Thank you sir, may I have another?

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I think most of you have seen the movie Animal House at some point. To let you know how old I am, that movie came out my senior year of high school. In fact, our senior class made "Animal House" our Yearbook theme. I guess you now know why this country is in the shape it is in;)

In one scene of the movie, a group of college kids were pledging for a fraternity and had to endure a spanking as one of their tests of manhood. The older brother would say, "Assume the position." After each spanking the pledge would say, "Thank you sir, may I have another". To the delight of the older brother, he would give him (Kevin Bacon) another one each time he asked.

Audio Clip: "Thank you sir may I have another?

After years of constant losing, I felt this way during last week's Jets/Dolphins game. With the hope that VP Bill Parcells brings, I felt that the punishment that I was enduring during that game was part of the process of gaining that elusive prize for us. In "Animal House" the pledgling was working towards an invitation into the fraternity. With us, we know that Parcells will give us a winning team even if it means firing his best friend and head coach Tony Sparano. I do not think it will come to that. While I think Sparano made mistakes last week by not activating WR Ernest Wilford, not having Ricky or Ronnie in on every single offensive play, allowing his offensive coordinator to give up on the running game too soon, and not kicking the field goal on 4th down, I really like his attitude. He has Parcells' attitude of not tolerating losing.

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Once the preseason is over, the roster is usually pared down to 53 players. After that the practice squad becomes a team of 8 players that the Dolphins can use to develop and during the week in practice. That practice squad usually is a revolving door of players. The strange thing is that after the first game we saw Sparano cut a couple of players off of the 53 members of the team and bring in players that were cut from other teams. For those of you hoping for a playoff appearance this year, I hope this brings it home to you that the Dolphins are in a major rebuilding job. Half of this team did not wear a Dolphins uniform last year. Our favorite players, Zach and JT are playing with other teams. One was cut from the team and the other was traded. Thankfully neither are on a rival AFC East team. While Zach was tempted by Bellichick to play for the Patsies, he did not want to alienate his Dolphins fans ... talk about an unselfish guy.

The first cut the Dolphins made this week was to waive FB BOOMER GRIGSBY. Yep, the fullback that beat out Reagan Mauia (the wall-breaker) was cut. I guess you saw it coming as the Dolphins started the game with a tight end at the fullback position against the Jets. By cutting Grigsby that left us without a fullback and one that knows the offense. To replace Grigsby the Dolphins added FB CASEY CRAMER. The good thing about this move is that Cramer has started for two teams and one of those were the Carolina Panthers where our Offensive Coordinator was the OC there. Cramer knows the offense, so, my guess is that this is a good move. Cramer is also a good special teams player and has a blocked punt for a safety on his resume. The Dolphins are also hoping that they have their #3 TE as well as being our fullback in Cramer as they used him in practice this week at times at TE.

The second cut the Dolphins made this week was to waive TE SEAN RYAN. Ryan beat out Justin Peele for the #3 TE position, but the Dolphins have two good tight end in DAVID MARTIN and ANTHONY FASANO. Since they are hurting along the offensive line after losing starting RG DONALD THOMAS for the season with a foot injury. Losing Thomas was a huge blow to an offensive line that was beginning to jell on the right side.

The Dolphins added Ted Ginns former Ohio State LT KIRK BARTON. I guess former Cam Cameron was right when he said that when we drafted Ginn that we added his family as well;) Barton is here to back up LT JAKE LONG. Barton fell in the draft this year due to a torn miniscus that he suffered in the Senior Bowl. After making the Bears roster only to be cut earlier this week after the first game, the Barton is hoping to stick in Miami as he is a huge Dolphins fan. Who was his childhood hero? Zach.

So, in the meantime, it will not hurt for you to do your Kevin Bacon impersonation and "Assume the position". With that you can respond, "Thank you sir, may I have another?" Maybe Parcells and Sparano will allow you to be a member of Omega House.

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