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This will be my final email for 2008. Thanks again to all for your hard work and dedication for this season. Hopefully we will see you in 2009!

THE BEST OF KROPKOGATE 2008

Please visit the following link for a 171 photo slideshow of the 2008 season. Sit back, relax and turn up your speakers for the next 5.5 minutes <http://www.kropkogate.com/imagevuex/slideshow3.php>

m*ch*g*n RECAP

5 in a row! Thanks to all who helped during m*ch*g*n weekend with the cooking, setup, cleanup, etc. Props go out to Drew and Lane for spending Friday night with me out in sub 20 degree weather. More props to Drew, Laura, and Ruswinkle for spending over 4 hours on the Sunday after helping clean and store everything for the winter.



THANK YOU

Special thanks to the following individuals below. Without your countless hours of work and preparation, Saturday's as we know them would not be possible... Each year, our operation continues to grow and more and more people make Kropkogate their home for Ohio State Football Games. With approximately 38,000 miles of traveling during Sept, Oct and Nov to come back each Saturday from the west coast, I've had to rely on many of you for greatly appreciated help and for that thank you!

- Laura Hall / Drew Hall (Pizza Hall) - I'm not sure where to begin. For volunteering your house as the tailgate staging grounds for every home game, helping setup, cleanup, all the cooking, grilling, transporting gear out to California, kropkogate.com content, camping out, waking up early every Saturday, basically sacrificing every weekend during Sept, Oct and Nov, my home away from home - THANK YOU!
- Lane Sawyer- Helping setup and transport, camping out for PSU and UM, fire pit at the Michigan game
- Allison - Helping setup/cleanup, cooking
- Kim Winfield - Helping cleanup, cooking, all the supplies, picking up woodchips/tables
- Mark Bauer - Helping setup/cleanup
- Brian Ruswinkle - Helping setup, cleanup, camping out for PSU, turkey prep

- Kevin Rayborn (Mr. Marbles) - Hosting the tailgate in Chicago, helping setup/cleanup, kropkogate.com content
- Ben Wenning and Katie Douglass- hosting us for the Purdue game
- Megan Goodzey - Cooking, helping cleanup/setup
- Kelly Clutter - Helping cleanup, cooking
- Sam Wahl - Helping cleanup, cooking
- Fiona Peterelli - Helping cleanup after the m*ch*g*n game
- Sandman, Brendan, Trip, Craig Anderson - Helping setup and/or cleanup
- Doug Hertzog, Brian Anderson, Jordan and David - For helping setup during the first tailgate, arriving at 5am to kick-off the 2008 season
- Bo Tomato - Helping setup the Penn State tailgate
- Holly Brown - Youngstown State, USC, Northwestern, and Illinois* game tickets, cooking, helping with the USC transport, finding straw for the Penn State game
- Amber Biniker - Minnesota, Purdue, Penn St, Michigan game tickets, cooking, setup/cleanup, helping with the USC transport, the OSU wreath, dvd player
- Heather Brom - Troy game ticket, cooking, cleanup
- Jess Brown - Parking Pass
- Matt Conte - DirecTV receiver
- Mike Kropko and Jenny Williams - Driving the RV from San Diego to LA, securing the parking spot, and purchasing a 42" LCD HD television for the USC game
- Dave Meltzer - supplying the RV and the Jagermeister machine
- Steve Jones - giving up your apartment for the USC game
- Ajit Ambil - helping with transportation logistics for the USC game and catering to many visitors
- Harry - cleanup help after Penn State
- Jon and Kris Hall - Donating a turkey for the m*ch*g*n game
- Chris Wheatley - Deep fryer advice, picking up extra frying oil, helping cleanup
- All trailer donations
- Rich Rodriguez and m*ch*g*n for a 5th straight victory
- Aaron Godby - FASTSIGNS, Casselberry, FL 32707, (407) 831-6334 - For the new Kropkogate sign
- And to anyone else I've missed - Thank you

FINANCING - LAST CALL, LAST EMAIL

Thanks to all those who have made a donation for the new trailer. With the help of many of you, the trailer has finally arrived. Approximately \$1825 has been raised to date. The stretch goal is set at \$1500 so we are 122% of the way there. I am still looking for help as finalized costs including the trailer, hitch, registration, and storage are around \$2500. Many of you have stated intent to help so here is another friendly reminder which will continue to come until the end of this season. Please visit the following link for more information: http://www.kropkogate.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=73&Itemid=57 The end to end process through PayPal takes less than 5 minutes.

KROPKOGATE ESPN PICK'EM:

- Week 13 Winner: S. Kropko

- OVERALL Winner: The Akron Assassin
- Final Standings - <http://games.espn.go.com/cpickem/group?groupID=6227>
 1 The Akron Assassin - 540
 2 S. Kropko - 519
 3 N. Hall - 512

BOWL GAME INFORMATION:

- Tostitos Fiesta Bowl - Ohio State vs Texas - Phoenix, AZ - January 5, 2009
- Please contact me if you are interested in going. Arizona has been a second home for the Buckeyes... this will be our 5th trip out there in the last 7 years. Need to make plans ASAP.

NOTABLE 2009 DATES

- 9/5/2009 - Navy vs Ohio State - Columbus, OH - 1st game of 2009
- 9/12/2009 - USC vs Ohio State - Columbus, OH
- 9/19/2009 - Toledo vs Ohio State - Cleveland, OH (Cleveland Browns Stadium) - Tailgate on the lake

LATEST WEBSITE NEWS/ARTICLES:

- [Pizza Hall's Bowl Predictions](#)
- [Week 14 Notes](#)
- [Week 13 Expert Big Ten Picks](#)
- [Week 10/11 - NU/Illinois Photos Posted](#)
- [DickRod Bashes UM Fans](#)
- [Pizza Hall's 25 Thought Roster 11-16](#)
- [Week 12 Preview](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kropkogate is still looking for donations - LAST CHANCE, LAST EMAIL

Michigan tailgate photos posted - http://www.kropkogate.com/index.php?option=com_wrapper&Itemid=8

NEWSLETTER ARCHIVE

http://www.kropkogate.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=133&Itemid=59

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