

# Tough Pigs Yearbook 2007



**compiled by Ryan Roe**

Well, 2007 certainly was a year, wasn't it? Yes it was, and nowhere was that more evident than on the Tough Pigs forum, where we talked about stuff during every single month of 2007, from January all the way to September, plus a few months after that. Apparently we were especially funny in March and May, which suggests an increase in Tough Pigs wit during months beginning with the letter M. Oh, and 2007 is also notable for being the year when the Tough Pigs took one step closer to communicating solely via images.

By this time, many of us have been hanging out at the Tough Pigs forum for a few years now, so we've all established our own unique voices. So here's something fun to try as you read the yearbook: Cover up the names attributed to each post, and try to guess who said what. Can you identify everyone's style, or do you find it impossible to distinguish between Martha and Peter? Or between Tom and lizalicious8?

Now on with the yearbook! Special thanks to those who nominated posts – Michal, Martha, Beth, Cathy, Joe, Anthony, and Peter -- and to everyone on the forum for being clever.

**Tough Pigs dreams**

Jan 8 • 9244.279

**Tom**

It's always a good time to say hi to dream-Tootie.

**Danny at school**

Jan 9 • 10176.4

**Shawn**

You know what you could teach them? You could teach them how to shut up and make me a highball. Not enough schools are ensuring kids know how to do that these days.

**Mighty Weaklings on Jack's Music Show**

Jan 11 • 10180.2-3

**Scott**      Also, only on the internet can you see comments by Ryan Dillon and Peter Linz sandwiching myfatcock.

**Kynan**      A sensational last-minute dash for yearbook glory!

**Leah's Class**

Jan 18 • 10195.1

**Peter**

The big New York statewide English examinations took place this Tuesday and Wednesday. Leah's been prepping her kids for a while now, and as a sort of gift to them (and herself), she brought in movies to watch in the afternoon.

She gave the kids the option between Muppet Treasure Island, which she had never seen, and The Emperor's New Groove. They voted democratically, and Muppet Treasure Island eked out a win by a vote or two. What follows is based entirely on real people and events that occurred about an hour into the movie.

Little Girl: Miss, this a Muppet Movie, right?

Leah: Yes, it is.

Little Girl: Yo, where the hell Miss Piggy at?

Once Piggy had finally made her appearance, in the time when Kermit is watching her but she hasn't seen him yet, the following transpired:

Little Boy: He right there! Why she can't see him?

Little Girl #2: He mad little, yo!

They didn't finish the movie on Tuesday, and, needless to say, the kids opted not to finish it on Wednesday either, deciding to go with The Emperor's New Groove instead. Leah then took the opportunity to teach them a little civics lesson, explaining that even in a democracy, sometimes you end up electing George Bush.

**MST 3K**

Jan 20 • 10082.7-12

**Danny**

At some point, I'm going to go through my MST collection and find all the Muppet references. But that's a lot of episodes. So.

**Scott**

I think you should do that tomorrow morning.

**Danny**

Yeah, I'm working on it.

**Scott**

Done yet?

**Danny**

Yup, all done. Unfortunately, the whole wiki's down, so I can't post it. And I wrote it on flammable paper. So who knows if it'll last until tomorrow?

**Scott**

Dreams never do.

[minor mode decrescendo]

**Celebrity relatives**

Jan 22 • 10194.18-20

**Kynan** I'm just saying, what if some remarkable individual in your heritage was linked to both George Washington AND Princess Diana.

Someone with very pretty eyes...and wooden teeth.

**David B** Yes ... that would be remarkable...

And that person is ... ME!

\*sets wooden teeth ablaze whilst batting impossibly beautiful eyes\*

**Cathy** You're pretty.

**Comic book fanboys**

Jan 24 • 9185.692-694

**Joe**            When you've got Superman in your heart, it's always a good time.

**Ryan R**        You might want to see a doctor about that.

**Michal**        That made me chuckle aloud, which sent librarians scurrying everywhere.

[Michal]



**Ugly Oscars**

Jan 24 • 10215.8-12

**Ryan R**

Magic Slates make me think of dentists' waiting rooms.

**Cathy**

Yes! But the ones in the waiting rooms were always messed up because some kid before you had already scratched out the black surface underneath or written over the entire thing in pen. Jerks.

**Ryan R**

It's good to know someone else experienced the same childhood trauma.

**Cathy**

I'm there for you. Is there a word for SIRE when it's of the tramautic sort?

**Michal**

Yes.

SIREAAAAAAUUUUGH

**Ugly Oscars**

Jan 28 • 10215.18-20

**Ryan R** If we ever run out of Muppets, we could someday have an Ugly Oswald the Rabbit Pageant.

**Danny** I hope we never run out of Muppets.

**Ryan R** Well, you know what I mean. Messed-up Muppets. Repulsive Muppets. Muppets who look like they've been run over, dropped off a skyscraper, squeezed in a vise, and given a stupid haircut.

Ugly Muppets.

[Martha]

**A present for the Tough Pigs**

Feb 6 • 10253.18-22

**Anthony** Maybe the Cold Stone is a portal from Utah to PA. That would be weird.

**Ryan** It would also be a great jumping-off point for a TV series about Quinn and Danny solving supernatural mysteries across the continent, and still getting home in time for dinner. Plus, we'd finally get to see that Punkimonkey-Carter team-up we've all been waiting for.

**Quinn** And like all the best team-ups, Carter and Punkimonkey would start out hating each other, but would begrudgingly accept each others' strengths.

**Danny** But Punkimonkey doesn't *\*have\** any strengths.

[Michal]

**The Random Thread of Randomness**

Feb 6 • 9511.1439-1443

**Quinn** My left nipple is fah-reezing. Never have a hamburger nipple. Never

**Scott** Not even with relish?

**Cathy** Mmmm. Relish nipples.

**Quinn** Done and done.

**2 Jim Henson Benches**

Feb 6 • 10245.20-22

**Joe** Do I get Obsessive Muppet Fan points for that?

**Anthony** Yes. You get 50 of them.

The score is now Joe 50, everyone else 0.

**If I Knew You Were Coming...**

Feb 14 • 10269

**Michal**      ...I'd have worn a kilt,  
Worn a kilt,  
Worn a kilt.

If I knew you were coming I'd have worn a kilt  
Howd'ya do, howd'ya do, howd'ya do?

**Joe**            If I knew you were coming, I'd have done that thing  
Done that thing  
Done that thing.

**Michal**        If I knew you were coming I'd have shaved the cat  
Shaved the cat  
Shaved the cat.

**Martha**        If I knew you were coming  
I'd have run amok  
Run amok  
Run amok.

**David B**        If I knew you were coming, I'd have locked the door  
Locked the door  
Locked the door...

**Joe**            If I knew you were coming I'd have raised the dead  
Raised the dead  
Raised the dead.

**Beth**            If I'd known you were coming I'd have trapped that mouse  
  
trapped that mouse  
  
trapped that mouse

**Ryan**            If I knew you were coming, I'd have boiled my head  
Boiled my head  
Boiled my head...

**Mike C**        If I knew you were coming I'd have died of shock  
died of shock  
died of shock...

**Scott**            If I knew you were coming, I'd have paid the rent  
Paid the rent...  
Paid the rent...

**M. Catherine** This thread reminds me of the dear departed Indiana Jones thread.

If I knew were coming, I'd have polished the Ark  
Polished the Ark  
Polished the Ark

**Lara** If I knew you were a Nazi Spy I'd've warned my dad

warned my dad

warned my dad

**Michal** If I knew you were coming, I'd have called the cops,  
Called the cops,  
Called the cops.

**David B** If I knew you were coming, I'd have put on pants  
Put on pants  
Put on pants...

**Michal** If I knew you were coming I'd have grown a beard  
Grown a beard  
Grown a beard.

[Michal]

**Misread thread titles**

Feb 25 • 9486.129-132

**Martha** That's what I read too, and I'm NOT a comic book nerd.

**Shawn** Yes you are.

You so are.

**Martha** Only by association.

**Shawn** I KNEW YOU WERE!



**Ryan**      Yeah, we talk about Quinn's pants about once a year. It's kind of a Tough Pigs tradition.

**Tough Pigs dreams**

Mar 2 • 9244.303

**Beth**

Actually, it is a little-known fact that Tom's mother is bald.

**Muppet Mentions**

Mar 1 • 10252.28

**Ryan**

I'm gonna go put some fruit on my head now.

**In Development**

Mar 2 • 10137.52-55

- Scott** I want the e-surance girl to get her own series. She's hot. And kicks butt.
- Daniel** Or maybe the Go Daddy girl. Each episode would have her losing her top in a different way. It would be an instant hit in the oh so important males 18-25 category.
- Joe** Not to mention the males 13-17 demographic.  
And the males 26-death demographic.
- Daniel** Hell, my nephew is obsessed with boobs, and he's only 15 months.  
Yes, he truly is my flesh and blood.

**Kermitage...**

Mar 7 • 10313.6-8

**Shawn**

Also, does anyone know if the sites name was supposed to be read "Kermit Age" as in 'Age of Aquarius' or "Kermitage" as in 'boobage' or 'Heritage, New Hampshire'? And why would you name your site that? This applies to either answer.

**Anthony**

Kermitage, like The Hermitage. Because it's a museum of Muppety-type-stuff, I guess.

**Shawn**

Ooooooh, so it's like that thing I've never seen or heard of before. Now I get it.

**Snuffy's Parents Get a Divorce**

Mar 8 • 10314.6

**Scott** I can only write something funny once a month. It's like I'm a werewolf with PMS, just without the predictable cycle.

[Martha]

**Quinnagin**

Mar 11 • 10318.1-16

**Justin**

Has Quinn been around here at all? I've sent a few emails and heard nothing over the past several months. I'm assuming he's ignoring me, but I wanted to be sure nothing was wrong.

**Joe**

Last I heard, Quinn was spotted by a drunken farmer in the Arizona wilderness. There are photos, but they're quite blurry.

**Scott**

That's only because he's so quick!

**Ryan**

Yeah, I caught him tipping over my trashcans one night, but by the time I got my shotgun, he had disappeared into the forest.

**Joe**

The reason you can't see Quinn right now is because of the same reason you can't see the continental United States.

**Andrew L**

He's grown so enormously large that we're all standing atop him at this very moment, unawares?

**Joe**

Yes. The majesty of Quinn never ceases to amaze.

**Michal**

Ah, to be friends with Quinn Rollins.

I hear he's gotten quite choosy.

**Quinn**

You rang?

