

# ***Eternal Sunshine #90***

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## **Running Down to a Fold Issue**

Welcome to **Eternal Sunshine**, which is now officially running down to a fold. What does that mean? It means the following:

- All Diplomacy games, Kendo Nagasaki, By Popular Demand, and Acquire will continue until they end.
- No standby players will be called in any game. If a player drops from this point forward, his units go into Civil Disorder and retreat OTB.
- Movie Photos, Hypothetical Questions, and the Eternal Sunshine Index end immediately. Final responses to the first two appear in this issue.
- Subzines and columns can continue in here as they like until the zine finishes its last game.

If you have any questions, just ask.

I'll still be serving as Lead Editor for **Diplomacy World**, and playing games where and when the mood strikes me. And if I ever get around to it I still have boxes of zines for the Postal Diplomacy Zine Archive.

***I hope everyone playing in games here will continue with them until they finish up.*** See you in a month.

Playlist: **Automatic for the People – R.E.M.; SHEL – SHEL; Double Fantasy – John Lennon/Yoko Ono; Heroes and Zeroes – Glen Burtnik.**

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## **Hypothetical of the Month**

**Last month, we gave you these hypothetical questions or situations:** #1 – A good friend is "in love" and introduces you to the special person. You find the person rude, repulsive, and a poor match. Do you repress your feelings? #2 – A friend who likes to boast about "never losing" in Monopoly miscounts his move and places himself on your property with a hotel, which will nearly cripple his position. Do you point out the error?

**Heather Taylor - #1** –Somewhat, I would be honest, but what I like to call "Nice Honest" until that friend pisses me off and then I tell me EXACTLY how I feel!

**#2** –Yes, because I want to win but not because of something like that.

**Steve Cooley - #1** - At the appropriate time, if my friend is genuinely my friend, I will tell him/her the truth about their love interest. To fail to do so is, imnsho, cowardice and not the kind of loyalty I have toward my friends. I will be kind, but I will be honest. What my friend does with my input is not my issue.

**#2** – Yes, because I will not defeat arrogance with dishonesty. Well, not in Monopoly anyway—Diplomacy is a different matter altogether. ☺

**Melinda Holley - #1** - I know my good friend is going to ask me what I think of her 'love'. This actually translates into 'tell me how wonderful he is'. So this requires a great deal of diplomacy on my part because I don't want to burn bridges (been there done that). So I say that I might have met him on a bad day because he seemed rather brusque. Did I get sprung on him without warning? No, I don't find him particularly attractive because he's not the physical type that attracts me. In the end, it doesn't matter what I think. But it could matter a great deal what I say because if I'm right, I don't want my good friend feeling he/she can't come to me for advice or assistance.

**#2** - Yes. I tell my friend that you might want to double-check that count because I think you're wrong. It's a game.

**Kalvin Miller - #1** - Absolutely. Maybe not right away, but next time the friend brings up how perfect they are for each other. Give them the truth once and try not to bring it up again.

**#2** - No way. Let the monopoly pro screw himself out of his perfect record. Of course, I cheat playing Euchre whenever I can get away with it so...

**Andy York - #1** - Absolutely not. If it is a good friend, they'll know that I'll give my honest (thought maybe not completely unvarnished) opinion and, if they're introducing me, they should expect it. And, historically, I've tried to talk one friend out of marriage (they're still married) while enthusiastically supported two other friends marrying (and are now divorced). So, even though I'll give my opinion, I may not be a good judge....

**[[Yes, I remember when you told me Heather would be the biggest mistake of my life. Just kidding....]]**

**#2** - Certainly, as if I'm going to win, I'm going to win honestly not due to a known and avoidable error in a game such as Monopoly. Now, if we're in a wargame and he voluntarily makes a poor (though not illegal) move, that may be another story.

**Andy Lischett - #1** - I try to. Maybe my friend is right and I'm wrong.

**#2** - Of course not! Haven't these Scruples people ever played Monopoly?

**Jack McHugh - #1** - I'd like to think unless ask I wouldn't say anything, but in truth, if they were that bad I'd probably feel compelled to speak up...

**#2** –Yes, just because someone is a windbag doesn't mean I'd cheat them...

**Rick Desper - #1** - There's no hard-and-fast rule here. It would be nice to think that simply saying something to the friend would be a good idea. In my experience, it isn't.

**#2** - Is counting that hard? Ordinarily I would point out the error. But the real question here is: why am I playing Monopoly??

**[[You must have lost a bet...]]**

**Richard Martin - #1** - no more than usual. but we don't spend much time hanging out together either

**#2** - sure, it's just a game. besides, if his landing on my hotel would cripple him, he's as good as done anyways.

**Robin ap Cyran - #1** - No, I speak it as I find it.

#2 – No, all is fair in love, war and Monopoly.

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## The Dining Dead - The Eternal Sunshine Movie Reviews

Seen on DVD and Netflix –**Trick r Treat (B)**, very funny multi-story horror flick); **Fright Night (B-**, 80's horror that still holds up decently because of the acting); **Derek Season 2 (A-**, Ricky Gervais is a genius); **Take Shelter (B+**, well-acted and well- scripted), **Filthy (D)**, a poor version of House of 1000 Corpses, boring even at 20 minutes long); **Countess Dracula (B)**, restored version of the Hammer classic, brings back memories); **Wishmaster (B+**, the best of the series, lots of fun and plenty of cameos); **Wishmaster II (C)**, I hate when they change the rules); **Wishmaster III (C-**, with a new actor playing the Wishmaster all the fun disappears); **Wishmaster IV - The Prophecy Fulfilled (C+**, a nice twist on the idea, but a real lousy ending); **Night of the Creeps (C+**, another trip down memory lane); **Jug Head (B)**, well-acted and interesting story), **Paranormal Activity (B+**, still the best of the series, and thanks to Spielberg for the idea for the better ending). **Cannibal (B-**, Spanish film from the Film Movement series, more of an introspective look at the way such a person forms relationships). **The ABC's of Death (C+**, 26 short films, some interesting, some good, some STUPID). **Maniac (B-**, a decent but not that original look into the mind of a killer).

If horror movies are not your thing, **Derek Season 2**, **Take Shelter**, and **Jug Head** are the things to watch on this list. And **Cannibal** was interesting in its way.

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## Meet Me In Montauk The Eternal Sunshine Letter Column

**Andy Lischett:** Movies: In Round 1 I knew #2 was something with a scene similar to one in The Green Mile, but couldn't think of Candyman. Arg! And for #9 I just watched parts of The Doors and never made the connection. The booze bottle should have given it away.

*[[The Doors was a good movie, but it is easy to forget Meg Ryan was in it.]]*

It's interesting that I recognized The Natural and Thelma & Louise instantly while most people didn't, but a lot of people got Dune, Sideways and Die Another Day. It didn't help that I've never seen those three movies, but I imagine that some of the other participants have seen Thelma & Louise and The Natural.

Round 2: When looking at these pictures it is hard not to call out to Carol in the next room, "Carol, what's the name of that movie with Jeff Bridges and the woman from the Indiana Jones movies where he's an alien who takes the form of her dead husband? Is it Spaceman or something like that?"

*[[I appreciate your dedication to playing fair. It's a lot more fun when something clicks and you get it on your own, and start to build the connection.]]*

**Larry Peery:** If you've played DIPLOMACY for less than 25 years you've never experienced a PEERICON. Come see what you've been missing. Details at [peery@ix.netcom.com](mailto:peery@ix.netcom.com) but do it today because this opportunity ends 14 July 2014.

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## Where in the World is Kendo Nagasaki?

Rules in ES #58. Send in your guesses. I've played this in Brandon Whyte's Damn the Consequences a few times and it's fun, takes only a minute or two each turn, and helps you work your brain! As soon as this one ends, a new one will begin.

ROUND 1

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**Hank Alme:**

Joan Rivers in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

**Tom Howell:**

John Cusack in Bangui, Central African Republic

**Richard Weiss:**

Oliver Cromwell in Asuncion, Paraguay

**Kevin Wilson:**

Edgar Allen Poe in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico

**Andy Lischett:**

Terry Thomas in Tarrytown, New York

**Jim Burgess:**

Franz Ferdinand in Sarajevo

**John Biehl:**

Sir Francis Drake in Utica, NY

**Brendan Whyte:**

Diana Rigg on Wake Island

**Rick Desper:**

Chevy Chase in Chevy Chase, Maryland

**Marc Ellinger:**

Vladimir Putin in Kiev, Ukraine

**Jack McHugh:**

Plato in Lima, Peru

**Mark Firth:**

Kim Jong-un in Torremolinos, Spain

**Hint to the Person in the Closest Geographical Guess:** You're alive and I am dead.

**Turn 2**

**John Biehl:**

Ayatollah Khomeini in Bogota, Columbia

**Jack McHugh:**

Thomas Hobbes in Bangkok

**Brendan Whyte:**

Diana Rigg in Ouagadougou

**Andy Lischett:**

Phil Silvers in Silver Springs, Maryland

**Tom Howell:**

Abraham Lincoln in Cheremkhovo, Russia

**Richard Weiss:**

Hillary Clinton in Beijing

**Hank Alme:**

Charles Dickens in Cairo, Egypt

**Marc Ellinger:**

Constantine the Great in Istanbul

**Rick Desper:**

Britney Spears in Nome, Alaska

**Mark Firth:**

Sir Isaac Newton in Dasoguz, Turkmenistan

**Jim Burgess:**

Pope Gregory XII in Jerusalem

**Kevin Wilson:**

Abraham Lincoln in Novosibirsk

**Hint to the Person in the Closest Geographical Guess:** I was born about 12 centuries after you.

### ROUND 3

**Jim Burgess:**

William Shakespeare in Sevastopol

**Jack McHugh:**

Nicolaus Copernicus in Odessa, Ukraine

**Kalvin Miller:**

Jimi Hendrix in Belgrade, Serbia

**Tom Howell:**

Ferdinand Columbus in Helsinki, Finland

**Brendan Whyte:**

William Shakespeare in Kersch, Ukraine

**John Biehl:**

Vlad the Impaler in Edirne (Adrianople), Turkey

**Hank Alme:**

Martin Luther in Worms, Germany

**Andy Lischett:**

Christopher Columbus in Budapest, Hungary

**Richard Weiss:**

Michelangelo di Lodovico Buonarroti Simoni in Stockholm, Sweden

**Rick Desper:**

Christopher Columbus in Sofia, Bulgaria

**Mark Firth:**

Catherine Parr in Yalta

**Hint to the Person in the Closest Geographical Guess:** Wrong country of birth, but I did spend a large chunk of my life in yours.

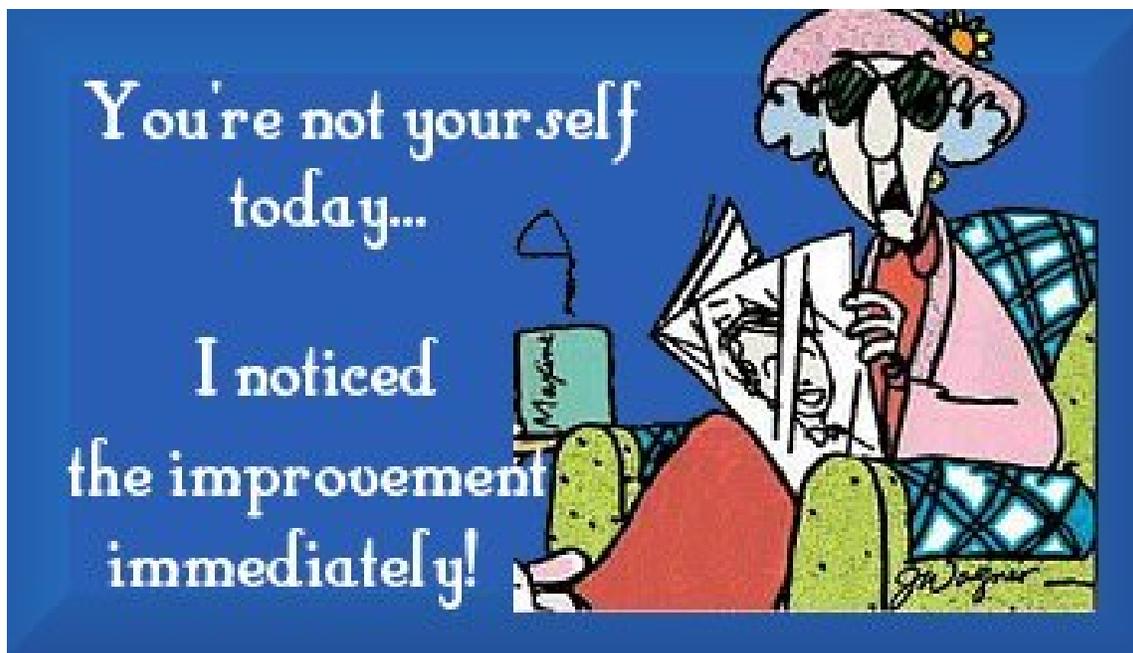
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**Anon:** Marc, If Constantine was so Great, couldn't you have called Istanbul by its other name, Constantinople?

