



"Highway Enhancers" gather for the announcement of the coveted Golden Horseshoe Award nominations

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## "Officers Speak"

### The Italian Job

Submitted by: Sam Ashley, President

I was introduced to bikes at an early age, and it's been in my blood ever since. My first experience was on an early version of a mini-bike, you remember the ones; a Briggs & Stratton lawnmower engine bolted to a crude steel frame with a seat, handlebars, and no suspension. The brakes were really an afterthought, just a weak version of a bicycle brake, which usually required the "Fred Flintstone soles of your shoes" technique to come to a complete stop. Go carts were fun too, but they didn't have the same thrill for me as being on two wheels.

For a while, I grew up in Texas, with lots of open spaces. It seemed that all the kids my age owned dirt bikes, that is except for me. After a long time of debating and arguing, I finally convinced my parents to buying me a dirt bike, and I would pay them back with my earnings from mowing yards. The motorized bike that I was given wasn't my bike of choice, it was a 50 cc Italian Benelli. I had a larger and more rugged bike in mind, but I compromised with this one, just being thankful for something to ride. The area where we lived had an abun-

dance of trails where all the kids rode. There were vast forested areas with miles of awesome trails and occasional water crossings, and a popular large open space where everyone hung out. This area had a large oval track, with a nice jump in the infield, about 2 feet high, which was the focus of all the riders. Kids would approach the jump with a head of steam from both directions, flying with their bikes into the air and landing, and repeating. I had watched how it was done so many times that I convinced myself that I could do it too. I was very excited the day I brought my new bike home, and the vacant lot was my first stop. It was about dinnertime and everyone else had gone home, which made it the perfect time to take my brand new bike for a test spin. I hopped on and hit the gas, heading straight for the jump, building up my speed. I reached the jump and was catapulted into the air. I immediately sensed that something was wrong, as I was off-balance leaning a bit to the side and the front. Down I came, crashing over the bars in a giant dust cloud. Now I was really glad that nobody else was around. My brand new bike had a broken headlight, a bent handlebar, and scratched paint. That would not be the only time that the little Benelli had to spend some

time in the shop, as it ended up breaking down frequently (those Italians should stick to wine and pasta, and leave the motorcycle engineering to others.) I quickly out-grew that bike and moved up to larger machines, and learned from my earlier mistakes. I was forced to sell my bike when we moved to Colorado, but eventually I purchased another one and discovered many of the beautiful back roads of our state. I experienced a few more stupid stunts on that bike too; I guess that's all part of growing up. A few years later, I once again had to part with my bike, establish a career, and become a respectable hard-working citizen.

After marrying my high school sweetheart and raising two kids to adulthood, the desire for a bike was still in my blood. At this point, I was interested in a touring bike, something that I could

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Next Meeting: **Thursday, May 10, 2007**  
**7:30 p.m. Fay Myers Motorcycle World**  
**9700 E. Arapahoe Road.**

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**Minutes  
RMVTA Meeting  
April 12, 2007**

President Sam Ashley brought the meeting to order at 7:36 p.m. We had one guest this evening, Dominic Nardiello. Dominic is one of our youngest guests.

Seems like it was a quiet month as no one had anything exciting to report.

**Officer's Reports:**

**Secretary:**

After being awakened, the secretary asked if there were any comments, additions or changes to the minutes as published on the web and in the newsletter. No comments were noted. Paul made a motion to accept the minutes as published, seconded by Susan. The motion carried.

**Treasurer:**

Sherri reported that all sponsors had paid their sponsorship dues for the year. She did receive \$30 in the mail this evening. The account balances are \$1,305.13 in checking, \$2,033.91 in savings for a total of \$3,339.04

**Committee Reports:**

**Activities:**

Ron said we could be shoveling to pick up trash this weekend. On that note, Ron made the executive decision to postpone the Spring Highway Clean-Up Ride until the backup date of April 22.

**Newsletter:**

Stan requested that everyone get his or her articles in by the 23<sup>rd</sup>. Stan also requested ride captains provide articles advertising their up coming rides or a short report on the past rides.

