

LANDYACHT RADIO WITH LEFTY AND RED-EPISODE THREE

OPEN JINGLE: Lefty and Red!

LEFTY

Greetings and salutations, you  
Merry Midwest folks, I'm Lefty.

RED

And I'm Red. And together we make  
up Landyacht Radio with Lefty and  
Red.

JINGLE: Lefty and Red!

LEFTY

We're coming to you live, deep in  
the Driftless hills, from our  
beautiful 1966 Airstream Land Yacht  
Travel Trailer

RED

Technically modified into an ultra-  
low watt radio station, WLYR.

LEFTY

We're deep in the heart of Spring  
here at the trailer. And as things  
get warmer it'll be time for us to  
get out and experience the Great  
Outdoors.

RED

Later today we'll do just that. We  
have a special guest who'll show us  
all the survival techniques we'll  
need to subsist in the harshest and  
most remote parts of the  
wilderness.

LEFTY

I'm hoping we'll make a cake over a  
campfire.

RED

Maybe. But first it's time for a  
word from one of our sponsors.

JINGLE: Lefty and Red!

JIMMY

Hey folks. You need a set of wheels  
to get to work, but can't afford  
those high priced car payments?

(MORE)

## JIMMY (CONT'D)

Then head on over to Jimmy's Iffy Auto Sales in Westby. Questionable cars at rock bottom prices. Look at this, A 2002 Toyota Corolla. Low miles. Good tires. A family of raccoons might have crawled into the rear seat and died. We're not sure. Just ride with the windows down for a few weeks. Clean. Starts right up! And look at this, a 2012 Ford Taurus. Metallic blue, CD player, It might have been stolen, ridden hard and left in an abandoned quarry. Who's to say? Clean. Starts right up! And here's a classic, a 1967 Buick Riviera. Leather seats. Vinyl roof. It was possibly used to transport bodies by mob hit men in Chicago. It's up in the air. Except for some bloodstains in the trunk, it's clean. Starts right up. So walk, bike or hitch-hike down to Jimmy's Iffy Auto Sales. We got the lowest prices in town...probably.

JINGLE: Lefty and Red!

RED

It's a beautiful day, and we're outside ready to enjoy good old Mother Nature.

LEFTY

That trailer can get a tad claustrophobic at times.

RED

And we have a very special guest who's going to show us all the tips and tricks to help us survive when we're all alone in the harsh wilderness. Survival expert and TV star Grizz Bearlist. Hello Grizz.

GRIZZ

(Australian.)  
Hello Red. Hello Lefty.

RED

Thanks for joining us today.

GRIZZ

Oh, it's my pleasure.

RED

Now I understand you trained in survival skills in the Australian military?

GRIZZ

Too right, yeah. I was Left Tennant Sargent Major in her Majesty's Queens Outback Make-Do Squadron for eleven years.

LEFTY

Wow.

RED

That must have been some tough training.

GRIZZ

I tell you. They use to blindfold us, truck us out to the middle of the never-never, drop us off, and we'd have to make-do on just our wits alone.

RED

Amazing. So how would you survive in this part of the county, Grizz?

GRIZZ

Well, I'd look around and take stock, right? I'd climb a tree. Get a lay of the land and what not. Then I'd look around and go, "Well, there's a perfectly good caravan. What you might call a trailer. It looks warm and inviting. Think I'll find shelter in there."

RED

Yes, but what if there wasn't a trailer? What if this was all barren wilderness?

GRIZZ

Well that's different. Then, uhm...I'd probably build a stick shelter.

RED

And what's that, exactly?

GRIZZ

Well, the gist of it is, you gather some sticks. Put them into a big pile. Crawl underneath and hope to Jesus Mary and Joseph that some pack of wild Dingos don't come along and grizzle yer goolies off.

LEFTY

Huh.

GRIZZ

Oh yeah, the stick is a priceless tool when your out in the wilderness. Dozens of uses.

RED

Such as?

GRIZZ

Well...you can hit with it. Poke with it. Wave it around your head to signal...whatever have you up in the sky. Priceless tool.

RED

So you've found shelter. What's next?

GRIZZ

You need fire. One night without it and folks will find nothin' the next morning but a blue, human popsicle corpse with his goolies grizzled off.

