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#### THE STYLE INVITATIONAL

# Har Scrabble: Winning ScrabbleGrams neologisms

#### **BY PAT MYERS**

Week 1123 was our third annual Tile Invitational, in which we posted several dozen seven-letter "tile racks" used in ScrabbleGrams word puzzles and invited you to create your own terms of five, six or seven letters, or supply a funny definition of an actual word. Lots of people found "sin hour" in HINORSU, defining it as what comes right after happy hour.

#### 4th place

AAABKLV Lavabak: Hawaiian term meaning "mainlander forgot the sunscreen." (Dion Black, Washington)

### 3rd place

Glopess: The school EGLOPSS lunch lady. (Jeff Contompasis, Ashburn)

#### 2nd place and the **Doggie Doo pump game**

AACELMN Manlace: Really tattered underwear. (Jeff Shirley, Richmond)

#### And the winner of the **Inkin' Memorial**

EFFILRY Filefry: Somehow, Hillary's phone got infected by this bug. (Ricardo Rodriguez, Springfield, a First Offender)

#### Tilin' error: honorable mentions

AACELMN Ma Clean: The real brains behind the Magic Eraser. (Frances Hirai-Clark, Columbia)

**Manlace:** Burlap. — C. Norris, Hollywood (Bob Brown, Alexandria)

Lean Mac "Two all-beet patties ..." (Mark Raffman, Reston)

AADGGLR Glad-ag: The new major in cannabis farming at Colorado A&M. (Frances Hirai-

Ragglad: Relieved to find out you're not pregnant. (Rob Huffman, Fredericksburg)

Raglag: How long a spill gets to seep in before you sop it up. "With a 2-year-old in the house I've got my average raglag down to 3.7 seconds." (Danielle Nowlin, Fairfax Station)

AAIMRSU Isaruma: Unconfirmed gossip. (Pie Snelson, Silver Spring) ABCFILO Fib-o-cal: "Lite" food labels showing 14 servings for a box of pasta. (Jon Gearhart, Des Moines)

Flabio: The model for the covers of the new plus-size Farleyquin romance novels. (Roy Ashley, Washington)

Co-flab: The "sympathetic" weight your husband gains while

you're pregnant. (Danielle Nowlin) ABEITUX TexAb: It's less a sixpack and more of a case.

(Lawrence McGuire, Waldorf)

Beatux: The condition of the rental after a great prom. (Joanne Free, Clifton)

ABILORT Ratboil: Somehow, it never caught on the way the clambake did. (Barry Koch, Catlett,

Tai bro: The ancient martial art of fist-pumping and high-fiving. (Alex Jeffrey, Columbia)

ACDILOR Oil card: Until the middle of this decade, an ace in the hole. (Mark Raffman)

AC Lord: the household member who always controls the thermostat. (Rick Haynes, Boynton

Beach, Fla.) ADELNTW Nadlet: Anatomical feature of Porsche owners. (Mark

Raffman)

ADNORTU Art nod: Sage-looking head motion intended to make other gallery-goers think you have some idea what you're looking at. (Adam Beland, Fairfax)

AEGLMPU Plum age: Comes right before the prune age. (Steve

Honley, Washington) Pulmage: Nice pair of "lungs."

(Mike Gips, Bethesda)

AEMPRSV Ampervs: Clearly superior to those Europervs. (Todd DeLap, Fairfax)

Vampers: Thong diapers. (Jack McBroom, Fort Valley, Va.)

AHLOOPW: Phool: Unfamiliar with the latest slang. "Listen, bae, everyone's going to think you're phool unless your slang is on fleek." (Danielle Nowlin)

ALNOPPY Lo-nappy: What gangsta babies wear. (Rob Huffman)



# **New contest for Week 1127:** From the creators of . . .

Original: "Say Yes to the Dress." Spinoff: "Spend Bux on the Tux." Groom: This is the first thing I tried on and I like it fine. Groomsmen: Us. too. Salesman: So: Will you spend bux on the tux? Groom: Yeah. Okay, let's get some beer. [roll credits]

This week's contest comes from Obsessive Loser Jeff Contompasis, who with 447 blots of ink is next in line to reach the 500-blot Style Invitational Hall of Fame: Think up a spinoff of a real TV series, past or present, and furnish a description or bit of dialogue, as in the example above by JefCon, as the Loser Community calls him. Your entry shouldn't use much more space than Jeff's script.

