Wayne’s Words: 2006 Word of the Year Nominations
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Axis Envy   North Korea’s envy of attention given to Iran
blue-dog Democrat  Conservative Democrat
Brokeback  Gay; bad
Cambodian accessories  Angelina Jolie’s adopted Cambodian children
car-parazzi  People who drop everything to photograph a car
chesticles  Man boobs
consensus science  Scientific theory determined by vote
CrackBerry addict  Person unable to put down his or her BlackBerry
cut and jog  Cut and run at a slower pace
ecosexual  Person choosing dates according to a partner’s green habits
entreprenegro  African-American business person
foleyed  Have embarrassing IM conversation made public
Fed-Ex  K-Fed’s new nickname
grill  Shiny removable mouthpiece worn over the teeth
gauging  Stretching the earlobes with a series of larger objects

lyric malfunction  Obscenities scrubbed from the Rolling Stones’ Super Bowl performance

m-, man-, men- compounds  (moobs, manboobs, murse, man purse, mancation, man crush, manmaries, menaissance, etc.)

Mel Gibson  1: Ostracize  2: Run amok

new castrati  Feminized males

nicotini  Tobacco-flavored cocktail (for smokeless bars)

rainbow sheep  Politically correct black sheep

sock puppet  False identity on the Internet

speaker-in-waiting  Speaker of the House to be

spew  Gibberish in spam intended to fool a spam filter

tramp stamp  Tattoo at the base of a woman’s spine

White House Reporter Syndrome  Depression among White House press corps when other folks get the news first