



## 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 92<sup>nd</sup> 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?"

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- \_\_\_8. " Thank you for noticing. Yes, our mother does like to dress us alike! "
- \_\_\_9. "Mom always said no one could tell us apart!"
- \_\_\_10. "Can you believe he paid retail? I got mine at Wal-Mart."
- \_\_\_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."
- \_\_\_16. "Abbot and Costello Enjoy a Joke at Someone Else's Expense."
- \_\_\_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! "

# 3 \_\_\_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."

#4 \_\_\_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."

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\_\_\_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."

#1 \_\_\_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."