

# The Style Invitational

**THIS WEEK'S CONTEST**

## Week 656: It's Post Time



BY BOB STAAKE FOR THE WASHINGTON POST

Ever a Friend + Throng = What's Throng  
 Barbican + Up an Octave = Ken Can't  
 El Chile Dog + Irving's Run = Irving's Runs

It's yet another time around the track for one of the year's most popular wastes of time. Below is a list of 100 of the more than 400 3-year-old racehorses nominated for this year's Triple Crown races. You get to "breed" any two of these contenders — never mind that almost every one is male — and name their hypothetical foal. Like the names of the real horses, the foal's name cannot exceed 18 characters and spaces combined. We don't want to put a limit on how many entries you can submit, but remember that this is the Kentucky Derby of humor contests, and, say, "Brilliant + Confederate = Robert E. Lee" isn't quite gonna make the cut for cleverness and originality. So don't send every last thing that occurs to you. There's only one Empress here.

Winner receives the Inker, the official Style Invitational trophy. First runner-up gets a matched set of Van Gogh's Nose and Picasso's Ear, both courtesy of Truly Artistic Loser Kevin Mellema of Falls Church. These are rubbery things you can toss against a wall or computer, and then they'll slide slowly down. (Kevin modestly declined to offer up his own body parts, considering himself no more accomplished than Pissarro or Braque.)

Other runners-up win a coveted Style Invitational Loser T-shirt. Honorable mentions (or whatever they're called this week) get one of the listed-after-Style Invitational Magnets. One prize per entrant per week. Send your entries by e-mail to [losers@washpost.com](mailto:losers@washpost.com) or, if you really have to, by fax to 202-334-4312. Deadline is Monday, April 10. Put "Week 656" in the subject line of your e-mail, or it risks being ignored as spam. Include your name, postal address and phone number with your entry. Contests are 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 April 30, the Sunday before the Kentucky Derby. 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 Tom Witte of Montgomery Village. The Honorable Mentions name is discourtesy of Meg Sullivan of Potomac.

**REPORT FROM WEEK 652**

Our perennial "Jeopardy!"-style game in which you came up with questions for our 12 bizarre "answers":

- 4 Answer: *Brown v. Board of Zoning Appeals, Gaithersburg.* Question: What event led to the tragic Clarksburg Latte Riots of 2006? (Kevin Dopart, Washington)
- 3 The *California Raisinets*: What name is the '60s rock group Moby Grape performing under now? (Art Grinath, Takoma Park; Peter Metrinko, Chantilly)
- 2 The winner of the children's book "You Have Head Lice!": The things that you're liable to read in the Bible: What is the first line of this poem? "... are marvelous stories in many respects, / Relating begettings, dismemberment, tribal / Hostilities, murder, incestuous sex." (Chris Doyle, Forsyth, Mo.)



**AND THE WINNER OF THE INKER:**  
**1 Pyramus and Frisbee:**  
 What couple had an ill-fated fling? (Sue Lin Chong, Baltimore)

**AND THE BLINDFOLDED MONKEY'S DART ALSO LANDED ON . . .**

- 17 percentage points  
 What's the Bush administration's new definition of "mandate"? (Jay Shuck, Minneapolis)
- What does Dick Cheney have left to lose? (Mark Young, Washington)
- What is the increase in odds for an average Loser to get ink in The Style Invitational if Brendan Beary is allowed to win only once each week? (Drew Bennett, Alexandria)

Do women still expect us to help them into the front seat and close the door before going around to the other side? (Elwood Fitzner, Valley City, N.D.)

*Rock-Paper-Scissors for Dummies*  
 What uses real rocks, paper and scissors? (Chuck Smith, Woodbridge)

*Bruce Springstein-Goldfarb*  
 Who is the frontman for the Oy Street Band? (John Rogers, Waldorf; Mark Young)

What's third on the West Virginia bestseller list after "Who is Buried in Grant's Tomb for Dummies" and "The Big Book of Sudokus With Almost All the Numbers Filled In Already"? (Candakai K. Madhavan, Alexandria; Tom Witte, Montgomery Village)

Who sang, "Bubbe, we were born to run"? (Chris Doyle)

In what game does a Winston Churchill always beat an Adolf Hitler? (Russell Beland, Springfield)

*The California Raisinets*  
 What did Arnold Schwarzenegger rename his family jewels after years of steroid use? (Stephanie Yoo, Macedon, N.Y.; Mike McNeil, White Hall, W.Va.)

*Brown v. Board of Zoning Appeals, Gaithersburg*  
 Which Supreme Court case ended the ugly legacy of Plessy v. Ferguson Towing? (Jay Shuck)

What is the name of the San Diego senior citizen swim team? (Judith Cottrill)

What fictitious case was the plot device for the Peanuts flop "It's Your Petition for a Land Use Variance, Charlie Brown"? (Brendan Beary)

*Definitely Not Control-Top Pantyhose*  
 What was the biggest surprise in "The Crying Game"? (Sue Lin Chong)

So what is Marcia Clark doing now? (Pam Sweeney, Germantown)

What did William Donald Schaefer say after he asked the intern to walk past him again? (Steve Fischer, Annapolis)

*Pyramus and Frisbee*  
 What did they play during intermission at Shakespeare in the Park? (John Folse, Bryans Road)

Given the choice among control-top pantyhose, a Keivar vest and a Day-Glo orange hat, what do you want to bring on a hunting trip with the vice president? (Marc Leibert, New York)

What mythological story was turned into a musical, "The Fantastisks"? (Bruce Alter, Fairfax Station)

What was the costume department's brilliant idea during filming of "Basic Instinct"? (Ira Allen, Bethesda; Michelle Stupak, Ellicott City)

*Maxwell's Alabastrite™ Ball Peen Hammer*

*Angelina Jolie's pinkie*  
 What is attached to the other end of Brad Pitt's nose ring? (Selma Mathias Ferris, Harrisonburg, Va.)

