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Speaker	Dialogue
<b>B</b>	<i>We have a club in our house. It's called the Idiot Club and I'm currently the president, co-founder, founder, CEO, and head guy in charge. And Peggy is constantly trying to take my position away from me. So when we do something stupid, we look at each other and say, "Uh-huh, you're working on becoming the president of Idiot Club," and we both laugh about it.</i>
<b>JC</b>	<i>I do feel like it is hard to meet so young because you get so many questions. You're too young to know what love is and too young to be committed to each other and you shouldn't be that way. People always say like, "You need to have those wild years and all these things." Sometimes that's hard to hear and I think a lot of that did influence why we broke up for a while. People, "You shouldn't only date one person. Be serious with them and you need to experience and have all these things," and it's not always true. It's not how it worked out for you and I. All I experienced after we broke up was like lying on my bed and being sad.</i>
<b>AH</b>	<p>MY NAME IS ANDY HORNING, AND THIS IS ELEPHANT TALK. IT'S ABOUT ALL THINGS RELATIONSHIP - THE SOULFUL, THE SILLY AND THE SEXY.</p> <p>Here we are in episode 28! Today, we bring you two more conversations from the road this past summer.</p> <p>And...they <b>were</b> actually recorded on the side of the road...so, you'll occasionally hear birds or trucks in the background.</p> <p>Captain Bob and Peggy have been married for 40 years.</p> <p>They've lived an adventure-filled life...from dinners at the White House to living abroad. They use a lot of humor in their relationship.</p> <p>We follow this conversation with one from James and Jacy. As newlyweds, they are on the other end of the spectrum from Bob and Peggy.</p> <p>They met in high school and have been together since then. Their conversation is a window into young love and what it's like to marry early.</p>
<b>JM</b>	My name is James. I'm 24 and we are in a place called Medi Park in Amarillo, Texas.
<b>JC</b>	I'm Jacy and I'm 23. I was 16 and he was 17 when we met. We've been together now over seven years and married for a month.
<b>JM</b>	When we met, do you remember I was sitting at my couch at home and my friend Chapman[Phonetic] asked me to come help you move some furniture? And he said this girl is single and you might want to give it a shot.
<b>JC</b>	And I had just moved here recently and I met a girl that I went to school with and I asked her and her boyfriend to help me with something and her boyfriend was your best friend.

**JM** Yes. And then I came over. And unfortunately, I tried to flirt really hard with you but you were not interested because you just got out of a bad relationship. So I kind of struck out hard.

**JC** Yeah. When I moved here, I was dating somebody and I moved here and it didn't work out and I was sad. It was my first real boyfriend.

**JM** But you are beautiful and funny so I wasn't going to quit. And lo and behold, we're married.

**JC** You always joke that you ask me out a bunch of times but it really was like five times before I said yes to you.

**JM** Oh, I asked you like 30 times.

**JC** It's like five. It's honestly like five.

**JM** Okay, we'll compromise with ten.

**JC** We went on our first date and it was really sweet.

**JM** We went on our first. I took you to Macaroni Joe's. We dressed up.

**JC** I ate pasta, which is my favorite food.

**JM** I had to like mow a whole bunch of lawns so I could have enough money to pay for that meal. It was awesome. And I tried to be cool and ordered wine. Do you remember that? But I got shut down because we're like 16 and 17.

**JC** You did. You did. Like, "Do you want some wine?" And you're like, "Yes." And they were like, "Can I see your ID?" And you're like, "I don't have it. I forgot it."

**JC** You're just a dork, but you're really cute and you just kept asking, just kept asking and you were nice.

**JM** In all honesty, you kind of just had the [inaudible 00:03:34]. Your friend was like, "Just do it so he'll stop asking."

**JC** And we did and then that was it and that was right around the Fourth of July because do you remember we went and we bought a ton of fireworks. And we shut them all off at your parents' clinic.

**JM** And you finally, I guess, saw the light literally and metaphorically.

**JC** When you and I were younger, you were definitely more sure and invested and ready for the future and I think you would have married me five, six years ago. I wasn't ready yet for the commitment and we loved each other and I love you. There was no difference in how much we love each other, but we just came from different worlds and different backgrounds and when people get married and now we're here, married.

