THE LAST MAN ON EARTH: Spec Script "Swingers"

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EXT. DESERT - NIGHT

PHIL TANDY MILLER and CAROL lay out gazing at the starts.

Tandy has just finished a story about his astronaut brother.

TANDY

So, in essence my brother is Han Solo. Up there...somewhere.

CAROL

He's like the bees knee-caps!

Tandy shoots Carol a confused look.

TANDY

Don't go falling in love now! That would be weird.

CAROL

Just imagine being a space explorer Phil.

TANDY

It's nothing like the movies Carol.

Suddenly, toy light sabers are ignited by two cloaked figures. They are swung back and forth in the darkness, creating the classic Star Wars saber buzz swishes through the air.

Carol and Tandy freak out.

CAROL & TANDY (CONT'D)

Ahhhhh!

CLOAKED FIGURE

You will die!

CAROL

Don't kill us!

TANDY

Take Carol! Kill her first!

Tandy pushes Carol in front of him.

CAROL

What? Don't kill me!

Carol turns on a flash light causing the cloaked figures to stop dead in their tracks.

The cloaked figures begin to laugh hysterically.

TANDY

Wait, you're people?!

CAROL

People?

The cloaked figures, DEVO and JEREMY pull back their hoods, revealing that they are dorky, average dudes.

*Devo and Jeremy would ideally be cast as Paul Scheer and Joe Lo Truglio.

DEVO

We totally punked you guys.

JEREMY

Sweet burn. You totally thought we were Jedi's.

CAROL

No punking here. You are NOT Ashton Kutcher!

TANDY

I knew you weren't Jedi's. That's totally stupid.

DEVO

And hold on...did you try to sacrifice her?

TANDY

No!

CAROL

You did too Phil!

TANDY

No! You must of misheard me! When I yell, sometimes I speak in weird languages.

CAROL

You don't know any other languages.

TANDY

Nein.

A wide shot reveals "The Last Man On Earth Logo".

TRANSITION TO

EXT. DESERT TRAIL - NIGHT

Tandy and Carol follow Devo and Jeremy down a trail.

DEVO

We decided that since we can't control electricity, we might as well camp out indefinitely.

JEREMY

I guess you could say we've got a pretty cool set up going on for ourselves. It's like if Burning Man had a mom and pop shop.

TANDY

So, it's just you two dudes playing with light sabers and drinking beers?

DEVO

We wish! Right Jeremy?

JEREMY

Ha! Yeah. We're both married.

CAROL

That's nice.

TANDY

That totally sucks. Marriage is the worst.

The group approaches a small camp ground. Two hot woman emerge from one of the tents.

DEVO

Speaking of wives, here they are now.

An 80's rock ballad erupts as the two hot wives JILL & ANNA step out of the tent in slow motion. They approach the group with a seductive smile.

Jill & Anna grab Devo & Jeremy, then begin to make out with them.

Carol and Tandy stare in amazement.

TANDY

Marriage is a beautiful thing.

CAROL

Shhh.

Tandy is clearly jealous.

Suddenly, Jill and Anna swap places and begin making out with the opposite man.

Tandy is oozing with jealousy now. Carol is shocked.

CAROL (CONT'D)

What kind of camp out is this?

TANDY

I'm pitching a tent!

Carol hits Tandy's shoulder in disapproval of his statement.

Devo removes his lips from Anna.

DEMO

Oh, I forgot to tell you. We're swingers.

CAROL

Swingers? How scandalous.

TANDY

(under his breath)

How? I want-

Jill looks at Tandy and Carol with lust.

JILL

I'm assuming you two are married. I can make that work.

Carol lets out a smirky laugh.

CAROL

We're not-

TANDY

Yes. We're MARRIED.

CAROL

Phil?! What he means is-

TANDY

Very, happily, married.

Tandy grabs Carol's hand.

CUT TO:

EXT. MELISSA'S HOUSE - ESTABLISHING SHOT- NIGHT

CUT TO:

INT. MELISSA'S HOUSE - NIGHT

MELISSA adjusts the Dog Bridge Monet painting on her wall as TODD watches.

MELISSA

It looks good! I wish Carol wouldn't have painted that dog on there but it's still pretty cool.

TODD

I just have to come out with it and say that I'm still not comfortable with you going into Phil's-

MELISSA

Tandy.

TODD

... Tandy's house and stealing his stolen painting. Even though Phil-

MELISSA

Tandy.

