

Hoax News

At Fake News

"Welcome to CNN L.A., my name is Ashley Kelly, you watching my TV talk and my today's guest is the not uncontroversial Peter Maurer....thank you, thank you..... Well, Mr. Maurer....."

"Oh please, call me Peter - Ashley?"

"With pleasure, Peter.....now, you caused a lot of attention during the last years, but do you allow me some questions about your descent and your career progression till you started Hoax News?"

"Yes of course, Ashley....."

"Well, your parents immigrated from Germany after WWII – nothing is known about them or your grand parents...."

"Ah you know Ashley, I think I'm not here to talk about them. They are all dead and to cut short, they were no Nazis!"

"Sorry Peter, I not wanna be to allege this!"

"No, not you, but.....you know, they tried to live their lives and I not the one to judge about my parents and grand parents.....maybe you like to judge about my life....."

"I'm not a judge! I'm only....."

"Yeah, you're the one who wants to show who I'm really are, the man behind the mask.....ah, all this stupid things your guys have written and said in the forefront to my appearance....."

"That's not my intention....."

"Not!"

"No, really, but you know, you suddenly appeared here in L.A.,....a few years ago to start an archconservative news channel.....and after an massive unexpected - come on here is California, L.A!. - success you expanded to whole California and now you will start nationwide!?"

"There's never only one person behind such a success, really....you need a team to do this....."

"Of course, also we here are a team and this show is teamwork, but can we start with the man who started all this?"

"Sure, my name is Peter Paul Maurer and I was born June 13th, 1965 in Providence, Rhode Island."

"Yes, so far we know the story, but what happened then – your formal education, what you have done then....till the for all so sudden appearance in L.A.?"

"Tcha, there's not much to say!"

"Please.....!"

"No really, I had various jobs at various places, always on the go.....I didn't knew what to do with my life – a lot of ideas, plans, but.....then I reached a point, sitting Santa Monica Beach watching the setting sun, saw the green light and suddenly knew that there are only two possibilities left – to swim out as long as I can and to finish this life, or finish this life – well, I'm sitting here!"

"Wow, I didn't expect this.....Thanks for such frank words...."

"Ashley....., I have no secrets....all this stupid writing and talking about my person, all this stupid news....you should get to know me better...."

"We can start right here!"

"Ashley! We are both pros enough to know that this will not happen in front of cameras! But you always welcome to dinner,at my home..... - you know that I have an apprenticeship as cook?"

"You kidding me!?"

"No!"

"Where have you learned, worked.....?"

"Ashley, that's not important....but I can tell you that my guests are deeply contented with my cooking – ox cheeks braised in pinot noir thereto a mousseline from parsley root and chiffonade..... - well, one of my favorites...."

"Ox cheeks! I'm not sure....."

"Believe me, everyone is delighted with.....and the texture – incredible!"

"Then I look forward?"

"Absolutely, it would be a pleasure for me to welcome you – and of course an honor!"

"You a wheedler....."

"Hopefully! Sitting next to such a wonderful lady...."

"OK, lets stop this at this point – so, where should we begin?"

"A few years ago I came to L.A. - the City Of Angels! - to bring some truth to this city, to California - enough fake in this city and state, all this falsehood, half-truths, misrepresentations, prevarications.....you know, Ashley, nothing against you personal - you are a wonderful lady - but, you know....."

"New York Times, NBC News, ABC, CBS, CNN....."

"Yeah, The L.A. Times, well.....the truth is the truth and....."

"And Hoax News is the truth!"

"Oh Ashley, we're not the truth - but we disseminate it!"

"Wow, that's a statement, priest Peter!"

"You're good Ashley....."

"A compliment from you - yeah, I'm not sure...."

"I'm probably not a priest, but I'm definitely not the devil....."

"Are you sure!"

"Absolutely Ashley! On the other hand...."

"On the other hand?"

"Let's talk about this at our dinner....."

"Our dinner, I'm getting my problems with this...."

"You're no child and you know that there's no devil....."

"And God?"

"Clever Ashley! I believe that the humans self have to deal with their world - you know, if you were God, wait a moment!, if you were God, do you think that you were the one who has to decide whether the Falcons or the Patriots have to win the Bowl? Some "fans" from the Falcons will pray that you let them win the bowl, some "fans" from the Patriots also! And you sit on your throne and have to decide? Oh please come on, we are adults! And by the way, isn't it much more interesting simply to see which team the better is - Ashley?"

"Yeees, but you not answered my question....."

"Of course! I believe in the humans and if a God has created them, I believe in this God also! I not have to go to church every Sunday, I not have to say I'm a Christian, a Jew, a Muslim, a Hindu, a Buddhist and so on....I believe in the humans!"

"You surprising me again, and to be honest, I have some problems to believe you....."

"You break my heart, Ashley.....!"

"Oh Peter! Pleeease...."

"No really! YOU BREAKING MY HEART!.....I'm not a priest, and I'm not the devil, and maybe a surprise for you - I'm no liar!"

"Some people see this a bit different!"

"Some people! Who's interested in "some people's" opinion? I'm interested in your opinion - Ashley!, I came to your show, to talk with you, to answer your questions - I'm not here for lying to you - I don't lie to women, maybe a sign of weakness.....especially not to beautiful women like you....."

"You whirling my brain, and I fear that this is pure tactic....."

"ASHLEY! REALLY! I'm not here to fool you! You would be surprised would I tell you what the actual reason is why I'm here...."

"WELL,....."

"I'm here to meet you, to show YOU, that I'm not the motherfucker people think I am! - You!"

"Wow,this talk develops a bit different like I thought....."

"I'm always good for a startling development.....Hoax News?....."

"Thank you for the bridge, Peter -and also I'm not a liar....."

"I never would thought this.....so, let's talk about Hoax News...."

"Would you be so kind and tell us something about the beginning of Hoax News - I mean after your decision at the beach...."

"Yeah sure,.....I.....you know, even then I wasn't sure what I wanna do - I knew that I would like to do something with media. First I thought in the direction of newspapers, journalism, but then, then something happened that changed everything - I met Faye, Faye MacCallum! Together with her I - no sorry! We developed the concept of a news channel, a news channel that should report about the things people are interested in, in a form that everybody would be able to understand - the beginning of Hoax News!"

"How would you describe her position? - And I'm not asking this question because of all these rumors,.....I would like to give you the opportunity to tell us something about Hoax News, if this is not a company secret."

"Hoax News has no company secrets! We both own 50% of Hoax News. She organizes everything in front of the cameras, I everything behind the cameras. That's one of the reasons why you will see me never in front of the camera. And about the rumors, no, sorry, but we have no sexual relationship!"

"I think even if, that would be your privacy!"

"PRIVACY! YEAH! We both know that people like you and me have no privacy!"

"Well,.....at least your're that good in to keep your privacy that everything known about you are not more than rumors...."

"I'm here to change this today, Ashley....."

"Then let's move on. So, you and Faye MacCallum, you both are Hoax News - can I say this so?"

"Yes."

"And then there's the Hoax News's staff, I mean the team in front of the camera, all of it beautiful women....."

"Beautiful as you, you would fit very good to this team....."

"Yeah, but I'm one from the wrong side - fake news, I don't disseminate the truth!"

"It's never to late...."

"Sure, but tell us something about your actual team. As I said, all of it beautiful women and many say extremely artificial!"

"Artificial.....?"

"Come on, that's not new to you! Five women, one woman with British roots, another with Greek roots, and then an Asian American, an Afro American and a Latino American woman - so....."

"I'm not interested in this stuff! Isn't it funny to say, as an American with German ancestors and to say it clear with ancestors that lived in Germany after 33, that race is meaningless! That's much more than some long-established Americans would say...."

"So, only by chance that all germane groups are represented?"

"This is L.A.! As I said, I'm not interested in this stuff!"

"OK, I accept this.....can you introduce them for us?"

"With pleasure! First off all, Raven Earhardt! She's our senior anchor....."

"Faye MacCallum?"

"Faye, I would call her an operative principal - she monitors all processes and coordinates our structural and strategic focus, whereas Raven coordinates our daily news amount."

"And you?"

"I? I'm the guy for everything! I'm the one behind the camera, the one who does all the things to keep the station running. I'm more on the technical side - and I'm a passable cook....."

"Yeah, I think that's your most important function at Hoax News...."

"You never tried my Mousse ou Chocolat....."

"At least not till now.....our dinner?"

"Mousse au Chocolat is a must have...."

"I look forward.....and the rest of the team?"

"We have three more anchors. Raylene Tantaros, Tammy Lee and Lara Faulkner. And finally Aeris Molina who presents the weather."

"Your weathergirl...."

"I don't like this expression! It sounds like she is a stupid girlie....but she does her job very professional - she will make it, soon she will be an anchor!"

"Wow, I'm to blame.....sorry for that...."

"I don't darn you, but"

"But....."

"You know, when men talk disrespectfully about women, this is annoying, but when women do this - sorry, but this makes me.....angry."

"I more and more get the feeling you fool me - sorry for that!"

"This is disappointing! I've said, and I meant it exactly so - I don't lie to you!"

"OK, maybe I be wrong and do you injustice, but is everything we heard about you total nonsense! And your claim, that you and Hoax News proclaim the truth! And I only fake! Some would call this unbearable arrogance!"

"That's disappointing Ashley WAIT! Sorry, that I interrupt you so harsh! I came here, to YOU, for the first time, that I do this, not to talk about - I said this before - the fucking shit that's written about me! You can ask me everything, and I will give you either the truth or if I think this question is too personal, I maybe will say nothing. But when I say something, then the truth!"

"Either I'm a total idiot now, or I will become your idiot! OK, I take this! I can ask you everything? Yes!"

"Yes."

"But when I now ask you a question, about something that's said about you and Hoax News - you will say: That's fucking shit that's written about me! That's no base for an interview....."

"You were very good at the beginning, Ashley - because you started to talk with me about me. Should we talk about all the shit that's written about you, should we talk about your placing in the ranking of the best female anchor's legs....I'm tiered of such shit, also a reason for Hoax News....."

"Now I like to interrupt you! That's my problem! Your anchors occupy the top places in the ranking, all all time dressed up like a peacock, the dresses a bit shorter, but not too much, all unmarried!, for everyone's taste something, we had this before, you know.....either Hoax News is a big lie or everything said about is.....I don't know."

"With words I can proof nothing, what shall I say to proof that the things written about me and Hoax News are nonsense? I've invited you to give you the chance to meet me in a setting that will give you the opportunity to see more than words!"

"I'm not sure if I understood you really."

"I've invited you to my home, how much a home tells about a person? Have you ever seen a photo of my home?"

"No."

"That's because none exist. My home is my most private, my only private place. I thought that I see in you a person I can trust, my invitation was no joke."

"So, now I have a question. Why you came here and why you invited me....and, you not tell me now, that this was planed?"

"I said it before, I came to YOU. I came to you to give you the opportunity to ask me some relevant, meaningful....maybe surprising questions...."

"Then I fear I failed miserably - or?"

"I don't think so - and don't ask me now whether I mean this really or....I came here to meet an anchor who solicited my curiosity and yes, I hoped that I would have the opportunity to at least would be able to make a kind of arrangement, let's say for a dinner in a restaurant. So, now you know it!"

"I 'solicited your curiosity'? Wow, and now we have a private dinner - I don't know what I should say now - you got me, you hit me blindsided!"

"That's not what I wanted. I beg your pardon. And I hope that your management will act in a fair manner and is not too disappointed that you not make me look like a fool."

"Some hoped it - and to be honest..."

"Not all the time one should be too honest - come on, we are pros! You played your game, I played my game, that's what they expected from us!"

"And you won!"

"Not necessarily. I hope, I not lost you....."

"Our dinner?"

"Yes."

"Still?"

"Yes."

"Why, you're the winner.....my name is Ashley Kelly, you watched my TV talk at CNN L.A. and I - yeah, would be glad about would I be able to welcome you again next week!"

"Hey Ashley, wait a moment!"

"Why? You only played with me and.....I was so stupid!"

"As I said: We all playing our games! And as you said: Honestly, also I.....! And what I now saying: You lost a battle, not the war! I offer you my weak flank....."

"Do you really think I still will have dinner with you!"

"Don't be pissed off! You behave like a schoolgirl now! And honestly, I have - right now - the feeling that you're playing with me! This Saturday 7:00 pm - you know my address, no formal dress required - see you!"

Dinner with the Hoax

"Welcome Ashley, I'm such delighted that you come!"

"Hello, Peter,.....yeah, I'm not sure if I do the right thing....."

"You do, absolutely! And you look awesome, wonderful dress - a beautiful woman in a light summer dress, I envy women for the possibility to wear such beautiful clothes - and shoes, by the way!"

"Do you like them?"

"Absolutely! I like the ribbons - and the bow....you have nice ankles....."

"I hope you will not talk the whole evening about my body."

"No, one evening would be far not enough to talk about....."

"Come on, I thought no gaming today!"

"That's no game! Would you know me better, you would know that I mean his very seriously. Women are something very special, I mean this.... - but sorry, I'm very impolite! Would you give me your cardigan, I show you my little condo at first."

"Yeah, that's one of this strange things linked to you. Santa Monica OK, but a small condo 3rd and Santa Monica - I mean, Ocean Avenue with sea view....I mean money can't be the reason, so....."

"Oh Ashley! I'm a single! I don't need five bedrooms and six bathrooms! And when I'm leaving the building, I like the pedestrian area, a bit like in Germany. Every city there has it's pedestrian area. Downtown always a pedestrian area is! Like in France, or Italy.....yes, sitting at a table there - it's nice!"

"I never was in Europe, I should go...."

"Yes! In any case! You have to!"

"When you were in Germany and Europe?"

"Oh, my apprenticeship!"

"You learned cooking in...."

"In Germany.....but now I should show you my condo, and as you can see, I like doors."

"Yes, not very typic American and definitely not typic California!"

"No, more typic German! But I like it that way. Will you see the rooms?"

"Sure!"

"So, first of all the kitchen!"

"Wow, don't tell that all this things - what's this all?, is for us? How many pots, bowls, ah....boxes are this....."

"I think I not should open the fridge, and yes, all for us...."

"Ah, ox cheeks and.....how many courses?"

"Twelve."

"Twelve! Ah, you not think that I will be able to eat that much? How long you will need for all of this?"

"Don't panic, Ashley! All the courses are very small, and that's the reason why I asked you to come early. I think we will finish around 1:00 am."

"We will eat five hours!"

"Say four and don't forget, that I have to finish everything. All is well prepared but I will need still some time. And that's a bit a problem for you because we are alone. So, either you wait all the time or you look around while waiting or we finish the courses together? What do you think?"

"Together, definitely! I'm in suspense, very, what we will do..."

"Fine, the other rooms?"

"Sure!"

"Next, opposite the kitchen is my bedroom.....don't hesitate, you can look at, if you like!"

"On one hand it's a bit strange, but I have to confess that I'm curious, therefore.....Oh, I don't expected this, I'm a bit puzzled!"

"Positive or negative?"

"I don't know, where to start! - Well, the pictures - come on, plush toys?"

"You don't like the pictures?"

"They are impressing! Are they real? Who's the woman? And don't try to divert...."

"One step after the other, and don't forget that I shoudn't have to show this to you!"

"That's true, sorry!"

"You apologize too often, and.....sorry, that I laugh, but.....no, they are not real."

"I fear I said something very stupid? I have no deeper knowledge about art - it's European art, or?"

"Yes, apart from "her" pictures all others are medieval book paintings. This are very good facsimiles, the genuine pages, the genuine books, normally they are in possession of a specialized library."

"And she?"

"She is Giovanna Tornabuoni, the picture and the frescoes are by Domenico Ghirlandaio. The picture is part of the Thyssen-Bornemisza collection. She's beautiful - or? Well, her story not!"

"Not?"

"No, not really.....let's talk about later...."

"And the....."

"Animals..."

"Yes....."

"A part of my youth. I'm simply not able to throw them away...."

"That's beautiful, they are beautiful....this one, with the missing eye....?"

"Laura,.....the,.....yeah,.....the clothing.....my grandma has crocheted it....long ago...."

"Why do you show me this?"

"Because,.....wouldn't it be a fantastic report: Owner of Hoax News not able to separate from his plush toys!"

"You meant it seriously! You offer,....your weak flank...."

"I offer you,.....myself!"

"Why?"

"Let's talk about this later.....we have a lot of time to talk...."

"OK,....the others...."

"Only the bathroom, nothing special, and finally the living room."
 "Your living room! TV, PC,...not that much books as I expected.....and CD's, I'm not sure....."
 "I moved around a lot, I gave away a lot of books, I threw away a lot, I sold a lot of CD's, I threw away a lot.....sometimes you have to separate from things....."
 "Sometimes....."
 "That's the table.....we will eat."
 "I saw.....beautiful.....you done it?"
 "Who else? I live alone here!"
 "Always?"
 "You maybe will have a look later, only one toothbrush - only my clothes in the drawers and the closet. An aperitif? Maybe a pastis?"
 "Normally.....why not!"
 "Have a seat, I'll be back in a moment....."

"Henri Bardouin, if you don't like I have also Pernod and Ricard."
 "Also pastis....!"
 "Yes, if you wish bourbon, not to talk about cocktails I will have my problems....."
 "You know that you have a guest today?"
 "Yes, but I thought this guest will meet the genuine Peter, and he drinks neither bourbon and such stuff nor cocktails, at least not at home."
 "What will we drink for dinner?"
 "I have some wine if you like and a bottle of champagne."
 "Shouldn't we then start with the champagne?"
 "I thought champagne during sunrise."
 "Sunrise? Why we should be still together during sunrise? And sunrise in your condo, very romantic!"
 "I thought of Santa Monica Mountains, some nice places there...."
 "I'm a bit speechless.....I'm here for dinner - right?"
 "Yes! But let's see....."
 "OK, we eat till 01:00 am - right!"
 "Approximately."
 "Sunrise is a bit later!"
 "Yees...."
 "So, what will we do in between?"
 "Do you trust me?"
 "Hardly....."
 "Oh Ashley! Do you think I'm such an pubescent idiot!"
 "No, but....come on, this is a bit strange - or?"
 "You will lough about my plans for the night, I promise you!"
 "OK,....well,.....then what ever,.....yeah, Santa Monica Mountains at night and sunrise with champagne.....what a program! Oh, and four hours dinner before!"
 "Yes, and that's the reason wherefore we should start!"
 "You will not reveal me the menu?"
 "No, but I can tell you what our first course will be - in the kitchen!"
 "Then, into the kitchen!"

