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Fredrich Wins Latin Grammy Award

“Ego orbis terrarum rex sum!” exclaims professor

LOS ANGELES—Joel Fredrich, a professor at Martin Luther College, walked away on Tuesday night with his first Latin Grammy Award. The young Fredrich was by far the underdog going into the second annual awards ceremony. He was up against the likes of Suetonius, Julius Caesar, Horace, Livy, Virgil et al.

Fredrich was nominated in two categories: Best Latin Performance in a Classroom, and the Caesar Augustus Look-Alike Award. “*Nox optima est*,” was all the toga-clad Latin orator could mutter as he stood behind the podium accepting the Classroom Grammy. Fredrich later added, “*Et procuratori P. Diddii gratias agere volo...et mihi matri. Gratias vobis ago!*” He later lost the Caesar Augustus Look-Alike Grammy to Cicero.

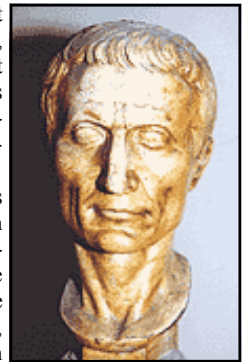
“*Quod dicere possum? Ille homo est similior Caesari quam me,*” said Fredrich.

Every other nominee at the Latin Grammy Awards was a Roman citizen. This fact failed to intimidate Fredrich. “I knew that I was going up against some of the greatest speakers of the Latin language, but *ego sum non malus* either, if you know what I mean,” said Fredrich. Indeed he’s not; the young professor became the first non-Roman citizen to win a Latin Grammy.

Plutarch, the Roman historian best known for coining the phrase, “*ubi sub ubi*” won the Best Comedic Performance Grammy: “Who would have thought that those three words would be entertaining students of Latin for so many centuries? I am very grateful for the award...I

know I was up against some really funny dudes, especially Terrence, that guy is a riot! In fact he’s the dude who added *semper* to the already hilarious phrase.”

Among other winners were Julius Caesar with the Best Military Performance in France Grammy, Horace with the Carpe Diem Grammy, and Jennifer Lopez with the Optimaes Nates Romanae Grammy.



Fredrich

World News

NEW YORK

Catastrophe Creates Super-Mega-Religion

Following the tragic events of last Tuesday, the spiritual world was comforted Sunday with the realization that all religions are the same. At a joint prayer service, Baptist, Protestant, Catholic, Islamic, Jewish, and Buddhist leaders came together to pray. At this service, America and the world finally discovered that all religions are essentially identical. “I didn’t realize that Allah meant God in Arabic. Turns out we were worshipping the same guy after all. Go figure,” said Pastor John Flavius, a Des Moines Unitarian minister.

OHIO

Man Finds Black Box in Apartment

After literally hours of searching and excavating, Joey Bingham successfully recovered his lost black box Wednesday. “I knew it was somewhere, but I just couldn’t find it. I really needed that, though, because all my personal information’s in there, and if I died or something, all record of me would be gone forever,” said Bingham. Though the box was slightly damaged due to mildew and moths, Joey is expecting to find all his information intact. “I can’t say for sure until I open it, but I really hope that nothing’s damaged. The data inside is really a map of my life.”

GERMANY

U.S. Secretly Happy that Germany is Unwilling to Commit Troops to Possible War

German Prime Minister Gerhard Shroeder said Sunday that Germany would be willing to provide moral and fiscal support, but would not commit troops to a possible battle against terrorism. This announcement came as a surprise to many, but the United States and President Bush took the news in stride. “I think they had their reasons for not wanting to assist us. They have their own country and economy to look after,” said President Bush. “Besides,” said the Commander-in-Chief almost inaudibly to his fellow advisers, “they don’t exactly have a stellar record in this type of thing, do they?” Secretary of Defense Rumsfeld and Secretary of State Powell barely stifled giggles.

A HOLE IN AFGHANISTAN

Bin Laden finds Week-old Dorito in Beard

During an elaborate party celebrating the success of his plans, Al-Queda leader Osama Bin Laden was happy to find a rogue Cool Ranch Dorito in his overgrown beard. “That’s just weird,” said Bin Laden. “I haven’t had Doritos since, like, last Monday, at the big shindig at Yassar’s. That was wild!” Bin Laden then continued to email friends and relatives, proclaiming his success over the capitalist American pigs. “Someday, my radical view of Islam will be rid of all the evil influences of American capitalism. That will be an awesome day for Allah, dude,” said Bin Laden.

LOS ANGELES

Chandra Levy to Appear on Tonight Show

Chandra Levy, once thought to be brutally abused, possibly raped, and murdered, is scheduled to appear on NBC’s ‘The Tonight Show,’ tonight, Thursday, Sep. 20. The broadcast is expected to produce little fanfare, however, in light of recent tragic events. ‘The Late Show,’ Tonight’s main competitor for Nielsen ratings, is also searching for ratings. Host David Letterman has the Challenger crew, Bigfoot, and Elvis on the show tonight, with Jimmy Hoffa and the Queen of England on Friday. Last ditch attempts for viewers by producers of the rival shows are receiving mixed reviews. “I think they’re just trying too hard, and it shows,” said one New York viewer.

