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Wake Me Up Before You Go Go Somewhere Else In Omaha

by FahCovid Nyntene



Clean Shave at 2 Fine, Trivia at Redeye, Magnum PI night at Pipeline, dragging the kids to a ballgame or bowling alley, Stache Bash at Slowdown. The calendar was so ingrained for some that from 2015-2018 the events calendar at m4komaha.com wasn't updated and, like a Careless Whisper, no one even noticed.

Ever since Last Christmas, the checkpoint schedule has been turned inside out, and in 2021, even the changes had changes. Clean Shave was scheduled 3x, Mustache Melee changed venues twice, and like most of our other responsibilities, Family Night was completely forgotten.

Magnum PI night moved back a week, which allowed the mustaches to be longer than normal but unfortunately the shorts stayed the same length. A venue change also occurred as our oldest checkpoint partner, Pipeline Tavern, was no longer able to host. There were still auctions, a full lost and found, and plenty of "needing blurred" pics.

"Did I miss the sex shop field trip next door? Of course, who didn't, but I still managed to have a good time at the new place," said grower Zach Harmon.

By far the biggest change was Stache Bash leaving its home of the last 10 years and moving to Omaha's premier Wall Street themed, Country Western dance club, Stonks & Bands.

Lucky for M4K, there are way too many dopes in this organization to rope them all and no bait and switch agreements were going to be tolerated.

I don't want your Freedom, new venue. I don't want to play around. All I want right now is Stache Bash, back downtown where it belonged.

Somethings, like underwear and razor blades, are best when changed often. Stache Bash is not one of those things.

Lean Hog Futures Plummet as M4K Omaha Campaign Draws to a Close

by Porky and Peppa

While pork commodities have seen record returns in recent months, experts say the success is likely short-lived. Economists speculate on the cause for the spike, but butt expert David Gibbs says the reason is clear. "There is a direct correlation between Mustaches for Kids growing seasons and pork demand."

There was a modest rise in March as the M4K Twin Cities chapter geared up for their rookie season, but things really took off in April. Gibbs said he wasn't sure what impact the TC launch would have, but he knew April and May would be huge for the industry. "Every year, the Omaha market absolutely explodes, but this year has been unprecedented." Some think Joe Bartek is responsible for the unexplained surge.

Joe, a long time grower, set a goal to finally get the coveted blue band this year. To reach his goal, he incentivized donors with bacon raffles. An inside source claims that while he has exceeded his \$5K goal, he spent more on bacon than he received in donations. Although the increased demand is great for pig ranchers, it's a bit of a double-edged sword.

Friz Freleng of Platte Pork Producers captured that sentiment. "I get it that you need bacon to make the Mustache grow, but dang gummit, bacon and butts is all dem fellas eat. It creates a huge surplus of loins, ribs, and hams. You can ask a king's ransom for bacon, but you can hardly give away the rest of the hog."

Mis-Stached Connections

Hard Where?

I was in the lumber section at Home Depot when I first saw you. I couldn't get through the crowds of normies asking you all the how-to questions. You weren't even wearing a uniform - just donning that glorious mustache.

Just letting you know I have some wood related questions for you whenever you wanna connect.

Eat Me

I hear you're big into eating just about anything people will throw your way, all for an M4K donation. Is this true? If so, I've got some ideas for a Stache Bash after hours at my place.

I'm cashing out my 401K. Come hungry.

Dinner and a Moving

We went on a virtual blind date on a Zoom chat last Fall. I cooked you four pounds of bacon during the call but couldn't share it then, so I Ziplocked it all in case fate allowed a second meet up. I just moved into my new RV and will have the plate warm and ready in my boudoir tonight. I'll be waiting in the Aldi parking lot.

Stuck In The 80's

I've been stealing your Reading Rainbow subscription for years. I got a Trapper Keeper full of your used slouch socks and Book It badges. I just can't live another minute without My Pet Monster (the nickname I gave your stache).

Come and find me. I D.A.R.E. you.

You Look Like That Guy

I spotted you at the Observatory. You looked like my brother's ex-wife's cousin's neighbor's landlord, and sweetie, that's quite the compliment. If you want to venture out to some new real estate, come on by. I just gave the yard a fresh trim.

