Report from Week 1050

our annual look back at most of the year’s previous contests, in which we invited readers a second chance to enter. More honorable mentions, including some terrific song parodies, are in the online version of the Invite at bit.ly/invite1054.

2  Winner of the Dead Sea souvenir T-shirt featuring a sunbathing ibex:
Week 1009, write something about someone using only the letters in the person’s name:
Manti Te’o: I meet a mate; I mention a moment, an intimate tete-a-tete, a time; I omit to note I met mate on Net, mate ain’t animate, mate a man . . . An Onion meme? I nominate me. (Frank Osen, Pasadena, Calif.)

3  Week 1003, repurposed ad slogans: *Because you’re worth it* (O’Reall . . . for Dollar Tree. (Kristen Rowe, Silver Spring)
Week 1012, current-events limericks:
Said Obama, “The people will hail me; I mention a mate; I go to my friend, the mate on the beach, we be having a good ol’ American summer.” (Brendan Beary, Arlington)

Week 1011, cartoons captions: A rare public appearance by the least popular Doody sibling, Hiley. (Danielle Nowlin, Woodbridge)
Round Yon Virgin x Unlimited Losses = Carol of the Bills (Perry Beider, Silver Spring)
Week 1023, haiku sent to Mars: Here’s greetings from Earth Thirty minutes to your door By Amazon drone (Bruce Carlson, Alexandria)
Week 1024, alphabet couplets: E’s for Enrolling in health care — now book me! F’s for the fifty-three times that it took me. (Danielle Nowlin)
M for Mandela: huge chains he helped break . . . N for the nut who “signed” at his wake. (Nan Reiner)

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