BLABBERMOUTH

(A movie)
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<u>CAST</u>

| LENNY | 50 years old, brilliant surgeon, funny. |
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| REBECCA | 47 years old, Lenny's wife, beautiful, bright. |
| MIKEY | Chimpanzee that can do anything. |
| SONNIE | |
| | 52 years old, Sonnie's husband, banker. |
| RABBI 1 | |
| RABBII 2 | 68 years old. |
| SCHMUEL | 52 years old hippie Rabbi. |
| LENNY'S MOTHER | 72 years old, ballsy. |
| REBECCA'S MOTHER and FATHER70ish, nice. | |
| CARIE | 25 years old, pretty nurse. |
| JOEY and wife SHEILA | |
| ROB | 50 years old. Baseball manager. |
| JANET | |
| LEE and girl friend | 40ish. |
| ABIE | 46 years old. Rich cocaine addict. |
| ANNA | 42 years old. Abe's wife. |
| PERRY | 35 years old. |
| MARCIA | |
| GENNA | 30 years old. |
| GWEN | 18 years old. Genna's girl friend. |
| ANNIE | 55 years old. Famous actress. |
| DAVID | 40 years old. Annie's younger boy friend. |
| MARK NEWMAN | 70 years old. Famous actor. JOHNNY |
| QUEENFamou | us Television Host. |
| PRODUCER | Johnny's show. |
| VARIOUS NURSES and INTERNS | |

BLABBERMOUTH

EXT: LENNY and MIKEY, a chimpanzee, dressed as a man, wearing a hat, walk out of Motor Vehicle office.

Lenny is euphoric.

LENNY

Puts out hand. Give me five, 'boichic,' lay it on me!

MIKEY slaps LENNY five.

LENNY (cont'd)

I knew you would do it and you did it. You, Mikey, are the only chimp in New York City, what New York City? The whole country, the world that has an international drivers license and I couldn't be more proud of you. Come on and give Daddy a big hug.

MIKEY and LENNY embrace. LENNY opens door to Porsche and gives keys to MIKEY.

LENNY (cont'd)

Now, that you're a legal motorist, some legal, huh? 12 years old and they think you're of age. Let's get a move on before they reexamine your birth certificate and find out how old you really are.

MIKEY starts engine and drives away.

LENNY (cont'd)

You know, when I taught you how to play Scrabble, in three months you beat Rebecca and me.

(MORE)

Continued:

LENNY

I taught you how to play gin and I haven't won a game in three years. But, now wise guy, I'm going to teach you the game of champions, golf. You may have the intelligence of any Harvard graduate...

MIKEY bangs chest.

LENNY (cont'd)

I'm sorry Mikey, you may be smarter than most Harvard graduates, but golf does not depend on how smart you are, it depends on balance, equilibrium, poise, and most important, it's not how hard you hit the ball, but how flush.

EXT: Golf course:

With caddy carrying two sets of golf clubs, to the amazement of all, LENNY and MIKEY approach the tee. 2 shot:

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LENNY (cont'd)

Gives club. Now, this is a club, Mikey.

I want you to watch how nice

Swings club. and Easy I swing it. You see

how easy I swung the club?

Tees ball. Now, you see this little ball?

The idea is to hit the ball

Points to club. on this part of the club.

It's called the sweet spot.

Do you see that flag way

Points to flag.

over there? It has a little cup next to it. The idea is to hit this little ball into that cup, 'comprende vu, monsieur', 'fashtaist?'

MIKEY does flip.

LENNY (cont'd)
Good, now I'll hit the little
ball first, and then you'll
hit the little ball.
Remember, nice and easy.

LENNY hits the ball and it goes about 200 yards. MIKEY hits ball almost 300 yards. Amazed, the gallery applauds.

LENNY (cont'd)

If you beat me the first time out, I'll never forgive you, you hear, never?

LENNY hit an iron about 15 feet from the cup and smirks.

LENNY (cont'd)
You go wiseass.

MIKEY hits the ball and it goes six inches from the cup. ALL applaud.

CUT: EXT: South Hampton, N.Y.:

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WE see the ocean, beach and an enormous mansion in the background:

It's a beautiful spring day and 4 LENNY and his wife REBECCA are riding horses along the shore, staring at the sea gulls and the ocean.

LENNY (cont'd)

Even along the ocean, Rebecca and it bugs me that they
 (Talks to pigeons.)
don't even say hello.
Remember me, pigeons? We see those pigeons everyday. How come they don't remember me, Honey?

REBECCA

Because, maybe they're sea gulls, 'buhby?'

LENNY

To me, they just look like the clinkers I used to fly from my rooftop in the Bronx... Seems like that was a million years ago.

REBECCA

Talking about a million years ago, do you remember the first time we...?

LENNY

(Counts on fingers.)
Did it? One, two, must be at least 278 years ago.
(Sings.)
"Those were the days my friend..."

REBECCA

GIVE THAT MAN 64 SILVER DOLLARS! And by the way, doth thou know what today is?

LENNY

Today's Saturday, what kind of question is that, 'buhby?'

Sings to "You are my sunshine."

"You are my 'buhby,' my only 'buhby.' You make me happy, when skies are gray."

REBECCA

You don't remember, do you?

LENNY

Oh, so now I don't remember, (Whistles.)

huh? Mikey, Mikey, get your 'touches' over here and don't forget to bring you-know-what.

MIKEY, wearing a cowboy's outfit comes riding up and gives LENNY silver riding whip. LENNY hugs MIKEY.

LENNY

Thank you, Mikey. I'm glad there's somebody around here I can count on. And this, my (Gives whip to Rebecca.) Beloved wife, my dearest, is for you. Ride in good health.

REBECCA

You remembered.

LENNY

Would I forget the happiest 25 years of my life? And it's all because of you, sweetheart. You know, I love you more today than I did the first time we made it.

REBECCA

But, does Lenny remember the date?

LENNY

I'll never forget, April 6th, 27 years ago.

REBECCA

But, does the man remember what time and where?

LENNY

My place, 89^{th} and Second at exactly 8:06.

CUT: WE go back in time:

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LENNY'S apartment: Eclectic, a couch and chairs, an African mask, a picture of Einstein and Martin Luther King, lots of doodads, a hookah and we hear the Beatles.

It is dimly lit.

LENNY looks at his watch.

LENNY (cont'd)

She said she'd be here at eight...

The door bells rings. LENNY runs to door and opens it. 5 HE sees REBECCA, bows and ushers HER in.

LENNY (cont'd)

You look gorgeous, 'seńorita.'

REBECCA

Glad you noticed, 'senor.'

LENNY

Welcome to my humble abode. Come in.

REBECCA

Don't mind if I do.

REBECCA enters and looks around.

LENNY

So?

REBECCA

Not bad.

LENNY

How about a glass of wine?

REBECCA

Got anything for that hookah?

LENNY

I just got something fantastic.

REBECCA

So, what are you waiting for?

LENNY fills and lights hookah and gives it to REBECCA, who takes a couple of long hits.

REBECCA (cont'd)

Pretty good.

LENNY

What do you mean, pretty good? That happens to be, "Chicago light green."

REBECCA

(Sings.)

"Going to Chicago, sorry but I can't take you..."

LENNY

You better take me, 'cause I ain't ever going to leave your side. Not with a face like yours I'm not.

REBECCA

Well, if that's the case, should I pack? You see, my brother and all his friends, blew my mind when they told me, you were their best friend too. They happened to tell me you were the smartest, the grooviest, the funniest guy they ever met and they happened to tell me you were the smartest, the grooviest, the funniest guy they ever met and said you are the catch of the century, and since I thought you were (MORE)

Continued:

REBECCA

pretty cute myself, not to say how much I enjoyed necking with you, I figured, how often does a good tuna come by, and since you seemed so determined to get laid the last time we were together, lets do it and get it out of the way, so, we can get to know each other.

LENNY is amazed as REBECCA starts to undress.

CUT: WE are back to the present:

LENNY

I flipped, I couldn't believe it, I had made it with a couple of chicks, in and out of Med. school, but none of them ever blew my mind like you, Rebecca, because none of them DID IT, unless I conned them. If, it wasn't for the lies we tell, guys like me would never get laid. At that moment, I fell head over heels for you, and you know what? I'm still falling.

REBECCA

Thank you Lenny, I guess that's why you're still my favorite surgeon.

LENNY

Not because I'm so good in the saddle, right?

REBECCA

To ride, or not to ride, that is the \$64 question? Riding with you, my beloved has become my favorite past time.

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LENNY

And it's about time you admitted it.

REBECCA

And what's with this whip?

LENNY

Mikey, take the whip and lead the way.

REBECCA gives MIKEY the whip and THEY follow him to a huge stable where a magnificent Arabian is standing. MIKEY jumps up and down with excitement, as REBECCA is awed.

LENNY (cont'd)

I mean, say something, say something, it cost me a fortune.

REBECCA

Oh, Lenny, Lenny, what can I say? You spoil me rotten.
My Arabian, the one I told you I adored and had to have.
Thank you, sweetheart, thank you.

THEY kiss, as MIKEY jumps on HIS pony and claps.

REBECCA (cont'd)

I believe our boy would like to go for a ride.

LENNY

Shall we, 'madame?'

REBECCA

It would be my pleasure to saddle up with you 'monsieur.' It always is.

REBECCA saddles up and they ride away.

CUT: LENNY, wearing boutonnière walks through hospital 7 as nurses and fellow doctors greet him with much admiration. CARIE, an attractive nurse approaches LENNY.

CARIE

Good morning Dr. Hoffman.

LENNY

Good morning, Carie.

CARIE

What a lovely carnation, may I smell it?

LENNY

Be my guest.

CARIE sniffs carnation and LENNY squirts water through it and laughs.

CARIE

(Taken aback.)
What a comedian. The
greatest surgeon in the world
is a comedian.

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CUT: Operating room:
LENNY is transplanting a liver:

WE hear different attendants say how brilliant HE is:

CARIE (cont'd)

He has to be the top liver man in the world. That man is blessed by G-d.

ATTENDANT 1

Not only does he transplant livers, he's the leading heart surgeon in the country.

ATTENDANT 2

And what about kidneys? In my book, that makes him a miracle worker, because he's the only surgeon in the world, that transplants everything, better than anyone else.

CUT: HOSPITAL ROOM:

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JOEY MANGANNO is lying in bed, recovering. After a beat, LENNY enters and approaches JOEY.

LENNY

How are you feeling, Joey?

JOEY

Thanks to you, I got a brand new liver. Maybe now, I can hoist a few in peace? Gee, I sure hope so? They say you're the best Doc., the freakin' best and as far as I'm concerned, you are.

LENNY

And since we're all in agreement, it's going to cost you big time, Mr. Manganno.

JOEY

Hey, I can deal with it, remember? Even if you charged me a million, I can deal with.

LENNY

Well, not quite a million, but, remember that 100 grand I mentioned?

JOEY

Deal's a deal and we made a deal, partner. If you want, I'll make out the check right now, and if you want cash, we can do that too, because Joey (Whispers.)

Manganno, the Don of you know who, is A-okay with whatever you want, 'qabbish?'

LENNY

Listen Joey, before you become overly elated, there's something I have to tell you.

JOEY

Lay it on me brother.

LENNY

We had a minor problem and I had to graft some skin...

JOEY

...No big deal...

LENNY

...From your pecker...

JOEY

...FROM MY SAUSAGE ...?

LENNY

(Sort of laughs.)
...Like you said, it's no longer a big deal any more.

JOEY

(Cowers.)

From my snapper is a big deal.

LENNY

I had no choice; it was your 'schmeckle,' or your life.

Cowering, Joey looks under the sheets at his penis and smiles.

JOEY

Ooh, you're such a kidder, you're such a kidder.

LENNY

Oh, by the way, what's to day's date?

JOEY

(Looks at watch.)
It's April 1st, why?

LENNY

(Laughs.)

April fool, gotcha.

CUT: MANSION: 10

LENNY is playing gin with MIKEY as REBECCA is sort of watching:

LENNY

Throw a card already, throw a card! It's like pulling teeth with him, Rebecca, he don't come up with a card.

MIKEY opens cards and claps.

LENNY (cont'd)

You have gin, again? I don't believe it, Rebecca, he got gin again.

REBECCA

Did he 'schneid' you again?

LENNY

Not quite. I was down in one game. He's up 311 bananas, (Tallying up score.)
Can you believe it?

MIKEY yuks and does flip.

LENNY (cont'd)
Don't rub it in, please, I
can't take your yuks and
flips man, so, cool it.

MIKEY yuks and does flip again.

LENNY (cont'd)

Hey Honey, how about a little
Merlot?

REBECCA

You know, there was a time you used to smoke with me, now, every time you lose to Mikey; you drink, which is everyday.

MIKEY claps hands and does flip.

LENNY

What do you want from me, and, the reason I indulge is, I think he cheats, I really do. Mikey, do you cheat?

REBECCA

Why don't you admit it, Honey? Mikey always beat you in gin.

LENNY

Not always, anyway, I don't feel like playing anymore. How's about a little backgammon, Mikey?

MIKEY holds nose, covers eyes and runs away.

LENNY (cont'd)

You see what I mean, Rebecca? He refuses to play backgammon with me. Is that fair?

REBECCA brings glass of wine.

