

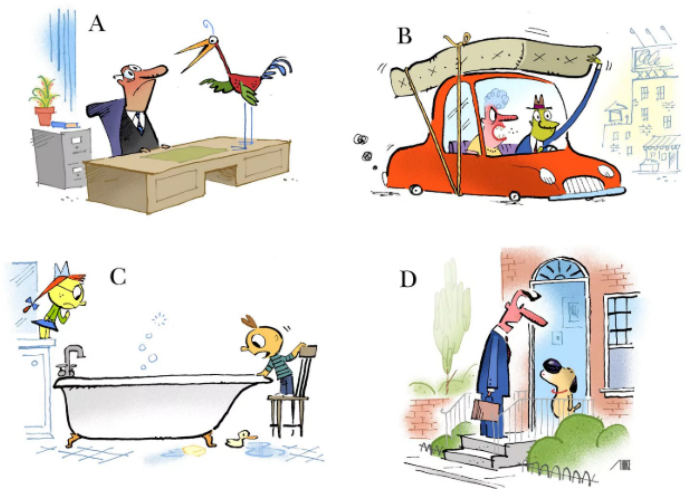
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Style Invitational Week 1282: Picture this — a cartoon caption contest

Plus 'A Little Night Mucus' and other winning
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These cartoons have been scientifically engineered to provide creative and greatly varied captions for Week 1282. We hope. (Bob Staake for The Washington Post)

By Pat Myers May 31 [Email the author](#)

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What's going on in these pictures? Don't ask me! No, tell me — since Bob Staake doesn't deign to talk to the Loserly Rabble. **This week: Write a caption for one or more of the pictures above.** Begin each entry with "Picture A," "Picture B," etc., on the same line as your caption, so that the Empress can sort the entries.

Submit entries at the website wapo.st/enter-invite-1282 (all lowercase).

Winner gets the **Lose Cannon**, our Style Invitational trophy. Second place receives a Special Invite Red & Green Double Pak o' Yummies: first, a eight-ounce container of blood-red gooey-mess Texas Blood Crawlers, just like the worms that make nice fishing bait except that these are really gummy worms "crawling in chamoy and chili." Donated by Alex Blackwood of Houston; and a bag of genuine KitKat bars from Japan — in green tea flavor. They are bright green. Donated by Bruce Alter.

Other runners-up win our "You Gotta Play to Lose" Loser Mug or our Grossery Bag, "I Got a B in Punmanship." Honorable mentions get one of our lusted-after Loser magnets, "We've Seen Better" or "IDiot Card." First Offenders receive only a smelly tree-shaped air "freshener" (**FirStink** for their first in!) **Deadline is Monday night, June 10**; results published

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their history. **BEHIND IS HISTORY** (July 11), results published July 1 (online June 28). See general contest rules and guidelines at wapo.st/InvRules. The headline for this week's results is by Jesse Frankovich; both Chris Doyle and Kevin Dopart submitted the honorable-mentions subhead. Join the lively Style Invitational Devotees group on Facebook at on.fb.me/invdev. "Like" Style Invitational Ink of the Day on Facebook at bit.ly/inkofday; follow @StyleInvite on Twitter.

The Style Conversational The Empress's weekly online column discusses each new contest and set of results. Especially if you plan to enter, check it out at wapo.st/styleconv.

And from The Style Invitational four weeks ago . . .

REHORSEFULNESS: THE 'GRANDFOALS' OF WEEK 1278

Four weeks ago, in [Week 1278](#), we announced the winners of our horse name "breeding" contest, playing on any two names among 100 Triple Crown nominees. Now here are the "grandfoals" produced by breeding those foal names.

BUT FIRST: With his five (!) blots of ink this week, **Mark Raffman** gallops past the 500-ink line and into the Style Invitational Hall of Fame as its 12th member. For a tribute to Mark, including some of his funniest Invite ink, see this week's Style Conversational at wapo.st/conv1282 (published late afternoon on Thursday, May 31).

4th place:

Donnie's Inferno x Worst.Musical.Ever = **My Spare Lady** (Kathy El-Assal, Middleton, Wis.)



These "Texas Blood Crawlers" (gummy worms) are just half this week's second prize; there's also a bag of bright green KitKat bars.

3rd place:

Cashless Clay x PhantomOfTheOpry = **Ali Bubba** (Hildy Zampella, Alexandria, Va.)

2nd place

and the CD "*Lullaby Renditions of Johnny Cash*":

Absorba the Greek x How I Met Yo Mama = **QuickerPickerUpper** (Gary Crockett, Chevy Chase, Md.)



And the winner of the Lose Cannon:

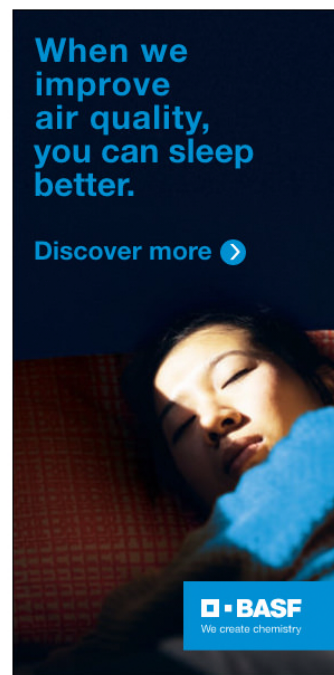
Ruckus in the Sack x Nope, Bone Spurs = **Not Funny, Melania** (David Young, Falmouth, Mass.)

Stable scraps: Honorable mentions

GhoulsOutForSummer x Invisible Ink = **The Ghost Is Clear** (Mark Raffman, Reston, Va.)





Twain x Rex = **Amtwack** (Marilyn Pifer, Morgan Hill, Calif.)