**Joe**

\*jumps out from behind couch\* SURPRISE!

## Four Word Film Reviews

Mar 14 • 10319

**Ryan** Now, here's my idea. Can we think of any four-word reviews for specials that aren't listed here, or even for specific episodes of Muppet TV series? I bet we can.

For example...

The Muppet Show: Sex and Violence: "Nigel hosts. What's gribaziggy?"

The Frog Prince: "Taminella bewitches, bothers Robin."

The Phyllis George episode of The Muppet Show: "No Fred for Piggy."

The Sandra Bullock episode of Muppets Tonight: "Sandra slaps Bill's family."

**Anthony** Emmet Otter's Jugband Christmas: "Washtub hole, fifty dollars"

Sesame Street episode 1: "Milk. Cookies. At Susan's."

The Storyteller: "European folks are crazy"

Hey Cinderella: "Gardener. Radish. No frogs."

The Orson Welles Show: "Time for Chinese Costume"

**Ryan** Bear in the Big Blue House: "Pip, Pop. Who's who?"

The Muppet Show with Tony Randall: "Randall rocks Miss Piggy."

Muppets Tonight with Cindy Crawford: "Bobo's passion... and STU!"

Christmas Eve on Sesame Street: "Giant Muppets on ice!"

**Peter** The Muppet Show - Episode 101 (Juliet Prowse): "We love. George drowns."

**Joe** The Muppet Show - Episode 124: "Is Mummenschanz four words?"

Muppet Family Christmas - "Doc surrounded by Muppets."

**Ryan** The Muppet Show with Liza Minelli: "Murdered Muppets, Minelli's melodies."

The Muppet Valentine Show: "Janitor and mop: lovers."

**Beth** Christmas Eve on Sesame Street: Oscar teases. Bird lost.

**Joe** The Muppet Show episode 309 (Liberace) - "Bird auditions? Not funny."

**David B** The Muppet Show episode 403 (Shields and Yarnell): "These are guest



stars?"

The Muppet Show episode 413 (Dizzy Gillespie): "Those cheeks! So huge!"

The Muppet Show episode 523 (Linda Ronstadt): "Kermit's moldy death trap."

**Joe** The Muppet Movie - "James Coburn, owner, proprietor."

The Great Muppet Caper - "Grodin's voice was dubbed."

Muppets Take Manhattan - "Brooke Shields dates rats."

**Ryan** The Muppet Show with Sandy Duncan: "Banana sketch? Kermit's ignorant."

Big Bird Goes to Japan: "Statues! Barkley freaks out!"

Mr. Willowby's Christmas Tree: "Robert Downey is nuts."

**Martha** The Muppet Show episode 515 (Carol Burnett): Asparagus vs. dance marathon

**Joe** The Muppet Show with Cloris Leachman - "Muppets go hog wild."

**Ryan** The Muppet Musicians of Bremen: "Musical animals, ugly robbers."

The Muppet Show with Paul Williams: "Paul's the tallest! Almost."

Muppets Tonight with Billy Crystal: "Piggy's sneeze is PG-13."

**David B** The Jim Henson Hour: "Digit is Christopher Lloyd?"

The Muppet Show with Dyan Cannon: "Turkey Dog, meet keyhole."

The scene in The Muppet Movie where Animal eats Insta-Grow pills: "Hopper's goons pee themselves."

**Ryan** Muppets Tonight with Paula Abdul: "Music soothes savage Lincoln."

**Joe** Big Bird in China: "Barkley can't do headstand."

Big Bird in Japan: "Ichi, ni, san... four?"

**Scott** Manny's Land of Carpets: Fraggles Deny False Salvation

**Lara** The Muppet Movie: "Champagne makes me giggly."

**Cathy** This thread: I Missed It All.

**Abby Cadabby Mania?**

Mar 17 • 10327.3

**Andrew L** I wouldn't be surprised, in fact, if some of the same ladies seeking comfortable stretchpants are also wanting Abby merchandise. Life is odd that way.

**Miles & Carter stories**

Mar 19 • 7711.470

**Quinn** The other night we were waiting for a babysitter to arrive so that Melissa and I could go out, and Miles looked up at us with his big blue eyes and said, "it's okay...I can take care of Carter. I'll be really REALLY nice to him. And every time I hit him, I'll say, 'I'm sorry'."

So yeah. We waited for the babysitter to get there.

**Joe** Are you sure Miles isn't my big brother?

**Quinn** Mostly. Mostly certain. But there are a few questions I'd have to ask you first.

**Claymation Bert and Ernie**

Mar 20 • 10264.27-31

- Joe** Ah, that makes more sense. I was thinking more along the lines of the DVDs that come with a bonus episode of Elmo's World on it.
- So yes, these would make perfect DVD fillers. Plus, you never know, there could be a couple more short-form Sesame shows in the works that we don't know about yet.
- Ryan** Hey, that'd be cool. I could surely go for some animated Marshall Grover shorts, or somethin'.
- Quinn** Mumford!  
Martians!  
Maria!
- Ryan** An animated Maria spin-off? Brilliant! She can travel through space fixing giant, sentient toasters.
- Joe** Or the same giant sentient toaster over and over again.

**Miles & Carter stories**

Mar 20 • 7711.473

**Scott**

When do these stories fail to make me guffaw?

Never.

**David B**

Don't you love it when you answer your own questions?

I do.

## **Transformers**

Mar 21 • 10336.5-7

- Tom** Still don't know how that alone could have gotten it an R rating - again, of course, assuming this isn't a PR stunt.
- Maybe they had to cut out a scene where Snoop Dogg shared a blunt with Optimus Prime and Megatron.
- Quinn** Maybe like, Bumblebee transformed with some toddlers inside him, and their guts squished out and stuff.
- Erik** Nah, it was the Megatron/Starscream sex scene.

**Music stuck in your head**

Mar 23 • 9639.623-25

**Michal** You know, last week on my trip, as I was running back to the bus with everyone, I once caught myself chanting, "To the ship. To the ship. To the ship. To the ship."

The fellow running next to me thought I was off my gourd.

**Anthony** Were you off your gourd?

**Michal** \*Glances at watch.\*

Yes.

**Joe** I had a very bizarre dream last night. While I was trying to find a kitten in the front yard of my dad's house, I looked up to see Jim Henson cutting through the yard. So, naturally, I abandoned the stray kitties to chase after him (mostly to find out why he faked his death). I found myself in a huge yard where a couple hundred people were celebrating this 90-year old woman's birthday. I spotted Jim and as I walked toward him, everyone starting singing Happy Birthday. I joined in so I wouldn't look like a party crasher. Then they strapped her into this soft chair, which was covered with a clear plastic. It was designed for one-manned space travel, and I guess she wanted to see outer space before she died. The chair lifted off and everyone applauded. A bubble burst under the chair to get her up higher. Then another bubble and another, until we couldn't see her anymore. Then I walked over to Jim who had just noticed that Fred Rogers was there as well and he went to say hello to his friend. At that point, I realized that Jim and Mr. Rogers had come back from the dead in ghostly form to visit their friend, the 90-year old woman, before she went into space. So I let them have their reunion without the crazy fanboy getting in their way.

Oh my, that was a long paragraph. Wish you were all there.

**Ryan** But, I was there. I was singing the alto part.

**Joe** Sure you were. Alto I can't hear you!

That didn't really work there, did it?

**Quinn** Geysers. Of chocolate syrup.



**Muppet Wiki is famous!**

Mar 27 • 10240.27-33

**Scott** On the plus side, if you Google for Muppet, we're the #4 result now.

**Michal** But when I Google "Muppets", the Wiki doesn't come up until page three.

\*Strokes beard.\*

**Joe** Michal has a beard??

\*strokes beard\*

**Daniel** How very bizarre

\*strokes Joe's beard\*

**Alaina** Perplexing.

\*strokes Daniel\*

**Daniel** \*head asplode\*

**The Random Thread of Randomness**

Mar 27 • 9511.1661-672

**Alaina** My hair smells REALLY good today.

**Shawn**



**Ryan** I just looked that up, because I thought it was a parody from The Weird Al Show. But it's a real product! Truth is funnier than fiction, I guess.

**Martha** The scary part is, I remember the commercials for that stuff.

**Scott** Must be because you're so [spoiler] SEXY!

**Martha** I was getting ready to kick you.

Here, take this smooch instead.

**Scott** \*wink\*

**Joe**



**Danny at Wikia**

Apr 3 • 10356.2-4

**Joe** Yay, I'm glad you're back, Danny! And you've got a keen new job working on Wikis! That's like if I got a job, I dunno, sleeping and watching DVDs.

I am going to go tell my friend Wilford Brimley about your new diabetes wiki.

**Danny** Actually, it's more like if an alcoholic got a job drinking.

**Anthony** Oh wow, man. That's pretty cool. Anyway, yeah, I hope you do hang around more. That's always fun.

Also, I can't believe that Joe knows Wilford Brimley.

**Danny at Wikia**

Apr 4 • 10356.12

**Joe**

Out of context posts are the best.

Stephen Spielberg is locked in the walk-in freezer!

**Shawn**

I'm downloading the free 10-day trial of World of Warcraft. I've never played it before - I've always been either a console gamer or on a Mac, or both, so I never really thought much of it. But it seems to be the thing the kids all do these days, with their big pants and colored chalk and baseboard heaters and bicarbonate of soda and I don't know what all.

So should I just go ahead and shoot myself now or what?

PS. and their ultraportable laptops and their vegetal hair fixative and their hooly-hoops and their Wookieepedias and their Edison phonograph cylinders and their polio vaccines and their Bossaball games. I could do this all day.

**Kohl's does it again**

Apr 8 • 10367.1-3

**Martha** If any other gals here are in need of new PJs, Kohl's has a number of Muppet/Sesame Street choices this spring!

**Beth** Kohl's is a naked buggy burger.

[Martha]

**Walt Disney Treasures**

Apr 8 • 7406.180-182

**Scott** I might actually. But the photos from my Contortionist Convention weekend haven't been developed yet.

**Joe** I knew it! You've been spending all your free time over at the Contortionists Wiki, haven't you?

**Scott** They've got me jumping through hoops... of legs!

**The New Electric Company**

Apr 10 • 10372.12-16

**Tom** I like it, but I demand that at some point Rita Moreno - she's gotta be pushing 60 now, right? - come out and yell, "Hey you guyyyyyyyyys!" for no apparent reason.

**Alaina** She's 75

**Tom** Even better, then. :)

Don't get me wrong, this isn't a shot at her, personally. She's a terrific actress and probably a very nice person too. There's just something strange and wrong about a 75-year-old woman busting onto a TV set and screaming, "Hey you guyyyyys!"