**JM** That's funny you say that because your parents got married so young and my parents got married like in their 30s.

**JC** But none of my friends are married.

**JM** Well, that's true.

**JC** Where I grew up people don't get married that young. People don't get married as young as we are now.

**JM** True. And where I grew up...

**JC** All your friends are married.

**JM** You graduate from high school and get married.

**JC** You're the last one to get married.

**JM** Where I grew up, we're very the norm if not a little late.

**JC** Where I grew up in Colorado, people wait a lot longer and I think having a serious relationship in college before that for sure just looked down upon. College is about partying and finding yourself and all these things which are great too, but people, my friends don't seem to think you can do both at the same time.

**JM** Where I went to high school/college, it's you, you play sports, you drink beer and you have a girlfriend.

**JC** Yeah, then you get married.

**JM** And I did check all those things off the lists.

**JC** That's true. That is true.

**JC** I think the hardest part is that I never told you that's not what I wanted. We just want it out of a different time I guess. It was okay for me to wait for years and years and you hearing me say, "I love you. We want to be together." That translated to we're getting married.

**JM** That just translated to, "Why not?" Yes.

**JC** Let's get married then.

**JM** Yeah.

**JC** So that was hard.

**JM** For me it was, but that's just our personalities. I'm very much a cut-and-dry person.

**JC** Black and white.

**JM** I'm very black and white and you're a rainbow.

**JC** I was going to say like gray. I have a lot of gray areas, not so black and white. I don't know about rainbow.

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**JM** But I also didn't pressure you because I knew what I wanted so I was just going to be patient and wait on what you wanted to do. I feel like I did okay with giving you that opportunity to just go with the flow. I mean I was definitely okay with us just being together. We didn't have to be married. So I wasn't going to go anywhere because you didn't want to jump into marriage.

**JM** Now that you and I have been together for so long, I think all of our friends, this past year, have been nothing but very excited, very supportive, but it's worth noting that remember when we first kind of got back together in college, there was that awkwardness of like, "Well, are they going to make it? They did break up and a lot of times that doesn't work when people split and get back together," which in my experience is pretty true. I mean that's typically the case, but that didn't bother us. We just kept on going.

**JC** I do feel like it is hard to meet so young because you get so many questions. You're too young to know what love is and too young to be committed to each other and you shouldn't be that way. People always say like, "You need to have those wild years and all these things." Sometimes that's hard to hear and I think a lot of that did influence why we broke up for a while. People, "You shouldn't only date one person. Be serious with them and you need to experience and have all these things," and it's not always true. It's not how it worked out for you and I. All I experienced after we broke up was like lying on my bed and being sad.

**JM** Yeah.

**JC** Do you remember I told you, I told my mom that I was sad and that I miss you and she loves you?

**JM** And instead of her being like, "Oh I'm sorry, honey." She was like, "Well, yeah, you screwed up. He was a good guy."

**JC** She just said, "I bet you do," and walked away from me and I was like, "Wow! Mom!" That's not right.

**JM** That's how I knew I love her mom.

**JC** I bet you do. "I miss James and I'm so sad, mom." "I bet you do."

**JC** For us, I guess there's not a whole lot to talk about and relate to people with yet because we're just young and people think you have to be single to have fun and we have so much fun.

**JM** My friends, as you know, we're very much outer shell type of guys. There's not a whole lot of digging into the...

**JC** To really break in. Forget the sweetness.

**JM** Yes. There's not a whole lot of getting into the layers to get to the emotions and stuff.

**JC** It's easy for me now.

**JM** Well, of course. You're the only person I really ever open up to about anything.

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**JC** That's true. I definitely don't talk to any of my friends really ever about being in a serious relationship. I think honestly it makes me sad. Don't you?

**JM** You talk to your parents a lot.

**JC** I talk to my parents. My mom and dad have been through some really hard things. But they're still just so happy and they have a great marriage and are great example in our lives and I talk to them a lot.

**JC** Mom and dad, they are just still so sometimes overly gross, but they're just so in love still. Some people tell me, some of my friends will tell me, "I've never seen my parents kiss." I've seen my parents kiss too much say more than that and that's sweet though, now that the older I am, the more I like it and I like to see that and I like to see that my parents want to still kiss and be together and hold hands and drink coffee together and just be in love because I think some people forget to do it when they get busier and older and the newness has worn off. They're just great.

**JM** My parents, I definitely exemplified what it takes to be also just a good partnership in a marriage. I say that because they work together. I think they have always done a good job of coming home and leaving work behind and then just being a happy married couple. But every now and then, they'd have a stressful day and just come home and not have the greatest evening.

**JM** So I think I definitely want to experience the coming home to my wife and just enjoying our evening together every day.