What did Agent Smart use to finally nail 99? (Rob Kloak, Springfield)

There is more talent in Reese Witherspoon's pinkie than in what? (Jay Shuck)

What was Ted Bundy's favorite collectible from the Franklin Mint? (Kevin Dopart)

What is Brad Pitt after a full day of nude sunbathing? (Brad Alexander, Wanneroo, Australia)

In addition to "Lucy in the Sky With a Diamond Drill Bit" and "I Want to Hold Your Handsaw," what song did Paul and Ringo sing at their gig at a Peoria Home Depot? (Jeff Brechlin)

What can I get you to bring back for me? And it'll hurt, right? You're not a cop, are you? — J. Aniston, Los Angeles (Mark Young)

Next Week: It's the Eponymy, Stupid, or Ne-who-logisms

What did Bill Clinton tell Hillary about his relationship with Monica that is entirely true? (Larry Carnahan, Arlington)

### Breed These Horses!

Use these names for this week's Style Invitational:

- A Big To'Do
- A.P. Warrior
- Achilles of Troy
- A Giant Valentine
- Americanrevolution
- Art Museum
- Barbaro
- Barbican
- Big Mistake

- Blazing Rate
- Bluegrass Cat
- Brilliant
- Bob and John
- Brother Derek
- Cause to Believe
- Circle the World
- Confederate
- Crossword
- Deputy Glitters
- Devil's Concierge
- Doc Cheney
- Dubai Gold

- Dynamite Will
- Eight Ball
- El Chile Dog
- El Nino
- Evaluate
- Ever a Friend
- Express News
- Fabled
- First Samurai
- Flashy Bull
- Get Off the Sugar
- Half Ours
- Hemingway's Key

- He's a Lumberjack
- He's Got Grit
- Henny Hughes
- High Blues
- I Believe in Me
- Ice N Lemon
- Ironstar
- Irving's Run
- Itsallaboutthechase
- Jolted and Jostled
- Just as Well
- Kennebunkport
- Keyed Entry

- Laptop Computer
- Last Gran Standing
- Lawyer Ron
- Lemon Law
- Lethal Missile
- Lightning Romance
- Like Now
- Little Genius
- Malameeze
- Master of Disaster
- Mr. Fourjay
- Morethanamouthful
- Music From Heaven

- New Joysee Jeff
- Objective
- On Board Again
- One Lucky Buck
- Parading
- Platinum Couple
- Point Determined
- Press Gently
- Private Vow
- Racketeer
- Record
- Red Raymond
- Refinery

- Rehoboth
- Riproarious
- Riverdale
- Rob 'Em Blind
- Root Beer City
- Sayhellotolary
- Sensational Humor
- Showing Up
- Sorcerer's Stone
- Starbucks Day
- Steppenwolver
- Sweetnorthernstaint
- The Five J's

- Throng
- Tiznow or Never
- Too Much Bling
- Totally Gone
- Tug o'War
- Up an Octave
- War God
- Well Said
- With a City
- Within Reason
- Yes He's the Man
- Your Tent or Mine
- Zodiac Zack

## And Then She Just Went All Cellular on Me . . .

CELLPHONE, From D1

is the hits that count . . .

Meanwhile, the "cellphone bandit," Candice Martinez, stuck up four Virginia banks last year while talking on a cellphone. And a Sprint ad shows two guys in a locker debating the merits of their cellphones. One says his Sprint phone is a "crime deterrent." To prove it he invites the other guy to try to steal his wallet, then throws it at him, hard.

We will hit . . .

The point: Are cellphones the new nun-chucks, blackjacks, throwing stars or brass knuckles? Are we about to see a movie called "Cellphone Ninja," starring Steven Seagal?

Is the government doing anything about this? Answer: nothing in particular, the same way it did so little about firearms for so long.

At the Bureau of Justice statistics, a spokesman says that weapons are categorized as guns, knives or other sharp objects, blunt objects or "other." A cellphone is merely "other." But is it lethal?

"Any weapon can be lethal," he says.

That little featherweight handful of plastic — ask Naomi Campbell's maid about "lethal" after her trip to Lenox Hill hospital. Imagine if Campbell had been armed with the \$5,700 Vertu Ascent Motorsport cellphone made of "carbon fiber and a patented composite material called Liquidmeal, reputed to be twice as hard as stainless steel," according to the New York Times — a cellphone so tough that you can drive a car over it.

Why does anyone need a cellphone that tough? Then again, why did Dirty Harry need the hand cannon known as the .44 magnum? The answer should be obvious. Like size, toughness matters.

The cellphone is not just something you call your boyfriend with, it's also something you break his head with, if he really, really needs it. And he has to know



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**Model Naomi Campbell allegedly hit her housekeeper in the head with a cellphone.**

you can do it. Watch for more magnum cellphones on the market.

There may come to be a whole new meaning to the phrase "I'm losing you, you're breaking up."

Cellphone-control lobbyists will fight to keep people from carrying them concealed, if at all.

Cellphone advocates will hand out bumper stickers reading, "I'll give up my cellphone when they pry my cold, dead fingers from it." As people already say about their cellphones: *My cellphone is my best friend.*



BY JOSHUA ROBERTS — REUTERS

**A telephone hit parade: Actor Russell Crowe, right, was arrested for throwing a phone at a hotel employee. Rep. Cynthia McKinney (D-Ga.), above, was accused of "stabbing" a Capitol Hill policeman with her cellphone. Candice Martinez, left, the "Cellphone Bandit," received 12 years in prison for robbing four Virginia banks while chatting on her cellphone.**



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