**Quinn** I'll be she's a fiery 75. She can bust in and yell "HEY YOU GUUUUUUYS!!!" at me any time.

That would freak me the hell out. Like if it was around 2:45 AM, and I was just nestled all snug in my bed, and Rita Moreno suddenly yelled "HEY YOU GUUUUUUYS!!!"

I'd probably pee.

**Tom** If that happens on the show--Rita Moreno busting in your bedroom at 2:45 am and screaming "Hey, you guyyys!" and making you pee--it would be the greatest TV show ever.

[Beth]



**The New Electric Company**

Apr 10 • 10372.14

**Joe**            How is Rita Moreno 75??? I hope I'm that good looking in my 70s.  
And, y'know, a dude.

**Quinn**        Rita Moreno's not a dude.

**Joe**            This isn't Rita Moreno?



[Michal]

**Tina Fey: Old School fan**

Apr 13 • 10380.10-11

**Michal** And what's wrong with crawling through an abandoned sewer pipe?

**Shawn** I have been asking that question, loudly and in public, my entire life.

**RIP Roscoe Lee Browne**

April 13 • 10378.9-10

**Kyle**

He was one of the best voice overs for pretty much anything he did. When i first heard about this i couldn't picture who he was till i saw this pic. I watched pretty much everything that he ever did even if i don't remember most of it.

And Scott which movie is it he did that i seem to can't remember?

**Scott**

Um... Naked in New York?

**Muppet Show season 2 on DVD this month!** Apr 15 • 10352.1

**Anthony** My favorite thing about Muppet Christmas Carol is that nearly all of Gonzo's dialogue is right out of the book. Such as:

"It is required of every man that the spirit within him should walk abroad among his fellow-men."

"He was a tight-fisted hand at the grindstone, Scrooge!"

and "You are such an idiot."

[Martha, Beth]

**Muppet Show season 2 on DVD this month!**

Apr 16 • 10352.29

**Joe** It's not just all of Gonzo's dialogue. Remember when Charles Dickens used a grappling hook to attach himself to a ghost so he could time travel?

Best. Book. Ever.

**Tom** My favorite Charles Dickens moment came when he tried to eat a tire to the tune of "Flight of the Bumblebee."

[Beth]

**Big! Lots and Mahna Mahna**

Apr 17 • 10364.15-19

**Cathy** Husbands are handy to have around.

**Joe** I totally agree.

Oh, I'm sorry. I thought you said armbands.

**Cathy** Those are good too.



**Scott** Yes, those are.

**Judge Everything**

Apr 17 • 8892.1561

**Michal** The following conversation at kindergarten yesterday: 10.

[Mustafa, one of my favorite people in the world to reduce to giggles, is attempting to spell the word "Mommy".]

Michal: Now draw a "Y".

Mustafa: "Y"?

Michal: Why? Because that's what comes next.

Mustafa: No, "Y"!

Michal: Why? Because I said so, that's why!

[Mustafa becomes incapacitated by laughter.]

[He laughs by opening his mouth and eyes as wide as they go, and grinning and gasping until he falls over. I once had him literally rolling on the floor when I called him a silly rabbit.]

**Scott**



**Joe** That is my new favorite Betty Lou picture.

**Scott** What was your old one?

**Joe** It was a picture of Prairie Dawn.

**Ryan** As the kids say: Zing!

Poor Betty Lou. She don't get no respect.

**Shawn** Aah, cry me a river. What's Betty Lou ever done for *me*??

**Scott**



**Shawn**

I can't argue with that.



**Tickle This Book**

Apr 22 • 10397.5

**Smig**

What's the difference between an actor and a puppeteer?

When an actor writes a book about his life, it's an autobiography.

When a puppeteer writes a book about his life, it's considered "Self-Help"

And If you didn't find that funny, I agree.

**Emergency Free Labyrinth Screening**

May 1 • 10418.1-10

**Peter** Live in Brooklyn? You have eight minutes to get to Williamsburg for a free screening of Labyrinth.

8 p.m., with shorts from local filmmakers, Galapagos, 70 North Sixth Street (Wythe Avenue), Williamsburg, Brooklyn; (718) 782-5188.

**Danny** Man, this would've been a hot tip for anybody who constantly hits "refresh" on the forum and lives at 68 North Sixth Street.

**Joe**



**Ryan**

Good luck, Leia. The mail carriers on Tatooine are notoriously unreliable, what with getting shot by Tusken Raiders all the time and everything.

[Cathy]

**Statler/Waldorf 2007**

May 2 • 10388.17

**Peter** Hey, they won!

Statler and Waldorf: From the Balcony won the People's Voice Webby for Comedy: Long Form or Series in the Online Film and Video category!

**Joe** Wow, and they did it all without the ToughPig vote.

**Shawn** Well, there's, like, what, twelve of us?

**Joe** Perhaps, but we still have two seats in the Senate.

**Peter** The ones in the balcony.

[Joe]

**Comic book fanboys**

May 2 • 9185.1033

**Peter** Also, I don't think they should make another Hulk movie with a different director. That would probably make somebody very anglee.

**Daniel**        That was my last nickel.

**Martha**        A NICKEL??!?!?

**Scott**          Shhh!

**Michal**        Riiiiight.

**Daniel**        I love that I can do that here and get exactly the right response.

                  These are truly amazing times we live in.

**Gilmore Girls: Canceled**

May 4 • 10426.22

**Alaina**

I'd like to give a big shout out to Anthony for breaking this news to me last night. Here were my emotions:

The opposite of surprised

Sadness

Totally Flipping Out

Anger

Acceptance

Feeling really bad that Anthony had to witness all of the previous emotions

**Scott** As blah as FtB was, it at least tells Disney that people like the Muppets and probably want to see them do more.

**Quinn** I was thinking that "FtB" was "Follow That Bird," which made me buy a plane ticket to Boston so I can punch you.

I wonder if those are refundable?

**Scott** I'll go with that. Follow That Bird sucks.

(not really)

**Ryan** I like Follow That Bird, except for the scenes with the cannibalism.

No, wait, that's another movie. Follow That Bird is good.



**Miles & Carter stories**

May 5 • 7711.526

**Quinn**      ALL DAY LONG

MILES: Carter, am I stupid?

CARTER: Yesh.

MILES: Tell me I'm stupid!

CARTER: 'tupit!

MILES: DAD, CARTER CALLED ME STUPID!!!

**Tina Fey: Old School fan**

May 8 • 10380.17-21

**Quinn** On the season finale of 30 Rock, Liz Lemon compares someone to Admiral Ackbar, which made Melissa and me giggle, and then I was thinking about how much I love Tina Fey. And then I asked Melissa if she knew who Admiral Ackbar was, and she said, "IT'S A TRAP!" in a perfect slobbery Admiral Ackbar voice. And I sighed happily and loved Melissa instead.

But I still love Tina Fey too.

**Ryan** You know what I love? That story.

**Joe** Can I have Melissa when you're done?

**Scott** You're a lucky man, Charlie Brown.

**Beth** Quinn is Charlie Brown? No wonder his kids have such big heads.

[Michal]

**Muppet Show Season Two DVD**

May 9 • 10420.73-78

**Quinn** Sweet Bacon! Wasn't the first season like \$45,588.00?

**Scott** Yes, it was.



**Smig** There you have it, folks: Brian Henson's budget for the FRAGGLE ROCK movie.

## **The Great Muppet Comic Strip**

May 9 • 10432.11-18

**Scott** Do 1-2 page stories constitute being called a strip? What about the 4-6 page stories that were published in Muppet Magazine? Are they inserts? Strips? I always thought "strips" were the 3-9 panel boxes seen in newspapers.

**Quinn** When I hear "strip" I

1) take off my clothes

2) think of lengths of drying buffalo meat

**Scott** Always in that order?

**Miles & Carter stories**

May 9 • 7711.529-542

- Quinn** On my to-do list:  
recording Miles' commentary to "Fantasia 2000."  
"Remember when I was bitten by a bat, and then I could see in the dark because I had bat powers?"  
"That baby whale is my favorite. I'm going to ride him next week."  
"Whale's bellies are very gentle."
- Anthony** Oh, man. Having a kid who thinks he has bat powers is so my new goal in life.
- Quinn** Yeah...it was after we explained to him how Peter Parker got his spider powers. So then he figured...bats.
- Scott** Hey, neat. I once wrote down a few pages of notes for my own Fantasia 2000 commentary. I'd much rather hear Miles'.
- Ryan** I think I'd like to hear a joint Scott/Miles commentary.  
Scott: "This is one of my favorite classical pieces, and the animation makes for a really funny--"  
Miles: "Donald Duck's coming to my house later! We're gonna have Popsicles!"  
Or something like that.
- Quinn** Wow, your Miles is really good!
- Ryan** Thanks! Do you think I could play him in a one-man show? It'd probably be called "SUNGLASSES!"
- Quinn** Of course you could. Everything would have to be cleared through the Miles B. Rollins Family Trust, and you'd end up being sued after the inevitable Bobblehead Accident, but hey, go for it!  
And what a Bobblehead Accident it would be.

## What needs a wiki?

May 11 • 10436.22

**Smig**      What needs a wiki? Let's see...

People who actually like "Family Guy"

PBS pledge drives

People who go to "Big Boy" just for the comics

George Bush- boxers or briefs?

Left-handed cottage cheese

Old Toy company mascots (Matty Mattel. the Kenner Bird, etc)

People who stick their ears in pencil sharpeners (STAR TREK site)

Birth control thru cheeseburgers

is ANYONE sick of "Star Wars" yet?

Mel Gibson sings the best of Allan Sherman

Burnt-out cartoonists with nothing better to do on a Friday night

**The Random Thread of Randomness**

May 15 • 9511.1859-1861

**Joe** Gah! I just answered the phone at work, "Good afternoon, Wiki."

**Shawn** Hennes! You're FIRED!

</Spacely>

**Ryan** Did the person on the other end say, "Sorry, wrong number" and hang up? Or did they click your edit tab?

**Joe** It was ok. I fixed it with a redirect.

**Nanco Fraggie Rock plush**

May 17 • 10452.2-11

**Jogchem** Wow. These Fraggles look so much better than their Sababa counterparts. Too bad the only way to get them is to pull the plug out of those entertainment machines and break the window.

Does anybody notice that Mokey is always left out of the Fraggie Five these days? Sababa never made a Mokey, Nanco never made a Mokey, Mokey hardly ever appears on DVD covers and even gets photoshopped out of classic photos.

