

'New Wave' story provides the Word of the Day

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[Merriam-Webster's "Word of the Day"](#) today is habiliment ? that's one word you don't hear everyday. And for an example of how to use habiliment in a sentence, the popular daily website quotes a *New Wave* story.

"In 1837, a *Times-Picayune* reporter noted that the first documented Mardi Gras walking parade excited considerable speculation as to who they were, what were their motives, and what upon earth could induce them to turn out in such grotesque and outlandish habiliments. Some things never change."

The excerpt is from the [New Wave article](#), "These krewes walk on the wild side at Carnival," by Sally Asher, originally published in *New Wave* on Jan. 24, 2013. The pre-Carnival story is about Tulanians who participate in the popular walking krewes. The story includes Asher's photo of 610 Stomper Dorian-gray Alexander, Muff-a-lotta Kristin Condotta and Rolling Elvi member Scott Galante.

The Merriam-Webster "Word of the Day" site indicates that its editors discovered the story via States News Service, which picked up the *New Wave* story. Apparently those Rolling Elvi and their habiliments grab widespread attention!