RED

And what's your method for fire building?

GRIZZ

Well you gather up dry sticks, right? And you categorize them from the thinnest to the thickest. You pile up the thin ones and you ignite them. To do that, I always keep on hand a box of these.

SFX: A matchbox shaking.

RED

Matches?

GRIZZ

Too right. Can't think of a better way to build fire, can you?

RED

But what if you had no matches?

GRIZZ

Well...then you're dead, I expect.

RED

Could you, maybe, start it by rubbing two sticks together?

GRIZZ

(chuckling.)

Yeah, right Sheila. Or maybe I'll just rub my magic lamp. Get my big blue genie to get me matches, conjure up a cozy caravan and restore my grizzled off goolies.

SFX breaking branches.

RED

See, the theory and practice is; You find two green branches from a small sapling. You strip the bark and rub the exposed sticks together rapidly over dry grass or other easily ignitable material.

GRIZZ

If you say so.

Sfx rapid stick rubbing.

RED

And after rapid rubbing, you get enough heat to cause a spark and--

SFX of grass igniting and a fire starting.

GRIZZ

(surprised.)

Well, that's a ripper.

RED

You have a fire.

LEFTY

Red spent five years back in the 80's as a Special Forces rescue leader, deep in the jungles of South America.

GRIZZ

I tried to join that. Couldn't get in. Fallen arches.

RED

Let's take a break. When we come back we'll learn some deep woods cooking tips.

JINGLE: Lefty and Red!

PATTY

Hello. I'm Patty Elmhurst, inviting you to come down to Patty's Pretty's Princess Hobby Shop in Union Center, where we have everything you need to knit or crochet. We have a veritable rainbow of colored yarns and strings. Crochet hooks and fifteen different varieties of knitting needles. And today till the end of next year, make any purchase over ten dollars and you'll receive twenty five free ballerina toilet paper cozies. In all colors, with or without sparkly sequins, all in American standard toilet tissue size. Topped with a porcelain, cute-as-a-button ballerina. We also carry a full stock of educational Knit and Crochet DVDs, from beginner to advanced. So hurry down while cozy supplies last. Although we have plenty, believe me. That's Patty's Pretty's Princess Hobby Shop right next door to the big empty parking lot on Lipscombe Road in Union Center

JINGLE: Lefty and Red!

RED

Now it's time to learn a little outdoor cooking.

LEFTY

Grizz, what's the best thing to eat when you're alone in the wilderness?

GRIZZ

Well personally, I'm partial to Banjo Paterson's Granola Nut Bars. There's oatmeal, pecan, but my fave is chocolate chip.

LEFTY

But what if you don't have any granola bars on hand?

GRIZZ

No matches, no granola bars, you bludgers sound a tad unprepared for the wilderness.

LEFTY

Could you identify some wild plants in the area that might be edible?

GRIZZ

Nah, I wouldn't chance it.

LEFTY

Okay...

RED

Lefty, why don't I show you a recipe I learned from my special forces days.

LEFTY

Terrific.

GRIZZ

(sarcastic.)

This ought to be good.

RED

The wilderness does offer some great sources of protein. For example--

SFX: digging through an old log.

RED (CONT'D)

If you dig through a rotting log, like this one, you're sure to find-- here we go--grubs.

LEFTY

Grubs?

GRIZZ

Grubs, huh.

RED

Grubs are simply the larval stage of scarabs or beetles, in this case, these are the larvae of June Bugs.

LEFTY

They look like fat, white worms.

RED

Well, kind of. But they're a safe and delicious form of protein when you're out in the wild.

GRIZZ

You...I mean, G'arn you are kidding, right?

RED

Let me just lay them out on this big burdock leaf, here.

LEFTY

Wow, look at them crawling and wriggling around. They almost look like their talking to each other.

SFX: Supernatural "shrinking" sound.

JERRY

Hey Raeleen.

RAELEEN

Hey Jerry.

JERRY

What the heck's goin' on?

RAELEEN

You got me. I was just chewing on some decayed birch pulp, crawlin' around, poopin' it out--same old same old.

JERRY

Me, too. Next thing I know we're plopped on to this big leaf.



RAELEEN

This was not in my horoscope.