I guess Henson had to sell Mokey's copyright to Kathryn Mullen in order to finance Return to the Labyrinth.

**Ryan** Poor Mokey. She's to Fraggie Rock as Betty Rubble was to the Flintstones for all those years she was omitted from the Flintstones vitamins. So I suppose we'll never see a chewable Mokey..

**Jogchem** I predict that Mokey won't be in the movie.

Besides that, Red will be performed by John Kennedy; Sprocket will be a real dog instead of a CGI character; Doc goes Emo when he puts on the black costume; Rowlf won't have lines; and at one point in the movie Boober says "Kelly?"



## **Your Muppet Horoscope 2**

May 17 • 10450.20

**Cathy** I've had a few people find me through the website. It's always a little jarring when it happens.

**Andrew L** I used to be really paranoid about that when I was first on the net, but I don't mind my full name being googlable in this kind of context. I mind when someone, complaining about a trash filmmaker with the same surname but an entirely different firstname, writes "Thank you for exposing the sophomoric sleaze of Andrew Leal." My sleaze is at least senior quality.

[Cathy]

**Happy Birthday, Scott!** May 17 • 10444.22-25

**Joe**            \*spins\*

**Scott**          That's a great Lynda Carter impression.

**Joe**            How'd you know I was wearing go-go boots?

**Scott**          It's Thursday.

## **Your Muppet Horoscope**

May 17 • 10450.29

**Ryan** I often wonder whether potential employers or bored old high school classmates ever find my TP activities by Googling me. Also, there are a few other Ryan Roes, including the one who owns ryanroe.com, so I wonder if they're ever mistaken for a big Muppet geek.

**Scott** At least the Delphi board isn't Googlable.

**Joe** That's true. Or else people might find this post when they search for Sheriff Poopenmeyer.

[Michal]

**Remembering Jim Henson**

May 17 • 10449.8

**Cathy**

Ahhhh, oars! The dinosaurs could've used some oars when they sank to the bottom of the bog! Not whores. No use for whores when sinking in a bog. Ribbit ribbit ribbit ribbit.

**Muppet Wiki is famous!**

Mar 17 • 10240.14-15

**Joe**            The Muppet Wiki a peculiar work of obsessives? How dare they say something so accurate!

Damn French...

**David H**       << Damn French... >>

Jennifer Saunders.

**Dark Crystal vs. Labyrinth**

May 18 • 10455.7-9

**Ryan** "Pretty but dull" sums up my feelings for The Dark Crystal, though I've been thinking I'm due for a revisiting, to see if I still have the same reaction.

Labyrinth, on the other hand, is always lots of fun, especially the Fieries. I've always wished I could throw my extremities around.

**Joe** And I'd appreciate it if you'd stop trying in the apartment.

**Ryan** What, just because of that one time when I succeeded in detaching my big toe? It's not my fault it landed in your lasagna.

[Michal]

**The Random Thread of Randomness**

May 18 • 9511.1863-70

**Peter** This post is brought to you by my cell phone.

**Michal** Does your cellphone also act as your fillings?

**Peter** No, but sometimes it acts as the letter D and the number eleventeen.

**Erik** OK, I'll bite. What kind of cellphone did you get?

**Michal** The kind that's a laptop and dental fillings and a pie.

And a hot plate!

**Joe** It does everything but make phone calls.

**Peter** It's a Blackjack. I've had it since January, but I've only just tried to access the forum on it. It's splendid!

\*This post has been brought to you via the Internets, which suddenly seem novel all over again.

**Return to Labyrinth? No Thanks.**

May 18 • 10447.26-28

**Joe**            Basically, what I'm trying to say is that the comments of one Mr. Pero do not necessarily reflect the opinions of this network.

**Shawn**        Well, but... actually, they kind of DO... don't they?

**Peter**        You're not the boss of me.

I mean, you're friggin enormous. But you're not the boss of me.

[Martha]



**Smallville**

May 20 • 8554.267

**Scott**

Also, it occurs to me that the character we've been calling Martian Manhunter has never really dedicated himself as such. I love that he worked with Jor-El, but he's never said he's from Mars, and has only barely displayed any recognizable traits (glowing eyes and a love for Oreos). The biggest misstep was the fact that the zoner was able to tear his guts out -- that should have passed right through him.

**Martha**

*glowing eyes and a love for Oreos*

Holy crap. I think *I* might be Martian Manhunter.

**Brooklyn pigs on YouTube**

May 20 • 10457.4-6

**Cathy**      Bonk.

Moo.

**Joe**      That's what she said.

**Quinn**      Then I had to go back and see what she said.

Disturbing.

**Spider-Man 3**

May 21 • 10429.55-57

**Ryan** Fun fact: Ron Howard's kids all got their middle names from the locations where they were conceived. So Bryce Dallas Howard was made in Dallas, while her sisters Jocelyn Carlyle and Paige Carlyle were conceived at the Carlyle Hotel.

Don't ask about their brother, Joshua ParkinglotbehindArby's.

**Anthony** My favorite Howard child is Steve BoothatArnold's.

**Joe** I like John Howard Johnson Howard.

Or JoHoJoHo for short.

[Michal]

**News stories**

May 21 • 9750.446-54

**Joe** Wow, this is shameless. As a tie-in for the new Fantastic Four movie, the Silver Surfer will appear on US quarters. Yeah. Legal tender. What the crap.

**Ryan** That's pretty far out, but keep in mind the Franklin Mint isn't a real mint. They make stuff like this all the time... colorized dollar coins, and oh, I don't know, glow-in-the-dark nickels or something. They make their stuff using real coins, but it's not the government producing money to spend, it's a company making money to hoard and sell on eBay.

Next time they should put Mister Fantastic on some bills, for people who like the stretch their dollars.

**Joe** Ah, that's a relief. Still strange, but a relief nonetheless.

Do you think anyone would believe me if I tried to buy an iPod with all this Invisible Woman cash I've got on me?

**Ryan** Well, it's a lot easier to handle than the Human Torch money.

**Shawn** That stuff just burns a hole in your pocket.

**Dark Crystal vs. Labyrinth**

May 22 • 10455.54

**Quinn**

I want to touch the Skekses with my mouth.

## **New Muppet Horoscopes**

May 22 • 10460.2-21

**Andrew L** You know, I've been stressed lately, on the brink of completing my MA, and not sure what to do from hereon. The future seemed directionless and uncertain. Then suddenly, I see my horoscope, and all is clear. I need to invest in a good suit, obtain a bowler hat with a razor-tipped brim, and go to work for a notorious German billionaire. Either that, or coat my body in gold paint for fun and profit. As you noted, the connection was fuzzy.

**Peter** Am I the only one who thought that you were not sure what to do from heroin?

**Andrew L** I hope so. I don't even know 'im (more practically, I don't even drink; my abused substances are limited to Diet Cherry Pepsi and cheese).

**Shawn** Well, those and four-way acid. Don't forget that.

**Andrew L** I would, but the melting walls keep reminding me. They won't shut up about it.

**The Random Thread of Randomness**

May 23 • 9511.1871-1872

**Cathy**      This is the day that never ends. Oh it goes on and on my friend.....

**Peter**      ...on my cell phone.

**Comic book fanboys**

May 24 • 9185.1130-32

**Ryan** By the way, where had I seen these strips before? Were they ever in that Comics Should Be Good blog that does the "Comic Book Urban Legends?"

**Scott** Possibly. Can you refresh my ooglies as to where on the tubes that was? I had an older jpg saved on my hard drive of those strips, but I found better quality copies via Google books. I could never remember where the first jpg came from, but if you do, it might be a great help for that article.

**Ryan** Actually, if you had older copies, it's possible I saw them here first. Did you ever post them? Or maybe somebody here linked to them on a blog or something.

I'm not gonna touch your ooglies.

[Martha]



## **Your Muppet Horoscope 2**

May 25 • 10450.62-66

**Joe** Welcome to the forum, Liz!

I love how Muppet Horoscopes are bringing new folks in left-and-right.  
It brings a glimmer of hope to my cold, black heart.

**lizalicious8** Your heart is red and squishy and you know it.

**Return to Labyrinth? No Thanks.**

May 22 • 10447.46-49

**Michal** This is as good a time as any to post a link to a few pictures of the Jareth puppet I made on an experimental whim last summer. He's made mostly of papier-mâché and hot glue.

**Ryan** The Goblin King lives in puppet form!  
  
What kind of magic spell did you use to make him? Slime? Snails? Puppy dog tails, perhaps?

**Michal** Actually, I just slapped the baby.

**Anthony** Aww, man. He's just a little guy.

**Muppet Star Wars Figures**

May 29

**Quinn** Sweet mother of all bacon.

[Michal]

**MR Animal**

May 29 • 10461.25-27

**Daniel**

I think if his eyes were a bit more exposed and his nose a touch larger, he'd look great. Though yes, scary. I'm not surprised by the price tag either. As Shawn said, he's far more complex. I actually like how hairy he is. He's been kind of thinning out in the recent years.

**Quinn**

There's nothing wrong with that, you full-follicled mofo.

**Daniel**

There there little Mormon boy, there there.

\*pets Quinn's head\*

Sweet god, it's coming out in my hands....

Nope, leaving it as is. Make of this what you will.

[Beth]

**MR Animal** May 31 • 10461.40-44

**Alaina** When did you become an optimist?

**Michal** He forgot his meds today.

**Shawn** Yes, I forgot my depressants - Antizac and Horriblin.

Really, after I saw a MR Kermit in person vs. the janky photos I was convinced they know what they're doing, at least in the manufacturing areas. Plus, if they're gonna be charging 400 bucks for something, it's nice to think it'll really be worth it.

Also I've been in a decent mood lately. Who knew? I have a new Japanese housemate, and my new comic book is close to completion. Plus today I found some awesome techno-sandals, so my feet don't have to swelter in stompy boots all summer.

**Joe** Horriblin? Techno-sandals? Japanese people?

I wish you'd stop making up words.

## The Dark Crystal Revisited

Jun 4 • 10481.12-21

**Peter** Nice review. My only point of contention is your remark on the simplistic storytelling stylings of fairy tales. If you look back, I'd say that the protagonists in those stories are, as a rule, far more active than those in *The Dark Crystal*.

**Ryan** It would be difficult not to be more active than Jen. But which fairy tales are you thinking of? I guess I was thinking more about the fact that the characters are so static and nobody learns any lessons more than the proactive/not proactive thing.

