

# Super (fun) Bowl

I am much more of a baseball fan than a football fan (see my countdown timer to the first game of Cubs spring training to the right). But I will admit that I love watching football; mainly because my husband loves it, and I love to see him enjoy things that make him happy. Oh, that and the fact that whenever he watches football, it's become sort of a tradition with us that he gives me excellent backrubs! So while I couldn't care less who won yesterday's Superbowl, (although I chose the Cardinals to root for because it's always fun to pick a team and scream and shout and get into the game) I did have a great time watching it.

We had decided to have a get-together; a fun evening filled with friends and food (too much food! We had to have pizza for dinner again Monday and will have it twice more this week just to get rid of all the extras!). Because I have 4 kids, I didn't get to see all of my favorite part of the Superbowl – the commercials. But that's ok, I'm sure I can catch them online somewhere if I'm so inclined. The ones I did see were pretty good – I especially liked the Potato Head one (think it was for tires). It just cracks me up when Mrs. Potato Head changes into her 'angry' eyes, hehehe! I also really liked the careerbuilder.com commercial with the moose head on the wall – I won't spoil the rest of it because I recommend you go out and find it yourself if you haven't seen it. I missed the newest E-Trade.com commercials with the talking baby, so those I will have to find because I always enjoy those. Oh, and I'll have to see the latest chapter in the saga of the Budweiser Clydesdales...

As for halftime, I'm not a fan of "The Boss", so I wasn't paying attention to Bruce Springsteen's performance. I am glad to note, however, that he didn't incur a wardrobe malfunction ala Justin Timberlake and Janet Jackson circa Superbowl XXXVII in 2004. Also during halftime, there was a

special 3D event. We had picked up enough pairs of 3D glasses for the party at a store ahead of time (we actually got enough to last us until Superbowl L!), but in my opinion, they should have given a few minutes warning for people to get their glasses ready. We had ours ready because they did mention it in the 2nd quarter, but I didn't get a chance to get my regular eyeglasses to wear underneath, which guaranteed an absence of 3D for me. But other people seemed pretty impressed... I have seen the preview for Monsters Vs. Aliens in the movie theater and it looks really funny – I'm looking forward to that movie coming out.

Well, anyway, much fun was had by all. We had originally intended to make this a game night / Superbowl party, but by the time the big game ended, there wasn't any time for board games. Next time! And oh yeah, I should report that the Pittsburgh Steelers won the Superbowl, in case you're using my site for a news report ☐

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## The NFL Playoffs are Here – Whoopie!

Anyone who knows me knows that I am a huge fan of NFL football. And my team – the [Chicago Bears](#).

My Bears did not make the playoffs. No, they blew it by losing to the Houston Texans on week 17 – the last weekend of the NFL season. Instead, the Vikings won the NFC North and the Eagles magically stole the final wildcard spot by embarrassing the Dallas Cowboys 44-6.

However, even with the Bears out of the playoffs I am still excited about the postseason. Unlike other popular sports

which hold tournament-style elimination series, in the NFL it is lose-and-you're-out. To win the Superbowl you have to have a PERFECT postseason record. So the question now is, who will do it?

In the AFC you have the:

Colts – They started off slow but have been on fire since late October.

Chargers – They're in the playoffs without a winning record (8-8)!

Ravens – Inconsistent and lack luster.

Dolphins – Had only ONE win last year – this year in the playoffs!

Titans – Their best season ever. They want to win this for Tennessee.

Steelers – Looking strong and Ben is ok.

In the NFC you have the:

Vikings – It is just hard to take this team too seriously.

Giants – Last year they won the big game. They are favored to repeat the feat.

Eagles – Needed help to get in – and they got it big time.

Panthers – They have been winning all year. Solid all-around team.

Cardinals – The Arizona Cardinals? In the playoffs? The CARDINALS?

Falcons – This team was expected to be bad. They are in fact quite good!

This weeks games are:

the Dolphins VS. the Ravens – I PICK THE DOLPHINS BY 2 POINTS

the Colts VS. the Chargers – I SAY IT'S THE COLTS BY 10

the Eagles VS. the Vikings – I LIKE THE EAGLES BY 3

the Cardinals VS. the Falcons – FALCONS BY 12

So, what are your picks?