KYLE

What are you guys talkin' about?

RAELEEN

Hey Kyle. What's with this leaf thing?

KYLE

I dunno. I hope we get off soon. I go on vacation next week.

RAELEEN

Cool, where?

KYLE

Sanibel.

RAELEEN

Niiiiice.

JERRY

I wouldn't worry about it. This was probably some snafu from the head office. I'm sure we'll be back in the log in no time.

RAELEEN

Yeah, why worry. Right?

SFX: Supernatural "growing" effect.

RED

Now I'll wrap the leaf around the grubs and tie it tight with a piece of dried switch grass.

GRIZZ

Bloody hell, you're actually goin' through with this?

RED

And the fire's died down to a nice, red pile of coals. So we'll just lay the leaf on top of the coals, and the natural moisture in the leaf should turn into steam and cook the grubs.

LEFTY

Sweet.

JERRY

Oh my God!!! It burns! It  
buuuuurns!

RAELEEN

I'll never kiss the faces of my  
children!

KYLE

Ahhhh, I regret nothing!

JERRY

It buuuuurns!!!

LEFTY

Did you hear something?

RED

No, I don't think so.

LEFTY

Huh...

RED

Well the steam should cook them  
through in only a few seconds. So  
lets take the leaf off the coals  
and see what we got.

GRIZZ

(grimly.)

Oh my god.

SFX: Unwrapping noise.

RED

And here they are, plump, steamy  
and delicious.

LEFTY

I can't wait to try one.

GRIZZ

Wait, wait, wait...are you people  
seriously telling me that you're  
going to eat steamed grubs?

LEFTY

We're kind of adventurous eaters.

RED

Lefty even likes pineapple on his  
pizza.

LEFTY  
 Guilty as charged. Now, let's dig  
 into these little suckers.

SFX: The sound of Lefty and Red chewing the squishy grubs.

LEFTY (CONT'D)  
 Mmmm! These are scrumptious!

RED  
 I told you, right?

LEFTY  
 They taste like warm brie cheese  
 with a crunchy, nutty skin coating.

RED  
 I love the way they pop when you  
 bite into them.

LEFTY  
 The heads taste like almonds.

RED  
 Here you go, Grizz. We left you the  
 big one. Dig in.

GRIZZ  
 (sickly.)  
 I...uhhh...I don't...  
 feel...so...fair dinkum--

SFX: Grizz fainting and hitting the ground.

LEFTY  
 We'll be back to Lefty and Red,  
 right after this.

JINGLE: Lefty and Red!

Music: Mysterious music

ANNOUNCER  
 Who killed Lord Mandrake?

SFX: Gunshots. Wolves howling. A woman screaming.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)  
 Was it his partner, The Earl of  
 Corkscrew?

EARL  
 I was on Holiday!

ANNOUNCER  
His wife, Lady Mandrake?

LADY MANDRAKE  
Don't be ridiculous.

ANNOUNCER  
Was it his niece, Elvira Smithidge?

ELVIRA  
I loved Uncle Squidgy, and his  
large inheritance.

ANNOUNCER  
Could it have been Max, The  
Chauffeur?

MAX  
Hey, I was washin' the Dusenbergs,  
whadda you want from me?

ANNOUNCER  
Or his faithful butler Geevis?

GEEVIS  
Thursday was my day off, I'm  
afraid.

ANNOUNCER  
Can you solve the Mystery of the  
Moribund Mandrake? You can if you  
head on down to Buzz and Nancy's  
Riverside Lounge for Murder Mystery  
Weekend!

MUSIC Hit.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)  
This Saturday and Sunday you, too,  
can play detective and figure out  
who is the murderer. Semi-  
professional actors from the Elroy  
Patio Players will re-enact, live,  
in front of your eyes, The Mystery  
of the Moribund Mandrake. Come see  
a show WLYR Radio's Cecil Stringly  
calls "Tense and foreboding, with  
an all you can eat walleye buffet  
that's a veritable feast." That's  
Murder Mystery Weekend at Buzz and  
Nancy's Riverside Lounge. And  
remember, every Saturday between  
Three and four thirty--

BUZZ AND MARY  
All drinks are half price!