Winner gets the Inkin' Memorial, the Lincoln statue bobblehead that is the official Style Invitational trophy. Second place receives one more in our continuing series of Weird Salt and Pepper Shakers: a merry pair of ceramic S&Ps depicting a grandma-grandpa-looking couple, except that Grandma has a giant bun in the oven under her apron. Upon which is lettered: "You and your 'once more for old times' sake'!" Donated by Nan Reiner.

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 designed by Bob Staake: either "The Wit Hit the Fan" or "Hardly Har-Har." 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 night, June 15; results published July 5 (online July 2). You may submit up to 25 entries per contest. Include "Week 1127" 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. The headline for this week's results was submitted separately by Great Minds Frank Osen, Chris Doyle and Kevin Dopart; the honorable-mentions subhead is by Jon Gearhart. Join the lively Style Invitational Devotees group on Facebook at on.fb.me/invdev. "Like" the Style Invitational Ink of the Day on Facebook at bit.ly/

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/



Shake it, Grandma — er, Ma: This week's salty (and peppery) second prize.

PayPol: A way to make an online donation directly to your candidate's checking account — no questions asked! (Beverley Sharp, Montgomery, Ala.)

BBHIRSU Rubbish: Having a propensity for frottage. "Stay away from that guy on the Metro — he's rubbish." (Bob Brown)

Br-ish: Just above freezing. (Chris Doyle, Ponder, Tex.)

BEEKNOT Bonkee: How you should not refer to your new girlfriend. (Elden Carnahan, Laurel)

CCELLOT Cellot: A phone fanatic. "Did you hear that Judy had a three-port docking station installed in her shower? What a cellot." (Danielle Nowlin)

CEHMOPR Emporch: To stash old things in out-of-the-way places. "Mom decided to emporch Grandpa for the duration of the birthday party." (John McCooey, Rehoboth Beach, Del.)

CELLOSY Cellosy: What Yo-Yo Ma would feel if he saw his cherished instrument between someone else's legs. (Jeff Shirley)

Coselly: Pompous and bombastic. "The new guy on ESPN isn't very accurate, but he sure is coselly." (Rob Huffman; Jamie Martindale, McLean)

Effilry: An exchange of

bad language. "The sniping at the party devolved into a volley of unrestrained effilry." (Dudley Thompson, Cary, N.C.)

Fry file: What currently has 275 items at the Texas Department of Corrections. (Mark

**Iffery:** A group of people that can't make a decision. "Jane didn't really care, so she waited patiently while the iffery debated which movie to see." (Amy Harris, Charlottesville)

**EHIMNPS** Mensi: Displaying a know-it-all attitude. "Don't get all mensi just because you got ink last week." (Amy Harris)

Penism: An utterance displaying a complete lack of knowledge of female matters, e.g., "Can't women swallow minicameras for gynecological exams?" (Danielle Nowlin)

EILMOSS SlimeOs: Cereal that's been sitting in milk too long. (Beverley Sharp)

**EKNRTUY** Tenyur: The word that persuaded the university to deny the English professor's request. (Beverley Sharp)

GIINPTY Pingity: An uncanny ability to set off metal detectors. "I put my belt, coins, watch and prosthetic leg in the bin, and they still had to pat me down. I guess I'm just really pingity." (Andy Bassett, New Plymouth, New Zealand)

Litorgy: Best-attended worship service ever! (Jeff Shirley)

HINORSU Ruinsho: Japanese term for someone who talks and texts in a movie theater. (William Kennard, Arlington)

MOOPSTT Potmost: Same as "topmost": highest. (John Shea, Philadelphia)

Tompost: The NFL's latest pile of fertilizer. (Dion Black)

Still running - deadline Monday night: Our Bob Staake cartoon caption contest. See bit.ly/ invite1126.