Stan requested that we have an article spot lighting on our members each month. Dena volunteered to write these articles.

We will try to interview a member of our sponsor's team and provide an article spot lighting the sponsor in the newsletter.

**Finance:**

George provided a copy of this year's proposed budget. The budget was reviewed and a motion to accept the budget was made by Stan. Brian sec-

onded the motion and the motion carried.

**Website:**

Brett has been very busy with school. He will be graduating in 3 weeks. George provided an update. Brett has been working on the web site. Pictures from some of the past events have been added to web site. Brett continues to work on the site. Again, thanks Brett, the site looks very professional. Everyone should enjoy it.

**Member Relations:**

Connie thanked everyone for the get-well card. Connie had some surgery on both feet and is getting around very well.

**Historical:**

Floyd said there was nothing new. Everyone picked up on that one.

**Membership:**

Sherri said she hasn't heard from a few of the members. Please let Sherri know if you would like to continue as member.

There was considerable discussion on ways to attract new members. There were several suggestions. One was to have a booth at the various dealers when they have an open house or activity. The club could provide hot dogs and drinks for the attendees. Other suggestions were to see if the dealers would provide a hand out to persons buying new touring bikes or request the dealers to send out a direct mailing to customers. It was decided that the handouts probably were not a very good idea. They have been tried in the past and it was felt that the handouts were put in a drawer and forgotten.

A motion was made by Stan to provide the hot dogs and drinks at sponsor activities. Sonny seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The first activity will be this Saturday, April 14 at Fay Myers. They have asked us to help cook and serve the hot dogs they are providing. Brian requested volunteers help man the booth during the day. Steve said he would bring Connie's bike over so attendees could see that we have different types of bikes in the club.

It was also suggested that each member try to recruit at least one new member. RMVTA business cards were handed out

to each member present at the meeting. Please give these out to other riders you meet when riding.

Sam will contact the other sponsors about any open houses or activities they are planning. We will try to attend as many of the activities as possible.

**Rides:**

As mentioned above, the Highway Clean-Up Ride will be postponed to the backup date. Breakfast starts at 8:00.

Bill said the April Dinner Ride would be up North. He hasn't selected the spot quite yet.

Sam provided details for the Sponsor Appreciation Ride. We will meet at Sam's #3 at Havana and Parker Road at 7:45 for Breakfast. For those who can't join us for breakfast, we will meet in the Sam's #3 parking lot at about 8:30 and head off to the first sponsor about 8:55.

**Old Business:**

Updating the club's computer software was discussed. Adobe 8 Professional is approximately \$600 and Microsoft Publisher is approximately \$300 to \$400. There was very little discussion. However there may be some advantages to updating so that ride routes can be loaded directly into the rides on the web site. We will continue to look into this item.

**(Note from the Editor who also doubles as the Ride Book Editor and Web Site Ride Book Webmaster.....Ride maps have been on the web site hyperlinked to the rides for the 2005 and 2006 ride years. I will be posting (hyperlinking) the 2007 maps within the next few days). It is my opinion that the problem is not as big as described at the meeting since we have been linking maps on the Web Site Ride Book for the past 2 years. They were posted as Adobe PDF files which can be read by almost everybody in the world. Apparently, not all members read the Web Site Ride Book. That's my observation...I could be wrong (but don't bet on it). "Steamer"**



**New Business:**

Year bars were given to the following sponsors: Dena, Ron, Automotive MD, Home Computer Rescue and Farmers Insurance. Farmers Insurance would like to come to the meeting next month to discuss some changes in the laws concerning motorcycling.

The secretary will not be able to take notes next month due to his attending daughter's graduation. Sorry, however Debbie volunteered to take notes with the qualification that we don't get any ideas. We now have a secretary in training. Pretty sly.

There were no nominations for the Missing Link. Sam and Susan get to have this highly sought after award adorn their home for another month.

**50/50:**

Bill and Dena collected \$70 with \$35 going to the club and \$35 divided into prizes.

3<sup>rd</sup> prize was \$7, which was won by Dena.

2<sup>nd</sup> prize was \$10, won by Sherri.

