



There are wiser folk than **Pawn** commenting on the current Calamity on Wall Street, and here are some of the gems:

"After 7 1/2 years of drift, President Bush has finally returned to his compassionate conservative roots with a heartfelt plea to Congress to help a needy and deserving group: those Wall Street CEOs who, for all their hard work, have been unable to lift themselves up by their wingtips,"

[Dana Milbank writes in his Washington Post column.](#)

And this from Rick Klein over at [The Note](#) at Mickey Mouse dot com:

And maybe we should feel bad for the bailout bill.

After all, it was born morbidly obese in a town that likes to pretend it's all about being lean. Its parents never really wanted one like it — and we know they'll be out of the picture in a few months anyway.

The men who would be president sure aren't eager to adopt it.

And conservative commentator George Will, over at [Real Clear Politics](#) had this to say:

"The queen had only one way of settling all difficulties, great or small. 'Off with his head!' she said without even looking around."

— *"Alice's Adventures in Wonderland"*

Under the pressure of the financial crisis, one presidential candidate is behaving like a flustered rookie playing in a league too high. It is not Barack Obama. Channeling his inner Queen of Hearts, John McCain furiously, and apparently without even looking around at facts, said Chris Cox, chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission, should be decapitated. Perhaps the most succinct commentary comes from Rep. Brad Sherman, D-Calif.:

"Cash for trash."

Nothing makes for tasty bon mots like a certifiable calamity.Â Keep it coming...