## TRASH TALK IS BACK!!!



The Brett Favre drama has kind of sucked up all the attention in the off-season, so it'll take some time to get figure out what happened in the off-season. For this season opening trash talk thread, then, I'll just let you all weigh in on the following questions.

Most importantly, which will have more viewers, that wrinkly white dude's presidential nomination acceptance speech, or the Super Bowl Champs taking on their division rival?

Will anything that happens in Mile High this year electrify the crowd as much as last Thursday's doings?

Which Manning brother will have better success this year, Venus—with a gimpy knee—or Serena—without two of the key defensive contributors from last year?

Which division will be more competitive this year, the AFC South (Colts, Jags, Texans, and Titans) or the NFC East (Giants, Skins, 'Boys, and Iggles)?

Otherwise (since my muse has been beaten by the server gods), I send you to First Draft for this post. Since nasty nasty seems to be the mood of the last day or so, I feel okay indulging in this sort of mean-spiritedness.

There's something I'm really, really hoping for tonight.

I hope that the football game runs long. Really long. So long that NBC has to cut away from it to show McCain's speech in Minnesota.

Will there be a repetition of the infamous *Heidi* incident? Not in New York or DC, as NFL contracts now require that broadcasters show games to their conclusions in their home markets. But

what about the rest of the country? Wouldn't it be great if NBC (the network, by the way, responsible for the aforementioned incident) cut away from the final few minutes of tonight's NFL season opener to cover Oldy McBoring's speech to the moribund GOP? Wouldn't that be great? Man, lots of people would be pissed at McCain! In addition to the NBC switchboards being melted by overuse, the RNC would see a lot of heat, as well. It's been a long year without football, as far as NFL fans are concerned, and they'd probably despise missing even a minute of the season opener.

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