TODD

... Tandy was a terrible friend and compulsive liar, I miss him. And now we're stuck with Crazy Phil who is completely intimidating.

MELISSA

Todd, Crazy Phil is an asset to our little neighborhood. Before we know it we'll have DirecTV. Phil could never do that.

TODD

Tandy.

MELISSA

Huh?

TODD

You said- Never mind.

CUT TO:

EXT. PHIL MILLER'S HOUSE - NIGHT

CUT TO:

INT. PHIL MILLER'S GARAGE - NIGHT

ERICA & GALE walk in the garage only to see PHIL at a work table. He is tinkering with electronics and solar panels.

GALE

Hey, Phil!

PHIL

I'm concentrating.

ERICA

We thought we'd come over and see what new re-inventions you were working on.

PHIL

This one is a game changer.

Phil reveals his small machine.

GALE

Oh, wow.

ERICA

What is it?

PHIL

A solar powered CB Radio.

ERICA

Cool.

GALE

What do we need this for?

PHIL

To communicate with any other survivors. It's built with a pack of transmitters to extend the signal far beyond a traditional CB radio.

GALE

When will it be ready?

PHIL

Soon.

GALE

That's exciting. Something else to drink for!

ERICA

I'll get the shots.

CUT TO:

EXT. SWINGER CAMP SITE - NIGHT

Tandy and Carol are huddled behind a tree angry whispering, as the swingers stand topless by the fire.

CAROL

I don't care how horny Little Tandy is, we are not married and I'm not gonna lie about it.

TANDY

It's not lying Carol. We were married. It's all a matter of a timeline.

CAROL

That timeline is one I don't want to revisit. We are divorced! Why did I follow you?

TANDY

You did follow me and for that I'm thankful, but do me a solid and pretend to be my wife so I can bang those hotties.

CAROL

What do I get out of it?

TANDY

You get to bang a couple of studly bros!

Carol and Tandy slowly turn their heads and stare blankly at Devo and Jeremy. They are not sexy.

TANDY (CONT'D)

I mean, if I were into guys I'd totally bark up that tree.

Devo yells from across the camp.

DEVO

Discuss for as long as you want, but know that we are totally down for the couple triangle.

TANDY

Come on Carol.

CAROL

I will do this on one condition.

TANDY

Anything, anything, anything!

CAROL

From now on you must refer to me as Lady Carol.

TANDY

Fine.

CAROL

And rub my feet whenever I ask.

TANDY

(reluctantly)

Fine.

CAROL

And tell everyone I'm the best you ever had.

TANDY

(desperate)

Oh, come on Carol.

CAROL

Tandy, I'm afraid the last one is non-negotiable.

TANDY

Fine. You're the best I ever had.

Tandy redirects his attention to the swingers.

TANDY (CONT'D)

She's the best I ever had.

JEREMY

(creepily)

I can't wait.

CAROL

You have 24 hours to get laid Phillip Tandy Miller. Go get em!

FADE TO BLACK

FADE TO

EXT. SWINGER CAMP SITE - NIGHT

The Swingers, Tandy, and Carol sit around the camp fire. Tandy and Carol are awkwardly snuggling together.

JILL

So Phil, tell us why you fell for Carol?

CAROL

Oh, there's no need to talk about that.

Tandy begins to quickly rattle off beautiful nonsense.

TANDY

What's there not to fall for you know? I'd say it's her laugh and smile, accompanied with her lustful knitting technique and ability to always climax when I'm with her.

ANNA

That is the sweetest thing I've ever heard.

JILL

Such a turn on.

CAROL

Oh, God.

DEVO

How much do you love your wife Phil?

TANDY

Lots. I loves her lots.

CAROL

I'm mostly just in it for the foot rubs.

The group all laughs.

Carol immediately lifts her feet in the air. Phil begins to rub.

JILL

What a gentleman.

CUT TO:

EXT. TUCSON FIRE PIT - NIGHT

Todd, Melissa, Erica, and Gale sit around the fire as Phil approaches.

MELISSA

Hey Phil, what was so important that you had to call a meeting at 1:30 in the morning?

TODD

Yeah, this is cutting into my "stare at Melissa as she sleeps" time.

PHIL

I know it's late, but I've been hard at work on a special project that is finally complete. I present to you...

Phil pulls a device out of his bag.

PHIL (CONT'D)

The Solar Power CB Radio!

Gale and Erica clap loudly. Melissa and Todd join in.

GALE

That's great Phil!

TODD

You woke us up for this?

MELISSA

I was sleeping soundly. This could have waited until the morning.