1<sup>st</sup> prize was \$18, won by Bill.

There were several hoots and hollers when Bill and Dena won.

Ron donated 2 Rockies tickets, which were won by Sonny.

Sonny brought a mystery gift, which was won by Dick. The mystery gift turned out to be a "Shake to Charge Flashlight". It works great.

Meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

Respectively submitted by:  
Richard "Kickstand" Bush

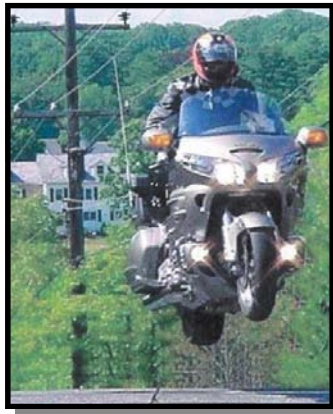


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use to travel the countryside comfortably with my passenger/co-pilot. I renewed my motorcycle endorsement and was underway. It didn't take long to come to the conclusion that the Gold Wing was the bike of choice for this type of adventure, and I purchased the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary year 2005 Gold Wing, the ultimate luxury touring motorcycle. This impressive machine re-ignited my passion for motorcycling. Over the next year or so

my confidence level on the Wing grew rapidly as I logged over 16,000 miles in my first riding season, and occasionally experienced all types of extreme weather conditions. I have learned a lot from you guys, yet I still have more to learn, (like always protecting the kill switch). At this point, I can't imagine my life without a motorcycle. To me, my bike is my Prozac, my Viagra, my therapist, and my house of worship all rolled up into one, I think you know what I mean.

We are all very fortunate to live here and have Colorado as our backyard playground for riding; the twisty scenic back roads are diverse and mesmerizing, it always leaves me yearning for more. In the meantime, I'm not planning on any more Evil Knievel jumps, going airborne with my Wing anytime soon, if nothing else I have matured a bit . . . But if I do, I'll give you enough notice to get your cameras focused.



**May Birthdays:**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> - Bruce Vinson
- 3<sup>rd</sup> - Sonny Crary
- 4<sup>th</sup> - Jerry Hatfield
- 12<sup>th</sup> - Stella Nicholson
- 18<sup>th</sup> - Karen Kah
- 19<sup>th</sup> - Karen Lindquist
- 20<sup>th</sup> - Gwyn McConnell
- 22<sup>nd</sup> - Leon Siefken
- 26<sup>th</sup> - Bill Lindquist

**May Anniversaries:**

- 6<sup>th</sup> - George & Sherri Barrett
- 17<sup>th</sup> - Paul & Debbie Maynard
- 20<sup>th</sup> - J.R. & Robin Reynolds
- 30<sup>th</sup> - Tim & Karen Kah

**Goldwingmama's Fun Facts**

(As of April 24th)

Submitted by: Sherri Barrett

April Meeting – 24 people  
Spring Highway Clean Up – 20 people & 14 bikes & 1 car

Perfect Ride Record Holders  
(With 5 rides under our belts)

- R - Richard Bush
- R - Brian Graves
- R - Bill Nielson
- R - Floyd Thorne
- P - Sherri Barrett
- P - Jamie Melies
- P - Dena Nielson

Point Leaders  
(With 10 events under our belts)

- Riders
- 13 pts - Brian Graves
  - 12 pts – Floyd Thorne
  - 11 pts – Steve Benko & Richard Bush

- Passengers
- 11 pts – Sherri Barrett
  - 9 pts – James Melies & Dena Nielson
  - 8 pts – Connie Benko & Debbie Maynard

"Goldwingmama"

**UPCOMING RIDES:**

**Fish Creek Falls Ride**

Sunday, May 20, 2007

Submitted by: Floyd Thorne

On Sunday morning, May 20, 2007 plan on meeting with us at the I-70 and Ward Road RDT Park and Ride at 6:45 a.m. for a 7:00 a.m. departure, on a day ride to Steamboat Springs, CO where we will go and see Fish Creek Falls. If you do a search for Water Falls in Colorado this is one of them. Really seems to stand out among several in the state.