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## Deadline for Turn 4 is: July 29th at 7am my time

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**Brain Farts: The Only Subsubzine With It's Own Fragrance**  
**By Jack "Flapjack" McHugh - [jwmchughjr@gmail.com](mailto:jwmchughjr@gmail.com)**  
**(or just email Doug and he'll send it to me)**  
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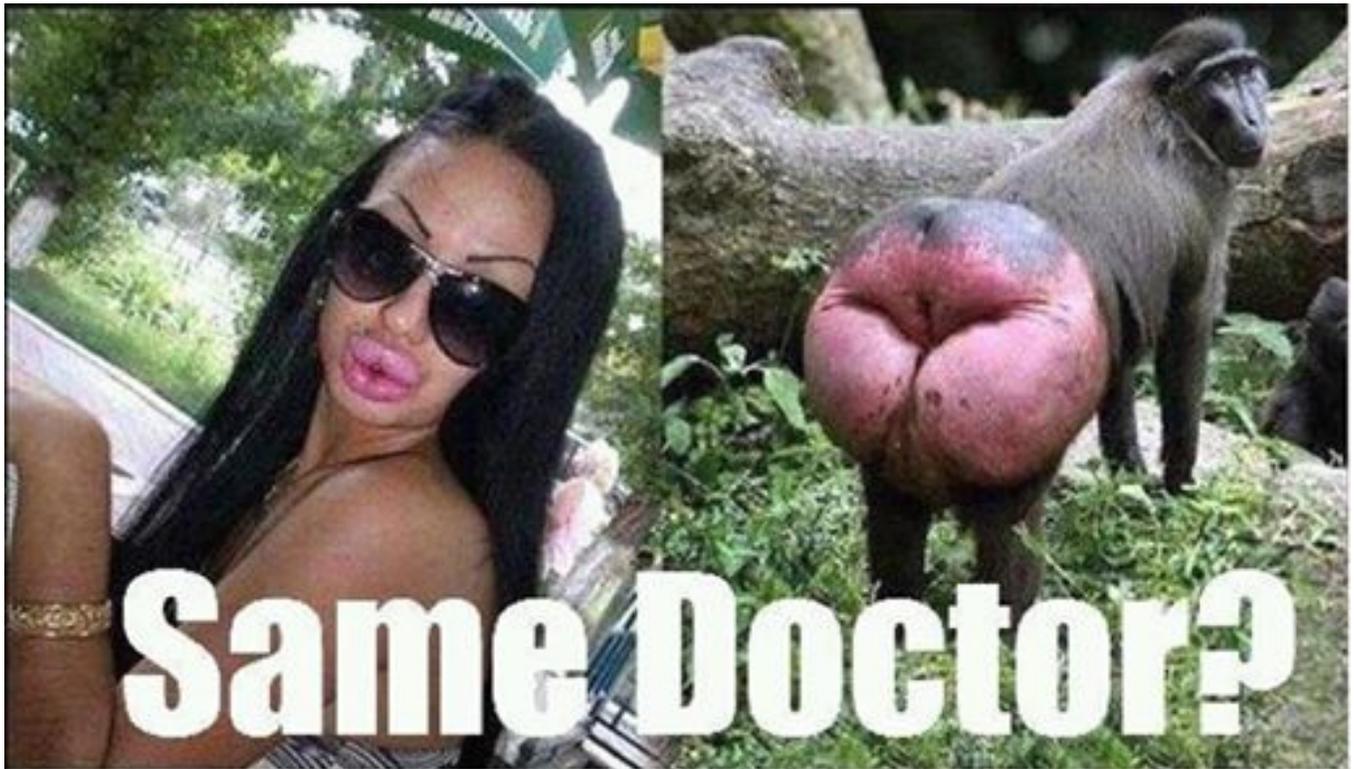
I have been busy working and avoiding my job as Variant Editor for Diplomacy World. Sack doesn't even bug me for articles anymore because he has no faith in me at all. Mission accomplished. Flyers suck, Phillies suck, but there's always the Eagles. I don't want to declare that they suck until they lose a few games.

Go choke on diesel fumes.



Sometimes I wish I was a  
bird so I could fly over  
certain  
people and shit on  
their heads

Peg It Board





**Quintus Arrius: “Your eyes are full of hate, forty-one.”**  
**by Paul Milewski**

Having finished reading Simon Winchester’s The Map that Changed the World, which is basically about William Smith, one of the founders of the science of geology, I thought I might share with you something that Winchester wrote about himself. (Winchester studied geology at Oxford and so may be forgiven injecting himself into the narrative.) These excerpts are from chapter 11, A Jurassic Interlude:

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*On early summer Saturdays in the 1950s when the weather was fine, the sisters of the Blessed Order of the Visitation liked nothing more than to take their little convent boys swimming in the sea. To keep us more biddable they tried to tire us out by walking the entire way... And although my own memories of those long, long walks have been more than a little colored by the harshness of the boarding school regime (I was six and a half; and the punishment for my frequent dawdling on Saturday walks was six strokes on the hand with a bamboo cane, and a big wooden spoonful of castor oil forced down my throat by an unusually ugly sister who sported a luxuriant blond moustache), there are delights about it that linger yet.*

*I seem to remember that by this point in the weekly expedition the dozen or so of us—all called by numbers, since the convent’s peculiar regime forbade the use of names; I was simply 46—were well beyond caring what the nuns might think...*

*I gazed closely at it [a fossil of an ammonite], enraptured by its strange delicacy... A few of the other boys seemed interested—I remember still that numbers 6 and 25 in particular had shared my fascination and had asked to have a closer look.*

*The beast evidently left as much of an impression on them. Many years later I came across number 25—by then he had a name and was a senior partner in a private banking firm—while walking along Connaught Road in Hong Kong. It was during an evening of reminiscence some while later that he asked me if I still had the pretty little ammonite? But no, I said shamefacedly, I didn’t, and neither of us could remember much more about the day it was found, nor, to our greater shame, could we remember what number 6, the other boy who had liked it, was really called.*

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[on Arrius' orders, Judah is left unlocked for the upcoming battle; Judah touches his unchained ankle, bewildered]

Rower No. 42: “Forty-one, why did he do that?”

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# **Not Lepanto 4-ever LXII #5**

by Per Westling (LHCper AT gmail.com)

Time for another sporadic contribution. As always reactions are welcome, to Doug or to me at the address above.

Right now we are in the middle of FIFA World Cup, which is probably the greatest sports event in the world. Maybe you are not interested in Football (or Soccer, for Americans) but in Brazil it is sure number one. Football, and especially the World Cup, has a lot of interesting stories, with the story of how Brazil lost the world cup final on Maracanã in 1950, which was the last time that Brazil hosted the tournament.

Another story that is interesting is the effect of World Cup on the nation of Bosnia Hercegovina. It had potential of being a good unifier for the three ethnic groups, but as they lost their two first games they have to go home after the group play. Of course, they felt heavily mistreated by the judges but that is part of the big conspiracy theory that seem to flourish in the Balcans.

But for the main piece I will give you a text by probably the best Swedish sport writer, Erik Niva. He writes about Colombia and I have tried to translate it below. The text was written after the first game, and after that Colombia won their second game and qualified for the round of 16.

## **A national team to make peace around**

By Erik Niva, published in Aftonbladet, 2014-06-14

**For 20 years, the world has paired the Colombian football with gunfire.**

**It is time to change course now, to let a new future take over.**

**This time, a Colombian national team actually getting the guns to fall silent.**

In conjunction with the kickoff television cameras zoomed in an enthusiastic supporter with a special message printed on its flag: "Colombia, te amo. Paz, paz ". Colombia, I love you. Peace, peace.

It was not enough that it was 5833 days since the last time Colombia played in the World Cup. It was by obvious that this match would be played this very day.

During the past week, the notorious FARC guerrilla released two communiqués. First, they announced a month truce. Then they wished the Colombian national team good luck in the World Cup.

*- We will support the team through thick and thin, following them to the end and hope they represent the only Colombia we want to see. We believe that football can help us to move towards reconciliation.*

All times are fateful times in Colombia, but the next few days may prove to be historically decisive.

Today was the World Cup opening night, tomorrow is the presidential election. And anyone who imagines that those things do not have to do with each misunderstands the country in a profound and fundamental way.

A budding optimism is growing in Colombia, a feeling that there actually is a slight chance that things can be improved for real this time.

### ***Thinking about the consequences***

The analysis is of course not shared by all, but many believe that an election victory for the incumbent president Juan

Manuel Santos would increase the chances of a peace treaty and that the success of the Colombian soccer team would benefit Santos.

So of course, I also appreciated the coordinated dance that followed Pablo Armeros early goal - but above all I thought about the consequences.

Everyone knows what happened 20 years ago, when that unfortunate own goal directly or indirectly led to Andrés Escobar lost his life.

Afterwards, it was like the gates of hell opened and the entire country plunged deeper into an eternity long spiral of violence that never seemed to end.

- *For the first time in my life I am ashamed to be colombian*, wrote the influential journalist Enrique Santos Calderón in El Tiempo.

Today I promise you that the national feeling is another. 35 000 supporters dress in yellow danced and sang in Mineirao in Belo Horizonte, 47 million others did certainly at home.

"Los Cafeteros" had its difficult moments in the match against Greece, but even though their defense game is porous, I argue that they were the clearly better team over the whole match.

More than anything, I appreciate how dynamic the team are, how they can switch between patient ball retention and slightly insane tempo increases.

### ***Stunning arts***

Ibarbo, Armero, Zúñiga and Cuadrado belongs to the whole tournament's most running players, and the latter also endure in doing somewhat amazing ball tricks on the fly.

James Rodríguez is spotted a formidable carver, and although Falcão is greatly missed, the sly old Argentinian José Pekerman choose between striker Téó Gutierrez, Jackson Martinez, Adrian Ramos and Carlos Bacca to replace him.

They all differ among themselves in the style of play, but everyone is of the highest international quality.

Tempo, tunnels, skips, heels, goals and an overabundance of offensive options. I suspect that those who had no favorite team in the tournament before kickoff probably have found one now.

It will be so incredibly exciting to see this country through the next few weeks and this team through the championship.

So far Colombia has never reached the quarterfinals of a World Cup. I think it may well be time for it now. I think that this team has the potential to succeed where the revalued 90s teams collapsed.

It is a national team to enjoy, to rally behind and to feel proud of. Perhaps it is even a national team to make peace around.

So, that was all for today.

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We continue with Kendo Nagasaki, join ANY time, just send me a guess!!!

This issue continues the szine/subszine inversion. As most of you know, this thing began as a "subszine" to Terry Tallman's *North Sealth*, *West George*, then became its own szine with a host of subszines. The subszines remaining will appear as sub-subszines to our new flipfopped home in Doug Kent's *Eternal Sunshine*. Doug's incessant nagging is not keeping us on schedule, but will make it so we keep going. I'd like to keep writing and doing some game GMing (note that has been expanding). I'm set on the GMing, and I'm starting to write a bit, hope there might be more. Let's get the new Diplomacy game going.

For production, in addition to the HTML's of each separate product on the web page, I will also have a PDF that you can print of the entire subszine (including my famous handdrawn maps!). You can just print the maps if you like, but remember maps are for pikers anyway, you don't need no steenkin' maps, keep them up in your head where they belong.

General information about the mailing list is at: <http://www.diplom.org/mailman/listinfo/tap> You can sign up from there, or send E-Mails to: 'Tap-request of diplom.org; with the word 'help' in the subject or body (don't include the quotes), and you will get back a message with instructions. You must know your password to change your options (including changing the password, itself) or to unsubscribe.

#### THE ABYSSINIAN PRINCE FEATURES SECTION (CONS/LETTERS/MUSIC)

*((For upcoming cons around the world: <http://devel.diplom.org/Face/cons/index.php>, but note that some of the Americans have stopped posting the tournaments there. Shame, shame, shame... The Chicago hobby continues on its active track: they had a great CODCon and Weasel Moot is coming up on July 26th and 27th. Although we know that Carnage in Vermont will end off the Nor'Easter sequence of events the first weekend in November, the rest of the year in the Northeast is clarifying slowly. Cheers to Christian Pedone and the Philly crowd for organizing a patriotic July 4-6 Philly Massacre again this year. The website is at [www.philadelphiamassacre.com](http://www.philadelphiamassacre.com), check it out. Rob Premus hasn't said anything about his tournament though either. But expect updates in this space... Tempest will be coming up on Columbus Day weekend as usual too. I think most of you have seen it, but David Hill's article on being smoked at World DipCon (see: <http://grantland.com/features/diplomacy-the-board-game-of-the-alpha-nerds/>) has been generating lots of commentary: I agree with Adam Sigal and have for a long time (and this is nothing new) that some things could and should be done to work to invite more players into the fun of the FTF hobby. To think he as a rookie could walk into the World Championships and "instantly get it" would be silly. And of course Diplomacy is not for everyone, but as I have just lost perhaps my best friend in the entire hobby, I look out at all of you and know that I have more great friends than most people have a right to expect. David Hill should have seen that all around him, and didn't quite capture that. More on that from me in my next Diplomacy World article in a few days. It is NOT too late for you to write one, get one to Doug or me now!!!))*

#### NEW FEATURE: ROCK AND ROLL BANDS AND MOMENTS THAT MATTER

I think today, as Richard Thompson is preparing for a soldout show in Newburyport tonight (June 20th) which is halfway between my two houses and I've just passed by on my way up here to Maine, that I regret the state of live music these days. As RT said about this: "Well, an advantage to longevity is that I don't have to build an audience on the back of hit records. My audience, over time, has come from word of mouth." I really don't think it's about getting older, but I don't really find that any new act/singer who

manages to worm their way into my consciousness does anything as much for me as any of 100 musicians of the last half century. I'm trying to think who the last singers who really grabbed me were. Probably Erin McKeown or Melissa Ferrick.

*((If anyone from TAP or ES has ideas for more things to talk about here let me know. I do have five or six ideas lined up here already that I just have to write. As a lookahead, the Ossipee Valley Music Festival, that is a couple of miles west of my Maine lake camp, is coming up even closer now at the end of July, <http://www.ossipeevalley.com/> and the lineup is looking great for that.))*

#### **DIPLOMACY WORLD CUP TOURNAMENT IS ONGOING – YOU CAN STILL JOIN!**

This is the latest incarnation of this team based tournament. I am helping to lead the Nor'Easter team for people in the Northeast part of the United States. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/123795024327261/> is the Facebook page for the event.