“Salad With Glazed Calf's Sweetbread”

"This will be the first time that I eat sweetbread."
 "It's fantastic! And by the way, if you dislike something you not have to eat it! We have enough here, I'm sure you not will starve!"

"About that, I'm also sure! You have prepared the sweetbread?"

"Yes, it's cooked with a bit white wine, laurel, cloves, onion and garlic."

"How long?"

"Don't ask a cook how long! Till it's ready! I don't look at a clock, it's a matter of feeling...."

"Oh, that separates the amateurs from the pros....."

"Not only what cooking concerns - or?"

"I totally agree!"

"And what our sweetbread concerns, it's no problem if it's not completely cooked because we will fry it now. So if you are unsure, don't cook it to long!"

"Should I fry it? And what do you mean with "glazed"?"

"First we start with the salad. I have some frisée, purslane, radicchio and cress. The dressing is very simple! Only a good olive oil, a good vinegar, salt and pepper, that's all. I like this simple version. Should we take the glass plates?"

"Yes, they look pretty."

"OK, a small bouquet in the middle with some tomato fillets, then we finish our sweetbread. You will do it?"

"Sure, what I have to do?"

"A bit butter, light heat. Season the sweetbread with salt and pepper and turn it in flour. Now into the pan and fry it till it gets a light brown color. Then a spoon of demi-glace, reduced jus, brown sauce - toss it till the sweetbread gets its glaze - that's it!"

"Wow, not that easy! But for the first time!"

"No, it's wonderful! Place it on the plate, a bit demi-glace, the dressing and some violet leaves."

"Really!"

"Come on, a bit of romantic kitsch!"

"Yeah, and champagne at sunrise....."

"Yes! And we have completed our first course! So, let's start! Oh, our wine!"

"What will we have?"

"German wine if you like?"

"Alternative?"

"OK, I've bought two bottles of German wine. A white, to start with and for later a red wine. Ah, another one to finish with - normally I have no alcohol here..."

"Pastis?"

"Come on, mixed with six parts of water....and I drink only sometimes one or maybe two of them."

"No alcohol! Also not so typical L.A.!"

"L.A. has many sides.....but now let us begin....."

"Very tasteful wine! Can I see?"

"It's from southern Germany. The region along the Neckar, a smaller river, between say, Stuttgart and Heidelberg is very well known for very good wine. This wine comes from Heilbronn, a city I have some relations to, a dry "Riesling, Stiftsberg Kabinett" - a nice wine for the evening."

"Really, a fine wine. Do you have a deeper knowledge about wine?"

"No not really! Do you like the sweetbread?"

"The sweetbread tastes very interesting, hardly to describe....."

"I like the texture very much, and the taste, very unique but for me very elegant also."

"Elegant is a good word! It's really something special! That will not be the last time for me, but I can not remember that I have seen sweetbread on a menu."

"Very seldom, but you know now how to prepare it. But it's also not that easy to get it, but I know a good place for such specialties....."

"Where?"

"Downtown West - the heart of L.A.!"

"The heart of L.A.?"

"Yes, at least for me. I like to be there, especially at the evening."

"Well,.....really?"

"OK, next dinner we'll start with some Tacos al Pastor at 3rd street!"

"It's not the best area for...."

"Don't be a fool! And Langer's!"

"Yeah Langer's,....."

"That's typical, sorry! Arriving with the car, sitting Langer's, #19 what else, looking out of the window, but no problems enjoying your pastrami while seeing the homeless on the other side MacArthur! But never, never get the idea to walk around somewhat - I know it's not your world!"

"Yours?"

"Unfortunately not!"

"You really love this area?"

"It's the place I feel most comfortable in L.A. county."

"Really?"

"You really should walking around there, preferably in the evening - look around! - listen! - feel it!"

"And Santa Monica Beach?"

"That's a different story! How about some soup?"

"OK,.....you're surprising me more and more - please don't fool me!"

"Gus's Drive-In....."

"Pardon...."

"Let's make the soup!"

"Whipped Chervil Soup"

"What have I to do?"

"It's easy and fast. This is our basis. Vegetable stock boiled down with cream. We only bring it to the boil, then the chervil, a bit egg yolk and then whip the soup with the egg beater till...."

"You have no hand-held blender?"

"Why? Try it old fashioned, take care that the soup not starts to cook again and whip it till you get the right thickening and some foam, what's not so important in my view. The consistence as such is for me more important than some foam."

"It this enough?"

"Looks very good! Here our soup bowls...."

"They are cute, they look like from a doll house!"

"As I said: The single courses are very small - it's like an amuse-bouche menu."

"Yes, I should not forget that we will have ten more courses - or?"

"But we also still have a lot of work to do - the soup!"

"Do you like the soup?"

"The chervil tastes very fine, a very fine soup. The taste of the vegetable stock, the cream, the egg yolk and the chervil all fits perfectly together. I will try this soup at home, for sure!"

"I'm happy that you like it."

"Can I ask you about the boxes? I haven't said something about them in the bedroom."

"Sure...."

"You like such boxes?"

"I've bought them in Germany, long ago, the time I worked near Wertheim."

"The hart shaped box is very nice."

"I like them all, but they are all not in perfect condition - they moved a lot with me...."

"What's in them?"

"More or less - stuff...."

"Stuff! What's in the heart shaped box? - Why you smile?"

"Embarrassment! Most time I smile when I....."

"I...."

"It's OK! Boxes are something special.....it's not important what's in."

"That's a lie!"

"Yes!"

"Why you don't tell, I mean you have shown me so much....?"

"Let's play a game! I give you three questions I have to answer....."

"The truth?"

"Otherwise it makes no sense! And don't waste a question by asking what's in the heart shaped box - nothing, nothing in there!"

"Nothing?"

"Nothing!"

"Maybe that tells more as if some "stuff" would be in there....."

"Don't over-interpret! It's always very stupid to over-interpret....."

"And to under-interpret?"

"Yeah, all the time the question, what the correct interpretation is...."

"It's easy! Hoax News all the time knows the truth - therefore the correct interpretation has!"

"Contrariwise!"

"Contrariwise?"

"Hoax News has its interpretation about the world, what from this interpretation follows, is true!"

"True only within the interpretation - or?"

"Exactly, Ashley! I never have said that Hoax News knows the truth as such, per se. I'm not megalomaniac, at least I think so....."

"At my TV show you said that you came to L.A. to bring truth into the city! You not talked about interpretation..."

"You not asked! Why you have not started an argumentation about what truth is? But that wasn't the intention, the intention was to show what for a motherfucker I am - or?"

"I would like to ask my first question - OK!"

"Sure!"

"What's your deepest fear!"

"To die...."

"Everybody fears death...."

"You - sorry that I laugh - misinterpret me. To be dead would be a redemption for me! I fear to die, I fear.....Hemingway...."

"Hemingway?"

"The world is a fine place and worth the fighting for and I hate very much to leave it. I agree with the first and third part.....let's have some fish...."

"Rascasse rouge on barley risotto"

"I've prepared the risotto. It would take to long and cooked with barley it's no problem to warm up the risotto again. So we can concentrate on the fish...."

"The risotto with barley, is it cooked like a normal risotto?"

"Exactly the same way, only with barley instead of risotto rice. For the color I've added some fine cubed vegetables. - The Rascasse, a very interesting fish. You have seen, I mean a complete fish not the filet like this one?"

"No, not so far."

"Luckily, I still have a complete fish here...."

"What a fluke!"

"Sometimes....but isn't it a beautiful fish?"

"Beautiful? Well, beauty is in the eye of the beholder....."

"No joke! I really think that this is a beautiful fish. The enormous head, the spikes - be careful you can hurt yourself very badly! Then the color! The red is wonderful and inside..."

"Wow, totally black!"

"A really surprising fish!"

"And very delicious!"

"You eaten before?"

"Yes, "miro". You've eaten there....?"

"Well,....."

"I've forgotten! Tacos 3rd street!"

"Let's prepare the fish, the risotto is already hot. Take the pan, a bit olive oil, hot but not too hot, for a short time on the stove then under the salamander with a clove of garlic and some rosemary. In the meantime we serve the risotto, the fish on top, a bit decoration - voilà our next course!"

"Delicate, an elegant dish!"

"Do you like the barley risotto?"

"Absolutely! The texture of the barley is interesting. Also the fish!"

"So far I was successful...?"

"Definitely!.....Do you allow me to tie in with the quote?"

"Sure!"

"*The World is a fine place*....do you really think so?"

"I don't know what Hemingway had in mind, I see the world as such, I mean the world without the humans, but then I also see the humans, they are not worth to fight for, nevertheless I feel sad....one day I have to leave....."

"And to be dead?"

"Then I will have found my peace in an endless sleep....."

"You don't think that after our death there will be.....something."

"Nothing! Only silence and peace...."

"I don't feel like this."

"Be happy! You're a beautiful young woman, I'm happy when you see this world with other eyes....."

"Why I'm here?"

"Honestly?"

"Yeah!"

"I hope I can convince you.....I hope I can gain you over..."

"To Hoax News!?"

"Yes....."

"I think I should leave....."

"Come on, you're a woman....confident....give me a chance to show you....."

"Yeah....!"

"Can we spend this evening together....."

"And this night....."

"Yees, also this night!.....I hoped, I can show you, who I really am...I hoped that I can invite you, to visit Hoax News, to meet the others, to become a part of Hoax News....."

"You really thought that I would leave CNN - Fake News - to become a part of Hoax News?"

"What happened after the show! All the hostilities that you were weak, that you were not aggressive enough, that you not showed who I really am. And the drollery is that you were so close, you have shown so much, so much I've never revealed in public before! But your guys are only interested in to get their prejudices confirmed! I...."

"Stop! Rubbish! Pretentious blah blah blah! I thought we will play no games today! I thought you will show me the real Peter! I thought....."

"You thought! Forgotten! Plush toys! And this dinner just started! Go to your bosses and tell them about my measly condo, that I prefer tacos instead miro, that I only have two bottles of wine and a

bit pastis, that I use an egg beater - maybe you can bear this all for some more courses, who knows what all will be still placed on the table. Hey, they will love you again at CNN!"

"Why I always have the fucking feeling that you manipulate me! All the time I'm talking with you I have this feeling!"

"If this is your last word than better leave! I started to show you my innermost. I not say that you would know everything about me when we would drink the champagne, but more than you would need to discredit me for all time. I don't know what else I should offer you....."

"Again this feeling - I'm an idiot now, do I fool myself now.....I'm no longer able to think straight.....I.....fuck!"

"You know where the bathroom is, take your time..."

"Better?"

"Yes - and now?"

"Some courses left?"

"Does this still makes sense?"

"Sure, for instance two questions left...."

"You know,....for example this apartment - you not tell me that this your only real estate - or?"

"I never said this! And you have still two questions left. This is no challenging question!"

"That's a stupid play!"

"Why?"

"Why we are here and not there - I guess a bit bigger than this, say Malibu or Beverly Hills - what's so funny!"

"OK, I own a house also. Malibu, 19562 Pacific Coast Highway - satisfied?"

"And why were are not there?"

"Because....shall we go later? You will understand then why we are not there - OK?"

"So, what now?"

"The duck is waiting!"

"Duck confit on hash browned potatoes with cèpe and small vegetables"

"The confit is here....."

"Looks good and smells good! How you prepared it?"

"For today I've used the legs only. You salt them a day before, then you cook them in their own fat - but always below the boiling point.....!"

"And I don't ask how long!"

"Exactly! Well, I have done this yesterday. Today we put the confit under the salamander, that's all for that. The potatoes! Rösti - well, always the discussions cooked or raw potatoes, egg yes no and so on. I use only raw potatoes, some salt and pepper that's all. Oops, I should not forget the cèpe! I cut them and mix them with the potatoes. Now we start at the oven, then under the salamander. The vegetables I've blanched. Now with some butter and a bit garlic in a sauté pan, that's it! We can arrange the food. Will you do it?"

"Yes, can I use the large porcelain plates?"

"Of course!"

"What do you think?"

"Looks very good!"

"Can I ask you something different?"

"Sure."

"I mean not as second question, it's about Hoax News....."

"Yes, feel free to ask everything...."

"Hoax News is very conservative, extremely conservative.....on one hand, but then....there's no

doubt about that Hoax News is "not very happy" with our "president"!"

"Our elected president is not in office - a laughingstock with his dangerous pack has occupied the office to say it with nice words!"

"You not tell me that you've elected Clinton!"

"The majority of the Americans has elected her, that's the important fact! Hoax News supported all the time popular vote and a multiparty system, more or less an automatic result of popular vote...."

"But the conservative candidate is president now....."

"He's not a conservative! He's only a money-grubbing and narcissistic dick-driven fucker - that's all! The whole world laughs about our country - head-shaking that's their reaction!"

"Hillary...."

"Don't talk about her! She botched everything, from start to finish! The debates? A five year old would have been able to pick him apart in five minutes!.....Michelle...."

"Michelle.....?!"

"She would have needed only one sentence during a debate.....enough is enough....I thought: That's it! When Hillary only thinks one second about to run for presidency again.....Michelle, I would elect....!"

"You're kiddin' me!"

"Why, because she's a democrat? I see her as a person with principles, a person who cares about others? Her, I would believe that she runs for presidency not because to satisfy her greed for power and to grab as much money as possible! Hillary? The Clintons? No question mark needed for Mr. Fucking President!"

"You really would elect a democratic candidate?"

"I would elect somebody with a backbone who not would think of himself and his clientele only! The American president should be president of all Americans - or?"

"Wow, some would call you a communist!"

"Maybe it should be mandatory for Americans to travel to Europe, to old Europe! Maybe I lived to long in Germany and Europe? Shall we discuss about health care? Shall...."

"I don't think that you need to discuss health care with me, discuss it with your conservative friends!"

"I have no friends!"

"But....."

"But Hoax News has its principles! Do you really have seen our program once before? We have criticized dumbass Donald from the beginning, we have criticized the conservatives to nominate such a psycho! Yes, we have also criticized Barack Obama, but we have criticized the conservatives therefore that fundamental opposition is not democratic! Hoax News is no rubber-stamper for any conservative tendency, we are no yes-man!"

"But you represent very conservative principles!"

"For example?"

"Abortion!"

"Yes?"

"You are against abortion!"

"Fundamentally?"

"OK, maybe if there's a risk for the woman - otherwise!"

"Otherwise, let serious fetal damage aside for a moment, I think life is life!"

"Yeah, and the woman plays no role....."

"Who said this?"

"You!"

"Abortion is a very difficult question, you should proceed step by step."

"Does mean?"

"You can focus on the fetus, you can focus on the mother and maybe we not forget the father! The fetus has every right to life - but the mother also! There's a potential for conflicts! I hope we have not to discuss the possible solutions for that conflict - or?"

"I hope not!"
 "If the fetus is nonviable - have we to discuss this?"
 "I hope not!"
 "What's remaining?"
 "Social aspects?"
 "Why?"
 "Because not everybody lives a life like you!"
 "And you...!"
 "That's kindergarten!"
 "But no kindergarten is that we terminate life because of "social aspects"!
 "Yeah, and the mother....!"
 "And the father.....!"
 "OK, if you like father and mother.....!"
 "No! Step by step! First there is a man and a woman...."
 "I know how this functions!"
 "Fine, then we can skip to the part with: Oh, I'm pregnant!"
 "You're sarcastic!"
 "Yes?! But isn't it good democratic tradition that you should bear responsibility for your deeds?"
 "It's not always that easy....."
 "It's never easy! A child is never easy! But should that be a sufficient reason to finish a life?"
 "And when it happened, and when a family or a woman get in, say, financial problems - poverty is no solution!"
 "I never said that I'm happy with our system! It's not enough, to put the family on a pedestal! Than, you have to help - and you have to help those the most, who need the most help!"
 "You're a communist!"
 "No, I'm consequent! Hoax News is consequent! We're not interested in politician blah blah blah!"
 "So what I should I "learn" from you?"
 "If you are against abortion you should be consequent - and that this, our, world is no perfect world, no utopia, no image of perfection and therefore the people in this world can not be perfect, no ideal....."
 "We've not mentioned rape victims - but I think we not have to discuss this - or?"
 "Definitely not!"
 "I don't know if I can continue with this dinner....."
 "Why? Don't tell me that you have problems so far, say, with all the thousands of homeless in this angelic city? - The langoustines waiting....."

“Langoustine in a saffron stock with couscous”

"This course is easy to cook. We cook the couscous in a vegetable stock flavored with garlic – bring it to a boil and set aside. The langoustines. I've removed the middle part of the shell. I've left the head and the tail - looks nicer. A bit olive oil, rosemary, orange peel and garlic - a moment on the stove than under the salamander. The saffron stock is cooked with the fish carcass of the rascasse and flavored with saffron....."
 "Mmmmh, all looks so fine and the scent!"
 "We still have to arrange the dish!"
 "I?"
 "Sure....."
 "You can use the timbal if you like."
 "Oh, yeah - what do you think?"
 "Very nice! Really, you learned this at "miro"?"
 "Forget miro! Not all the time I eat in such restaurants!"

"Hard to believe! "Poké By Hawaii" S Figueroa?"

"Aaah...."

"Well....."

"Come on, L.A. is not a small town, so many nice restaurants!"

""Fritto Misto" here, Colorado/6th?"

"Pleeeeeease!"

"Next dinner, I have to show you some really nice restaurants....."

"Next dinner!"

""El Pollo Loco"?"

"Oh man! - We will have no second dinner!"

"I like the "3 Piece Combo" with....."

"Yes, because you eat every day at places like "El Pollo Loco" - Downtown West of course!"

"S Alvarado is a nice one. Hey, it's near to Langer's!"

"OK, next time lunch, Langer's, #19!"

"I prefer #6, but with you.....and....our langoustines are getting cold!"

"I still dwell on the quote...."

"Why?"

"Because you made a mistake - or better, there's a contradiction!"

"What a.....?"

"In my show you said, you believe in the humans. Now you said, they are not worth, to fight for - that's a contradiction!"

"Yes!"

"What now?"

"It's a contradiction! Sometimes there's a contradiction....."

"Will you say, you love and hate them?"

"Yes."

"At the same time?"

"When I'm alone, often, I'm longing for other people.....when I'm part of them, then I'm repelled by them.....when I'm looking at a painting, reading a poem, listening to music, then I love them.....hey, I have German ancestors.....then I hate them - and myself!"

"There was always good and evil...."

"COME ON! Are you so simpleminded! You should become a television pastor....."

"Priest Peter!"

"Sorry, but you not tell me that a person like you believes in the fairy tale from good and evil, God and the devil - name it as you like!"

"So, there is no "good and evil" in this world?"