Fish Creek Falls is one of the attractions of the Steamboat Springs area. Its close proximity to town and the spectacular falls attract large numbers of visitors. A picnic ground and interpretive signing add to the attraction. The trail to the falls viewing areas is handicapped accessible.

The 283 foot Fish Creek Falls is very



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accessible down a short trail. It is a little steep (remember, you have to come back up) but you only descend about 100 feet so if you take your time you should have no problem. There is another trail, a lot more challenging, that leads to Upper Fish Creek Falls.

After, or before, what ever seems to work best, we see the Falls and take the proverbial obligatory pictures we will have lunch in Steamboat Springs and then continue on our way back home. If the group would like we could also consider doing a picnic lunch there at the Falls area. Or perhaps we could do the Subway sandwich stop before we head up to the Falls. This should be a 367 mile +/- day and hopefully the weather holds to make it an enjoyable outing. Linda and I look forward to having you join us.

Floyd Thorne

**Memorial Weekend Mesa Verde Ride**

May 26<sup>th</sup> – May 28<sup>th</sup>

Submitted by: Bill & Dena Nielson  
303-907-4778 (Bill's Cell)  
303-907-9509 (Dena's Cell)

Just a reminder about the room reservations. The hotel rooms will more than likely be released May 11<sup>th</sup>. Mesa Verde is a place Dena and I have not been ... yet. I'm really looking forward to this.

Here is a quick refresher for the rooms we will be staying at:

Day One, Saturday May 26<sup>th</sup>, we will be staying at the Econo Lodge in Durango. The phone # is 970-247-4242. I have 5 each Single Queen Beds reserved for \$79.99 each & 2 each Double Queen Beds reserved for \$89.99 each. Rooms are on hold under Bill Nielson/RMVTA, Conformation Number 101788.

Day Two, Sunday May 27<sup>th</sup>, the stay will be at the Comfort Inn in Ouray. The phone # is 970-325-7203. I have 7 each Double Queen Beds reserved for \$76.49 each. Rooms are on hold under Bill Nielson/RMVTA, Conformation numbers 138281 – 138288.

For more information on the ride, reference your RMVTA Ride Book or the web site link on RMVTA's calendar.

Let's go have some fun!

**Poudre Canyon Run**

Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>

Submitted by: Sam Ashley

If you enjoy riding the twisties through some gorgeous country, this ride is for you. This ride is similar to Richard Bush's Walden Ride from last year, only I will be taking you through Coal Creek Canyon and the Peak-to-Peak Highway into Estes Park to get started. Then through Masonville, into the Poudre Canyon, and into Walden. The familiar River Rock Café will be our lunch stop, but save room for dessert because after Berthoud Pass we will be stopping at the Sweet Shop for ice cream on the way home. Don't miss it!

**White Water Ride**

Saturday, June 9, 2007

Submitted by: Richard Bush

I would like to invite everyone to join me in a short ride to Buena Vista for a fun day of white water rafting. The ride will take place on Saturday June 9. We need to leave early to get there in time for the ride that will depart at 10:30. Please check the ride book or web site calendar for the route and departure times.

We will be using the services of River Runners Rafting Company. You can contact them at 800-723-8987. Ask for Stacey. The cost of the trip is \$56 plus a \$3 river use fee. They have a folder with the names RMVTA or Richard Bush. Their cancellation policy is up to 2 weeks before the scheduled departure, full refund minus \$10 cancellation fee. Between 2 weeks before and the day of the trip, there will be no refunds.

They can provide a wet suit, which was described as a tank top style top and legs that will reach your ankles, splash top which keeps you somewhat dry and booties. These cost \$9 for all three. You can get all of this equipment the day of the trip.

Changing rooms are available. Swimwear is of course is worn under the equipment listed above. Bring your sun screen. You will need to store your regular clothes on your bike or bring a small duffel bag, which they will keep

behind the counter. It is not recommended that you carry your keys on the ride. They provide key storage at the office. They will give you a number, which is used to retrieve your keys after the ride.

I am looking forward to a fun and exciting motorcycle ride and raft ride and seeing all of you on this ride.