ANNOUNCER  
Buzz and Nancy's Riverside Lounge,  
just outside of Rockton on the  
Kickapoo.

JINGLE: Lefty and Red!

RED  
Well it's time for the music  
portion of our show. Part time  
segment producer and full time  
caller Herm Demmel is in the studio  
to play some of his favorites from  
his extensive record collection. Hi-  
ya Herm.

HERM  
Hey, Red. Lefty. Hi-ya folks. I  
picked out some of my best forty-  
fives from my record box, the one's  
with the least scratches, anyways.  
And I thought I'd play a few for  
you today. So let's open things up  
with the hit dance tune from 1949,  
by Dick "Two-Ton" Baker, The Music  
Maker--"I Like Stinky Cheese."

The music plays.

LEFTY  
Excuse me for a sec.

SFZ: Lefty walking away. Music fading. Footsteps of Red  
following.

RED  
Lefty, where are you going?

LEFTY  
I think it's time to talk to Ethyl.

RED  
(worried.)  
Really?

LEFTY

Yeah. We hired her to do sales and promotions over three months ago, and so far she's brought in bags of stationary supplies, fourteen cats and locked herself in the back room. She hasn't come out since. And she hasn't made one sales call. What are we paying her for?

RED

We're not.

LEFTY

Commission...

RED

Try and go easy on her, okay?

LEFTY

(sighing.)  
I'll try.

SFX: Lefty walking down the trailer hall.

SFX: door open and electronics humming and sparks.

WAYLAND

Oh, hi Lefty.

LEFTY

Hi Wayland.

SFX: More walking. A knock on a door. We hears cats running around and meowing. Crashing of furniture. Another knock.

ETHYL

Who is it?

LEFTY

Ethyl? It's me, Lefty.

ETHYL

Lefty who?

LEFTY

Lefty your boss?

SFX: Door squeaking open.

ETHYL

Oh, of course. Come on in, Lefty.

LEFTY

Ethyl, we have to talk about the--  
(gagging.)  
Agh! God...Geeze, Ethyl, you gotta  
start cleaning out the litter  
boxes.

ETHYL

What's a litter box?

LEFTY

Never mind. We need to talk about  
sales and promotions.

ETHYL

Oh?

LEFTY

Yeah, like, what are you doing to  
sell and promote the show?

ETHYL

Oh, glad you asked. Step over here  
to what I like to call Office  
Central, or "O.C." for short.

LEFTY

It's a card table with hair balls  
on it, but okay.

ETHYL

If you look past that you'll see a  
highly organized oasis of  
stationary and office supplies.

LEFTY

Ethyl--

ETHYL

--As you can see on the left I have  
neatly stacked areas of legal and  
letter sized writing pads, both  
yellow and white. Lined, with  
quarter inch and half inch spacing,  
and unlined.

LEFTY

Ethyl--

ETHYL

Next to that a sequence of pencils,  
made of the finest imported teak,  
starting from the ultra soft number  
6B, through the boring, everyday 2H  
and right up to the hard-as-nuts,  
you can barely read it 9H.

LEFTY

Ethyl--

ETHYL

But let's not forget the pens,  
right? That's why we have a wide  
selection of blue and black ink  
implements; lush roller balls,  
thick brush pens, ballpoints, and  
my favorite, the naughty, multi-  
color school girl gel pen  
collection.

LEFTY

Ethyl, please--

ETHYL

But none of this means anything  
without proper fastening systems--

LEFTY

Oh god--

ETHYL

--So feast your eyes on our  
selection of paper clips, hasps,  
staplers, brass plated brads and  
the newest hi-tech choice, self-  
adhesive strips.

LEFTY

Ethyl!

ETHYL

Yes?

LEFTY

Look, I--I really appreciate the  
thought and effort you're putting  
into the office supplies--

ETHYL

--The "O.C.".



LEFTY

Right. Right. But I think it's time to put these to use and start making some sales calls.

ETHYL

(gasping, horrified.)  
What?!

LEFTY

Look, don't panic, okay?

ETHYL

(breathing heavy.)  
I don't...I dont...Oh god..

LEFTY

Ethyl, look, just breathe in this bag.

SFX: breathing into a bag.