Pole Position

Stripper poles, huh? You sure you don't want me to get up there and do my thing? Oh, okay, you got it. I hear ya. I'll just sit back and enjoy the show. Send me the deetz and I'll dress light for the experience because it's gonna get hot.

Pursuit of Most Fundraisingest Spurs Innovation

by *Elon Zuckerbuffett*



Sweetest Stache might be the most coveted, and Best Costume the most competitive, but only Most Fundraisingest requires the help and buy in from so many people, and is so critical to what M4K does every year. In the early years, \$3100 was enough to win in a landslide. "I'm really lucky I rap battled when I did" said 2010 MF-est Rob Seward. After seeing Brian Moore raise twice that in an hour we'd have to agree.

The game started changing as growers got their whiskers under them and realized the impact of corporate matching. Growers routinely leverage business contacts to put the strength of Corporate America to good use. Also helping increase totals? Year-round score-keeping.

"The trick is saving every favor you can June-April so when May comes around everybody owes you something," former one-man MN chapter, and alleged Cass County mafia don, Cory Lesley told The Monitor.

It is also well-known that competition fuels fundraising, and nothing says competition like calling another grower out publicly. This worked out spectacularly bad for Board Member Tom Rosencrans

as he repeatedly called out 7-time Sweetest Stache contestant Tom Brantley, and repeatedly lost. The one year TR thought he had TB beat, he found out a lead just puts a target on your back. "All month long I had a lead and just knew I'd finally done it," Rosencrans cried over a beer.

What he didn't know was Brantley had deployed the controversial, but legal, tactic of sand-bagging. "Oh, I knew I had the donors to catch him," laughed Brantley, "but its way better to let a guy think he's lapping the field and then just kick him in the nuts with \$10k boots on the last day."

As we come down to the wire on awarding 2021's Chad Ingersol Most Fundraisingest Title, it's interesting to note that 2019 MF-est Jon Meyers has raised less than half of current leader Brian Moore. Meanwhile 2020 winner, Tyson Weigel, actually shows owing M4K \$300 this season.

Could one of those two be putting on their \$40k boots in this last week? We'll find out at Stache Bash, just like Brian Moore's nuts.

Best Mustache Name is..... Well, It's a Stachey

by Frito Pendejo

Most Fundraisingest requires you to hustle for a minimum of 30 days, or at least be a freeloader of some wealthy friends with money to burn.

Sweetest requires the ability to think on ones feet and possess a certain swagger that most can't fathom.

Costume requires weeks if not months of planning, and that's not even counting the research into past years to find an unrealized dream opportunity.

Testosterone and Nastiest are two sides of the genetic coin, but each requires the resolve to spend 30 days looking unlike 99% of the population.

Best Mustache Name, however, is merely the ability to string together 2-4 words in a combination that makes the right 3 people chuckle and say, "that's pretty good."

Some years, the only ability required is to get a better name than you could ever think of from the Naming Hat, and just hope nobody remembers you crowd-sourced it before your name gets announced on stage.

If you do luck into it, congrats. Now you're a Stachey winner and nobody can take that from you.

A few winners for previous years include:

Ben Wallace – Sterling Falcon

Bob Wilson - Matt Folkerts (*or something like that. Records are fuzzier than George's stache.*)

James Thiele – Bohemian Majesty

Kirk Rohman – The Uninsurable Risk

Bern Mendick – The Furry McFlurry

Mike Altshud – Stripclub Cheeseburger

Cliff Mcelvoy – Between My Nose and Where the Bacon Goes

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Most Testosterone Isn't Something You Win, It's Something You Got

by A. Guy

Commonly accused of juicing or follicle transplants, Most Testosterone is a dude's dude who's manliness is not taken lightly. He's a man of honor and dignity and lets you know it by showing off constantly.

His natural gift of growing a bad ass 'stache and raising money for kids are two of his finer qualities, but other items are considered when locating the prime candidate.

Past winners include Eric Depue, Zack Rennels, Matt Tenant, James Thiele, Bern Mendick, Bryon Steffonsmeier, Ian Rennels, and Ryan Asbury.

These individuals have claimed to free solo the peaks of Yosemite, dance with wolves, and twist steel rods into a pretzel shape. Others have swum the English Channel with both arms tied behind their back or back flipped a dirt bike over a carrier plane mid-flight. The ability to accomplish feats like these and so many others steers from one thing only – a majestic mustache.