PHIL

Do you not understand what I've created? This is a way to communicate with anyone else who may have access to a CB radio. The solar power panels keep this baby charged, and these transmitters on the bottom boost the frequency by 100.

ERICA

That's amazing.

PHIL

Thank you.

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Wait a minute, that means we can use this to try and contact Phil and Carol!

PHIL

That's not why I made this.

TODD

It's genius! When can I start to use it! I bet Phil and Carol will find a CB Radio. That's logical.

PHIL

No Todd. You can not use this to communicate with Tandy. He was kicked out of our camp for a reason. If Carol chooses to follow him, that is up to her. They're both a lost cause.

Melissa taps Todd on the shoulder.

MELISSA

Come on. Let's go inside.

CUT TO:

EXT. ESTABLISHING SHOT - SWINGER CAMP SITE - DAWN

CUT TO:

INT. TENT - DAWN

Tandy peeks his head out of the tent, as Carol sleeps on the opposite side of him. A wall of pillows were clearly set up to separate them.

Tandy notices the swingers cooking breakfast around the camp fire.

TANDY

They're not initiating the swinging fast enough. It's time to take matters into my own hands.

Tandy turns to Carol.

TANDY (CONT'D)

Carol, psst...wake up!

CAROL

(under her breath)
Take me Dolph Lundgren.

Carol wakes.

CAROL (CONT'D)

What Tandy?

TANDY

Dolph Lundgren?

CAROL

Dolph Lundgren? Who said anything about Dolph Lundgren?

TANDY

Never mind. I need you to have pretend sex with me. It's the only way to get this party on the road.

CAROL

I don't think that's such a great idea.

TANDY

Why? Cause you're not good at faking it? Don't worry-

CAROL

No, I'm plenty good at faking it. Ha ha! I was married ton Phil Miller.

TANDY

I'm gonna pretend I didn't hear that.

(Beat)

Shall we pretend?

CAROL

Fine.

Tandy begins to make sex noises. Carol joins in. It becomes weird. Very weird.

TANDY

Ohhhh! Yea!

CAROL

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TANDY

That's right!

CAROL

Meow!

TANDY

A cat Carol?

CAROL

Stuff me like a baked potato!

TANDY

(angrily whispers)

What? Don't say that?

CAROL

Rawr!

Tandy notices that the swingers are watching his tent.

TANDY

Yes!

(Beat)

Oh! Oh! Yeah!!!

Tandy suddenly unzips his tent and walks out with his chest puffed up.

ANNA

Good morning Phil.

DEVO

Phil!

TANDY

Oh man, I'm sorry! Did we wake you guys up with our loud and amazing morning sex? It happens a lot. Can't keep the wife off this hog.

Tandy points down to his junk.

Carol walks out of the tent. The swingers slow clap for her.

CAROL

The toe licking was amazing.

TANDY

Toe lick- What? No!

JEREMY

Toe licking, nice!

Tandy looks down at his shirtless body.

TANDY

Oops, my shirt has seemed to disappear from my body. That doesn't bother you guys right.

JILL

Not at all. As a matter of fact, we were hoping that you guys would want to try out this little swingers love triangle.

TANDY

Swinging...hmm, we haven't really talked about it much. Oh geez. Yeah, why not!

ANNA

Great!

Devo looks at Carol.

DEVO

Cool.

Tandy walks to Anna and puts his arm around her.

TANDY

So how does this work? Do I take her for a bit and leave you with Carol?

ANNA

No, no Phil. We not only share our men, they share each other.

JILL

Yep. Our rule is, the men must kiss first.

TANDY

Oh! Wow!

CAROL

The table's are spinning.

TANDY

(correcting her)

Turned Carol. The table's are turned.

CAROL

Get on in there Phil. I'm okay with it.

TANDY

I'm sure you are.

ANNA

Go ahead. Kiss Devo.

TANDY

Yeah! Alright, Devo...with the man face.

Tandy closes his eyes and reluctantly pecks Devo.

CAROL

Don't be shy to get a little tongue in there!

Devo leans in and kisses Tandy. He then slips Tandy a bit of tongue.

Tandy lets this happen and pulls away.

TANDY

(sarcastically)

So good.

CUT TO:

EXT. MELISSA'S HOUSE - ESTABLISHING SHOT - DAY

CUT TO:

INT. MELISSA'S HOUSE - DAY

Todd is laying on a couch with cucumbers on his eyes.

Melissa enters. She is wearing camouflage.