"Only we humans!"

"Good and evil humans - or?"

"Only humans...."

"But you can write a poem or you can kill people in a gas chamber - I think that's a difference!"

"You can write a poem about, why it's good to kill people in gas chambers....."

"But...."

"But also this would be a poem - or!"

"Could be, but it would be an evil poem....."

"Wow, I was so wrong? I didn't thought that you have such an one-dimensional world view! Do you really think life is so simple?"

"I'm not naive! But wasn't you the person that talked about that Hoax News has principles and such things?"

"Yes."

"Principles! Difficult without a clear conception about what's good and what's evil - or?"

"I not have said that you wouldn't be able to establish categories what good or evil is - call it ethics."

Does makes as much sense as aesthetics!"

"I don't get it!"

"The one is the theory, the other the reality. In theory everything is so easy, but.....In theory everybody knows what's "good", but then.....There was that loving family father who knew what's good and evil and than, at war, he committed a cruel war crime.....so, is he a good or an evil human?"

"War changes everyone!"

"But when you would be an absolute good person, would it be then possible that something could change you? Or the fact that change is possible proves that you was no absolute good person, that also "the evil" was a part of you before?"

"I think it's common sense that nobody is an absolute good person, but....."

"And an absolute evil person?"

"I....."

"Hitler, Adolf Hitler - do you think he was a good person also - I think we agree that he definitely was an evil person...."

"Well, I have to confess that I have my problems therewith to say, that also Hitler not only was evil."

"Why?"

"Do you defending Hitler!"

"He was a monster - or?"

"YES! He was a monster - nobody would disagree with me!"

"And why he was a monster? Because it allows you to say that you have nothing in common with Hitler....."

"Do you really think I have something in common with Hitler?!"

".....because he was a monster and you definitely are no monster!"

"I don't think that I'm a monster!"

"Many have thought to be no monster, but....for instance war....."

"So you think that I'm maybe a monster!"

"No, because in the world of the humans there are no monsters, because there are no saints either! No devils, no gods – only humans!"

"And a person like Hitler?"

"Can you imagine that he, say at the Wolfsschanze, at the Wolf's Lair, has picked some daisies for Eva Braun, fulfilled with romantic feelings?"

"I have my problems therewith, to be honest....."

"Do you know his graphics, he tried to be admitted into the arts college in Vienna, two times. His tried to be an artist, he dreamt about to be an artist - strange, how close to you, such a person can be....."

"He killed millions of Jews! He....."

"And Sinti, Roma, gays, politically dissenting people, handicapped people - and....."

"He was a bloody anti-Semite!"

"....by the way, not he killed all those people! There were enough, who did this for him!"

"But he was the leader!"

"You know that antisemitism was very common in Austria at the time of the youth of Hitler?"

"Austria....."

"He was born in Austria, he's Austrian, not German. He made his "career" in Germany - also in Germany antisemitism was very common at this time."

"So, what do you mean?"

"I mean that Hitler was a human, I mean that I'm a human, I mean that I don't know what would have become of me in Linz or Vienna at this time, or at Germany after 1933 - I don't know, is accurate! What do you think, if you would be able to start history again, at the moment as Hitler was born, do you think all would happen again - exactly the same? I don't think so!"

"So, your point is that we all could be a Hitler, or asay Martin Luther King?"

"I fear yes!"

"And Hoax News?"

"Let's talk about this later. It's getting late and we should continue - the lamb."

"Lamb tenderloin on fried fennel with garlic cream"

"We start with the fennel. I've sliced the fennel very thin, now flavor and flour the fennel and then fry the slices with a bit olive oil, not too hot and then....."

"....under the salamander!"

"You're a good student! Therefore, I think the rest will be very easy for you - the lamb tenderloin!"

"I think I take a pan, some olive oil, hot but not too hot, with rosemary and garlic first on the stove till it gets some color, then....."

".....under the salamander! You see very easy - and now I realize that I haven't asked whether you are a good cook or not - I fear that was a mistake!"

"Not at all! I hate cooking, and I don't do it unless I have to!"

"So no chance that we will have dinner at your home someday?"

"Apart that I'm not sure at all, whether we will have dinner again, definitely not when you think I would cook - maybe....."

"Have I said that I needed three days to prepare all this? - Therewith I only want to say that this would mean that I have to work for three days at your home - are you sure.....?"

"Seen from this angle.....on the other hand.....I'm not sure!"

"Will you arrange the lamb?"

"Of course! - Let's see,....this plates, the fennel first, the lamb carved on top - where's the garlic cream?"

"Oh sorry, here it is - a simple, light self-made mayonnaise with salt, pepper and garlic - that's all!"

"Thank you! - So,....is it OK?"

"Nice, so we can start!"

"Yeah!"

"And we should start with the red wine, a "Schwarzriesling Auslese" from Lauffen, very near to Heilbronn."

"Expensive?"

"Not for someone like you, no ten dollars.....the first was even cheaper."

"Nevertheless, the first was a very elegant wine, so let's see....."

"And.....?"

"The wine is very good.....ah, I'm no wine expert, I should not start with "I taste nuances from strawberry" and suchlike....but again, for me a very elegant wine!"

"Yes, a very fine region for wine....."

"I want to ask my, second question...."

"OK...."

"What's your uppermost longing?"

"To be touched gently by a woman, a woman who loves me, knowing what I've become, a woman, which I can lay my head in her lap, because she loves me, not because I've payed her."

"Sorry...."

"Why you apologize? Is my answer embarrassing to you?"

"No! I'm only shocked that you speak so frankly! And I fell ashamed that I doubted your honesty before - wow, that would be a headline: Hoax News owner pays women therefor that he can lay his head in their lap! You're very alone - or?"

"We're all alone....."

"I don't think that I'm alone, I...."

"You let yourself get fucked by every CNN news douchebag! Did you ever have any kind of normal relationship? I'm not sure which of us is more alone, but definitely we both are alone - or?"

"No! I've a lot of friends! I go out, I meet them, we do things together - I'm definitely not alone! And what the hell.....!"

"You mean your friends that tell everybody - men-to-men, locker-room talk - how fantastic, awesome it is "to do it" with you, especially a quickie with you after the late news is fab, have I heard!"

"WHO SAID THIS!"

"Well, the list is long....."

"You're a asshole! I'm leaving!"

"By the way: Asshole...."

"You are a disgusting....what ever!"

"Because I tell you what your nice CNN colleagues have told me?"

"WHO TOLD YOU?"

"You know their names."

"YES! Because somebody told you some shit, therefore I'm a bitch!"

"Apart from the question what you are, isn't it interesting what your "friends" telling about you? And you know that the list of these who are waiting that your interview with me eventually and then finally will break your neck, very long is!"

"Averments! Resources!"

"No. You will see this guys again, you have to work with them."

"I only hope, you're not playing games with me! I don't know what I will do with you when you lie to me! You're in the act of destroying my career - and I think that was your purpose - or?"

"No. I will offer you...."

"Hoax News!"

"Hoax News."

"And, what do you have told the "guys" from Hoax News? That I'm good for quickies?"

"Which "guys"?"

"OK, you're right - no "guys" in front of the cameras, only your "peacocks", but....."

".....there are no "guys"!"

"You're kidding me!"

"OK, one "guy", but....."

".....he's gay!"

"Good reply, but totally wrong because this "guy" only loves women."

"And he's interested to have a quickie with me?"

"No, he's not interested in quickies at all, he would....."

"I think we have reached the point now - or?"

"Yes, I think so too."

"Then, what are your plans with me?"

"I not would phrase it like you did, I....."

".....you ensured that I will no longer be able to work for CNN - or?"

"Not necessarily - I mean.....what do you thought, how your colleagues talking about you and - wait a moment - the point is, CNN or NBC, HBC or FOX, a bank or a insurance company - HOLLYWOOD! Do you allow me some sentences?"

"OK."

"I know that you live your life as a single. As a man this might be cool - Charlie Sheen's life! God's gift to men! As a women you would be the biggest Malibu whore! God's gift to women! - Do you really thought that the men at CNN are different?"

"I ask you a last time! Do you playing tricks on me? No, it's new to me, that.....WHO SAID WHAT?"

"Well,.....cracker-barrel....."

"OK, some "guys" have a regulars' table, but you are no member, so you please not tell me that this

all were second-hand information!"

"Absolutely not! Not always tacos, sometimes.....I was there because I was interested in their kitchen - their food - and "they" spotted me. So I sat at their table and they thought I would start to babble. But.....they had to show me what studs they are - they not only talked about you. - Raylene came across John last week....."

"You know that John and I.....!"

"A couple?"

"No, couple is a bit too much, but.....what happened?"

"He wanted a bit more than in what Raylene was interested in. So he started to talk about that the "girls" at CNN are not so inhibited than the "chicks" at Hoax News. He also talked about his last "pickup" - do you need details?"

"I don't think so! Thank you for destroying my career, my "partnership", my life - thank you for the nice dinner!"

"You know where the bathroom is - take your time....."

"Thank you, any plans for my future - YES! HOAX NEWS! CNN bitch swapped to the truth! I have nothing in common with this fucking channel! Damn you!"

"Give us a chance, give Hoax News a chance. Do you have unused holidays?"

"What a fucking question is this?"

"Take your holiday and give Hoax News a chance."

"Again, I have nothing in common with Hoax!"

"Hoax News will start nation wide. We have to re-organize our whole structure. We need new experienced people - the only thing I ask for is to visit us at Hoax News, to meet the others, to talk with them, to get an inside view - this evening I offer you an inside view of me, then I would like to offer you an inside view of Hoax News - that's all!"

"I'm confused! I need time - the bathroom....."

"I wait in the kitchen - ox tongue!"

“Ox tongue in Sc. Provencal, dauphine potatoes and a ragout of beans”

"You feel better now?"

"Sure! With only a few sentences you destroyed my whole life - I feel fucking good!"

"I can offer you at least three better jobs than the one you had....."

"I never ever will work for Hoax News!"

"CBS, NBC and one in New York."

"And Hoax News!?"

"I said "at least"."

"And I would get the jobs....I mean it's fine that CBS and NBC.....why I should get them, what jobs?"

"Senior correspondent, program manager - connections, as always in our business!"

"OK, you would go to CBS or NBC and then I would get such an opportunity?"

"No, not I, but Faye!"

"You planed everything! You're sicko!"

"No, but I would be a sicko when I maybe confront you with such things - and believe me or not, I thought that this topic not would come up today, I thought to talk with you in this way if you would visit Hoax News. What ever, I would be a sicko if I not would be able to to offer you an alternative - I mean, I would be delighted would you become a part of Hoax News.....but If not, I have to ensure that you will have new chances. You can quit your job at CNN easily without loss of face, because both jobs, also in New York, are a big career jump. You can start new - and not least, moneywise very attractive! To say it clear, Hoax News would pay less and the position....."

"So,.....what do you think I should do?"

"Holiday, visiting Hoax News, and then decision - you will have three or four possibilities and free

choice!"

"Free choice! I should believe you that I can have all this jobs so hocus pocus, because sure, nobody else is interested in!"

"Maybe you should not need to much time to decide. One thing is, that this jobs are not "officially" on the market so far, but.....if, then things will be a bit more complicated....."

"How much time I would have, and what if you fuck me over!?"

"Around two weeks for L.A., N.Y. a bit longer - and what the other thing concerns, you know so much about me now, and you will get even more.....have I to say more?"

"If I'm the idiot at the end - I will kill you!"

"Not necessary!"

"Are you sure?"

"Absolutely! You will be satisfied at the end...."

"I've a fricking feeling - so....."

"Ox tongue?"

"Neverland - nothing counts any more, so why not! Ox tongue!"

"Sure?"

"Sure!"

"So, well,....that's our ox tongue. I've cooked the tongue yesterday with onion, laurel and cloves. One slice from the end and two from the tip for each of us....."

"The end looks not that....nice?"

"Have a taste and if you don't like it I take it and you can have my tips - OK?"

"OK."

"Now some onion strips with a bit olive oil in a sauté pan, fry them without color, a bit garlic, Provencal herbs, tomato filets at the end and then fill it up with glace. Boil it up, then the ox tongue thereto, and set to one side. Not really complected."

"No, that looks not such complicated. But the ox tongue, not to nerve you, but it takes long till it's cooked - or?"

"Oh yes! You can reckon with around two hours. The tongue is ready when the tip is very tender. You have to remove the skin then and cut the end somewhat, the gristly part - now the ragout of beans, therefor I've blanched three different types of beans. The rest is as always very easy. A bit butter, fine chopped onions and garlic, no color, then the beans and also aside."

"Can I try the beans, I'm no real fan of beans - you know .."

"We will be outside, later - nah, here...."

"Very, very good! And we eat only a small amount, so...."

"I think also that a few beans should not cause a real problem. And if - I'm a gentleman! I will tell nobody therefrom!"

"Too kind!"

"Still missing, the dauphine potatoes - voilà, the choux pastry for our dauphine potatoes. You know choux pastry?"

"YES! But it's hard work, and not that easy!"

"Such a small amount is no hard work, but you're right, to prepare a larger amount at a restaurant is really hard work. And some things can went wrong, the flour gets clumpy, the egg yolk thickens because all was too hot, and such like. But with some practice and such a small amount no sorcery....."

"Says the cook, apprenticed in Germany!"

"I take this as a compliment! But now the important sentence: Don't do this at home!"

"Now it's getting interesting!"

"Not really....but you know, I'm old-fashioned therefore I don't own a deep fryer. I use a pot with fat in it."

"That know even I, is no good idea!"

"Hey, five minutes ago I was the fantastic German cook and....."

"I not said "fantastic"!"

".....I have a special thermometer. This way I can handle it, but as I said - don't do it at home! Now we take the pastry, a small spoon and form them with their typical shape. Will you try it, but be careful, not that you burn yourself!"

"It's not THAT easy! Mine are looking a bit.....wimpy...."

"But I'm sure they'll taste perfect!"

"Fantastic German cook!"

"So we are ready now for arrangement....."

".....and this is my part...."

".....and you do this all the time very well!"

"We have to talk about it....."

"..... but not in the kitchen....."

"So, tell me about it!"

"Ah,...."

"We have to talk about it, to quote you."

"Yes, it's.....I try this way: What's your model of femininity, your image of women - I mean, sometimes you talking like a feminist, nearly like a bra burner! - but then.....than I've always....."

"I don't fool you, if you mean this....."

"Not exactly, it's.....what you said about Michelle Obama for instance, or....."

"Hillary?"

"Yes, but.....no "guys" at Hoax News?!? What does this mean?? That's a joke - or??"

"You have looked, Heart Shaped Box?"

"It's empty, yes, but...."

"I don't fool you!"

"Then I want to talk about women with you - OK?"

"With pleasure....."

"As I came you said that they are something special! Explain this!"

"I don't know where I should begin, can you limit the topic somewhat?"

"Do you think I'm good looking?"

"Definitely!"

"Does this affects your point of view concerning my person?"

"More specific?"

"Would you offer me the same, whatever you offer me because I'm still uncertain about what you're offering me, would I be, not good looking?"

"You would be no anchor, would you, not good looking!"

"Ah,....."

"It's not my idea, but have we to talk about that all you anchors are looking the same, more or less - more likely more!"

"And Hoax News caps it all off! Peacocks!"

"Well,.....while visiting Hoax New complain to Faye and Raven about this! I thought that we should try something different. Maybe you will reckon again that I'll fool you, but, one idea I had was - summer dresses! - but I became overruled!"

"Faye and Raven?"

"Yep!"

"Hard to believe....."

"One point about women?"

"Yees...."

"You look sexy in your "work clothing" - short tight dress, long legs, high heels, but....."

"But!"

"Have a look now! You look outstanding in this light, wafting dress! Not much leg, but nice ankles and sophisticated shoes. You're much, much more beautiful wearing such a dress!"

"So,....news anchors wearing summer dresses.....roses in the hair.....big red ribbon around the waist....come on! My point is, what about a not so beautiful anchor at Hoax News? What about....."

"....the fact, that all the female singers, not to talk about female violinists - female pianists is also a nice example! Does "ugly" women not can play violin or piano? Sure they can! But to place Hilary Hahn on the market is cool, do you think anybody would know her would she been "ugly"! It's no question that she plays her instrument fantastic, but it's also no question that her cute face no disadvantage was! Or what do you think? And that's what I meant with "more specific". At the moment we talk about commonplaces! We can do this, but you will get no information about me."

"So Faye and Raven decided this? But....."

"But, they are realistic. They knew, that Hoax News has to play the game if we want to break into the market! As in the show - we all play our games! No "ugly" female pianists, no "ugly" female anchors! That's the game, that's the market - like it or not!"

"And you? You don't like it?"

"I'm bored of it!"

"So, you would like it would I be "ugly"?"

"You're not here because you're "ugly" or not. You're here because you're an anchor and because all anchors, like female pianists, are "beautiful," you're "beautiful". That's the game and we play it!"

"And I ask myself again - why I'm here! Don't answer! Can I start again?"

"Sure."

"Do you think that specific male and female attributes, characteristics exist?"

"That's a very good question! - Yes and no!"

"Come on!"

"Well, I think in the "reality" no, culturally yes! Apart from the fact that physical differences obviously exist, I think there are no further differences - as such!"

"With "physical differences" you mean sexual differences, that women have a uterus, men not, or that women have breasts, men not?"

"Yes, even when this is not always that easy, for instance intersexual humans. But to make our conversation not to complex, we maybe ignore this for the moment. Maybe also that men normally have more muscular mass. In former times this was not insignificant, but we talk about our time. So we have physical differences, but they are not important for us."

"And the cultural aspect"

"I think we train our children to believe that a men has to be a men and therefore he needs specific characteristics, and a women has to be a women with her specific characteristics. I don't think that men and women are different by nature, they are only cultural trained to believe that this is so!"

"You don't think that women are more sensitive then men, for instance....."

"Cultural fake!"

"Says the man with plush toys....."

"I have no problems therewith.....and by the way, I can cook, I can do the laundry, I can make my bed, I...."

"You not tell me, that you do your laundry!"

"I said I can, not I do. I hate ironing! But, who do you think done my laundry at Germany, for instance?"

"You're Mr. Right!"

"I fear not, but this has other reasons! And you as a woman - do you fear of that what I said, said that women are nothing special related to their characteristics, that I not concede you a special status?"

"As always, I'm not sure what I should think of what you've said. It sounds nice, men and women are equal....but than, always that feeling that a trap is waiting! Again, as I came, you said that women are something very special....well,...."

"I not meant it referred to that, what we've discussed right now."

"Referred to?"

"Beauty!"