But most of the un-Disneyfied fairy tales I've read usually involved characters who didn't really do anything until they were given magical items that they never did anything to earn.

**Michal** You know, that happens in some Disney-fied fairy tales, too. The ones where folks just sit around and wait to get rescued. Because they're demure enough, they're pretty enough, and doggone it, people like them.



Sorry. I couldn't help myself.

**Ryan** *You know, that happens in some Disney-fied fairy tales, too.*

Sure it does. I was actually trying to imply that, in a "goes without saying" kind of way.

**Michal** So to un-muffin, I think what we're saying here is that Jen is basically a Disney Princess.

But with more unappealing antagonists, and a less endearing sidekick

[Michal]

**The Random Thread of Randomness**

Jun 4 • 9511.1930-38

**Shawn** I just saw Pirates 3, and it was the greatest pirate thing I've ever seen in my life.

If you don't agree, I will come to your house and I will kill myself in a violent rage. So that for the rest of your life, I will haunt your waking nightmares with my blood-soaked visage. Your sleepless nights will be filled with my voice, which will sound like a thousand crying children, screaming "Don't buy into negative press! Give it another shot and be objective about it!"

**Ryan** I wonder how objective I could be with your messy specter shrieking at me the whole time.

**Scott** I read that as sphincter.

**Ryan** Horrifying.

[Martha]



**New Muppet Show Lunch Box**

Jun 4 • 10480.12-13

**Anthony** Kermit's Garden of Verses is a terrific book. I should buy it.

**Peter** They should sell it.

## Revisiting the Dark Crystal

Jun 4 • 10481.7-11

- Scott** If you plan on getting the DVD, you might want to wait. According to Brian Froud, he's recently recorded audio commentaries for The Dark Crystal and Labyrinth. So there's probably yet another DVD version coming
- Joe** Wish I would've thought of that before I made that big Deep Discount DVD order.
- Scott** Cancel!
- Joe** I tried to do that once with DDD. Their customer service department sucks to no end.
- Scott** Bomb them!

**Judge Everything**

Jun 5 • 8892.1661

**Cathy**

Costco: 100, because you can only rate costco in bulk.

**Year of the Muppet**

June 5 • 10488.5-18

- Michal** Day calendars used to be a big thing for me - my mom used to buy me one every year (and except for the year she bought me a Cathy calendar, she generally showed good taste). I might have to get back into that.
- Ryan** I find it hilarious that you owned a Cathy calendar. How many days of the year had Cathy trying on clothes?
- Joe** Ooooooh. Looks like I'll be buying a Muppet calendar for the first time in years.
- Quinn** But not a Cathy calendar.
- Cathy** Note to self: scrap idea for page-a-day calendar of me. Apparently, there is limited interest.
- Aack!
- Scott** Limited, but enthusiastic.
- Quinn** Cathy YOU, I'd want a five-a-day calendar. Waking, Mid-Morning, Lunch, Dinner, and Bedtime.
- Ryan** We all adore you much more than the comic strip Cathy, and it's for one simple reason: You have a nose.

**Season 38**

Jun 6 • 10489.10-23

**Scott** They used to do over a hundred episodes per season back in the day, but figure even just five years ago they were still doing 50 of them. Bob McGrath must be SO BORED.

**Michal** What do you suppose he does the rest of the year?

I vote he knits.

**Anthony** I like to think he does nothing but sing his mid-60s pop song "The Drifter".

**Martha** I know he attends church in New Jersey on Sundays.

One of these days, I'm going to go visit Chuck's friend in NJ for the weekend and attend church with him.

**Anthony** Man, if I was you, I'd move there just so I could go to church with Bob every week.

**Judge Everything**

Jun 6 • 8892.1666-67

**Shawn**

Also, fuck you, Delphi

**Beth**

(Pssst. Pass it on- Delphi is Shawn's grandmother!)

[Peter]

## **Judge Everything**

Jun 6 • 8892.1669

### **Ryan**

Magic Shell is AMAZING. How does it do that? It's liquid... and then as soon as it hits the ice cream, abracadongle! It's a solid! And it's chocolatey!

Why are we not taking further advantage of this technology? Imagine its applications in wartime! The enemy's found our secret base hidden in the jungle, and they're advancing fast! Quickly, we turn on the heavy-duty air conditioners, dropping the temperature of the entire perimeter to ice cream levels. Quickly, we press the button to open the Magic Shell tank, which coats the base, instantly surrounding us with an impenetrable shield!

The enemy is foiled! Our boys are safe! And when it's all over, they get to eat their way out! All through the marvelous power of Magic Shell technology. Hallelujah.

## **Transformers**

Jun 6

### **Quinn**

I was just thinking that I should be Soundwave for Halloween, and then Miles should be Rumble and Carter should be Ravage, and I should store them in my thoracic cavity, and then push an Eject Button and throw them down onto the sidewalk, where they proceed to alternately pound the ground with pile drivers, causing localized earthquakes, or leap on people and tear at their throats with razor sharp teeth.



**News stories**

Jun 6 • 9750.478

**Quinn**

Sooo...is it REALLY called "The Popemobile," or is that just what people call it for shorthand. Because if I were Pope (unlikely) I would get either a more respectable name for it or I would put fins on it and have a flaming thing coming out of the back. Plus, a giant hat.

[Michal]

**Revisiting the Dark Crystal**

Jun 6 • 10481.32

**Joe** For years, I've been saying that ToughPigs.com has a gas leak.

## The Geeky Things We Do

Jun 6 • 10492.1-47

- Scott** Spinning of from "What are you reading?," Ryan asked what's the nerdiest thing Cathy has ever done on public transportation.
- I replied that I once sang the entirety of Weird Al's "The Saga Begins" with a girl I was hot for in a NYC restaurant.
- Joe reminded me of the time he, Ryan, Danny and I all sang Sesame Street's "Subway" on the subway while Gillian looked at us wishing she knew the words.
- I used to chase my brother across parking lots to get to the Star Wars figure aisle of Wal-Mart before he could. This was somewhere around the time we also stood in line for 6 hours to see The Phantom Menace.
- Anthony** I've never done anything geeky. Ever.
- No, but for real, I don't even know where to start. Do they have to be done in public, or can I count the time Joe and I assigned DC Universe characters to Presidential Cabinet positions?
- Cathy** I waited in line for 3 hours at Toys 'R Us for the midnight release of The Phantom Menace toys with my boyfriend at the time. Love will make you do some damn geeky things.
- Quinn** Melissa saw The Phantom Menace with me eleven times. Eleven. In the theatre. After that, we had to get married. Utah law.
- Martha** I saw the movie Serendipity in the theater 13.5 times.
- Does this really surprise anyone?
- Shawn** Oh! How could I forget? I've seen Nightmare Before Christmas in theaters a grand total of 22 times between the original release, various midnight showings at smaller moviehouses and last year's 3-D rerelease. 11 of those were during the original theater run - I think I made up about half of their ticket sales.
- Anthony** Oh, here's a good one. One time my friend Tyler and I spent an entire Homecoming Bonfire (sophomore year of high school, I think) pretending that I could only speak Ubbi Dubbi. He had to translate back and forth between me and everyone.
- Ryan** Oh, and after the first screening of The Phantom Menace in my hometown, my friends and I all had lightsaber duels in the parking lot. Later, we did more dueling at school, in restaurants, and anywhere else, until most of our lightsabers broke in half.
- Oh, and when I walked across the stage to receive my high school diploma, I put on a pair of Groucho glasses and waved to the crowd.
- I'm sure I'll think of more specific examples later.

**Michal** If you want stories that take place in public, I'm sure I've got a bunch about singing on subways with Tough Pigs.

Once, however, when I noticed I had an entire subway car to myself, I decided to sing opera. That's pretty nerdy.

**Daniel** I wouldn't even know where to begin. Like Ryan, I am probably more inclined to act like a big ol' geek when I'm with my friends. Actually, I could probably just go ahead and say I always act like a total geek with my friends.

Without them, the most recent thing I did was sing the Mr. Rogers theme when I got to work in the morning. I'd ridden my bike and ended up changing shoes, so it felt proper. When I'd completed, and yes, they let me get through the whole song, one of the sales gals said, "As impressed as I am that you know all the words, you're a nerd. A cute nerd, but a nerd."

I said "I'll take it what I can get."

Pretty sure she wants me.

**Michal** I was once singing "My Ding-a-Ling" while waiting for an elevator, without realizing that I was singing out loud. Then the doors opened, and the man inside looked at me oddly.

**Yancey** On a "geek scale", how geeky would this be?

I put Miss Piggy glitter stickers on my band music folder.

That was just this year and I'm 46.

**Shawn** After giving it a lot of thought, I came to the realization that I've never done anything geeky. Nope. Notta thing.

Singing the Popeye song in the shower isn't geeky, right?

**Daniel** Or here's a geeky thing. I go to this Muppet forum, and we have this whole thread of geeky things we do.:

I love this place.

**2,000 Muppet Characters**

Jun 7 • 10491.29-30

**Michal** I want a hoverboard.

But not as much as I want a Piggy phone.

**Scott** That's a tough one. Can I get a hoverboard with a Piggy phone mounted on the front, hood-ornament style? Then I can make phone calls while I try to outrun Biff and Sully. I mean Biff and not Sully. I mean Griff.

[Anthony]

## **The Geeky Things We Do**

Jun 8 • 10492.23-26

**Ryan** Update! Yesterday and today, during rush hour, I read the Kermit book on a crowded subway, without looking back. This included full-page pictures of Kermit, and one page with a montage of pictures of five different Muppet characters. I know some people must have noticed, but nobody told me I couldn't be in their club, and nobody openly laughed at me or called me "Kermit-Lover."

So, yeah. What was I so worried about?

**Cathy** You've taken your first step into a larger world.

**Ryan** Before long I'll be riding the subway in a Swedish Chef costume.

**Anthony** Yü mer lööse yür pöörse or verdi somedi wöörse.

On the subway (subway!)

**Favorite Wiki articles**

Jun 9 • 9219.66-69

**Joe** In the end, Danny's accounts of how things happened usually become canon.

**Michal** Danny says you wear lederhosen on the weekends.

**Joe** I guess not everything he says is true.

I only wear them on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

**Beth** U have pics plz?

**Revisiting The Dark Crystal**

Jun 11 • 10481.58

**Scott** I'm not sure I want to see David Bowie appear with deleted pants.

[Beth]



**Disney Princesses**

Jun 11 • 10484.30-31

**Michal** I'd live in sin with Mulan.

But not with Donny Osmond.