**JC** Because sometimes your parents their evening consists of 30 minutes where they eat and go to bed.

**JM** Because it's all they have.

**JC** Yup, they get home and it's time to go to sleep.

**JM** So definitely, they taught me both good lessons. They taught me to value partnership, but they also taught me that I don't necessarily want to... I just want to come home to my wife and just be happy.

**JM** I think we do a very good job of having our personal goals but that coincides with our relationship goals. Would you say? I mean I know that we want to be successful. We want to have careers that we enjoy and that can provide,

**JC** Definitely for me, it's not as important, my career. I don't really have a specific career goal. I know that I'm capable of doing whatever, but I just want a job and one that I can come home to you and to our family and it's way more important, and you know this, for me to be able to spend evenings with our kids and pick them from school and do all those things.

**JC** And I think where you came from, there's a lot of appreciation there for what your parents have and could provide for you such a wonderful life, but at the end of the day, I'm sure there is nights where you wish there was more time, with your family.

**JM** Yeah.

**JC** I think we both always, always wanted kids.

**JM** I've wanted kids ever since I can remember.

**JC** We have names picked on and everything.

**JM** Yeah. So we're excited about kids for sure.

**JC** Definitely, we both talked about how there's a time where it hits you and it hasn't hit you and it hasn't hit me and I'm not ready.

**JM** That's very true.

**JC** We're not ready.

**JM** Not yet.

**JC** I'm such a big planner. I really also want be in a really good spot with work and all of that because I never want to feel like... it's enough to feel like, "Wow! I can't pay for myself." I never want to feel, and I know you feel the same, like now we've brought this tiny human to earth and we can't figure out how to get it everything it needs.

**JM** Just a very selfish reason, I want to be able to grab my golf bag and go play around whenever I want to as opposed to, "Nope, nope, got to figure out what to do with our kids."

**JC** That was selfish.

**JM** I'm sorry. Okay. How about this? How about we can go to dinner whenever we want to and have a drink as opposed to...?

**JC** That was better.

**JM** Yeah, you like that better?

**JC** Yeah, it sounds better.

**JM** Okay. Okay.

**JC** Thank you.

**JC** Golf just once a week, that's it.

**JC** Sometimes I have to remind James that we don't have to have crazy careers and be ultra successful and have a ton of money to be happy. You know I do want you to be what you want to be, but I don't want you to be a doctor that's never home just so we can have money. That wouldn't make you happy ultimately. It wouldn't make me happy. I want to have a lot of time with you and I would rather sacrifice anything, definitely money.

**JM** Yeah, I'm definitely on board with that.

**JM** Sometimes it's hard for me to kind of like let that go as a very serious thing that I want.

**JC** Right. Because that's the world you came from.

**JC** Job doesn't equal happy, money, paycheck, it doesn't equal happy, no money also probably means not happy, but there's a nice medium. And sometimes there are things that you don't even realize could make you more money than you know if you like them and then they take off. It doesn't have to be one of those careers that is known to be the prestigious money making, but you'll figure that out and I can't push. I just can't push.

**JM** It was really hard for me because I was basically just extraordinarily confused. Since I knew what I wanted and since I knew who I wanted, it was such a bizarre place for me mentally to just go about my day-to-day routine and live life without that person, without you. So I was very, very confused and I was very stuck.

**JM** Basically I woke up one day just, "Okay, this is another day spending the rest of my life with you," the rest of my life with this person. But then all of a sudden, we were broken up.

**JC** It's not like we weren't in love anymore, it's not like something bad happened, it's not like you hurt me and I hurt you. It was literally just I love you, but I still want to, "What if want to go to college next year somewhere else and what if I had only ever dated two guys, you for a long time?" And people kept telling me, my friends, you know, "You're going to go to college. You don't need to be dating somebody especially if you're long distance. That's not going to work." So I think it was a confusing thing for me to say, "Nothing happened. Nothing is wrong and I love you, but I don't want to be together anymore."

**JM** I was just like, "That doesn't make any sense to me."

**JM** Do you remember that time you called me and you said...? You said that you were kind of wanting to try it, but I said to you, I said, "Well, I don't necessarily want to jump back in unless this is the real thing,"

**JC** I just wanted to be together and you said, "Well, I don't want to be together unless you're a hundred percent serious about it." And this is it. And it scared me away again for a little bit.

**JM** I just knew I want it and I knew also that I didn't want to go through that again. I wasn't going to do that again. As hard as it was for me to tell you that...

