

DIVERSIONS

THE STYLE INVITATIONAL

Report from Week 1063, 'Same Difference'

BY PAT MYERS

Typically ingenious results this week to our perennial contest in which we posted a list of 16 random items and asked you to tell how any two were alike or different. Almost 20 people suggested that the difference between the Arizona legislature and a three-cupped bra is that the bra contains only three boobs.

The winner of the Inkin' Memorial

**A Fleetwood Mac reunion vs. the Arizona legislature:** One will have you singing "Don't Stop"; the other will have you screaming, "Don't! Stop!" (Dave Letizia, Alexandria)

2nd place, winner of the matzo-printed toilet seat cover saying "Let My People Go"

**The Human Barbie** is a real person transformed into an imaginary person with big boobs; **Adele Dazeem** is a real person transformed into an imaginary person by a big boob. (Jim Stiles, Rockville)

3rd place

**A USB stick marked "Property of NSA"** is valuable to a deserter; **XL jeggings** are valuable to a deserter. (Danielle Nowlin, Woodbridge)

4th place

**XL jeggings:** Big waistband width. **Buzzfeed quizzes:** Big bandwidth waste. (Jeff Contompasis, Ashburn)

Paired down: honorable mentions

**Bob Staake's No. 2 pencils and the Arizona legislature:** Both are guaranteed to come up with something patently ridiculous, but only one of them on purpose. (Lori Petterson, College Park, a First Offender)

• **And:** One is used with discrimination to draw gray lines; the other uses discrimination to draw gay lines. (Diane Wah, Seattle)

**Adele Dazeem and the Arizona legislature:** One was an honest mistake. (Warren Tanabe, Annapolis)

**Buzzfeed quizzes vs. a USB stick marked "Property of NSA":** The former shows you what you got on them; the latter shows you what they got on you. (Jeff Contompasis)

**A three-cupped bra and XL jeggings:** Both are top sellers at the Chernobyl Wal-Mart. (Rob Huffman, Fredericksburg)

**West African fufu and a three-cupped bra:** One is full of cassava; the other is full of casaba. (Tom Witte, Montgomery Village)

Both **the Arizona legislature** and **a Sochi hotel** think it's fine to refuse to serve a West African fufu. (Gary Crockett, Chevy Chase)

**"Jeopardy!" champ Arthur Chu** is a recipient of the show's largess, while **XL jeggings** can accommodate a large . . . (Mark Raffman, Reston)

**April Fools' Day:** You can see right through that trick! **The Human Barbie:** You can see right through that chick! (Beverly Sharp, Montgomery, Ala.)

**The polar vortex and Adele Dazeem:** One is a legitimate name associated with "Frozen." (Kelly Ronayne, Alexandria, a First Offender)

**A three-cupped bra and the Human Barbie:** Neither is what you'd call anatomically correct. (Edward Gordon, Austin)

**The Human Barbie and a Sochi hotel:** Both ought to put up a big "Vacancy" sign. (Lawrence McGuire, Waldorf; Heather Spence, New York)

**Bellybutton lint vs. the Human Barbie:** With one, there's a bit of fluff stuck in your navel; with the other, it's clinging to your arm. (Zoe Benfell, Mechanicsville, Md., a First Offender)

**Sriracha Life Savers** have more calories than **the Human Barbie.** And they're hotter. (Art Grinath, Takoma Park)

**April Fool's Day** and **a USB stick marked "Property of NSA":** For



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New contest for Week 1066: It's mating season

**Dunkin Bend x Big Tire = Mmm, Donuts**  
**Our Caravan x Smack Smack = Sock Her, Mom!**  
**Edison x Flat Gone = Deadison**

We're greeting print-Post readers this week from our new digs, snuggled against the crossword here in the brand-new Arts & Style section, but we're setting up our new quarters with familiar furnishings: It's the 20th straight year of one of the most popular Style Invitational contests, one that usually draws several thousand entries, even though the purse is not exactly the \$2 million up for grabs in this year's Kentucky Derby; however, we offer a bobblehead, a hat, a bag, a mug and a stack of refrigerator magnets, while the Derby won't give the winners a single one of those. **Below is a list of 100 of the 3-year-old racehorses nominated for this year's Triple Crown events; your job is to "breed" any two of them and name the "foal" to reflect both names,** as in the examples above. No, it doesn't matter that virtually all — though not all — of the horses in the list are male (the filly Got Lucky doesn't need to get *that* lucky). **A name may not exceed 18 characters including spaces,** as in the real racehorse world, but we will allow one or more of the characters to be a punctuation mark or numeral. You may run words together to make the name fit if it's simply hilarious, but the name still should be easy to read — see, we like people to read the Invite. Be sure not to misspell the original horse name in your entry, or the Empress might miss it when she searches on each horse's name during the judging. As always, you may send as many as 25 entries, and they can all be on the same e-mail.