"You're killin' me!"

"This is a different perspective on that what we've talked about. I don't think that, as such, characteristics exist who are male or female, that only culture defines characteristics as male or female. Every male is able to bear so-called female characteristics, and no surprise, every female is able to bear so-called male characteristics. A "male" can be very "female" and a "female" can be very "male" - at the end nothing makes sense anymore, this stupid "male/female" talk. I'm tired....."
"...of beauty?"

"Oh, sorry, I ran off the topic – beautifulness! - Which way?.....Francois Truffaut!....."

"Yes, I know the name but have no movie in mind - sorry!"

""The Man Who Loved Women" - a wonderful movie! OK, the end is unsatisfactory but apart from that, a wonderful movie. When the protagonist walks around in the city and looks at all the women, his thoughts and feelings - I absolutely understand him and feel with him!....."

"And you will share his thoughts and feelings with me? And of course, yours!"

"Surely!....He looked at all the women that he saw on his ways, and all, really all were something special. One had beautiful hair, another beautiful eyes.....or hands, or maybe she wore a beautiful skirt, or blouse - nice shoes. Whenever he saw a woman, he saw beauty! Women are beautiful!"

"So,....."

"When I step out, when I walk through the pedestrian area, when I look at women, then I see beauty - all the time - every woman has her beauty!"

"OK, you're a man, you're heterosexual, if you would be gay or a woman you could say the same about men - every man has it's beauty!"

"Now I'm a little bit in trouble! What I'm saying now - please don't interpret it in a way as if I would be homophobic! I respect gay people, but men are fucking boring and fucking ugly!"

"Weeell,.....you're a man - or?"

"To my sorrow, yes!"

"Wow! The next headline! Hoax News owner wants to be a woman! - Wow!"

"No, not in that sense! I don't feel like I would have the wrong gender. I've the gender that I have! But I envy women, I envy them endlessly! Then I wish I would be.....but I'm not!"

"We talked about beauty.....?"

"I not envy them for everything,.....sometimes, I have to confess, I'm very happy to be a man - or the other way round, sometimes I would be extremely pissed off, would I be a women!"

"Sorry, but I see this right! You envy them because they are beautiful, because they can wear nice clothes....?"

"For a short time I've worn ear-pendants, at both! You cannot do this as man! This pisses me off! Today I wear my small red-golden watch, my bracelets and sometimes one or more rings - but seldom, even today none....."

"But is this not a bit hypocritical - I envy women because they can wear jewelry, apart from this I would be pissed off! I have to confess: I'm a bit disappointed now!"

"You see, as a women you can wear a skirt, but you also can wear trousers - at least today and here, but we live here and today. As a man I have to wear trousers. As a women you can wear jewelry, or not - as a man more or less difficult, at least when you like the dangling at your ears - I liked it very much!"

"Even so,.....we talk about dresses! - are there not more important topics?!"

"The topic is, and I look at it from "my side", that we have to play our role in society. You wear nice ear-pendants, you have to! - and I would like to! I can not talk for you, but we started with male and female characteristics. You have to be graceful, and you are, you have to smile all the time, and you do - I have to.....I'm fucking bored about!"

"But what's about....all women are beautiful, all men are boring and ugly.....?"

"Look at you, I could look at you for hours - myself? After a minute I'm bored.....women are beautiful, men are ugly.....walk through the pedestrian area, look at all the women, always you see

something beautiful, interesting, something that enthralls you! Then look at all the men - how boring! They all look the same, they all act the same, they wear the same.....fucking boring! Women have short hair or long hair, straight hair or curly hair, all colors and sometimes more than one! Men? Boring!"

"We still stick to outer appearances, that's a bit trivial - or?"

"They all act the same?"

"Do you think that women not act all the same?"

"I think that women are capable of to behave more nuanced than men. I always loved it much more to work with women than with men....."

"No "guys" at Hoax News?"

"Yes! But now we have the problem that this becomes more and more impossible with our expansion plans. So far we are a small team, maybe smaller than you think, but....."

"Now you are looking for new female staff....."

"Yes, but that's not the reason why you are here, why I've invited you."

"And again the big question: Why I'm here!"

"As said, I hope I can gain you over for Hoax News....."

"Sorry, but that's a contradiction! It's not the reason why I'm here, because, I'm here because....."

"You're a bit to fast!"

"Sorry?"

"I said that.....I not thought that we will reach such topics, I thought that I will be capable to move you to visit Hoax News. I thought that we then maybe would talk about such topics....."

"This dissolves not the contradiction!"

"When you would join the Hoax News team.....I would ask you a favor, later."

"So you do this all, because due to.....a favor?"

"Yes, but please don't ask me what a favor. And a favor - you could say no,no compulsion!"

"We're again at a crucial point - or?"

"Yes!"

"So, next course? We should continue!"

"Yes, but that's my sentence!"

"You know, women are flexible - more than men I've heard!"

"I agree, but only I know what's next. Should we stay with this topic? I've the feeling I should say a bit more thereto?"

"I would appreciate this! I also think we should continue.....what's next?"

"Guinea fowl....."

“Guinea-fowl on spicy spaghetti”

"Again very easy! A pot with water for our spaghetti and a pan with olive oil. Our guinea-fowl! Season and into the hot pan, this time really hot. With the skin side - but I think that's nothing new to you."

"No, even I know this!"

"OK, we wait till the skin gets color, flip it over, the flipside, some aromatics and under the salamander."

"Flipside?"

"Sometimes, always I've funny associations - nevermind!"

"Associations!"

"Yep - for the spaghetti I use a very good olive oil and chili only - more or less hot?"

"Medium...."

"Fits me well - I don't like it too hot!"

"Not?"

"No, I'm a cool guy – ooh, I fear a boring guy!"

"You're definitely not boring!"

"Should this be a compliment? Anyway, our spaghetti are ready, into the olive oil - your part!"

"This time I....this plates. Spaghetti, I slice the guinea-fowl, on top...and some decoration - ready!"

"Beautiful - let's start!"

"Hot enough?"

"Perfect! The guinea-fowl is very moist, nice light course....."

"We've not talked about the tongue....."

"That's right - we're digressed a bit....."

"And? - You even ate the slice from the end....."

"Yes, that's true! I enjoyed it very much! The texture is fantastic - again my first but not my last time!"

"Nice to hear.....and the beans?"

"No problems so far.....our topic?"

"Sure....."

"Well, I know now that you're unhappy to be a man...."

"I would also be unhappy to be a woman!"

"You're unhappy with sexual stereotyping!"

"Yes! I'm a man but nonetheless I would like to wear ear-pendants, just because I like the dangling at my ears. You're a woman, I'm sure that there are things you would like to do, but because you're a woman...."

"Yeah, definitely! - But still again, I'm puzzled because of Hoax News! You propagate the family as prototype, as an image of perfection!"

"Again theory and practice! Wouldn't it be nice to live with a partner, children who grow up in a safe and sound family? But then.....look at the divorce rate, look at the children! And that not means that the families who last, are safe and sound! So the question arises how many families are safe and sound at the end? Wow, this is L.A. - the City Of Angels, the City Of Illusions, the City Of Broken Dreams, the City Of To Act As If, the City Of Lying!"

"But still - Hoax News?"

"A bit later? We still have some courses - I would like to stick to our topic: men and women?"

"I would like to stick to the topic: theory and practice!"

"In conjunction with 'men and women'?"

"Yes....."

"Well, we can dream of an ideal world, we can write clever books about how the world could be and so on or, we can consider this world, our world to ask questions, questions why this world is as it is, why we humans are so intelligent yet still so dumb, and so on. Man and woman? In theory everything is so easy - man and woman, a perfect match! But in reality - frustrating, so intelligent so dumb! Science, nature - so easy! It's more easy to understand the world of atomic particles, it's more easy to understand the world of the stars and galaxies, to understand the whole universe than to understand the world of the humans. All becomes so describable complex - nothing is easy any more....."

"Your books about astronomy, will we look at the stars later?"

"Yes, this world above us is so easy to understand. I never will understand the world of the humans!"

"Does anybody understand this world?"

"Some people ever that they do!"

"Yeah, some people..... - there always some people who ever.....!"

"Do you understand this world, our world?"

"Not a bit....."

"Now I'm sure that I've found the right person....."

"Right for what?"

"Favor....."

"Will you tell me now?"

"No, not until the very end....."

"Man and woman?"

"In an ideal world everything would be so easy - ox cheeks!"

"Ox cheeks braised in pinot noir, mousseline from parsley root and chiffonade"

"Again, I've prepared the ox cheeks yesterday. You sear them in a pot, then put them aside. Then the normal way to get the approach - mirepoix, later tomato paste and the red wine. And sure, you not have to use pinot noir, especially no expensive.....but maybe not the cheapest, any normal will suffice. Infuse and then the ox cheeks into the pot again, and then you have to wait! It takes its time, you have to control from time to time whether they are ready braised or not - they have to be very soft. Now, I only have to warm them in the sauce. The mousseline....."

".....you've prepared yesterday!"

"I bore you?"

"No! Sorry, but I not really listen to you.....I still stick to.....the mousseline!"

"Is prepared! A moment into the microwave that's all. The salad for the chiffonade and a simple vinaigrette - now we have all we need."

"I'm ready for my part!"

"The "classic" way would be the mousseline in the middle, some slices of cheek around, sauce and the chiffonade on top - but feel free to do it like you want....."

"Let's see - definitely this plates, and.....et voilà....."

"Absolutely not classic, but very interesting!"

"And I'm sure it will taste fantastic!"

"I have to agree!"

"And.....?"

"The texture and the taste is fantastic! The mousseline is fantastic, also the sauce, and the chiffonade fits very well - really a highlight!"

"I will tell the cook!"

"Yeah,.....can we continue with our conversation, because....."

"Sure....."

"You've separated theory and practice, two or three times now - and more and more I get the feeling Hoax News is the theory - but, Hoax News is not my topic for the moment - we still will talk about Hoax News, or?"

"Sure!"

"Not so many courses left....."

"Still three...."

"Three from twelve!"

"But still three. And we will visit the house, and the stars are waiting - so we have still plenty of time!"

"But I would like to talk about Hoax News so long as we are here.....the house, I think I know now.....and the stars.....should we discuss such topics, while looking at the stars?"

"No, that would ruin all....."

"And I also still have my third question - heavy program for the last courses!"

"Hoax News and your last question - two topics and three courses, therefore.....?"

"And I would like to talk about you, also as long as we're here - OK?"

"Apart from....that we'd talked already a lot about me, three topics and three courses - no problem!"

"What courses you've still planed?"

"The classic order of courses - cheese, dessert and if you like.....coffee and cookies."

"Self-made cookies?"

"Yes...."

"My third question with the cookies, Hoax News with the dessert and at the next course....I want to talk with you about you....."

"And now?"

"Theory and practice - you know, sometimes.....the book paintings and all the others, books about art, not many but interesting ones, your literature, again not so much but what, your CD's! I'm not only a bit surprised! I don't know....your plush toys, your ear pendants and rings - yes I've looked up - but,.....but then you talk about science and religion - I can't figure it out!"

"It's easy at the end! In theory everything is easy, easy to talk smart! It's easy then to know how we can live together in peace and harmony, how families would be safe and sound and all this stuff. Theory is cool, theory is for salon revolutionaries for the ones who know everything all the time! But in practice everything is extremely complicated! Nature, science, the study of nature, everything so easy, logical! Modern science is very young, a few centuries maybe, neurophysiology for instance only a few decades, Einstein and Planck a century ago, look! Look at this world! Does religion causes all this changes, does ideologies causes all this changes? Science!"

"That's too much for me in one sentence! So, there is religion and ideology vs. science on the one hand and.....nature vs. humans on the other? I'm a bit confused!"

"On the one hand you have nature and I mean with this - for the moment - everything, the universe without the humans - then everything is very easy! I don't mean with this that we understand everything then. Science always has its status quo. Science can make mistakes. Science knows no absolute knowledge, everything can be wrong! But then! Look what an amount of knowledge modern science has found out in such a short time! But if you ask why humans kill each other - thousands of years, and no one knows an answer, even worse, nobody knows after thousands of years, endless discussions, libraries full of intelligent books an answer to the question - how to stop it! A hundred years ago the idea was created that gravity waves exist, now we've measured them, we even can say what happened, that two merging black holes were the origin, we even can say how heavy they were and so on. Science is a story of success, religion and ideologies in the best case stagnation or even worse! When you stand on a hill and look at the stars everything is so calm and easy. But then, when you look at the city, then everything....."

"I believe in God!"

"I don't blame you for that....."

"But you....."

"But I don't understand how a person like you can believe in any kind of a transcendental identity."

"A person like me?"

"A not.....naive person.....?"

"Do you think that people who believe are naive?"

"I don't understand that a person who reflect only one moment upon the existence or non-existence of any kind of "god" can believe in any kind of "god"."

"This is very arrogant!"

"That's pure logic! - And don't start with: God isn't logical or something like this!"

"Aren't you interested why I believe in God?"

"I will not try to "proselyte" you and I hope you're as tolerant as I!"

"But you think that a person "like I" should not believe in God - or?"

"I said: I can not understand that....."

"Can you explain this to me? I mean, I'm really interested in what your trains of thought are."

"You believe in God, because - he believes in Allah, because - he believes in Jahveh, because and so on, not to talk about Catholics and Protestants, Shiites and Sunnites and so on. He names himself a Buddhist, because - he names himself a Shintoist, because - have I to say more?"

"Call it: Struggle for cognition!"

"That's the reason why they think all the time: We have the genuine faith! And then they kill, and kill, and kill.....as they do since thousands of years!"

"You're nihilistic!"

"Absolutely not! But I'm too old for the fairy tale that the world need faith otherwise the people would have no orientation, no values, that they would kill each other - hey, we had this only just! Maybe the world should try it one time without faith? That much worse it can not be - or?"

"I know what you mean, theodicy....."

"Also, but not only. Let's talk about the Mormon. Apart from racism - sorry, who can believe in such a stupid story? "South Park" - a very interesting episode! And if you believe in this, why not join the absolute nonsense - Sunset Blvd, they will love you, and your money - hey, again "South Park"! I love the episode with twerp Tom in the cupboard, not to forget John! I really, really can not understand this!"

"So in the end you think I'm naive! The man who believes in the humans, my TV show!"

"I would like, but it's not easy, at the end it's impossible! You got me, if you like!"

"And in the end?"

"No gods, no humans - let's prepare the cheese!"

"With honey gratinated Crottin de Chavignol on roasted and peppered fruits"

"Our cheese. I think half a piece for each of us is enough."

"I also, still dessert and cookies!"

"Yes, but it will be a long night! So, the cheese and our honey - the honey is of firs."

"Firs have no blossoms.....?"

"Yes, that's right. This honey is from Germany, more precise from the Black Forest. A wonderful scent - or?"

"Wonderful, but still no blossoms."

"Taste it...."

"Wow, very intense! But....."

"Ask the bees! No! It's a bit different - you need firs, aphids and bees....."

"Aphids?"

"It's a wonderful natural product. Forget the aphids....."

"OK....."

"Cheese, honey and as always....."

".....under the salamander!"

"Oui! And now our fruits. I've prepared a mix with mango, pineapple, strawberries, kiwi and others. Now a pan, butter and sugar. We wait till the sugar caramelizes and then the green pepper and the fruits thereto. Sauté it a bit, not to much and ready - your part."

"The colorful plates.....the fruits and the cheese above. A bit decoration - et voilà!"

"We should start to speak French....."

"Do you speak French?"

"Not really!"

"Then we should better eat our cheese....."

"And, what do you think?"

"The cheese gratinated with the wonderful honey, and thereto the peppered fruits - wonderful, again a highlight!"

"I'm becoming better at the end!"

"No, all the courses were wonderful! But, I....."

"You wanna talk about me - we do nearly all the time?"

"Yes and no! I wanna talk about....this here - books, music, literature, maybe your cabinet full with tea caddies while we drink no tea, things like this."

"We can drink tea instead of coffee, would be nice for me. But even California, more coffee than tea...."

"It was only an image - a very good when I think about! I'm unable to make sense of all of this...."

"Neither do I!"

"You're kidding me!"

"Not really!"

"I mean.....I'm not able, at least at the moment, to connect Hoax News and you...."

"Do you allow me to interrupt you?"

"Sure....."

"You wanna talk about Hoax News during our next course - Hoax News as dessert! Maybe you should separate this two topics more precise, at least for the moment. Maybe you can bring both together after the dessert. But it was no joke: Neither do I! This is simply because I'm not Hoax News and Hoax News is not me - in fact, Hoax News is more than I."

"Faye, Raven and the others?"

"Sure, I'm no autocrat.....I'm only a part of Hoax News....."

"And is Hoax News also a part of you?"

"A part? - Definitely, but only a part!"

"Then I would like to talk about the part apart from Hoax News."

"This will be difficult for me to be honest."

"You normally not talk about your person - or?"

"I never talk about my person, about my thoughts, my emotions - Invisible Man...."

"Ellison?"

"You've read it?"

"No, I only know the title, and that it's an important book....you've read it!"

"Only the first one or two pages - I thought, that's me! I was shocked! But then, then I thought, I'm no Afro-American! Then I stopped reading - it's in the shelf there....."

"You will read it at some point, therefore you kept it, not given away or thrown away like other books...."

"I never will read it!"

"That makes no sense?"

"Like the tea caddies! Ellison - also a very good image, or?"

"Yes.....can we talk about your rings? - You know I've looked up....."

"Would appreciate it....you like them?"

"They are very beautiful, but no typical men's rings!"

"Surprised?"

"Not anymore - it would surprise me would it be....the heart-shaped is nice. Why you don't wear this ring tonight, or another?"

"When I wear only one ring then always the garnet. And then I decide whether I might wear one or some more."

"Yes, also the garnet is very beautiful. You like colored stones - or?"

"I think clear stones are boring...."

"Even diamonds!"

"Especially diamonds! OK, colored diamonds are nice - but a bit expensive....."

"You like my pearls?"

"Oh yes! You can wear pearls without any doubt - I like it when women wear pearls."

"And my ring?"

"Too bulky for your hands - at least for me. I have seen one with a large ruby surrounded by many smaller diamonds. This one would be fitting."

"But sounds even larger than this one."

"Larger yes, but more filigree."

"Where you have seen it?"

"In a rag shop."

"A rag shop...."

"I've bought all my rings in rag shops - I like the atmosphere and I like old rings."

"And old boxes."

"And old boxes....."

"And bracelets in an old box. But they are not old - or?"

"No, they are not old and I've bought them not in a rag shop...."

