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OPAL: "A REAL 'GEM' IN YOUR COMMUNITY!"

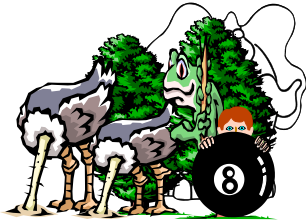
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THE OPAL 'GEM' EXPRESS



HIDDEN (*Except when in parenthesis*) somewhere in this Newsletter are "5" more APA Membership numbers just waiting to be discovered. No one from the November 3 newsletter called in to claim their prize. So, that puts 5 shirtless losers on the back page this week. So far, no one has called in from the November 10 has called in either. I know that is has been cold the last week or so. Grab a cup of cocoa, sit back, relax and read the newsletters! There are still 5 from last week and 5 more numbers this week to be found. Take a minute to see if one of them is yours.

REMEMBER, You have only until the writing of the 2nd Newsletter following the one your number is in to call the league office with the magic words "**Gimme My Shirt**" Otherwise, it's off you go to wh9ere7 ev2eryon1e c8a9n se0e y5ou and laugh, giggle, snort, and snicker, because they know there'll be a shirt waiting for them now since you didn't want yours!

BE AN OPAL WINNER --- FIND YOUR NUMBER!

Sad Week For The Opal Family



We lost 4 members of our Opal family this week.

Will Battle, age 34, died of cancer on November 11, Will joined the league Spring Session 2013. He played for "The Flock" out of EB Smokey's in the Midwest division. We did not get to know him well, as he only played for two sessions before he became ill, but from his Facebook posts we were able to determine that he was determined to make the most of the days that he had left and refused to let anyone pity or feel sorry for him.

Longtime member, Rick Levine, also passed away on November 11 from cancer. Rick joined the league, with his wife Paula, Fall Session 2002. He played on multiple teams in the Oregon City/Milwaukie area, most recently for Wichita Town Pub's "Fairy Tale Mafia". One of the highlights of his APA experience was earning a spot at the Open 8 Ball Scotch Doubles National Tournament in Las Vegas earlier this year with his partner Christine Bonin.

James Mason passed away on November 15th. James joined the league Fall session 2013. He played for River Road House's "Boomer Said No!" in the Mid-Valley Double Jeopardy Division. His death was sudden and will leave a big empty spot in the hearts of those who knew and loved him.

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Another longtime member, Richard "Slurpy" Werschkul, passed away on November 14 from cancer. "Slurpy" joined the league Fall session 2003. He played on several teams in the Oregon City area over the years, most recently for Coney Island's "Coney Dawgs" in the Southern double jeopardy division. I personally had the pleasure of playing against Richard several times and always enjoyed his good sportsmanship and great taste in music to play on the jukebox during our matches.

Our deepest condolences go to the family, friends and teammates of these players. They all will be missed.

Groaners for the Week!

What happens to a frog's car when it breaks down? It gets toad away.

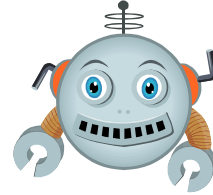
Q: What did the duck say when he bought lipstick? A: "Put it on my bill."

Q: What do you call a bear with no teeth? A: A gummy bear.

Mom: "What does IDK stand for?"

Son: "I don't know."

Mom: "OMG, nobody does!"



If at first you don't succeed, skydiving is not for you!

I never wanted to believe that my Dad was stealing from his job as a road worker. But when I got home, all the signs were there.

Instead of "the John," I call my toilet "the Jim." That way it sounds better when I say I go to the Jim first thing every morning.

I went to the bank the other day and asked the banker to check my balance, so she pushed me!



Have a safe and happy Thanksgiving!

THE LOSER'S CORNER
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The 5 people listed below are losers from the Nov 3 Newsletter. If you happen to see any of these people let 'em have your best blast—and then be sure to give 'em the 'ol "L" sign!

- 1-BRUCE BLUM** (97215805) who plays for Fourth Plain's "The Miss Cues" in the River City 9 Ball division.
- 2-JAMIE SMOTHERS** (97219099) who plays for McAnulty & Barry's "Shootin With Dad" in the Willamette DJ division.
- 3-MARK LEE** (97219623) who plays for Quimby's "Freshness First" in the Downtown division
- 4-KYLE SIECKMANN** (97219833) who plays for Vogie's "Challengers" in the Southeast DJ division
- 5-JORIS RYERSON** (97220092) who plays for Quimby's "Buck Fifty-Eight" in the Downtown division.

*If you don't want to be caught here for everyone to see, then look to see if your number isn't hidden somewhere. **REMEMBER**, it is possible for your number to come up at anytime. Therefore, pay attention to detail, READ THE NEWSLETTER..!*

