

## DO-IT-YOURSELF “AFTERGLOW”

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First, I want to thank Lorraine Dellinger and Dave Barnes on behalf of all of us for a “picture perfect” convention in Virginia...

I am writing this at HER request (because she threatened me with a firing squad if I did not).

I do agree with her that the Freshmen fans who left the ballroom dance early on Friday evening, August 9th, did miss out on quite a bit of “special” fun. For example, Dave and Yas, first creating the mystery of who would get to play Dave’s trombone with the big band, finally EACH took a turn sitting in with the Jim Fox Orchestra for several numbers...and certainly did us proud!

Later, our hosts took us to the “secret” (but public) romantic hotel balcony with the penthouse-like view, where we had our wine. We also stood around the piano where we were treated to generous helpings of Rein deGraaff’s musical genius. I even threw in a few free ballroom dance lessons.

OUR POINT????? It is this: You FFS guys who sneak out early, pretending you are tired in order to avoid your wife’s forcing you to make a fool of yourself on the dance floor, aren’t fooling anyone! **THIS EXCUSE WILL NO LONGER BE ACCEPTED AT FUTURE FUNCTIONS.** If you will just try hanging out with us diehards, just once, we GUARANTEE to find you some “fun” alternative to being an “elderly Fred Astaire.”

C’MON, FOLKS! We’re not THAT old....yet. (No Brian, please don’t go there!)

To Lorraine

Re the FF Convention in Reston

John Curtin (FL)

Dear Mother Dee,

I just wanted to let you know how wonderful everything was and shall be in our future. We thank you so much. We had a great time!

It was so nice to be with family and enjoy the festivities. We can’t express enough how much you’re appreciated and LOVED!

Thank you and we love you!  
John and Tina

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