**Shawn** Has that ever been an option? If so, you've made some interesting life choices.

[Cathy]

**New Muppet Show Lunch Box**

Jun 11 • 10480.50-51

**Dan** My mail room just delivered mine to my desk. I haven't opened it yet, but I will after lunch.

**Peter** Ironic.

**Abby Cadabby merchandise**

Jun 16 • 10521.3-5

**Martha** Oooh, she's purty. And I have a niece who turns three next month. Can you say "birthday present," boys and girls?

**Ryan** BARFDAY PROOSUM!

I guess not. Sorry.

**Martha** You can, however, make me snarf my iced coffee. Good show.

**Old School: Volume 2**

Jun 18 • 10522.16-18

**Justin**      Fantastic.

I for one, cannot wait.

I also heard the 3 disc set will include the 6 million remaining Henson SS episodes as yet unreleased and it will mow your lawn.

**Michal**      Will it cook me breakfast in the mornings?

**Justin**      Full list of DVD extras yet to be revealed...

So, maybe.

**Republicans Doubt Evolution**

Jun 19 • 10530.1-2

**Shawn** From a recent Gallup poll:

<http://www.galluppoll.com/content/?ci=27847>

Humans sicken me.

**Peter** Funny, the results of that poll make me question evolution myself.

[Michal]

**Misread Thread Titles**

Jun 20 • 9486.294-96

**Quinn**       Where did you get that Spamela sketch from? That's very cool.

In a stupid, slutty way.

**Anthony**      And so Quinn's pig love finds a new target, and the world of Tough Pigs is ROCKED TO THE CORE!

I'm excited about this development.

**Quinn**        Oh, please. We all know there's only one Pig for me. Spamela is a shoddy substitute for the real deal.

Still.

Nice rack.

**MTM at Brooklyn Bridge Park**

Jun 21 • 10517.30

**Michal** See, Cathy? At no point did Joe attempt to fling Anthony from the bridge.

At least, not while I was taking pictures.

**Ryan** Actually, all of Anthony's posts for the last several weeks have been composed and sent from the East River.

**Anthony** grgl flurb gkwl dulb

**Frank Oz on Tavis Smiley**

Jun 25 • 10535.2-8

**Anthony** I love hearing Frank's regular speaking voice, because he always seems to say "damn" (or "fuck", depending on the forum) as much as possible, and he sounds kind of like an old, tired Bert.

**Ryan** I'm amused by the idea of a curmudgeonly old Bert... His unibrow gray, he sits around all day reading large-print Boring Stories, and complains to his 523rd Bernice about how Ernie keeps drinking the last of his Ovaltine.

**Scott** That's great. I wonder if he'd mind if I called him Uncle Frank.

**Martha** Just don't touch him, point at him, or sit on your hands.

**Scott** I love that guy.



## Trash Heap

July 7 • 10561.1-24

**Scott** So, is Marjory always the same heap of trash? Or does a waste management truck come to pick up the Gorgs' garbage every now and then?

If it's the same heap, why isn't Marjory bigger than all of Fraggles Rock by the end of the show? Rather, I think the trash is frequently hauled away and I figure that Marjory is an essence that embodies whatever trash happens to be in that particular heap at the time.

I'm having a hard time getting Gillian to be sympathetic to the Gorgs in the episodes when that's required (like when Mokey and Junior become friends), when we're pretty much seeing the Gorgs as litterers who are hurting the Earth. Translate as: villains. If we can reason that the heap is their dump, and it's eventually taken away to a treatment facility, we might have a better time with it.

**Anthony** Well, isn't there some episode where she gets taken away and then is reformed with new trash? Did I dream that?

**Shawn** Yeah, Junior carts the old heap away and, um, dumps it in the river. Maybe not such a sympathetic move.

**Cathy** I always considered her more of a compost pile they pull from to fertilize the radish garden. That way, everyone wins.

**Joe** I always figured that Philo and Gunge had something to do with keeping the right trash in the right place to keep Marjorie alive and well.

But really, I'm having a tough enough time figuring out how that giant puppet works.

**Scott** As the DVDs have been coming out, Gillian and I have been very slowly and very randomly going through the episodes. We watched "The Trash Heap Doesn't Live Here Anymore" last night, and it answered some questions. Junior doesn't throw the trash heap in the river, but he intends to. Which really is just as bad.

Rather, the same heap of trash is just moved to a new location and changes Marjory a bit. I think this kinda confirms my feeling about her essence -- that she'd pretty much be Marjory no matter what. But I can't help but think that the subject was addressed more directly. Is it something about that general location? Is it Philo and Gunge? Does every trash heap achieve sentience? And if so, what keeps Marjory's personality alive when she's moved about/exchanged with new trash/added to, etc? I can see the compost idea working here. Something about that process that stimulates molecules or some such Fraggles universe thing.

If the issue was addressed, then I guess we'll eventually see that episode -- but this last one didn't really do anything for the Gorgs in our eyes.

- Peter** My perspective is that the Gorgs are not litterers because they throw all of their trash in the same place. As for tossing it in the river, that's not really "villainous" in my opinion - just stupid. Of course, the Gorgs don't seem to use a lot of materials that don't decompose, so you might want to try that angle with Gillian.
- Scott** The composting idea is sounding better and better. It's a workable real-world theory for the Gorgs' trash, and the process is suggestive of a renewal system for Marjory and why she's not as big as Fraggles Rock by series end.
- Joe** I was looking up some unrelated stuff on the Wiki, and I noticed that in episode 307 ("Home Is Where the Trash Is"), the Trash Heap only comes to life when Philo and Gunge are around. I haven't seen the episode yet, so I don't know the details, but it could be another piece of the trashy puzzle.
- Ryan** That's the one where Philo and Gunge leave home, and while they're away, the Trash Heap starts deteriorating. As soon as they come back, she's revived, so their presence is what keeps her together. I think they even mention in that episode that she was just a lifeless pile of junk before they showed up.
- Scott** Ooh, I'm'a gonna hafta watch that one. Our viewing has been pretty random, but we've mostly only been watching Season 2 episodes lately, and Trash Heap episodes have been scarce. We've probably watched at least 10 episodes in a row with no Marjory at all. It's led me to believe that there should be a list of her featured episodes on her article at the wiki. Are they really that few and far between?
- Anthony** She's only in two episodes of season two, if I remember correctly.
- Scott** Dang. Was there a garbage strike that year?

**Birthplace of the Frog**

Jul 16 • 10572.2

**Scott** I like the idea that a true Muppet fanatic is one who buys a t-shirt.

**The Return of Farscape**

July 16 • 10573.10

**Scott** I have no problem with Lesley Anne Warren attaching herself to me.

**Transformers**

Jul 17 • 10336.72-81

**Quinn** I'm planning on seeing it before it leaves theaters, but haven't had the time yet. And no one will see it with me. \*sniffle\*

**Shawn** Aw. I'd totally go see it with you, Q. But, y'know...

You're a Mormon.

**Cathy** I'd totally see it again, even with a Mormon.  
Or a merman.  
Or Ethel Merman.

**Michal** Would you see it in a box? Would you see it with a fox?  
Would you see it on a boat? Would you see it with a goat?  
Would you see it with George Foreman? Would you see it with a Mormon?

**Quinn** Yes. No.

Yes. Yes.

No. Yes.

[Anthony]

**Andrew L** Anyway, the queen of "appearing on covers without actually being in the content" is... Betty Lou. Sure, she was in only 1 video cover, in which she naturally didn't appear, but back in the day, she was on the front or back of \*tons\* of covers of albums which she didn't appear in. Betty Lou is an enigma, of course, but my own pet theory is, seeing how futile her efforts were, that she saw potential in Elmo. Elmo's earliest appearances on video covers seem to come not long after the 1992 book "I Want to Be President," in which Betty Lou steps out of the shadows of obscurity to reveal her true ambitions. So she secretly helped groom/brainwash Elmo, watching and gloating as her store rose. It's the old "Manchurian Candidate" story, with Betty Lou as controller. So don't hate Elmo. Pity him, as the trapped pawn that he is, under the spell of a pig-tailed Svengali in a checkered dress.

**Elmo's Christmas Countdown**

July 27 • 10592.82

**Daniel**

Kynan, how do you feel about the taste of another man's lips?

**2007 Movies**

Jul 29 • 10167.79

**Quinn**

I've only seen parts of "300." But I've seen the whole thing reenacted by my favorite 8th graders last year. It was amazing.

They could have used some slow motion.

And they shouldn't have decapitated that one kid.



## **The Random Thread of Randomness**

Aug 2 • 9511.2382

### **Quinn**

See, if it's one ant, I admire that. Like, he's a hero, and his name is Freddie, and he's out on a grand expedition of some kind. I'll let him go about his business.

Two ants? Buddy trip. I'm fine with that, and will often spare their lives after giving them grand adventures to tell the colony about.

But a million ants? I'll wipe them out. Every last one. And for four and five generations their descendants will fear me. The Mighty Quinn.

[Michal]

**Sam (the American Eagle) Donaldson**

Aug 5 • 10611.1-4

**David H** If this article has already been discussed, well... no one will mind it showing up again. This little passage in the Huffington Posts' "Eat the Press" links directly to Muppet Wiki's "Sam the Eagle" page.

Now, doesn't that do your heart good?

