CAPTION BANK: 1 man, 125 balloons, and the rush hour #1 train

Unusual
city scene and how bankers captioned it

Readers of
ABA Editor's
Report last week had the opportunity to provide a caption for the candid
snap above, spotted in the New York City subway. The balloon messenger said he
had to carry those 125 helium balloons because his van became unavailable and
the balloons had to arrive on schedule. Entrants below participated in a random
drawing for a $50 Amazon card, which will be awarded to Cheryl Traudt of Texas.

Your reward is some very
funny captions, and few groaners.

-Steve
Cocheo, executive editor and digital content manager

1. "MTA ... safest ride in
the city, with front & side airbags in every car!"

Cheryl
Traudt, Extraco Banks, Temple, Texas

2.
"...125
helium balloons in a sub,

125
helium bal-loons!

Take
out a pin,

Pop
one and then,

124
helium balloons in a sub ..."

Kim
Fowler, vice-president and wealth compliance manager, TD Bank, Greenville, S.C.

3. "
Is
this what Chairman Bernanke meant by keeping inflation under control?"

Twila
Gregg, president and CEO, Bank 21, Carrollton, Mo.

4. "I knew I should have made that
balloon payment on the van."

Alan
Dablemont, vice-president, First National Bank Alaska

5. "Got Helium?!"

Maureen Weeks, Biddeford (Maine) Savings

6. "Self Protection! Airbags on the subway."

Karen
Leither, State Bank of Richmond. Minn.

7.
"
Where did the political convention go?"

Lela Bryant, compliance officer, Corporate Compliance, Susquehanna Bancshares, Inc., Blue Ball, PA

8. "Helium Balloons; Over 2 Billion Annoyed And Counting!"

Travis Thompson, vice-president, Farmers Bank & Trust, N.A., Larned, Kan.

9. "I have proven it! You cannot fly with 125 helium balloons!"

Valerie Lewis, senior compliance analyst, First Bank, Hazelwood, Mo.

See our previous "Caption Bank: How Fedex delivered some laughs"