

QUESTIONS

Shew! I did it! I survived for a full week without WiFi or wireless.

And it was nice.

A million thanks to bmaz for watching the blog this week—looks like you guys had a lot of fun without me. And a million thanks for the birthday wishes.

I'll post more substantively once I wade through the accumulated emails and posts and news. But for now I've got the following questions as I read through what you've guys have been reading through.

- If the White House destroys hard drives of people who move on, and the people from whom we wanted email in January 2006 included three people who had already left OVP (Cathie Martin, Jenny Mayfield, and Scooter Libby), then does that mean we still don't have emails from the relevant period for these three people (particularly the last two)?
- If Brent Wilkes' complaints about improper leaks of his impending indictment win him a get out of jail free card, does that mean Eliot Spitzer is out of all legal danger (even while the DA is making it known that he suspects Spitzer perjured himself)?
- What does Eric Lichtblau

mean when he refers to Dick Cheney's tense relations with the NYT in December 2005?

As *New York Times* Editor Bill Keller, Washington Bureau Chief Phil Taubman, and I awaited our meeting, we still weren't sure who would make the pitch for the president. Dick Cheney had thought about coming to the meeting but figured his own tense relations with the newspaper might actually hinder the White House's efforts to stop publication. (He was probably right.)

After all, this meeting took place just a month after Cheney's Cheney had been indicted for lying to cover up Cheney's apparent order to leak Valerie Wilson's identity to Judy Miller. That indictment came after the NYT made an ill-advised attempt to protect Libby—even after they knew Judy's testimony was proof that Libby lied under oath. After having been served so well by his selective Al cutout leaks to the NYT, why was he so cranky right after Libby was indicted?