REBECCA

Here's your glass of wine, sore loser. Now shut up, lets go to bed and rumba.

LENNY

With 'moi?'

REBECCA

Do I have a choice? My luck, you're the only 'moi' on call.

Kissing, LENNY and REBECCA enter bedroom as MIKEY follows.

LENNY

We'd like a little privacy, so take a walk cheater.

MIKEY turns around and exits.

The following afternoon: Deck:

REBECCA and her best friend, SONNIE are drinking wine and schmoozing.

SONNIE

How do you do it, Rebecca?
Tell me; please tell me,
Eddie didn't even buy me a
card for our 25th. Last year
you got a Rolls, now an
Arabian stallion? Instead of
a banker, I should have
married a doctor like you.

REBECCA

That's surgeon, the very best surgeon and not to rub it in, he still doesn't leave me alone, thank G-d.

SONNIE

Don't tell me you did it again last night?

REBECCA

Uh huh. He's my favorite fiddle and I'm his Stradivarius, and does he know how to play.

SONNIE

No wonder you're smiling.

REBECCA

(Sings.)

"When you're smiling, when you're smiling, the whole world smiles with you."

SONNIE

So, how come I'm not smiling?

REBECCA

Frustrated people never smile, they growl instead.

SONNIE growls and they BOTH laugh.

SONNIE

You know, I just figured out why this old hippie still smokes grass. Because, even though you're the only person in the world I've admitted it to, I just don't dig Eddie anymore. Tell you the truth, I don't think I ever loved him, and even though we've had three kids together, if he wasn't a millionaire, I would have never married him. That's the reason I get high, to run away from him. He's my 'tsores,' my problem. Unfortunately, I'm only at (MORE)

SONNIE (Cont'd)
peace when I'm high and I
can't be high all the time,
can I? Although I've been
trying since I got married,
does that make me an addict?

REBECCA

And this old hippie still gets high, but for other reasons, Sonnie. You have children, three beautiful children. You're beautiful, you feel like a woman, because women have children. I'm some woman. I have Mikey. I guess I smoke to run away, not from Lenny, who I love more than life it self, I run away from me. Maybe I'm an addict too? With all the money we have, we still can't have children. Thank G-d; Lenny says he'll love this fruitcake forever.

SONNIE

A little scrabble, fruitcake?

MIKEY comes scampering in with the scrabble set, places it on table and sits.

SONNIE (cont'd)
I'll play, but on one
condition: I will not be
showed up by Mikey again. If
he plays, I'm not.

MIKEY kisses SONNIE.

SONNIE (cont'd)

Forget it, Mikey. I'm sick and tired of losing to you. Hey, I got an idea. Why don't we get him stoned again? Maybe he won't make so many scrabbles?

REBECCA

Are you kidding? Lenny drank two bottles of wine with him last night and he still lost in gin. I hate to admit it, even to you, but for some strange reason I feel sort of 'nuhgy,' nervous, on edge and I hope my best friend has something for this head of mine.

SONNIE

Don't I always? Mikey, would you care to join us?

MIKEY does flip.

SONNIE (cont'd)

But, I don't want you to hog it like you did the last time, Buster.

MIKEY sits on SONNIE'S lap, hugs and kisses her.

REBECCA

Now I know why he loves you so much.

SONNIE

Who else gets him Hawaiian?

SONNIE lights joint, passes it to REBECCA and they pass it back and forth, teasing MIKEY.

THEY finally pass it to MIKEY, who puffs and puffs, but does not pass it.

REBECCA

(Sings.)

"Don't Bogart that joint my friend."

MIKEY runs away with joint.

CUT: EXT: Outside of hospital: Day:

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WE see ambulance arrive and then, Attendants hurrying, with supposed heart in metal container.

CUT: Operating room:

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Various nurses and attendants are awaiting LENNY'S arrival.

NURSE 1

Jerry Lewis is supposed to be here, right?

NURSE 2

That great comedian is always on time.

CARIE

(Laughs.)

I can't wait to hear what he has to say, can you?

LENNY enters and bows dramatically as all applaud.

LENNY

(Ala Groucho Marks.)
Say the secret word and win \$50.

ALL

HEART!

LENNY

(Sings.)

"Oh, you gotta have heart..."

ALL

(Sing.)

"Miles and miles of heart."

LENNY

(German accent.)

ENOUGH! Zhis is no time for joviality! I belief I'm here to tranzplant somezing.
Could it be a liver? Vhat deh hell, just give it to me and I'll put it in somewhere.

(Normal.)
Looks like he could use it in
a hurry, don't it?

CARIE

It's his heart, Dr. Hoffman. The vice president is here for a heart transplant.

LENNY

Are you sure?

CARIE looks in container.

CARIE

It's a heart.

LENNY

What drag, I was in the mood for a little liver and onions.

ALL laugh.

LENNY (cont'd)

Enough of this frivolity, I am about to transplant a kidney, am I not?

Again ALL laugh.

After a beat, we see LENNY performing operation.

NURSE 2

And because he's so confident, he never sweats.

NURSE 1

If you were Einstein, you wouldn't sweat either.

CARIE

I hear he had a 247 IQ when he was six. Graduated Harvard at 15 and was the head surgeon at N.Y.U Medical (Swoons.)

at 20. Some hunks have it all.

LENNY

SUTURE, DOES ANYONE HAVE A SUTURE AROUND HERE? MY KINGDOM FOR A SUTURE!

Three nurses come running with sutures and try to give it to LENNY.

LENNY (cont'd)

Ya know, instead of a suture, I think I could go for a piece of watermelon, or maybe a black and white malted.

ALL laugh as operation continues.

CUT: Recovery room: LENNY extends hand to Vice President.14

LENNY

How are you Marty?

MARTY

I guess I could feel better.

LENNY

In a couple of days, you should be fit as a fiddle.

MARTY

You know Doc, I really don't know how to say thank you.

LENNY

Your check's all that is necessary.

MARTY

I hope it's still a 100 thou?

LENNY

Unfortunately, since you've kept inflation at a minimum, the price is still the same.

MARTY

Now that I have a new heart Doctor, I hope I'll still love my wife and daughter?

LENNY

And let us not forget your girlfriends. You can't leave them out, can you?

MARTY

You, mean our President, I'm only V.P.

LENNY

And, you can't do anymore snorting or boozing, 'gabbish?'

MARTY

(Laughs.)

Not even a little? Please.

LENNY

'Gornisht,' nada, nothing.

EXT: Mansion: We see it is raining: 15

INT: REBECCA and SONNIE are drinking wine and 16
playing scrabble.

From afar, MIKEY is staring at them and appears to be 17 moping.

INT: The doorbell rings and a messenger is holding a 18 beautiful bouquet of flowers.

MIKEY scampers to the door and opens it.

MESSENGER

How ya doing, Mikey? Here, these flowers are for Rebecca. Would you please sign?

MIKEY signs, then scampers to REBECCA and gives her the flowers.

SONNIE

Roses, they're just beautiful. That Lenny doesn't stop, does he?

REBECCA

(Looks at cards.)
They're not from my hubby,
guess who sent them.

MIKEY does flip.

SONNIE

Sure, you get flowers and all Mikey does is beat me at scrabble and smoke my pot.

MIKEY scampers to SONNIE, sits on her lap and kisses HER.

SONNIE (cont'd)
Would you stop slobbering all
over me? What do you want to
smoke again?

MIKEY claps and does flip.

REBECCA

Sounds like a good idea to me.

SONNIE

Takes out joint and lights it.

Well, I don't mind if we do myself.

REBECCA

Ya know I really don't want to get too polluted, because I have to make out the list for Lenny's annual gettogether.

SONNIE

Shut up and start smoking.
We'll get to the list.
That's why I came here, isn't
 (Passes joint to Rebecca.)
It? And I hope he's inviting
my favorite hunk.

REBECCA

Puffs and passes joint to Mikey.

Not only is he inviting
Newman, lots of movie stars,
politicians, not to mention
the crème-de-la-crème will be
here. My darling husband,
has saved the lives of some
of the most influential
people in the world,

(Whispers.)

remember? And we won't say a word about the Mafia, will we?

SONNIE

Look at him! He's Bogarting that joint again, and it's the only one I have.

REBECCA

MIKEY, GIVE ME THAT JOINT, OR I'LL KILL YOU!

MIKEY runs away and THEY run after him.

SONNIE

(Running.)

You're sure Newman will be here?

REBECCA

He always is.

SONNIE

Ya know, even though I've always been faithful to Eddie, I always wanted to ball that Newman.

REBECCA

You and half the women in America.

SONNIE

What about the other half? REBECCA

They'd like to go down on him.

SONNIE

Come to think of it, that's not a bad idea. MIKEY, I'M GONNA KILL YOU, UNLESS YOU GIVE ME THAT JOINT BACK, YOU HEAR?!

CUT: INT: CU: Hospital:

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Awaiting LENNY, nurses and interns are discussing LENNY and past operations as they prep patient.

NURSE 1

I, hear he has a mansion in the Hamptons.

NURSE 2

With all the money he makes, he could have a dozen mansions in the Hamptons.

NURSE 3

A \$100,000 an operation and sometimes he does 10, 12 operations a week.

WE will see what will be described by INTERN 1, via 20 Voice Over.

INTERN 1

Remember when he operated on the King of Jordan? Then, that afternoon he worked on that old actress that won the Academy Award that week, he did 10 operations. A million simoleons in one week, can you believe it?

CUT: WE are back to present operating room:

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INTERN 2

Only in America, man, I make 700 a week and he makes millions. Sounds fair, doesn't it?

WE see MIKEY in viewing room looking at ALL as LENNY 22 enters operating room.

LENNY

Good morning ladies and gentlemen, is the kidney prepared?

CARIE

I'm sorry to inform you Dr. Hoffman, but Lady Weatherbee is here to have a heart transplant.

LENNY

Are you sure?

NURSE 2

(Opens metal container.)
Looks like a heart to me.

LENNY

All right, I'll put in the heart, but I was in the mood for a little kidney soup.

CARIE

That's kidney bean soup, Doctor Hoffman.

ALL laugh AS operation begins:

After a beat, dressed in white, MIKEY enters and will assist LENNY.

ALL are apparently used to occurrence.

LENNY

Scalpel!

MIKEY gives scalpel.

LENNY (cont'd)

Oxygen!

MIKEY gives oxygen.

WE see the continuance of operation.

LENNY (cont'd)

All right, get the needle, thread and close her up. I feel like it's tee time, Mikey.

MIKEY gives needle and thread to doctor and exits with LENNY.

CUT: EXT: GOLF COURSE:

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Numerous players applaud as MIKEY sinks long putt.

LENNY (cont'd)

Okay, so I'm two down, but we have three holes to play.

LENNY and MIKEY walk to next hole, as MIKEY is about to tee off, LENNY takes out a banana and waves it, MIKEY sees it and miss hits ball and it goes in water.

LENNY (cont'd)

(Laughs.)

Sorry about the distraction old man, but I hate to lose.

MIKEY dives in water and displays ball as players applaud.

HE drops it over his shoulder, it falls, and then hits the ball and it goes in cup.

Again ALL applaud.

Dejected, LENNY starts to walk away.

LENNY (cont'd)
Looks like you win again,
'boichic.' I've had it,
besides, Daddy's tired.

MIKEY hugs LENNY.

LENNY (cont'd)

You feel sorry for me, don't you?

MIKEY shakes head, no.

LENNY (cont'd)

Then you want a banana, don't you?

MIKEY yuks, does flip and kisses LENNY.

LENNY (cont'd)

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Gives banana.
You are some con. Here,
here's your banana. Now
let's go, I can use a glass
of vino.

CUT: INT: CU: Two hours later:

Dressed in gorilla outfit, LENNY and MIKEY are drinking wine and playing gin.

There is a camera mounted on a tripod.

LENNY opens cards and knocks.

LENNY (cont'd)

Seven points, buster, read'm and weep.

MIKEY opens cards and yuks, because HE has two points.

LENNY (cont'd)

Two points, how could you have two points? Why didn't you knock, why didn't you knock?

REBECCA enters wearing gorilla outfit also.

REBECCA

Because he wanted to make gin; you knock and Mikey makes gin, don't you

(Gloating.)

sweetheart? My little Mikey
makes gin.

MIKEY jumps on REBECCA and kisses her.

REBECCA (cont'd)
Would you like to play,
"Ring-a-round-the Rosie?"

MIKEY jumps to floor and ALL hold hands and play.

REBECCA (cont'd)
"Ring-a-round-the Rosie.
Pocket full of posie. Ashes,
ashes...

LENNY and REBECCA "All fall down."

THEY fall to ground, laugh and hug.

LENNY

We're truly blessed, honey. Although we've never been able to have kids, G-d gave us Mikey, and though he beats me in everything, I love him more than I can say.

MIKEY hugs LENNY.

REBECCA

And I love him too.

MIKEY hugs REBECCA.

LENNY

Ya know we haven't taken a picture of the family in a long time. I'm sure your (Sarcastic.)

Mother would appreciate one, don't you?

REBECCA

So, what are you waiting for, big boy?

LENNY

Let me set the camera up, take a second.

LENNY sets up camera and returns.

LENNY (cont'd)
Now, lets all hold hands and smile. We have 15 seconds.

THEY hold hands and camera shoots as doorbell rings.

MIKEY goes to answer it, but LENNY says, "I'll get it."