And you can sign up for the Tournament at: <http://aqmn.asciiking.com/>. Other US regional teams are the ones in the Pacific, Dixie, and Chicago. Its unique aspect, that continues to be distorting, but in interesting ways, is its "solo only" feature. You advance from the preliminaries to the finals only by soloing, and then need solos in the finals against the other soloists. Though this started last January, it probably will be going on for at least another year, and there is PLENTY of time to jump in. As usual, for those who know me well, I screwed up my first game and allowed a solo to someone from team US. And then I could have soloed the second game, but well, I can't exactly say how I did it, but the Canadian player soloed there, with help from me. I still don't have a solo in over three decades, and now I'm waiting for my next game to start, you can join and get more games going!!! You can easily throw games, and in this format you can do it. I wonder why people like to drop the levels of the game in this way. It fascinates me. But in the finals of this tournament, it shouldn't happen, should it? The rules for the finals have been tweaked and the finals SHOULD start in September. But you still can join the qualifiers, openings are there now!!!

#### *THE ABYSSINIAN PRINCE GAMES SECTION*

I am continuing to note cut or failed support orders with a small "s" instead of a capital "S". This will make it easier on the E-Mailed version of the szine to see what happened, since the italics don't show there. The italics DO show on the web page just fine. Since I'm not postal mailing the szine any more, I've dropped back to just reporting the disguised E-Mail addresses. As someone notes, if you need some more contact information, go back to past issues or ask me.

Standby lists:

Dick Martin, Brad Wilson, Jack McHugh, Steve Emmert, Vince Lutterbie, Paul Rauterberg, Doug Kent, Heath Gardner, Paul Kenny, and Hugh Polley stand by for regular Diplomacy. I've pared down the standby list according to who I'm actually in touch with. If I removed you and you want to be added back, just say so. Otherwise, just let me know if you want on or off these lists, especially OFF given the new policies.

#### GAME OPENING INFORMATION

I'm going to start the game opening list over. Under the new regime, who wants to play what?

DIPLOMACY: I would love to run Spy Diplomacy again some time, any interest in that? Something else?? Another Regular Diplomacy game? I would like to start one that at least informally is a memorial to Don.

SPY DIPLOMACY: Heath Gardner, need six more.

REGULAR DIPLOMACY: need seven, I really want to restart from the game that we had to stop.

#### **THE PHIL REYNOLDS MEMORIAL: 2006B, Regular Diplomacy**

#### **THE DUE DATE FOR FALL 1910 IS JULY 19TH, 2014**

*Pre-Fall 1910*

AUSTRIA (Burgess): has a BUD, f BUL(SC), a VIE, a TRI, a SER.

ENGLAND (James): has f NWG, a DEN, f BAR, a FIN, a PRU, a STP, f NTH, f ION, f GOB, a KIE, f APU, f BAL.

FRANCE (Holley): has f TYH, f GOL, a MAR, a MUN, a VEN,  
f ADR, a BER, f TUN, a TYO.  
ITALY (Crow): has a GRE.  
RUSSIA (Gardner): has a MOS, a SIL, a WAR, a BOH, f EAS, f LVN.

*E-Mail Addresses of the Participants*

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FRANCE: New Player is Melinda Holley, genea5613 of aol.com  
GERMANY: Marc Ellinger, mellinger of blitzbardgett.com  
ITALY: John Crow, johnny.crow of hotmail.com  
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TURKEY: Fred Wiedemeyer, wiedem of telus.net or wiedem of shaw.ca

*Game Notes:*

1) I'm not doing an NMR on this restart, so I've delayed the game. I also think there is SOME interest, but not codified to end the game. Let's be specific. Vote on a DIAS that includes all five of you, vote on an EF that includes two of you. I think you're going to have to talk to each other to get to consensus, as there are active votes against draws. There was confusion about DIAS vs. EF though. I don't announce draw votes and if you don't vote, you veto, so I can pretty much guarantee the game will NOT end in July unless there is effort made to get votes in to end it.

*Press:*

**PRINCE OF DARKNESS: 2013D, Regular Diplomacy**  
**GAME ENDS WITHOUT ENDING**

*E-Mail Addresses of the Participants*

AUSTRIA: Scott Allen, scottdjallen of gmail.com  
ENGLAND: Brad Wilson, fullfathomfive675 of gmail.com  
FRANCE: Don Williams, the good reason for deciding not to continue  
GERMANY: Doug Kent, dougray30 of yahoo.com  
ITALY: Mike Ruttinger, mruttinger of gmail.com  
RUSSIA: Bob Slossar, bobsloss of comcast.net  
TURKEY: Heath Gardner (aka Heath Davis-Gardner), heath.gardner of gmail.com

*Game Notes:*

1) I'll leave this for one more issue to feel free to write something about the end of the game if you want for me to print.

**FOR THE MEKONS ET AL.: Breaking Away, Designer's Rules**  
**THE DUE DATE FOR TURN 7 IS JULY 19, 2014!!**

*Turn 6: Barszczewski and Crockett are dropped, but we'll keep them on the board*

66 (replenish with a 3)	Ernie Davis
65 (replenish with a 4)	Larry Csonka
64 (no replenishment)	None
63 (no replenishment)	None
62 (no replenishment)	None
61 (no replenishment)	None
60 (no replenishment)	None
59 (replenish with a 3)	Dziewulski
58 (replenish with a 4)	Bowie
57 (replenish with a 5)	Katniss Everdeen

56 (no replenishment)	None
55 (replenish with a 3)	Mustrum Ridcully,
54 (replenish with a 4)	Moist von Lipwig, Travis
53 (replenish with a 6)	Sam Vimes, CMOT Dibbler
52 (replenish with a 8)	Peeta Mellark, Haymitch Abernathy, Sylvester Carmouche, Houston
51 (no replenishment)	None
50 (no replenishment)	None
49 (replenish with a 3)	Jim Brown
48 (replenish with a 4)	Ryan Leaf, Cwierzakiewiczowa, Floyd Little
47 (replenish with a 7)	Effie Trinket, Roberto Rojas, Arciszewski
46 (replenish with a 10)	Jean Van de Velde
45 (no replenishment)	None
44 (replenish with a 3)	Crockett
43 (no replenishment)	None
42 (no replenishment)	None
41 (no replenishment)	None
-S-P-R-I-N-T- -F-I-N-I-S-H- -L-I-N-E-	
40 (no replenishment)	None
39 (replenish with a 3)	Barszczewski

*Addresses of the Participants - Their Team and Their Cards*

TEAM 1 (Hank Alme): cobbler of gmail.com (0 points)

Team Name: Vetinari's Terriers; TEAM CAPTAIN: Sam Vimes

A: Moist von Lipwig	(12) 9, 7, 4
B: Mustrum Ridcully	(11) 10, 3, 3
C: Sam Vimes	(7) 5, 3, 6
D: CMOT Dibbler	(7) 3, 3, 6

Total Replenishments: 47 + 32 + 30 + 42 + 16 + 19 = 186

TEAM 2 (Andy Bate): andydbate of gmail.com (0 points)

Team Name: Racing Froggy; TEAM CAPTAIN: Jean Van de Velde

A: Jean Van de Velde	(12) 14, 6, 10
B: Roberto Rojas	(12) 7, 5, 7
C: Sylvester Carmouche	(16) 6, 3, 8
D: Ryan Leaf	(15) 12, 7, 4

Total Replenishments: 18 + 29 + 42 + 52 + 21 + 29 = 191

TEAM 3 (David Burgess): burgesscd of roadrunner.com or dburgess of glensfallshosp.org (19 points)

Team Name: Syracuse Orangemen

A: Ernie Davis	(3) 3, 5, 3, 3
B: Jim Brown	(3) 12, 6, 3
C: Floyd Little	(15) 16, 7, 4
D: Larry Csonka	(3) 6, 4, 4

Total Replenishments: 79 + 55 + 19 + 29 + 17 + 14 = 213

TEAM 4 (Rick Desper): rick\_desper of yahoo.com (19 points)

Team Name: District 12

A: Katniss Everdeen	(15) 18, 7, 7, 5
B: Haymitch Abernathy	(3) 21, 3, 8
C: Peeta Mellark	(3) 23, 3, 8
D: Effie Trinket	(3) 24, 3, 7

Total Replenishments: 92 + 90 + 16 + 12 + 16 + 28 = 254

TEAM 5 (Brendan Whyte): BWHYTE of nla.gov.au (1 point)

Team Name: The Reverse Polish Notationists (a.k.a. The Unpronounceables)

A: Arciszewski	(3) 9, 3, 3, 7
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B: Barszczewski (3) 3, 3, 3  
C: Cwierzakiewiczowa (5) 4, 6, 4  
D: Dziewulski (3) 3, 3, 3

Total Replenishments: 50 + 46 + 14 + 14 + 15 + 17 = 156

TEAM 6 (Andy York): (0 points)

Team Name: Team Alamo

A: Travis (3) 12, 9, 10, 4  
B: Crockett (4) 3, 3, 3  
C: Bowie (10) 5, 6, 4  
D: Houston (3) 3, 7, 8

Total Replenishments: 44 + 65 + 20 + 31 + 15 + 19 = 194

*Game Notes:*

1) The rules are on the *TAP* website in the *Tinamou* section. Ask if you have any questions. Rules at: <http://devel.diplom.org/DipPouch/Postal/Zines/TAP/Tinamou/rules/BreakingAway.htm>

Up above in parentheses is the card you played to get to where you are in the field. The replenishment card is the last card in your list. Be careful to note that the card you played (the one in parentheses) is not available for you, for next turn. Just for fun, I keep track of total replenishment, by turn, which is a rough measure of how the teams are doing. Of course, it is lining up to get across the sprint (40/80) and final (120) lines in the right places that really counts. We can calculate an "efficiency score" later, which will be the ratio of scoring points per replenishment. If I'm predicting how the future of this will come out based on doing this before, about half the players will get scores below 5% and getting better than a 10% score will be really tremendous for this measure.

2) We have TWO players getting dropped from the pack in the same turn. No one else seems in immediate risk, I keep all the riders on the board.

*Press:*

(BOOB to RIDERS): But no press...

**WHERE IN THE WORLD IS KENDO NAGASAKI**

**THE DUE DATE FOR TURN 6 IS JULY 19, 2014!!**

Kendo Nagasaki games in *Eternal Sunshine* continue to multiply like weeds... I'd like to get more people engaged here, not just the usual suspects from Doug's games. The full rules for Where in the World is Kendo Nagasaki are in: <http://www.whiningkentpigs.com/DW/es58.pdf>. The player who was closest for Turn 5 has been notified by E-Mail. There were numerous complaints that my TURN 4 hint was confusing, I was more adventurous with my TURN 5 hint, AND I revised and clarified the TURN 4 hint. Lots for you to absorb.

**TURN 5**

**Brendan Whyte:**  
No Guess this Time

**Tom Howell:**  
Jimmy Carter in Cochabamba, Bolivia

**Heath Gardner:**  
No Guess this Time

**Doug Kent:**  
Harry Reid in Oruro, Bolivia

**Rick Desper:**  
John Boehner in Antofagasta, Chile

**Kevin Wilson:**  
Angela Merkel in Managua, Nicaragua

**Hank Alme:**  
John McCain in La Paz, Bolivia

**Mike Ruttinger**  
Nancy Pelosi in La Paz, Bolivia

**Steen Alme:**  
Michelle Obama in Trujillo, Peru

**Edi Birsan**  
No Guess this Time

**HINT to the Person with the Closest Geographic Guess:** Although I have discussed the possibility of running for some much, much lesser office someday, it's likely you have never heard of those statements

of interest of mine; I much more famously have labeled as an “idiot” a person in a similar specific elected position as you have.

#### TURN 4

**Brendan Whyte:**  
Mrs. Al Gore in Ascención, Paraguay

**Heath Gardner:**  
No Guess this Time

**Rick Desper:**  
Hillary Clinton in Lima, Peru

**Hank Alme:**  
Katie Couric in Sao Paulo, Brazil

**Steen Alme:**  
Hillary Clinton in Bogotá, Colombia

**Tom Howell:**  
Michelle Obama’s husband in Cochabamba, Bolivia

**Doug Kent:**  
Bob Barker in Santiago, Chile

**Kevin Wilson:**  
No Guess this Time

**Mike Ruttinger**  
Dennis Rodman in Bogotá, Colombia

**Edi Birsan**  
President Obama in Honolulu, Hawaii

**HINT to the Person with the Closest Geographic Guess:** OK, but I am part of a larger group than that. ((*CLARIFICATION: I am a member of a larger group than the group you imply by your guess.*))

#### TURN 3

**Brendan Whyte:**  
Diana Rigg in Anchorage, Alaska

**Heath Gardner:**  
Gov. Chris Christie in Hamhung, North Korea

**Rick Desper:**  
Stephen Colbert in Brasilia, Brazil

**Hank Alme:**  
Landon Donovan in Quito, Ecuador

**Steen Alme:**  
Al Gore in Buenos Aires, Argentina

**Tom Howell:**  
Michelle Obama in Valparaiso, Chile

**Doug Kent:**  
Mark David Chapman in San Francisco, CA

**Kevin Wilson:**  
Stephen Colbert in Santiago, Chile

**Mike Ruttinger**  
Tom Brokaw in Caracas, Venezuela

**HINT to the Person with the Closest Geographic Guess:** Oooh, I think you have the wrong gender, try again.

#### TURN 2

**Brendan Whyte:**  
Diana Rigg in Pyongyang, North Korea

**Heath Gardner:**  
Henry Kissinger in Sao Paulo, Brazil

**Rick Desper:**  
Zsa Zsa Gabor in Beverly Hills, CA

**Hank Alme:**  
Stephen Ambrose in Seattle, WA

**Steen Alme:**  
Kim Jong-Un in Sevastopol, Ukraine

**Tom Howell:**  
Jennifer Jones in New York, New York

**Doug Kent:**  
Harrison Ford in Mexico City, Mexico

**Kevin Wilson:**  
Dennis Rodman in La Paz, Bolivia

**Mike Ruttinger**  
Scarlett Johansson in Havana, Cuba

**HINT to the Person with the Closest Geographic Guess:** While I also have appeared on television in some form, I have done so for different reasons than you.