“Kickstand”

**PAST RIDES:**

**Spring Highway Clean-Up Ride**

Submitted by: Ron Nardiello



April 22, 2007  
Ride Leader: Ron Nardiello

Ride leader Ron Nardiello –  
Spring Highway Clean-Up



Ron pre-briefs the Highway Patrol (Cleaner Uppers) before they get started

Another Spring Highway Clean-Up Ride has come and gone. And, as is recent tradition, a Pancake and Sausage breakfast proceeded the event.

I believe that this is the 14<sup>th</sup> year that the RMVTA has been involved with this very worthy event.

If memory serves me correctly, a horseshoe was one of the items found on the initial clean up back in 1993. It was someone's bright idea to clean up the horseshoe, paint it gold, mount it and present it after each clean up thereafter to whomever found the most unusual item.

You need to attend the May meeting to see who this year's recipient is. Actually, even if you were at the clean up, we still don't know who will win the trophy. We have the tentative winner, but we will be waiting with baited breath to see the results of the roll of film that Bill Nielson found. He will be processing it, and will be bringing the pictures to the May meeting. At that time, a winner will be determined. This should draw quite a crowd.

As for the Pancake and Sausage breakfast, there was a lot of food left over. That's what happens when you expect George to show up and he doesn't. Therefore, we will be having pancakes and sausage at the May meeting.

My lovely wife Joyce was also a no show. Could her and George have been somewhere together??? Actually, she was welcoming into the world a brand new Grandson born just hours before the breakfast. She had to make a choice, either a motley bunch of bikers or little Gavin Warren Hindman. She chose the latter. This makes 4 Sons and 4 Grandsons. Does anyone know how to make little girls?

However, in her absence, I did have plenty of help in the kitchen. And a very special thanks to Brian and Floyd for all of their help.

We had 15 hungry folks for breakfast and 20 members on 14 bikes and 2 cars for the clean up.

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Ride, eat, then repeat!

It was cool and windy and we were out of there in about an hour. After heading down Highway 83, we went west on Hwy 105 thru Monument and on to the Depot Restaurant in Palmer Lake for lunch. The service left a little to be desired, but the food was great. I think that Larry and Daughter Becky are still waiting for their meal. Has anyone seen

them? Remember that the Fall Highway Clean Up will be on Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup>. We will be meeting for breakfast at the Pegasus Restaurant in Castle Rock at 8:30.

Ron "Renegade" Nardiello



"Handsome Fellers"

**MEMBER SPOTLIGHT:**

Janet Shook

Submitted by: Dena Neilson

One of the newest members to be added to the RMVTA roster is Ms. Janet Shook. Janet was born on December 28<sup>th</sup> of an undisclosed year. This makes her very special as she has the same birthday as this writer. We shared those after-Christmas birthday parties as well. What a drag, huh Janet.



Janet Shook is our newest member. Welcome aboard Janet!

Janet moved to Colorado in 1983 from Iowa. She has two children – Danielle, who is 22 years old and a student at Western Washington University, and Jessica, who is 18 years old and a student at Metro in Denver. Janet's parents live nearby in Denver (transplants from Iowa as well) and her 2 brothers and 1 sister live in Massachusetts, Arizona, and Iowa. (I didn't catch who lived where but feel free to ask!) Janet is single and works at Lenderlive in Cherry Creek as a mortgage underwriter. She has

been engaged in the mortgage industry for about 8 years.

Janet's main hobby is, of course, riding her motorcycle, but she does a few other interesting things as well. She admits to playing a mean guitar and probably most surprising is her ability to play blues harp (harmonica). She also likes to play darts and walk her dog. Janet has spent years researching her family roots and doing genealogy studies on her Irish heritage – she's 5<sup>th</sup> generation Irish, you know. She shared great stories about her great-great-grandfather who came to America with King George's Army – but ultimately he went AWOL in order to marry her great-great-grandmother. (Love conquers all – again!) And then there was her great-grandfather who at age 70 – yes, 70 -- fathered her grandfather and several other children afterwards. Obviously, Janet comes from a strong and vibrant family heritage.

