeland Security Act was passed, "The Department of Homeland Security will have nearly 170,000 employees...As federal workers, they have rights, and those rights will be fully protected."

Certainly they will have rights - just limited rights.

The 1947 Taft-Hartley Act allows the President to seek an injunction ending strikes that "imperil the national health." In the case of federal employees however, invoking this Act isn't even necessary because by law federal employees aren't allowed to strike! Not including Homeland Security employees, 59% of today's federal work force is unionized. The FBI and CIA, understandably, are prohibited from joining unions (their union membership was banned in 1978 in the name of national security). Federal workers who are unionized however, are not allowed to bargain over pay.

So if it's not pay, what's at stake here for the baggage screeners? Federal workers' unions bargain only over issues such as the weight of uniforms and how workers can be deployed. I sincerely hope that our efforts to fight terrorism in this country aren't impeded by *lighter* outfits on the guys and gals operating the metal detectors.

- posted by [Georgy](#) @ 7:34 PM

Wednesday, March 24, 2004

Windows Lovers

http://www.saunalahti.fi/~jylppy69/swf/windows_rg.swf

Make sure you try all the apps - word, paint, shutdown, etc.

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Wednesday, March 17, 2004

Rummy

An interesting [video](#) from moveon.

- posted by [Georgy](#) @ 4:11 PM

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