

IRON CANDIDATE

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Four years ago, the Commander in Chef decided to combine his passions of politics and gluttony. So he created Kitchen Forum of Ideas.

In order to create new, exciting, complex and controversial debates, the Commander assembled a group of skilled politicians, and he called them his IRON CANDIDATES...



Iron Candidate
RAY GUNN...



Iron Candidate
CLINN
TONN...



Iron Candidate
GORGE
AMBUSH...



Kitchen Arena is the forum where challengers come to do battle, create memorable policy, and be judged by their peers. Each challenger has an hour to use the theme ingredient to cook up a winning national policy statement. If ever a challenger defeats an Iron Candidate, his fame and status shall rise to immortality in history! What does the Commander have for us today? What issue will be put to the forefront? Turn up the heat-- the Debate is On!!!

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Throughout today's battle, we will have the expert commentary of Dr. Hunterori and floor reporter O'Duh.



And now, the Commander---
If Memory serves me well,



there is a challenger made a Big Splash years ago. He was a spoiler maybe he can do it again!

... *Today's challenger is former Presidential candidate ...*

... **ROSS**
PEA ROT!!!!



Welcome to my Forum.
I expect you will mix things up today.
Which Iron Candidate do you summon for battle????!!!

Hard choices. Hard.
Hard. Hard.
Let's see the Pigs in the Poke on my chart...



I CHOOSE
CLINN TONN-
SAN!!!



It's the IRON CANDIDATE CLINN TONN !! He is called Slick. His claim to fame is his special sauces for the ladies.

He will have to battle a renegade billionaire in order to win this battle!



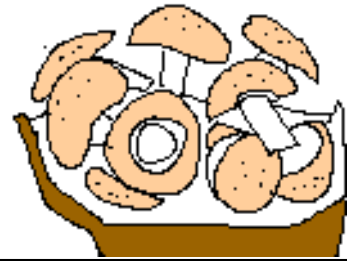
For today's battle, I looked hard into the past to find a theme which reminds me of the challenger. He heard the calling with his "ears" to the costly deficit grindstone. Today's theme ingredient is:



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MUSHROOMS!!!



Out of season elephant ear mushrooms and the economy!

IF YOU CAN'T STAND THE HEAT, GET OUT OF MY KITCHEN!!!!!



GO!!!!!!!



The contestants are off to the stage to collect their ingredient for today's battle. Reporter O'Duh, any reaction from today's warriors?



I THINK THE CHALLENGER IS SENSITIVE TO THE EARS. AN EARTHY INGREDIENT, LARGE MUSHROOMS, CAN MEAN SO MUCH TO A COUNTRY COOK LIKE TONN-SAN. HOW THEY WILL WEAVE A STORY WILL TELL THIS BATTLE.



No third parties here. Just one on one action.

We will be right back for the SHROOM BATTLE.





We are back at Kitchen Arena. The Commander has chosen Mushrooms as today's theme.

What will be the players plans today, Hunterori-san?

Pea Rot is a loud, rich spoiled billionaire. I expect he will go by his club playbook. Clinn Tonn looks winded going up to gather his shrooms.

Now to our floor reporter. O'Duh?



THE CHALLENGER WAS QUICK TO GET HIS FRYING PAN OUT AND IT LOOKS LIKED HE WILL SAUTE TO START. HE MAY HAVE AN OLD FAMILY RECIPE CARD.



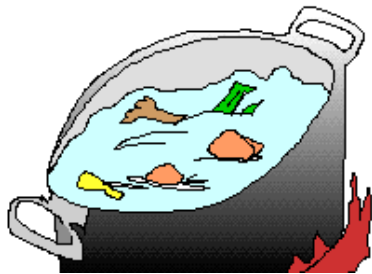
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Pea Rot appears to continue to work up a storm in his kitchen. What about the slow play of Clinn-Tonn, Hunterori-san?

You cannot over cook mushrooms just like you cannot over cook the economy if you were President. Tonn-San has the advantage here.



Now blanching is a fine fine fine method of integrating flavors.



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You know why this mushroom looks so gosh darn big. It's as big as our deficit... shrooms that zoom in red ink will take over our country and suck the greenbacks straight from our bank accounts. Wake up people! It's on my chart!!

