

Krewe of Mama Roux:

It's Up - But Is It Good?

THE SIDELINES - The end was near. So was the quarterback, the center, the place kicker ... hell, the whole squad including the water boy was near. But this egg wasn't going down without a fight.

The Krewe of Mama Roux was scrambling to get ova, but she wouldn't let them penetrate and score. After all, she was no just-flew-out-of-a-chicken's-butt egg. She had Fabergé written all over her. She had Russian and French royalty in her genes and all they had was some Scotch and a good bit of Dixie -- and their jeans weren't even clean. Mama Roux's gene pool had way too much chlorine in it for her to be taking a dive.

Meanwhile, eggsasperated NOMA officials waffled in response to the situation. Eggsburts agreed that if Mama Roux did bring home the bacon, there could be severe physical and psychological damage to the egg, possibly resulting in the dreaded Humpty Dumpty syndrome, or even worse, shell shock. Others looked on the sunny side, pointing out the possibility of creating Fabergé reproductions by the dozen if the egg was successfully fertilized.

Promises of support came from City Hall as the mayor pledged to keep the egg's virtual virtue intact. "We're not going to let a beloved local tradition like the Krewe du Vieux interfere with a money maker like the Fabergé eggs-ibit," a spokesman said. "We'll protect the egg the way the Saints offensive line protects Jim Everett." NOMA was reportedly not reassured.

Back on Bourbon Street, Mama Roux put their backfield and back-sides in motion and surged towards the climactic moment. Soaked with liquor, beer, and more bodily fluids than Madonna's

mattress, they entered the red zone. Like a Liberian freighter churning up the Mississippi River, Mama Roux accelerated to ramming speed with a full load of corn and able-bodied semen. Would they slam one through the uprights without having a false start? Would she go over easy? Would they wind up with egg on their faces?

Omelettling you go see for yourself.

L.E.W.D. Drops A Hail Mary

ON THE BENCH - In response to the phrase "We ain't got none", L.E.W.D. responds, "We got nuns and priests and possibly Sainly water (drug specimens from our favorite football team)."

L.E.W.D.'s Sainly procession through the French Quarter will inspire the local onlookers to raise their Mardi Gras beads and chant prayers for the Saints to make it to the promised land.

The annual Krewe du Vieux march has become a habit for the members of L.E.W.D., and so they will dress the part for this year's parade. The crowds will go back to their childhood as they scream "Throw me something Mother and Father", and genuflection becomes the position of choice to attract beads. Of course, most onlookers will get a rap on the knuckles for their efforts.

Groin Pull Contest Set for KDV Party

Krewe officials have announced that between sets at the Krewe du Vieux Doo there will be a groin pull contest, with a gallon of Blue Ball Ice Cream awarded to the winner. Get ready to spread 'em!

KREWE DU JIEUX GETS THE QUARTERBACK

TEL(ESTRATOR) AVIV -- Showing a fierceness and tenacity most defensive coaches only dream about, the Krewe du Jieux announced that they successfully got the quarterback.

"Our first plan was to get the nickel back, but the motivation just wasn't there," said Krewe du Jieux coach Jim "Golda" Meira. "After all, you can't even call your mother for a nickel. But when we put a quarter on the line, the team practically killed themselves trying to get to it.

"It's a good thing we weren't chasing Roger Staubuck," added the kosher coach, "or there might have been some serious mayhem."

In response to skeptics who had questioned the ability of his team, Coach Meira pointed out that football has long been part of the Jewish tradition.

"Consider great stars like O.J. Simpstein, Fran Tarkenberg, Dan Marinowitz, Brett Goldfavre," commented the coach. "Going back a little further, remember that Joshua sacked the entire city of Jericho -- surely we can sack John Oyvay.

"The only thing that can stop one of my players is a pulled hamstring."

The coach, famed for inventing the dime defensive package, then stalked off to work on his game plan for the upcoming Jerusalem Bowl against the PLO.

The Krewe du Jieux will pull itself off the field long enough to march with the Krewe du Vieux this year. Making its inaugural appearance in this year's parade, the Jieux will throw golden bagels, dreidels, and perhaps fish sticks and motzah balls. BYOL (Bring Your Own Lox). Helmets and yarmulkes are optional.