"They are very nice - why you don't wear one?"

"I've bought them during my time in Germany, like my rings. But them I bought at a jeweler's shop - a very exclusive one.....I wasn't the usual customer, especially not as a man. You had to ring a bell to get in...but I have to say that they were very friendly and this kind of bracelets are not really expensive. But surprisingly this was the only shop where you could buy them. I saw them one day in the shop window and was immediately fallen in love with them...."

"They are produced in Germany?"

"Oh no, they are Swedish! They are called "saami-crafts", they are handcrafted according to your order."

"But you wear your rings and bracelets not anymore, here back in the US – only your beautiful red-golden watch? "

"I do! But only at some places. At the jazz club for instance, sometimes in the evening - suchlike."

"The one with the red stones is very nice - and also men can wear pearls....."

"Yes and no.....I like it very much but don't wear it that often, only sometimes."

"I would like to see you with a bracelet and one or more rings...."

"Langer's is fixed?"

"Sure!"

"Then I will wear a bracelet and at least the garnet."

"I look forward - and also to your interesting perfume? The whole evening I ask myself what it is - definitely a feminine perfume, something very special...."

"Bathroom?"

"Bathroom – I've not looked up everywhere....."

"Chanel N°5 - yours...."

"Guessed or.....don't tell me that you're an expert for feminine perfumes....."

"As well as. OK, I'm no expert. But as I thought about to look for an perfume for me - the first I tried was Chanel N°5 and I have to confess, I was a bit disappointed. Too floral....but it fits very good to you."

"Oh yes, now I think I know.....very special scent - and your literature, your music, all this?"

"As I said, it's a problem for me to talk about....."

".....your feelings, that our conversation becomes too personal...."

"To be honest - yes! Art, especially music, is a very emotional thing for me. I can not talk about art without talking about my innermost feelings - but that I not wanna do, at least not now...."

"Later?"

"At the very end - let's have dessert, it's getting really late!"

"Variation of my favorite desserts"

"Now....I have to confess something....."

"This would be....?"

"It's not in that sense a variation of my favorite desserts, it's more a reminiscence of my beginning as cook in Germany. Also the courses so far, I mean this was no well balanced menu, it was more a hodgepodge, all the courses remind me of a special place or time. The ox tongue, my training company - very, very long ago. Also the soup. The ox cheeks, the time at the Baltic Sea - Heiligendamm, the Grand Hotel...and so on. The dessert is a bow to my training company, Burg Hornberg in Neckarzimmern. One component is a bow to a very special place, Les Trois Sardines in Heilbronn, also the decoration."

"Oh, that's beautiful. What do you have prepared?"

"First a parfait from vanilla and a chocolate sauce with ginger. Nothing spectacular, at least nowadays but I'm addicted to vanilla and love ginger. This here are mashed strawberries with whipped cream and green pepper - also nothing special nowadays. Then some figs and Tokay and egg yolk - we will prepare a Tokay sabayon. This are the components related to Burg Hornberg."

"So far very, very interesting. What else - mousse?"

"Not forgotten! But this component is not related to a kitchen. It's a recipe out of this book."

"Oh, it's written in German. What's the title"

"The Large Book Of Desserts - it's a old but fantastic book. As originator they name Eva Klever."

"Oh, a woman..."

"Yes, but it's a bit strange and I think a too long story....."

"Come on...."

"OK, short. Ulrich Klever, her husband, was a TV cook in good old early German TV history. A lot of books and more. But she? I'm not able to connect her with cooking, apart of this. Therefor it's a bit puzzling to see her and not his name mentioned - but who knows? Howsoever, it's a wonderful chocolate mousse in between - not extremely fluffy, not extremely heavy. Very, very creamy!"

"I look forward! Now the sabayon?"

"One component more - a parfait from rosemary on tomato biscuit with candied black olives....."

"Yeah, I forgotten - that sounds definitely French! Decoration?"

"Phyllo and brik pastry and self-made chocolate leaves - now we can prepare the sabayon...."

"Can I?"

"Sure, you had done it once before?"

"I'm no skilled cook but it should be the same as with wine - or?"

"Absolutely - you the sabayon, I arrange the other components - OK?"

"Let's see who's faster...."

"Ready!"

"I'm too! Wow, the sabayon looks very good - not your first time? You said something about not so good in the kitchen and you don't like cooking....?"

"That not necessarily has to mean that I'm not able to prepare a sabayon - or?"

"No, but I'm a bit suspicious....."

"As you said before: I not wanna fool you - you trust me?"

"I trust you and my special wine for the dessert...."

"Wow, a very old bottle - or only shabby.....?"

"Old, very old, old like the old man. It's an ice wine - Burg Hornberg, vintage 1965."

"Do you really think we should drink this wine?"

"Do you think.....non-potable.....too old?"

"No, it's a ice wine. But I think this has to be a very special wine for you?"

"You're very special and this is a very special evening."

"I nearly had forgotten - the favor...."

"Let's see if the wine is still potable.....what do you think?"

"Superb wine, again a highlight!"

"Then we should start with the dessert before we can make everything new....."

"Yeah, we should....."

"Wow, our last course....."

"Coffee.....or tea with cookies?"

"Yes, but.....it was a nice evening so far.....and the dessert is fantastic!"

"Thanks....."

"All is wonderful, the mousse - the killer! The Burg Hornberg components very classic, very elegant. And the French component - incredible combination! Tomato biscuit?"

"A normal sponge mixture with tomato paste and Provencal herbs."

"Wow, the rosemary with the tomato, the herbs and the sweetness of the pastry thereto the olives -

incredible!"

"Not my invention, I only learned it....."

"You would be really the perfect husband....."

"Interested?"

"Would you cook me every day such wonderful dishes?"

"I'm an old man and you a wonderful young woman - if you're interested to hire a private cook - I'm your man - Hoax News?"

"You not wanna.....OK, Hoax News...."

"So, what should I tell you about Hoax News?"

"I've thought a lot about it during our dinner. You and Hoax News - Faye, Raven and the others.....your plans to restructure Hoax News - I don't know....."

"That's why I'm asking you for visiting Hoax News. You can talk with everyone, you can get an inside view, no door will be closed....build up your own opinion about Hoax News."

"But still, I would not fit, would be a stranger, would be....would you give me a own show where I could invite whom I wish to invite?"

"Why not - I only fear that not everybody will come...what I beheld as cowardly all the while. Yes, we've not the best reputation but is it not interesting that this apply for both the democrats and republicans, the left as well as the right. And the more you look at the margins the more they hate us - I consider this as an honor!"

"You not tell me that Hoax News represents the political center - or?"

"Yeah, the middle - everyone claims the middle, and "the middle" claims the rationality as keeper of the common sense - they elected Mr. Hitler and not only him, so....."

"Hoax News....."

".....Hoax News allows itself to cast doubt on everything such as science. We criticized the health care plans of president Obama heavily, sometimes you could learn from old Europe - but we let no doubt about that what happens now is simply disgusting!"

"Your criticism was, at least sometimes, extremely harsh!"

"Because it was amateurish what they did....."

".....with an opposition that only knew the word: NO!"

"With an inability to mobilize the street! Come on! Clinton gets more votes and the other guy becomes president - where is the democratic resistance, where is the democratic initiative to change this stupid election system? But they know that this would automatically lead to a multiparty system - and then? But then a person like Sanders would become a real problem, not only annoying during pre-election, then the democratic establishment would have a serious problem!"

"And the republican establishment?"

"The system works for them - why they should change it? The democrats gotten the shit end of the stick! But do they react? Noooooo! They're much too pigged out! I'm sick of being reigned by millionaires and billionaires....."

"But you criticized the Obama team all the time....."

"They were in power and by the way we designated the Tea Party movement all the time as that what they are - anti-democratic, to give you an example! And what we think about today's pack in Washington - I hope there's no doubt about - or?"

"That Hoax News is not happy with him has puzzled many....."

"Because we'd criticized Obama? Therefore we have to love him?"

"OK, now I want to know it - whom you elected?"

"You not tell me that you believe only one second that I maybe have elected this bigmouth jerk and therewith all this figures around him, not to talk about our vice president? If you consider this, then please leave....."

"You not tell me that you've elected Clinton....?"

"That's not the point! The point is whether it is imaginable that I've elected him or not!"

"But for me the problem is to think about the alternatives. Clinton - no way! But I have also my problems seeing you as a non-voter. So,...."

"Popular vote and multiparty system. It's likely that no party gets the outright majority and therefore has to form a coalition with one or more other parties. That's an interesting democratic process - maybe you will join us to fight for this?"

"Is this for what Hoax News stands for.....?"

"Adolf Hitler was elected in an absolute democratic election - popular vote and multiparty system. I don't say that this would be the final solution for everything but at least much better than now. My point is that also the democrats fear this because the political life isn't that easy then - especially when you're in power."

"And Hitler?"

"Checks and balances! He wasn't able to do anything till the parliament gave him the power thereto. As the conservatives voted for the enabling act.....the rest is history!"

"And what should I believe now? What should I do now?"

"Visit Hoax News, please!"

"OK, now I need some cookies....."

"Turkish coffee with "Springerle""

"Well, now to the big question: Tea or coffee?"

"So many tea caddies - tea for sure!"

"Then....green or black, white, yellow or red, flavored or herbal tea, maté, rooibos or honeybush - what do you mean?"

"You have all this tea?"

"Yes, I've bought new tea last week. Then I have around 70 till 80 varieties. I drink them all, means, I will have less and less varieties till I buy new tea."

"Then I think it would be the best that you decide."

"Spontaneously, green tea, Japan, Kukicha Extra."

"A very special tea?"

"No, one from the regular assortment. In also have some specialties, may....."

".....no, first choice - often the first choice is the best."

"Yes, also one of this sentences....."

"Yeah! So we have the tea, cookies?"

"I've made Springerle....."

"Aaaah, Springerle?"

"Cool pronunciation.....a very special cookie from the south of Germany."

"Can I see them?"

"Sure, here they are."

"Wow, they look beautiful. The pictures....are they difficult to make?"

"Difficult? At least it takes a lot of time, what a problem was. Normally you store them for at least a week before you eat them. But they are only four days old and therefore still be a bit hard. But I think it will be OK - you can dip them into the tea if you like."

"To dip things is not very....."

".....I like it!"

"Yeah, maybe I will do. You said that you made them. What do you used to make the cookies, the pictures?"

"You have to use special springerle molds."

"Can I see them?"

"Here, I have three, but I used only the two smaller molds."

"They look old - ah, on the backside. 1935 and what does this word means?"

"Bought, bought 1935 - but this one is older."

"Anno 1844 - wow, that's old!"

"For an American maybe. But at Europe it's not that old at all. Please consider that many European

cities exist way above a thousand years. Seen from this angle not that old."

"But not too long and this is 200 years old...."

"More or less, 23 years - maybe I will.....maybe."

"Maybe,.....who owned them before?"

"They are from my grandma...also the recipe."

"You have her recipe?"

"Yes. I own her old recipe books."

"Can I see."

"In this one you can find the recipe for Springerle."

"Strange letters....."

"Old German letters."

"Can you read it - stupid, you use the book."

"Yes, but it's not always easy for me to read it, especially because this is handwritten. On the other side, this is a recipe - I have more problems with normal texts."

"It's nice that you keep it. You loved her?"

"She did a lot for me, I never thanked her therefor.....so, tea is ready. I will prepare later some herbal tea for the night, but now Japanese green tea with Springerle....."

"And, you like them?"

"A bit hard, but very tasty - I like the anise. We will not eat them all...."

"We can take the rest along with us. Tea and Springerle while watching the stars - very romantic....."

"I've the feeling you're very romantic - and by the way, the tea is very, very fine."

"I like this one very much. It's not a very expensive and special Japanese green tea but then also something different.....but you still have a question?"

"Yes, my third question."

"I hear...."

"What's your worst demon?"

"Wow, what a question! - Do you really expect an answer?"

"After this conversation - Yes!"

"You already know my deepest fear and my uppermost longing - so why not, Daisy!"

"Daisy?"

"Daisy - a metaphor, a synonym, it's hardly to describe, it's difficult to set into words - I would have to write books about. Really honestly, there's no short and simple answer to this question."

"You dreamed to write books, to become an artist."

"But I never did and will not."

"So, Daisy?"

"You wanna know who she is?"

"Yes, even when she's a metaphor, a synonym it would be interesting to know more about her - or?"

"I don't think you wanna know too much about her, and I'm sure you not wanna see her...."

"'Cause.....?"

"Wikipedia, Peter Scully - if you wanna more or even wanna see her - you know, the onion is waiting for you...."

"Peter Scully, I know his name, not so long ago - was Daisy the girl he killed?"

"No, but that makes things not better, I fear...."

"You fear....."

"Daisy's Destruction - read Wikipedia, search the internet, and if you wish go deeper....."

"Daisy's Destruction - a video?"

"Yes, according to Wikipedia."

"Did you saw it?"

"That's a stupid question - or?"

"Yes, very stupid - sorry...."

"Should we.....Malibu....The House?"

"Yes, a break would be good now....."

"The House"

"I've prepared the tea, a herbal tea "Late-Summer-Love", two Thermos bottles should be enough - and I have packed in the Springerle. So we can go."

"Is my dress too light? It can be cold in the mountains."

"No problem, you will see. We have to walk some yards. My car is parked in the parking block Colorado Avenue."

"I'm curious about what it will be....."

"You will be surprised....."

"The pedestrian area is very quite at this time."

"Yes, I like it to walk around here in the night."

"Also at the beach - I mean...."

"Not necessarily Venice, but I know some nice places...."

"Unfortunately we have another aim tonight...."

"Yes, tonight....."

"So that's my car...."

"Wow, who designed this car! Never saw before....? Don't tell me you use this car as your daily car...."

"To be honest, no! My daily car? Metro for Greater Los Angeles and often Big Blue here."

"You use public transport?"

"Sure!"

"Very European....."

"I take it as a compliment.....and by the way this is a European car, a Citroen Ami 6 from 1965."

"As old as you.....looks not very fast?"

"Fast enough to brings us whereto we wanna go.... - have a seat."

"Thanks - the steering wheel is.....French design!"

"Actually it was an Italian designer, Flaminio Bertoni, but he was employed by Citroen. He also designed the 2CV and the DS, both are a bit more common."

"Oh yes, the DS. A wonderful and elegant car...."

"The 2CV simply is cult, at least in Europe. The DS is not beatable if you talk about elegance. The Ami 6 was designed as mid-range car between the 2CV and the DS. The technique, the engine based on the 2CV whereas the interior on the DS based. The steering wheel is like that from the DS. Let's have a ride...."

"Let's have a ride!"

"We're there....."

"Your're kidding me.....really what I thought...."

"You said before that you think that you know which house I mean?"

"So many CD's, especially those with her unpublished songs....."

"She sold the house to live at her estate in West Hollywood. I bought it...."

"But you live in Santa Monica - or you also use this house?"

"I live in Santa Monica but from time to time I come here to...."

"To?"

"I dreamt for a long time about to sit with her on the balcony, to listen to some of her rare jazz records, to drink something and may also to talk a bit - while looking at the ocean."

"And now?"

"Now? Now I sometimes sit on the balcony, looking at the ocean....."

"You're a well known person here. Why not meeting her?"

"Meeting?"

"I mean, you can go everywhere. Grammys this year?"

"I wasn't there. I don't like such events."

"But she was there!"

"I know."

"Wow, I was there and I talked with her!"

"You "talked" with her....wow!"

"I don't understand you?"

"I not wanna "talk" with her - stupid, senseless small talk!"

"You wanna be with her?"

"I would like to ask her some questions, to talk with her about.....her studies, her courses, her final assignment.....I mean - metaphysics, I'm interested in analytic philosophy - the contrary, I would be really interested about her studies, but this is only an example."

"You mean you would like to talk with her as a friend as someone who stands close to her?"

"I mean,....I would like to talk with her on a private basis, as someone you trust, as someone you know you can trust....."

"But then you should start with, trivial small talk at the Grammys and then.....let's see what happens. But you should start...."

"She not would talk with me, Hoax News - let it be a dream, sometimes a dream should stay a dream, sometimes an unfulfilled dream is the best option. Yeah, I own her former house!"

"Should we enter?"

"No, the mountains waiting."

"How is it inside?"

"What do you mean?"

"The furnishing?"

"Trapped, all is so as she has left it - I have change nothing....."

"That's a bit scary. The garages? Don't tell me that her cars are in..."

"No, her boring cars are a part of West Hollywood now."

"Wow, "boring cars" - you criticize her!"

"They are boring as all this modern cars. Can you expect to see her behind the steering wheel of an XK-E, to stay with Jaguar?"

"Don't tell me that....."

"Ah, the mountains waiting!"

"Come on, open the garages....."

"Yeah, two.....a 4.2-liter coupé from 1965....."

".....1965....."

"....and a V-12 convertible from 1971."

"That's a bit sick - or?"

"Why? Two beautiful cars, investments, and it's nice to drive with them."

"You drive them?"

"Sometimes. You're interested?"

"Now?"

"Not now! Now the wonderful Ami, but....."

"Yes, the Ami is really something special. It would be a shame, to drive with it no longer....."

"Then,.....the stars are waiting....."

“Santa Monica Mountains”

"Here we are."

"The last yards your little french lady had a few problems?"

"Come on, we done it - or? We're on top."

"Yeah, and the view is incredible! The stars.....and over there is the city! How quiet it is....your....?"

"My little private observatory."

"No dome?"

"A part of the roof is removable. The other part is a small office. If its getting cold we can go there to warm us."

"Then we should start. I'm really exited!"

"OK, the smaller telescope shows a larger section of the sky, good for larger objects. With this one we will observe smaller objects or details in the larger ones. What would you say when I tell you that we will start with a huge nebula that is nearly exactly shaped like North America - I mean with Canada, Florida, Gulf of Mexico, Mexico itself - you don't believe me? Always the same, you should know now that you can trust me...."

"Trust you? So, you wanna tell me that something above there exists looking like North America?"

"Nearly exactly - just next to the Pelican Nebula."

"Wow! So, North America next to the Pelican.....that's too weird that....but come on, show me!"

"OK, both are very large, this means much larger than the full moon - wait a minute. Both are faint, we start with the smaller telescope and use a special filter to rise the contrast. And now, enjoy!"

"Unbelievable! North America! But where is the pelican?"

"The Pelican is a bit more difficult. The body is not exactly shaped. But look at the left for the long beak and the head. And just where the eye would be you will see a dark spot. A dark part in front of the bright part. In fact all is one nebula. Only some parts a bright, some are dark...."