LENNY opens door and finds SONNIE staring at him in gorilla outfit.

SONNIE

My, how you've grown Mikey.

REBECCA comes to door.

SONNIE (cont'd)

Don't tell me they've cloned you too?

MIKEY comes scampering to SONNIE.

SONNIE (cont'd)

Mikey, so this must be your mother and father, huh? I came over to help with your list, Rebecca and did I just get something delicious.

MIKEY does flip.

LENNY

Well, in that case, I think I'll get changed and let the three of you party.

MIKEY hugs LENNY.

LENNY (cont'd)

No Mikey, Daddy doesn't have time to do that anymore. Have a good time, ladies... (Exits.)

Big Daddy shall return.

REBECCA

Love you big Daddy love you...

SONNIE

What I wouldn't give to be in love. Except my children, I wouldn't give up my children.

REBECCA

I would have given my right tit to have children. So, you're not in love, but you love your kids, don't you? Is that not the greatest love of all?

SONNIE

Bullshit, horseshit, cocky doody. The love, the caring, and the admiration you have for Lenny, the fact that you love to make love to him, means I'm fucking jealous.

(MORE)

SONNIE (Cont'd)

I've always been jealous, because, you know, I never, not one time did I love balling Eddie, not one time. Sure I've had orgasms, because I'm an animal, we're all animals aren't we?

MIKEY jumps on SONNIE and hugs HER.

SONNIE (cont'd)

(Hugs Mikey.)

Yes, we're all animals, aren't we Mikey? Thank G-d my animal has a big one and damn if he don't know how to use it.

MIKEY jumps off of SONNIE and does flip.

CUT: TV news reporter 1 in hospital:

REPORTER 1

Call it a miracle if you may, but to the Prime Minister of Japan, Dr. Leonard Hoffman is his miracle. This, world renowned surgeon transplanted a heart this morning and as usual the results are astounding.

CUT: TV news reporter 2:

REPORTER 2

We see Prime Minister Hirohito kissing the most noted surgeon in the world, Leonard Hoffman's feet, in appreciation for saving his life.

CUT: LARRY QUEEN interviews LENNY:

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LARRY

This is the third time you've been on my show this year, Lenny. It looks like you're more famous than the President.

LENNY

(Laughs.)

If the President did livers and kidneys, he'd be just as famous.

LARRY

Is it true, you only operate on the rich and famous, because they're the only ones that can afford a \$100,000?

LENNY

That's not quite true. I donate one day a month and operate free of cost on the poor and indigent. Last year I did over 20 transplants at Harlem general.

LARRY

Not only is he the most talented surgeon that ever lived, he's also the most generous.

LENNY

You're much too kind, Larry. True, I'm the most talented, forgive my lack of humility, but I've never had any, and I'm not that generous as you can attest. I charged you, didn't I?

LARRY

And worth every penny, Lenny, (Touches heart.)
I've never felt better.

LENNY

Talking about feeling better, did I tell you the story about this Irishman playing golf? He hits a tremendous shot and the ball hits a The Irishman is gremlin. amazed as the Gremlin says, "It is my duty to grant ye three wishes. The first being, you will become the number one golfer in all of Ireland. Two, every time you stick your hand in your pocket you'll find a \$100 bill and, you'll have more sex than any Irishman in the country. A year goes by and sure enough the same Irishman is playing golf and hits the same Gremlin. "So, mate," says the Gremlin, "Tell me about the three wishes." "Well, you were right about the golf. I shot three under par the whole year and I must have found \$50,000 in my pocket. I really have to thank you. "First tell me about the sex, and then you can thank me." "Well, I DID IT about twice a week." "That's all, that's all? Why that's impossible." "Believe me; it's not that bad for a preacher in a small parish, not bad at all."

LARRY

(Laughs.)

There you have it ladies and Gentlemen, Leonard Hoffman, the greatest surgeon in the world and not a bad comedian, either. Lenny, it's always a pleasure and honor to have you on my show, and by the way, I haven't received my invitation to your annual July 4th bash you have for all your victims and am I not one of your surviving victims, doctor?

LENNY

You certainly look like a victim, and Rebecca, who I've been happily married to for 15 years, 15 out of 25 ain't bad, is in the process of sending out the invitations and now Larry, Mikey is anxiously waiting to go on, so, would you care to do the honors?

LARRY

And now ladies and gentlemen, the smartest and greatest, not to mention the richest surgeon in the world, naturally would have trained the smartest chimp in existence. It is my pleasure to introduce, Mikey, who if he could talk would be human.

Wearing cowboy outfit, MIKEY appears twirling lasso and ropes LARRY, who laughs. LENNY gives MIKEY a mandolin and they both play as LENNY sings, "I'm back in the saddle again."

There is thunderous applause as LARRY says, "Dr. Lenny Hoffman and Mikey, ladies and gentlemen, let's give them a big round of applause."

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CUT: Home: LENNY and MIKEY, apparently euphoric, because 30 of their appearance on the LARRY Queen show are strutting.

REBECCA

Show off, you're nothing but a show off, you too, Mikey.

MIKEY tries to kiss REBECCA, who pushes him away. The phone rings.

REBECCA (cont'd)

You get it! I'm sick and tired of hearing your congratulations: "Gee Lenny, you were terrific, gee Lenny, you were really funny, gee Lenny, you should have your own show." Well, are you going to answer it or not, Lenny?

MIKEY goes to answer phone and LENNY takes phone from him.

LENNY

Hello... Hi ya Lee... Yeah, it was fun... Yeah, I just love doing TV, especially Queen's show... You really heard that joke? I just heard it myself Rebecca's fine, thanks... You can bet your sweet bippy it wasn't easy teaching Mikey to play the mandolin. Tell you the truth; it was even harder than teaching him to drive. You and that Larry, you guys sure know how to bug me... The invitation will be in the mail... Yeah, soon... I'll see you, not before your next check up, I hope.

LENNY hangs up phone and it rings again.

LENNY (cont'd) Hello... Oh, hi Robby. You're having some fantastic season. Two sweeps in one week... I don't blame you, who wouldn't want to be manager of the year... Mikey made you laugh when he lassoed Larry? I'm glad... Since Roy Rogers, you always wanted to be a cowboy...? You really thought he looked cute in that outfit and I was a little flat, singing, and you heard that joke before ...? Well, thanks a lot, man and I hope your team hits nothing but pop ups... Same to you, Buster and forget about the invitation, you're not getting one ... See you too, asshole.

LENNY hangs up phone.

LENNY (cont'd)
You know how I've always had distaste for baseball managers, honey. They may know how to manage a bunch of has-beens, but they just don't have any decorum, and under no circumstance do I want you to send that ungrateful bum an invitation.

REBECCA

Sorry, but its in the mail and talk about being ungrateful, you come across as being a committed Jew, who gives tens of thousands of dollars to the UJA, who teaches every year in Israel, what about Mikey's "Bar Mitzvah?"

On cue, MIKEY, wearing a 'yarmulke' and 'talis,' and carrying a prayer book, enters.

LENNY

I've asked a half-a-dozen
Rabbis and none of them will
do it. I've tried, Honey,
I've tried.

REBECCA

What's that age-old adage, "If at first you don't succeed...?"

LENNY and REBECCA "Try, try again."

MIKEY bangs chest and does flip.

REBECCA

I'm glad you agree, Mikey.

CUT: LENNY and MIKEY, who is wearing a 'yarmulke' and pacing, are in waiting room of RABBI'S office.

LENNY

Mikey, would you please stop pacing? I promised you will become a Jew and did you ever see me break my promise?

A secretary sticks her head through the door, does not see MIKEY and tells LENNY the RABBI will see him. LENNY enters office and shakes hands with RABBI.

RABBI

'Shalom' Dr. Hoffman, it's a pleasure to finally meet someone as famous as you, who use to belong to our congregation. So, how come I don't see you in our 'shul' once and a while? What's the matter, you have too much money? Anyway, what can I do for you?

LENNY

My brilliant son would like to be 'Bar Mitzvahed.'

RABBI

It would be my pleasure to "Bar Mitzvah' your brilliant son and you're not the only one that thinks his son is a genius. I hope he takes after his father, because how many people in our congregation have given a \$100,000 to so many building funds, including ours and may I ask his name?

LENNY

His name is Mikey and he's not my son in the legal sense of the word...

RABBI

So, he's your adopted son, 'nu?'

LENNY

He's not exactly a boy either.

RABBI

So, Mikey's a girl. You know, I've made hundreds of 'Bat mitzvahs.'

LENNY

You see Rabbi, before we go any further, maybe I should introduce you to Mikey?

RABBI

'Nu, I'm waiting...?'

LENNY gets MIKEY and brings him in and MIKEY jumps on RABBI and smothers HIM with kisses.

RABBI

(Revolted, HE wipes lips.)
'Pheh, don't kiss me on the
lips, and leave me alone, and
his breath, did he just eat
bananas?

LENNY

Bushels, so, what do you think of my Chikita banana eater?

RABBI

(Gasps.)

Oy,' how can your son be a monkey? Tell me he's not really your son. Why he looks like all the monkeys in the zoo.

LENNY

Zoo, shmoo, I love him as much as any father loves his son and that's because we've raised him since he was baby.

RABBI

I'm sorry, Dr. Hoffman, maybe you need a veterinarian instead of a Rabbi? I've never 'Bar Mitzvahed' a monkey and at my age, I don't think it's advisable. In any event, I'm very busy, hopefully we'll meet again.

Shakes hands.

Thank you, but no thank you and 'zai gehzunt.'

CUT: CU: INT: RABBI'S OFFICE: 32
LENNY and MIKEY are waiting in office of another aged
Rabbi.

LENNY

Listen Mikey, I know how anxious you are to become a Jew, lots of people are, but maybe you shouldn't jump on this Rabbi and don't kiss him. Give him a chance to get to know you. What do you say, big guy?

The RABBI 2 comes to the door and does not see MIKEY as he asks LENNY to enter his office.

LENNY (cont'd)
Rabbi Klopman, Lenny Hoffman,
nice to meet you and thanks
for seeing me on such short
notice.

RABBI 2

It's my pleasure. So, you are the illustrious Dr. Hoffman that teaches in Israel, donates his time to Harlem General, not to mention all the money you have donated to the UJA.

(MORE)

RABBI 2 (Cont'd) You are truly a blessed man. So tell me, what can I do for you?

LENNY

I'd like you to 'Bar Mitzvah' my son, Mikey.

RABBI 2

I am honored and when would you like this 'simcha, this celebration to take place?

LENNY

In two months, June 27th.

RABBI 2

It generally takes at least six months for boys to learn their 'bruches,' their prayers and their 'Haftorah.'

LENNY

My Mikey is the smartest 12year old you'll ever meet and I can assure you he'll learn (Snaps fingers.)

It just like that!

RABBI 2

If he's your son, I'm sure he very smart, and where does this genius go to school?

LENNY

He doesn't, we teach him at home.

RABBI 2

Extraordinary, I don't think I've ever taught a boy that didn't go to school. when can I meet this 'boichic' of yours?

LENNY

How does right now sound?

LENNY goes and brings in MIKEY, who jumps on RABBI and smothers him with kisses. Panicked, the RABBI faints.

LENNY fans the RABBI and when he doesn't come to, he tells MIKEY he has to give him mouth-to mouth-resuscitation.

MIKEY starts to do so, when the RABBI opens his eyes, sees it's MIKEY, closes them and sighs, 'Oy, gutn himl.'

LENNY (cont'd)
Rabbi, Rabbi, its all right,
that's my son, Mikey.

The RABBI pushes MIKEY away and rises.

RABBI 2

I think I just had a heart attack and I don't care how famous you are, how dare you bring a wild animal in my 'shul?'

LENNY

First of all, Mikey's not a wild animal: He lives at home with us and he's our son.

RABBI 2

How could he be your son, if he looks like a monkey?

LENNY

Yup, that's my boy and he's not a monkey, he's a chimp, a brilliant chimp, I might add.

RABBI 2

You know, I'm very honored that the great Dr. Hoffman sought me out, but I don't think the rabbinate would allow me to 'Bar Mitzvah' your son. Not only that, I don't think the 'shul' would be too crazy to have a monkey stand on the 'bemer,' the holy altar. I was looking forward to your generous donation, but maybe you should give it to someone else?

EXT: CU: REBECCA and LENNY are on their deck.

MIKEY is practicing putting, while LENNY is crossing names

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LENNY

That's six down and six to go. I don't know what we're going to do? I must have asked a million Rabbis and they all turned me down.

Looks like they don't want you to become a Jew, Mikey.

Talk about being prejudice.

MIKEY exits.

of Rabbis off chart.

REBECCA

You have about as much tact as your mother. How could you tell him that he can't become a Jew, when you know how important it is to him?

MIKEY peeks in.

REBECCA (cont'd)

Come over here, 'buhbaleh,' sweetheart. Mommy didn't teach you how to read Hebrew for nothing, did she? You remember, 'alef,' beiz, gimmel, dahlid,' A, B, C, D?

MIKEY kisses REBECCA.

REBECCA (cont'd)

I know how important it is for you to become a Jew in good standing. We promised you are going to be 'Bar Mitzvahed,' and isn't he Lenny?