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BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY | JUNE 7: This year you will enjoy a surge of creativity. Your mind, emotions and energy work like a well-oiled machine. You will have the opportunity to go back to school to learn more or go into a different field of study. If you are single, you will intrigue quite a few people. The real question is: Who will intrigue you? If you are attached, your significant other expresses a great deal of interest in what you say and do, and vice versa. In a sense, you are getting to know each other again.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You may take in some news that might affect your view of a friendship. Your sense of humo emerges when dealing with a neighbor.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Be aware of a commitment you have made to someone. You can't disappoint this person. Maintain a low profile, and understand where you need to pitch in more.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You know what you want. Sometimes it is difficult to explain to others the hows and whys of a decision, but do your best to elaborate.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Manage what is happening with clarity and directness. Others respect your approach. One-on-one relating will get the best results. Open doors rather than shut them.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) Your imagination adds a quality of amusement to your day. Zero in on what is important, and don't settle for anything less.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You inevitably will find that you have too much to do and too much that you want to do. You may be overwhelmed by everything, but you will accomplish what you want.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Interacting with a child will make you feel like a kid again. A friend might be jealous of all the fun you are having.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You seem to have landed in a situation that makes you feel quite content. You might not be aware that others are observing you and

witnessing you embrace this new opportunity.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Help someone come out of his or her shell. You may be surprised by what this person chooses to say and do. Be more open about your expectations; ask yourself how reasonable they are.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You might not be able to make a sound judgment about a money matter. Postpone any big decisions for now. You might need more information. Understand that someone's resistance is there for a reason, as it allows more time for thought.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You naturally absorb all the currents that swirl around you, allowing you the opportunity to decide which ones you would like to get caught up in. Be willing to pull back if you do not feel comfortable with a commitment.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Know when you're best off saying little. Respond only when you need to. If you can walk away from your Sunday routine, do so. Count your change, and be aware of where you are putting your money.

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# Teen getting addicted to Internet porn

AMY

Ask Amy DICKINSON

Dear Amy: My husband and Iare professionals. We live in a $be autiful\ and$ affluent part of

the country.

We have two sons, ages 14 and 10. Some time ago we discovered that our older son had accessed pornography by creating a false account on our computer. After confessing, he seemed contrite and promised us that he wouldn't do it again, and we decided to give him another

A few months later, we gave  $him\ a\ smartphone\ for\ his\ 14th$ birthday, but we chose one that didn't have many bells and whistles. We made him sign the contract, and (just for good measure) I asked my younger son to hold on to the locked phone once the boys came home from school.

I found out yesterday that on the days that my younger son was at after-school activities, my older son was home watching porn. My husband and I are stunned, shocked, repulsed and have no idea where to go.

We are worried that if I enroll him in a group for porn addiction, he will learn other things that we would rather he not be exposed to. I am trying to

find research about this, but am not getting the information I am seeking. Other than this, my son gets all A's, plays a sport, reads voraciously and in general  $appears \ to \ be \ a \ responsible \ kid.$ Very Worried Mom

Your son created a fake account to view porn at home — and your longer-term reaction was to give him a smartphone and have his 10-year-old brother confiscate it after school. Really? Your older son's choice to return to his habit means it is more than youthful curiosity. You should do everything possible to control his access (and be alert about your younger son's Internet usage).

There is a lot of information on the increase of teens becoming "addicted" to Internet porn, including research papers published by the National Institutes of Health. This information, like the porn your son consumes, is just a click away.

The research on the impact of pornography on the adolescent brain is alarming. Teens who consume violent porn (the great majority of it involves violence) are much more likely to engage in aggressive or violent sexual behavior. They are far more likely to become sexually active

at an earlier age and to have (obviously) unrealistic views about sex and relationships.

Your family needs professional help and support. Anxiety may be an underlying issue for him. At the outset, you and your husband should try to reduce your hours at work so one can be home when the kids are there after school. Along with professional counseling and parental involvement, support and communication are crucial for your sons.

**Dear Amy:** I just finished asession with my teenage son's therapist. As the one-year mark  $of \, his \, suicide \, attempt$ approaches, we discussed the extra support he needs as he works through this anniversary.  $"Ripped-Off Mom's" \ concern$ over her child not receiving her due in terms of birthday gifts was certainly the comic relief I needed as I help my son cope with his clinical depression. Life Provides Perspective

This is an anniversary to celebrate. Thank you for providing this perspective.

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