"Now I see it, that's cool, a real pelican.....wonderful, simply wonderful...."

"With the larger telescope the part around the Gulf of Mexico looks very impressive. More north it becomes more and more difficult to decide where the nebula begins or ends. The many stars and the fainter nebula merge more and more. Here...."

"Wow, this is really only the part around the Gulf, but very bright now...."

"This visual field has the size of the full moon."

"Then the nebula is really huge - the pelican?"

"Move the telescope a bit to the east like this and a bit to the north....the Pelican Nebula again...."

"Wow, the head and the beak fill out the visual field completely.....strange, the dark nebula just where the eye should be.....very weird! Why we Americans don't know that our country is there, high above in the night sky?"

"Sorry, but it's not the United States it's North America.....therefore Canada, Mexico and even Guatemala, Honduras....."

"Yees! Now you got me - or? But I have to confess that you really baffled me with this! Now I'm curious what you will show me next...."

"We will stay in this constellation. And by the way it's the Swan. Head, the long neck, the huge body, the short tail and the enormous wings - and she flys down south through the Milky Way."

"That's very poetic - and you can really see the swan, the stars fit absolutely together. You really can see "her"? flying, flying through the Milky Way. Her?"

"You can not really see the swan - or? You only can imagine the swan. For me it's a black swan in front of a black sky - whatever it's beautiful - or?"

"Exceptionally beautiful, so beautiful...."

"Then the swan is a "she" - like everything that beautiful is...."

"Sometimes.....you...."

"Next, the Veil or Cirrus Nebula. The North America Nebula is a place where stars forming, the Veil Nebula is the result of a supernova explosion, of a dying star.. Although they are both very large at the sky the Veil Nebula is much smaller than the North America Nebula but much nearer. Again complete in the smaller telescope."

"Two small arcs....."

"Sounds a bit disappointed?"

"Looks nice but compared to the before a bit....."

"Try the big one - this is the part with the bright star."

"Wow, that looks much more impressive!"

"This part is called the Witch's Broom. But I like the German name very much, "Storm Bird". Storm bird is a name for the albatross. The star is the eye, the beak and the tail - I like this image very much."

"It's really an impressive sight. Very dynamic!"

"Then let me move the telescope to the other arc. Now you see why the nebula has its name."

"Beautiful, absolutely beautiful - all this.....wisps...."

"Astronomers call this filaments. I show you the part I love the most. It has no special name only a number IC 1340 - here it is."

"Looks wonderful - you can wander through the filaments, so huge this nebula is....."

"There are still some other parts but they are much fainter - the next?"

"Yes, what's next?"

"At least the Dumbbell Nebula, the Andromeda Galaxy and I think the Whirlpool Galaxy, the double cluster, a globular cluster and Saturn is visible - I fear too much because we haven't that much time left till it brightens."

"That's a pity, can we...."

"When ever you like. But now we should continue."

"Wow, now so fast. A moment ago it was so dark and now - now the stars disappear so fast....."

"That happens when you observe intensively - you not realize that its starts to dawn till you notice that the telescope shows you less and less stars. Then you look up and you realize that it's surprisingly bright and the birds have already start to sing - champagne?"

"Yes, champagne."

"What did you liked most?"

"I don't know....all was impressive....when I said, the galaxy, you said that so often people have this thought while seeing a galaxy for the first time with their own eyes."

"Yes. Very often they suddenly ask themselves if, just in this moment, in this foreign so distant galaxy, someone looks at them - it seems that this is a common question, a common feeling - a sudden sense of the impalpable extent of the universe and the tremendous smallness of oneself."

"Yes, looking at the night sky from a dark place like this....this questions everything - and now?"

"Nothing, enjoy the moment - Saturn delighted you..."

"Oh yeah, although he is relatively small through the telescope, compared with the pictures you know, it's an indescribable elegance and beauty to see this planet with your own eyes - I never will forget the clouds, the rings and the moons.....I wish we could sit here forever....."

Visiting Hoax

Peter and Ashley

"I'm so happy that you came - welcome at Hoax News, Ashley!"

"Well, even if the dinner was wonderful, and also the night and the sunrise,....I have to confess that it was not easy for me to come...."

"But you're here - that counts!"

"Yeah, CNN is past now, but I'm unsure about my future...."

"You really have many options - come and see if Hoax News is one of them!"

"Will you show me?"

"No, I think we've talked enough. Also the technical side is nothing new to you. I thought it would

be more interesting for you to talk with the others, and to start with Faye?"

"Sure, and can I look around?"

"As I said, no door will be closed. Feel free also, to ask for documents concerning our balances, our road map, our strategic planning, direction, aims - ask whatever you interested in."

"You would give me access to everything?"

"Yes. You should not think that we wanna cover up something. And I know, even when you not decide for Hoax News that our internal affairs are safe. You will keep them, I know that your're a person you can trust in."

"Thanks, thanks for your trust in me."

"Well, we both know that divulge internals is never a good idea, especially while looking for a new job - Faye?"

"As always very distinct - Faye!"

"Faye, this is Ashley - Ashley, Faye"

"Hello Ashley, nice to welcome you at Hoax News!"

"The pleasure is all mine, Faye!"

"Now, the kind words are bandied, therefore I can leave you both alone....see you later Ashley...."

"Um, well.....see you later...Peter...."

"Yes, always very direct - anything what interests you most or what you wanna see or ask first?"

"Maybe I should be also very direct?"

"Always the best...."

"Well, then....I'm still uncertain about for what Hoax News, or maybe you, or Peter, or Raven, or....don't know, signify - Hoax News stands for, I don't know!"

"Let's go to my office. Coffee or tea, and then we start at the very beginning of Hoax News. I think this would be the best - sounds good for you?"

"Very good, very, very good....."

Ashley and Faye

"So, what can I offer you?"

"I guess not only some tea here - for Peter?"

"Yes, we have a somewhat larger assortment...."

"Well, the tea was really very good,....but,....coffee....?"

"Yes, the old habits...mocha?"

"Mocha would be very nice!"

"Can I ask you a question first?"

"Sure...."

"How it was with Peter?"

"I'm not sure what you exactly mean?"

"Peter is Peter - do you think that he has told us anything about your dinner - ox cheeks I guess?"

"You wanna know the order of courses?"

"My problem is,....I should talk with you but have no idea what Peter has said to you - he has said nothing to us, as normal. One of the things you have to handle would you join Hoax News."

"Well,....he has revealed so much, showed me so much, but in the end I have much more questions than answers...."

"Also typical Peter - you both had observed stars?"

"Yes, and his house...."

"....not Malibu! - or?"

"Its a bit strange...."

"It's sick if you ask me! You know what he's doing there?"

"I'm not sure if I should....."

"He likes to sit on the balcony, in front of her former sleeping room - you know that she has let her furniture there? - to listen to jazz music, preferably Chet Baker, with a cup of tea and then he looks at the ocean - for hours! At his graveyard!"

"Graveyard?"

"He has enacted that he shall be cremated after his death and that the ashes shall be spread upon the ocean...very romantic...."

"I like it - a nice thought...."

"Then,....maybe you can sit with him, enjoying the view?"

"Did you....."

"Heaven forbid! He's the only one in this house now - I think he not even has a house cleaner.....sometimes he cooks there and whatever else...."

"Do you think....I mean that would be strange....."

"What do you mean? - Jesus, no! He's definitely strange and I have said sick, but not that sick!"

"Not that I wanna talk stupid about him, but you were never there?"

"Believe me, I'm not sure if I understand him - but he definitely will not sleep in her former bed! Believe me! - Why you're laughing?"

"Sorry, but my fantasy runs wild - I think this is not appropriate."

"Now since we have made fun of him so much - and believe me, he would had liked it! - spill!"

"I....come on, that's my first time here...."

"Let's see - in her bed.....you were in his sleeping room?"

"He had showed me!"

"I don't expected anything else - or? - nooo! - So, in her bed with.....I think the one-eyed teddy bear?....."

"Yeah,....."

"He had showed you his plush toys - wow! What cookies?"

"Springerle...."

"He made Springerle for you? Wow again! But he had not enough time?"

"They were still a bit hard."

"House, plush toys, Springerle and.....I have some imaginations about your conversations. You know what this means?"

"I'm not sure about?"

"You should be sure - I mean this so! This is really very important!"

"Would you tell me?"

"He trusts you! He trusts you from the bottom of his heart!"

"Should this mean now that I have to say "yes" to Hoax News? Or to say it in a different way: A "no" to Hoax News would hurt him, would show him that his trust was wasted?"

"He - and we all - would be very happy, would you say "yes" - but if you say "no" we will accept this - we have to accept this, you're a self-determined and independent person - it's not on us to decide for you, and I know what you're thinking now! Believe me, you're wrong!"

"Why then, I feel at this moment like in a trap?"

"Because you're unsure. - But for instance, the job offers were no fake."

"I know - should we start with the very beginning?"

"Good idea...."

"Because Peter told you already in your show something about his life situation at the time before we started with Hoax News, will I now concentrate on me. Peter doubted about himself his whole life, I was the precise opposite! Career, that was my motto, and TV - and I made my career and became a famous TV face. I had my affairs, slept at the right time with the right man or woman, and became to a woman with whom you should sleep to push your career. I earned a lot of money and had a fucking raunchy life. But then I started to doubt, to doubt about if this it should be - I became more and more depressive. Not, that I was an anti-alcoholic before - yeah, and drugs - but, I had it really under control - I mean, the public not noticed it. But then I lost the control completely, and I

lost my job - but I think you know this more or less....."

"I know what the public knows, and the gossip among the TV people."

"Yeah, the gossip! Before, I was one of the biggest gossip monger.....but then,.....I thought about suicide. And then I met him! He had decided not to do it and that he should start with something meaningful, and I, I had decided to do it because I lost everything that had a meaning for me - what a combination....."

"Where? I mean, where you met him for the first time? - Sorry for that question....."

"Really? - You like it kitschy?"

"Santa Monica Pier - you also live in....."

"Jesus! I don't like the city, I live out-of-town! I need some nature around me."

"Surprising, thought more inner-city...."

"Formerly, but not today. Today I like it to see less people and more nature."

"Like Peter.."

"Absolutely not! He likes it to be in his pedestrian area and to be among the people - and not to forget Santa Monica Pier! He only not likes to talk with them....."

"Um,...."

"He likes to look at them, what they do, how they behave - things like that. But, to talk with them.....that's a bit difficult for him....I by my side like it to talk with people! I only dislike it when too much of them are around me...."

"Too much?"

"More than one....!"

"Then I'm happy that I'm alone - you both are a bit strange?"

"To be strange is nowadays not the worst. It would frighten me would I be normal, at least what it seems what normal nowadays is."

"I've talked with Peter about this. I have to confess that Hoax News's position is absolutely evident in this case. But then I have a lot of problems to understand Hoax News as such...."

"Then I should begin with my story: The beginnings of Hoax News....."

"We both had wounded souls - yes, also Peter who believes that he has none. We met at Santa Monica Pier, he looked at his graveyard and I searched for one. I think, we both felt that....Peter started the conversation! I mean Peter!? I'm not sure if he ever began with a conversation - at this moment he did! It was nothing of relevance, at least it seemed so - we talked about the beauty of the ocean. But then we decided to drink something, then we had dinner together, then.....then we discovered that we.....do you know this? You realize that this other person is fundamentally different from you, but at the same moment you realize that this other person sees the world with your eyes and you see this world with his eyes?"

"You mean - soulmates?"

"We are so different, but yet so equal - like a paradox. I think this is the reason why we can be together."

"You both have a relationship?"

"My God, no, not in that sense! He lives his life and I mine. But we started Hoax News together. Sometimes we worked 10 hours and more a day, seven days a week - together. He drank his tea and I my coffee. But together we built up Hoax News. It was a very special time - for both of us."

"I not wanna be impolite but that's the technical side. What about the moral foundation of Hoax News?"

"Well Ashley, to be honest, not long ago I would had held you a nice speech about conservative values, but today.....today I ask myself what I should think about conservatism, while I have to see like conservative politicians in Washington are acting. I believe in that this is no longer conservatism. I believe that this develops more and more in an anti-democratic direction - it started with the Tea Party movement. I believe that we have to find our way back, so that we are able to respect politicians from the other side again. But not with this president, not with this people in the White House, not with conservatives who act like.....I'm frustrated!"

"But for me, at least if I would work at Hoax News, it would be important to know exactly for what Hoax News stands for."

"We think that our country is in danger right now, in severe danger! To support families is important for us, yes, we think we need a strong economy, we think that we need a powerful army, we think that our country should stand for leadership, but leadership together with our allies, we think that every American has a right to education and a right to health. We think that the majority of the voters should determine who's president and that compromises are the basis of democracy. We think that politicians should behave in a way that the people would be able to trust our government. No country is able to survive when the people not believe in it and trust in it. To say it clear, we believe in pluralism - the opposite is dictatorship!"

"I've asked Peter before, would you allow me to have a own talk show where I can invite whomever I want?"

"We would encourage you! Pluralism....."

"Sanders, Warren?"

"With pleasure...."

"Clinton?"

"Which?"

"Hillary!"

"Would you talk with her about her crappy campaign?"

"Obama?"

"Would you ask him why the democrats are not talking about our stupid electoral system?"

"So, what's your message?"

"It's not important whom you invite, it's important that you ask the right questions!"

"Who would tell me the right questions?"

"You're old enough! You would not sit here if we wouldn't think that you're old enough to ask the right questions."

"Maybe I'm only here because of an mysterious favor?"

"That you have to discuss with Peter."

"What would be my status?"

"Program director nationwide."

"Wow, and Raven and you?"

"I would be CEO and Raven would be my right-hand and deputy."

"And Peter?"

"He would retract, more or less. He's more interested in establishing a science program - under the aegis of Hoax News."

"You always say "would" and you probably talk with others, say candidates?"

"Sure, we talk with many. This is one of the reasons why I would be definitely able to offer you alternative jobs. But you would be a key element for our expansion - as I said, the favor is Peter's private thing."

"Would?"

"Well, we have to see whom we can get. With you as program director nationwide we would have done a large step forward. Many following decisions will depend on your answer."

"But I'm not the only candidate, therefore....."

".....I've said that we talk with many, but only with you about the position of the program director. You say yes and you will have the job. You say no and we will have a problem insofar as that we have to apply plan B - plan B would mean that we let the position vacant for the moment."

"As Peter said: I will have all possibilities....."

"If you say yes, then without any pressure."

"Can I ask you a personal question?"

"Sure."

"All Hoax News anchors are unmarried, I...."

"You're interested in my personal circumstances?"

"I not wanna be impolite, I....."

"I'm over fifty now. I pay for sex....shocked?"

"I don't think I should....."

"Come on, be a bit more straight and aggressive - a least, when you talk with me. You should know this, if you start at Hoax News - don't pussyfoot around!"

"I only think that's maybe a bit too private....."

"Why? I'm only tired to discuss everything. I pay and he does what I want, in the way I want and as long as I want - then he leaves. What's your problem? If we were men you would say now something like: Man, you're a cool guy, but we are women, therefore it's not appropriate, at least one should not talk about, or?"

"My problem is that Hoax News not represents a very enlightened image of women. Take your anchors as....."

"Sorry that I interrupt you, but you worked at CNN as anchor? Or I'm wrong?"

"Yes, but at CNN....."

".....is so different....?"

"Yes! Your anchors wear the shortest dresses, the most make-up and the camera setting is always perfect when one of you crosses their legs!"

"Says the women that definitely is in the top 5 of all polling like: Best female leg-crossings! And by the way, your panties were very nice...."

"That was an incident - why you're laughing! Do you really think that I did this by design? Then definitely, I'm at the wrong place!"

"You're at the right place! But come on, you're an anchor! What do you think? How many men watch your news shows because they like your legs or do you think they are all interested in your news? Is this the fairy tale they narrate at CNN?"

"This not answers the question why at Hoax News everything is so extreme - I called you peacocks..."

"Because we're playing our roles, we're anchors, we....."

"....it it true, that Peter suggested that you wear summer dresses?"

"Oh Peter, and his summer dresses. First, Peter loves women in business dresses very much because Peter loves women all the time very much whatever they wear, or not wear. His problem was that all we anchors look alike, the same dresses, the same hair, the same style, the same shape, the same nice legs - we're clones! Therefor he wanted to try something different."

"But you and Raven not?"

"We started a business, a business that has its rules - you know them from CNN. We women are always regulated, or are you able to wear what you like - and don't start with men, it would break my heart, what a decision every morning - which pair of trousers and which shirt. Hoax News is on the move and we have a lot of discussions at the moment. Dresses, Peter's opinion is obvious. Raven tends towards Peter - I'm skeptical. It would be interested to hear your opinion - if you join Hoax News....."

"So what's the case now?"

"Maybe that I wouldn't force you to wear a fucking dress like this - you look very beautiful in your summer dress. But what do you think, would your viewers accept you in this dress as an serious anchor? No, and be honest! Why you get your news show at CNN and not Jane Doe? Because you were "better" than Jane? Or maybe because you look "better" than she? Don't answer, we both know the answer - that's the fucking game and we play our fucking role - Peter is a dreamer, and I love him therefor, but.....we're running a TV station....."

"I not wanna bore you, but the Hoax News anchors are still the most perfect clones. You not have to do this....."

"Again, we started a TV channel, a conservative TV channel, and we played our roles. That not means....."

"And you are all unmarried, no children because.....and please not the commonplace that all of you are married with your work."

