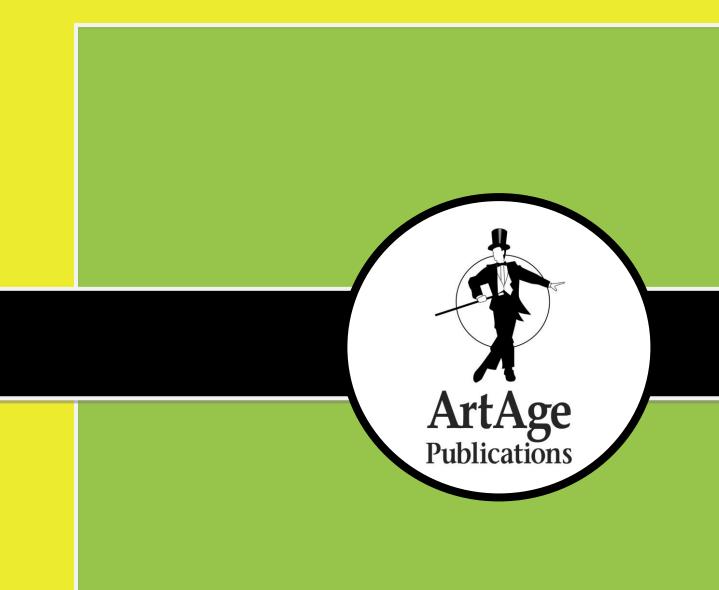
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#### A Five Minute Comedy

#### (Excerpted from the full-length musical, WRINKLES)

#### By Greg Evans

#### CAST

JUNE: A cheerful, positive woman who faces the challenges of aging with goodnatured grace.

HANK: June's husband of 40 years, he tends to be pessimistic about getting old.

ARLENE: A brassy gal with a big personality.

LARRY: Arlene's hubby. Colorfully dressed, he's Mr. Comedy.

Setting: HANK and JUNE's apartment. HANK and JUNE sit at a small table, playing poker. They each have a stack of Ritz crackers, or similar, that they're using as money.

JUNE: Are you going to hold?

HANK: Yes. And I'll raise you three crackers. (*he adds three crackers to a small pile in the center of the table*)

JUNE: Ok. I'll see your three and raise you two. (*She adds 2 crackers. HANK puts down his cards*). Oh, you're folding? Getting too rich for you, huh?

HANK: No. Too boring. I'm sorry, June, but playing poker for crackers is just kind of...dumb.

JUNE: It was your idea.

HANK: MY idea? I thought it was your idea.

JUNE: I don't think so. We were just talking about doing something different and you suggested Cracker Poker.

HANK: How can I remember what I wore on our first date 55 years ago but I can't remember what we talked about 5 minutes ago?

JUNE: Oh, never mind. So what do you want to do? A crossword puzzle?

HANK: No. I can't remember half the stuff I used to know.

JUNE: Hank, you were a school teacher for 40 years. I'm sure it's all still up there in the old attic.

HANK: Maybe so. But I've lost the ladder.

JUNE: (looking at her watch) Well, Jeopardy's on. We could watch that.

HANK: Okay.

(HANK picks up a TV remote. Both look forward at the TV as HANK begins pushing buttons. Nothing's happening.)

HANK: Is this the TV remote or the VCR remote?

JUNE: I thought we got rid of the VCR. Don't we have a CD now?

HANK: You mean a DVD. We have an HD DVD.

JUNE: Ohhh! That clears it up.

HANK: (*squinting at the remote*) All these itty bitty buttons. Who designs this stuff, leprechauns? (*push, push*) Ah! There we go. I had it in 'A' mode instead of 'B' mode.

JUNE: That's the trouble with life nowadays. Too many 'modes.'

HANK: Ok, let's see...how do I get to the program guide...(*pointing and pushing and looking*) Um...menu...submenu...options.

JUNE: That's not it.

HANK: Yes, dear. I see that's not it. (*more button pushing*) Ah! We've got something!

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(SFX: "The Munsters" Theme)

JUNE: "The Munsters." How nice.

HANK: Hold on.. (push, push)

(SFX: Female moaning. They stare wide-eyed at the TV for a moment, then:)

JUNE: Is that the *Playboy Channel?* (*no response from HANK--he's staring*) Hank. *Hank!* 

HANK: Right! Okay, let's see...(push, push) There! "Jeopardy!"

JUNE: My hero. (*they stare a moment, then:*) Where's the sound?

HANK: Sound. Right. Let's see...(*he peers at the remote*) Let's try this.

(HANK points, presses...there's a beat as they both stare at the TV)

JUNE: Did you intend to turn the TV off?

HANK: (*slammng down the remote*) Yes!

(LARRY and ARLENE enter)

LARRY: Did I just hear moaning?

ARLENE: Ooo! Are we interrupting something? Huh? Huh?

JUNE: No, Arlene. We were just watching TV. Come on in.

LARRY: We're on our way to Lunchtime Bingo in the clubhouse. Wanna come?

HANK: Wait--Larry, when I talked to you on the phone earlier, you said you had an appointment today at noon.

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