LENNY

Ya know, I heard about this young hippie Rabbi on the lower East Side. I bet if I make a nice donation to his 'shul,' he'll do it. You know how money hungry Jews are?

INT: The following day: 'Shul' on the 31 lower 34 East Side: LENNY and MIKEY are in the waiting room of run down office.

LENNY (cont'd)

Mikey, I'm warning you, you better control yourself. The last Rabbi almost had a heart attack, so, stop with the kissing and cool it.

Wearing jeans and a MET sweatshirt, with long hair, SCHMUEL, a beatnik Rabbi peeks in, does not see MIKEY and motions LENNY to enter his office.

SCHMUEL

Dr. Hoffman?

LENNY

Rabbi Schmuel? A pleasure.

SCHMUEL

The pleasure is all mine. So, what brings the most noted surgeon in the world to my humble, 'shul?'

LENNY

Well, you see Rabbi, I'd like my son Mikey to be 'Bar Mitzvahed' and it seems that none of the Rabbis I asked would do it. Now, I'm prepared to make a substantial donation if you agree to perform the ceremony.

SCHMUEL

It would be my pleasure and as far as you making a substantial donation, that would be an even greater pleasure, because I hate to admit it, but we are flat broke and we could sure use your help.

LENNY

Jeans, a MET sweatshirt, long hair, are you sure you're a Rabbi and not a beatnik?

SCHMUEL

Where is it written that a Rabbi has to wear a suit? Besides, I'm a hippie Rabbi. What's the matter, you don't like hippies? And what you see is what you get. This is all I ever wear.

LENNY

That's fine with me, Schmuel. I dig it. In the early sixties, I used to be a hippie myself. Anyway, before we go any further, I have to tell you, I like your style and maybe I should introduce you to my boy?

SCHMUEL

He's here?

LENNY

He's in your waiting room. Hold on and if you think you're bizarre, wait'll you meet my boy.

LENNY exits and returns with MIKEY, who shakes SCHMUEL'S hand.

LENNY

Shaking hands is much better, Mikey. Rabbi, this is my son, Mikey.

SCHMUEL

This is your son, are you kidding?

LENNY

For 12 years, 12 of the most wonderful years of my life.

SCHMUEL

And, you expect me to "Bar Mitzvah,' a monkey?

LENNY

He's a chimp.

SCHMUEL

Monkeys, chimps, to me there's no difference. G-d loves all his creations, but a Jewish monkey?

MIKEY jumps on SCHMUEL and kisses him.

SCHMUEL (cont'd)

(Laughs.)

I love you too, Mikey, so, tell me, you know how to 'dahven,' how to pray?

MIKEY points to wine, opens prayer book and points.

SCHMUEL (cont'd)

"Boruch ator adonoi, ellohanu melech hor olum, borae prie hagorfen.' I don't believe it, he pointed to each word of the prayer over the wine as I said them. You like wine, Mikey?

MIKEY rubs stomach and does flip.

LENNY

He loves wine.

SCHMUEL

Me too. I have a little Manishewitz, would you like a glass?

MIKEY rubs stomach and does a flip. SCHMUEL pours three glasses and gives them each a glass. MIKEY gulps the whole glass and put out glass for more.

SCHMUEL (cont'd)

So, I see you're a 'chazer,' a little piggy, aren't you Mr. Monkey?

LENNY

Your 'chazer,' happens to be my son.

SCHMUEL

All right, so he's your son. With all that hair, he looks a little like my grandfather. I bet he likes bananas.

LENNY

Loves them.

SCHMUEL

That's all my grandfather eats, is bananas and a piece of stuffed derma. Maybe they're related, who knows? You know, there was this famous, I think his name was... I don't remember, but I think he said we all came from chimpanzees; yeah that's what he said.

LENNY

You're referring to the Scopes trial and he said we came from monkeys not chimps, but thanks.

SCHMUEL

Don't mention it.

LENNY

I hope the "Bar Mitzvah's' still on?

SCHMUEL

How much did you say you were going to donate?

LENNY

Since its tax deductible, how does fifty thousand, sound?

SCHMUEL

Maybe you can make it a couple of dollars more?

LENNY

How does a 100 grand sound?

SCHMUEL

Sounds gorgeous... You know, to be 'Bar Mitzvahed' you have to say the 'bruches,' the prayers.

LENNY

No problem, didn't Mikey just point...?

SCHMUEL

...And I said the prayer for him. I think it just might work it will work.

LENNY

You have to admit, Mikey's the best pointer you ever (Writes check.)

met. Here's your check, my address is on it and I'll expect you at my house on the 27^{th} at about 10 A.M.

THEY shake hands.

CUT: Home: On the deck: A beautiful day: REBECCA and 36 SONNIE are planning MIKEY'S 'Bar Mitzvah.'

SONNIE

That's it; you're not going to invite anybody else?

REBECCA

You and Eddie, my parents, my brother's going to be in China and Lenny's mother. That's it. Why, who did you have in mind?

SONNIE

Newman.

REBECCA

If you think you're going to ball Newman at my son's 'Bar Mitzvah,' guess again.

SONNIE

Do you think I would do that here, with Eddie present?

REBECCA

Sex is sex, if the President can get a blowjob in the White House, you, my dear, and frustrated as you are, would go for a quickie anywhere. And anyway, you'll have to wait for Newman 'til Lenny's party. Since you have such a beautiful handwriting, would you please address the invitations?

SONNIE

I thought you'd never ask.

SONNIE addresses invitations.

CUT: Day of the *Bar Mitzvah:"* There is much excitement: 37 ALL are talking and drinking: MIKEY, wearing a '*Talis'* and '*yarmulke*,' is pacing while reading prayer book.

REBECCA

He sure looks nervous, doesn't he?

LENNY'S MOTHER

How can you tell he's nervous?

REBECCA

Trust me, mothers know.

LENNY'S MOTHER

I always wanted to be a grandmother. 'Nu,' am I a normal grandmother?

REBECCA

Didn't Mikey send you a Mother's Day card? And he picked it out himself.

LENNY'S MOTHER

Go on.

REBECCA

And those beautiful roses, he grew them.

LENNY'S MOTHER

Go on.

REBECCA

And the chopped liver, did you taste it?

LENNY'S MOTHER

As good as my own, don't tell me he made that too?

LENNY

Not only that, Ma, wait'll you hear him 'dahven.'

EXT: Wearing jeans and a sweatshirt, SCHMUEL pulls up 38 on a motorcycle, sees the stable, and enters it, where he sees numerous horses and his heart skips a beat when he sees the Arabian, which he pets.

HE then goes to the mansion, rings the doorbell and LENNY greets him.

SCHMUEL

"Shalom' Dr. Hoffman.

LENNY

Did you get here all right?

SCHMUEL

(Laughs.)

As you can see, I took a limo, because I didn't want to get my tuxedo wrinkled and I told them to send you the bill.

LENNY

After our last conversation I knew you'd wear a tux and a Harley Davidson used to be my kind of limo. Come on in, everybody's waiting to meet you.

LENNY introduces SCHMUEL to ALL:

MIKEY comes scampering up and shakes SCHMUEL'S hand.

LENNY (cont'd)

That's what I like about you, sonny boy, you learn. You learn faster than anybody I ever met, Mikey.

MIKEY points to prayer book.

REBECCA

Wait sweetheart; let the Rabbi have a glass of wine, a little 'nosh,' would you like something to eat? Mikey made the most delicious chopped liver.

SCHMUEL

He makes chopped liver too, what else does he do?

REBECCA

He's having problems landing our jet, but give him time.

SCHMUEL

A pilot too? 'Nu,' can you believe it...? Your property is magnificent, Mrs. Hoffman, right on the ocean. How many acres do you have?

SONNIE

She has five, Rabbi, my name is Sonnie Bloch and Rebecca and I are best friends

SCHMUEL

Pleased to meet you, Sonnie and a more beautiful best friend I don't think I've ever met.

EDDIE

And I'm her husband, we own the adjoining property, unfortunately, we only have an acre. Instead of owning a bank, I should have become a surgeon like money bags over hear. LENNY

To become a surgeon, one must possess intelligence, skill and a desire to help his fellow man...

EDDIE

'Touché,' doctor.

LENNY'S MOTHER
So Rabbi, when are we going to get started? I'm only
Lenny's mother, not that it's that important, right Lenny?

REBECCA'S FATHER
And I'm Rebecca's father and
I want to thank you for
officiating over my
grandson's 'Bar Mitzvah.'

SCHMUEL

It's my pleasure, sir.

REBECCA'S FATHER The name's Finkel.

SCHMUEL

It's my pleasure, Mr. Finkel, and Mrs. Hoffman; I noticed your magnificent stable and all those beautiful horses. I know this is not the right time, but would you mind if I took a quick ride on one of your horses? I haven't ridden a horse since I was a little boy and suddenly I got an urge, I won't be long

REBECCA

Sine we have some time, be my guest Rabbi, knock your self out.

SCHMUEL

If you would all excuse me, I would so very much like to ride along the shore. In my youth, riding used to soothe my being, my soul, my 'neshuma.' 10, 15 minutes at most. When I return I shall proceed with your son's 'Bar Mitzvah' and thank you Mrs. Hoffman, thank you for being so generous.

CUT: SCHMUEL exits: WE see him riding along the shore, 39 unaware that MIKEY is following him.

HE looks around and lights up a joint. After a beat, MIKEY rides up to him and sticks out his hand.

SCHMUEL says, "He even smokes pot," acquiesces and hands the joint to MIKEY. MIKEY smokes and SCHMUEL sticks his hand out for the return of the joint.

We hear "Hi yo Silver," as MIKEY rides away and SCHMUEL rides after him.

Unable to catch up, SCHMUEL returns to the house and finds ALL, including MIKEY. SCHMUEL smiles and calls MIKEY a 'chorlehrya,' a miserable.

REBECCA

I hope the ride was all you had hoped it would be, Rabbi.

SCHMUEL

And more. Mikey is some wise guy, isn't he? He took something from me and just like that, rode away.

SONNIE

Really, was it something you smoke, perhaps?

SCHMUEL

Perhaps.

SONNIE

I knew there was something I liked about you Rabbi and now I know why.

REBECCA

(Whispers.)

Don't worry, I have something terrific, we'll smoke after the 'Bar Mitzvah.'

SCHMUEL

Thank you, I would like that very much, Mrs. Hoffman... And now, my dear friends, the service is about to begin.

CUT: The camera pans the room as we vaguely hear 40 SCHMUEL chant as MIKEY points.

After a few beats, SCHMUEL ends singing dramatically with, 'Mikadaish ha Shabbos!' and all applaud.

LENNY'S mother talks to SCHMUEL.

LENNY'S MOTHER So, what do you think of my grandson?

SCHMUEL

I've never met anyone quite like him. He's probably the smartest "Bar Mitzvah bucha,' I've ever met.

LENNY'S MOTHER What do you expect, like father like son. And don't forget, I'm his grandmother.

CUT: It's the end of the 'Bar Mitzvah' and REBECCA and 41 and REBECCA and LENNY say goodbye as all get in cars. SCHMUEL stays. After a beat.

REBECCA

Honey, would you mind if I went for a ride with Schmuel?

MIKEY rushes to REBECCA.

REBECCA (cont'd)
You too sweetheart, you can come too.

CUT: WE see them go to stable: REBECCA mounts her 42 Arabian, MIKEY on his miniature pony and SCHMUEL on a horse and they ride off.

THEY stop near a tree and REBECCA lights a joint and smokes it with SCHMUEL and MIKEY.

Then she races off and they try to follow, but because the Arabian is so fast they fall behind.

Riding at great speed, a small boy suddenly appears and trying to avoid him, the Arabian rears, REBECCA falls and is badly bruised.

After a moment, MIKEY and SCHMUEL arrive and help her up.

They proceed to go home.

LENNY

How bad is it?

REBECCA

A couple of bruises, no big deal.

LENNY

You know, this is the third or forth time that animal has thrown you.

REBECCA

It was my fault, I told you.

LENNY

The last time was your fault too? It wasn't your fault, I was there, remember? All of a sudden, he reared and you almost got killed. Maybe I should get rid of...

REBECCA

...Don't you dare!

SCHMUEL

'Boruch hashem,' animals are part of G-d's dominion. They too have a right to bask, in HIS sunshine.

LENNY

I'm not going to kill it; hey that horse cost almost a half-a-mil. I was just thinking of selling it.

REBECCA

What are you an Indian giver? I thought you gave it to me. How can you sell my horse?

LENNY

Forgive me for trying to protect you.

REBECCA

How many terrorists do you see that I need protection from?

CUT: The following day: REBECCA, who is bandaged and 43 SONNIE are playing Scrabble on REBECCA'S deck:

MIKEY is staring at them:

REBECCA

Come on, Sonnie, give him a break and let him play with us.

SONNIE

Absolutely not, I'm sick-andtired of losing to him and in case you forgot, he smoked that last joint of Hawaiian I had. Nobody smokes my last joint and gets away with it.

MIKEY tries to kiss SONNIE, who pushes him away.

SONNIE (cont'd)

Beat it Buster, I've had it with you, and as far as (To Rebecca.)

you're concerned, I'd get rid of that horse. What's it the

of that horse. What's it third time he's thrown you?

REBECCA

I told you, a little girl jumped in the way and he didn't want to hurt her, so he reared and I fell.

