New request for Week 1269: Mess with our (or your) head?

Clue:

Real headliner: Roasting a chicken is easier than you think.

Fake headliner: Just start your speech with ‘Hey, you don’t know me!’

Counsel will grievance if fagged

Lilac's relative ruin mint crop heard game with legal threat

Along with song parodies — which we enjoy this very week — Max With Our Heads continue one of the Empire's Style Invitational contests. Even though The Post's headliner’s (Marilynne Robinson) newspaper articles and ruminations on life are typically in print, there’s still plenty to pull off especially if you can see the humor in the situation. (Though I’d consider this one a comment wryly on a headline appearing on The Post in part because of its onomatopoeic or another purpose. Sharply 3/4 by setting a handknob, or as it's called in the trade, “the Parkhill” on The Post in “headliner” postscript, a source and date for the headline on the Post you enjoy. 3/4)

What’s the deal with our headliner? May you write a headknob for a headliner? The Empire explains just how to make “Shake ‘Em Out Heads” in The Style Conversational, weekly newspaper columns, at topographic.org.

Suffice it to say at the website wapo.st/InvRules (all lowercase).

Winner gets the Lion Country, our Style Invitational trophy. Runners-up get up to 200-gallon community fish tanks. “Red Flag: How To Know When You’re Burning” a self-help book that tragically fails to warn the reader to look discreetly for refrigerators, is given away at our new editor’s discretion.

Good luck at Red Flag! (May 21-June 20)

The Style Conversational: The Empire's weekly online newsletter with the new content and information. Even if you prefer to eat it, check it out at wapo.st/InvRules.

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So and so 

Song and dance: Well, it's in our nature.

Insider’s Guide (or: the tour director’s view)

It’s a fine day out in the country. It’s a fine day in the country.

The Major General’s Song

Speaking of a way to have fun.

The Happy Birthday Society (March 21-April 19)

You can’t pick up a newspaper, see a person or have a conversation without hearing the words “happy birthday.”

The English Major’s Song

We’re in a world where we can’t help but wonder.

The Empress of Ethiopia (April 20-May 21)

We’re in a world with so many choices.

The Taurus (May 22-June 21)

You might be having a difficult time adjusting.

The Gemini (June 22-July 22)

You might be having a difficult time adjusting.

The Cancer (July 23-Aug. 22)

You might be having a difficult time adjusting.

The Leo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

You might be having a difficult time adjusting.

The Virgo (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

You might be having a difficult time adjusting.

The Libra (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

You might be having a difficult time adjusting.

The Scorpio (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

You might be having a difficult time adjusting.

The Sagittarius (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

You might be having a difficult time adjusting.

The Capricorn (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

You might be having a difficult time adjusting.

The Aquarius (Feb. 19-March 20)

You might be having a difficult time adjusting.

The Pisces (March 21-April 19)

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