FRANCE

Nostradamus’s Predictions Eerily Close to Actual Events

Nostradamus, the sixteenth century prognosticator whose best-known contemporary medium is the supermarket tabloid, is receiving real press due to recent tragic events. According to futurist historians, Nostradamus predicted these events with amazing detail. Here is an excerpt of the passage to which they refer: “And after the new millennia will two great flying contraptions crush the highest points of the great land, and a third flying beast will strike the five-sided star, causing great sorrow and 188 deaths. Thus a fourth bird will falter along the way, landing in a great field in a great ball of fire 80 miles southeast of Pittsburgh.” Nostradamus experts believe these coincidences are not coincidental.

Mike Sherman Doubles Work, Calories

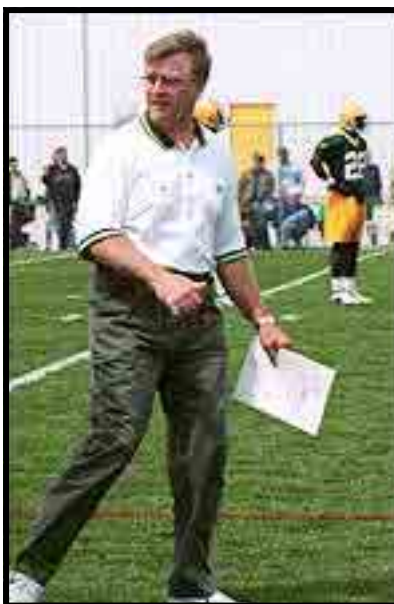
“I’m eating for two now” says Head Coach/General Manager

GREEN BAY—With the retirement of the Packers’ general manager, Ron Wolf, at the end of last season, Coach Mike Sherman was left to consume much more responsibility. Rather than looking to bring an outsider into the organization, the Packers decided to name Sherman as the new general manager. Sherman is also undertaking his second year as head coach of the Green and Gold. This new double role for Sherman has left doubt in the minds of some, who feel that he will be unable to stomach both jobs. Others believe that Coach/GM Sherman will continue to devour the new challenges. They point to Sherman’s expanded control of the team this year, and his waistline.

Off the field, Sherman’s new role as both head coach and general manager can be seen by his long hours in the office, his increased meetings with the team’s front office, his ever-critical personnel decisions, and the overseeing of daily operations of the Packers.

On the field, Sherman’s double roll can be seen by his apparently increased caloric intake. The first-year general manager confirms that his newfound hunger is directly related to his feast of new responsibility. “That’s right, I’m eating for two now,” said Sherman. He also gives weight to the fact that he now has to fulfill both duties at organizational banquets, charitable events, and team meals. “When I go to some fundraiser or even a team meal, I’m there not only as head coach, but as general manager. I am only one person, but serve in two capacities; therefore, I have to clean two plates of food. Ron Wolfing down so much responsibility and food really gets to you after awhile.”

Many critics of the decision to name Sherman as the new general manager point to the



Coach Sherman, 2000



GM/Coach Sherman, 2001

increase in weight as a point in their favor. “Just look at the guy. He’s bogged down by all the extra work...and pounds. In the NFL you need to be a quick thinker, always on your toes. This year his balance has obviously moved to the middle and back portions of his feet,” said Packer fan and orthopedic specialist, John Posture.

Despite such criticism, most Packer fans have happily digested the news of Sherman’s double role. “Sure, he’s gaining some weight, but I think that’s good. That one fat guy on Fox, John Madden, he’s fat and he won a Superbowl,” said one fan. Others point out the practical bene-

fits of Sherman’s increased weight. “I heard that Ron Wolf used to travel with the team to away games. Now that he’s gone, we need someone to balance out the plane...having Sherman weigh more will help that situation...him and Gilbert Brown,” said Packer fan and structural engineer, Bob Earhart.

The 2001-2002 season will undoubtedly serve as the scale for Sherman’s weight both as coach and as general manager, both on the field and off, both in number of wins and number of pies consumed.

THIS WEEK’S TOP TEN

Why this year’s frosh decided to attend MLC:

1. Only place that accepted you.
2. Wanted to get to know your arranged marital partner.
3. Chance to play Division III collegiate golf.
4. Your girlfriend goes here.
5. Your boyfriend goes here.
6. Money.
7. You went to Prep and before you had a chance at an individual thought, you found yourself in New Ulm.
8. You came here to learn French.
9. You wanted to write for the *Knight's Page*.
10. One word: free Divers concerts.
11. All your Vanguard buddies came here.

MR. TRITE

Conversation-Starter-of-the-Week

“Did you see that all the titles were messed up in the last *Cabbage?* Man, they’re looking as bad as (other student newspaper of your choice). I’m sure the titles were supposed to be ‘AAL/LB Merger Approved by Luther,’ ‘Cafeteria to Enforce 10-Second Rule,’ ‘NASCAR Receiving Criticism,’ and ‘Student Impressed by Campus Improvements.’ I think they need a faculty adviser.”

12. You heard there is no longer a scary initiation week.
13. Spacious dormitory living area.
14. One word: gene pool.
15. You thought it was Martin Luther King College.
16. One word: Whopper Wednesday.
17. New Ulm is a Minnesota Star City.
18. You thought that the fine arts department was better than Bethany’s.
19. If “New” is in the city’s name, it’s got to be happenin’.
20. Your doubts were erased when you checked out Professor Czer’s New Ulm Area Entertainment web page.
21. Girls, girls, girls.