

# An Ode to Doug the Quahog

Sent on behalf of Punxsutawney Phil  
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Weather is fickle and predicting it can be tough  
Punxsutawney Phil, though, really knows his stuff

It's a difficult job with currents and spills,  
And no one wants rain or snow or chills

Phil has his critics, doubters and lugs,  
So maybe this year we need some help from a new friend named Doug

He's not quite as cute with his wet, hard shell  
And both he and Phil have a distinctive smell

For today we honor our new friend from the north  
And proclaim a new prognosticator of sorts

So on this summer season we wish you well  
Pay close attention to the clouds and rain and swell

In the world of weather, there is room for us all,  
and we anxiously await to see Doug's call

Cause as you know there is no warm beach in Punxsutawney  
And we hope to make a trip your way and pray for weather balmy

I hope to see you all under my beach umbrella  
After a prediction of great beach weather from your little fella

We proclaim today Doug's Day with pomp and fan fare  
Instead of one weather forecaster, today we have a pair

*- Ben Hughes, Punxsutawney Phil's Official Handler*