Being a daring and adventurous young woman herself, Janet began riding motorcycles in 1975. One of the best stories from that era goes something like this: While visiting friends in Elk Point, South Dakota one evening in 1978, Janet was sitting on her bike (a Honda 350) talking to some "hot" guys in a Goat (GTO) and as happens in small towns, the group stopped in the middle of the street without pulling over. Well, shortly a cop car came up behind the group and gave a quick siren whoop to get everyone on their way. Janet, thinking her bike was in first gear, let off on the clutch and gave it some throttle, but the bike was in neutral. Not thinking -- because there was a cop still waiting on her – she popped it into first and you guessed it. She pulled her first and last wheelie ever. She rode on the back wheel for about 3 blocks scared out of her brain and trying to figure out how to come down with out "biffing" it. Finally, with the cop still behind her, she eased off the throttle and brought the bike down on 2 wheels. Whew!! She immediately went around the corner, got off the bike and kissed the ground. Her heart was beating a thousand beats a minute, but the cop passed without stopping and was probably scared of her! As for the hot guys in the GTO – they pulled over and thought she was the "coolest thing since sliced

bread". Of course, they thought she had meant to pull that wheelie and there was no reason to correct that!!

Eventually Janet drifted away from the sport when she got married, but her interest was renewed about 5 years ago when she purchased a Yamaha 550 with 3,000 miles on it. By the way, that bike now has 37,000 miles on it!! Her newest ride is a Honda VTX 1300 and she loves it. She plans to spend as much time as possible on that bike this year with plans to be an active member in RMVTA. Welcome, Janet.

Fay Myers employs up to 70 people in the busy season, and is one of the largest dealerships around. They handle 7 different brands of machines including Honda, Suzuki, Kawasaki, Ducati, Aprilia, KTM, and MV Augusta. Jim thinks what sets them apart from other dealers is not only the huge selection, but also the quality of people he employs. Jeff Williams is the service manager and has been there since February of 2006. He has 10 certified technicians capable of working on all the different machines that they sell, and they are constantly updating their technicians' certifications. They have recently added John Fulmer and Jason Schmidt to their service department, who transferred over from the old Honda Excel South Motorsports location. John is a great service advisor and Jason is a great Gold Wing technician. These guys have always given me exceptional service; I would recommend them highly if your Gold Wing ever needs any attention. Jeff says that in the off-season no appointments are necessary, but as the riding season gets busy, to give him a couple of days notice to get your bike serviced, and he will usually turn it around in 1 day, unless parts need to be ordered. Another good tip from Jeff is to check your tire pressure every time before you ride, for your own safety and to get the most miles out of your tires.

Fay Myers is now open on Mondays too, that's good to know. And don't forget when making a purchase at Fay Myers, to show them your RMVTA membership card for a 10% discount.

I was in the express lane at the store. Completely ignoring the sign, the woman ahead of me had slipped into the checkout line pushing a cart piled high with groceries. The cashier beckoned the woman to come forward looked into the cart and asked, "So which six items would you like to buy?" Imagine my delight!

Because they had no reservations at a busy restaurant, my elderly neighbor and his wife were told there would be a 45-minute wait for a



**We celebrated Jamie's Birthday at the April Dinner Ride..... How many candles Jamie?**



**Sonny, Brian and Sam plus many others man the RMVTA booth at the Fay Myers open house**

**SPONSOR SPOTLIGHT:**

Fay Myers Motorcycle World  
Submitted by: Sam Ashley, President

Once again, Fay Myers had their annual Open House again this year on April 14<sup>th</sup>. Every year this event seems to draw a bigger and bigger crowd. Our club was again in attendance with several others, promoting our "superior" club to many interested folks. We have had a very good relationship with the people at Fay Myers, namely Jim Krebs, who is always eager to help. Jim is the operations manager, advertising manager, and administrative manager all rolled up into one. Jim is a busy guy. Jim has been with Fay Myers for 10 1/2 years, and before that had his own photography business.