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|-------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Act               | Exit Stage Left  | Pax in Terra       |
| Albano            | Fascinating Rock | Poker Player       |
| All Tied Up       | Financial Mogul  | Ride On Curlin     |
| Almost Famous     | Fire Starter     | Ring Weekend       |
| Asserting Bear    | Flat Gone        | Rise Up            |
| Athens            | Gaining Ground   | Russian Humor      |
| Best Plan Yet     | General a Rod    | Samraat            |
| Big Bazinga       | Gift Diamond     | Scotland           |
| Big Tire          | Gold Hawk        | Skydive            |
| Big Tuff          | Got Lucky        | Smack Smack        |
| Blarp             | Grand Strand     | Smart Cover        |
| Bobby's Kitten    | Grizzly Song     | Snuggly Bear       |
| Bourbonize        | Guggenheim       | So Lonesome        |
| Brilliant Mess    | Harpoon          | Sportscaster       |
| Cairo Prince      | Hoppertunity     | Spot               |
| California Chrome | Icy Ride         | Stockholder        |
| Candy Boy         | I Earned It Baby | Streaming          |
| Charge Now        | I'll Wrap It Up  | Strong Mandate     |
| Chitu             | Indianapolis     | Superlooper        |
| Coastline         | Intense Holiday  | Tall Boy           |
| Commanding        | Jimmy Connors    | The Custodian      |
| Curve             | Kowboy Boots     | Thunder Moon       |
| Commandment       | Life Is a Joy    | Toast of New York  |
| Commissioner      | Mataador         | Tout               |
| Constitution      | Mental Iceberg   | Twenty Percent     |
| Crushed It        | Midnight Hawk    | Uncle Sigh         |
| Culprit           | Misconnect       | Undertaker         |
| Cut the Net       | Mr Speaker       | Vegas Strip        |
| Deceived          | Noble Moon       | Vicar's in Trouble |
| Dunkin Bend       | No Nay Never     | We Miss Artie      |
| Edison            | Only I Know      | Wicked Strong      |
| Effinex           | Oogeley Eye      | Wildcat Red        |
| Elevated          | Our Caravan      | Wry                |
| Excessive Kid     | Pacific          |                    |

Winner gets not a blanket of roses but the Inkin' Memorial, the Lincoln statue bobblehead that is the official Style Invitational trophy. Second place receives a genuine 2009 Kentucky Derby souvenir ball cap, donated by Loser Sam Laudenslager. The race that year, by the way, was won by the utter longshot Mine That Bird (Birdstone x Mining My Own), who retired two years later. But the 2009 Invite Derby was won by 371-time Loser and horse-naming specialist Jonathan Paul (Sir Phenomenal x Empire State = Knight Who Says NY), who, we wager, has already saddled up and headed for the starting gate once again.

**Other runners-up** win their choice of a yearned-for Loser Mug or the ardently desired "Whole Fools" Grossery Bag. Honorable mentions get a lusted-after Loser magnet, either the Po' Wit Laureate or Puns of Steel. First Offenders receive a smelly tree-shaped air "freshener" (FirStink for their first ink). **E-mail entries to losers@washpost.com** or, if you were born in the 19th century, fax to 202-334-4312. Deadline is Monday, April 14; results published May 4 (online May 1, two days before Derby Day). No more than 25 entries per entrant per week. Include "Week 1066" in your e-mail subject line or it might be ignored as spam. Include your real name, postal address and phone number with your entry. See contest rules and guidelines at [wapo.st/InvRules](http://wapo.st/InvRules). This week's honorable-mentions subhead is by Dave Prevar. Join the lively Style Invitational Devotees group on Facebook at [on.fb.me/invdev](http://on.fb.me/invdev), and click "like" on Style Invitational Ink of the Day at [bit.ly/inkofday](http://bit.ly/inkofday).

