



## Fall 2020 Bent Caption Contest Results

The "I Love Coffee!!" Contest.

The Fall 2020 caption contest image, above, was taken at the 1980 Convention in Tulsa, OK. John Mardirosian, MA Z '81, grabs some coffee during a well-earned break. If you have ever been to Convention, you might relate.

Results:

First Place: #3 - . "This coffee is strong enough to grow hair on your face." – Darrell J. Scott, NC D '82

Second Place: #23 - "Wait till they hear back in Crabtree how I cleverly disguised this quarter keg of beer as a coffee urn - THAT's Engineering!!!!" – Christopher F. Sullivan. MA Z '81

Third Place (3-way tie) -#4 - "After the Beauty and the Beast play closed, Ms. Pott's husband had to "urn" a living at the Tulsa Convention as a coffee pot". – Paul L. Eckley, P.E., NV A '75

#26 - "The exact moment that John "Keurig" Mardirosian was hit with inspiration for a quick single serving coffee maker." – Daniel L. Stickler, KY B '76

#48 - "Here's to all the conference attendees who remain unharmed because I have coffee and a sense of humor". – Steven S. Golemme, IL A '20

\_\_\_ 1. "Darn, do I lift up or push down...?"

-----2. "This has got to be the fifth time I've told myself "ok just one more."

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**Third** 4. "After the Beauty and the Beast play closed, Ms. Pott's husband had to "urn" a living at the Tulsa Convention as a coffee pot".

\_\_\_ 5. "Aww, shucks, Coffee Urn...Do you REALLY like my necktie - or do you say that to ALL the engineers you meet?"

\_\_\_ 6. "After staying up all night to finish the calculus homework assigned to those of us attending the Tau Beta Pi Conference in Tulsa, this coffee is a *LIFESAVIOR!*"

\_\_\_ 7. "For our after dinner entertainment, we have a special treat for you tonight. Ladies and gentlemen, John Mardirosian and his amazing dancing robot!"

\_\_\_ 8. "It's the third time I've entered the password, and still no coffee!"

\_\_\_ 9 "Grandpa Musk, inspired by the structure of the coffee urn, muttered "I'm sure it can take off AND land vertically!"

\_\_\_ 10. "That better be an *oil* leak, R2D2."

\_\_\_ 11. "Yes, I know you dressed up for the occasion, R2D2, but you still should have gone to the bathroom before we left the house!"

\_\_\_ 12." This is the last time I let the Fine Arts Department design the concrete test cylinders! "

\_\_\_ 13." Am I the only one who thinks there's a serious center-of-gravity issue with this quadcopter concept?"

\_\_\_ 14. "The seller assured me it's the rocket ship model used in the 1954 film *Conquest of Space*."

\_\_\_ 15. "This is what you get when you ask a furniture company to design a coffee maker."

\_\_\_ 16. "I envision that someday there'll be a smaller, sleeker version that can process individual servings using small pla

\_\_\_ 17. "I've been staring at this for over ten minutes, and I still don't see the spigot."

\_\_\_ 18. "I can't believe my tie got stuck in this contraption."

\_\_\_ 19. "Hmm...There's a handle here labelled "LIFT OFF". I wonder what'll happen when I.."

\_\_\_ 20. "This liquid nitrogen dewer is much fancier than that in the lab."

\_\_\_ 21. "The photographer exposed his caffeine habit in a flash."

\_\_\_ 22. "I sure hope this morning's Folgers overcomes last night's Harvey Wallbanger."

**Second** 23. " Wait till they hear back in Crabtree how I cleverly disguised this quarter keg of beer as a coffee urn - THAT's Engineering!!!!"

\_\_\_\_24. "John Mardirosian is thinking: "You know you have been doing this too long when even the coffee urn looks like the Tau Beta Pi Bent!"

\_\_\_\_25. "Ahhhh, Coffee! The elixir of life! "

**Third** 26. "The exact moment that John "Keurig" Mardirosian was hit with inspiration for a quick single serving coffee maker."

\_\_\_\_27. "What's not to love about free coffee?"

\_\_\_\_28. "You could never have enough coffee with your sugar. "

\_\_\_\_29. "I know you're only a prototype, R2D2, but hold still while I install this new chip! "

\_\_\_\_30. "Na bro, it's not the Stanley Cup!"

\_\_\_\_31. "It looks like this robot is going to hug me!"

\_\_\_\_32. "Ah, what a fine reactor vessel! So reminiscent of my days in Chemical Engineering Lab."

\_\_\_\_33. "Honest, the coffee urn leaked on my trouser front! "

\_\_\_\_34. "I wonder if this is the Manhattan cocktail fountain."

\_\_\_\_35. "Dang, there must be an app for this!"

\_\_\_\_36. "In the coffee again. This is why I hate wearing ties!"

\_\_\_\_37. "Let's see: liquid hydrogen goes in here, liquid oxygen goes in there..."

\_\_\_\_38. "I sure wish this was beer."

\_\_\_\_39. "Who designed this thing without a spigot?"

\_\_\_\_40. "I'd better fill my thermos mug before anyone notices!"

\_\_\_\_41. "Maybe someday my ashes will join the TBP memorial urn/chapter hockey trophy."

\_\_\_\_42. "Earthling, take me to your leader."

\_\_\_\_43. "In a cosmic crossing of the streams, John "The Mandalorian" Mardirosian dukes it out with a "Doctor Who" Dalek."

\_\_\_\_44. "Robotics engineer Fred Kenobi makes final adjustments to R1-D1 before its first deployment."

\_\_\_\_45. "I don't know who got this Monty Python memorabilia for the Delta Chapter Silent Auction, but I'm bidding my entire month's \$250 paycheck on it!"

\_\_\_\_46. "This model illustrates the two guidance dingle-arms aligned in a 180-degree phase detracting symmetry to assist the four logarithmic booster engines."

\_\_\_\_47. "I do what I can to make the world a happier place. For example, I'll drink my weight in coffee today."

**Third** 48. "Here's to all the conference attendees who remain unharmed because I have coffee and a sense of humor".