"You know now that I prefer it to say a man what I expect and that he delivers then. Therefor he gets payed and that's it. Ask Raven, maybe you like it...and by the way your CNN boyfriend....."
"I don't think that that was very polite now. Raylene can have him....."
"I don't think she's interested in. You should join our team, we would be a very cool female pack..... "

Ashley and Raven

"Hi Raven, you have some time for our guest?"
"With pleasure, hello Ashley, I'm Raven...."
"Hello Raven."
"Have a seat - coffee or tea....."
"I had a mocha with Faye, should I drink a tea?"
"Always a good choice. How about a oolong, a not totally fermented tea?"
"I'm no tea expert, but why not?"
"I need a moment, how was your talk with Faye?"
"Oh, you brew the tea by yourself....?"
"To brew a tea is a very contemplative process - you should try it also."
"You have a lot of tea in your office and all what's needed for the preparation."
"You should go to Peter's office - and his tea cabinet at home, you've saw - Faye?"
"I'm still puzzled about Hoax News, see no clear-cut course. I see differences between Faye and you, not to talk about Peter. Sometimes.....sometimes I.....I'm simply not sure what I should think about Hoax News."
"Maybe your problem is that we self are in a process of discussions - the tea is ready, a oolong from New Zealand."
"New Zealand? Tea from New Zealand?"
"Yes, they are producing better and better teas over the years. This one has a very complex taste, oolongs as such have a complex taste, but this is a fantastic example."
"Still a bit hot...."
"Yes, both needs its time. The preparation of the tea but then also the enjoyment of drinking the tea. Nothing for the hasty people. I've heard that you're interested in our personal circumstances and also our sexual preferences?"
"Ah,....the first maybe Peter, but the second? You not talked with Faye?"
"Do you have a problem with her lifestyle - I mean that she pays for sex?"
"I think I have not the right to judge. So if you also...."
".....why on earth I should pay for sex? At least for a man! You only have to show your legs and they.....never ever a man!"
"Now I'm a bit.....you pay for women?"
"I pay for nobody, I live in a civil partnership."
"With a woman - or?"
"Certainly with a woman, who needs a man - and especially, for what?"
"Well, I personally....."
".....never had sex with a woman, I mean real sex not this: I tried it once...."
"Now Hoax News becomes more and more strange. Faye pays for sex, you live together with a woman - and the others - wait - I don't mean this against you but you not tell this your viewers - or?"
"What should we tell them? Okay, you can criticizes Faye in the sense that she.....in which sense you can criticizes her? She not sleeps with underage crack boys? Richard Gere is cool, but then.....that's bigoted! - And I hope you have no problems with me....."
"Absolutely not! But family values and Hoax News?"
"We not fought against same-sex marriage. But we also think that a family with children should be

especially supported. Yes, also two men or women, but in the end you need a woman and a man - you know...."

"But you're lesbian, is this not offensive against yourself?"

"I expect that the society respects my way to live and I don't see a reason why my way should be discriminated in any way. But the average family will be a family with a man and a woman for all time and I have no problem therewith. Pluralism - a key word for Hoax News, maybe this confuses you?"

"Do you wish to marry?"

"Later maybe, we both think that it's too early for now. Should we talk a bit more about Hoax News?"

"Maybe about summer dresses?"

"Peter and his summer dresses, an endless topic....and by the way yours is very beautiful - like you..."

"Sorry? You not....?"

"Maybe you should work on your preconceived opinions or is it so strange that a woman tells you that you're beautiful - I guess men do this all the time?"

"Touché - Hoax News?"

"Hoax News is on the move, presumably you have talked about this with Peter and Faye."

"Yes we did. But your opinion would be interesting for me. So far I know that there are differences between Faye and you."

"I would not call it differences, we have to decide how Hoax News should be positioned in the future. It's important that we discuss this, a lot will depend on our decisions. Interesting for you is that we see a problem therein that all the people who are involved in this discussions at the moment are people who are working very long at Hoax News, if not from the beginning. It would be good if someone from outside would join the discussions - apart from that, that a program director nationwide would had a significant voice."

"But I think I would have very different ideas in comparison to yours. I see the danger for me that I would come up with ideas and all the time I will be overruled."

"What do you think? Summer dress or business dress?"

"Business dress - but I think this is not the important question, or?"

"Humph, you agree with Faye? But you're right, this is not the important question, although our appearance not unimportant for the viewer will be...."

"That's not wrong - in fact it's a very important question. But what's about the basic values Hoax News stands for?"

"They will be defined through the people who add up to Hoax News. If you would be a part of Hoax News you would define this values as well."

"But I would be in the minority. I would have no chance to carry my ideas through."

"What our dresses concerns, it seems more that I will have no chance to carry my idea through! Do not underestimate Hoax News, what a sense it would make, to convert you to Hoax News and then we would suppress your opinions all the time. You would leave Hoax News very fast, a anchor like you has enough opportunities. At the end it would be a disaster for Hoax News, that would make definitely no sense."

"I always have this uncomfortable feeling - a wrong decision can mean the end of your career."

"If you're unsure about - choose one of the alternatives. It would make no sense to join Hoax News with a bad feeling. It would be no good for us either."

"That makes a decision not easier."

"What do you expected? That I try to persuade you?"

"Maybe, maybe that would had made the decision easier."

"The decision against Hoax News - or? I think your problem at the moment is that we not act like you expected. But that's okay. Take your time and then decide. Maybe I can help you along. Chose a topic!"

"Faye said that she thinks we would be a "cool female pack". I think she meant us three - she as

CEO with you at her side and me as program director. Then all of you tell me all the time, that I would not be here, if you not would believe that I would fit in very good with all of you. Why you-all are so convinced about that? Nobody from you has ever worked with me, what's the basis for your assessment?"

"Maybe you should better talk about this with Peter or at least Ashley. What I can tell you is that we think you're good, what means, if you would take the job, you will be able to, to put your mark on it....."

"....now I have to interrupt you! My mark would not be the Hoax New's mark! I can not imagine that I, as a program director, would not be in permanent conflict with you both."

"Do you think Obama has done severe mistakes, glaring misjudgments and suchlike?"

"It's easy today....."

".....at that time! Did you were happy with all his decisions, say about Syria?"

"No, but we talked about this at CNN."

"Really? CNN reported, at this time, that, not to support the rebels in Syria is the same disaster than not to support the opposition in Iraq - Bush?"

"We supported Obama's line to de-escalate the conflict, not to interfere directly."

"Millions dead, millions refugees, Assad still leader - a disaster!"

"And Hoax News knew it all!"

"No, but we were critical, although it was good that this country had its first Afro-American president....."

".....yeah, critical against Bush....."

".....in the heat of the moment, Hoax News started seven years ago, no Bush!"

"Yeah, that's true - and today?"

"Today? Today there's no longer the question whether you are a democrat or a conservative, today the question is whether you love this country or you support a power-hungry coterie, today the question is whether we allow them to destroy our nation or not!"

"It's true, many were surprised how hard you criticized our today's president, right from the beginning. But you also criticized Clinton very hard....."

"Maybe the "normal" people aren't that dull, tired to be ruled all the time by the same persons. Kennedy clan, Bush clan - again a Bush!, Clinton follows Clinton - are we idiots? And "he" was president, "he" was a fantastic role model! And "she", defending his shit, also!"

"But the result....."

"...the result is that Clinton got three million votes more!"

"And Hoax News stands for popular vote and a multi party system - okay, and what about me? Say, the democrats would had nominated Sanders and the conservatives Ted Cruz. Hoax News would support Cruz but my heart would belong to Sanders - and then?"

"Then we hope you would be able to challenge Sanders in the same way as we challenge Cruz. This people wanna rule our nation, they wanna rule us - how many millions the Clintons are richer after presidency? - And please not start to talk about the situation today, that baffles all descriptions! We need leaders with visions, leaders who not talk about helping people, we need leaders who start with it."

"Obama?"

"To be fair, with this undemocratic behavior on the part of the conservatives.....let the history books judge...."

"You really think it would be possible that we would be able to support different candidates?"

"As long as we support the real important thing together - democracy - yes! Popular vote, multi party system, coalitions, compromises - especially compromises! Balance of interests, that's what our country lacks, that's what our country needs - therefor we should fight together - and the people will decide who wins. And every vote will count!"

"I have to think about this - a last question. Some are longer here at Hoax News, but I would be their supervisor. Do you think this would be a problem?"

"You should ask them, we thought, that it would be good to talk with all of us in any case. Or what

do you think?"

"I would appreciate this and hoped that this would be possible."

"Sure, with whom you wanna talk next?"

"Whoever have time for me..."

"Raylene will be ready with her magazine in a few minutes - how's the tea?"

"Should I start to work at Hoax News I would become a tea drinker, it's an outstanding taste!"

"You will become a tea drinker...."

Ashley and Raylene

"About what topic you wanna talk with me?"

"Not about relationships at least...."

"That would do me good, I'm sick thereof!"

"I felt a bit uncomfortable with Faye and Raven....to talk about their relationships....."

"Why? They do it the right way! Faye tells her men what they have to do and Raven has a wonderful relation with another woman. I trusted an idiot, believed his flattering words - asshole! Maybe, also I should try it with a woman? You're free at the moment I've heard...."

"Ah, yes - but I still feel attracted by men...."

"Really? I'm getting more and more tired of them. They bore me more and more."

"Don't you think that there's a man outside, a man with whom you would be able to become happy?"

"My schoolgirl-days are over...."

"Do you think I'm too naive?"

"I'm only hurt, I really trusted him, I really thought this is the man for the rest of my live - we had wedding plans...."

"Is it too obtrusive when I ask?"

"He fucked another bitch - I mean she's a bitch not I, or....in fact she's no bitch either. He's a wimp, he's the bitch - yeah, she looked fucking good, therefore I have to try, to fuck her - oh, I would like to kick into his nuts!"

"That feeling is not unknown to me - your offer lasts?"

"New job, new relation - that's a package!"

"By the way, I would be your supervisor?"

"You not mean: I'm you boss, that means, when I wish that you suck my dick, you have to suck my dick - or?"

"That's very direct, but no, that wasn't my thought. But to stay with this, is this not more or less what Faye does?"

"She not uses her status to get what she wants. Her men are no "inferiors". They have a deal."

"And what do you think about men who go to prostitutes?"

"I think there's a difference between Faye's men and a prostitute, I think...."

"....you see me laughing! You mean, because she's able to pay a bit more than a normal, say worker, therefore it's okay? Paid sex only for the rich?"

"I focused on the side of the paid at this moment. The difference is for me that Faye's men are getting payed well for what they do. They have possibilities. A prostitute on the street, paid whatever, with a pimp on her tail, she has no possibilities. But come on, this is America - the more money, the more possibilities."

"Ditto for the rest of the world...."

"It's said to, that it give countries, at least I've heard that, countries which try to cushion this, which care for equalization - but maybe that's a hoax!"

"Balance of interests - Raven said this. That's what our country needs...."

"Definitely! "

"And prostitution? Give them more money and all are happy?"

"I thought that I will be a wife soon, maybe with children, with a house, a garden, a real husband. And now, now I'm the fucked! I don't know what Faye's wishes are, nobody knows what the men have to do.....I don't think that to pay for sex is a solution. Sometimes I think that the only happy person here, I mean what relations concerns, Raven is. The funny thing is, that we others, all we others try to have relations with men, try to have a "normal" relation, what society expects, what everybody tells you, your dream should be - and we all fail in our own fashion. We all, except Raven - interesting, or?"

"Do you promote for a lesbian lifestyle? Do you court me?"

"I reflect about myself - maybe I should ask Raven if she knows a single woman I could date - and you.....you will be my supervisor! This would be no good basis for a happy relation...."

"Because I would be your supervisor?"

"Because we would work here together and after work.....I really have the feeling we will work very good together, and I really think we could be a fulfilled couple, at least it would be worth a try - but both, I think would be a bit too much!"

"If we "would" work together...."

"Sorry, was not meant offensive! But really, I "would" like to work with you....."

"I have to confess that I liked our conversation. So you would have no problem with me as supervisor? We have the same age....."

"But you're longer an anchor - this is no idle talk, but you were always a role model for me, I mean this so!"

"Wow, maybe I should talk with Raven....."

Ashley and Tammy

"Hi Ashley, nice to meet you!"

"Hi Tammy, nice to meet you too!"

"Did you get enough information about Hoax News?"

"Hoax News still puzzles me a lot, but I think I should talk with Peter about - I think we will have a final talk."

"Sure..."

"Sorry, don't meant it in this way! In fact there's a point which I would like to discuss with you."

"Now I'm curious..."

"I hope it's not offensive for you, but I had this point with Peter at my TV talk, my former TV talk."

"That I'm an Asian-American, Lara an Afro-American and Aeris a Latino-American? - We watched the program...."

"Yes - and Faye and Raylene adding up well. Peter said: This is L.A., but I don't believe him! This looks too much as if it's intended in this way, totally intended in this way - or?"

"Do you think Peter lied to you?"

"I feel that way, but on the other hand this would make no sense, it would be no good basis for working here - I know I should ask Peter, but I.....he was very aggressive at this day."

"He was a bit disappointed, he thought you would be more challenging, he thought that you would ask more in-depth....."

"....wait a moment, you tell me he was disappointed but then he invited me for a dinner and to become a part of Hoax News?"

"Faye and Peter were very interested in you, very impressed with you work as anchor. This was the reason why he accepted your invitation. But then he was a bit disappointed, but after the dinner he said that he's absolutely sure now that Faye's and his opinion on you were no mistake - she's good, dam good, was what he said after your dinner."

"He knows that you tell me this?"

"I have no "order" to say this to you, you asked - but everyone would tell you this, we have no secrets, we talk about such topics in an open way. We're a team and everyone's opinion counts."

"And what's your opinion about me?"

"I think you're a fantastic anchor, a model. I would like it very much to work together with you."

"With me as supervisor?"

"No question who's the more experienced anchor of us two is - you're playing in a league with Faye and Raylene, I will need some more years to get there."

"You not named Peter?"

"Ask him - he has other plans...."

"A science channel?"

"Yes and no....he will no longer work in the news business, he's.....disappointed, to use a nice word...."

"The election?"

"Yes, he never thought - no, that's not the problem. The problem is that Clinton got more votes but not became president and nobody is incensed. He thought that the people would occupy the streets and the plazas, that the democrats would try to change the electoral system, that somebody would say it loud and clear, would say it that this is not democratic! He's totally disappointed - you were one of the few who questioned our electoral system at least somewhat....."

"The prior aim for Hoax News - popular vote and a multi party system?"

"Sometimes it's not wrong to learn from your companioned partners, your friends, at least as long you know who your friends are...."

"Thank you for this information - and the L.A. thing?"

"Peter's lie?"

"He lied?"

"No, he not lied! It was the time when Raylene joined Peter, Faye and Raven. They all had European roots and they thought it would be good for Hoax News, when L.A. as a multicultural city would reflect itself in the Hoax News staff."

"I smile because, I've Irish ancestors....."

"Don't forget the new structure of Hoax News. Sure, Faye as CEO and Raven as her deputy - two persons with European roots. In addition to them you as program director nationwide - okay, also European. But then we will have four regional managers. Raylene, Lara, Aeris and I - four different cultural backgrounds. In addition more and more new staff will join Hoax News - we wanna see the diversity of our nation therein. So, not really by chance, but the background is another than you maybe thought."

"I have to think about this.....do you allow me a private question?"

"Sure...."

"I ponder, more and more - maybe I should better say, that I ask for an advice from you - no, no advice.....Raylene's words, I'm not able to get them out of my head...."

"What does she said?"

"I'm not sure if I should tell you..."

"About which topic?"

"Relationships."

"Wow, you at the right place - I'm the total expert!"

"She said: That all of you, except Raven, try to have relations to men and, and this is....okay, she said that all of you, except Raven, fail in your own fashion....."

"You're interested in my fashion?"

"That would be unrespectful, I only mean, you also have no....no.....real relation...?"

"I'm a young Asian-American woman, my parents think I should marry, have children and all that stuff. I....I would like to find someone.....I think, I have the, by far, largest men consumption here - you think I'm a hoe?"

"Sounds not so, but sounds not very happy either?"

"Not really - mom and dad would be happy if I would marry an Asian man - I don't know....like it, to go out....somebody drag me off - good idea to find your "dream man" - all shit...."

"I thought I've found him, also not better...."

"Like Raylene, she always told me how fantastic it is, when you have found "him" - they planed their marriage....."
"That's really sad, then....it's shit then!"
"She thinks about to try it with women...."
"And you? Enough from men?"
"Don't know? My parents wouldn't be happy about...."
"Maybe we should start a girls' living community....."
"Hoax News will be a girls' living community without Peter...."

Ashley and Lara

"I've talked now with everyone of you about relations - I think you know my "status"."
"Yeah, no real secret - Aeris?"
"No, not with Aeris yet. She will be my last dialog partner."
"You saved the best for last....."
"Pardon?"
"Ask her - she will tell you....."
"According to what I know now from Faye and Raven, but also from Raylene and Tammy - what can overcome this?"
"Come on, no imagination? But really, you should discuss this with her - you're interested in me?"
"Yes,....I hope, I not drop a brick, but is it easy for you, I mean as an Afro-American woman, especially in a city like Los Angeles?"
"What should I say? What do you expect that I say? It's not easy as Afro-American in this country, not in this city and to be a woman makes it not easier."
"Raylene said that all of you fail with your relations - you also?"
"No, that's absolutely wrong! I don't fail, because I have non."
"That you can see also as a....."
".....yeah, failure! I'm unsure about how I should behave. Not so much role models here...."
"You dream about a family?"
"Yeah, with many kids, a nice house, a garden, in a boring suburban neighborhood. I'm totally white-bread what this concerns - funny in one way, idiotic at the end."
"But why you should not dream about it? Maybe....."
"....maybe.....that I'm the only black in the all white suburban street? What do you think would be better, a white or a black husband, a dog or a cat as pet? I'm raised in Compton, had a lot of luck in my life - Faye and Peter got me a chance, a once in a lifetime chance - and now? Now I earn good money, and will earn more in the future and live in Long Beach...."
"Sounds not that bad?"
"Hey, do you see my color? Guess, how many with my color live in my apartment-house - Ocean Boulevard?"
"You the only one I guess."
"Yeah! And don't understand me wrong - I moved to Long Beach, nobody forced me, and sure, I not say that the people there are racist, but it sucks at the beach, at the restaurant, at the supermarket - everybody looks at you, surprised, and then as a woman alone, no man at her side - it sucks! Should I tell you something? I'm twenty-seven and a virgin - surprised? How often somebody says that I'm a fucking hot ebony woman - I want to get away, I have to go away!"
"You will become one of the four regional managers, exceptional with twenty-seven, which region you will manage?"
"Northeast, but with some bordering states from Midwest and South. I will move to Boston - I'm very happy to leave this city!"
"Wow, do you think life will be easier in Boston?"
"That's a joke, or? I dream of the forests and the snow in the winter - as I said...."

"I hope you will find there everything, you dream of - It's very liberal there, very European - ah wait, Peter is born in Providence!"

"Yes, he talked with me about his youth there, he loved it very much there...."

"But now he lives here?"

"He thinks that this city is his final destination..."

"A bit pathetic....? - Maybe this is inappropriate to say this!"

"You know....the ocean?"

"Oh, I've forgotten - the ashes and the waves - it's of disturbing beauty...."

"And I think Boston will be my final destination..."

"You're twenty-seven!"

"And sometimes I feel so old - I think Boston will offer me a new life, off this fuss you have all the time in this city, all the deception, all the lies....yeah California, a bit more honesty would do you good!"

"Do you really think that Boston is more.....honest?"

"More dishonest and hypocritical is indeed not possible - or?"

