

Leave It To Beaver Season 1, Episode 38: "Beaver's Guest" Excerpts

Scene 1:

Wally Cleaver: Well whenever we cook inside, mom always does the cooking but whenever we cook outside, you always do it. How come?

Ward Cleaver: Well, it is sort of traditional I guess. You know they say a woman's place is in the home and I suppose as long as she is in the home, she may as well be in the kitchen.

Wally Cleaver: Oh. That explains about mom. But how come you always do the outside cooking?

Ward Cleaver: Well I'll tell you, son. Women do alright when they have all the modern conveniences, but us men are better at this rugged type of outdoor cooking. Sort of a throwback to caveman days. Hand me those asbestos gloves, will you Wally?

Scene 2:

Theodore Cleaver: Girls have got it lucky, don't they mom?

June Cleaver: Why do you say that?

Theodore Cleaver: They don't have to be smart. They don't have to get jobs or anything. All's they've got to do is get married.

June Cleaver: Being smart isn't exactly a drawback to marriage.

Theodore Cleaver: Well if they don't get married...well they can become dressmakers, or cut people's nails in a barbershop, or take care of kids, and a lot of other dumb stuff.

June Cleaver: Well Beaver, today girls can become doctors and lawyers too, you know. They're just as ambitious as boys are.

Theodore Cleaver: You mean there are no dumb people left in the world, mom?

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