

# The Hair Demons

Dedicated to Elodia Harber

*On April 13, 2010, Elodia told me that "I think the hair demons have possessed my hair." This poem, written on April 15, 2010, sprang from that sentence.*

Demons have infested my hair  
I think they're having a party up there!  
With Buffalo Wings and bottles of beer  
Someone's scratching a record just behind my right ear  
Someone keeps calling for "left foot on red"  
Because they're playing naked Twister at the back of my head  
It's just not fair what they're doing up there  
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If they'd behave like grownups I doubt that I'd care  
But I glanced in a mirror and to my surprise  
I saw two of them looking out through my eyes!  
Someone's spilled their ranch dressing on the floor of my brain  
And I don't know what I'll use to get up that stain  
Somebody just hollered, "Don't hog that joint! SHARE!"  
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I can't seem to evict them and I've begun to despair  
I didn't invite them, they came on their own  
I never offered my skull for their home  
They're playing music so loudly that people I'm near  
Ask "Where's that noise coming from?" because they can hear!  
Some imp's riding his Harley down my nose on a dare!  
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They did Jell-O shots in their red underwear  
Demon boys chased demon girls in a wild, frenzied race  
Now there's demonic undies all over the place!  
All the moaning and groaning about drove me mad  
(Hey, if I could watch it might not be so bad)  
But there's wet spots on the mattress, the carpets, the chairs!  
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They're dug-in like fleas on the back of a bear  
I tried to remove them with a comb and a brush  
I thought all the ruckus would make them leave in a rush  
I used a jug of shampoo (that just made them laugh.  
They used it to take a communal bubble bath!)  
If I don't find an answer I may have to use Nair  
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