

Next On Dancing With The Stars...

One of those rare amusing email forwards caught my eye, so I'll share. Besides, my last post was kind of a downer; here's something funny to counteract it:

Next Season on Dancing With The Stars:



Hasn't Their 15 Minutes Expired Yet?

Or maybe that is what these so called "reality shows" are all about. I don't watch but I do like to see the list of celebrities (most of whom I wish would just go away) who are willing to put their "talent" on display for better or worse.. probably the latter. The talented celebrities for the upcoming cast of Dancing with the Stars defies my sense of

logic:

- Pamela Anderson (will we never learn... Boobwatch was over like 20 years ago, right? We won't go into the Tommy Lee years.)
- Nicole Scherzinger (best known as the lead singer of the Pussycat Dolls... not to be confused with Josie and the Pussycats)
- Kate Gosselin (spent too much time talking about her already. Doesn't she have 8 kids to raise as a single mother?)
- Chad Ochocinco (the obligatory football figure WR for the Cincinnati Bengals)
- Shannen Doherty (WOW... is there anyone on the list who is actually noteworthy?)
- Evan Lysacek (just won the gold for figure skating... wonder if he'll be as graceful without the ice)
- Erin Andrews (from the sports sidelines as a reporter to the dance floor)
- Aiden Turner (some soap star from All My Dingbats, I believe)
- Niecy Nash ("Reno 911?" Nope... never seen it either)
- **AND FINALLY.... MY PICK FOR THE SYMPATHY VOTE GARNERED BY CLORIS LEACHMAN A FEW YEARS AGO....** Buzz Aldrin?!. That is just weird. John Glenn next year?

I dunno... I wonder who Rod Blagojevich will fare on the new Celebrity Apprentice.

- In an unprecedented move, a new contestant was named that I did not learn of until this morning, the new Bachelor whatever his name is. For crying out loud! No wonder I don't watch.
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Some Added Spring In His Step

Sometime ago, I blogged about the famous and infamous celebrities who have gone through the seemingly revolving casting door of the musical [Chicago](#). Well, you can add one more: sleaze television king Jerry Springer. This month, the lawyer-turned Cincinnati mayor-turned talk show host-turned Dancing with the Stars (yes?) contestant wrapped his six week stint on the London West End as ethically elastic lawyer Billy Flynn. I suppose the acting would not be a far stretch from his days as a real lawyer and questionable politician. He is well known for his flamboyant, quick talking, flim flam personality. However, singing? Never had the pleasure of hearing him so I can't judge (let me see if he has made the you tube rounds). Here he is performing ["All I Care About"](#) at a performance of selected songs at a Leicester Square park. You just have to forward past the opening "All That Jazz." Personally, I would rather watch the first number but that is not what this post is about.

Well at least he and David Hasselhoff have something else in common. Jer-eee was the host of America's Got Talent and the Hoff is one of the judges. And as some will recall, the Burger King aficionado played the roles of Jekyll and Hyde on Broadway. Wonder if ol' Dave is going to put on the tux. Springer says that he is going to be joining the Broadway cast until he returns to the Windy City for the talk show. However, the producers of the New York show have no knowledge of this.

Baignoire

Sitting here watching the Scripps National Spelling Bee (not sure if it was taped prior or not... OH, it is live) but the staged musical bumpers are getting rather tiresome. Get on with the competition already! It almost seems like a televised round of golf with the commentators including Tom Bergeron (of Dancing with the Stars and America's Funniest Home Videos (IS THAT STILL ON) fame... why?). The audience is dead silent until a comment is made. One speller very humorously attempted to spell her word and after said "DING?" indicating her belief that she misspelled the word.

The gentleman who announced the words attempted to put the spellers at ease with some of the sentences he used with the given word.

"Enough of this low-carb garbage! Bring me the palatschinken."

There were at least two words that are types of cheese: *neufchatel* and *caerphilly*. Someone must have been hungry when they made the official list. Two the three final spellers were friends who moved away from each other and met again on the national stage.

The winning word: *laodicean* spelled by a young Kansas girl named Kavya.

One word prompted me to make this post: *baignoire*. It is derived from the French meaning either a box in the lowest level of a theatre OR a bathtub. The pronouncer failed to give the second definition. No [*numnah*](#) this year.