#### TURN 1

**Brendan Whyte:**

**Tom Howell:**

Diana Rigg in Anchorage, Alaska

Rex Roberts in Alexandria, Egypt

**Heath Gardner:**

**Doug Kent:**

Jimmy "the Greek" in Las Vegas, NV

Charlton Heston in Rome, Italy

**Rick Desper:**

**Kevin Wilson:**

Eddie "the Eagle" Edwards in Sochi, Russia

Pierre Trudeau in Montevideo, Uruguay

**Hank Alme:**

**Mike Ruttinger**

Ian Fleming in Tegucigalpa, Honduras

George McArthur in Seoul, South Korea

**HINT to the Person with the Closest Geographic Guess:** Unfortunately, you are very much dead, while I am very much alive.

*LAST WORD:* I think I would like to write this month about why I am still here, on the eve of the 350th issue of this thing next month, and why you all are so very precious and special to me. Of course, Don Williams' passing put me into this kind of mood. I think there are three or four things that keep me welded into the Diplomacy hobby and even if you all left, I'd probably stay. First and foremost is the game itself. It's definitely not a game for everyone, you have to enjoy grabbing onto the essence of your being and twisting it for fun. And then you have to not hold grudges about it, so even after someone slaps you upside the head four or five times, you still sit down and laugh with him about it over a beer. But I still think it is the best game ever, I still think that it is THE game that will prove if Artificial Intelligence is really possible some day, I still think that it puts baseball to shame for its failure rate (it is the best answer to what other game do you fail 7 times out of ten and are still one of the top players in the world), and a host of other things that are special about it.

Second, is mostly about MY life. I have an insane life, no doubt about it, I should be committed for signing up to it. I have two ostensibly half time jobs, both of which feel like full time jobs most of the time. I also have three additional part time jobs that are somewhat lumpy in terms of the time they take, but when they demand time, they demand it. I'm also on about five non-profit boards, one professional one and the others mostly about social services of various kinds. And then there is this. Edi Birsan famously said about Diplomacy and vices that one should concentrate one's vices and that Diplomacy was the best single one going. You can spin that a bit this way and that, but I surely WOULD be insane if it wasn't for this and for all of you. Thanks!! But you can ask legitimately why I'm still here and how I keep up a family life, and how I can do what I do. I'm up at my Maine lake house as a type this, that's another essential to my sanity.

Third, is about all of you. I have a lot of friends from various parts of my life, but there are dozens of you that I would trust (as we have played this GAME of trust) with almost anything. The game lets me (whether you like it or not) know a whole lot about you, as you know a whole lot about me. You will note that I do NOT show up regularly at the FTF Diplomacy Tournaments, though I have found my way to lots of them over the years (the next Chicago World DipCon looks like the next one I'm pointing toward that I just can't miss). When I retire (probably from one of my half time jobs first), I surely will start winding my way to lots more of them. I find that I still enjoy them immensely, and I love trying to hone my ability to play multiple boards in a tournament at the same time, maybe more than I want to hone or find an ability to win a tournament outright. Most of you have no idea how much you mean to me severally and individually. I miss the people I don't interact much with any more, like John Caruso. I love that some people, like Heath Gardner, come back after not talking to them for a decade or more at a time. Some people are silent observers (yes, I do know you're out there!!!) while others seem like they're just always there around this szine, like Rick Desper, Doug Kent, Jack McHugh, and Melinda Holley. Then, what in a way is even weirder is that I bounce around all the parts of the Diplomacy hobby that I can find, and there are lots of other people who I am really, really close to in the Diplomacy hobby, but have no idea about TAP, maybe don't even know it exists, but certainly don't read it.

Anyway, thanks to you all, I really appreciate everything you are and will be.

# Eternal Sunshine Game Section

## Acquire Game #2 - "Juliet" – Eternal Sunshine

Players: Tom Howell, Mark Firth, Andy Bate, Richard Weiss, Hank Alme

### Turn 1

Tom plays 6-H and starts Continental. He gets one free share and buys 3 more.

Mark plays 7-G and buys 3 Continental.

Andy plays 7-F and starts Festival. He gets one free share and buys 3 more.

Richard plays 6-A and starts Worldwide. He gets one free share and buys 3 more.

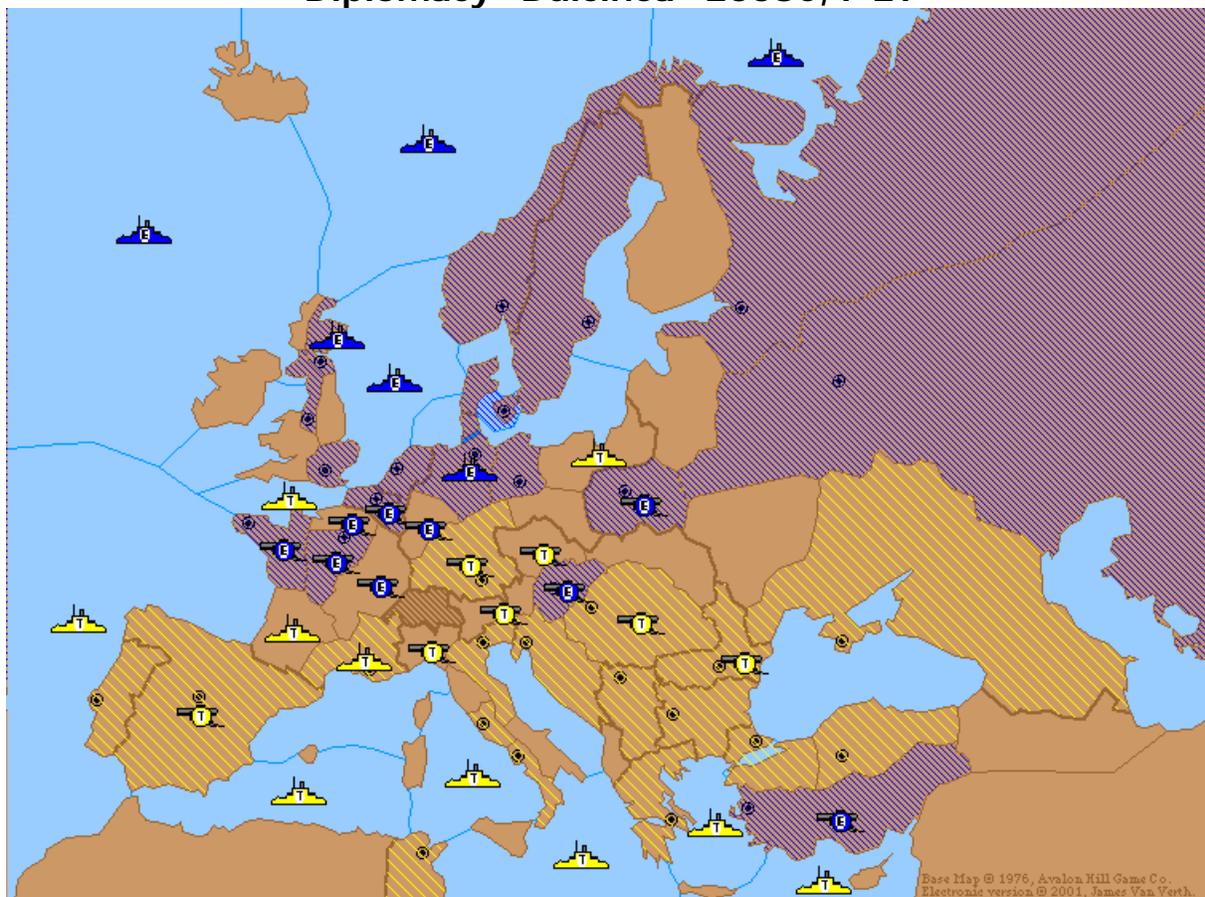
Hank plays 2-D and found Imperial. He gets one free share and buys 3 more.

**Turn 2** next, Tom is up!

Player	Cash	Tower	Luxor	American	Worldwide	Festival	Imperial	Continental
Tom Howell	\$ 4,800	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Mark Firth	\$ 4,800	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Andy Bate	\$ 5,100	0	0	0	0	4	0	0
Richard Weiss	\$ 5,100	0	0	0	4	0	0	0
Hank Alme	\$ 4,800	0	0	0	0	0	4	0

1-A	2-A	3-A	4-A	5-A	W	7-A	8-A	9-A	10-A	11-A	12-A
1-B	2-B	3-B	4-B	5-B	W	7-B	8-B	9-B	10-B	11-B	12-B
1-C	2-C	3-C	4-C	5-C	6-C	7-C	8-C	9-C	10-C	11-C	
I	I	3-D	4-D	5-D	6-D	7-D	8-D	9-D	10-D	11-D	12-D
1-E	2-E	3-E	4-E	5-E	6-E	7-E	8-E	9-E	10-E	11-E	12-E
1-F	2-F	3-F		5-F	6-F	F	8-F	9-F	10-F	11-F	12-F
1-G	2-G	3-G	4-G	5-G	6-G	F	8-G	9-G	10-G	11-G	12-G
1-H	2-H	3-H	4-H	5-H	C	7-H	8-H	9-H	10-H	11-H	12-H
1-I	2-I	3-I	4-I	5-I	C	7-I	8-I	9-I	10-I	11-I	12-I

## Diplomacy "Dulcinea" 2008C, F 29



**Austria (Martin Burgdorf – martin\_burgdorf "of" hotmail.com):** No units.

**England (Hank Alme – almejh "of" alumni.rice.edu):** F Barents Sea Convoys A St Petersburg – Smyrna, A Belgium Hold, A Brest Hold, A Burgundy Hold, F Edinburgh Hold, F Kiel Hold, F North Atlantic Ocean Convoys A St Petersburg – Smyrna, F North Sea Hold, F Norwegian Sea Convoys A St Petersburg – Smyrna, A Paris Hold, A Picardy Hold, A Ruhr Hold, A St Petersburg – Smyrna, A Vienna Hold, A Warsaw Hold.

**Turkey (Jim Burgess – jfburgess "of" gmail.com):** F Aegean Sea Convoys A St Petersburg – Smyrna, A Bohemia Supports A Silesia – Munich, A Budapest Hold, F Eastern Mediterranean Supports A St Petersburg – Smyrna, F English Channel Hold, F Gascony Hold, F Ionian Sea Convoys A St Petersburg – Smyrna, F Marseilles Hold, F Mid-Atlantic Ocean Convoys A St Petersburg – Smyrna, A Piedmont Hold, F Prussia Hold, A Rumania Hold, A Silesia – Munich, A Spain Hold, A Tyrolia Supports A Silesia – Munich, F Tyrrhenian Sea Convoys A St Petersburg – Smyrna, F Western Mediterranean Convoys A St Petersburg - Smyrna.

***Now Proposed – E/T Draw. Please vote. NVR=No.  
W 29/S 30 Deadline is July 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00am my time***

### Supply Center Chart

Austria: None=0, OUT!!  
 England: Belgium, Berlin, Brest, Denmark, Edinburgh, Holland, Kiel, Liverpool, London, Moscow, Norway, Paris, Smyrna, St Petersburg, Sweden, Vienna, Warsaw=17, Build 2  
 Turkey: Ankara, Budapest, Bulgaria, Constantinople, Greece, Marseilles, Munich, Naples, Portugal, Rome, Rumania, Serbia, Sevastopol, Spain, Trieste, Tunis, Venice=17, Even

**PRESS**

**None.**

## "Dulcinea" Diplomacy Bourse

	<u>Austrian</u> <u>Crowns</u>	<u>English</u> <u>Pounds</u>	<u>French</u> <u>Francs</u>	<u>German</u> <u>Marks</u>	<u>Italian</u> <u>Lire</u>	<u>Russian</u> <u>Rubles</u>	<u>Turkish</u> <u>Piastres</u>	<u>Cash</u>	<u>Total Value</u>
Opening Value	\$1.6358	\$1.4648	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	\$2.2045		
Closing Value	\$0.0000	\$1.3662	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	\$2.2700		
<u>Player Holdings</u>									
Billy Ray Valentine	500	1677	700	1000	700	700	1500	\$ 0.59	\$5,696.71
Duke of York	0	5001	0	0	0	0	4424	\$ 0.68	\$16,875.53
Smaug the Dragon	586	0	0	1371	0	4750	1850	\$ 1,454.01	\$5,653.51
Rothschild	0	1885	8360	650	0	0	4544	\$ 1.75	\$12,891.92
Baron Wuffet	986	2867	0	822	400	300	622	\$ 0.29	\$5,329.13
Wooden Nickel Enterprises	6990	0	0	0	0	642	27	\$ 0.06	\$61.35
VAIONT Enterprises	3821	0	0	0	0	0	2779	\$ 14.83	\$6,323.16
Insider Trading LLC	2475	1232	0	0	0	0	1866	\$ 730.81	\$6,649.79
Bourse Master	0	0	0	0	0	1000	4088	\$ 0.84	\$9,280.60
<i>Any New Players</i>	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	\$ -	\$3,636.20

