

MOTHER FUNNER

"Jason Beaver Has an Old Wives' Tail"

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FADE IN:

THE DUMMES' HOUSE - KITCHEN - DAY

We see MADISON, THORNZ and THORAX sitting at the table. Thornz is holding a newspaper in front of his face.

THORNZ

There's a story in here about a woman who was married so long that she grew a tail and started laying eggs.

MADISON

(to Thornz)

Is the woman a platypus?

THORNZ

No.

MADISON

How do you know that?

THORNZ

Because she doesn't have a beak. She's completely beak-free. There's another story in here about how lonely beavers can get. How sad.

Thornz lays the newspaper on the table.

THORNZ (CONT'D)

(to Madison)

You should set our friend Jason Beaver up on a date with that weird, married woman who has a tail and lays eggs.

MADISON

No way, man. I'll never set Jason up on a date with an egg-laying woman with a tail ever again. The last time I did that, it was an absolute disaster.

TIFFANY walks into the kitchen and walks to the fridge, which she opens.

TIFFANY

(searching the fridge)

Soy Cows are so demanding.

MADISON

(to Tiffany)

Why do you say that?

Tiffany turns around and is facing Madison.

TIFFANY

Because Smoothie wants to use the bathroom on the toilet instead of outside, and Tiffany Jr. wants me to make her mayonnaise.

MADISON

Which Soy Cow is Smoothie again?

TIFFANY

She's the one with the utter that shoots out Soy Cow Milk when she break-dances.

Tiffany walks to the table and sits down.

THORAX

I crave meat. I want it so badly that I could cry. Do we have any Soy Cow Cheeseburger Soup and Stuffed Peppers?

MADISON

(to Thorax)

No, you need to go to the store and buy some.

THORAX

Okay. Bye.

Thorax walks out of the kitchen.

THORNZ

Hey, Tiffany. Did you read the story in the newspaper about the woman who grew a tail and started laying eggs after being married for a long time?

TIFFANY

No. I wish that woman would give me some of her eggs so I could make mayonnaise for my little Tiffany Jr. I don't want to starve her of mayonnaise.

THORNZ

Madison should set Jason up on a date with that woman, so he won't be sad and lonely anymore.

MADISON

(to Thornz)

Jason's not sad and lonely.

THORNZ

Oh yes, he is. Look at this photo of him frowning.

Thornz pulls a drawing out of his pants and shows it to Madison.

MADISON

That's not a photo of Jason. It's a drawing of a circle with eyes, a frown and 2 buck teeth.

THORNZ

Okay, it's not a photo of Jason but he's definitely sad and lonely. That's why you should set him up on a date with the egg-laying, tailed woman. They would have a lot to talk about like how they're weird animals, and they could compare the size of their tails.

MADISON

Okay, I'll set Jason and that woman up on a date.

THORNZ

(excited)

Yay!

TIFFANY

Does anyone have a recipe for mayonnaise?

THORNZ

There's a mayonnaise recipe in the newspaper. I have the weirdest newspaper ever. Madison, why won't you buy me a normal newspaper?

MADISON

Because they're too expensive. Get use to it.

THORNZ

Tiffany, do you want to see a picture of the egg-laying woman with a tail?

TIFFANY

Sure.

Thornz picks up the newspaper and opens it. He shows the egg-laying woman's picture to Tiffany.

THORNZ

Here's a picture of the woman.

TIFFANY

(looking at the picture)
She looks like me with a beaver tail. Can you show me that mayonnaise recipe?

THORNZ

Yeah.

Thornz turns the page of the newspaper and points to the mayonnaise recipe.

THORNZ (CONT'D)

Here's the recipe for mayonnaise.

TIFFANY

Can you read it to me? I don't know how to read.

THORNZ

Okay.

(reading the recipe)

Mayonnaise is just eggs, oil, salt and vinegar mixed together. It's so simple. Anyone can make it.

TIFFANY

(disappointed)

Easy for you to say, because you're smart but I'm stupid. I'm so stupid that I probably can't even make mayonnaise.

THORNZ

You're probably right. Maybe you should just get some mayonnaise at the store. Tiffany Jr. won't be able to tell the difference between homemade mayonnaise and store-bought mayonnaise.

TIFFANY

(excited)

Okay. Why didn't I think of that? I guess I'm off to the store. Bye.

THORNZ

Bye.

Tiffany walks out of the kitchen.

THORNZ (CONT'D)

I wonder if the egg-laying woman's eggs get bigger as she gets older like a hen's eggs. Do you wonder that?

MADISON

Nope. Never did, never will.