CUT: LENNY'S July 4^{th} big bash: The deck: There is a 44 party-like atmosphere: A three-piece jazz combo is playing.

ALL are drinking champagne and eating.

Numerous waiters and waitresses are serving guests.

EDDIE

(Drinks.)

Piper Heidsick...?

LENNY

Nothing but the best.

EDDIE

That's what I like about you Lenny; you always go for the best.

REBECCA

That's why he married me, Eddie, he likes the best.

LENNY takes REBECCA in his arms and sings.

LENNY

(Sings.)

"I could have danced all night, I could have danced all night. I love you 'Mon cheri.'

REBECCA

And I love you, 'Mon amor.'

SONNIE

(Sarcastic.)

And I love you 'Mon amor.'
Why can't you be so romantic?

EDDIE

You know that I'm a banker, and this banker is and was never romantic. 25 years and all I hear is your boring, romantic bullshit. Go ball Nicholson or whoever and leave me the fuck alone.

JOEY MANGANNO and his wife SHEILA arrive.

LENNY

Sheila, Joey, glad you could make it. Meet our neighbors and good friends, Sonnie and Eddie Bloch.

JOEY

I wouldn't have missed this for the world, Doctor, and (Shakes hands.) pleased to meet you.

SHEILA

Are you kidding, since Larry Queen announced your party, my friends haven't stopped calling me. They made me bring this camera and they begged me to take some pictures of all the celebrities that will be here. I mean they were drooling.

REBECCA

If they don't mind, it's okay with me, and by the way, you should take a picture of our number one celebrity, Mikey.

MIKEY comes scampering up.

SHEILA

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So, you're the Mikey I saw on TV... You know, you're very talented and so adorable; you should have your own show.

MIKEY kisses SHEILA.

JOEY

Hey, watch that wise guy. Nobody kisses my old lady and gets away with it.

MIKEY kisses JOEY.

JOEY (cont'd)

Now that you put it that way, kiss her all you want, but no hanky panky, 'gabbish?'

REBECCA

Come Sheila, let me show you to your room where you can put your swimsuit on. You can use the pool, but the ocean is divine.

CUT: REBECCA, SHEILA, with MIKEY following, go to 45 bedroom. REBECCA returns and MIKEY watches SHEILA undress and put bathing suit on. Being relatively flat chested, SHE puts two socks in her bra and returns to party.

CUT: INT: WE are back to party:

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EDDIE

Your wife got some figure, Joey.

JOEY

Don't tell Sheila, but that's the reason I married her. She thinks it was her personality, but it was her ass.

MARTY, the Vice President and his wife TRUDIE arrive, escorted by two secret servicemen.

LENNY

you're in that private guesthouse and your two bodyguards can't stay. They'll have to come back for you. It's not that I care, but some of my guests might.

As Marty talks to his secret servicemen and they exit, JOEY smiles, just as Lady Weatherbee and her husband arrive. They both speak with an English accent.

LENNY

Lady Weatherbee, Lord, glad you could make it.

LADY WEATHERBEE
I wouldn't have missed it for
the world, Dr. Hoffman.
This, as you know is my
husband, Lord Weatherbee.

THEY shake hands.

LENNY

And this is my wife, Rebecca.

REBECCA

Thank you and if you would like, I'll show you both to your room, where you can change. Please follow me and by the way, this is our son, Mikey.

CUT: MIKEY holds REBECCA'S hand as they escort the 47 WEATHERBEES go to their Room: REBECCA exits and MIKEY watches, as they start to get undressed, the LORD takes a couple of pills:

LADY WEATHERBEE
Must you take those sleeping
pills, you addict? If you
embarrass me, I will never
forgive you, Jonathan.

LORD WEATHERBEE
Will you leave me alone?
We're in America; no one will
know a damn thing... Just
forget it and try to have a
good time.

CUT: WE are back to the party: FIVE couples arrive at 48 the same time: LENNY, REBECCA and MIKEY who just appeared, greet them:

LENNY

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Hail, hail the gangs all here. Howdy Doody everybody, I'm so glad that you all could make it. Now hear this, Rob, you and Janet are sleeping in Intensive Care. Lee, you and yours are in the Recovery Suite. Abie, Anna, you're in Kidneys, Annie, Heart and Soul, Perry, Livers, Genna, Lungs, Thank Rebecca, for choosing your rooms. Mikey will show you to your sleeping quarters. Now, remember, hurry and put your bathing suits on, 'cause the ocean's waiting.

Following MIKEY, ALL proceed to their respective rooms.

ROB

Where the fuck is my bottle, damn it?

JANET

Can't you wait? There's so much booze downstairs.

MIKEY opens door and peeks in as ROB drinks.

ROB

Will you please lock the door? I don't want that freakin' monkey seeing me pee. He'll probably tell the whole G-d damn world about my snapper.

JANET

(Closes door.)
I'm sorry Mikey.

CUT: MIKEY enters room through window, which startles 50 ABIE and ANNA:

ANNA

It's only their adorable
monkey, Mikey, you remember
him, he lassoed Larry Queen?

ABIE

Opens cocaine bottle.

Funniest monkey I ever saw. Hey Mikey, want a taste?

MIKEY smells it, does not like it and jumps out of window:

CUT: MIKEY then peeks in ANNIE'S room where he sees 51 her giving oral sex.

ANNIE

I don't know what it is, but every time we spend a night in a strange bedroom, I just have to do you.

DAVID

(Moans with delight.)
I wish we could sleep in a different bedroom every night. I'd be the happiest guy in the world.

CUT: MIKEY then peeks in PERRY'S room where he sees 52 PERRY making love rectally:

MARCIA

Do it Perry, do it harder, do it harder!

PERRY

I'm doing it as hard as I can.

MARCIA

Try harder, I'm almost
coming, try harder!

PERRY

I'm trying, I'm trying.

MIKEY leaves.

CUT: MIKEY peeks in GENNA'S room, where he sees her 53 kissing her Roommate.

GWEN: MIKEY blinks his eyes and leaves.

CUT: ALL are on deck, drinking and eating, some are 54 swimming in the ocean.

REBECCA

Looks like you did it again Honey. They're all having a blast.

LENNY

I couldn't have done it without you, my love.

REBECCA

Or Mikey.

LENNY

Would I forget Mikey?

CUT: WE see MIKEY playing drums with trio to Brubeck's 55 "Take Five," As LENNY'S MOTHER and REBECCA'S parents arrive and watch. THEY applaud.

LENNY'S MOTHER My grandson is really something, isn't he?

REBECCA'S FATHER
I hate to remind you, but
he's our grandson too.

LENNY'S MOTHER
Thanks for reminding me, Mel.

REBECCA

He's both your grandsons,
aren't you Mikey?

LENNY'S MOTHER
But his breath, why doesn't
he gargle?

MIKEY stops playing and kisses grandparents. JOEY is about to speak to LENNY.

JOEY

Listen Lenny, I forgot my cell, mind if I make a phone call?

LENNY

Be my guest. Go to the library, there are three phones there.

CUT: JOEY enters library, MIKEY follows and listens: 56

JOEY

(On phone.)

Chooch, Joey... Did you take care of that problem...? Whata mean no, whata mean no ...? Of course I expect you to do what I tell you. First, he pushes me out of the concrete and garbage business and now fish? That sonofabitch is gonna put me in the poor house... I told you, how many times do I have to tell you? Take 10 boys and blow up Gracie Mansion... Yeah, asshole, immediately, tonight, if not sooner... Yeah, and don't forget this time, or it will be your last time.

MIKEY shakes his head as if he heard something bad.

CUT: WE are back at the party: ALL are having a good 57 time: SCHMUEL, dressed as always, arrives on his motorcycle, standing outside, SONNIE approaches him.

SONNIE

So glad you could come, Rabbi.

SCHMUEL

I had such a good time the last time, and since I had nothing else to do, I figured I'd come see you again.

SONNIE

Why thank you, that's a nice bike you have.

SCHMUEL

Do you like motorcycles?

SONNIE

Not really.

SCHMUEL

So, err, maybe you have something?

SONNIE

As a matter of fact, I do, I always do.

SCHMUEL

Generally, I do too, but the guy I cop from, just got busted.

SONNIE

You better go in and say hello. In a little while, sort of casually ask out loud if anyone wants to join you. I don't want my husband to get suspicious.

CUT: SCHMUEL walks to deck and is greeted by LENNY'S 58 MOTHER: MOST are standing around:

LENNY'S MOTHER Schmuel, I'm so glad you

could make it.

SCHMUEL

So, am I Laurie. 'Nu,' so where is the 'Bar Mitzvah bucha?'

LENNY'S MOTHER He's around somewhere.

LENNY

SCHMUEL

Same limo, same tuxedo, with me, nothing changes, does it?

CUT: WE see LORD WEATHERBEE take pills, ROB drink and 59 ABIE snort.

LENNY exits as MIKEY rushes up to SCHMUEL and sticks his hand out:

SCHMUEL

Why, if it's not the 'chorlehrya' himself. I'm sorry Mikey, I don't have anything.

MIKEY does an about face and exits.

REBECCA

He asked you for something, didn't he?

SCHMUEL

How could I have something for him, when I don't have for myself?

REBECCA

Sonnie has something very good. Why don't you ask her?

SCHMUEL

I already did, she said we'll go for a ride later and she'll turn me on. I hope you won't mind?

REBECCA

"Gai gehzunte hait,' go in peace, and since you like my horses so much, why don't you take my Arabian, but be careful, he's apt to rear.

SCHMUEL

Thank you Rebecca, that is so kind. I've always wanted to ride such a magnificent horse.

CUT: LENNY dances with mother and REBECCA with her father:

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LENNY'S MOTHER
I hate to admit it, but I
think I love your boy.

LENNY

So, now you love him?

LENNY'S MOTHER

Do I, what a boy. He's a musician, he drives, plays golf, makes chopped liver...

LENNY

...Plays Scrabble, beats me in gin...

LENNY'S MOTHER

...In gin, go on...

LENNY

...Ma, anything I teach him, just like that, he does it better then me.

LENNY'S MOTHER
It must be in the genes.
Papa, may he rest in peace
was also a Jack-of-alltrades.

REBBECA and her FATHER walk up.

REBECCA

So, are you having a good time, Daddy?

REBECCA'S FATHER

What could be bad? I'm here with my beautiful daughter, her Lenny, who I love as much as my own son and I finally lived to see my grandson 'Bar Mitzvahed.'

CUT: MIKEY is playing the drums, as famous movie star, 61 Mark Newman arrives:

LENNY

MARK!

NEWMAN

Doctor.

LENNY

Glad you could make it.

NEWMAN

(Walks over to Mikey.)
Don't I always? You sound
great, Mikey.

(Puts out hand.)
Lay it on me, brother.

MIKEY slaps NEWMAN five. LENNY exits. SONNIE comes over, unaware that EDDIE will be able to overhear what will be said.

NEWMAN (cont'd)

(To Mikey.)

YES! Are we going to shoot a little hoops, later? I've been practicing. This time I'm gonna beat you.

SONNIE

Hello Mark, remember me?

NEWMAN

Do you think I could ever forget a face like yours?

SONNIE

Thank you.

NEWMAN

If you weren't married to that 'yutz,' I might ask you to dinner.

SONNIE

Instead of dinner, why don't we just fuck?

NEWMAN

That's what I like about you Sonnie, you're such a kidder.

SONNIE

Who's kidding?

NEWMAN

(Laughs.)

I love it I just love it. You slay me. Come on, Mikey, let me have a drink and we'll shoot some baskets. See you later, Sonnie.

A waitress passes by and NEWMAN takes a glass of champagne.

CUT: Again WE see ROB drinking and ABIE snorting: 62

CUT: Dancing with Rebecca, LENNY tells her he 58 loves 63 her and THEY kiss:

Standing with EDDIE, SONNIE sees THEM kiss:

SONNIE

Did you see how romantic they are? Why can't you be romantic for a change?

EDDIE

Again with your romantic bullshit? There's Newman, why don't you ask him to fuck you and leave me alone, damn it!

POV: Disgusted, SONNIE walks away and nears SCHMUEL, who is talking to REBECCA.

SCHMUEL

(Aloud.)

Mrs. Hoffman, is it all right if, I go for a ride on one of your beautiful horses?

REBECCA

Be my guest and why don't you take Sonnie with you, so you don't get lost.

SCHMUEL

It would be my pleasure to have someone as beautiful as Sonnie to ride with. Shall we, Sonnie?

SONNIE

Love to.

CUT: SCHMUEL and SONNIE go to stable and saddle up, 64 with SCHMUEL taking the Arabian.

THEY ride off:

CUT: MIKEY is shooting baskets with NEWMAN: NEWMAN 65 shoots and misses: MIKEY makes five baskets in-a-row from mid-court.

NEWMAN

Come on Mikey, I'm gonna smoke a little crack, want to come with me?

Thinking NEWMAN was going to smoke pot, MIKEY kisses him, holds his hand and they both walk to his room.

1 shot: In his room, NEWMAN takes out stem, puts rock of 60 crack in it and smokes:

NEWMAN (cont'd)

(Gives crack.)

Want to try it, Mikey? It's called crack and it will get you stoned.

MIKEY smells the smoke, realizes it's bad and jumps out of window.