**Catch the major air here!**



**Jamie enjoys her birthday card and gift.**



**Nielsons Dena and Bill led the April Dinner Ride to within a few hundred feet of their house**

table. "Young man, we're both 90 years old," the husband said. "We may not have 45 minutes." They were seated immediately.

All eyes were on the radiant bride as her father escorted her down the aisle. They reached the altar and the waiting groom; the bride kissed her father and placed something in his hand. The guests in the front



pews responded with ripples of laughter. Even the priest smiled broadly. As her father gave her away in marriage, the bride gave him back his credit card.

Women and cats will do as they please, and men and dogs should relax and get used to the idea.

Three friends from the local congregation were asked "When you're in your casket, and friends and congregation members are mourning over you, what would you like them to say?" Artie said: "I would like them to say I was a wonderful husband, a fine spiritual leader, and a great family man." Eugene commented: "I would like them to say I was a wonderful teacher and servant of God who made a huge difference in people's lives." Don said: "I'd like them to say, "Look, he's moving!"

An old man goes to the Wizard to ask him if he can remove a "Curse" he has been living with for the last 40 years. The Wizard says "Maybe, but you will have to tell me the exact words that were used to put the curse on you." The old man says without hesitation, "I now pronounce you man and wife."

John was on his deathbed and gasped pitifully. "Give me one last request, dear," he said. "Of course, John, " his wife said softly. "Six months after I die," he said, "I want you to marry Bob" "But I thought you hated Bob," she said. With his last breath John said, "I do!"

A man goes to see the Rabbi. "Rabbi, something terrible is happening and I have to talk to you about it." The Rabbi asked, "What's wrong?" The man replied, "My wife is poisoning me." The Rabbi, very surprised by this, asks, "How can that be?" The man then pleads, "I'm telling you, I'm certain she's poisoning me, what should I do?" The Rabbi Then offers, "Tell you what. Let me talk to her, I'll see what I can find out and I'll let you know." A week later the Rabbi calls the man and says, "Well, I spoke to your wife. I spoke to her on the

phone for three hours. You want my advice?" The man said yes and the Rabbi replied, "Take the poison."



A frog goes into a bank and approaches the teller. He can see from her nameplate that her name is Patty Whack.

"Miss Whack, I'd like to get a \$30,000 loan to take a holiday."

Patty looks at the frog in disbelief and asks his name. The frog says his name is Kermit Jagger, his dad is Mick Jagger, and that it's okay, he knows the bank manager.

Patty explains that he will need to secure the loan with some collateral.

The frog says, "Sure . I have this," and produces a tiny porcelain elephant, about an inch tall, bright pink and perfectly formed.

Very confused, Patty explains that she'll have to consult with the bank manager and disappears into a back office.

She finds the manager and says, "There's a frog called Kermit Jagger out there who claims to know you and wants to borrow \$30,000, and he wants to use this as collateral."

She holds up the tiny pink elephant. "I mean, what in the world is this?"

(you're gonna love this)

(wait for it)

The bank manager looks back at her and says..

"It's a knickknack, Patty Whack. Give the frog a loan. His old man's a Rolling Stone."



The FBI had an opening for an assassin. After all the background checks, interviews and testing were done there were 3 finalists. Two men and a woman. For the final test, the FBI agents took one of the men to a large metal door and handed him a gun..

"We must know that you will follow your instructions no matter what the cir-

cumstances. Inside the room you will find your wife sitting in a chair. Kill Her!!!"

The man said, "You can't be serious, I could never shoot my wife"

The agent said, "Then you're not the right man for this job.

Take your wife and go home."

The second man was given the same instructions. He took the gun and went into the room. All was quiet for about 5 minutes.

The man came out with tears in his eyes, "I tried, but I can't kill my wife."

The agent said, "You don't have what it takes. Take your wife and go home."

Finally, it was the woman's turn. She was given the same instructions, to kill her husband.

She took the gun and went into the room. Shots were heard, one after another.

They heard screaming, crashing, banging on the walls.

After a few minutes, all was quiet. The door opened slowly and there stood the woman, She wiped the sweat from her brow.

"This gun is loaded with blanks" she said. "I had to beat him to death with the chair."



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