THORNZ

Call the egg-laying woman and set her up on a date with Jason. Dates don't set up themselves.

MADISON

I know, but I don't want to set her up on a date because she's married. I don't want her husband to get mad at me.

THORNZ

He won't get mad at you. He'll probably be happy that you set his wife up on a date, because it'll boost her self confidence. She probably has very low self-esteem because she has a tail and lays eggs, and a date with Jason will be just what she needs to get her confidence back.

MADISON

You know what? You're right.
I'm gonna call that woman
right now.

Madison pulls a cell phone out of her dress and calls the egg-laying woman Emily. Emily answers the phone.

EMILY

Hi, this is Emily. Who is this?

MADISON

My name is Madison, and I heard
about your story in the newspaper.
I feel really bad for you, because
you have a tail and lay eggs. Would
you like to go on a date with my
friend Jason Beaver?

EMILY

(excited)
Yeah, of course!

MADISON

(excited)
Great! How does 5 PM Tuesday at
Soy Much Fun sound?

EMILY

That sounds soy much fun.

Madison hangs up the phone.

MADISON

Now I better call Jason and
tell him about his date with
an egg-laying woman.

Madison calls Jason. Jason answers the phone.

JASON

Hello?

MADISON

Hey, Jason. It's me, Madison.

JASON

Hi, Madison. Why'd you call?

MADISON

I set you up on a date with an egg-laying woman named Emily who has a tail. The date will be at Soy Much Fun on Tuesday at 5 PM.

JASON

(excited)

That sounds...

MADISON

Don't you dare say, "Soy much fun."

JASON

I wasn't gonna say that. I was gonna say, "Exciting." I hope Emily doesn't stand me up. It was fun talking to you. Bye.

MADISON

Bye.

Madison hangs up the phone.

THORNZ

I hope Jason and the egg-laying woman fall in love. I wonder what Tiffany and Thorax are up to right now?

CUT TO:

INT. ALLMART - DAY

We see Tiffany pushing a shopping cart full of boxes of Stuffed Peppers, cans of Soy Cow Cheeseburger Soup and jars of mayonnaise. Thorax is sitting at the front of the shopping cart. Tiffany sees a sign that says, "Diuretics" and stops.

TIFFANY

(to Thorax, pointing)
What does that sign say?

THORAX

Diuretics.

Tiffany bursts out laughing.

TIFFANY

The word "Diuretics" sounds like a combination of the words "Diarrhea" and "Diabetics."

Tiffany starts pushing the shopping cart again.

TIFFANY (CONT'D)

Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers. How many pickled peppers did Peter Piper pick?

THORAX

I don't know, but I picked
15 Stuffed Peppers from the
Freezer section.

TIFFANY

I hope Tiffany Jr. doesn't hate
me for buying expired mayonnaise.

Tiffany pushes the shopping cart towards the CASHIER at the checkout.

The cashier looks at the shopping cart and looks sad.

CASHIER

You don't need to pay anything
for your groceries.

TIFFANY

(to the cashier)

Why?

CASHIER

I feel really bad for you two,
because the only things in your
shopping cart are Stuffed Peppers,
mayonnaise and Soy Cow Cheeseburger
Soup. You both must have some major
psychological issues.

TIFFANY

(excited)

Thanks so much for letting us have
all this food for free!

CASHIER

You're welcome. Bye.

TIFFANY

Bye.

Tiffany starts pushing the shopping cart again and exits the store.

CUT TO:

THE DUMMES' HOUSE - LIVING ROOM - DAY

We see Madison, Tiffany, Thornz, Thorax and JASON BEAVER sitting on the couch.

JASON

(sad)

I can't believe Emily stood me up. She called me to tell me that she'd rather lay eggs and wash her tail than go out on a date with me.

THORNZ

(to Jason)

Did you ask Emily if her eggs will get bigger as she gets older?

JASON

Yeah.

THORNZ

What'd she say?

JASON

Yes.

THORNZ

(excited)

Awesome, but not as awesome as the Stuffed Peppers, Soy Cow Cheeseburger Soup and mayonnaise that Tiffany and Thorax bought.

MADISON

Yeah. Those were the best Stuffed Peppers, Soy Cow Cheeseburger Soup and mayonnaise that I've ever eaten. Too bad Jason didn't like them.

JASON

I liked them, but I'm too sad from being rejected by an egg-laying woman with a tail to enjoy them as much as everyone else did.

Everyone is starting to close their eyes and fall asleep.

TIFFANY

(closing her eyes)

It looks like everyone is starting to fall asleep. It must be from all that food we ate.

Everyone falls asleep.

FADE OUT

THE END