CUT: SONNIE and SCHMUEL are sitting on beach smoking 66 a joint:

The sun is shinning, sea gulls are teeming, the ocean is roaring and it is a magnificent day:

The horses are tied to each other:

SCHMUEL

(Smoking.)

This is very good, Thai?

SONNIE

I just got it.

SCHMUEL

The day is almost as beautiful as you, Sonnie. "Adonoi,' G-d is truly benevolent.

SONNIE

Boy, you really know how to hand it out, don't you?

SCHMUEL

Perhaps I'm a little high, thanks to you, but I speak what is in my heart. You are too kind and ever so lovely.

SONNIE

Kind and lovely, huh? You sure know how to hand it out and make a girl feel good.

SCHMUEL

A beautiful and sensuous girl may I add.

SONNIE

Yeah, I'm sensuous all right... I suppose we should get back. Finish that joint and let's go... You're not married, are you?

SCHMUEL shakes head no, finishes joint and they both mount horses.

SCHMUEL

I'll race you back.

SONNIE

GO!

Riding by, Mikey joins them and they start racing. The Arabian rears and throw SCHMUEL. SONNIE and MIKEY rush to him.

SONNIE (cont'd)

Are you all right Schmuel, are you all right?

SCHMUEL

(Groggy._

I think I banged my head, I'm a little dizzy, and my mouth hurts.

SONNIE

(Wipes blood with handkerchief.)
 Let me wipe it, it's
 bleeding.

SCHMUEL

Too bad your not Mikey, instead of wiping it, he would have kissed, the boo boo.

Attracted to him, SONNIE hesitates and then kisses SCHMUEL.

He kisses her passionately and on the deserted beach, despite MIKEY being there they make love.

CUT: ALL are partying: LENNY and REBECCA are doing the 67 Lindy:

After a beat, THEY stop:

LENNY

I give up, no more, I'm exhausted.

REBECCA

And I was just in the mood to DO IT, too. Come over here and kiss me you sexy devil.

SONNIE and SCHMUEL arrive to see kiss.

EDDIE approaches SONNIE.

EDDIE

Go ahead, say it.

SONNIE

Say what?

EDDIE

How romantic they are.

REBECCA notices that SCHMUEL is hurt.

REBECCA

Schmuel, what happened, are you all right?

LENNY

Want to tell my princess what happened, Rabbi?

SCHMUEL

For some strange reason, your magnificent Arabian threw me, but I'm all right.

LENNY

That's it Rebecca, I forbid you to ride that animal.

REBECCA

(Exaggerated Southern drawl.)
Oh, please, Massa Lenny, let
po' ole Rebecca ride her
horse. Please, I beg you
Massa, I beg you.

LENNY'S MOTHER
Maybe he's right? There's
something wrong with that
horse, if he keeps throwing
people off him. I think it's
your fault Lenny, who told
you to buy such a wild
animal?

REBECCA

He bought it, because he loves me, Ma. He's not such a wild animal, and Lenny knows I love that horse more than anything.

MIKEY rushes up to REBECCA and looks at her sadly.

REBECCA (cont'd)

But not as much as I love you, Mikey.

LENNY rushes to REBECCA and also looks at her sadly.

REBECCA (cont'd)

And you I love more than my life.

SONNIE looks at EDDIE.

EDDIE

(Sarcastic.)

And you I love more than my life. Go ahead and say it Sonnie, I dare you.

SONNIE mouths "Fuck you" and walks away.

After a beat MIKEY kisses her.

Dissolve

That night there is a party like atmosphere, with fireworks galore: ALL are eating, drinking or dancing.

SHEILA is taking pictures: LENNY and JOEY are setting off fireworks and every time one goes off, MIKEY does a flip:

SONNIE

And he's not even high.

REBECCA

Don't believe it, Mikey's high on life.

SONNIE

I wish I was.

REBECCA

Don't we all?

ROB is drinking and JANET'S annoyed. MIKEY hears and sees all.

JANET

One more drink and I'm leaving.

ROB

This is the last one, I promise.

JANET

You said that six drinks ago. You know why you started drinking again? You stopped going to your meetings. What's that you used to say, "Meeting makers make it?"

ROB

I told you, this is the last one.

Dissolve.

WE are with ABIE and ANNA:

ABIE

I'll be right back, Anna.

ANNA

You never have enough, do you? Take Mikey with you, Mr. Addict.

CUT: Holding MIKEY'S hand, ABIE goes for a walk along 68 the shore:

Far enough away, he snorts some cocaine and offers it to MIKEY, who runs away and meets NEWMAN:

NEWMAN

Mikey, where you going? Come with me to my room, I want to show you something.

THEY both go to NEWMAN'S room where he immediately starts to smoke crack.

Hating the smell, MIKEY jumps out window:

CUT: Later that night, when all have retired, MIKEY 69 peeks in the Vice President's room:

TRUDIE spots him and motions for him to come in just as MARTY enters from bathroom wearing panties:

TRUDIE

Would you also like my slip (Sees Mikey.) and bra, 'sweetie pie?'

MARTY

I have my own slip and bra, and what the hell is that animal doing here?

TRUDIE

For your edification, I invited him in.

MARTY

Well, tell him to take a fuckin' walk.

MARTY tries to kick MIKEY, who jumps out the window.

WALKING along the ledge he peeks in LEE'S room and sees him hitting wife, who screams.

MIKEY jumps in room in hope of protecting wife and LEE throws chair at MIKEY, who jumps out of window.

Dissolve.

The following morning: Some have apparent hangovers: 69 MIKEY comes To ALL and shakes hands, except for LEE and MARTY - REBECCA notices this occurrence:

ALL are eating, lazing around and enjoying a beautiful morning:

SHEILA and JANET will overhear the conversation REBECCA and SONNIE will have:

REBECCA

Mikey didn't even go over to shake the V.P. or Lee's hand. I wonder why?

SONNIE

Why don't you ask him?

REBECCA

If he could only talk.

SONNIE

Why can't he, he does everything else?

REBECCA

Ya know, Lenny one time said, he had an idea about how he could get Mikey to talk. It was probably the only idea he ever had that he wouldn't share with me, but he said if it worked, he would actually be able to have a conversation with Mikey.

SONNIE

He said he could actually get him to talk? That's fantastic and why not? Lenny taught him to do everything else, didn't he? And, if he taught him to drive, play golf, gin and Scrabble, and what about him landing your Lear Jet, talking should be a piece of cake.

REBECCA

Can you believe he actually said he could get Mikey to talk? Even though he thinks he's G-d, I, think he's crazy.

SHEILA interrupts.

SHEILA

I couldn't help overhearing what you said about your husband, Rebecca. He's definitely not crazy, and as far as I'm concerned, he is G-d. And if anybody can teach Mikey to talk it's him and I can't wait to hear him.

JANET

Do you know how famous Lenny will become, when he gets Mikey to talk?

REBECCA

Please, he's famous enough.

SHEILA

I bet the two of them would have a show more popular than Queen, Leno or the great Jack Paar.

JANET

Lenny and Mikey would become the talk of the town. He could run for President.

SHEILA

Don't be silly Janet; a chimp could never become President.

JANET

What about Secretary of State?

SHEILA

That's different.

MIKEY sits on REBECCA'S lap.

SHE cuts up banana, puts it in cornflakes, adds milk and MIKEY eats it.

REBECCA

You don't want to become Secretary of State, do you Mikey?

MIKEY shakes head no.

SONNIE

What about President?

MIKEY yuks and shakes head yes.

REBECCA

Can you imagine if Mikey became President?

SONNIE

He's got to be better than the last three 'shmucks' we had?

REBECCA

I bet he has a higher IQ than all three of them put together.

SONNIE

Trust me, that's not saying too much for Mikey.

REBECCA

I'd bet that not one of them could beat him in Scrabble or gin.

SONNIE

What about golf and let us not forget that Mikey flies a jet.

SHEILA

(Gives camera to Janet.)
Would you please take a
picture of Mikey and me,
Janet? Wait'll my friends
see this picture of me and
the next President of the
United States.

JANET

And then would you take one of me with him, I have friends too, ya know.

JANET takes photo of SHEILA and MIKEY, then SHEILA does the same.

SONNIE

I think I'm going to go for a walk. Anyone care to join me?

MIKEY takes SONNIE'S hand as EDDIE turns away.

SONNIE (cont'd)

(Starts to walk.)

I knew I could count on you, Mikey.

SCHMUEL

Can I go with you, Sonnie?

SONNIE

Why not, the more, the merrier?

Holding MIKEY'S hand, SONNIE and SCHMUEL depart.

LENNY lights a firecracker near EDDIE and he jumps.

EDDIE

You never stop, do you?

LENNY

I did it, because you look down in the dumps.

EDDIE

Don't tell me you've become a mind reader too?

LENNY

What is it Eddie, what's bugging you?

EDDIE

Sonnie, that's what's bugging me.

LENNY

You've been saying she's been bugging you forever, so, what else is new?

EDDIE

I heard her ask Newman to fuck.

LENNY

She made a joke, she made a joke, you know your wife has a sense of humor, and so what if she did. Every woman in America would want to ball him. Were they laughing, did he laugh about it?

EDDIE

I suppose.

LENNY

That's not it, why don't you tell me what's really on your mind.

EDDIE

The way you and your wife look at each other, the way you hold hands, the way you kiss. You two still love each other and I'm jealous, Lenny. Sonnie and I barely tolerate each other, maybe because I'm just not the romantic kind. I wish I was, but I'm not, I never was. To me love was fucking, in and out, one, two, three, and then, see you later alligator.

LENNY

I hate to tell you this, but that is not love. Caring, feeling, wanting to do something that your old lady enjoys, wants, needs. Giving not taking is what keeps us together.

Dissolve.

Walking on the beach, SCHMUEL finds a beautiful seashell 70 and gives it to SONNIE:

SCHMUEL

A small token of my gratitude and admiration, Sonnie.

SONNIE

Is that the only way you say thank you?

SCHMUEL

I would much prefer kissing you.

SONNIE

So, what's stopping you?

SCHMUEL points to MIKEY.

SONNIE (cont'd)

Have you forgotten he saw us do it?

MIKEY stares as THEY kiss.

SONNIE (cont'd)

Mikey, promise me you won't tell Eddie.

MIKEY covers mouth and eyes.

SONNIE (cont'd)

Hear no evil and see no evil. Perfect Mikey, just perfect.

CUT: WE are back in rooms: ABIE snorts, ROB drinks, 71 NEWMAN smokes crack and LORD WEATHERBEE takes pills:

THEY then go to breakfast, ALL arriving at about the same time.

JOEY and MARTY are drinking coffee as LENNY enters:

LENNY

Good morning everybody, sleep well?

ROB NEWMAN LORD ABIE
Yeah. Eh. Splendid! Who sleeps?

LENNY

Juice, coffee, a little French toast, bacon?

ALL

GREAT!

LENNY

(To waitress.)

Sylvia, would you bring the works for these sleepy heads over here?

THEY sit at table.

Secretly, LENNY releases a wind-up mouse, which scoots across the table and all jump as JOEY and MARTY spill coffee on themselves.

Coming to their rescue, LENNY shouts, I'll get that low-down party crasher!" and snares it, feigns petting it and puts it in his pocket.

Realizing it was a joke, ALL laugh.

Laughing heartily, ABIE clutches heart and falls to floor.

ALL panic as LENNY rushes to ABIE and checks to see if he's breathing.

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LENNY (cont'd) Mikey, do your thing!

MIKEY gives mouth-to-mouth-resuscitation to ABIE.

After a beat ABIE comes to, sees MIKEY kissing him, closes his eyes and sighs, then pushes MIKEY away and rises.

ABIE

Did you just kiss me? Get away from me, Pheh, disgusting!

LENNY

I'll give you disgusting. He just saved your life, but I'm going to kill you, you ingrate!

ABIE

You wouldn't do that. You save people , you don't kill them.

Seeing the commotion, ANNA and ALL the women come rushing over.

LENNY

After I told you not to, you're still snorting that garbage, aren't you?

ANNA

That's all he does, snort his cocaine, make money and play the horses.

ABIE

Who asked, who asked you and why don't you tell the whole world while you're at it?

LENNY

That crap is going to kill you. Isn't one heart transplant enough?

ABIE

So, I'll get another one, what's the big deal?

ANNA

That's unheard of. No one gets two heart transplants, no matter how rich you are.

ABIE

Why not, I got the bread, don't I? And besides, who wants to stop?

ROB

Why don't you go to AA with me, ABIE?

JANET

When was the last time you went to AA, you alcoholic bastard?

LENNY

Are you drinking again after I told you not too, Rob? Naughty, naughty.

ROB

Yeah, I've been hoisting a few. What's the big deal, I have a new liver, don't I?

JANET

And soon it will be like your old liver. You're trying to kill yourself, aren't you?

REBECCA

I think I'm going to go for a ride. All this self-emasculation is getting to me.

SONNIE

Care for any company?

REBECCA

Love it.

MIKEY takes REBECCA hand.

REBECCA (cont'd)

You too sweetheart, I want you to come too.

CUT: REBECCA, SONNIE and MIKEY walk to stable, trying 72 to saddle Arabian, it rears:

SONNIE

Maybe you should take your old faithful, instead? He seems sort of fidgety, doesn't he?

REBECCA manages to saddle the Arabian and mounts him.

REBECCA

He's got spirit, that's all.