LEFTY (CONT'D)

Now listen to me. This is going to be very easy. I've already set up a call for you.

ETHYL

(through the bag.)  
You have?

LEFTY

Yes. I talked to Tom at Tom's Discount Liquor in Viroqua. He wants to advertise with us, and I told him that someone would call to hammer out the details and get him the billing information, and why is a cat is peeing on my foot?

ETHYL

He likes you.

LEFTY

I'm going to call him right now--

ETHYL

No--

LEFTY

Yes. And you just give him the necessary info, and that's it. Easy-peasy.

ETHYL  
Easy-peasy?

SFX: phone dialing.

LEFTY  
Yes. Now here's the phone.

SFX: Phone ringing. Pick up.

TOM  
Hello, Tom's Liquor.

ETHYL  
(gasping in horror.)  
Ahhhh...huh...ahhh...

TOM  
Is this Florence?

SFX: Hang up. Dial tone.

LEFTY  
Ethyl--

ETHYL  
I'm sorry, I'm sorry, I'm sorry.

SFX: phone dialing. Ringing.

LEFTY  
We're gonna try it again, okay?

TOM  
Hello, Tom's liquor.

ETHYL  
Uh...

LEFTY  
(coaching her.)  
Hello, this is Ethyl Flapsaddle...

ETHYL  
Hello, this is Ethyl Flapsaddle...

LEFTY  
I'm calling from the Lefty and Red  
radio show...

ETHYL  
I'm calling from the Lefty and Red  
radio show...

TOM

Oh, yeah. Lefty said someone was gonna call. So, what do you need from me?

LEFTY

You want to send him the ad forms...

ETHYL

I want to send him the ad forms...

LEFTY

And the billing information.

ETHYL

And the billing information.

LEFTY

And you need his address.

ETHYL

And I need your address?

TOM

Oh, sure. It's 1519--

ETHYL

Wait, I gotta find a pen and paper.

SFX: rustling of paper.

ETHYL (CONT'D)

Uh...the green, no. White pad...quarter inch.

LEFTY

Oh lord...

ETHYL

Okay.

TOM

It's 1519 West Parnum Street, Viroqua. Is that it?

LEFTY

Say yes.

ETHYL

Yes.

TOM

Okay. Thanks. Bye-bye.

SFX: Phone hang up. Dial tone.

LEFTY

There, now was that so hard?

ETHYL

I did it...I did it. I made a sale!  
Stick it in the bread box, baby,  
boom! This girls on fire!

LEFTY

Okay, I gotta go.

SFX: Lefty walking away.

ETHYL

We gotta celebrate! Drinks and  
catnip on me!

SFX: door close. Footsteps.

RED

Did you talk to her?

LEFTY

Yes.

RED

And?

LEFTY

Baby steps, Red. Baby Steps.

Music fading up: back in the doghouse.

HERM

And that was the Mark Fours and  
"Move Over Rover." Well that's all  
the time I have for music today.  
Tune in next time, and I'll dig up  
more treasures from Herm's Record  
Box. And now a word from one of our  
sponsors.

JINGLE: Lefty and Red!

BOB

Hey, this is Bob Knepfel for Iowa  
County High School Boy's Wrestling.  
We broadcast all the live action  
from Bluemounds to Montford. We  
have the Dodgeville Dodgers taking  
on the Mineral Point Pointers.

SFX: body flops on gym mats.

BOB (CONT'D)  
The Barneveld Eagles go against The  
Highland Cardinals.

SFX: body flops on gym mats.

BOB (CONT'D)  
And, of course, the district meet  
held county wide at the public  
arena in Lancaster.

SFX: body flops on gym mats.

BOB (CONT'D)  
Arm bars, neck twists, crotch grabs  
and sweaty pits, you'll hear all  
the action of Iowa County Boy's  
Wrestling, right here on WYLR  
Radio.

JINGLE: Lefty and Red-Ask Your Neighbor!

RED  
It's time once again for Lefty and  
Red's Ask Your Neighbor.

LEFTY  
The call-in show where you give  
advice, post a problem, make an  
announcement or just swap and  
barter goods and services with  
folks in the area.

RED  
No money changes hands, no hard  
feelings.

LEFTY  
It's like going to a free farm  
auction.

