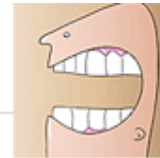


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Are You Aware of Gerrymandering?

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Okay, here's an [Amazing Athletic Feat](#) that I can get behind: running 1,000 miles to raise awareness of... gerrymandering.

For those of you who have forgotten your poli sci, you can bone up on gerrymandering here. For everyone else, here are the details, from an [article in thetimes-tribune.com](#) (*The Scranton Times Tribune*):

Paul J. Mathison is on a mission that many of us would never take on, let alone dream of: jogging against gerrymandering. ...

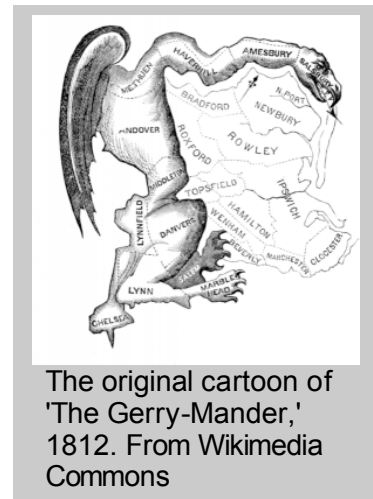
While he acknowledged his jog around the edges of the commonwealth, from Philadelphia, to Pittsburgh, to Erie, to Scranton, and back to Philadelphia, may be a bit extreme, he wanted to bring attention to a subject that normally makes "people's eyes glaze over."

"Yeah it's a little Don Quixote and tilting-of-the-windmills type. That's why you do something ridiculous and outlandish," he said.

Personally, I love this story and I applaud Mr. Mathison. If for no other reason than giving me an excuse to use the word *gerrymandering* three times in a single RW Daily post.

Four times!

Read more about Mathison's quest at the web site:
www.pjmathison.com/pennultimaterun



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