SONNIE

Seems that spirit threw you more than once.

REBECCA

You're sounding more like my mother, everyday. Come on.

THEY ride away.

CUT: WE are back:

EDDIE

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How could you let her ride that wild animal?

LENNY

Does Sonnie listen to you?

EDDIE

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The next time will be the first.

LENNY

Hello.

The three of them are at a gallop when a snake comes before the Arabian, who rears dramatically and throws REBECCA.

Falling, she breaks her neck as SONNIE and MIKEY rush to her.

Taking one look at her, MIKEY knows something terrible is wrong and immediately gives her mouth-to-mouth-resuscitation.

Realizing she is dead, he turns away, as SONNIE frantically tries to revive her.

Seeing she is dead, cries, SHE and MIKEY ride back to tell LENNY, who when he takes one look, breaks down and cries as MIKEY hugs him.

LENNY (cont'd)
She's dead, my baby is dead.

SONNIE

(Crying.)

ALL try to console LENNY who cries.

CUT: A day later: Funeral: ALL are present including 74 LARRY QUEEN: REBECCA'S parents are inconsolable: LENNY'S MOTHER caresses him.

LENNY'S MOTHER
I know how much you loved her sweetheart, I loved her too.

LENNY

(Crying.)

She was my life, Mama, she was my life.

LENNY'S MOTHER

(Crying.)

And you were her life, Lenny. She loved you more than anything. I'm the Mama, and Mama's know. She, was my daughter, my only daughter, G-d, how could you take her from me?

ALL watch as casket is lowered into ground.

LENNY and MIKEY shovel dirt on casket.

SONNIE throws joint in.

SCHMUEL speaks, then says 'Yisker,' the prayer over the dead.

SCHMUEL

In tears we are gathered here to say goodbye to our beloved Rebecca Hoffman, cherished wife, daughter, daughter-inlaw and best friend to many, including myself. It is never easy to say goodbye, especially to someone that touched so many lives. only met her a short time ago and immediately she befriended me. I cannot imagine the pain and suffering my friend Dr Lenny Hoffman endures, but G-d has a plan for all of us when we are filled with grief and despair. As the moon sinks

(MORE)

on the mountain's edge, a

SCHMUEL (Cont'd) lonely fisherman's light flickers, far out on the dark, deep and deserted sea. A sea filled with the endless tears of all mothers. we think we alone are steering our ship at midnight, if we listen closely, we may hear the splash of oars far beyond our horizon. That is G-d saying we must go on, for life is for HIS living... When grief darkens our world, HE gives us light, when despair numbs our souls, HE gives us hope, when doubt assails us, HE gives us faith, when nothing seems sure, HE gives us trust, when ideals fade, HE gives us vision, when we lose our way, HE is our guide, so that we may find peace and serenity in HIS presence and purpose in doing HIS will... Amen. "Yis gadol vyis gadosh, shma rabor... Shma Yisroel adonoi elohaynu, adonoi ehchud.'

Remorsefully ALL shake hands with LENNY and depart.

CUT: Two weeks later - LENNY is on phone:

LENNY

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How can I be Mama, how can I be...? I know, and she loved you too... I guess Mikey's all right... I love you to Mama... Yeah, I promise I'll call you, bye.

Hangs up phone and it rings again.

LENNY (cont'd)

Hello... Hi ya Mel... I'm as good as can be, rotten... I know G-d has a plan for all of us, some plan... How's Mama...? I know, don't I know... Yeah, maybe I'll see you next week. Right now I don't feel like talking... Give her a kiss for me, will you...? I'll call you, I promise I'll call you... Bye.

Hangs up phone and doorbell rings.

He opens door and sees SONNIE and EDDIE.

LENNY (cont'd)

Неу...

EDDIE

How're ya doing?

LENNY

You really don't want to know.

SONNIE

There was only one Rebecca and we'll all miss her Lenny, we'll miss her forever.

MIKEY rushes to SONNIE.

SONNIE (cont'd)

I know you miss Mommy too, sweetheart, we all do we all do.

EDDIE

I was thinking of taking off some time and going on a cruise to Alaska. We were hoping that you might want to join us.

LENNY

Did you just say you were going take some time off? I believe that's the first vacation you've taken since I know you, how come?

EDDIE

I know how fucked up Sonnie is since... and I thought getting away might help, and beside, after all these years, I thought a honeymoon might just do the trick.

SONNIE

Did you just say a honeymoon, Eddie?

EDDIE

Yeah, a honeymoon. What's the matter doesn't a 52-year-old banker deserve a little romance with his beautiful bride? You know, I'm not getting any younger and while IT still works, I want to make love to you for as (Kisses Sonnie.) long as you'll have me,

CUT: LENNY having lunch with LARRY QUEEN:

lover.

LARRY

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I know how you feel, and I really appreciate you having lunch with me, Lenny... I guess, you'll talk when things get better, won't you, pal? I understand, I really do. And please call me when you feel like talking and doing my show again?

(MORE)

LARRY (Cont'd)

And please hurry, 'cause I sure could use a boost in the ratings. Don't tell anyone, but they've been way down.

CUT: The following day - Producer's office:

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PRODUCER

I don't know what to tell you Larry, but it doesn't look good. Your ratings are all the way down and, and I heard they might want to replace you, with Connie Chung or whoever. You have to do something and I mean fast, like...

LARRY

...Like what, jump off the Brooklyn Bridge?

PRODUCER

I don't know, you said you had lunch with Hoffman, and we both know that when he was on your show, the ratings went through roof. You're friends right, he's your doctor right? So, why don't you have lunch with him and get him to open up and you secretly tape record him and then you play it on your show, and you show footage of his past quest appearances. It just might help, but the important thing is you have to get him to open up, get him to spill-the-beans.

LARRY

Suppose I agree to be an asshole and secretly tape record him, with what, Mr. Producer, with what?

PRODUCER

Takes pen from lapel and gives it to Larry.

Here, see this pen, it's a

powerful tape recorder that I

got from this loony inventor

that wants to do your show.

All you do is click it and it

will pick up a silent fart a

mile away.

Dissolve.

Two weeks later LARRY QUEEN touches pen and smiles:

LARRY

I told you how sorry I am.

LENNY

I know Larry, I know.

LARRY

So, how are you doing, brother?

LENNY

I'm surviving, barely, thanks.

LARRY

You know, you've done my show more than anyone else this year and I've had thousands of inquiries concerning you and Mikey since the passing of Rebecca. My audience would just love to see and hear your voice again, and (MORE)

LARRY (Cont'd)

when you're up to it, I hope you'll do my show again. So, what do you say, partner?

LENNY

I guess when I feel better, we'll do it?

LARRY, innocently takes off pen, places it on table and secretly starts recorder.

LARRY

You know there are lots of sick people in need of your services, doctor. When are you going back to work?

LENNY

Don't tell anyone, but I've been working, Larry.

LARRY

Really, how wonderful. Anyone I know?

LENNY

You certainly do, brother... Mikey.

LARRY

You don't mean Mikey your brilliant chimp?

LENNY

The one and only.

LARRY

Don't tell me that my adorable Mikey has a bad heart.

LENNY

I did something, but you have to promise you won't tell a soul.

LARRY

(Raises hand.)
Scout's honor.

LENNY

Now, this is just between meand-you, right?

LARRY

I mean, are we friends or are we friends? Of course just between me-and-you.

LENNY

You know how much Rebecca loved Mikey...

LARRY

Everybody does.

LENNY

And you know how much I loved the sound of her voice.

LARRY

She had a beautiful voice, Lenny.

LENNY

Well, you see I've had this theory for as long as I could remember. Anyway, in honor of my beloved Rebecca, I did it.

LARRY moves pen closer to LENNY.

LARRY

Would you mind telling me what you did, doctor?

LENNY

Now, you promised you won't tell anybody. right?

LARRY raises right hand.

LENNY

(Whispers.)

I transplanted my beautiful wife's larynx, her vocal cords, the works into Mikey and now, you won't believe it Larry, but Mikey can actually talk and he doesn't stop. He sounds exactly like her and he's become a regular 'yenta,' what a BLABBERMOUTH.

LARRY

I don't believe it, would you repeat that again?

LENNY

(Whispers louder.) I transplanted my beautiful wife's larynx, her vocal cords, the works into Mikey and now, you won't believe it Larry, but Mikey can actually talk and he doesn't stop. sounds exactly like her and he's become a regular 'yenta,' what a BLABBERMOUTH. You wouldn't believe the stories he's told me, no one would, right out of the Enquirer and he told me he's dying to do your show again and tell the world and wait'll you hear what he has to say about everybody and you know who I mean, everybody and a lot of them you know.

CUT: That night on LARRY'S show:

LARRY

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Ladies and gentlemen, today I had the pleasure and honor to have lunch with one of mine, and yours favorite people, the incomparable, Dr. Leonard Hoffman, my friend and doctor. Upon the passing of his beloved wife, Rebecca he told me some things today that not only astounded me, but I believe will revolutionize medicine as it is known today and forevermore. He was gracious enough to allow me to record his conversation, so hold on to your seats folks, here's Dr. Leonard Hoffman explaining what he did to Mikey, his, as you know, almost human chimp.

LARRY plays the recorder and we hear LENNY.

LENNY (on recorder) I transplanted my beautiful wife's larynx, her vocal cords, the works into Mikey and now, you won't believe it LARRY, but Mikey can actually talk and he doesn't stop. He sounds exactly like her and he's become a regular 'yenta,' what a LABBERMOUTH. You wouldn't believe the stories he's told me, no one would, right out of the Enquirer and he told me he's dying to do your show again and tell the world and

LARRY (Cont'd)
you know who I mean,
everybody and a lot of them
you know.

LARRY

There you have it, ladies and gentlemen, a first in medical history, brought to you by yours truly and told to you by the most respected surgeon in the world, my good friend, Leonard Hoffman. You just heard him say that he has accomplished something that not only I, but, the entire world thought was virtually impossible, getting a chimpanzee to actually speak and you heard it first on the Larry Queen show.

CUT: Moments later: JOEY'S condo in Manhattan: JOEY on phone:

JOEY

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Chooch, yeah it's me asshole, it's me. Listen, I want you to do this fuckin' monkey called Mikey right now, tonight, immediately, 'gabbish?" That's the right, the one you saw on Queen's show, I want you to blow his fuckin' brains out, but do not hurt the doctor in any way, you understand? You like him? Who gives a shit if you like him? He heard me talking to you about blowing

up Gracie Mansion and if he talks, Sing Sing here I come, and let me tell you 'douche (MORE)

JOEY (Cont'd)

bag, if I go so will you. He lives in this huge mansion in South Hampton, just off of Main Street, on the ocean.

Now round up a couple of heavy hitters and get on it immediately, if not sooner...

Yeah, you better do it this time and remember, nothing and I mean absolutely nothing happens to my doctor, because he saved my life and now I'm going to save his, because I owe him, 'gabbish?' Now get on it!

Hangs up phone, it rings immediately and HE answers.

JOEY (cont'd) Marty, the V.P...? YEAH! Well, what can I do for you Mr. Vice President...? You what? You want me to kill Mikey...? Well, I don't know, I er... You know Lenny saved my life, like he saved yours and his wife just died. I really don't know what to say... These things cost, you know what I mean ...? How does a half a mil sound ...? You don't understand, bumping someone off these days cost lots of money... We got a deal? Great... Sure, I'll take care of business as soon as possible... Don't mention it Marty, say hello to the President for me and sure I know doing a chimp is not like doing a person...

You'll see, it'll be all over the news, I promise.
Hangs up phone and it rings immediately.

JOEY (cont'd) HELLO...! Who...? Oh, Lord Weatherbee... Yeah, I remember you from Dr. Hoffman's party. So, what can I do for you your Lordship...? That's right, he saved my life and I believe he saved you wife's life... I know his wife died and all he has is his... You what ...? How can you ask me to kill his adorable chimp...? You have no choice, because if the Queen finds out you'll lose your Lordship? I see. You know things like cost a lot of moolah... How much? How does a half a million greenbacks sound? great... Sure I'll take care ASAP your Lordship... Of course killing a monkey's not like killing a human being... Yeah, ta ta to you too and thanks for the call.

Hangs up phone and it rings immediately.

JOEY (cont'd)
Joey Manganno speaking...
Annie, my favorite actress.
Still polishing your Academy
Award...? What are you kidding?
You actually think I would do
such a thing...? What ever
gave you such an idea...? I
know his name is Mikey and
he's all Lenny has left, you
know... You're prepared to pay
up the nose for me to knock
off Lenny's chimp...? Really, I

JOEY (Cont'd) No, I don't want a check, it's got to be cash. Great, I'll meet you in front of the Plaza at ten sharp in the AM. Yeah, two or three days tops, maybe sooner. Bye... Hello, hello, yeah I have call waiting, Marcia. What can I do for you gorgeous...? You and Perry want me to do what ...? Jesus, this must be contagious... Nothing, I was talking to myself... You know murder is a very serious business and for me to get rid of Dr, Hoffman's chimp is a very expensive deal. gotta cost at least three large, or four. The sooner the better... I see. Well in that case it's got cost another 50. It was a pleasure talking to you to Annie and say hello to David. Sure cashiers check is fine... I understand, the sooner the better... Great... Bye... Hello, hello... Rob, my favorite baseball manager, how the hell are you...? Wait a minute Rob, slow down, slow down... What gives you the impression that I would do such a thing...? You didn't know who else to turn to, I see... You're afraid if baseball finds out you're an alcoholic, you'll have to go to a rehab, your reputation will be ruined and you won't

be able to go to the World Series... I feel for you brother, I really do, but you (MORE)

JOEY (Cont'd)

know things like this cost a lot of bread... How'd you guess a deuce, you're absolutely right on the money.... Of course cash, that's the only way I do business, and by the way, how about a box for the series...? Yeah, what are friends for ...? You are so right and say hell to Janet for me... Yeah, see ya around, paly... Jesus Christ, I thought I was the only 'chadrul' that was afraid Mikey would spillthe-beans. Seems like there are eight million secretes in the naked city, don't it? And it seems Mikey knows them all. I'm gonna make the easiest score I ever made, thanks to that BLABBERMOUTH fuckin' chimp.