MELISSA

Wake up Todd!

Todd is startled.

TODD

Oh hi!

MELISSA

Let's go on a little road trip.

TODD

Are you wearing camo?

MELISSA

Come on, get up!

Melissa pulls Todd off of the couch.

TODD

I don't understand where we're going.

MELISSA

We're gonna go find Carol and Phil.

TODD

Really? You would do that with me?

MELISSA

Of course.

TODD

And you're gonna call him Phil?

MELISSA

Yeah.

TODD

I just don't know how we're gonna find them. It's like searching for a needle in a hay stack.

Melissa pulls out a bag with Phil's CB Radio.

MELISSA

Not with this.

TODD

The CB Radio! Genius!

Todd kisses Melissa.

CUT TO:

EXT. MELISSA'S HOUSE - DAY

Melissa and Todd, both in camo, walk out to Melissa's truck.

They place the CB Radio in between them. Todd starts the car and they drive down the street.

CUT TO:

EXT. SWINGER CAMP SITE - DAY

TANDY

Alright, shall we move things to another level?

Jeremy quickly speaks up.

JEREMY

I can't hold it in anymore. I gotta do something.

Jeremy rushes in on Carol and kisses her on the mouth.

Everyone is shocked. He grossly sticks his tongue in her mouth.

Carol is completely grossed out and pulls herself away from Jeremy.

CAROL

Ew! Ew! Ew!

TANDY

Not Ew!

CAROL

We're not married.

Carol points to Tandy. His eyes widen in shock.

The Swingers gasp.

TANDY

(freaking out)

Carol! Shut your mouth! She doesn't know what she's speaking about!

DEVO

You guys aren't married?

CAROL

No. We are not married.

TANDY

Stop it Carol! No! I just had to kiss dudes. That is not okay in my book.

JILL

You liar!

TANDY

Tent not pitched.

CUT TO:

EXT. TUCSON NEIGHBORHOOD - DAY

Todd and Melissa drive through the familiar streets of Tucson.

CUT TO:

INT. TRUCK - DAY

Melissa holds the CB Radio in her hand.

MELISSA

This is Blondie calling out for Phil Miller and Carol Pilbasian. Is anyone out there? Over.

There is silence on the radio line.

Todd drives by O' Rozco's Bar & Grill. Melissa notices the bar.

MELISSA (CONT'D)

Stop!

Todd slams on the breaks.

MELISSA (CONT'D)

Phil's favorite bar!

CUT TO:

Melissa and Todd enter O' Rozco's. They walk up to the bar.

TODD

Phil? Are you here?

MELISSA

Carol?

All of Phil's sports balls with drawn faces are seen.

MELISSA (CONT'D)

He must of spent a lot of time here.

Todd stands in front of the balls and drops his head with defeat.

MELISSA (CONT'D)

It's okay Todd. We will find him.

Todd looks to Gary The Ball. He has a genuine moment.

TODD

I'm sure you all had great conversations with Phil. I had a few. Once you got past the fake small talk. Yeah he is a liar, then tried to leave me for dead...but didn't. And that's what matters. That's the Phil Miller that I want to find. So, we will do what we can to find him, because oddly, we all need a little bit of Phil Tandy Miller.

Melissa pours shots.

MELISSA

I'll drink to that.

Todd and Melissa take their shots.

CUT TO:

EXT. ESTABLISHING SHOT - PHIL MILLER'S HOUSE - DAY

CUT TO:

INT. PHIL'S GARAGE - DAY

Phil walks into his garage only to find that his CB Radio is missing. He looks out the window and notices that Melissa's truck is missing from the driveway. Phil quickly grabs his car keys and exits the house.

CUT TO:

EXT. ESTABLISHING SHOT - SWINGER CAMP SITE - DUSK

CUT TO:

INT. SWINGER CAMP SITE - DUSK

Tandy, Carol, and the swingers stand around the fire pit.

PHIL

So Carol is in fact my legal binding Ex-wife, therefore this is only an exaggeration of the truth. In short, because of the Carol and Phil history lesson, and the fact that I have made out with these two lovely men, that qualifies me to bang one if not both of these ladies.

ANNA

No!

JILL

Are you kidding me?

DEVO

This is very much against the bro swinging code, bro.

JEREMY

I'm sorry to say this, but Phil Miller-

CAROL

He likes to go by Tandy.

JEREMY

Fine, Tandy Miller-

TANDY

I do not like to go by Tandy. That is my middle name and it sucks. I

TANDY (CONT'D)

am Phil. Phil is me! I'm the only Phil.

