

# MARCY EATS KOBE AT NETROOTS NATION



Kobe *beef*, that is.

This is a pic that RevDeb took last night when a bunch of us went out to dinner (that's Gregg Levine warning me that Jane's gonna be pissed). Between Eli and Ian and Scarecrow and Rayne, they couldn't stop me from eating Kobe.

I'm home now from Netroots Nation, lying on the couch trying to ingratiate myself with McCaffrey the MilleniaLab (who is upset that I watched parts of about 4 football games—and met Franco Harris—without him). He also wants you to know that he never trusted Tony Dungy and that certainly hasn't changed in the last few days.

For those who didn't make it this year, here were some Netroots Nation highlights, from my perspective.

Of course, the most important part was hanging out with all the folks I spend my days with online, only in brick and mortar space. Key new additions (in brick and mortar space) were Alaska heros Shannyn Moore and Mudflats, down for the fun.

As mentioned, another key highlight was meeting Franco Harris! His son is running for mayor of Pittsburgh—hoping to make the city serve its residents.

And of course, the steel tour. It's amazing what human ingenuity can do. We've just got to make sure we continue to do it here in the States.

Had a very bizarre pub crawl with Trapper John, DHinMI, Kagro X, Miss Laura from DKos, Bob Fertik from Democrats.com, Phil Anderson from Albany Project, and a few others. Between the "midget bar" and the pitcher of absinthe and all the smoke, I felt like I was living a surreal Czech film. Only, we were screaming about Rahm Emanuel the whole time.

And I had two panels that I was honored to be on—one on manufacturing with (among others) Steelworker President Leo Gerard and Congresswoman Donna Edwards, and another on torture with the ACLU, CCR, and Congressman Jerry Nadler. I'll have more to say about the latter tomorrow, I think.

I should be back to regular programming tomorrow—I'll finally get to wade through that HJC document dump. (Incidentally, I got to meet Governor Corzine, as well, and will do a post on that.)

Thanks to bmaz for posting some great work while I was in Pittsburgh. I don't know what we'll do with the site next year, when bmaz will be on whatever bizarre pub crawl I'm on in Las Vegas. I guess you'll all have to join us in Vegas?!