Hangs up phone and it rings immediately.

JOEY (cont'd) Hello... Mark? How the hell are you doing ...? Yeah, I had a blast too... Sure I was crazy about Rebecca too, man. was quite a dame and she did have beautiful body Hey, I bet I know why you called me. You want me to do Lenny's chimp, don'tcha ...? How'd I know? In my business you have to know everything. sure it's gonna cost you big time, but you can afford it... No, no, the least I can do it for is 400, no, make that 500 big ones... Big movie (MORE)

JOEY (Cont'd) star like you, shouldn't be no problem. What do you get, 8, 10 million a picture...? How soon? How does two or three days... We gotta deal, great. Yeah, certified check is fine... Great, I'll see you...Hello, hello...! Sonnie, how nice of you to call... Yeah, it sure is a drag... I think she was a fantastic woman also, Sonnie... I know she was your best friend, so, what can I do for you beautiful...? You're afraid when Mikey talks your marriage will be over...? Sounds like he knows something pretty bad, don't it...? No, no way your husband will find out. promise... How much? For you, since you were Rebecca's best friend, it's on the house ... Yeah, really... In a day or two... I'll talk to you, I'll talk to you, bye.

SHEILA enters.

SHEILA

And he took a picture with me, can you imagine, the first chimp President and I know him Joey, I know him. What a 'strunz,' I should asked him for an autograph.

JOEY

Give me a beer and you are such a dingbat. Dummies, not chimps become President.

LENNY'S HOME: 82

LENNY

I'm going to kill that scheming, lying motherfucker. Wait'll he comes for a checkup.

CUT: The following day: Beach: CHOOCH and three of 83 his GOOMBAHS, with high-powered rifles, hiding behind a sand dune are watching LENNY'S house through binoculars:

CHOOCH

Now remember, Joey said we better not hurt his doctor. All we want to do is the fuckin' weasel. I hate weasels, don't you?

GOOMBAH 1

I thought you said it was a monkey, boss?

CHOOCH

Weasel, monkey, who gives a shit. Lets bang it and get the hell out of here. The big game's on this afternoon and I have a few riding on it.

GOOMBAH 2

Looking through scope on rifle.

I see it boss, I see it, I can nail that gorilla, right now.

CHOOCH

Give me the binoculars and let me see what you see, 'douche bag.'
Looks through binoculars.
What's he doin' push up? I don't believe it. All right, (MORE)

CHOOCH (Cont'd)

I want everybody to take aim. On the count of three, I want you to do it and then, lets get the hell out of here.

The three henchman take aim just as LENNY walks in room.

CHOOCH (cont'd)
One, two three, let her rip.

The three guys fire and miss, with the bullets shattering a vase, lamp and picture.

Startled, LENNY and MIKEY take cover.

LENNY peeks out window and sees the thugs.

LENNY

I don't know what I did wrong, but there are four mean looking guys with rifles out there.

MIKEY looks out window.

CHOOCH

There he is, there he is! You missed him, you blind bastards, you missed him!

GOOMBAH 1

What should we do, boss?

CHOOCH

I'll tell you what we should do. Go get me the loud speaker.

GOOMBAH gets loudspeaker and gives it to CHOOCH.

CHOOCH (cont'd)
Doc, send out the monkey. We don't want to hurt you, just

send out the animal and we'll go away.

LENNY

(Screams back.)

What do you want Mikey for and he's a chimp not an animal. Tell me what you want him for?

CHOOCH

We got orders to take care of him, because he knows too much and you said you got him to talk and he's become a blabbermouth. The boss said he don't want to go to Sing Sing, so we have to shut him up, so send him out and we'll let you go.

LENNY

Well, let me think about it, give me a couple of minutes.

(To Mikey.)

We better get out of here, because

these guys

mean business.

Crawling on the floor, LENNY and MIKEY enter garage from kitchen door.

THEY, slither into PORSCHE, and with MIKEY driving, speed away.

CHOOCH

(Sees them.)

Hey, there they go. They're trying to get away!

THEY run to car and the chase begins.

GOOMBAH 3

The ape is driving, boss. I don't believe it. I
Never saw an ape drive.

GOOMBAH 1

Should I let'em have it, boss

CHOOCH

The doctor is sitting next to him, dummy. Don't you ever remember anything? Joey will kill us if we hurt the doctor.

GOOMBAH 2

What about the tires, boss? Should I blow the tires?

CHOOCH

All right, but remember, the tires.

THEY start firing at LENNY and MIKEY.

LENNY

They're shooting at us, Mikey. Why?

Driving, MIKEY points to head.

LENNY

I'm thinking, Mikey, I really am... I don't know, all I know is our lives are in danger, because like a wiseass I told

Larry Queen you can talk and that sneaky bastard, taperecorded me. Now, it seems, not only him but the whole country believes you can talk too... I mean give me a break, who ever heard of a chimp that can talk...?

(MORE)

LARRY (Cont'd)
At the next bend in the road,
make a sharp turn. We have

MIKEY shakes head.

LENNY (cont'd)
I'm sorry Mikey, no offense intended.

to lose those animals.

The hoods fire more shots.

LENNY (cont'd)
Why the hell are they
shooting at us, I mean you?
What do they think you know?
And even if you know or saw
something, who in their right
mind would believe a chimp
can talk? Those idiots
really believe I transplanted
Rebecca larynx in you. Isn't
that ridiculous? What do
they think I'm
G-d or something?

CUT: In thugs car:

CHOOCH

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Can't you drive any faster? What the hell am I paying you for?

IT: In car: 86

LENNY

Head for the airport, Mikey. The jet's all gassed and ready to go. They can't follow us if we're flying, can they?

The speedometer shows they are going a 140 miles per hour.
MIKEY drives up to jet.

They both race from car, into jet as bullets just miss them.

MIKEY immediately turns on ignition, the plane starts and they fly away as CHOOCH and his henchman stare in amazement.

GOOMBAH 2

Did you see what I just saw? That weasel was flying that jet.

CHOOCH

Dummy, I told you it was an ape!

GOOMBAH 1

Nah boss, I think you said it was a weasel?

GOOMBAH 3

Looks like the ape got away, boss. You think Joey will be pissed?

CHOOCH

Yeah, he's gonna be pissed and I'm gonna tell him it's your fault, not mine.

CUT: On jet:

I have to call up Larry the asshole and tell him he better straighten out this Looks up number and calls from cell phone.

whole mess. Larry, Lenny Hoffman... I'm glad you never had such a response, but listen you sneaky motherfucker, I lied, yes, (MORE)

LARRY (Cont'd)

occasionally I lie... I did it because I'm a joker and I what the hell, I told YOU a little fib, big deal, but it wasn't for the whole fuckin' country, you cocksucker. You secretly recorded me and you'll pay. Yes asshole, because of you, some thugs are trying to kill Mikey, because they think he knows too much and he's going to spill the beans about what, I don't know, you tell me. You have to go on the air and tell them that I was kidding and I didn't transplant Rebecca's larynx. It was all a joke, you understand and who's ever trying to kill Mikey should forget it. Forget about tonight, I want you to go on CNN right now, do you hear me, right NOW...! Good. I'm in my jet and we had to get away, because those assholes were shooting at us. Yeah, Mikey's flying. I'll give you my number. After you make the announcement call me immediately... Yes, I told you Mikey's flying the jet... What do you mean if I'm sure he

can't talk? He can't talk
Larry and if he could you'd
be the first person I'd tell
Wrong, I wouldn't tell you
shit anymore, except... wait,
here's my number, 1 800 XY
966-3589. You better call
me, because I'm counting on
you.

CUT: CHOOCH with JOEY in his condo: The TV is on as 88 they speak:

CHOOCH

I don't know how to tell you this, boss, but they got away.

JOEY

They got away, they got away, How'd they get away?

CHOOCH

You won't believe this, boss, because I didn't believe it myself. First they get away in a Porsche, with the weasel driving like a maniac.

JOEY

WHAT?!

CHOOCH

Then they make it to this airport and get on some jet plane.

JOEY

I suppose you're gonna tell me that the weasel drove the jet plane.

CHOOCH

Like Smilin' Jack.

JOEY

Wait a minute, what the hell is Queen doing on television in the afternoon? Don't say a word, I want to hear this.

CUT: LARRY QUEEN on television:

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LARRY

Good afternoon ladies and gentlemen. This is Larry Queen and because of some unfortunate circumstance, I'm ashamed to admit that I deceitfully taped my good friend and doctor without his knowing or permission, because I thought I was going to lose my show, due to poor rating, I am forced to make this announcement. I told you two broadcasts ago, that my friend, the world renowned surgeon, Dr. Leonard Hoffman, miraculously transplanted his wife Rebecca's larynx into his chimp, Mikey and that Mikey started talking like me and you and that Mikey has become a regular 'venta,' in other words a BLABBERMOUTH. It appears that some people in the underworld, frightened by what Mikey would say, have tried to kill him. Luckily they both managed to escape and are now flying somewhere in Lenny's Jet. Ladies and gentlemen, Lenny just called me and swore he never transplanted his wife's larynx, vocal cords and that Mikey cannot talk, and that he was only kidding. You all know that my good friend is a kidder, you saw him on my show, so I beg you, whoever you are, please call off your thugs and leave them alone, because, he said, that if anything happens to Mikey, he's going to kill me. On my word of honor and I swear that Dr. Leonard Hoffman swore to me, that Mikey can't talk. So, whoever you are I beg you please, forget about killing Mikey, please.

Dissolve.

Back to JOEY 90

JOEY

Did you hear what I just heard?

CHOOCH

I don't know, boss, he drove that Porsche like Mario Andretti, and he flies a jet, maybe he's pullin' our dingleberry?

JOEY

No way asshole, Larry Queen's the most respected talk show host on television. He wouldn't be bullshitting his audience, he has too much to lose.

The phone rings and JOEY answers.

JOEY

Hello... Hey Marty, what can I do for you...? You want to forget about doing Mikey? You know where I come from a contract's a contract... Hey I don't give a shit if you're the Vice President, don't talk to me like that, nobody talks to me like that and don't send no feds after me. All right, all right, I'll call off the hit, now, are you satisfied ... ? Fuck you too... Hello, hello, oh, how ya doing Lord Weatherbee ...? So, you wanna call off our deal, do you I'm sure you

know that a deal's a deal...

I beg your pardon. I didn't know you guys speak like that...? No, no, don't talk to your secret service, I'll forget about it... Ta ta to you too, asshole... Hello, hello...? Oh, hi ya Annie. I hear your doin' a movie with Pacino... (MORE)

JOEY (Cont'd)

That's not why you called.
Annie I told I'd do it for a quarter of a million, right?
How does a 150 sound...? You just saw Larry Queen and you're not interested at all, because he said that Dr.
Hoffman was only kidding and his chimp can't speak. Do actually believe him...? I see, well if want to take a chance, it's all right with me. You

it's all right with me. You
know, I just lost a couple of
 (Hangs up phone.)
million bananas.

СНООСН

That's a lot of money, boss.

The phone rings again.

CUT: On jet, LENNY is talking to LARRY QUEEN:

LENNY

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(On phone.)
Thanks LARRY, I knew I could count on you... Of course I'm going to come back.
Hopefully those thugs saw you and they'll leave us alone.
You're sure they saw it,

because it's going to running 24 hours a day for the entire week? Thanks, I owe you one... Sure, now that everything's okay, we'll do your show in two weeks. Be my pleasure.

CUT: Two weeks later: LARRY QUEEN show:

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WE see all of LENNY'S guests who were frightened watching with much anticipation.

LARRY

And now ladies and gentlemen, having graciously accepted my humble apology, for one solid hour, I give you America's favorite duo, Lenny and Mikey!

There is much applause as LENNY and MIKEY, wearing tuxedos make their appearance.

Numerous policemen are standing quard.

LENNY

First I have to thank my dear friend LARRY for making that special appearance on behalf of Mikey. And now, Mikey, take it away!

MIKEY bows and walks up to microphone and speaks in REBECCA'S voice, much to the amazement of ALL.

MIKEY

Wait'll you hear what I have to tell you, you won't believe it, unbelievable, just unbelievable.

CUT: WE see LARRY, SONNIE, SCHMUEL, JOEY, ROB and 93 JANET, LEE, ABIE, PERRY and MARCIA, GENNA, ANNIE and NEWMAN, gasp and say, "I DON'T BELIEVE IT, I'M GONNA KILL HIM!!!'

THE END