**Billy Ray Valentine:** Nothing.

**Duke of York:** Sells 486 Pounds. Buys 383 Piastres.

**Smaug the Dragon:** Nothing.

**Rothschild:** Sells 500 Pounds. Buys 332 Piastres.

**Baron Wuffet:** Nothing.

**Wooden Nickel Enterprises:**

**VAIONT Enterprises:** Nothing.

**Insider Trading LLC:** Nothing.

**Bourse Master:** Stands pat.

## Austrian Crowns drop to a value of Zero.

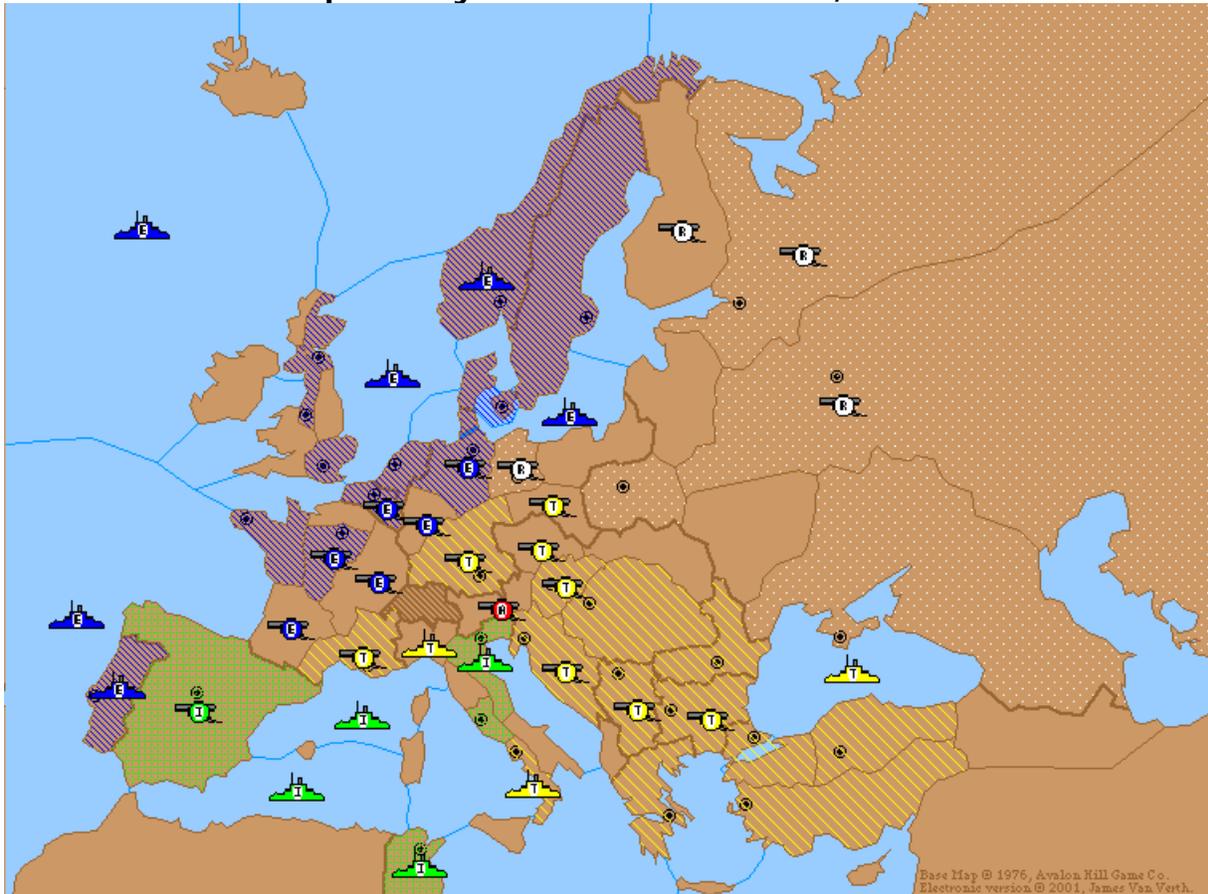
### PRESS

**Bourse Master:** With the fall of Vie Bourse Master predicts a Turkish Win!

**DUKE OF YORK to ROTHSCHILD:** Naughty, naughty, I would PREFER to end the game with the most of both currencies. But never mind, I hope you churn back the other way.

***Next Bourse Deadline is July 28th at 7:00pm my time***

## Diplomacy "Jerusalem" 2012A, F 10



**Austria (Melinda Holley – genea5613 “of” aol.com):** A Tyrolia Supports A Munich.

**England (John Biehl – jerbil “of” shaw.ca):** F Baltic Sea - Sweden (\*Bounce\*),  
 A Belgium Supports A Burgundy, A Burgundy Supports A Berlin - Munich (\*Void\*),  
 F English Channel - North Sea, A Gascony Supports F Portugal - Spain(sc),  
 A Kiel Supports A Berlin - Munich (\*Void\*), F Mid-Atlantic Ocean - North Africa (\*Bounce\*),  
F North Atlantic Ocean - Mid-Atlantic Ocean (\*Fails\*), A Paris Supports A Gascony,  
F Portugal - Spain(sc) (\*Fails\*), A Ruhr Supports A Kiel, F St Petersburg(nc) - Norway.

**Germany (Paul Milewski - paul.milewski “of” hotmail.com):** ~~A Berlin - Kiel~~ (\*Disbanded\*).

**Italy (Mark Firth – mark.r.firth “of” capita.co.uk):** F Gulf of Lyon Supports A Spain,  
A Spain Supports A Marseilles (\*Cut\*), F Tunis - North Africa (\*Bounce\*), F Venice - Trieste (\*Fails\*),  
 F Western Mediterranean Supports A Spain.

**Russia (Richard Weiss – richardweiss “of” higherquality.com):** A Finland - Sweden (\*Bounce\*),  
 A Livonia - St Petersburg, A Moscow Supports A Livonia - St Petersburg, A Prussia - Berlin.

**Turkey (Geoff Kemp - ggeoff510 “of” aol.com):** A Bohemia Supports A Munich, A Budapest – Trieste,  
 A Bulgaria – Serbia, A Constantinople – Bulgaria, A Marseilles Supports A Spain,  
 A Munich Supports A Prussia – Berlin, F Piedmont Supports A Marseilles, F Rumania - Black Sea,  
 A Silesia Supports A Prussia – Berlin, F Tyrrhenian Sea – Naples, A Vienna Supports A Budapest - Trieste.

***Now proposed: E/T Draw, Concession to Turkey. Please vote. NVR=No.  
 W 10/S 11 Deadline is July 29th at 7:00am my time***

### Supply Center Chart

Austria:	None=0, OUT!
England:	Belgium, Brest, Denmark, Edinburgh, Holland, Kiel, Liverpool, London, Norway, Paris, Portugal, Sweden=12, Even
Germany:	None=0, OUT!
Italy:	Rome, Spain, Tunis, Venice=4, Remove 1
Russia:	Berlin, Moscow, Sevastopol, St Petersburg, Warsaw=5, Build 1

Turkey: Ankara, Budapest, Bulgaria, Constantinople, Greece, Marseilles, Munich, Naples, Rumania, Serbia, Smyrna, Trieste, Vienna=13, Build 2

PRESS

None.

Diplomacy "Walkerdine" 2012D, F 06



**Austria (paul.milewski "of" hotmail.com):** A Rumania - Serbia.

**England (Marc Ellinger - mellinger "of" bbdic.com):** NMR! Disband A Moscow..F Finland Hold, F Norway Hold (\*Disbanded\* - could retreat to Ska but would have no effect on elimination), A St Petersburg Hold (\*Disbanded\*).

**France (Jim Burgess - jfburgess "of" gmail.com):** F Apulia Supports A Tyrolia - Venice, A Belgium - London, F Clyde - Edinburgh, F English Channel Convoys A Belgium - London, F Ionian Sea - Eastern Mediterranean, F Naples - Ionian Sea, F North Atlantic Ocean - Norwegian Sea, F Spain(sc) - Western Mediterranean, A Tyrolia - Venice, F Tyrrhenian Sea Supports F Naples - Ionian Sea.

**Germany (Steve Cooley - tmssteve "of" gmail.com):** Retreat F St Petersburg(nc) - Barents Sea.. F Barents Sea Supports A Sweden - Norway, A Galicia - Budapest (\*Fails\*), F Gulf of Bothnia - Sweden, F Helgoland Bight - North Sea, A Livonia - St Petersburg, A Moscow Supports A Livonia - St Petersburg, A Sweden - Norway, A Trieste Supports A Tyrolia - Venice, A Vienna Supports A Trieste, A Warsaw Supports A Moscow.

**Russia (Hank Alme - almehj "of" alumni.rice.edu):** F Adriatic Sea - Ionian Sea (\*Fails\*), A Budapest Unordered, A Vienna-Rumania (No Such Unit), A Sevastopol Supports A Vienna - Rumania (\*Void\*).

**Turkey (Chris Babcock - cbabcock "of" asciiking.com):** A Albania Supports F Venice - Trieste, A Armenia Supports A Sevastopol, F Constantinople - Aegean Sea (\*Bounce\*), F Greece - Aegean Sea (\*Bounce\*), F Venice - Trieste (\*Disbanded\*).

Deadline for W 06/S 07 is July 29th at 7am my time

## Supply Center Chart

Austria: Serbia=1, Even  
 England: None=0, OUT!  
 France: Belgium, Brest, Edinburgh, Liverpool, London, Marseilles, Naples, Paris, Portugal, Rome, Spain, Tunis, Venice=13, Build 3  
 Germany: Berlin, Denmark, Holland, Kiel, Moscow, Munich, Norway, St Petersburg, Sweden, Trieste, Vienna, Warsaw=12, Build 2  
 Russia: Budapest, Rumania, Sevastopol=3, Even  
 Turkey: Ankara, Bulgaria, Constantinople, Greece, Smyrna=5, Build 1

### PRESS

**(Hank to Turkey):** I don't blame you.

**(Hank to Game):** I remember Don as an awesome guy. He was Italy to my Germany in my first ever PBM Diplomacy game (in TAP!) and I got to meet him at the WDC held in Denver in 2003. I have no problem with any action on this game there is a consensus for.

**(JIM-BOB to GAME):** I'm not sure what Richard and Don would have me do here, but this is what I'm doing right now....

### Black Press Gunboat, "Fred Noonan", 2013Arb32, F 08



**France:** A Burgundy Supports A Ruhr – Belgium, F Clyde - North Atlantic Ocean, F Edinburgh Supports F Norwegian Sea - North Sea, F Norwegian Sea - North Sea (\*Bounce\*), A Picardy Supports A Ruhr – Belgium, A Ruhr – Belgium, F Yorkshire - London.

**Germany:** A ~~Belgium~~ Supports A Kiel – Ruhr (\*Disbanded\*), F Helgoland Bight - North Sea (\*Bounce\*), A Holland Supports A Belgium, A Kiel – Ruhr, A Munich Supports A Kiel – Ruhr, F North Sea - English Channel, F Norway Supports F Helgoland Bight - North Sea, A Silesia Supports A Munich.

**Italy:** A Albania – Serbia, A Budapest Supports A Albania – Serbia,  
F Eastern Mediterranean - Ionian Sea (\*Fails\*) , ~~A Galicia – Rumania~~ (\*Dislodged\*, retreat to Bohemia  
or Vienna or OTB)), F Ionian Sea – Naples, A Trieste Supports A Albania - Serbia.  
**Russia:** A Livonia - St Petersburg, A Warsaw Supports A Ukraine - Galicia.  
**Turkey:** F Aegean Sea - Ionian Sea, F Greece Supports F Aegean Sea - Ionian Sea,  
A Moscow Supports F Norway - St Petersburg(nc) (\*Void\*), F Naples – Rome,  
A Rumania Supports A Serbia - Budapest (\*Cut\*), ~~A Serbia – Budapest~~ (\*Dislodged\*, retreat to Bulgaria  
or OTB), A Sevastopol Supports A Moscow, F Smyrna - Eastern Mediterranean (\*Fails\*), A Ukraine - Galicia.

**All Draw Proposals Fail**  
**Now Proposed – G/T, F/I. Please vote, NVR=No.**  
**Deadline for W 08/S 09 Will Be July 29<sup>th</sup> at 7am My Time**

**Supply Center Chart**

France: Belgium, Brest, Edinburgh, Liverpool, London, Marseilles, Paris, Portugal, Spain=9, Build 2  
Germany: Berlin, Denmark, Holland, Kiel, Munich, Norway, Sweden=7, Even  
Italy: Budapest, Naples, Serbia, Trieste, Tunis, Venice, Vienna=7, Build 1 or 2 (Only room for 1)  
Russia: St Petersburg, Warsaw=2, Even  
Turkey: Ankara, Bulgaria, Constantinople, Greece, Moscow, Rome, Rumania, Sevastopol,  
Smyrna=9, Even or Build 1

**PRESS**

**T => F:** Then you have a long way to go!

**T => all:** The previous press "F => I" should have been labeled "**T => I**". Ceterum censeo Italiam esse delendam...

**Fra-Ger:** My friend. I once again offer the hand of friendship to you in the sincere hope that you may come see that I truly do have your best interests at heart. War between us helps no one but the Turk, who will shortly stab you in the back. I will help you to drive the Russian from territory that by right must belong to you. Look to east, where the true danger lies, while my arms extend in friendship to enfold you in the embrace of true brotherhood.

