

EXTREME FAKEOVER

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At Rise: BARBARA and BOB, hosts of the show, spring onto the stage.

BOB: Hi, I'm Bob Shallow!

BARB: And I'm Barb Banal. Welcome to the show documenting America's passion for butchery into beauty -

BOTH: Extreme Fakeover!

BOB: The show that begs the question: "How much can you nip and tuck before your neck erupts when you sneeze?"

BARB: And: "Is it inappropriate to carry and use your portable liposuction machine after every meal?"

BOB: Great question, Barb. Let's go to Obesity, South Carolina where Margo Hipwobbler is waiting to answer that very question.

(BARB spins around and becomes MARGO.)

MARGO: ***(Southern dialect)*** Hi Barb and Bob. People have just got to get over themselves when it comes to Lipo'n yerself in public. Portable liposuction machine'll only cost ya 'bout a hundred dollars, or you can do what I did and get your brother to reverse the motor on your leaf blower and attach the hose right to your thighs. Crank that puppy up and you'll drain that blubber fastern' a shook up Pepsi can.

(spins back around and becomes BARB)

BOB: Fabulous, Margo! Hey, Barb, did you notice she had a zipper attached to her hips?

BARB: I sure did, Bob. That's so she can remove any excess poundage with a simple zip and tuck.

BOB: All right, then. Well, let's meet our first contestant for tonight's "Extreme Fakeover."

BARB: We take you to Moscow where we'll meet Yevgeny Tripimov who suffers from an embarrassing and mysterious third leg attached to his left elbow.

(BOB spins around and become YEVGENY. HE turns to the side and puts his right hand on his elbow to look like his foot. If props are used, HE can attach a sneaker to his hand.)

YEVGENY: ***(Russian accent)*** Helloski, Barb and Bob. Goot to see you.

BARB: Good to see you, Yevgeny. Well, I wish I could say something trite like you're still a beautiful person even with your horribly

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grotesque redundant appendage. But I can't, **(holds up her fingers as she counts off the reasons)** because a) I'm seconds away from hurling because of your extraneous limb, a thought that terrifies me since when I gag my new chin slips below my Adam's apple, and b) I can't say you're still a beautiful person because I think it's a bucket of crap.

YEVGENY: What ees this word 'redundant'?

BARB: It means **(cups her hands around her mouth and yells)** YOU DISGUST ME.

YEVGENY: What are we discussing?

BARB: Your bowel loosening freako-leg.

YEVGENY: Da, I have job offer at Russian Circus.

BARB: Okay, Yevgeny, can you hear me?

YEVGENY: Da.

BARB: Great. SHUTY UPSKI. You aren't worth listening to until we fix your horrible-ness, okay? Nobody likes the "Before" picture, just the "After" picture. **(She pauses. YEVGENY freezes in place with a confused smile.)** Good. Now I understand you want some other minor work done to your body while our doctors exorcise your gangly man-paw?

(YEVGENY nods and begins to spin around in a slow circle similar to "Extreme Makeover" while BARB talks about his changes in a CHEESY ANNOUNCER GUY voice. The idea here is that CHEESY ANNOUNCER GUY is a voiceover allowing BOB to point to or extend the various body parts being mentioned.)

CHEESY ANNOUNCER GUY: Yevgeny's extra leg will be removed at his left elbow, allowing for normal arm movement and a spare sneaker. All of his teeth are being removed and replaced with Chicklets, and his armpits will be lined with shag rug. Both eyes will be extracted and switched for sheer amusement, while an unnecessary and cumbersome third buttock will be inserted as a practical joke requested by Yevgeny's brother.

(BARB, as a doctor, walks to YEVGENY and mimes doing the mentioned surgeries. This should be choreographed so each operation can be mimed for its full comedic effect. When finished, YEVGENY stands smiling, a bit lopsided and somewhat confused.)

BARB: So how do you feel, Yevgeny?

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(YEVGENY blinks a lot due to his eye switch and scratches his armpits. Every few seconds HE stands on his tiptoes and grimaces, uncomfortable with his new buttock.)

YEVGENY: I experee-ence horrible, blinding pain, but I know bee-cos I am now beeutiful, nothing else matters.

BARB: Good answer! And as a thank you for being on our show, we've shellacked your festering lame-o leg and turned it into a chair.

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