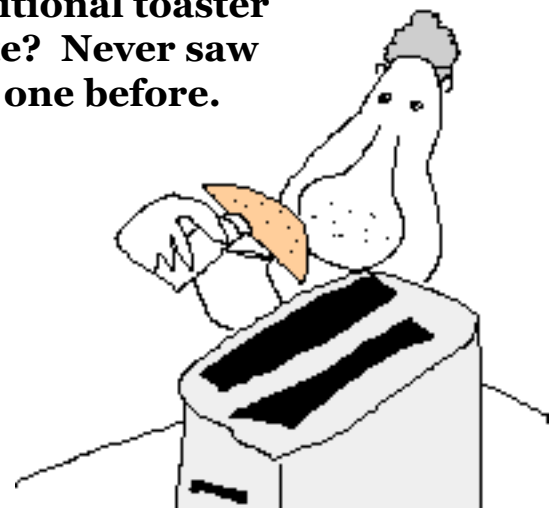
Meanwhile, it looks like a **Iron Candidate** is smoking his....



What an idiot. Talk about losing focus!!



It looks like he is going the **traditional toaster route?** Never saw that one before.

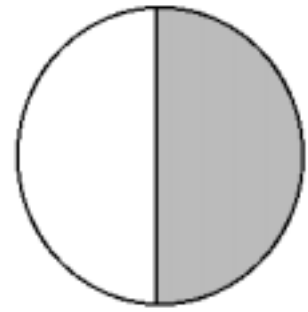


Both competitors have gone to LaLa land. Pea Rot is living in the past and Tonn-san is attempting to relive the 1960s. But those are not the right kind of mushrooms. So this simple ingredient is giving both contestants a real hard time. Unbelievable. I need a drink.

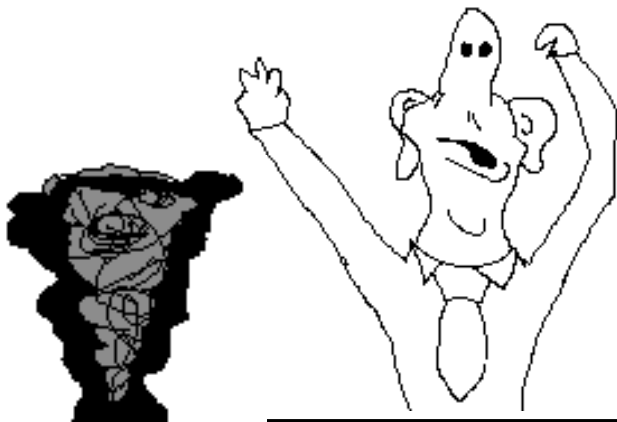




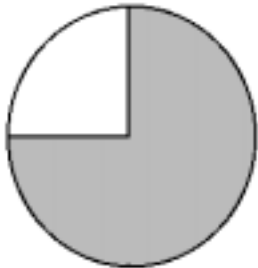
**30 Minutes
Have Elapsed.**



**Something's happened to
the Challenger--**



O'Duh? Pea Rot-san has burned a batch of mushrooms, and he must start over.



**45 Minutes
Have Elapsed.**

The Commander is putting the heat on the warriors now. Only fifteen minutes to go in this battle and both players have had numerous miscues.

Which one will be cool under the pressure cooker of Kitchen Forum?





Hunterori-san, what are your observations at this point of the battle?

Well, it appears the challenger spent the hour talking to anyone who would listen to him. The Iron Candidate mostly fooled around and is now in a frantic final drive to complete something. I don't think he turned on his stove yet. Amazing.



He is an Iron Candidate. He probably won't want to make a fool out of himself.



One Minute To Go!! One Minute!

The competitors only have 60 seconds to complete their dishes and set their policy statements.

It's a mad dash to the finish.



Iron Candidate Tonn-san is working so fast there is a cloud of smoke in his work area. Challenger Pea Rot is plating his three impressive dish-certations.

Thank you, O'Duh. Three, two, one..... time is up--- the Battle is now OVER!!!!

The challenger appears to be spent like a drunk's last dollar. The Iron Candidate hamming up to the camera. He can't stop himself.

He is an Iron Candidate. He lives for the action and pressure of Kitchen Forum of Ideas. Let's see how they did today.