**Russia - France:** Doesn't matter what you say anymore, everyone can see through you.

**Russia - Turkey:** OK! And I'll repeat my helpful move to aid peace.

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**Diplomacy "Sweet Spot" 2013A, F 07**

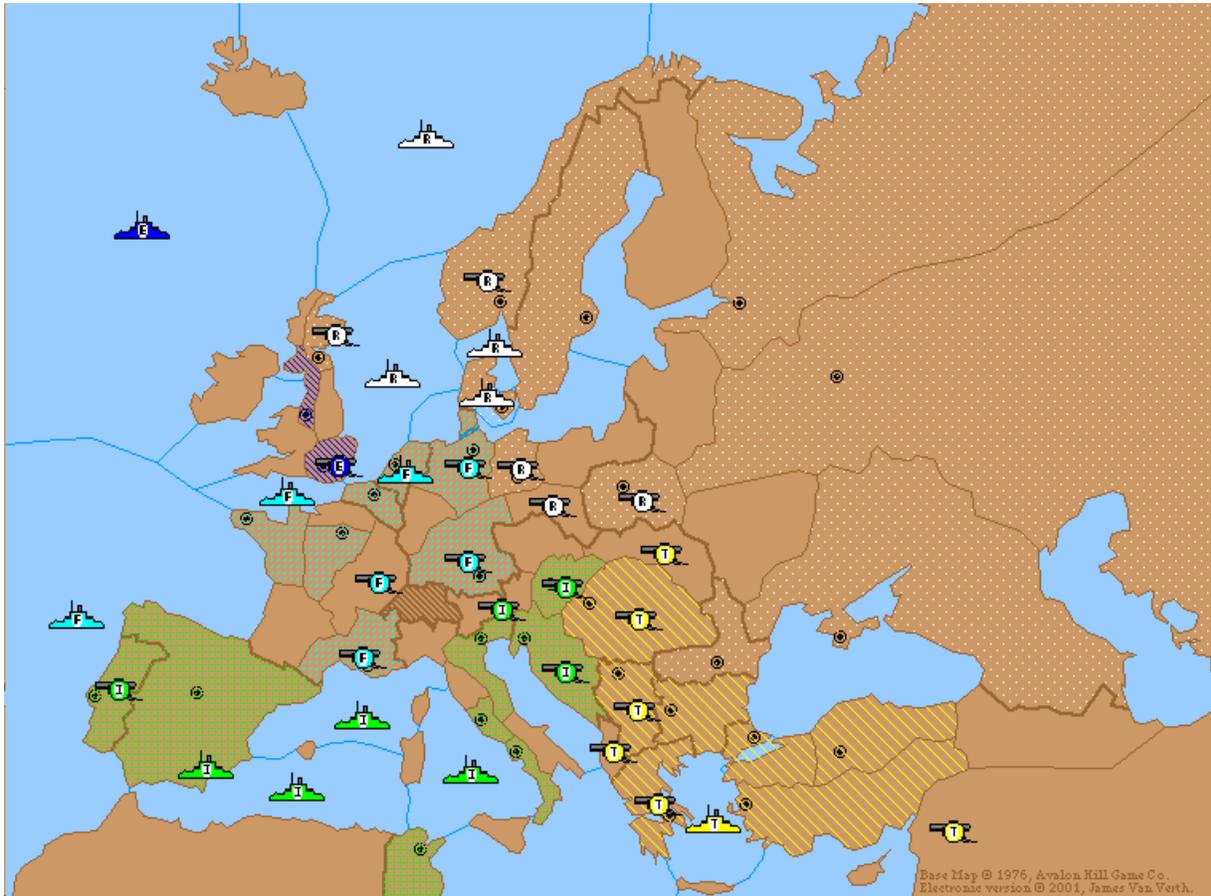
**England (Harold Zarr - skip1955 "of" hotmail.com):** ~~A Edinburgh – Yorkshire~~ (\*Dislodged\*, retreat to Clyde or Liverpool), F Liverpool - North Atlantic Ocean, A London - Yorkshire (\*Bounce\*).

**France (Melinda Holley – genea5613 "of" aol.com):** A Burgundy - Belgium (\*Bounce\*),  
F English Channel Supports A Denmark - London (\*Void\*), F Holland - Belgium (\*Bounce\*),  
A Kiel Supports A Munich, A Marseilles Hold,  
F Mid-Atlantic Ocean Supports F Norwegian Sea - North Atlantic Ocean (\*Void\*), A Munich Supports A Kiel.

**Italy (Hank Alme - almejh "of" alumni.rice.edu):** F North Africa - Western Mediterranean,  
A Portugal Supports F Spain(sc), F Spain(sc) Supports A Portugal, A Trieste Supports A Vienna,  
A Tyrolia Supports A Trieste, F Tyrrhenian Sea Supports F Western Mediterranean - Gulf of Lyon,  
A Vienna Supports A Trieste, F Western Mediterranean - Gulf of Lyon.

**Russia (Chris Babcock – cbabcock "of" asciiking.com):** A Berlin Hold, A Denmark – Edinburgh,  
F North Sea Convoys A Denmark – Edinburgh, F Norway – Skagerrak,  
F Norwegian Sea Supports A Denmark – Edinburgh, A Silesia Supports A Berlin, F Skagerrak – Denmark,  
A St Petersburg – Norway, A Warsaw Supports A Silesia.

**Turkey (Larry Peery – peery "of" ix.netcom.com):** F Aegean Sea Supports A Greece,  
A Albania Supports A Serbia, A Budapest Supports A Galicia, A Galicia Supports A Budapest,  
A Greece Supports A Albania, A Serbia Supports A Budapest, A Syria Hold.



**All Proposed Draws Fail**  
**Now Proposed – E/F/I/R/T, E/I/R/T, F/I/R/T. Please vote. NVR=No.**  
**Deadline for W 07/S 08 Will Be July 29th at 7am My Time**

**Supply Center Chart**

- England: Liverpool, London=2, Even of Remove 1
- France: Belgium, Brest, Holland, Kiel, Marseilles, Munich, Paris=7, Even
- Italy: Naples, Portugal, Rome, Spain, Trieste, Tunis, Venice, Vienna=8, Even
- Russia: Berlin, Denmark, Edinburgh, Moscow, Norway, Rumania, Sevastopol, St Petersburg, Sweden, Warsaw=10, Build 1
- Turkey: Ankara, Budapest, Bulgaria, Constantinople, Greece, Serbia, Smyrna=7, Even

**PRESS**

**Eng – Europe:** Shall we bring this contest to an end before more blood is needlessly spilled? I pray the answer is yes.

**Russia - England:** Thank you for building a fleet, but you could have just accepted the FIRT draw.

**Istanbul 12 June 2014 - True Story:** At a time when it seems all the news out of the Near East is bad I did come across one story that may give us hope or there again, depending on your taste in music it may not.

TURKEY'S 'ROCKIN' IMAM' GETS GREEN LIGHT FROM RELIGIOUS AUTHORITIES, By Jacob Resneck (Religious News Service);

Turkey's religious authorities have given the go-ahead for the country's controversial "Rockin' Iman" to keep on rocking.

Ahmet Muhsin Tuzer, a Muslim prayer leader from the coastal town of Kas, raised eyebrows last year after he formed the band FiRock and performed as its frontman.

His case - as far as anyone can tell - is unprecedented. There have not been any - to date - public cases of Turkish imams forming rock bands.

A YouTube video of the group's first single, Mevlaya Gel (Come to God), received more than 50,000 hits since July.

After a concert in August drew more than a thousand people in Kas, Turkey's religious authority, which supervises the country's more than 80,000 state-run mosques (You may recall that last year the Turkish government built more than 5,000 news mosques in Turkey but not one new public school.), opened an investigation to see if a rocking imman was espousing a brand of counterculture that violates Turkish religious values.

Nine months later, after having reprimanded him for critical statements he'd made about the investigation, Tuzer's bosses say the show can go on.

The decision comes as the Islamic-rooted government of Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan - now in its 11th year of power - continues to impose a conservative religious agenda.

Erdogan has courted controversy for passing stringent rules on the sale of and advertising of alcohol, counseled women to marry and bear at least three children, likened legal abortion to a massacre and has even called for a ban on mixed-sex accommodations for university students.

"If I make a mistake, they will definitely punish me," Tuzer said. "But right now it's OK and there's no problem."

Tuzer has already gathered attention from his superiors when he wed his wife, Mara, an Orthodox Christian from Romania. She's since converted to Sufi Islam, and the two have a teenage son.

International attention on the clean-shaven, 43-year-old imman, whose strong singing voice once led the call to prayer in Istanbul's historic Sultanahmet neighborhood, has been intense. In April, he traveled to New York and performed in Brooklyn as part of a larger ensemble.

Tuzer and his bandmates who form FiRock - a psychedelic mixture of acid rock and Sufi-infused mystical lyrics - have their second major Turkish show planned next month in the nearby town of Finike.

"It will be a very, very big concert. We are expecting at least 20,000 people," he said. "We have many surprises for the people."

Tuzer said he plans to return to New York in October for an interfaith concert with Christian and Jewish musicians. He said he's trying to carve out a new niche: Islamic rock that shows the tolerant side of his faith.

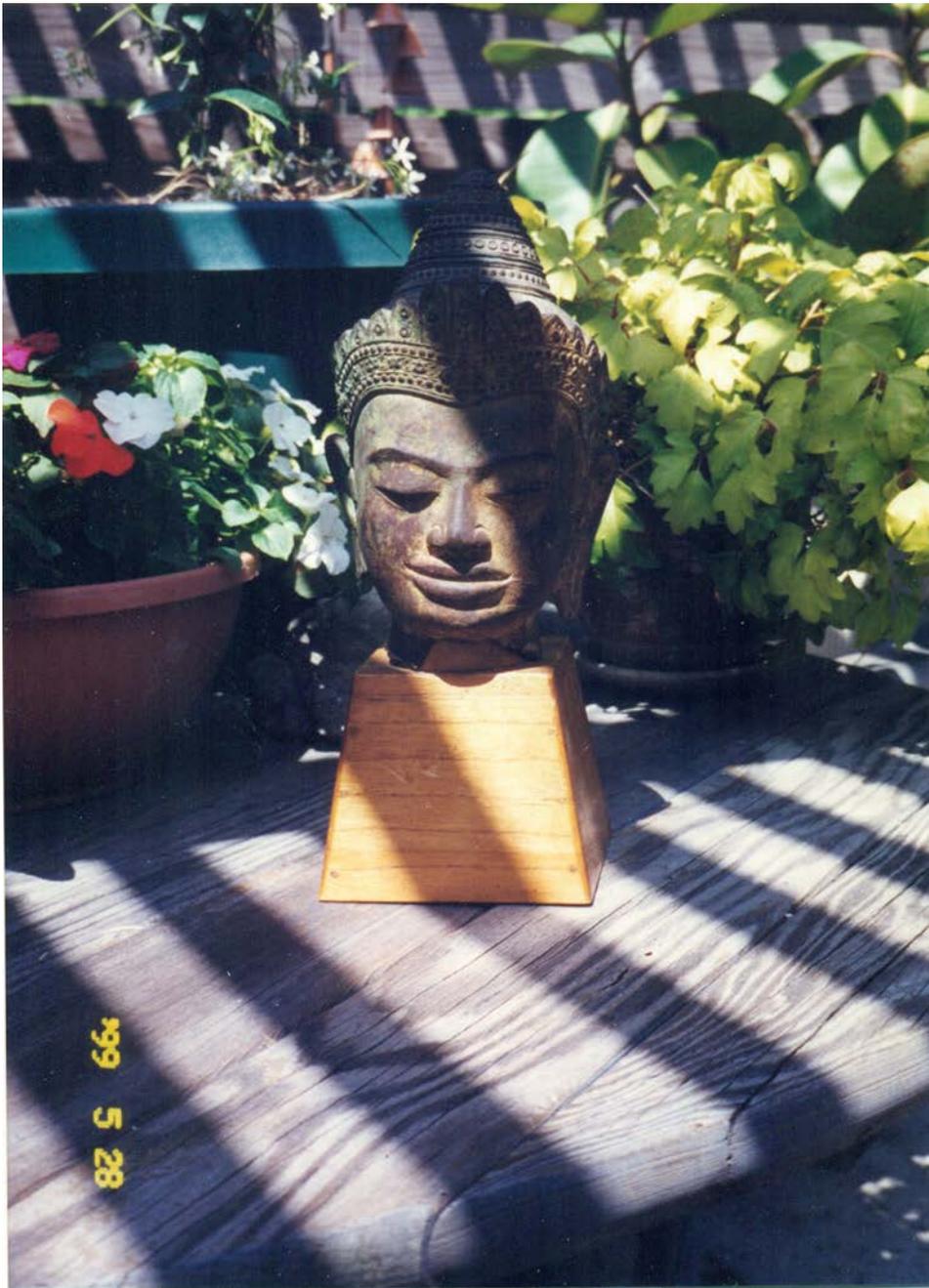
"This decision is very historic," he said. "It shows we are not radical Islam. This is peaceful Islam because, you know, I love all people."

On a different musical note, fans of Rodgers and Hammerstein and skinheads from everywhere will be flocking to Paris for this.

**Paris:** 19 June 2014: IN PARIS, A REVIVAL OF 'THE KING AND I' by George Loomis (INYT)

If there is a theater outside the English-speaking world where productions of American musical comedies equal or surpass those of Broadway, the Theatre du Chatelet is it. Its latest achievement is a grand new staging of Rodgers and Hammerstein's "The King and I" by Lee Blakesley that has set French critics searching for superlatives.

(Editor's Note: "The King and I" has always been one of my favorite musicals as demonstrated by a souvenir I have from the original, original production in Bangkok in the 1850s done by King Mongkok and Anna Leonowens. Mind the picture.)



A trailer video can be seen on YouTube. Show runs through the end of this week.

If you're now sure where to stay in Paris while you're there to see "The King and I" try out the new hotel down the street.

**THE PENINSULA HOTEL TAKES PARIS** by Finn-Olaf Jones (18 June 2014); After decades of neglect, one of the city's magnificent belle epoque buildings will reopen as the first European outpost of the Hong Kong-based hotel group according to the WSJ.

I've already reviewed the new hotel elsewhere but I'll remind Dippers that it was the site of the first European Diplomacy Convention some years ago while it was conference center for the French Foreign Ministry. What a difference a five year, \$580 million facelift makes. That's on top of the \$550 million the new owners (Arab money and HK management) spent to buy the property. Total cost of the project will run over \$1.2 billion. In comparison, just to buy the building cost \$2.75 million per room while the second most expensive hotel property

ever, The Plaza in New York City, went for \$1.5 million per room. What did they get for the additional \$580 million? Well, two examples: 20 master masons worked a year on the building's exterior and 2,100 square feet of gold gilding was used in the interior. How do the owners plan to recoup their investment? With room rates starting at \$1,800 a night, the least expensive suite at \$3,000, and dinner for two with a modest bottle of wine at \$1,000 it shouldn't take too long.

**On all things Chinese:** During an average week I read perhaps several hundred news stories headlines about China and perhaps another hundred or so stories in detail. Even with that there's an awful lot going on in China that I'm missing. Oh well, here's two stories about two of my favorite subjects, Zheng He and Hong Kong.