A mustache of girth and dominance. A mustache that demands everyone's attention. A mustache that inspires the Nastiests to grow "that much more" next year. A mustache that makes the Godfather proud.

And remember that the winner of Most Testosterone-y never pays for extra pepperoni. Godfathers Pizza.

The Good, The Bad, and The Nastiest

by Jaston "Filthy Ferret" Brieber

Its been almost a month. Twenty eight straight days of ridicule. Of Shame. Of plugging your nose and blowing and hard as you can, just wishing that an extra whisker to pop out above your lip.

It doesn't make you less of a man, and you still raised a mighty healthy sum, but if you'd just been able to actually grow a mustache instead of...of...well, whatever that thing is called, you just KNOW you could have raised the most money.

You could have gotten on stage and flexed. You could have made men bow and women swoon. We know it too, little buddy.

The good news is there's still a trophy you can win and even if you don't take home the Nastiest Stache crown, its still socially acceptable to wear a mask, so...win/win?

Past winners include: Bryce Barnes, Greg Schwanke, Adam Perez, Neil Macleod, Tim Seretta, Jim Eggston, Bryan Scherbring, Grant Orley, Kurt Mehlin, Carlson, & Jaymes Sime.



Let's Be Honest... Nothing Really Happens Without the Groupie of the Year

by A. Wonder

As a recipient of the Groupie of the Year 2019 award, it has solidified the awesomeness of this great organization. M4K Omaha has turned out to be a great opportunity to not only become a 'roommate' for a month due to Shamrock Omega's awesomeness. It has given me long time friendships, many great memories, with many memories to be made.

As to what it takes to be Groupie of the Year, it could have been the late night Taco Bell Runs for multiple Party Packs of Tacos to feed the awesome mustache men of M4K.

Or maybe it was the fun night at CASA Trivia night, that involved Boz telling me how to drive, and ordering a bunch of food at Lina's.

It could have been that Shamrock Omega, just knows how to find awesome Groupies to support him, since he is known as the Grower with the most Groupie of the Year recipients.

No matter the reason, it comes down to being involved and promoting the great things that M4K does, and continuing to support the organizations even after the M4K season is over.

As the reigning Groupie of the Year (thanks COVID), it has been a pleasure, and I look forward to celebrating the Groupie of the Year 2021 into the elite club.

The Rook

by Your Mom

Yes, the Monitor staff is fully aware there's not a formal Rookie of the Year article here. With all the magic and wonder that is Stache Bash about to happen, there's no need for any additional distractions. If you're a rookie, what's done is done. Breathe it all in and don't worry about an award that proves one of you is better than the rest. Now come back to the table, son - your food's getting cold.



Office of Sweetest Stache

Greg Graham
The Peacemaker
 Reigning Sweetest Stache
 M4K-Omaha

To the man or beast who has killed me,

31 MAY 2021

Congratulations! Welcome to the best year of your life, I had two years, and let me tell you, that is the only way to do a global pandemic. I hope you are in a stable relationship, because you will father a child now. Methodist Women's Hospital is cool with you bringing The Magnum to the birth. Your baby mama will especially love it if you don't take paternity leave and you leave the trophy in her hospital room!

Go on vacations! You earned it! I took The Magnum to Badlands Natl Park and we even smuggled booze into and out of dry countries on that trip. Those rules don't apply to you. You are Sweetest! Take it to concerts, festivals, anything you want. We were celebrity contestants in a Cannoli eating contest. I still don't know what a Cannoli is, but they gave me a beer and put us on stage.

Take the Magnum to work. Your performance reviews will go through the roof! The Magnum and I arrested a guy and shortly thereafter, I got a spot flying the Police helicopter. Can't crack the sexiest workplace in America? No worries, bring that trophy and you own all the sex appeal.

I will offer one note of caution, which you should ignore because you are Sweetest. You know how US Presidents look like hell after 4-8 years? This is a greater responsibility and I managed that in two years. Thank you COVID for making everyone fat, except for Bortek and Couron, weirdos.

Clear your schedule, go to everything you can. You are the beautiful Stache of this organization. Women will love you, men will envy you. Make us Proud!

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Soon to be Former Sweetest,

"The Peacemaker"