

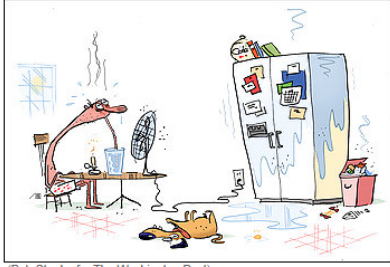
The Style Invitational

By the Empress

The results of the Invitational's famous neologism contest

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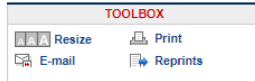
No new contest this week -- it's the first break that the Empress has given the Obsessive Losers since February 2008. Four weeks from now, we'll run some results of previous contests. And remember that the deadline for last week's contest isn't until Aug. 30 at midnight. The revised title for next week's contest and this week's honorable-mentions subhead are both by Tom Witte.



(Bob Staake for The Washington Post)

Report from Week 880

this year's version of the contest with which The Style Invitational is most associated, reprinted on Web sites ranging from ArboristSite.com to the Adult Gamer, not to mention even more sites that label it, obviously wrongly, "the Mensa Invitational!": This time, we asked you to take a word or multi-word term beginning with Q, R or S and add, drop or substitute a letter, or transpose two adjacent letters:



The winner of the inker

Defrigerator: Start saving energy now with this special offer from Pepco! (*Lemie Magida, Potomac*)

2. winner of not only the Inflatable Tongue but also the Lady Anti Monkey Butt powder:

Advertisement Republican: "Government can't solve your problems -- elect us so we can prove it." (*Evan Hadley, Potomac, a First Offender*)

3. Quinceañera: A teen's party with piñatas, dungeons and dragons. (*Christopher Lamora, who just moved to Guatemala*)

4. Quickstand: The one-nighter that sinks a marriage. (*Craig Dykstra, Centreville*)

'Q'uite a 'R'ation of 'S': Honorable mentions

Buick-tempered: Unexcitable. (*Jeff Contompasis, Ashburn*)

Crapacity: The size of one's attic. (*Chris Doyle, from Krarhayit, Turkey*)

Refiance: To replace your subprime boyfriend when your interest starts to vary. (*Gary Crockett, Chevy Chase*)

Rococoa: Haute chocolate (*Nick Curtis, Alexandria*)

Quartersack: On the Redskins, it's the player who lines up behind the center and takes the snap. (*Drew Bennett, West Plains, Mo.*)

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