RED  
Without the smell of tractor  
exhaust, manure or Amish children.

SFX Phone Ring

RED (CONT'D)  
And there's our first caller. Hi,  
you're on Lefty and Red's Ask Your  
Neighbor.

BERT

Hi, this is Bert Coombs over in Lime Ridge.

RED

Hello again, Bert. What's on your mind today?

BERT

I just wanted to alert folks to the fact that there was a suspicious looking van that stopped at my house last night.

RED

Oh really? Do tell.

BERT

It pulled into my driveway and a guy got out. He rings my doorbell, you know, so's I answer it. He tells me he was going through the neighborhood offering samples to folks. He was trying to hand me a free sample bottle of laundry detergent.

RED

Did you take it?

BERT

At first, no. But then I got scared and took it, just to be on the safe side.

RED

Good idea.

BERT

He climbed back in the van and I saw another person sitting in the other seat. Mighty suspicious.

RED

Hmmm.

BERT

I also noticed he didn't stop at any other houses on our street. You think he was targeting me or something?

RED

Can't be sure, Bert. You have a description of the guy?

BERT

Yeah, average age, medium height, neutral hair color, driving a grey Dodge van. Not new, but, not real old, either.

RED

Well, we'll be on the lookout.

BERT

I'm just afraid this detergent could be poison or something.

RED

Did you contact the police?

BERT

Yeah, they sent me home, so...

RED

Well hang in there, Bert. I'm sure this'll all come out in the wash.

SFX Phone Ring

LEFTY

Hi, you're on Ask Your Neighbor.

LOUELLA

Hi, this is Louella Bowie over in Boaz.

LEFTY

What's on your mind Louella?

LOUELLA

Well our local library is closing up and I'm a really big reader. So I was wondering, does anyone have any paperback books they would be willing to part with? I hate to be picky and would be thankful for any, but sci-fi and paranormal are not my thing.

LEFTY

Duly noted.

LOUELLA

But if there's anything that's filled with hot and steamy period romance and has a handsome, long-haired, bare chested man on the cover, I'll gladly take them off your hands. Just thought I would throw it out there. Thanks in advance and stay safe!

SFX Phone Ring

RED

Welcome to Ask Your Neighbor with Lefty and Red.

PATTY

Hello, this is Patty Elmhurst from Union Center.

RED

What can we help you with today, Patty?

PATTY

I have a short message for the people who walk up and down the sidewalk in front of our house every night, smoking.

RED

Okay, go ahead.

PATTY

Alright. Ahem: Dear walkers who smoke: Please do not toss your cigarette butts on the street during your walk. They are not biodegradable. I am tired of cleaning up your mess. And, yes, I know who you are! Charlie and Mildred Ferguson. Thank you.

RED

Just a heads up, folks. Patty is losing patience with your butts.

SFX Phone Ring

LEFTY

Hi, you're on Lefty and Red's Ask Your Neighbor.



BERNICE

Hello, this is Bernice Ramsey from Muscoda.

LEFTY

Hi Bernice, what can we help you with?

BERNICE

Well, I have a swap to make.

LEFTY

Okay.

BERNICE

Yes, I was wondering if anyone would be interested in swapping for some frozen meat.

LEFTY

Gotta be more specific, Bernice.

BERNICE

Okay, so I have a large smoked ham. I got it in a raffle at the Farmers Breakfast over in Darlington. It's a twenty pound, Heavenly Hog Farms Organic Smoked Ham.

LEFTY

Why are you swapping it, Bernice?

BERNICE

I just don't like smoked meat. I hate to just throw it out. I feel like there would be a family in need that would want to swap for it.

LEFTY

What would you like to swap it for?

BERNICE

Well I have a lot of leaves in my yard. That big old oak tree near the sidewalk is a bugger. Puts a whole thick carpet of leaves on my lawn. It's such a hassle to rake them up.

LEFTY

Okay, so if anyone out there wants to swap with Bernice;

(MORE)

LEFTY (CONT'D)

leaf raking services for a Heavenly Hog Organic Smoked Ham, give us a call and we'll make it happen.

SFX Phone Ring

RED

Hi, you're on Lefty and Red.

HERM

Hey, this is Herm Demmel over in Clyde.