**JC** So it's either I was in or I was out.

**JM** I hated telling you that. Because as hard as it was for me to tell you that, I didn't want to go through that twice. And obviously you did some more searching and learned more about yourself and obviously you knew what you wanted and as far as what it was hard then, after I heard what you said, not at all, not at all. I said let's do it after about ten seconds.

**JM** And it was so easy for me when you said that because to just jump right back in after five seconds because one of my favorite things about you is that you don't BS. Nothing comes out of your mouth unless it's a hundred percent what you believe, a hundred percent what you feel and a hundred percent what you know is true.

**JC** I'm not a good faker.

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**JM** I knew that when you would've come to that conclusion, it would have been that conclusion like for sure.

**JC** ... there were a lot of times when we were apart that I wish I could call you. I wish I could see you and I tried really hard to give you that space because I knew it would be really hard for you to have me partially in your life because you're just so different than me. I just wanted to hear from you and talk to you and have that comfort, and I really tried to ~~stay~~, let you move on if that's what you wanted because I knew that having me halfway in your life and talking to me sometimes, it was never going to be healthy for you.

**JM** That's why it hurts too much.

**JC** So when I did call you and everything to talk about being serious, I tried to be very sure because I didn't want to hurt you and I realized then, I was like, "Wow! We can't just do a regular dating thing."

**JM** Yeah.

**AH** We loved talking with James and Jacy and appreciated their candor as they shared their somewhat rocky path to marriage.

**P** *You have to pick and choose the right time to talk because there's a proper time to bring a subject up and there's a proper time not to bring a certain subject up and you have to be a wise person to know what that is.*

**AH** We move from young love to old love in our next conversation. Captain Bob and Peggy have been married 40 years. Their conversation feels like a pair of very comfortable shoes...

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Dialogue

**PE** Peggy Grant and I'm from Albuquerque, New Mexico.

**BO** And everybody calls me Captain Bob and I'm also from Albuquerque, New Mexico or at least that's where I live now.

**BO** We live on a ranch and we have two apple trees. We have no cows, no chickens, no goats. We just have four squirrels, six prairie dogs, and a longhair dachshund, and we have a bird that can run faster than most birds can fly.

**PE** Tell her what kind it is.

**BO** New Mexican Roadrunner.

**PE** Yeah. Yeah.

**BO** A real roadrunner is in our backyard.

**BO** Peggy and I decided when we were going together that you should be friends first and then friends forever. 1977, I was active duty navy and Peggy was a senator's assistant on Capitol Hill and she asked me to do a favor for her that I was in a position to do for her sister's husband who was also a navy, but he was getting away with a lot of bad things. So I used my influence and my power and got him arrested or apprehended by the shore patrol and got him straightened out. And as a result, I jokingly said to Peggy, who I'd never met, on the phone one day, "We got to quit meeting like this because my boss is getting suspicious." And she said, "So is my boss." And that was the beginning. We had just met and I was going away to a car show, to an antique car show in Hershey, Pennsylvania.

Generally, it is in a giant cow pasture. I mean giant cow pasture, and it turns to mud because it rains for five days. If it didn't rain, it wouldn't be Hershey. So you kind of slap around in the mud and if you like antique cars, you don't pay any attention to it. And I thought to myself, "Well, I really like this girl, but I'm going to put her to a test," because I've said to her, "I'm going away for the weekend and I'll pay for a hotel room for you," because we were just friends at that point, "and I'm going to this car show." And she said, "Yeah. That sounds good." Then I thought, "Yeah. We'd left this slop around in the mud for a day or two. You know, I think that's so good." But we were up there for the whole five days and/or at least four days and we slopped around in the mud all day long and she never whimpered. As a matter of fact, often, you could see me being dragged along by her. "Come on, let's go look at another one." And it does, so off we go. So on the way home, I pretty much decided that I wasn't going to turn loose of her. And that was how many years ago?

**PE** Forty, about 40.

**BO** But since then, we've done every single thing in life together. Bar none, you can't find something that we don't do together.

**PE** I have to say that that not many marriages do that.

**BO** But Peggy flies, I fly. Peggy is a ham radio operator. I'm a ham radio operator. Peggy flyfishes, I flyfish. Peggy likes to build things, I like to build things. Peggy rode a motorcycle, I rode a motorcycle. Not together, our own motorcycles.

**BO** And it had a sidecar so that he could go. Ever since he came along, it's a threesome, no longer a twosome. We do everything together literally. That's the longhaired Red Baron dachshund that's hiding behind that door. I have seven books and Peggy edits for me. She's my editor. And Amazon is my publisher. They're about this retired navy guy, navy captain who is in Albuquerque. He's a ham and he has a dachshund. And he and his wife go all over the world working for, basically, the CIA, but they have a handler. The handler is a ham. And we go to, like say all over the world fighting crime because we have special talents. And we're both darn good shots. So as a result, the CIA...