ZHENG HE MAY NOT HAVE BEEN SO ADVENTUROUS, no author indicated (from [asiasentinel.com](http://asiasentinel.com), 18 June 2014)

(At a time when Chinese interests have led it to the far corners of the world, Zheng He has served as the country's combined Christopher Columbus and Henry Kissinger, with a touch of Commodore Perry tossed in for good measure. Editor's note.)

Others may have got there first, and his boats weren't as big as the propaganda says.

One of the many aspects of the current surge in officially-guided Chinese nationalism is a focus on the seafaring achievements during the Ming dynasty. Top of the list are the voyages of the early Ming envoy Zheng He around the Indian Ocean and to the coasts of Arabia and east Africa. (And perhaps beyond that, at least according to Gavin Menzies in his books 1421 and 1434.)

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Former director of the Hong Kong Maritime Museum, Stephen Davies, was recently heckled at a symposium on Ming era maritime issues for daring to suggest that though the Chinese had an early understanding of the magnetic compass, the instrument only became useful for navigational purposes as a result of a series of technical improvements made mainly in Europe, over several hundred years.

(Neither Davies or the article make much of the fact Zheng He was a Muslim eunuch from Yunnan which caused him considerable grief in his career.)

(The interesting thing about the article is the insights it shows into the attitude of PLAN (Chinese Navy) academics and naval leaders toward foreigners, especially what they regard as criticism even if its about something that happened five hundred years ago. You can see the same attitude almost daily if you read the writings and speeches of Chinese navy leaders about the current situation in the China Seas.)

On "Unstuffing the Ballot Box!" Stuffing ballot boxes is as old as voting itself but "unstuffing the ballot box" is a new one on me. Only in Hong Kong, Asia's crown jewel of democracy, would it be possible, let alone attempted.

OVER 200,000 VOTE AS HONG KONG DEMOCRACY 'REFERENDUM' KICKS OFF by Emily Chung and Nikki Sun (Reuters, 20 June 2014)

More than 200,000 people voted for full democracy in Hong Kong within the first hours of an unofficial online referendum on Friday in a civil campaign that has sparked warnings from China's Communist Party leaders.

(No surprise there, of course, but keep in mind that all three options on the ballot offered some "full democracy ((e.g. popularly elected leaders)) option." Nor was it a surprise that the Chinese government used every cyber technique and tool they had to prevent the online voting system from working, but the organizers were prepared and shifted to alternative systems, including the old-fashioned ballot box complete with finger-dipping dyes to prevent multiple voting. What was a surprise is that by the end of the weekend over 600,000 people had voted -- and voting has been extended through the week. Stay tuned for further unhappiness in Beijing.)

Centennials only come around once in a century and perhaps that's a good thing. The anniversary of the beginning of WWI has around inspired some very good reflective writing in the media and if you're interested you might want to set up one of those daily alerts on the subject using Google. Here's four of the latest stories I've seen:

HOW A CENTURY-OLD WAR AFFECTS YOU by Ruth Ben-Ghiat (from [CNN.com](http://CNN.com))

WWI began a hundred years ago this summer, but for many of us it might as well be a thousand. We know it, if we know it at all, as a dimly remembered chapter in high school history, or as scenes from old black-and-white movies of soldiers hunkered in trenches doing battle with Germans in pointy helmets. It was all too real for more than 65 million men from some 30 nations who were plunged into carnage the likes of which the world had never before seen.

SARAJEVO: THE SLAYING THAT SET OFF WWI no author indicated (from AP, 19 June 2014)

Sarajevo: Bosnia-Herzegovina: A century after Gavrilo Princip ignited WWI with a shot from his handgun, the baby-faced Serb teenager who assassinated the Austro-Hungarian crown prince in Sarajevo in 1914 still provokes controversy.

His legacy has been molded time and again to meet political agendas in the Balkans, which remains a smoldering patchwork of ethnic and religious rivalries.

WWI: THE WAR THAT CHANGED EVERYTHING

WWI began 100 years ago this month, and in many ways, writes historian Margaret MacMillan, it remains the defining conflict of the modern era.

By Margaret MacMillan (from the BBC, 20 June 2014)

A hundred years ago next week, in the small Balkan city of Sarajevo, Serbian nationalists murdered the heir to the throne of Austria-Hungary and his wife. People were shocked but not particularly worried. Sadly, there had been many political assassinations in previous years --- the king of Italy, two Spanish prime ministers, the Russian czar, President William McKinley. None had led to a major crisis. Yet just as a pebble can start a landslide, this killing set off a series of events that, in five weeks, led Europe into a general war.

So much for the platitudes but how do we see WWI today. Consider this article which appeared in the International New York Times/Europe/International Education section:

WWI CONFERENCE IN SARAJEVO DIVIDES SCHOLARS by Paul Hockenos (from The Chronicle of Higher Education, 22 June 2014)

Berlin - Scholars from the United States and 25 other countries gathered in Sarajevo last week to mark the centennial of WWI.

Titled "The Great War: Regional Approaches and Global Contexts," the conference was meant to expand and elevate the historical discussion about the war and its outbreak 100 years ago. But rather than a respectful salutation of Europe's triumph over parochial nationalism, the conference set off an ethnic firestorm in the Balkans that reached the highest political circles. The controversy speaks to how the scholarly interpretation of a crucial turning point like the Great War remains disputed and entangled in present-day politics.

I was originally going to conclude this with some thoughts on the current situation in the Near East, especially in Iraq, Syria and Egypt but the more I thought about it the more depressed I got so I decided to put it off until later. I'm sure the fighting won't go away while I mull over the situation.

Enjoy your summer.

Oh, I almost forgot one thing :-)

Please read over the invitation to the July meet of The San Diego Diplomacy Players group which is being held as part of PEERICON 2014 over Bastille Day weekend. If you can join us you'll be more than welcome.

**PEERICON 2014:**

**COME CELEBRATE 50 YEARS OF DIP WITH ME AND A FEW OF MY FRIENDS...**

The girls from Hooters, the monks from Mission San Luis Rey, and the jarheads from USMC Camp Pendleton all promise you more dots than you can handle!

By Larry Peery

As anyone who knows me will tell you, two of my passions in life are Diplomacy and Food, and not necessarily in that order. One lesson that I've learned from both is that good things cannot be hurried. From that perspective it makes perfect sense that the most recent PEERICON was held a quarter of a century ago, give or take a few

years. But when Diplomacy has been a part of your life for nearly a half-century, a quarter of a century doesn't really seem that long.

HISTORY: Rod Walker and I hosted my first DipCon (IV) event in 1971 in San Diego. In those early years DipCon just finding its way after several years of missed events, no Diplomacy tournament, etc. That first San Diego event was held in a WWII era Quonset hut on what would later become the UCSD Library site. Most of those attending slept on the floor of my small one bedroom apartment. Walt Buchanan, as the oldest player present got to sleep in the only available bed. There was no formal tournament, just a lot of casual Diplomacy playing and a keen desire to move the event upscale. That happened the following year in Chicago and DipCon has never looked back.

In 1982 I had moved into a larger two bedroom apartment and my revitalized interest in all things Dip led to the first PEERICON; which followed the tradition of the early years of having small, home-based events for local friends and the occasional out of town Dipper. Again, the enthusiasm of those early players led to bigger and better things.

By 1984 we were ready to piggy-back PEERICON on the Summer Olympics being held in Los Angeles. Mike Maston and I drove up to Los Angeles to watch the Gold Medal game between France and Brasil --- 106,000 people saw the French win the gold, much to the sorrow of the 85% of the crowd that was cheering for Brasil! Later we returned to Dodger Stadium and watched the USA lose the baseball Gold Medal to Japan in a double-header that lasted 22 innings. But before that we set up a Diplomacy game in the stadium parking lot and played some Dip, getting quite a bit of attention from fans pouring into the stadium. FYI, in just two years the original 14 player, two board PEERICON had grown to 54 players on seven simultaneous boards, and out of the apartment into the local community recreation center. Keep that in mind, Adam

In 1989, after the first successful WORLD DIPCON in Birmingham, England and several years as publisher of the hobby's flagship publication DIPLOMACY WORLD, I was ready for a new challenge and hosting my second DIPCON/PEERICON (XXII) proved to be that. Still thinking of the 1984 Olympics I rattled the hobby's establishment by proclaiming the DIPCON Champion to be the winner of a variety of Dip related events, not just the individual Diplomacy Championship. Hohn Cho was proclaimed DIPCON CHAMPION and Edi Birsan proclaimed himself "North American Champion" based on his tournament score. Interestingly, Hohn Cho came back in 1993 and once again took the DIPCON championship; while Edi has yet to win another championship. Still, we had a good turnout of over a hundred and many of those attending were now at the age when they had families and some of them brought them along to take advantage of San Diego's many attractions and the resort's three pools. Ironically, after the success of the 1989 DIPCON/PEERICON I cannot recall hosting another PEERICON. Perhaps it continued or perhaps I just felt that there was no way to top the 1989 event.

In 2000 at the Hunt Valley, MD DIPCON I proposed holding a DIPCON event on board a cruise ship instead of in just another chain hotel that was like the one we'd used the year before. It took a while for the idea to catch hold but the wives and families quickly got behind it, and in 2004 by a one-half vote margin the Portland DIPCON accepted my formal proposal to host the 2005 DIPCON aboard a cruise ship on a weeklong cruise in the Caribbean. By then awards and prizes had become a big part of DIPCON tradition and the winners' usually took home a trophy, plaque, etc. Again, I decided to do something different and much to his surprise Rick Desper, who came in last in the Portland tournament, won the booby prize, a free cruise the following year. Even now, ten years later when I go to a Diplomacy event I am always asked, "When are you going to do another Dip cruise?" Ironically, although the cruise DIPCON (XXXVIII) was my idea I didn't make the boat because of a horrible car accident just a week or so before sailing. The accident, to put it bluntly, took the wind out of my sails for nearly a decade, and it was only after the 2013 DIPCON in Silver Spring, the 2013 WORLD DIPCON in Paris, and the 2014 DIPCON in Seattle that I realized how much I missed hosting DipCon events. I also realized that my years of hosting big events were behind me. But perhaps there was one last con left in the old fart? So, why another PEERICON and why such a rush to hold it now? Because I want to, not because I need to, and because I still can.

With that bit of background for those of you who haven't been around long enough to experience a PEERICON or DIPCON hosted by me, I'd like to invite you to:

WHAT: PEERICON 2014, SAN DIEGO DIPLOMACY PLAYERS (3RD MEET), BASTILLE DAY 2014

WHO: Host, Larry Peery; Tournament Director, Adam Silverman; Members of the San Diego Diplomacy Players, Alumni of past PEERICONS and DIPCONS, and others interested in the game of Diplomacy.

Because of the limited time between now and the event dates I don't expect a lot of participants from out of the area. However, they are more than welcome; as are local volunteers who are willing to help with transportation,

housing or generally hosting visitors and guests. Also, if anybody has any folding chairs we can borrow for the weekend I'd appreciate it.

WHEN: As the title suggests this three day event is really three consecutive events. Naturally, I hope you'll want to participate in all three, but if that's impossible feel free to attend just one or two. In your response please give me an idea of which events you're interested in:

**PEERICON 2014 (12 July, Saturday, 1000 ?)**: Specifically intended for beginners and newbies, the focus on Saturday will be on teaching, demonstrating, and practicing the basics of the game; not on a competitive game. If you have a copy of the game, please bring it. If not, please find a copy of the rules of the game online, print it, and bring it. Feel free to read it before we begin and write down any questions you have about the rules.

**SAN DIEGO DIPLOMACY PLAYERS (3RD MEET) (13 July, Sunday, 1000 ?)**: If you haven't signed up please check the San Diego Diplomacy Players site on meetup.com. That will tell you what you need to know and provide the latest information and details on the event. There will be one game played on Sunday, and I'm hoping it will produce our first real winner! I hope for at least two boards and will divide players by their ability to play to the conclusion of the game, so if you have to leave early please tell us. Since there will be only one game played the best player overall wins. There will be prizes for the winners, but no cruise tickets for the loser (Sorry.) My place can handle two boards with no problem and three in a pinch. If I see the number of players exceeding that I'll make other arrangements. Best advice, register early to make sure you have a spot. Snacks and drinks will be available, but feel free to bring something if you like. I plan to order pizza on Sunday as that seems to work. There will be a designated area outside for smoking if you must. On Sunday the first two boards will be played on my patio.

**BASTILLE DAY (14 July, Monday, 1000 - ?)** Bastille Day is one of my two personal holidays each year (Beethoven's Birthday is the other.) and as my neighbors have learned I tend to go a bit over-board with the flags, music, and cannons, depending on what the gunnery range at Camp Pendleton has planned for the day. For those who are making this a holiday break I'll be glad to make suggestions on things to do locally. Oceanside in the summertime is what most Americans dream about in the wintertime.

WHERE: 3275 Navigator Circle, Oceanside, CA 92056 (Google it for a map and directions). This is just off the Highway 78 and College Ave. off ramp. You can access the 78 from I-15 or I 5. Allow a half hour from central San Diego, twenty minutes from the RB to DM corridor. I live on a cul de sac so parking is limited. I encourage carpooling and ride sharing, and if you want to do that be sure to post it on meetup. For non-drivers from out of the area you have two options: 1) Rail: AMTRAK, the Coaster, and the light rail system all stop at Oceanside and the light rail goes from the station to about 2 miles from here; 2) Air: Carlsbad Airport (United Airlines to LAX only) is about 8 miles from here, and San Diego's Airport is about 35 miles away. If you need housing there are lots of options but remember this is peak season here, so don't wait to make a reservation or ask for advice. There's a major shopping area just down the road and, sigh, no less than 3 Wal-Marts within a couple of miles. If you want to play tourist let me know and I'll be glad to make suggestions.

WHY: Why not?