**Ryan** Hey, Sam's famous! I just hope he doesn't try to run for president himself...

**Joe** I'd vote for him. No, I probably wouldn't.

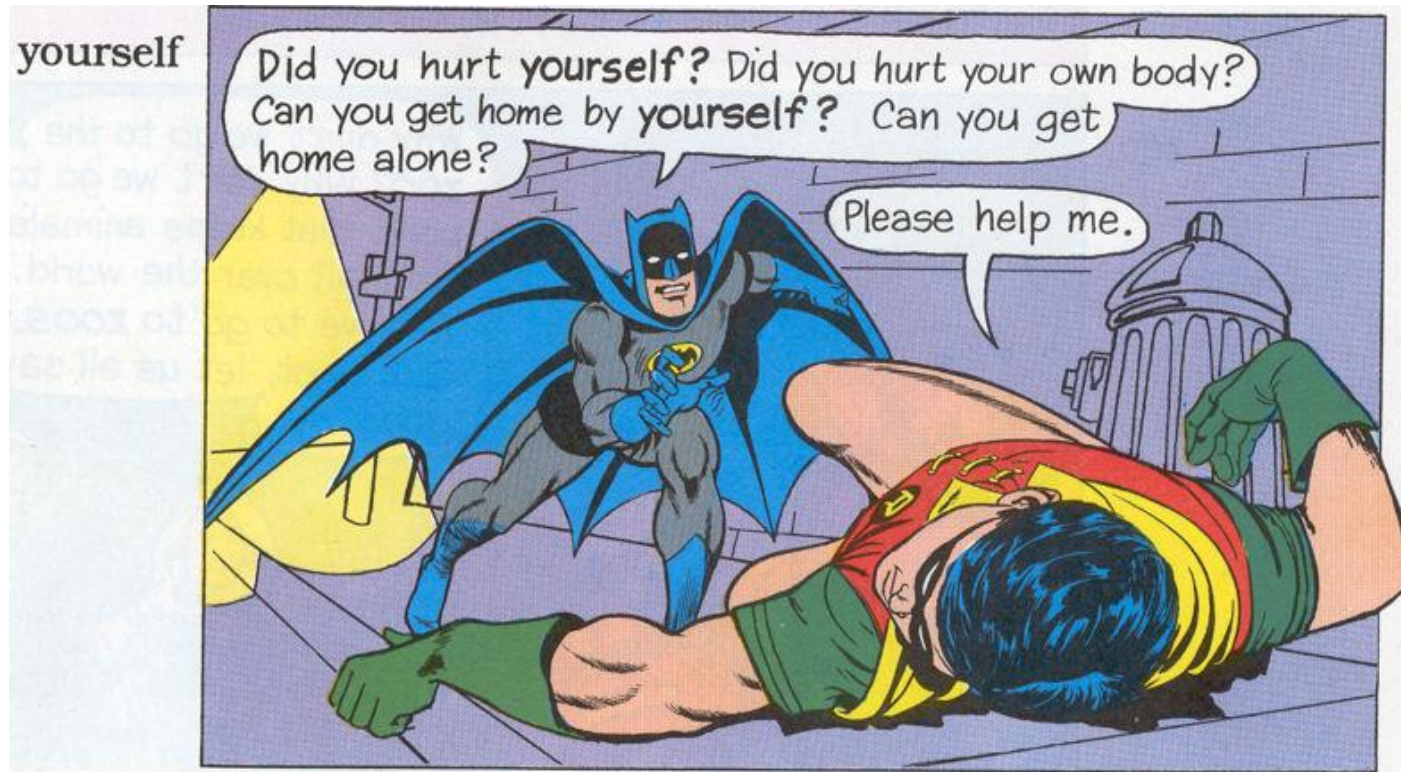
Who do you think Sam's running mate would be?

**Quinn** Crazy Harry.

Which would make it basically like our current administration.

[Martha]

Joe



Ryan

Did ya hurt yourself, son? Did ya hurt yourself and make yourself mean mad?

[Michal]

**Tough Pigs dreams**

Aug 9 • 9244.386

**Anthony**

Last night I dreamed I was staying at Ryan's parents house in Texas, and so was he. For a while we just sat around, but then we watched Fraggles Rock. It was the one where Red gets so mad at Gobo that she punches him in the face.

Awesome.

**Animal Print**

Aug 9 • 10620.14

**Danny**

The Disney Shopping site says:

"In the giclée process, digitally recreated artwork is printed onto paper with an enhanced printer, specially modified for fine-art reproduction."

Which is basically a fancy way of saying that we're buying an old-fashioned hand-carved first-edition all-weather piece of paper.

For six hundred dollars.

I wish I knew the people who bought all this high-end Disney crap. I'd set up a lemonade stand outside their houses and charge a thousand dollars a glass.

**Miles & Carter stories**

Aug 14 • 7711.634

**Quinn**

Right now the toys in McDonalds Happy Meals are Legion of Superheroes toys, and the boys both have Brainiac 5 and Lightning Lad. Miles has been carrying Brainiac 5 around with him and telling people, "this is Brainiac FIVE. So he's not evil, see--he's nice. He's not the Brainiac that fights Superman all the time..."

And people like my in-laws look at him like he's crazy, and then look at me like it's my fault. And I just kinda shrug and say "I don't know WHERE he gets it..."

Although I totally do.

That Melissa's OBSESSED!

**Season 38**

Aug 21

**Daniel**

I really feel that the new segments and the focus on reading has really put the show back on their ABC-game. Buhdumpching.

**More Muppet Art**

Aug 23 • 10651.17-22

**Ryan** I sure would like to know what everyone's talking about... but I'm at W. Could anyone give me a simple explanation of what Rule 34 is so I don't have to click on that link?

**Peter** "If it exists, then there is porn of it."

**Ryan** I see. Thank you for that explanation.

And now I know not to click on the link at work, or at home, or at a library or a restaurant or in a volcano or ever.

**Peter** Will you click it in a box?  
Will you click it with a fox?

**Joe** It depends. How hot is this fox?

**Peter** Foxy.



**Greetings from San Francisco** Aug 26 • 10654.14-15

**Mike C** I'm back. On my way out I caught an exhibit on Osamu Tezuka in the Asian Art Museum. Walls and walls of original artwork from one of the greatest manga artists. I was in awe. And the rest of the museum was full of great art from Asia that I'd only seen before in textbooks. After that I got a burger at famous Mel's diner and went to the Playstation store, which was only significant cause I got my hands on a real Parappa hat.

**Anthony** Kick, punch, it's all in the mind  
Your new hat looks nifty, I'm sure you'll find

Wow. I apologize for that. I'm going to bed.

Joe



**Ryan** Moments later, Black Canary came out and yelled, "Damn it, Ollie! That's the fifth doorbell this week!"

**Joe** I never took Ollie for the Doorbell Dash kinda guy.

**Ryan** Perhaps that's more the Flash's style?

[Martha]

**Michal**

I'm here at my internship today, and one of the producers was talking about how his twins' birthday is coming up on September 19th.

And I immediately perked up and said, "September 19th! That's International Talk Like a Pirate Day!"

Then he looked at me oddly and asked how I'd known that, off the top of my head. I said I'd been looking it up online, when of course the full answer was that the Wiki had reminded me under "Upcoming Events" this morning.

And then he asked me what I could say as a pirate, and I kind of stuttered.

\*Throws cutlass in the air.\*

**Scott**



**Season 38**

Aug 29 • 10489.98-100

**Quinn**

Nice that Kermit was at least seen...

Some of my new students, not knowing quite how deep the Kermit obsession runs with Mr. Rollins, dared to debate me on whether or not the Frog was ever on The Street.

W-T-F.

**Peter**

That reminds me of the time Leah insisted that Adam Guettel had collaborated with Stephen Sondheim. The very notion!

**Joe**

Sure, didn't they both show up at Ma Bear's house in Muppet Family Christmas?

**The Random Thread of Randomness**

Sep 1 • 9511.2516-19

**Shawn** Mister History! That should be a TV show. Or not, because history is boring.

**Anthony** Yes. Everything that ever happened until right now is boring.

FALSE.

**Shawn** Well, yeah. I mean, except for all the stuff that had samurai swords and dinosaurs. That stuff was all pretty cool.

Powdered wigs? P'feh.

**Ryan** What about the Plague? That was pretty neat, right?

**The Random Thread of Randomness**

Sep 4 • 9511.2521-22

**Beth** Am I allowed to say I hate the Golden Girls theme song if I just watched 8 episodes in a row?

Because I'd rather try to do the split than listen to that.

**Anthony** Aww.

Thank you for being no fun.

**Odd holidays on your birthday**

Sep 5 • 10674.8-11

**Beth** I think I win- mine is Absurdity Day.

Besides, I was born two days before Thanksgiving (and it's two days before Thanksgiving this year) and my grandma had to smuggle our Thanksgiving pecan pie into the hospital for me and mom.

Which is absurd.

**M. Catherine** You definitely win over me, because my birthday is Toothache Day. Which, were I to observe said holiday, would actually need to come the day after I stuffed my face with birthday cake.

I am a fan of February 16, Do A Grouch A Favor Day. Oscar would approve. Or not, because that would make him happy.

**Beth** And being happy makes him miserable, which makes him happy.

It's a cruel world out there.

**The Office (spoilers)**

Sep 6 • 7346.437-439

**Cathy** Aw, Jenna Fischer and James Gunn have separated. That makes me sad.

**Joe** Yes... that's terrible... excuse me for a moment.

\*holds radio over head outside of Jenna Fischer's house\*

**Scott** \*shoots Joe in the leg with a crossbow\*

(nothing personal)



**Odd holidays on your birthday**

Sep 6 • 10674.12-16

**Tom** My birthday is on Moldy Cheese Day.

I'm not sure anyone can top that.

**Ryan** I could top moldy cheese... I'd top it with lots and lots of chocolate syrup, whipped cream, and maybe a cherry. Unfortunately, when I was finished, it would still be moldy cheese.

[Michal]

**The Daily Show**

Sep 7 • 8439.173-180

**Michal**

Someday my time will be my own again.

**Anthony**

No. No it won't.

**Shawn**

College is the last time that any of your time will be your own.

Yes, even that time. You're on the clock, missy!

**Michal**

My time wasn't even my own in college. Grad school is much, much worse.

I guess it's all downhill from here.

**Quinn**

*Grad school is much, much worse.*

Yes.

*I guess it's all downhill from here.*

\*thinks about Miles and Carter\*

YESSSSSS!!!

**Joe** And welcome to the ToughPigs forum! Just a friendly note, we've got a rule here called the First Names Club. Instructions for how to add your name like the rest of us is on our start page (<http://forums.delphiforums.com/toughpigs/start>). So, cheers and have fun chatting on the forum!

**exposevil** yeah you got everybody here changing their profile for your forum...  
you'll find here on delphi not everyone jumps when people tell them too.

bye!



**Anthony** Well, that's ominous.

**Ryan** And just like that, he's gone forever.

Fare thee well, exposevil... fare thee well.

**Joe** I miss him already.

**Ryan** Yeah, I really felt like there was some chemistry between the two of you. So sad.

**Cathy** Phew. He left before he could expose any evil.

**Daniel** Though he did get YOU to post...so maybe he did, ah yes...maybe he did.

**Renting Right Now**

Sep 11 • 8858.219-223

**Quinn** We've been rewatching Arrested Development.

And mourning.

**Joe** I just lent the first season to one of my coworkers. And Labyrinth to another coworker. So conversations on Monday morning should be interesting.

**Ryan** Especially if you get confused, and start talking about the banana stand at the center of the Goblin City, or Carl Weathers giving Ludo acting lessons. Or that part where Hoggle has a crush on his cousin.

