Frisco Eddie's Revenge: The Return

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(Editor's Note: In the last episode, Shelli and Eddie were unsuccessful in the search for their swimsuits, discarded during a passionate interlude in the ocean in front of their honeymoon resort. Just how were they going to get to their suite without being seen in their naked state?)

Shelli and Eddie were trapped (due to their nakedness) in the shallow water just off the beach, trying to figure out a way to get past all the people that were between them and their suite at the resort. They finally got a chance to sneak up onto the moonlit shore. As luck would have it, after a short search, they spotted an oversize beach towel that one of the swimmers had probably left there while they took a dip.

They found that if they each put an arm around the other and squeezed as close as they could, the towel almost reached around the two of them. At first, the plan was to try and sneak around the back of the resort and take the elevator up to their suite. Just about the time they had worked their way to the side of the building, a dreadful thought hit both of them at the same time. They had put the plastic room key in Eddie's swimsuit pocket (which by now had probably drifted halfway to France)!

Their next move was obvious. They pulled the towel closer around them and headed back to the front entrance. As they entered and made their way toward the front desk, they knew they were being noticed by some of the patrons. Their appearance really wasn't that unusual, though -- just another young couple cuddling up in a large beach towel.

The counter man was just about to hand them their key (after they had given a brief explanation) when, out of nowhere, a giant figure of a man appeared right behind them. He spoke quickly: "There was a lot of moonlight out there tonight and I saw you two steal that towel you're wearing. I don't know what's going on with you two -- and don't want to. Just hand me over my beach towel NOW, or I'll just be taking it back myself!"

Eddie tried to begin an explanation, but the big guy wasn't having any of it. In one motion, he grabbed the towel away from Eddie and Shelli -leaving them stark naked! Then the guy (with a huge grin on his face) and his towel very quickly disappeared out the front door.

Needless to say, the room instantly became alive with "oohs" and "ahs" and "wows" from all around. A couple of the older ladies announced that they were going to faint. The counter man was still holding their key. His eyes were bulging out and his face was a bright red color. Finally Eddie hollered out in his loudest voice: "For God's sake, man, give me the damn key!" The counter man seemed to momentarily come to his senses then, and in a jerky motion held out the key.

The two of them tried to cover themselves as best they could as they made a beeline for the stairs. They figured that would be the least conspicuous way to get to their suite. They bolted up the stairs at record-breaking speed, and finally found their floor. They peeked around a bit before entering the hallway. It looked clear. They only had one turn to make and their suite was just around that corner.

They decided to just make a mad dash for it, and get inside those rooms before anything else happened. They started running, but just as they rounded the hallway turn -- they ran right into a couple of people they really didn't expect to see right then!

--TO BE CONTINUED--Who? Who? Who could it be? Sorry, folks, you'll have to wait (just like we do) until next month! Balboa Ron sure has a great technique to keep us hanging in suspense, and it brings in a number of renewals from subscribers who don't want to miss the next episode..... Maybe we ought to try that with tournament reports: "And the winners were -- to be continued next month." No? Guess not!

Changes to "Play Your Way"

Please make the following additions/changes to your "Play Your Way Across the U.S.A." listing which was published in the June issue:

California -- Add to ET's Sports Lounge, Temecula: Phone number, 909-677-0400 and ask for Ted Z.

Oregon -- Change telephone area codes for Tolo Tavern, 99 Tavern, and Eagles Lodge 2093 from 503 to 541. (Thanks, Art Elliff!)

PLEASE, if you are a subscriber shuffleboard location, check the latest listing and let us know of any changes. Shufflers use this list in their travels and it's frustrating when they dial the wrong number. We know there have been a number of area code changes, but we have no way of knowing which ones. Help us help our travelling shufflers!