

# Meet the Stress

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## Sharkansky: Blogger, Cheapskate, Monkey father

Stephan Sharkansky - Greenlake conservative (island on an island), Rossi sycophant, and [NW Blogger extraordinaire](#) - evokes many a reaction in this neck of the woods. Far removed from his EWA brethren, he lashes out in the midst of enemy territory, hoping to gain a foot-hold - or a city council seat?

In the SeaWA DMZ, Sharkansky tries to propegate his upright citizen's brigade - You know, like trying to explain supporting the full-scale invasion and occupation of a country originally created artificially to control oil interests. Or better yet, claiming to be a "small government" conservative (of sorts) but then giving lock-step support to a bloated military bureaucracy.

So it's an uphill climb for the Shark. In his off time, you would think that he would try his best to put a positive real-world spin on this movement. You know: try to be a "nice guy" despite all you've read.

Announcement: If it looks like a Shark and smells like a Shark, then it probably makes bad soup... or something like that.

I had the random opportunity to meet a local restarauteur who had the (as it turns out) not-so-rare opportunity to personally serve Shark & Co. An amazing blogger in her own write - [www.returningbubble.blogspot.com](http://www.returningbubble.blogspot.com) - she provides Seattle an exquisite collection of her own creative material. But again, in her off-time, she has had many encounters with Stephan in her establishment.

So without further ado, here is an unedited phone interview with this hapless Shark victim.

Meet the Stress: Stephen Sharkansky. What does that name say to you?

Blogger/NW Restaurateur: Shitty tipper. Gives you googly eyes. Waited on him once and only once - refuse to again ,

Meet the Stress: How did/do you know that this was Stephan Sharkansky?

Blogger/NW Restaurateur: Originally, I sat with him at blogger panel (Washington Youth Council) when he worked for the Stranger. When in our restaurant, I pretty much knew it was him. He paid with credit card & I



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saw "Stephan Sharkansky" - positive ID.

Meet the Stress: But are we talking about someone who came in once, did not like the service, left a bad tip, and never came back?

Blogger/NW Restaurateur: No, Stephan always comes in. A regular. He and his wife were there last week – still shitty tippers!

Meet the Stress: And on average, how much do you think his gratuity is?

Blogger/NW Restaurateur: 10%. "Mr 10%" we call him - which in 1984 was good.

Meet the Stress: Do you expect to see him again?

Blogger/NW Restaurateur: Oh yeah, on a weekly basis.

Meet the Stress: Now, when we talked last you mentioned that you would not wait on him. Why is that?

Blogger/NW Restaurateur: Bad tips primarily.

Meet the Stress: You mentioned that he would come with his wife. Describe her:

Blogger/NW Restaurateur: Asian. Does everything - definitely wears the pants. Stephan might as well have been at a different table - oblivious to everything. He just sits there, and their kid is just out of control, and she takes care of it. Says to their son: "Oh now honey, just stop that"

Meet the Stress: How old would you say their child is?

Blogger/NW Restaurateur: 5 years old

Meet the Stress: When we talked last, you described the scion of these two as "a problem". Why was that?

Blogger/NW Restaurateur: Quite simply, the kid is Damion from the Omen. Might as well be a monkey. The kid did everything except reach in his pants and throw feces on the wall. His parents just allowed it, which said to me:

A.) Parents allow it all the time

B.) Parents beat him all the time (except in public)

Meet the Stress: Can you think of a specific Sharkansky clan visit where their scion exhibited "monstrous" behavior, and what did he do?

Blogger/NW Restaurateur: The first time I waited waited on them. I suppose he's too cheap to get a babysitter. The kid was all over the place. First off, he was sitting at own table. They kept feeding him candy, so he was really hopped-up. The child wanted something specific, but then when we went out of our way to make it, he wouldn't eat it. So he just gobbled candy throughout

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dinner and then chocolate mouse for dessert. Then he went screaming around and disturbing other customers. But Stephan just sat there, drank his wine and didn't pay any attention.

Meet the Stress: So did Sharkansky's wife try to deal with his behavior?

Blogger/NW Restaurateur: Barely. But when she did, the kid screamed "I don't want anything!"

and then balled-up hi fists in his mom's face. I swear she was about to be punched if she didn't back down.

Meet the Stress: So in 10 to 12 years, where do you see Sharkansky, Jr?

Blogger/NW Restaurateur: 50 lbs overweight, virgin, Writing a conservative blog just like his loser dad.

Meet the Stress: Beyond anti-social and uber-frugal behaviors, have you ever talked with Stephen about politics etc?

Blogger/NW Restaurateur: No no no. Politics is a tip killer. But (laughing) not that would matter with Stephan.

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Posted by Mercifurious at [9:33 PM](#)

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**joanie said...**

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