**Joe** Nothing in my entire day will be as awesome as that post.

**Ryan** Even if you see the Junk Lady wearing a SLUT shirt?

[Joe]

## **Whither Muppet Musique?**

Sep 12 • 10632.28-29

**Daniel**

I doubt I will ever support Disney owning the Muppets. It was a very stupid and ill-advised decision. Especially now that these webshows are going into production through Henson. Disney will pump out mediocre Muppet merchandise until they see diminishing returns. They will never realize that the only people who are buying it are nostalgia fans, because they don't bother to make anything to capture new hearts and minds. This is of course because they give up on anything that isn't an instant super-hit.

**Alaina**

Aww, buck up emo kid.

\*hands Daniel rose colored glasses\*

At least we've got...

each other.

**The ORIGINAL 1975 clip of "Fur"!**

Sep 12 • 10681.14-15

**Kellie** Henry found that so fascinating he temporarily stopped smearing rice cereal and bananas in his hair. Not sure if that was the reaction you'd hoped for

**Scott** It had the opposite effect on me.

**Gordon in Utah this Saturday**

Sep 12 • 10677.20-23

**Quinn** Yeah...they recorded the whole thing. If you have an hour or so to kill. You'll probably even hear my mumbled, inept question about Miles being on the show.

...and I don't remember what that freak had to ask about the show...and didn't care enough. My eyes were busy rolling back so far that they were colliding with my eardrums, so I couldn't hear it all anyway.

**Ryan** Okay then, I'll just have to make up my own stupid question. Here goes:

"Mr. Gordon-man, sir, how many hairs are there in your moustache? And is the rumor true that you once shot an episode in which Susan made you a toupee out of Big Bird's tailfeathers, but it was never aired over concerns that children would emulate it by plucking their pet birds at home? And what do you think would happen if Willie Dynamite met Trash Gordon? Please answer the second question first, the third question second, and the first question in the broom closet in the back of the auditorium."

**Anthony** Ryan,

You can be a real chucklehead sometimes.

**NicheMuppet**

Sep 17 • 10631.18-24

**Michal** Can you talk like a pirate?

**Peter** Pirate? I don't even know her...eye...rat...AAAAAAAAUUUGGGHHH!!!

**Peter** I mean...AAAAAAAAARRRRRRGGGGHHH?

**Michal** You're halfway there.

**Martha** Is he Living on a Prayer?

**Peter** Tommy used to work on the docks. Maybe he was a pirate.

[Michal]



**Fraggle Rock: Season 3 DVDs**

Sep 18 • 10349.91-94

**Ryan** I wonder why I don't own this yet. Let's ask the Trash Heap.

**Michal** ...Through \*song\*!

**Daniel** <Gobo starts a ramblin' rollin' banjo riff.>

Wembley: Skweep skwop, skeedledy dop. Skweep skwop, skeedledy dop.

Gobo:

Once there was a boy named Ryan Roe,  
Big ol' Muppet fan but he didn't know  
Why he hadn't gone and bought the Rock discs yet,  
Marjory would probably know, I'll bet.

So we left the rock, headed through the Gorg's yard,  
asked her bout Roe and she thought real hard,  
What she said next, well I couldn't believe'er

Marjory: Sorry Li'l Fraggles, Margie don't know neither.

Fraggle Chorus:

Pooooor oooool' Ryan Roe  
Why has he forsaken us, we just don't know.  
We thought he was a lover of Fraggles Rock,

Boober: He'd rather stay home and wash some socks.

<Music stops.>

...

Or something like that. I like to believe there's more of us out there.

**Martha:**

Larch Rental Man

**Beth:**

Amenable Haze Inlet  
Tameable Haze Linen  
Ablaze Enamel Thine  
Ablaze Ale Then Mine  
Eatable Hazel Me Inn  
A Lethal Aim Benzene  
Thimble Zeal Neana

**Mary Catherine Owen:**

No, we can't hear my ire.  
Cremation Anywhere

**Cathy Whitlow:**

Why toil? Chat!

**Shawn Pero:**

Hero spawn

**Daniel Romens:**

Men rode snail

**Tom Holste:**

Elmo's hott

**Danny Horn:**

No R.N. handy

**Amy Frushour Kelly:**

You're my full shark.

**Scott:**

Toon's Snatch  
Constant Hos

**Jogchem:**

Jag 'Lick 'Em' John  
Jack Jingle Ohm

**Erik:**

Broken wire

**Peter Papazoglou:**

Algae Puppet Orzo  
Earplug Zeta Poop  
Grape Applet Ouzo

**Mike C:**

Cavemen Strike  
Cake Evens Trim  
Acme Nerves Kit  
Cream Even Skit  
Rack Seven Item

**Quinn:**

Loner Quilts Inns Porn

**North Pole Christmas Village**

Oct 5 • 10703.25-27

**Tom** True. But the Piggys didn't sell very well, apparently.

It always amuses me to find out what the fan population at large considers too geeky to buy, as though everything they buy isn't geeky. (Spoken as a fellow geek.)

For them, it's like, "I'm 40 and I buy action figures. What? Miss Piggy? Now that's just SILLY!"

**Scott** It's because buying a Piggy makes you gay.

**Sesame dog costumes**

Oct 5 • 10725.4

**Cathy**

I wonder if my cat would stand for being dressed up like Big Bird?  
Probably not. I wonder if that will stop me from trying anyway?

**Quinn's DC Comics LEGO Guys**

Oct 9 • 10735.1-9

**Quinn**

Here are about 100 DC Comics LEGO guys that I've been working on. Justice League, Teen Titans, Justice Society, Legion of Doom, etc... even a little bitty Krypto the Superdog.

Check it out if you're interested. Or out of pity. Either way, really.

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/14632327@N03/sets/72157602339740490/>

**Daniel**

These are awesome. And obsessive. And awesome.

...

I think I've told you this before, but sometimes I wish you were a single girl, whom I could wed.

[Michal]

**Old School: volume 2**

Oct 30 • 10522.117-119

**Peter** Do coyotes eat babies? Leah and I have been having an argument about this one.

**Beth** Yo' mama eat babies.

**The Random Thread of Randomness**

Nov 2 • 9511.2748

**Cathy** Detachable udders? What will they think of next?

[Martha]



**Joe**

There's a new TMX Elmo coming out for the Christmas season.

But what, you may ask, is the difference between TMX and TMX v.2?

First off, the new TMX will have a gold badge. No, not real gold. And probably not a real badge either.

But the real treat is that the child can "unlock" some "surprises" if they have Elmo perform the right sequence of movements.

I'm intrigued. And ticklish.

**Michal**

Now I'm intrigued, too.

Which sequence do you think will set Elmo off on a rant about his long-standing, painstakingly concealed disdain for Telly?

**Ryan**

I heard about one combination: If the child squeezes Elmo to make him laugh uproariously 67 times in a row, it unlocks a special feature where the child's parents tear their hair out.

**Muppet Dominate TV DVD Awards**

Nov 13 • 10792.3-8

**Ryan**            How many kids even know who George Burns is?

**Joe**              Kids ponder while George Burns?

**Beth**            It's nice to know that some jokes are older than George Burns himself.  
(yeah, yeah, I know, why did George burn himself?)

**News Stories**

Nov 13 • 9750.706-720

- Joe** The new Jones Soda flavors have been announced for the holiday season. And they're totally gross.
- For Christmas, there will be Sugar Plum, Christmas Tree, Egg Nog and Christmas Ham. The Hanukkah pack will have Jelly Doughnut, Apple Sauce, Chocolate Coins and Latkes.
- Erik** Will the Christmas Tree soda be Scotch Pine or Douglas Fir?
- Ryan** My guess: Scotch pine is regular and Douglas fir is diet.
- Erik** Ah, good. Because Douglas Fir give me heartburn.
- Scott** That bastard.

**Abby Cadabby in Thanksgiving Day Parade**

Nov 16 • 10798.16-17

**Erik**            Damn Canadians.

**Michal**        Very well; I shall.

**Hawaii episodes**

Dec 2 • 10820.1-11

**Scott** Snuffling up Muppet memories  
By Lee Cataluna

...Thirty years ago, the cast of "Sesame Street" left their concrete sidewalks and urban stoops for the verdant backyards of Kaua'i. Mr. Hooper went surfing, Maria and Bob learned Hawaiian songs from Aunty Nona Beamer, and Snuffleupagus searched for his ancestors in the mountains.

**Quinn** Mr. Hooper's back hair is still clogging parts of the Pacific.

**The Random Thread of Randomness**

Dec 3 • 9511.2818-2819

**Scott** Sweet! That's the guy who was on Colbert a few months ago. Of course they'd commissioned a life-sized likeness of everyone's favorite fake pundit.

**Alaina** Anderson Cooper?

[Peter]

**Your Next President**

Dec 10 • 10825.8-9

**Kynan**

It could be argued that, as a non-US citizen, my vote will be moot anyway, but I support democracy, so I took the test.

Dennis Kucinich: 89%  
Mike Gravel: 85%  
Christopher Dodd: 78%

I just have three questions. Who are Dennis Kucinich, Mike Gravel and Christopher Dodd?

**Michal**

One is made of wax. One is made of gravel. And one is made of hairspray.

**Brooklyn pigs on YouTube**

Dec 12 • 10457.79-91

**Joe** One more new one, we found the lost Brian Henson intros!

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VpWXDHFg370>

**Jogchem** You guys have just posted the most brilliant YouTube material, EVER.

**Joe** Coming from the guy who did the one-man Mahna Mahna, that means a lot.

I still have no idea how you did that.

**Michal** I concur.

Maybe you could record an introduction for it: "Hi. I'm Brian Henson. Sometimes, Joggy multiplies! See how many Jogchems you can spot in this rendition of Mahna Mahna."

**Jogchem** "Hi, I'm Brian Henson. In this next clip, Jogchem is seen singing with himself. In reality, they were attached by tiny rods and pulled forward by a large tricycle that I was riding..."

[Peter]



**Brazilian Muppeteer training**

Dec 9 • 10832.12

**Kynan** "G'day, I'm Batman. Check out me bloody big moustache, coppers!"

**Scrammmm** Merry Christmas Tough Pigs!

**Joe** Merry Christmas to you too, Scrammmm! Thanks for giving us your two cents (or two pence, as it were).

If you're planning on posting more (and I certainly think you should), you should join the Real Names Club, which you can read about on our start page (<http://forums.delphiforums.com/toughpigs/start>). It's the ~~American Way~~ British Way!

**Grant** I think it's awfully presumptuous of you to just blindly assume that Scrammmm isn't his/her real name.

My father's name was Scrammmm.

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