JEREMY

Whatever. You gotta leave dude.

JILL

Yea, we don't want you here.

TANDY

Oh. Well fine! I'm leaving! Carol come on.

CAROL

I'm gonna stay here for now. Let you reflect on your actions.

DEVO

You go girl.

TANDY

Great! That's better anyway.

Phil storms off in rage. Then turns around.

TANDY (CONT'D)

Carol, can I have the Sun Chips and Beef Jerky?

CAROL

Leave Tandy!

FADE TO BLACK:

FADE TO:

EXT. ESTABLISHING SHOT - TUCSON HIGHWAY - NIGHT

Headlights from Melissa's truck illuminate the highway.

CUT TO:

INT. TRUCK - NIGHT

Todd and Melissa drive down the highway. Todd notices a light in his rear view mirror.

TODD

What is that?

Melissa looks behind the truck and also sees the light.

MELISSA

It's a car.

TODD

(excited)

Maybe it's Phil!

TODD (CONT'D)

(frightened)

But what if it's Phil!

MELISSA

I don't know but it's gaining ground.

Todd slows down and pulls over.

TODD

Let's just hope it's the Phil that we want to see.

The other car pulls up behind them. A man steps out and walks toward Melissa and Todd.

MELISSA

Who is it? I can't see.

Suddenly Phil pops into the drivers side window.

TODD

Ahh!

Todd rolls down his window.

TODD (CONT'D)

Hi Phil. Fancy seeing you out and about.

PHIL

You stole something that belongs to me Todd.

MELISSA

I stole it.

TODD

Even better. Hand it over.

MELISSA

We're trying to find Carol and Phil, and if you can't understand why then-

PHIL

You don't get to make those kinds of decisions. I was the only one who had the guts to get rid of our bad egg.

TODD

You didn't know him like we did.

PHIL

You wanna come out here and settle this like men?

TODD

(forceful)

That's enough Phil!

Melissa and Phil are taken back.

TODD (CONT'D)

I get why you left Phil in the desert, but in this new world that we live in, every moment counts and every person that comes into our world deserves a second chance. Sure, Tandy is a little rusty around the edges, but if he's gonna be anybody's disappointing friend, he should be ours. We've been very welcoming of you in our community, the community that Tandy built. I'm not afraid to say that we need back our Phil Miller! Please respect that.

Phil looks surprised. He extends his hand to Todd.

PHIL

You're right. Everyone deserves a second chance. I can respect that.

MELISSA

Second, third, or fourth chance to be accurate.

TODD

Would you help us find him? You know how to get the most juice out of this device anyway.

PHIL

Yeah, I do. Let's go for it.

EXT. OUTSIDE OF THE SWINGER CAMP SITE - NIGHT

Tandy sits in the dirt with a tiny fire shining light onto his sad face.

He looks back to the Swingers Camp. Distant sounds of sex noises are heard. He shakes his head.

Suddenly, Carol approaches his sad excuse of a camp out.

PHIL

I thought you hated me.

CAROL

You certainly don't make it easy to like you.

PHIL

How much of a fool did I make of myself?

CAROL

I don't think there is an amount large enough to gauge that.

PHIL

Very funny.

(Beat)

By the sounds of it, they're back at it!

CAROL

Oh yeah, they didn't waste any time.

PHIL

I'm sorry for how I treated you Carol.

CAROL

It's okay Phil. We're all learning how to adjust in this crazy new world. It's an adventure and you make it fun Phil Miller.

PHIL

Let's walk to the car.

CAROL

Yeah, this camp fire sucks anyway.

CUT TO:

INT. TRUCK - NIGHT

Todd, Melissa, and Phil are riding in the truck. Phil is turning dials on the CB Radio. Melissa speaks into the CB.

MELISSA

This is Blondie outside of Tuscon searching for Phil Miller. Anybody seen a Phil Miller?

A CG zoom in of the CB Radio mic transforms into the audio frequency sound wave which flies into a working ground satellite, then bounces off of a satellite in space.

CUT TO:

INT. SPACE STATION - DIRECTLY FOLLOWING

A close up shot reveals the speakers inside the space craft.

Suddenly, Melissa's message begins to play through the speakers.

MELISSSA

(via speaker)

This is Blondie outside of Tuscon searching for Phil Miller. Anybody seen a Phil Miller?

Astronaut Miller sits up and his eyes widen.

ASTRONAUT MILLER

What the-

CUT TO BLACK