If you have questions please check out the web site at <http://www.meetup.com/San-Diego-Diplomacy-Players/> or email me at [peery@ix.netcom.com](mailto:peery@ix.netcom.com)

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## Woolworth II-D "Coney Island" 2013Bcb19, S 06

**Austria (Secret)**: ~~A Mar-Swi~~ (Disbanded).

**Balkans (Secret)**: A Tyr-Pie, A Vie-Tyr, A Tri S A Vie-Tyr, F Alb S F Ion (OTM), A Gre S F Alb.

**England (Secret)**: F Lon-Ech, A Yor-Lon.

**France (Brad Wilson - fullfathomfive675 "of" gmail.com)**: ~~F Ech-Nth~~ (Dis, ret Wal, Iri, Bre, Pic), A Bur S A Gas-Mar, F Tun-Ion.

**Germany (Marc Ellinger - mellinger "of" bbdlc.com)**: A Ruh-Hol, ~~A Kie-S A Ruh-Hol~~ (Disbanded).

**Italy (Secret)**: F Mor-Mao, F Tus-Gol, A Swi S A Mar(OTM), A Nap H, A Ven S A Tyr-Pie, F Rom-Tyn.

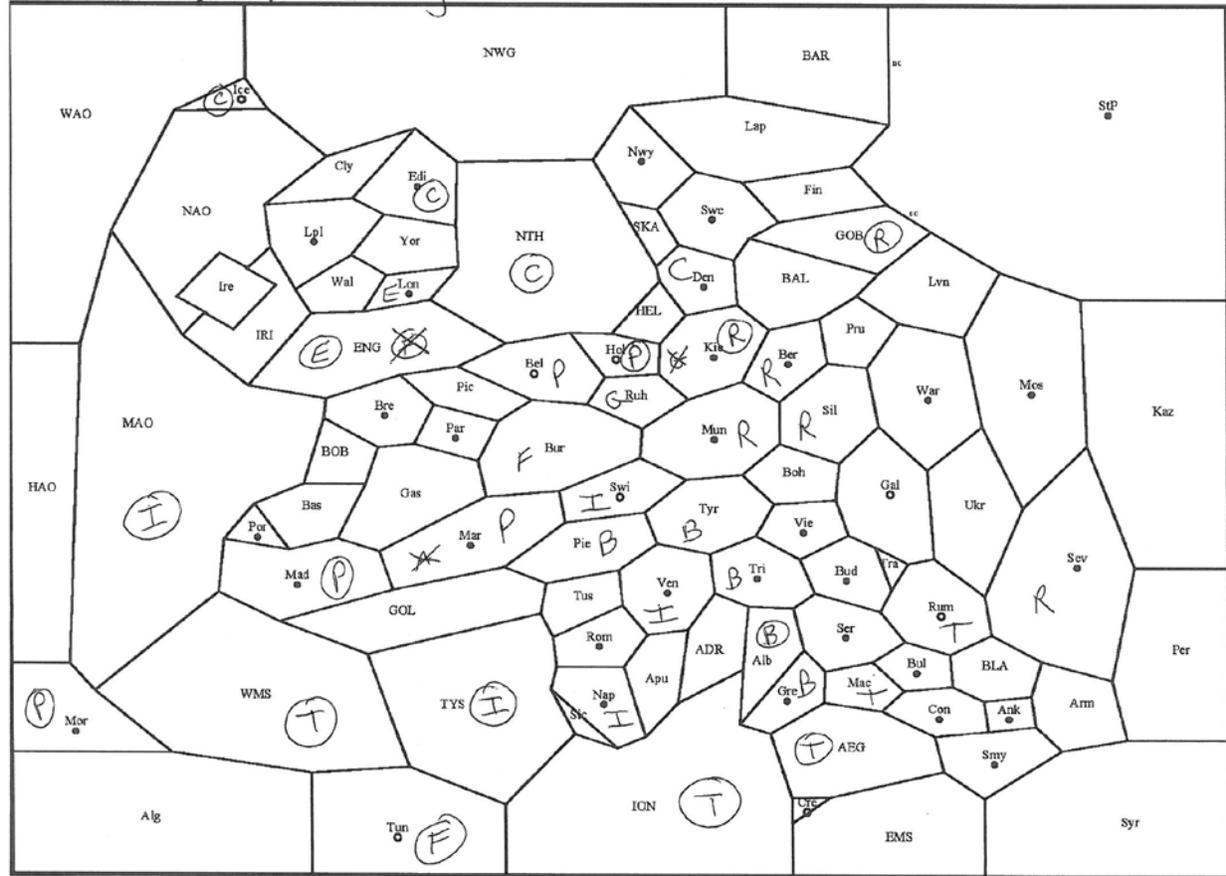
**Russia (Jim Burgess - jfburgess "of" gmail.com)**: F Stp(sc)-GOB, F Bal-Kie, A Ber S F Bal-Kie, A Sil S A Boh-Mun, A Boh-Mun, A Sev S A Rum.

**Scandinavia (Geoff Kemp - ggeoff510 "of" aol.com)**: F Nwg-Ice, F Edi S F Nth, F Nth S F Lon-Ech, A Den H.

**Spain (Secret)**: F Mad S A Gas-Mar, A Gas-Mar, F Wms-Mor, A Bel S F Hol, F Hol S F Ech-Nth.

**Turkey (Hugh Polley - hapolley "of" yahoo.ca)**: F Aeg-Ion, A Rum H, A Mac H, F Tys-Wms, F Ion-Tun.

Woolworth II-D Diplomacy *Corey Island SOB*



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**Deadline for Fall 06 is July 29th at 7am My Time**

**PRESS**

**(RUSSIAN BOOB to BOARD):** I salute my mysterious friend in Italy, may he take a support to Munich in gratitude! The little secrets shall lead.

**(RUSSIA to SCANDINAVIA):** I know we don't talk much, but I'm glad our agreement continues to hold. We must kill the wandering Spaniards!!!

**Unknown Player** - Is this a gunboat game without press or email? No one wants to make a deal? In such a game Germany is not the power you want to play.

**(RUSSIA REMAINS CONFUSED BY THIS GAME):** What??? Where did Munich go?

**Madrid** - The Spanish Netherlands is united! Philip II and the Duke of Alba would be so proud!

**(BOOB to BWAD):** I presume you are now in, since Heath has had even a more less connected month this month than last month. I'm sorry, but I think you're still one of my enemies in this game as the plan continues forth for Mother Russia. In Woolworth, of course, anything can happen.

**(BOOB to GEOFF):** And we're still cool too, but I hope Spain isn't your secret power....

# By Popular Demand

The goal is to pick something that fits the category and will be the "most popular" answer. You score points based on the number of entries that match yours. For example, if the category is "Cats" and the responses were 7 for Persian, 3 for Calico and 1 for Siamese, everyone who said Persian would get 7 points, Calico 3 and the lone Siamese would score 1 point. The cumulative total over 10 rounds will determine the overall winner. Anyone may enter at any point, starting with an equivalent point total of the lowest cumulative score from the previous round. If a person misses a round, they'll receive the minimum score from the round added to their cumulative total. ***In each round you may specify one of your answers as your Joker answer. Your score for this answer will be doubled.*** In other words, if you apply your Joker to category 3 on a given turn, and 4 other people give the same answer as you, you get 10 points instead of 5. Players who fail to submit a Joker for any specific turn will have their Joker automatically applied to the first category. And, if you want to submit some commentary with your answers, feel free to. The game will consist of 10 rounds, with the 10<sup>th</sup> round being worth double points. A prize will be awarded to the winner. ***Research is permitted, but cooperation or collusion between players is not!***

## Round 7 Categories

1. Something you buy in a bottle.
2. A brand of cough drop.
3. A bird that migrates.
4. A chemical with a strong odor.
5. An NHL hockey team.

<u>Player</u>	<u>Bottle</u>	<u>Cough Drop</u>	<u>Migrate</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	<u>NHL</u>	<u>Turn</u>	<u>Total</u>
Dick Martin	Wine	Halls	<b>Goose</b>	Methane	Bruins	44	463
Rick Desper	<b>Wine</b>	Vicks	Goose	Sulfur	Bruins	43	433
Hank Alme	Wine	Halls	Goose	Sulfur	<b>Kings</b>	45	427
Kevin Wilson	Water	Vicks	Goose	<b>Sulfur</b>	Blackhawks	40	413
Richard Weiss	<b>Beer</b>	Halls	Tern	Ammonia	Canadians	29	404
Robin ap Cynan	Liquor	Fisherman's Friend	<b>Goose</b>	Sulfur	Red Wings	38	392
Marc Ellinger	NMR	NMR	NMR	NMR	NMR	15	383
Brad Wilson	Wine	<b>Halls</b>	Goose	Chlorine	Canadians	41	380
Carol Kay	Milk	Ludens	<b>Goose</b>	Sulfur	Blackhawks	40	377
Michael Quirk	Beer	Smith Bros.	Swallows	Formaldehyde	<b>Blackhawks</b>	30	364
Jim Burgess	Wine	Halls	Goose	Chlorine	<b>Kings</b>	41	359
John Biehl	Wine	Benylin	Tern	Thioacetone	<b>Kings</b>	25	341
Per Westling	<b>Water</b>	Fisherman's Friend	Swallows	Chlorine	Rangers	18	340
Allison Kent	NMR	NMR	NMR	NMR	NMR	15	336
W. Andrew York	Liquor	<b>Robitussen</b>	Grackle	Ammonia	Rangers	15	333
Dane Maslen	Wine	Halls	<b>Swallows</b>	Ammonia	Bruins	37	333
Martin Burgdorf	Suntan Lotion	Ricola	Goose	Hydrogen Sulfide	<b>Kings</b>	24	329
Andy Bate	Liquor	Strepsils	<b>Swallows</b>	Petrol	Penguins	20	317
Heath Gardner	NMR	NMR	NMR	NMR	NMR	15	314
Jack McHugh	<b>Shampoo</b>	Smith Bros.	Duck	Sulfur	Flyers	18	313
Melinda Holley	Beer	Ludens	Swallows	Formaldehyde	<b>Blackhawks</b>	29	310
Brendan Whyte	<b>Beer</b>	Vicks	Tern	Methane	Bruins	24	303
Andy Lischett	Coca Cola	<b>Smith Bros.</b>	Duck	Benzene	Blackhawks	18	294
Hugh Polley	Coca Cola	Vicks	Goose	Ammonia	<b>Kings</b>	32	293
Geoff Kemp	<b>Beer</b>	Soothers	Swallows	Chlorine	Blackhawks	28	260
Heather Taylor	Liquor	<b>Halls</b>	Black Ones	Sulfur	Stars	31	249
Steve Cooley	NMR	NMR	NMR	NMR	NMR	15	243
Kalvin Miller	Wine	Halls	<b>Goose</b>	Ammonia	Blackhawks	50	204
Mark Firth	Shampoo	Benylin	Tern	<b>Sulfur</b>	Maple Leafs	25	179
<b>MOST POPULAR</b>	<b>Wine</b>	<b>Halls</b>	<b>Goose</b>	<b>Sulfur</b>	<b>Blackhawks</b>		

Kalvin Miller pulled a sweet 50, while Andy York was at the bottom with 15.

### Selected Comments By Category

**General Comments** – Hugh Polley “Wonder why this one was so easy, no thought required for one to five. Most likely this will mean a poor score.”

**Bottle** – Calvin Miller “I’ve also been known to buy wine in a box.” Jim Burgess “It has to be wine as the best answer, but I’m not quite sure enough to make it my Joker. People could say “Alcohol” or “Booze” or something more generic.”

**Cough Drop** – Robin ap Cynan “Halls is probably the popular answer- but hell, I’ll go with Fishermans Friend. I actually wanted to refer to Grethers Pastilles, which used to be the UK’s Allenburys Pastilles from the 1860s until 1974 when they were bought out by the Swiss firm of Grether.”

**Bird** – Per Westling “Swallow: Of course, after seeing that Monthy Python Movie...”

**NHL** – Richard Weiss “Anyone who doesn’t name one of the original six, throw them out.” Jim Burgess “Choosing the Stanley Cup Champion is good business, so I’ll make it my Joker.” Per Westling “Kings might be the popular choice, but I think Rangers might be more well known.”

### Round 8 Categories

1. A noise you hear at night.
2. A golf club other than a putter.
3. A Nobel prize category other than Peace.
4. A sexually transmitted disease.
5. The best month of the year.

***Deadline for Round 8 is July 29th at 7:00am my time***

# Eternal Sunshine Movie Photo Contest

## ***Round 2 – Game Cancelled***



1. **Starman.** Correct – KW, AL.



2. **Twelve O'Clock High.** Correct – AL, RD. A Farewell to Arms – HA.



3. **The Dresser.** Correct – RD. The Entertainer – AL.



6. **Mystic River.** Correct – AL, RD. Arlington Road – KW.



4. **The Sunshine Boys.** Plaza Suite – RD.



7. **Ship of Fools.** Topper – AL.



5. **The Defiant Ones.** Correct – AL, RD. Of Mice and Men – HA.



8. **The Apostle.** Correct – RD.



9. Big. Correct – KW, AL, AY, HA, RD.



10. The Grapes of Wrath. Correct – KW, AL, AY, HA, RD.

Bonus – What do these films all have in common? All were nominated for Best Actor. Correct – RD. All based on novels – AL. All movies based on farming or take place on a farm – JB.

Scores this Round: Rick Desper [RD] – 8; Andy Lischett [AL] – 6; Kevin Wilson [KW] – 3; Andy York [AY] – 2; Hank Alme [HA] – 2; Jim Burgess [JB] - 0.

Final Scores: Rick Desper [RD] – 6; Andy Lischett [AL] – 3; Kevin Wilson [KW] – 3; Jim Burgess [JB] – 2; Jack McHugh [JM] – 1.

**Sorry folks, only two rounds completed so no prize will be awarded.**

**General Deadline for the Next Issue of Eternal Sunshine: July 29th, 2014 at 7:00am my time. Hope to See You Then!**