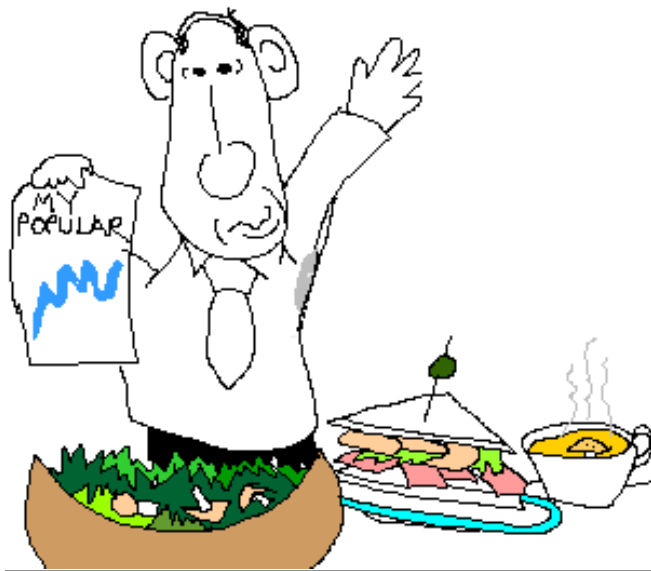
After 60 minutes of Battle, our competitors have completed their dishes for the judging panel.

Let us review their creations:

First, the challenger. Pea Rot has created three dishes. First, mushroom salad tossed in the greenbacks of D.C. Second, mushroom and baloney sandwich for Congress. Lastly, a hot mushroom soup to tell the panelists to wake up their minds to the deficit issue.



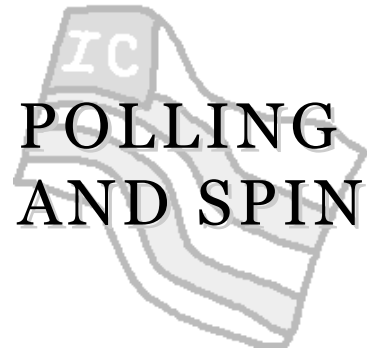
Iron Candidate Clinn Tonn has also three dishes. First, toasted mushrooms on a bagel, a reversal of traditional fare. Next, a raw mushroom-veggie kabob anchored by Swiss cheese. Lastly, smoked mushrooms in his special mayo sauce.



And now, the Moment of Truth. **POLLING AND SPIN.** On today's judging panel . . .

Former lower house member I. Of Newt; singer Liza Vanilli; and former basketball great, Norm Van Sear.





First, the challenger....

People, I have tried to present to you the essence of the issue, deficit spending will destroy I say destroy this country's economy. I know, I am the economy. Too much greenbacks, a lot of baloney and there'd be a hot meltdown of our country.



Enjoy.

***Thank you.
The panel may begin
the challenger's menu.***



I found the analysis quite good and his execution of greens leading into the baloney course inspiring. However, the soup at the end gave me no comfort, no solution to the issue presented by the challenger. I enjoyed his effort but I wanted more.



I don't eat meat so the sandwich was missing something for me. The salad had no taste, no dressing to set the table, so to speak. The soup was hot, but not spicy. There was no final message to make me want to pay for this meal.



I don't know. I ate all my dishes. I thought they were good. I may not agree with his politics, I may not understand all of those colored charts, but I think this is a balanced meal. And if he wants a balanced budget to stop deficits, then I think he got his message across to this old hoopster.





Next, the Iron Candidate . . .

I hope y'all like my offerings today. I made them special (wink) for you. I wanted to make a different sorta statement today. My theme is your theme.

Earthy goodness. That's me. That's all me. And I wanted you to taste me, the Real Me. So that is why I made my special sauce for the smoked mushrooms. The interns love it. Now, I did not inhale. I am sure of that. Y'all saw me a cookin' and fixin' yeah it was kinda fun.

If you want some shrooms you should be ready to have some fun. It is a simple FUNgus, ha ha ha. I crack myself up sometimes.

***Thank you.
The panel may begin
the Iron Candidate's
menu.***



I found the raw elements gave me gas. And that special sauce creeps me out to be honest with you. The bagel was a good start, but what was the plan? I don't know if charm counts as a viable issue today.



What can I say but I am a big fan of the Iron Candidate's. Yummy..... And I think he is good for the country.



I ate everything up. Look at the diversity in his combinations. He made everything work together-- teamwork. Now that's the solution to the problem of the present day economic-political dogma.



And now the judges will have to make their decision. Whose presentation will reign supreme in Kitchen Forum of Ideas? Now, the Moment of Truth.



Today was an interesting battle. Both men have battled before, and each has his own way of doing things. Both are self-made millionaires. But there can be only one Winner here.

The judges have made their decision. It was a very, very, very close split decision.



And the Victor is . . .



Will charts show the victory for the challenger? Or will the folksy homage of the Iron Candidate's charm his way to victory. It is a close call. Who is it?? The Commander in Chef will announce the final decision . . .

It's the IRON CANDIDATE CLINN TONN!!!



Another victory by the Iron Candidate. Join us soon for another episode of IRON CANDIDATE™