"I raised up in a small town in Iowa, not that much there....I was totally happy, the big city and the university....and so, so I'm here now, and I love it, to be here. This city definitely no beauty is, sure Boston is much more beautiful, but then, then there's something, something hard to define - I love this city!"

"You would not talk in this way, born in Compton, born with my skin....."

"But this aren't the 90s anymore....?"

"But I raised in the 90s! And yes, crime rates are lower now and rap shit!"

"We live in different worlds while we live in the same city..."

".....stop this, please. I know you will be my supervisor, but let me ask you this question: While at university, how often you were in Compton, Crenshaw or to make it bit more easy for you, say Skid Row? I mean not by mistake, or to see something strange and scary, because you wanna get to know this people?"

"Yes, my parents were white, not poor, but unfortunately not rich, at least not rich enough for this university and this city. I worked a lot to make money on the side, and ended up in debt. I still have some."

"Sorry...."

"It's okay. At the university they laughed about me, I mean the cool, rich students because I had to work that much. But at least....."

"I look forward to have you as supervisor."

"Thanks, really Boston?"

"Yeah, Boston - many children and a garden with a huge tree, one with leaves - I hate palms!"

"Do you allow me a question - a private question?"

"Sure."

"Compton in the 90s?"

"I was two, nineteen ninety-two, but so many died. Should I tell you some cliches? About today and the Latinos, the mayoress and Kendrick Lamar? The 90s are the past, Boston will be my future, I don't like it that much, to talk about my past - maybe you can understand me....."

"I.....acknowledge you....maybe later - well, maybe I will become your supervisor! Then it would be a pleasure for me to meet you from time to time in Boston, also to come to know you better."

"You will see, Boston and the New England states are America's jewelry box!"

Ashley and Aeris

"Hello Ashley, nice to meet you!"

"Hello Aeris, nice to meet you too! - My last dialog partner....."

"Is it still necessary that we talk? I mean regarding your decision for or against Hoax News?"

"I still have to talk with Peter, as a last point. But.....I don't now how I should say it, not to appear nosey....."

"The relation topic?"

"You've talked with the others about my conversations with them?"

"Of course!"

"I hesitate because Lara said something....."

"Lara and her dream about domestic happiness! I really wish her the best for Boston, but I fear she's sometimes a bit naive. It would be wonderful would she find an eligible match, but.....some say, that such men exist in fact - I mean a man like Lara searches for."

"Have heard it also, but...."

"You as housewife, wife and mother? Come on...."

"Maybe not with the tree in the garden, but I would like to have a family and children - later, later when it's too late....."

"Really?"

"Yes in fact! But I think this will stay as a dream - Lara said about you: The best at the end?"

"She doesn't like my lifestyle - she thinks I'm a sinner."

"She's religious? - I think of Faye!"

"Oh, she's very religious - not sure about what you both had talked....."

"She said me that she's still a virgin - wow, she really waits for true love, I envy her, really, I appreciate her."

"You also could name this naive, not to harm her, but.....she's twenty-seven, time to become adult."

"You don't think that this is a bit harsh?"

"She knows my opinion. We've talked a lot about this topic. I cannot understand her and she not understands me - we have no problem with this....okay, that's not really true. She has a problem with me insofar, that her belief tells her that I'm an immoral person, but we're also very good friends. We respect each other."

"And what's her problem then, if you allow me to ask?"

"I have relationships with married men."

"Plural?"

"Plural."

"Wow, I have to confess.....that both, married and men.....the best....."

"You condemn me?"

"No - or maybe yes, don't know....it's - I think of the wives...."

"When a man says that he thinks a married woman is "hot" and makes him "horny", that he wanna "fuck" her, then it's okay - or? Then it's the woman's duty to say: NO! And when a married man thinks another women is a fucking hot Latina, that he wanna fuck her, then it's okay - or? Then it's the woman's duty to say: NO! Why have I to say: NO! - Why?"

"Maybe both....."

".....I can give you the addresses, if you like. Start with them, and when you come back and they had told you that they are wimps, not able to control themselves, that they are nothing more than phony windbags, in public always with their families and the cute kids, family values so important for our nation..... - and with me, wow, it's fantastic to fuck a hot Latina, the sex is so much better than at home, I'm doing things.....yeah, I'm a Latina bitch - sometimes I envy Lara....."

"And you're working for a conservative news channel?"

"No problem, when you get fucked by two democratic politicians and a democratic judge! I mean, Bill had had no sex after all and Hillary stood by her loving husband - or? And this was true love, everything else would had cost her the chance to become president herself - sometimes it's simply wonderful to be a woman, sometimes, only sometimes, but sometimes I wish to be a man - shit, you can do nearly everything, always this fucking bitches are guilty - then you even can become president! Do you think, Hillary would had been allowed only one of this disgraceful statements and actions? She would had been the last and uppermost bastard in this country - but he's a man and everything is okay! But I have to feel guilty - this time I say: NO! NO! NO!"

"I have to apologize! - Wait! I mean this really, I will not lie, say, that I'm able to.....I still have my problems with your relations. But I know now, I think that I know now, why Lara can respect you as a person, even when she has problems with your lifestyle or that she even cannot respect your lifestyle. At least I'm sure about that I can respect you as a person - your relations as such I cannot respect - would this be a problem for you?"

"You mean if you would become my supervisor?"

"Yes, when I would be your supervisor."

"I don't think so. None of us is an image of perfection, to many act as if they would be it, but this are only liars and imposters. It's nice to say this in this city, where we have our own saints, that who promise you your salvation, the catharsis of your soul, to become a real human - so much lies and shit in this city!"

"Which region you will manage?"

"A part of the western states with Alaska and Hawaii. We expand the Northeast, especially towards the south. The Midwest and the South expand towards the West. Raylene will move to Chicago to manage the Midwest and Tammy will move to New Orleans to manage the South. I will stay in Los Angeles."

"Then we will be close together - if I would take the job!"

"And I....would appreciate this very much."

Peter and Ashley

"And now, what do you think?"

"I think I should have some days to think over this all. But I would like to have a final talk with you."

"Sure and sure. Take your time and think it over. And with what can I help you?"

"My guideline, our big aim, what we stand for - get rid of our president and then?"

"It's not the problem whether he's in office or not. We have to protect our system of checks and balances. As long as this functions, not that much can happen - apart from the nuclear weapons and the codes, I hope we will be spared from this at least. Hitler was very limited till the conservatives voted for the Enabling Act. This gave him his power, the rest is history with millions of dead at the battlefields and millions of dead in the concentration camps. We have to defend our constitution."

"I see no problem in this for me. But isn't it the question how you interpret our constitution. Is this not the borderline between democrats and conservatives? Pursuit of Happiness, everybody can underwrite this, but in the end this words can mean so much or so less, depends on you and your worldview and your experiences."

"As I said it at our dinner, at the moment it's not the question whether you are a democrat or a conservative, at the moment the question is whether you are a patriot or a traitor, whether you fight for our constitution, or you try to destroy our constitution. At the moment the question is whether the moderate forces in our country will still determine the development of our country or the radical forces will overturn our country and plunge our country into a pre-democratic status, a status of horror, like the IS do it today and the Nazis did it, not a hundred years ago."

"So, you think we should forget for a moment whether we are democrats or conservatives because our country is in such severe danger - and then?"

"You have not to be a fan of Ronald Reagan, but he was not on the way to destroy our society. The same is true of Bush, both. Carter, Clinton, and yes also Obama - you have not to be a fan of them, but also they were not on their way to destroy our society. But now, now our society is on its way, to become destroyed. I hope we can show that all this big-mouthed assholes with their simple solutions are only assholes at the end. Look at this fucking president, look at his wall, look at his new jobs, look at how big America now is, while the world laughs about us - America is the laughingstock of this world now! And when they not laugh about us, they are irritated or angry about us - or anxious, anxious whom we gave the codes. We are no longer a good partner, no longer a

good friend, no longer someone with whom you want to be seen."

"What are the most important topics for you, thing that should be changed. Popular vote and a multi-party system you've mentioned before."

"For me it would be important that we define America as the sum of its inhabitants, and our administration is also a part of it. We are the people, we are America, and this administration is our administration. And we should care for each other, everybody should care for each other, the administration has to care for the American people, and the American people have to support the administration and to trust the administration. There is not the nation on one side, the people on the other side, and an administration on a third side - all is the same! Should be!"

"And the practical experience?"

"Look at Virginia, look at the coal miners. Is it a shame when they have elected this idiot? I don't think so! Look at the cities, the dead cities - nobody cared for them, no democrat, no conservative - and the idiot from N.Y.? Does anybody believes that he's interested in the coal miners - apart from their votes? Where are the jobs? Where are the programs to help them? He cuts them, that's the truth! He hoaxed this people, that's the truth! Nothing, nothing will become better for them because nobody tells them that coal mining is yesterday, today is green energy. But this would be no problem, would we care for people who need help. When we would help the coal miners to establish new infrastructures, with a future, not with a dead past. But this would mean that the administration has to help them, not with empty phrases, but with programs and aid. But this would cost money, and we all know what one of this nice rich Americans has said: Why I should pay taxes, that the administration gives my money the poor? YEAH, YOU ASSHOLE! YES!!! For instance the "poor" coal miners, that the can create a better future for themselves and their families! That would help them - it saddens me, at the end this people will be the losers, trusted this big-mouth who laughs about them now, now that he got their votes."

"It's still the beginning of his term. He still has time to do something."

"In a thousand years he will do nothing for them. First he's only interested in himself, but more important, he's lousy! We not have to talk about, that he's a total failure as politician, more important for this, he's a total failure as business man! He's bankrupt, bankrupt as before, strictly speaking, this fantastic business man was bankrupt all the time."

"Okay, I'm no fan of him, but even Forbes gives him three and a half billion dollars."

"Immovable property yes, but income? He makes no money with all his nice towers, hotels, clubs. With some yes, with many no - on balance, a lot of red ink! Consider, what a narcissist he is. Imagine, he would earn a lot of money with his nice buildings, a lot of black ink - what would he do?"

"He would have to show the whole world what a fantastic business man he his - okay so far, but Russia...."

"....forget this stupid gossip. He loves you for that! Believe me, he's broke! It's simple as that! He will do everything, that he not has to unfold his tax return. If he would do it, the whole world would see what a fucking business man he is, the whole world would laugh about him. He simply is lousy - you see it every day in Washington!"

"Do you have a prove?"

"Stand in front of him, look into his eyes and ask him: Mr. Wannabe can I see your tax return? He will sweat like a swine - and when he would say that I lie or that this all is fantasy - prove it! You can do it so easy - unfold it, like every former president did it."

"But then, he's president now....."

"....now he's able to steal all the money he needs from the American people. He's a criminal, now I fear, now he becomes in fact rich - by stealing it from the American people...."

"He will love us! Hoax News....."

"....no mistake now! 1998 Clinton for instance? Both Clintons! This president is a disaster, but Clinton was not that cool in this moment, and Hillary - wow, interesting what you're able to swallow when it's good for your own career. Yes, the Bushs and their wars - Obama and: Yes we can! We have the duty to look carefully at them whom we, the people, gave power. It's not a matter

of, to be a democrat or to be a conservative, it's a matter that we gave this people power to serve us, the people. And we, the media, we have the duty to look over their shoulders. We have not to be neutral - simply, because this is impossible! But we have to tell, for what we stand, and we have to respect our constitution, and we have to respect our nation, we have to respect the people, because the people are the nation."

"Nicely said, but everybody will tell you that he respect the people."

"Do you think a KKK member respects the people when he tells you that a person with black skin is nothing worth, is a piece of shit! Do you think that a alt-right proponent respects the people when he tells you that, to be white means to be something better. This people piss on our flag and constitution, they stain our nation, because the people are the nation, all people who live in this nation. No matter what color their skin has, what they believe or not, men or women or transgender, heterosexual or homosexual.....and what kind of "distinguishing marks" you will be able to find as well, they all will be part of this nation, because they are part of the people who form this nation."

"So also a KKK member is part of this nation?"

"Part of which nation?"

"The USA...."

"First Amendment? Do you think the KKK, would they be in power, would respect this rights?"

"No..."

"Then they try to destroy this nation! Then they are no part of this nation! You have to respect this nation to be part of this nation - anything else would make no sense!"

"Freedom of speech?"

"You're a woman, you have no brain, you should not be allowed to elect, your task is to give birth - shut up when I talk, I'm a man - when you have an abortion you're a murderer, you have to burn, women are the hotbed of sin - what a shit is this? Everything has to have limits, and yes also the freedom of speech, then, when it's no longer a topic of expressing an opinion, but the expression of hate, with the aim to eliminate the freedom of speech, with the aim to eliminate this country."

"Who's the judge?"

"We, the people who form this nation. In proxyship our administration or better, the three powers, the system of checks and balances."

"But if you would no longer allow for example to express extreme political opinions, or that Nazis march through the streets, with swastika, Hitler salute and suchlike would this not undermine our values as well?"

"The problem is: Germany in the 20's. They allowed the Nazis to march, they allowed to say anything, they laughed about the funny little man, the whole world laughed about him, when he said what he would like to do, with the Jews, and the gays, and the handicapped, and.....that he would like to gain new "lebensraum" in the east, with a war if needed - all such things. Maybe it would had been better not to allow all this things. Today it's no longer allowed in this country to wear a swastika, to do the Hitler salute, to deny the Holocaust and things like this. If you would disparage a handicapped person as a politician your political career would be over, immediately! As Cartman once said: I only ask questions - No! That was the point, he asked no questions - that is the point!"

"Our president....."

".....is only a puppet on a string. Nearly I feel sorry for him, but only nearly. The who use him, these are the dangerous heads. More or less you have to hope that he will finish his term. It's a shitty situation!"

"Sounds a bit like a conspiracy theory?"

"When it would be only this, when history would show later that it was one, I would happy! It's only this fucking feeling that history repeats itself sometimes, sometimes, therefore, there's still hope....."

"And now?"

"That's my question - and now, Hoax News?"

"Give me some days, and then I will say....."

Becoming Hoax

Faye and Ashley

"Hello Ashley, so nice that you said "yes" to Hoax News!"

"Hello Faye, yeah.....now I'm part of Hoax News.....!"

"We will have a good time, "good time" sounds a bit strange today...we will work good together."

"I think so too. Is Peter also around?"

"No, he started to retire. Not completely now, but more and more."

"His science channel?"

"Yeah, the science channel - he's on a journey now."

"Not in town?"

"Not such a journey. He's often in his house in Malibu now, sits on the balcony, drinks tea, listens to jazz music and to the ocean's waves."

"Will I see him again, sounds like he's no longer involved in Hoax News?"

"Oh, he would like to see you again!"

"And there is the favor, he asked for - or better, he not asked for till now?"

"He will do. He's very happy that you said "yes", and he will be here from time to time. So, your first working day at Hoax News....."

The Very End

"Welcome to Hoax News L.A., my name is Ashley Kelly, you watching my TV talk, today with no guest. This morning the coast guard found the dead body of Peter Paul Maurer, co-founder and co-owner of Hoax News at the beach of Santa Monica. To stop all rumors and unverified stories, he committed suicide. He asked me at a wonderful evening, whether I would do him a favor - I said: "Yes", not knowing, that it would be this. The police found a dark blue envelope in his house in Malibu, addressed to me. Also his last will. In the letter, he asked me whether I would do him a favor. He asked me if I would read aloud his last thoughts in public, in my TV show. I will fulfill his wish. But first a few words about his last will. We, Hoax News, think it will be better to make his last will public, before stupid rumors emerge. At least in parts. He has decreed that his 50% share in the company will be divided. Raven Earhardt gets 20% therefrom, Raylene Tantaros, Tammy Lee, Lara Faulkner, Aeris Molina and I 6% each. His other belongings will be sold and the proceeds will be divided among various organizations and societies. A list is part of his last will. Excluded are some objects with a very special meaning for him. Not the complete list, but as examples. In a context with me, his house in Malibu and his Ami 4. Another example his plush toys - a kindergarten will get them, so that children will play with them again. Now I will read his last thoughts....."

Sorry!

I know it's stupid, reckless, egocentric. I know it hurts other people. I know it's senseless. All this and more I know, but.....

I never had the feeling that I would be a part - a part of this world, a part of this society, a part of I don't know what. I always felt like a stranger, an alien, at the wrong place, not knowing what the right place should be. Not knowing how to behave, only knowing that all is wrong. Always doubted of everything. Always hiding all feelings, feared that somebody would be able to see them. Always dreamt about a place.....

A so awful kitschy place, a place, how should I say it? A place where a unicorn would lay its head into my lap - so kitschy! I dream, to touch her mane, so soft and mellow, and her horn pierces my body, so soft and mellow. And a thousand flowers around me, all colors, pervasive red, omnipresent red, so soft and mellow. And I would look so beautiful, so soft and mellow, pervasive red, omnipresent red, so soft and mellow. Nothing would be there, only the unicorn and I and a thousand red flowers. It would be quiet, perfectly quite, and a mellifluous voice silently sings - such a wonderful place this would be.....

But such a place never could be a place on earth, in the reality. No unicorns, no beauty, no quietness. Only noise and hate, the greed for domination and possessions, not soft and mellow, only cold and rugged.....

I starve for tenderness, beauty, softness, warmth - the feeling of security, emotional security. I starve for to be touched, to be loved, to be comforted - the feeling of security, emotional security. I starve for so much! - and see the ones who only hate, the ones who rape this world, the ones who killed all unicorns - I know, unicorns never existed.....

But this knowledge also not helps, too much the wish to touch the unicorn! To feel, to smell, to hear the moisty and hot breath from her nostrils. Not in this world! - but no other world exists! The world of dreams! - but always waking up! An endless sleep, an endless dream, an Endless Ocean.....

I close my eyes and see the dead, those who died an senseless dead - 'cause of senseless wars, 'cause of the wrong color of the skin, 'cause of the wrong believe or 'cause they had none, 'cause of the wrong "race", 'cause of the wrong sexual orientation, 'cause they were defenseless, 'cause of a handicap, 'cause of so many "reasons" - the human mind can be so creative.....

I see an endless ocean of bodies, dead bodies. Uncountable, ungraspable - astonishing, to what humans are able to, I'm one of them.....

I look at their bodies, look at their faces, look into their eyes and hear them screaming, hear their squalls. But I'm not here, I'm not the one who redeems, I'm the Master from Germany, I'm the Death! - and I start to feast on their agonies....

A little hand touches my old hand tenderly, and offers me a way, a so beautiful way into a rose garden, with a thousand red roses, and a supernal-white unicorn.....

Sorry.....