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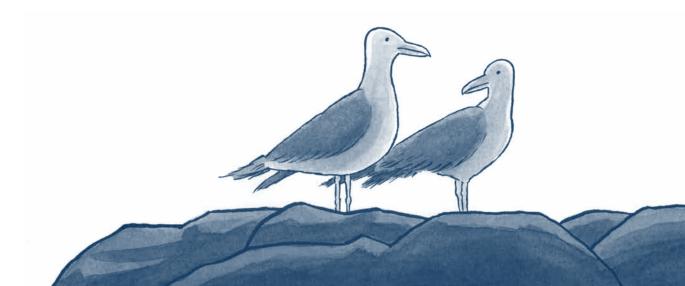
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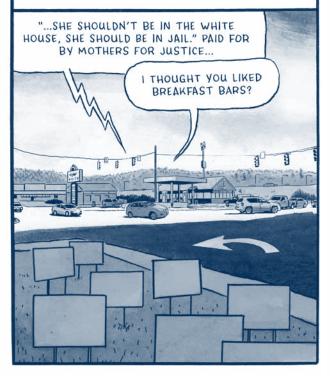
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IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE IT WAS ONLY THREE MONTHS AGO THAT LISA AND I WERE TOGETHER AND BOTH FOR BERNIE.



SEEING BERNIE BUMPER STICKERS EVERYWHERE USED TO EXCITE ME, NOW IT'S JUST DEPRESSING.



EARLIER TODAY MICK MADE A RARE APPEARANCE ON THE JOB SITE, A BERNIE STICKER STILL ON THE BUMPER OF HIS BMW STATION WAGON.

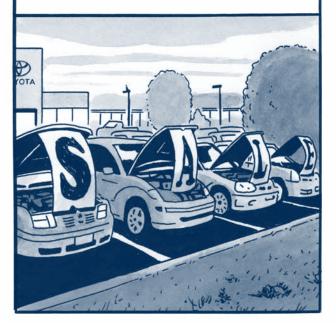




I'VE SEEN THIS CLIENT WHEN HE MEETS WITH MICK. HE HAS A BERNIE STICKER ON HIS NEW MERCEDES-BENZ. A REAL MAN OF THE PEOPLE.



I HAD A BERNIE STICKER ON MY
TRUCK—THE ONE I SOLD TO AFFORD
MOVING INTO THE APARTMENT.
WITHOUT A TRUCK OR CASH
RESERVES I'M NOW STUCK
WORKING FOR OTHER
CONTRACTORS.













UNLIKE LISA, IT'S HARD FOR ME
TO GET ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT ANY
OF IT ANYMORE. YEAH, TRUMP IS A
WALKING SACK OF BULLSHIT BUT
HILLARY IS JUST MORE OF
THE SAME OLD CRAP.



NOT THAT I'D VOTE FOR TRUMP BUT AT LEAST HE'S HIS OWN MAN. SO YOU ARE GOING TO VOTE FOR HILLARY? YEAH. PROBABLY.



"SAYS MOM." LISA'S GOT THE HOUSE, THE RICH PARENTS, AND PLENTY OF TIME TO VOLUNTEER FOR OL' CROOKED HILLARY. WELL, MOM DOESN'T KNOW EVERYTHING. SO THEN WHO ELSE WOULD YOU VOTE FOR?







MY DAD AND MY OLDER BROTHER, ALAN, NEVER GOT ALONG. WHO WOKE GIANT UP?!

IF THEY WERE BOTH
HOME, CHANCES ARE THEY WERE
FIGHTING. AFTER GRADUATING
FROM HIGH SCHOOL ALAN
WAS GONE FOR GOOD.



ALAN IS SIX YEARS
OLDER THAN ME AND I ONLY
HAVE ONE MEMORY OF US PLAYING
TOGETHER—A GAME WE CALLED
"THE HUNGRY GIANT."



IT WAS EXHILARATING AND TERRIFYING AND GAVE ME NIGHTMARES FOR MONTHS. DESPITE THAT, I BEGGED ALAN TO KEEP PLAYING.



ALAN EVENTUALLY SETTLED
IN COLORADO. WE'D TALK ONCE
OR TWICE A YEAR—ON A BIRTHDAY
IF EITHER OF US REMEMBERED
OR WHEN THE PATRIOTS
WON A SUPER BOWL.

