

CUSTARD WALLY

May is Prostate Awareness Month

Well, there's so much to comment on it's simply astounding! Since we last spoke, Elian was liberated at gunpoint, Cardinal O'Connor has died (don't worry, we won't pass that up but we'll have to deal with it at a later date. He can wait, he ain't going nowhere), and Our Beloved Mayor has announced that he has Prostate Cancer. Oh Rudy, oh dear dear Rudy, say it ain't so! We wonder if this will change the attitude of (in our opinion) the Best Mayor New York City has ever had. They say that polio humbled FDR, will prostate cancer chill out Rudy? Hmmmmm, what humbling experiences could he be going through?

Let's see, they check for the susceptibility to prostate cancer by monitoring blood for PSA (prostate specific antigen). Simple enough. But, once the PSA level goes up, you get a digital exam. No, it's not a test of numbers, the doc sticks his finger up yer bunghole, feels around, touches this and that, asks if you feel any "pressure," all the while feeling for lumps. OUCH!! Well, it's safe to assume that Rudolph has had at least one if not several digital exams. It has also been reported in the news that he had a biopsy. Sounds rather mundane.....but it's not! Biopsy means they are taking bits of you out of you. And a prostate biopsy is no picnic. First, they gotta clean you out thoroughly.....real thoroughly. Giuliani got an industrial strength hose shoved up his bum and they watered him 'til he was squirting out clear unbrowned liquid. Then, this metal medieval device was crammed in there and positioned just right so a spring-loaded hollow needle could puncture through his colon wall and tear out a piece of his prostate. And they never do this just once! Rest assured that the biopsy machine took at least five stabs at 'im. Oh the pain! Rudy's eyes were looking like a junkie's that day, for he was most certainly properly sedated.

It's not over yet! If Mayor G opts for radiation or chemo, he can say goodbye to the comb-over, there won't be enough hair left for that. The funny thing is they never tell you that chemo or radiation is rather stupid on a relatively benign tumor on an organ you can live without. With radiation/chemo, there's always the chance that it'll recur, or the rad/chemo can give you cancer elsewhere. Nope, the best way to deal with this is surgery. Of course, one of the side effects of surgery is impotence that even Viagra can't help. And to top it off, because the urethra passes through this little internal nut, you lose at least two inches of length. Shorter and no longer hard, that'll bring a man to tears. And that's not all! If The Mayor opts for surgery, you can be sure he'll be wearing diapers for at least six months as incontinence reigns for quite awhile after prostate surgery. Some men never regain full control.

But Rudy has yet to decide on a strategy for dealing with his prostate. The press says he's taking a "wait and see" attitude. We know what that means: regular digital exams! Maybe this will change his outlook. Perhaps the fact that his rectum is now taking traffic in and out like the Holland Tunnel will enable him to sympathize with his detractors. Whatever he does, we wish him the best. Get Well Soon, Rudy!! And don't get yer hopes up Hillary, although Giuliani has no choice, we're still unwilling to bend. To commemorate The Mayor's and "The Little Mayor's" plight, we enclose the lyric's to **Dick's Closed** which will be debuted on.....

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