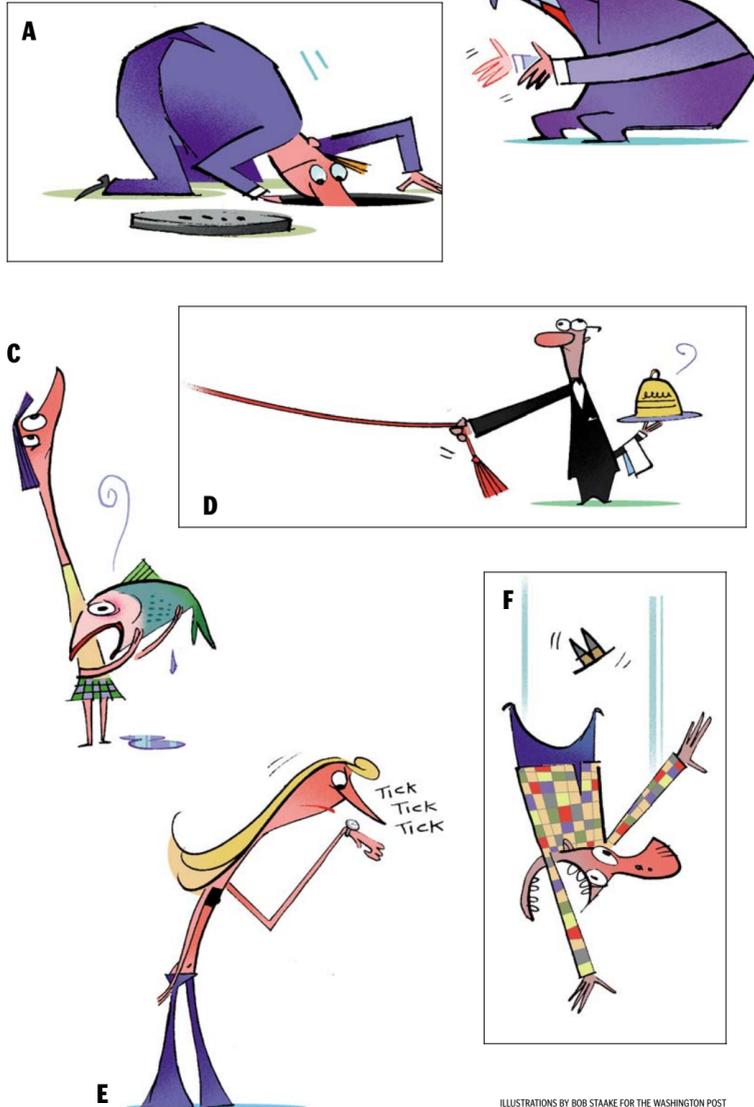


The Style Invitational

Week 511: It All Impends

This Week's Contest: In each of these cartoons, something unusual is about to happen. Tell us what it is. Explain as necessary. First-prize winner gets a necklace and earring set donated to the Style Invitational by Valerie Holt of Fort Washington, Ms. Holt, 10, fashioned the jewelry herself from vertebrae of a deceased raccoon. It is priceless.



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First Runner-Up wins the tacky but estimable Style Invitational Loser Pen. Other runners-up win the coveted Style Invitational Loser T-shirt. Honorable mentions get the mildly sought-after Style Invitational bumper sticker. Send your entries via fax to 202-334-4312 or by e-mail to losers@washpost.com. U.S. mail entries are no longer accepted. Deadline is Monday, June 30. All entries must include the week number of the contest and your name, postal address and telephone number. E-mail entries must include

the week number in the subject field. Contests will be judged on the basis of humor and originality. All entries become the property of The Washington Post. Entries may be edited for taste or content. Results will be published in four weeks. No purchase required for entry. Employees of The Washington Post, and their immediate relatives, are not eligible for prizes. Pseudonymous entries will be disqualified. The revised title for next week's contest is by Thos. Witte of Gaithersburg.

Report from Week 507, in which you were asked to come up with and name cocktails for the Washington area. Many people suggested "The Beltway," consisting of sloe gin and molasses.

- ◆ Third Runner-Up: **The Bill Bennett: Cherry brandy, cherry Coke and a cherry.** (Sara Ulyanova, San Pedro Sula, Honduras)
- ◆ Second Runner-Up: **The Al Gore: A tall drink, conspicuous by its absinthe. Just order "a stiff one."** (Jonathan Paul, Garrett Park; Chris Doyle, Forsyth, Mo.)
- ◆ First Runner-Up: **The Jesse Jackson: Schlitz, Manischewitz and a spritz of slivovitz, with a chaser of Rhine wine, moonshine and quinine.** (Chris Doyle, Forsyth, Mo.)
- ◆ And the winner of the wooden replica of the Windsor casino: **The WMD: Only water, but somehow, you still get bombed.** (Joe Cackler, Falls Church)

◆ Honorable Mentions:

- The Packwood: Aged Oregon wine. Stir with your tongue. Serve with an aged Old Grand-Dad chaser.** (Roy Ashley, Washington)
- The Defense Department: A bottle of Bud. \$235.** (Marc Leibert, New York; Bob Bonsall, Bryans Road, Md.)
- The Ford's Theatre: A shot of Booth's dry gin. It goes right to the head.** (Scott Campisi, Wake Village, Tex.; Gary Patishnock, Laurel)
- The Legislative Process: Each person in the bar adds one ingredient of his own choosing.** (Michael Burgess, Germantown)
- The Marion Barry: Coke over cracked ice. It is customary to order this by saying, "Bitch, set me up!"** (Bird Waring, New York)
- The Gary Condit: O.J. with a twist.** (Geneva Collins, Silver Spring)
- The Jordanpollin: Oil and water.** (Mel Loftus, Holmen, Wis.)
- The Henry Cisneros: Tequila with a little honey on the side.** (Chuck Smith, Woodbridge)
- The IRS: A bloody mary made with your own blood.** (Mel Loftus, Holmen, Wis.)
- The Bob Dole: Stout and pineapple juice, served straight up.** (Russell Beland, Springfield; Jeff Brechlin, Potomac Falls)
- The Stephanopoulos: Ouzo, Squirt. Always pour short.** (Jeff Brechlin, Potomac Falls)
- The Tourist: Take one measure of vodka, then add—wait, no, start with one measure of gin, then add a measure of vod . . . no, it's 1 1/2 measures of vodka, then add creme de cassis—what on Earth is creme de cassis? Can I just add cherry brandy instead? Then add orange juice—ewww, this isn't like the orange juice back home—and garnish with a slice of lime. It costs HOW MUCH???** (Ron Bottomly, Columbia)
- The Miss Manners: A cordial, neat.** (Jennifer Hart, Arlington)
- The Rummy: Rum, piss and vinegar.** (Ben McCulloch and Laurie McCabe, Falls Church)
- The Wizards: Take any draught selection, allow it to go flat.** (Russell Beland, Springfield)
- The U.S. Forest Service: A clear lager.** (Russell Beland, Springfield)
- The Trent Lott: Separate but equal parts Kahlua and cream.** (Jeff Tomasevich, Washington)
- The Dick Cheney: A glass of red wine, daily.** (Carrie Foster, Washington)
- The Presidential Cabinet: Rum, just rum.** (John Tuohy, Arlington)
- The Czar: Use only the best ingredients. Measure the proportions precisely. Serve in the finest crystal. Then pour down the toilet, because The Czar isn't going to like it, anyway.** (Roy Ashley, Washington)

Next Week: Fauxcabulary



TODAY'S HOROSCOPE | Jeraldine Saunders

- CANCER (June 21-July 22):** You could be shooting yourself in the foot. You feel undeserving and undervalued; try to be confident. Visualize your needs and your wishes will be fulfilled. Someone will come through for you.
- LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** You're taking a second look at someone you've long kept on a pedestal and adored from afar. Harmonious lunar influences give you courage and confidence to know you're indeed on an equal footing.
- VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** In setting goals, you are single-minded and possess willpower. You may have to take care of a bill involving other people's money. Libra is on your mind.
- LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** You're seeing partners in a new light. You may be annoyed about restrictions that have been put in your path. This evening promises romance.
- SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** You're projecting desires into a phantom situation. Take a second look at your wishful thinking. You will accomplish
- your aims but not in the way you expect.
- SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** There's news from forgotten friends and associates. A surprise pops out of nowhere. Your innate wisdom dressed up in a novel style solves a riddle or problem today.
- CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Whatever you say and do today has lasting consequences. In order to pull something off, you have to indulge in cool deliberation. Truth will prevail.
- AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Follow your instincts in getting answers today. Others don't see you as you are. You have to present something twice to be heard. Sports occupies your time.
- PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** A fresh wind is blowing. Without knowing it, you're stamping your own singular style on the issues in your life. You're attracting a new crowd into your orbit. Avoid haste.
- ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Lunar influences are begging you to let go of the past. Tired of the old, you long for a
- change. Another chapter is about to begin; make certain you are in charge.
- TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** There's much activity on the home front; it may involve gardening, the outdoors and pleasant events. Double-check your depleted finances and discover a pleasant surprise.
- GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** You follow the suggestion of a loving friend and treat yourself to a makeover. You'd like to improve your appearance. Result: You will feel rather good about yourself.
- IF JUNE 22 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:** Your difficult childhood has well equipped you to face life. You're independent with leadership qualities. Never mind how hard you fall—you always recover. With your sun aligned with Saturn in a harmonious angle to Uranus and Mars—and as long as honesty prevails and there's no speculation—this year should see you pulling off a hat trick that may be media- or art-related. Double-check contracts before signing. A year to enjoy.

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Opening lead: ♦ 5

In 1985, Alfred Sheinwold was non-playing captain of the U.S. world championship team. An NPC's job is like a lion tamer's: He chooses the lineup (only four players compete at once) and must stroke the monumental egos of six

world-class experts in the interest of team harmony. Sheinwold led his squad to the final against Austria but, with the score close, two U.S. stars wandered into today's six diamonds. North's one club merely showed a good hand. South's one diamond conventionally promised a few values. North's three diamonds set the trump suit, and aggressive cue bids led to slam. South needed all kinds of luck. He took the ace of diamonds, ruffed a spade, led a diamond to the queen, ruffed a spade and cashed the king of diamonds. Both defenders followed. South next ran four hearts – the fall of the jack was pleasant – and led the ace and a low spade. East won and led a club, and South took the ace plus a good spade. The slam would fail 19 times in 20, but this time the United States gained heavily. At intermission, North-South argued heatedly, blaming each other for the terrible contract, and Sheinwold had to assert himself as captain. "You're a few deals away from a world title," Freddy lectured sternly. "Forget that deal." They did. The U.S. wound up crushing Austria by 75 IMPs.

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