**PE** I'm better than you.

**BO** And we fit in.

**PE** And I'm better than you.

**BO** Yeah. She's a better pilot than me. She's a better shot than me. I don't know if she's a better ham radio operator than me.

**PE** No, I'm not.

**F1** You're a better sharpshooter.

**BO** Yup, yup.

**PE** Yeah.

**BO** Yeah, pistol.

**PE** Yeah, I'm good with that.

**PE** To be honest with you, I don't think we could get any closer than we already are.

**BO** And not to interrupt you, but I think it starts small with very small things, like maybe a meal that you both enjoy or a particular restaurant that you both enjoy. You can't do anything about the past, very little about the future. So you must make the present an adventure every day. And we've had that philosophy for how many years? But yeah, I forget them...

**PE** The whole time...

**BO** The whole time we've been married.

**PE** I do know in a marriage, you have to have communication. And I mean equal, not screaming, not throwing things. I mean sit down in a nice good conversation. And it doesn't have to be specially designed. We're going to have a conversation at two o'clock in the afternoon, sit for an hour. You could drive in your car and talk about different things that you are concerned about or you could just be working together on something together. Communication I think is super important.

**BO** And then supporting each other in an endeavor even if you think it's totally ridiculous, well, I'll give you a good example and then I'll let her elaborate on it.

**PE** I will tell you this. We lived on a boat and I had a terrific job down in Florida.

**BO** A dynamite job.

**PE** Yeah, it was a dynamite job. I was very happy there. And I came home one evening and he told me to get all my stuff out of the boat because he'd sold it. So I go down the boat, and not only had he sold it, the people had moved in and their child had taken magic marker, and I had brocade, saloon furniture, and she just scribbled all over it.

**BO** And not only did I told her to pack her stuff up but told her we were moving to Europe and we were leaving Friday.

**PE** I was not involved in all of that. That was a surprise.

**BO** Everything happened in a matter of hours not days.

**PE** I was able to give a week's notice to my boss but after I thought about it, I said, "You know, maybe we got to do this. Who knows?"

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**BO** It was always supposed to be for a year and it went up being for ten.

**PE** But it turned out to be...

**F1** It ended up being for 10 years?

**BO** Yeah. Yeah.

**PE** We had a great time.

**PE** When I was a little girl, my dad was in the air force and we lived in Greece. No base in Greece, so we lived with the Greek people. We were always told that military men and the children were always taught, "You are a guest in Europe." And I have always believed that. In addition to all that, you become them especially when you live with them.

**BO** We always loved antique cars. Peggy, when we were married, we were driving a 1926 Model T Ford. I mean that was my everyday car. I didn't own a modern car. 1926 Model T, Ford Rouge pickup, Washington DC.

**PE** This was in the '80s, 1980s.

**BO** I drove it to work every day in Washington D.C. I was invited by Ronald Reagan and we took our Model T to the White House for the Fourth of July celebration as the guest of Nancy and Ronald.

**BO** When I was in Washington DC because of my job, I knew a lot of people. One of which was John Glenn, the astronaut. I was part of the recovery team that rescued him when he went up in space. He knew I love antique cars and I think it was through him that I got a phone call asking that would I come to the White House with my Model T and just park it.

**BO** So we got an official invitation from the White House and we got cleared by Secret Service and the air force and I rolled around and we took our Model T down there dressed in 1920s clothes. We wound up carrying the Dixieland band because it was a pickup truck. I spent most of my time talking to the president's personal...

**PE** Butler.

**BO** Butler, his personal aide.

**BO** We talked about it before we got married and I told Peggy, "I couldn't physically have children because I crashed a plane in the navy or a plane crashed with me in it." And as a result of that crash, I couldn't make Peggy a baby.

**PE** I will tell you this. I don't think every marriage could be with each other 24/7. And not that we're with each 24/7, but I don't think a lot of marriages can do that. Like I said, communication is important, being kind to each other, being respectful to each other. I think that's very important. I was brought up in my family to be respectful and kind. I think living over in Europe when we were kids makes you think about those things.

**BO** And I think Peggy, unlike other girls that I dated, other ladies that I dated because we're both really old compared to how young people get married.

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**PE** Yeah. I was 30 when I got married.

