

From: H.K. "Buff" Bennington
Sent: Monday, March 26, 2012 5:10 PM
To: Raymond Duffy
Subject: Opening Day

Hey "Duf"

I know it's only two weeks 'til the opener, but I need four more. And, oh, two of them won't be taking the bus up, so I assume I get a discount for that? And one of the guys has a bad knee, so he's gonna need a whole row to himself on the bus, and an aisle seat at the game. While we're at it, would it kill you to get some imported beer? I like St. Pauli Girl. In bottles. Figure a case for me, and another couple for the rest of the bus.

Buff

From: Ernie Pilking
Sent: Thursday March 29, 2012 2:20 PM
To: Raymond Duffy
Subject: RE: Pay Up

Jeez Ray what are you so cheesed about? I'm perfectly aware that I haven't paid for my tickets yet. What do you want? It's not even April yet, and it's only six tickets. Take a chill pill why don't you?

From: H.K. "Buff" Bennington
Sent: Thursday March 29, 2012 11:24 AM
To: Raymond Duffy
Subject: Whoops!

Duf -

It turns out one of my buddies has custody of his children that day, so I need two more. He's still gonna sit with me on the all-male bus, so you'll need to get one of the ladies to take the kiddies on the co-ed bus. Only one of them is still in diapers. The other one gets carsick, but you don't have to tell anybody that. ;)

Buff

From: Matusak, Sonja
Sent: Friday March 30, 2012 1:40 AM
To: Raymond Duffy
Subject: Henry Berry Memorial Opening Day Bus Trip

Hi Ray –

I was wondering if you could seat me with my friends Suzi Sizemore, Ted Barclay, Mike Rose and the Petropolous cousins again this year. We have so much fun together! Looking forward to another great year...

From: H.K. "Buff" Bennington
Sent: Sunday April 1, 2012 1:42 PM
To: Raymond Duffy
Subject: RE: Whoops!

Duf –

It's getting a little complicated now. The guy's girlfriend found out he's going to the game and she hit the roof. So we need a ticket for her too. She'll sit on the co-ed bus, but the thing is she hates the guy's kids anyway, and she's gonna be pissed when she finds she's not on the same bus as him, so you're gonna want to seat her, like, 20 rows apart from the kids on the bus. And I guess that means they won't be sitting near their dad at the game either. You'll take care of that? What does that make good for me now, 13 tickets? You're lucky to have such a loyal customer.

From: Ernie Pilking
Sent: Tuesday April 3, 2012 2:20 PM
To: Raymond Duffy
Subject: RE: RE: Pay Up

Mailed the check today. Hope you're happy.

From: Petropoulous, Maria
Sent: Wednesday April 4, 2012 1:08 PM
To: Raymond Duffy
Subject: Favor?

The last four years, Suzi, Ted, Mike, Athena and I have ended up sitting next to Sonja Matusak, and she's driving us *crazy*. Can you put her in another section this year? Or even better, not let her on the bus?

From: Ernie Pilking
Sent: Thursday April 5, 2012 2:18 PM
To: Raymond Duffy
Subject: RE: RE: RE: Pay Up

Check came back. Forgot the stamp. What are you going to do? Sending another one tomorrow, but don't cash it for a couple of days, OK?

From: H.K. "Buff" Bennington
Sent: Wednesday April 11, 2012 10:04 AM
To: Raymond Duffy
Subject: Change of plans

Duf –

Well it turns out that my boss has, for the last six months, had this "strategic retreat" scheduled for Friday and evidently, it's going to be career jeopardizing if the Buffster's not there. So, scratch my entire party. What are you going to do? Guess it's a good thing I never paid you for the ducats. At least you've got tickets for all the people on the waiting list. Don't thank me. Just make it up next year.

From: Ernie Pilking
Sent: Wednesday April 11, 2012 8:17 PM
To: Raymond Duffy
Subject: RE: RE: RE: RE: Pay Up

You should get my check tomorrow, which I hope will calm you down. Thing is, you're going to need to tear it up since I'm a little short right now. Since you're being so pissy about things, I'm willing to give you my autographed Hawk Harrelson baseball card which is worth a grand, at least, if you just stop yapping about the \$600 I owe you. Plus pony up \$200 in cash. And, *unlike certain people*, I'm not all uptight about that \$200. You can give it to me on the bus.