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some reason, the FBI didn't think the two of them made sense together the way my client did. (David Ballard, Reston)

**The polar vortex and a "Property of NSA" stick:** If you have one, you

may be snowed in; if you have the other, you may be Snowden. (Rob Cohen, Potomac)

More honorable mentions in the online Invite at [bit.ly/invite1066](http://bit.ly/invite1066).

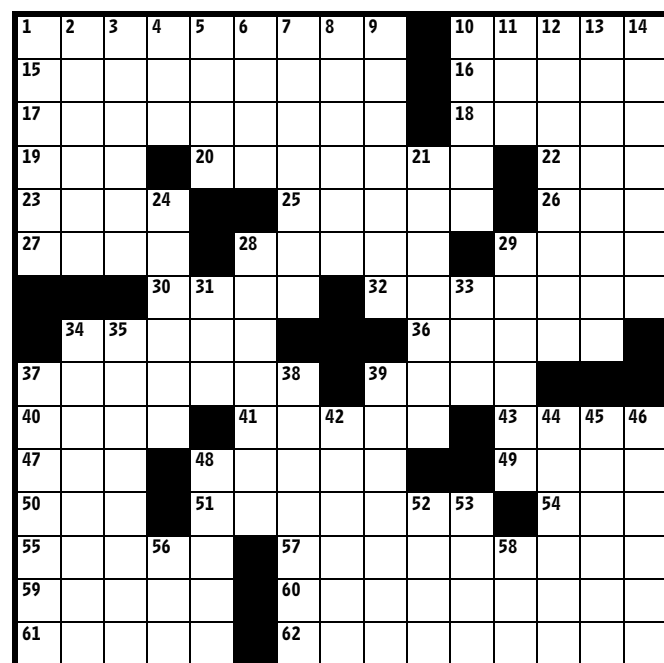
POST PUZZLER

No. 209

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- ACROSS**
- Summer place, maybe
  - Seize, with "onto"
  - South African writer and anti-apartheid leader
  - Role for which Davis and Hepburn were considered
  - "Fair Ball" writer
  - Prudhomme specialty
  - Say something wrong?
  - Former Style Network gossip show
  - Something that may be seen opening night?
  - Spanish pronoun
  - Says with resignation, say
  - Jerk
  - Let know
  - Person in a pool
  - Yahoo alternative?
  - Does some trimming
- DOWN**
- Snow White portrayal in "Snow White and the Huntsman"
  - It was created by the Missouri Compromise
  - Some spa treatments
  - "Saturday Night Live" alum Chris
  - Vice president who killed Hamilton
  - Myocardial infarction detectors, for short
  - Death is part of it
  - Simple stuff
  - Studebaker competitor
  - "Same"
  - "Excuse me?"
  - Blood group?
  - It's a livin' thing
  - Inst. founded by Thomas Jefferson
  - Symbol of authority
  - Tar catcher
  - Stock

- Like some unreliable evidence
- \_\_\_ mouth
- Level best?
- Air, e.g.
- Philippine province with a repetitive name
- Nickname in a newsworthy 1984 breakup
- Letter abbr.
- Gym-goer's request
- Work (out)
- Swears
- Band aide
- Maritime standards
- Orkney attractions
- Band that lost out to Sade for the Grammy for Best New Artist
- Tourist site that's closed to the public on Fridays
- Black-and-whites
- Item in a cradle
- Heptathlon event
- Board bigwigs
- Bake
- Show that had "King of the Ring" specials
- Any nonzero number raised to the zeroth power
- Poetic adverb
- Order on the Enterprise
- Toronto CFLer
- Brightens
- Dancing Queen
- Illegally captured
- Pasta choice
- Target of an unsuccessful 1995 coup
- Fancy spread
- Rice, for one
- Tannen's rival, in a 1985 film
- Work with a needle
- Cabs and the like
- Marbled ham feature
- Attacker of Sinbad's ship



Answer to last week, No. 208

COINSTAR TREATS  
ONNOTICE HEIGHT  
NEATIDEA ENDEAR  
GENEGIRL SEESTO  
AFIMESSUP RASH  
SUTRAS ENIDGIS  
SYS EXPARROT  
VEININTO  
PIPEDOWN LBS  
BINGILAPALOMA  
UZIS GALPALGAS  
RATHER MINIBARS  
TRIAGE ALACARTE  
ORANGS REMINDER  
NOLESSTSAAGENT



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