Spring 2019 Bent Caption Contest

Here we have a picture from the Alumni Notes department of the Summer 1988 issue of The Bent in which (eventual centenarian) Alfred J. Ferretti, MA E ’17, right, former mechanical engineering department chairman and acting dean of the College of Engineering at Northeastern, celebrates his 92nd birthday at the faculty center at Northeastern University. On the left is TBP faculty advisor John Zotos, MA E ’54.

Below are all of the entries. The top six are indicated next to the entry.

# Five____ 1. “Hey, check out the guy in the Argyle Sweater!”

# Six____ 2. “He still hasn’t passed the EIT.”

____ 3. " My twin here just loves chocolate."

____4. “Can you believe this guy wears argyle to a birthday party?”

____5. " Always keeping a watchful eye."

#2____ 6. “Hey, I thought my sweater was really ugly, until I saw what this guy on my right was wearing!”

____7. " Who do you think gave me the sweater?"

(OVER)
8. "Thank you for noticing. Yes, our mother does like to dress us alike!"

9. "Mom always said no one could tell us apart!"


11. "He tried to tell me we're both really Scottish because we like tartan sweaters. I told him he's nuts."

12. "Don't look at me. He's the reason they're going to repurpose these vests into pillows 30 years from now."

13. "The argyle sweater club was his idea."

14. "This guy thinks I look like Reddy Kilowatt!"

15. "This guy just stole my retirement watch."


17. "You're right, we are identical twins, and we even wear identical sweater vests. The only way you can tell us apart is that John here wears contacts, while I wear glasses."

18. "Please get John here a new coffee cup. For some reason he won't even touch the one he has, just because I soaked my teeth in it."

19. "In this situation, I will not exploit my opponent's youth and inexperience."

20. "My plaid is funkier than his plaid."

21. "I'm Jean-Luc Picard to his Jean-Luc Hirsute."

22. "Get a load of that ugly sweater!"

23. "Well, Stanley, here's another fine mess you've gotten me into!"

24. "Ha! Your DNA test can't tell me from my identical twin brother!"

25. "These sweaters are older than any of our students."

26. "We get a kick out of wearing matching outfits."

27. "I hear argyle is the new preppie look."

28. "With my assistant Igor here, we will demonstrate the human Rubik's Cube hypothesis."

29. "When I tell this guy I'm an engineer, he says 'Oh, so you drive trains then?' "
30. “Yep, we both got our sweaters from Sears but mine is a lot older than his.”
31. “That mock silent applause is exceeded only by the fiendish scowl on his face!”
32. “He carries that imaginary football with him everywhere.”
33. “We’re identical twins, can’t you tell?”
34. “He’s grimacing because his coffee cup just dropped in his lap.”
35. “He tells that story about his winning touchdown every year.”
36. “What can I say, he owns an argyle sweater factory.”
37. “That’s unfair. He always uses two hands when we arm wrestle.”
38. “Well, Boris, me thinks he who smelt it, dealt it”
39. “Yes, we’re dress-alike twins, but he’s older by a minute and needs glasses!”
40. “Too much schnapps in his coffee.”
41. “Can you believe that he is not on Instagram yet!”
42. “He said that burrito was GRRREAT!”
43. “My protégé, John, has always shown brilliant fashion sense!”
44. “Our wives were on the phone for five hours discussing what sweater to wear.”
45. “He wants me to invest in some unknown startup company called Capital One!”
46. “Left: ‘I have a grrrreat idea!’ Right: ‘You think that’s exciting? You should see him after two coffees.’”
47. “Left: ‘This is the best coffee ever!’ Right: ‘First time he’s tried Irish cream coffee.’”
48. “I don’t have to change my sweater. My rhombi are taller and skinnier than his.”
49. “Ha ha. Check out the short, chubby rhombi on his sweater.”
50. “Fashion faux pas? I don’t have to change my sweater. His rhombi have equal acute and obtuse angles. Mine don’t.”

(OVER)
51. "He still has his real teeth."

52 "You can tell John over here is still excited about that first sweater Santa Claus brought him just after the war."

53. “As you can see, he's got the crosshatching all wrong."

54 “One more glass of wine and we'll do the full comedy routine."

55. “And he thinks he's been around the block? We'll see where he is in another 36 years! ”

56. “John: ‘and that's how Al and I became friends’ .Al: ‘don't believe a word he's saying... This is a roast!’ ”

57. "John: ‘you see, this is no ordinary cup! You just push this hidden button here and it also is a lab grade centrifuge. ‘ Al: ‘would you believe this guy?!’ ”

58. "Sharing expenses in retirement has been great. Next week I get the toothbrush and he gets the razor."

59. "He doesn't believe that Intel is working on a replacement for the 386 microprocessor!"

60. "The winners of the ugly Argyle sweater contest."

61. “You’re not going to believe this, but remember that story you told me? Well I just told him and he actually believed it!”

62. “Just a little Irish coffee will liven up any meeting!”

63. "Who’s on first, What’s on second, and I Don’t Know is on third....."

64. "OMG, John. I wouldn’t be caught dead in that sweater!"

65. “John, here, thinks he can take the CAKE (Chief Argyle Knit Engineer) on my birthday.”

66. “Ran into this guy at the Engineer’s Argyle Outlet last weekend."

67. “Ha! He only knows Pi to 10 decimal places!"

68. “Design a phone with no cords? What’s up with this guy!"

69. "So our suggested structures for the DNA structure didn't win Nobel Prizes, we did get some nice sweaters out of it!"

70. "He can have the coffee, he just better keep his hands off my cake."