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Absorba the Greek x David Cop a Feel = **Pervious** (Hildy Zampella)

LambdaTheSlaughter x Absorba the Greek = **MuttonyOnThe Bounty**
(J.D. Berry, Springfield, Va.)

Absorba the Greek x The Ego Has Landed = **Ouzo Vain** (Harvey Smith,
McLean, Va.)

Cashless Clay x Gaseous Clay = **Destitoot** (Jeff Shirley, Richmond, Va.)

Cashless Clay x How I Met Yo Mama = **She Took PayPal** (Steve Honley,
Washington)

Cashless Clay x I Speak Foreign = **Ali Blah Blah** (Pete Morelewicz,
Fredericksburg, Va.)

Cassius Claymore x LambdaTheSlaughter = **Ali Baa Baa** (Brian Cohen,
Winston-Salem, N.C.)

David Cop a Feel x Penn and Yeller = **Lecherdemain** (Mark Raffman)

Worst.Musical.Ever x David Cop a Feel = **Breast Side Story** (Steve Price,
New York)

Donnie's Inferno x Worst.Musical.Ever = **The Book of Moron** (Jon
Gearhart, Des Moines)

Absorba the Greek x Worst.Musical.Ever = **A Porous Line** (Hildy
Zampella)

Worst.Musical.Ever x How I Met Yo Mama = **Lay Ms.** (Rob Wolf,
Gaithersburg, Md.)

Rex x Worst.Musical.Ever = **He Plays Eliza** (Pamela Love, Columbia, Md.)

Miracle Whip x Donnie's Inferno = **Merkel Whip** (Chris Doyle, Denton,
Tex.)

Rex x Fiddle DD = **Rax** (Mark Raffman)

Gaseous Clay x Rex = **Reex** (Tom Witte, Montgomery Village, Md.)

HeFollowedMeHome x Gaseous Clay = **Restraining Odor** (Rick Haynes,
Ocean City, Md.)

Village Person x Jacob's Bladder = **Peon** (Mark Raffman)

The Ego Has Landed x Jirque du Soleil = **I Am My Sunshine** (Duncan
Stevens, Vienna, Va.)

Donnie's Inferno x Miracle Whip = **Hell-Man's Mayo** (Beverley Sharp,
Montgomery, Ala.)

Ol' Man Ripper x Splitting Heirs = **Chopped Livers** (Ellen Raphaeli, Falls
Church)

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Sneezy Listening x PhantomOfTheOpry = **Mucus of the Night** (John Hutchins, Silver Spring, Md.)

Sneezy Listening x Worst.Musical.Ever = **A Little Night Mucus** (Chris Doyle)

Questosterone x So Much Twinning = **Hormone Killebrew** (Dave Zarrow, Reston, Va.)

Roamin' Emperor x David Cop a Feel = **Seizer** (Jesse Frankovich, Grand Ledge, Mich.; Duncan Stevens)

Twain x Sneezy Listening = **Connecticut Hankie** (Duncan Stevens)

401 Que? x Kodiak Moment = **Dunno, Alaska** (Mary Kappus, Washington; Mark Raffman)

Big Brown Bare x Smart Ash = **Birthday Soot** (Jesse Frankovich)

Twain x Genital Ben = **Tom Saw Ya** (Barbara Turner, Takoma Park, Md.)

HeFollowedMeHome x Big Brown Bare = **Stalk Naked** (Barry Koch, Catlett, Va.)

David Cop a Feel x Hurt Dateeth = **I Punch Damouth** (Joanne Free, Clifton, Va.)

Worst.Musical.Ever x Jacob's Bladder = **No Intermission** (Matt Monitto, Bristol, Conn.)

Felix and Oscar x GhoulsOutForSummer = **BestFiendsForever** (Lawrence McGuire, Waldorf, Md.)

Cassius Claymore x Fighter Pilate = **Pull Your Pontius** (Matt Monitto)

Sack x Cassius Claymore = **Paper or Plastique** (Rob Huffman, Fredericksburg, Va.)

Felix and Oscar x Gaseous Clay = **The Odor Couple** (Jenn Phillips, International Falls, Minn., a First Offender)

Genital Ben x Felix and Oscar = **The Id Couple** (Rob Wolf)

David Cop a Feel x Felix and Oscar = **The Pawed Couple** (Mary McNamara, Washington)

David Cop a Feel x Fiddle DD = **Pinchass Zukerman** (Chris Doyle)

Mind Over Martyr x Miracle Whip = **Thinko de Mayo** (Kevin Dopart, Washington)

Gaseous Clay x Miracle Whip = **Stinko da Mayo** (Jonathan Hardis, Gaithersburg, Md.; Jon Gearhart)

Rex x Gaseous Clay = **House of Tooter** (Judith Wright, Indian Hills, Colo., a First Offender)

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The Ego Has Landed x Punked You Asians = **Kanye East** (Lee Graham, Germantown, Md.)

Sneezy Listening x Splitting Heirs = **Achoodicate** (Warren Tanabe, Annapolis, Md.)

X~~~~~X~~~~~X x Magna Cum Loud = **O~~~~~O~~~~~O**
(Jeff Contompasis, Ashburn, Va.; Joanne Free)

Absorba the Greek x For Her = **Μαγν Παδ** (Jesse Frankovich)

Incubusted x I Got Ink! = **InkYouBoasted** (Gary Crockett)

I Got Ink! x Laugh Savings = **Little Interest** (Margaret Welsh, Oakton, Va.)

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I Got Ink! x Invisible Ink = **Fake Lose** (Tom Witte)



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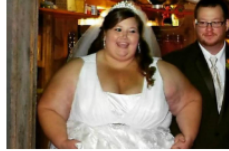


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