RED

What's on your plate Herm, as if I didn't know?

HERM

I gotta tell you, Red, I really want that ham. And I got a bunch of tools, I could have that yard raked by this Friday, lickety-split.

RED

Herm loves his ham.

LEFTY

Well we've got Bernice on hold. Bernice, you still there?

BERNICE

(singing.)

"High hopes, he's got"--Oh, now where'd that nice music go?.

LEFTY

Bernice, Herm Demmel over in Clyde says he can swing by and rake those leaves for you this Friday, if you throw in that smoked ham.

BERNICE

Oh, that's wonderful.

HERM

Hey, Bernice?

BERNICE

Yes, hello?

HERM

Say, how do you want me to deal with them leaves? I mean, I could use the leaf blower--

BERNICE

Uh-Huh--

HERM

Burn 'em--

BERNICE

Yep--

HERM

Stuff 'em in plastic yard bags and  
put 'em by the sidewalk--

BERNICE

Right--

HERM

Or just do a conventional rake and  
pile.

BERNICE

Well whatever you think is best,  
I'm sure.

HERM

One question, though. How come you  
don't want that ham?

BERNICE

I just don't like smoked meat. It's  
too salty and gives me gas.

HERM

Oh, yer probably not cookin' it  
right. I got some real mouth  
watering recipes. I could throw one  
together for you in the slow cooker  
while I'm leaf raking.

BERNICE

Oh no, that's fine.

HERM

I got a twelve been casserole with  
smoked ham that'll knock your  
bloomers off.

BERNICE

Oh, no--

HERM

It's got lima beans, red beans,  
black beans--

BERNICE

No--

HERM

--garbonzo beans, pinto beans,  
lentils--

BERNICE

I don't think so--

HERM

Fava beans, Great Northern beans,  
Navy beans--

BERNICE

Please stop--

HERM

And I forget the rest. But you slow  
cook that with onions, jalapenos,  
hot sauce and huge chunks of smoked  
ham? Ooooh! I tell ya, Bernice, one  
bite of that and you'll think yer  
sittin' at the right hand of the  
Father.

BERNICE

I appreciate all that, but no. No  
thank you. I just, really, really,  
really don't like smoked meat.

HERM

(pause.)

Okay, I'll take that as a maybe,  
then.

BERNICE

Oh my...

LEFTY

Well that wraps up Ask Your  
Neighbor for today. Want to bet on  
whether Bernice eats any of that  
ham?

RED

I think it's inevitable.

LEFTY

We'll be right back after this.

JINGLE: Lefty and Red

LOUISE

Hello, Louise Schneidecker here for Sweet Honey Bee Septic Service. It's Spring, and it's time for my husband Dom and I to suck out a year's worth of grey water, urine and excretia from your septic tank.

DOM

Yep.

LOUISE

Especially after a long Holiday season of bean casseroles, tamales and pigs in a blanket.

DOM

Sure.

LOUISE

A house full of people can sure fill up a tank when they punch a dook, push out a grumpy, release the chocolate hostage or make a donation to the Republican party.

DOM

You bet.

LOUISE

So whether it's tinkle, doo-doo, runny bunnies, micky-muck, or loosy-poops, Sweet Honey Bee Septic Service is the place to call for quality sucking of your septic.

DOM

(pause.)

Yep.

Music: Jingle "Sweet Honey Bee, your quality septic service!"

JINGLE: Lefty and Red

RED

Well that's all we have for this week's episode of Lefty and Red. We want to thank our special guest, survivalist Grizz Bearlist for stopping by.

LEFTY

Let's hope he gets over that stomach flu real soon.

(MORE)

LEFTY (CONT'D)

You know Red, I got a hankering for  
some more of those steamed grubs.

RED

I'm with you, Lefty. Let's stoke up  
the fire and dig through some  
rotten logs.

LEFTY

For all of us here at WLYR Land  
Yacht Radio--

RED

You want to come with?

LEFTY

Then come here once.

SFX: Supernatural "shrinking" sound.

The crying and weeping of grub children.

PATRICE

Daddy? Are we ever gonna see Mommy  
again?

DADDY

Some day, Patrice...Some day.

JINGLE: Lefty and Red

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