**PE** I will say this. You have to pick and choose the right time to talk because there's a proper time to bring a subject up and there's a proper time not to bring a certain subject up and you have to be a wise person to know what that is. Sometimes you may have to wait a couple of days. Like if I want to do something or go somewhere or if I want to want something, I have to wait the right moment to hit him. You don't hit somebody when they're in a bad mood.

**BO** You feel it. I think you feel it.

**BO** We have a club in our house. It's called the Idiot Club and I'm currently the president, co-founder, founder, CEO, and head guy in charge. And Peggy is constantly trying to take my position away from me. So when we do something stupid, we look at each other and say, "Uh-huh, you're working on becoming the president of Idiot Club," and we both laugh about it.

**BO** We were married about 10 years when Peggy became a ham.

**BO** And then we started attending ham radio events, like we're going to this weekend and she found out there were a lot of ladies involved. Now, I want her to tell you about her license because she holds this.

**BO** Not only did she get 100% but she has the highest class license of anybody in the United States.

**BO** In Albuquerque, there was a total power failure a couple of years ago and the police couldn't talk to the police, the fire department couldn't talk to the... nobody could talk to anybody except the hams. There was a helicopter inbound from Arizona with a critical heart transplant patient, and Peggy did most of the communications between the helicopter and the hospital to get the helicopter to Presbyterian Hospital and get it landed and get everybody ready to go. And that person got a new heart and is alive and kicking. We have t-shirts that say, "When all out fails, ham radio."

**PE** Many people have tried to break up us and I don't understand that but I find humorous when I see it because... it is jealousy.

**BO** Because people see us and see our lifestyle.

**PE** It is some particular. It's just what we have.

**BO** Yeah. And we're not rich, by the way. We're not poor, but if you're strong in your faith and you're strong in your marriage, then you don't need any money. You could live in this teardrop or you could live under a bridge on the I-40 and you could be happy. And that's how we've done, no matter where we were in the world, and literally, no matter where we were in the world, we've always been happy.

**PE** And if something happens to Bob before, if something happens to him, I have an open door with a friend in France to go to, to live.

**BO** We got a real scare last week and that's why she's saying that. I was being screened for cancer and she's already a cancer survivor so she knew what I was up against. We had decided that if I was diagnosed that we were going to change our lifestyle for what time

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we had left. We're going to sell everything we owned and buy out motor home and travel around and enjoy the rest of life and not have to sit back and just be on hospice or hooked up the machines and everything. But as it turned out that that was... the good news is I don't have cancer. The bad news is I'm just not going to get any better looking.

**PE** Just before we got married, my older sister said to me, "Wait till you get married and you have to wash his underwear." Now, I never did figure that out, never did. My girlfriend said, "You'll be divorced in a year," because she had a thief that went to prison for a husband. This poor man, I thought to myself, "Well, get married. He's got 30 days."

**BO** We're headed for, the Oklahoma Ham Radio Convention, we're in our little teardrop camper with all our ham gear

**PE** Well, I don't have a ham name. Oh, I had my KD4HCR, that's you, that's because I know yours, KD4LNO.

**BO** That's Peggy.

**PE** KD4LNO.

**BO** And I'm KD4HCR. And on the radio, we don't do like CB radio guys where they have nicknames like the Bionic Turtle or the Bionic Chicken or whatever. Yeah, we just use our names, Peggy and Captain Bob. Everybody started calling me Captain Bob about 20 years ago because there were so many Bobs. Everywhere I worked, it was like 10 Bobs. And when we went overseas in the Marina, the harbor that I worked out of, there was English Bob, Belgium Bob, French Bob, Canadian Bob, and Captain Bob.

**BO** And now this girl said to me that day, "You know what happens if you go overboard in a life jacket?" And I said, "What?" She said, "You just bob along."

**PE** Now, tell me, how can you get mad at anyone who's constantly like that?

**BO** Even with people aren't around, we call it ragging on each other, but we just really crack each other up.

**PE** We met in October, 1977.

**BO** Correct. And we're married in December.

**PE** Was it December?

**BO** Yeah, December the 10th, Peggy.

**PE** Oh, that's right.

**BO** The same year. Holy cow.

**BO** I told her doctor last week, and I said, "Yeah." Any chance I could trade her in for a newer model and she says, "No. I'm afraid your warranty has expired. You got to keep her." So I think I will. I think I'll keep her.

**AH** Bob and Peggy are a great example of how essential humor is to a healthy relationship. Through humor, they allow each other space for mistakes and

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missteps...and, don't take themselves so seriously.

**AH**

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