

Dykes To Watch Out For by Alison Bechdel

Of thee I sing

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WILL YOU STOP WHINING ABOUT ALL THE FLAGS? THEY GIVE PEOPLE A SENSE OF SOLIDARITY. IS THAT SO BAD?

THEY ALSO MAKE PEOPLE STUPID. CHANTING "USA! USA!" DOESN'T EXACTLY FOSTER A NUANCED UNDERSTANDING OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS. AND FLAG-WAVING INTIMIDATES PEOPLE INTO NOT ASKING QUESTIONS. EVERYONE'S SCARED OF BEING CALLED "UNPATRIOTIC."

WHAT IS PATRIOTISM, ANYWAY? DO PEOPLE THINK ABOUT WHAT IT MEANS TO BE AN AMERICAN?

GOD, FIVE TRILLION DRINK SELECTIONS, AND THERE'S NO UNSWEETENED ICED TEA!

BEING AN AMERICAN MEANS HAVING THE FREEDOM TO ASK QUESTIONS? QUESTIONS LIKE, WHAT THE HELL IS BOMBING THE RUBBLE IN AFGHANISTAN GOING TO ACCOMPLISH? ESCALATION IS EXACTLY WHAT BIN LADEN WANTS!

ALL WE'RE DOING IS MAKING MORE PEOPLE WANT TO KILL US!

JEZZ YEAH, WOULDNT WANT TO PISS THE TALIBAN OFF.

IF YOU REALLY WANT TO MAKE THEM HAPPY, QUIT YOUR JOB AND START WEARING A BURQA. OH, AND SINCE YOU'RE QUEER, KNOCK A WALL DOWN ON YOURSELF AND HAVE SOMEONE DRIVE A BULLDOZER OVER IT.

SEE? THIS IS EXACTLY WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT!

SUGGEST THAT A MULTI-LATERAL POLICE FORCE MAKES MORE SENSE THAN BOMBS AND COMMANDOS, AND YOU GET ACCUSED OF BEING A TERRORIST SYMPATHIZER.


WHAT'S SO THREATENING ABOUT SAYING THAT VIOLENCE IS POINTLESS AGAINST PEOPLE WHO HAVE NOTHING TO LOSE? WHAT'S SO SEDITIONARY ABOUT SAYING WE MIGHT WANT TO CONSIDER LONGER-RANGE CONSEQUENCES IN OUR INDIEST POLICY THAN THE NEXT BARREL OF OIL?

HOW CAN DISSENT BE "UNAMERICAN?"

LEMME ASK YOU, WHAT'S MORE PATRIOTIC THAN THE CONSCIENTIOUS EXERCISE OF OUR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO QUESTION, CRITICIZE, KVETCH AND CARRY ON?

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

HOPING TO KEEP YOU GOING LONG ENOUGH SO I CAN PERFORM MY OWN PATRIOTIC DUTY UNHINDERED.



While you're thinking of ways to spend your holidays, take a moment to tell your family and friends how much they mean to you. Grandma always said, "Don't let the sun go down on your anger." Don't let it go down today without telling someone, "I Love You."

Curbside

by Robert Kirby

THIS LOVE SONG
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YOU SAID: EVERYTHING'S BEEN DONE EVERYTHING'S BEEN SAID THE SONGS HAVE ALL BEEN SUNG AND ALL THE WORDS ARE DEAD

AND I SAID: I GUESS I'LL KEEP MY LOVE SONGS TO MYSELF

YOU SAY: "YOU'RE SO NAIVE I THINK SOME TIME WILL CHANGE YOUR MIND ME I DON'T WASTE MY TIME IN SEARCHING WHEN THERE'S NOTHING THERE TO FIND I'VE SEEN TOO MUCH CORRUPTION TO SEE THE WORLD THE WAY YOU DO THERE'S NOTHING LEFT TO FIGHT FOR AND I'VE GOT NOTHING LEFT TO LOSE"

IT'S 1:15 NOW AND I RIDE THE LAST BUS HOME WHILE THE CITY TRIES TO HIDE BENEATH ANOTHER INCH OF SNOW AND I CAN'T SAY I BLAME IT I'VE GOT DIRTY PLACES TOO AND I'D RATHER BE NAIVE THAN RESIGN MYSELF TO SUFFERING WITH YOU

YOU SAID: "EVERYTHING'S BEEN DONE EVERYTHING'S BEEN SAID THE SONGS HAVE ALL BEEN SUNG AND ALL THE WORDS ARE DEAD"

AND I SAID: "I GUESS I'LL KEEP THIS LOVE SONG TO MYSELF"

I WANNA BE A VIRUS GROWING IN YOUR EAR CUZ WHEN YOU'RE HUMMING THIS ONE LATER YOU'LL KNOW I WAS HERE MY STABS

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The Mostly Unfabulous Social Life of Ethan Green

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Gay Bars on Mars

You may recall that Ethan Green is learning to meditate.

It is recommended that novices seek out places of inner peace.

Ethan, however, has been seeking out martian cruise bars.

Gosh, how long y' think he's been like this?

Dunno. Looks bad though.

We better call his swami.

SO, HOW ABOUT YOU? YA LIKE WALKS ON THE OCEAN FLOOR?

WHY NOT?

NO GILLS.

THANK YOU FOR COMING, YOUR SWAMINESS

CAN YOU FIX HIM?

I DON'T KNOW! THIS IS VERY BAD! ASTRAL PROJECTION MUST NOT BE USED FOR TRAVEL TO DISTANT CRUISE BARS.

OH THIS IS VERY BAD. QUIT, BAD.

Nice wheels.

Thanks. I wanted a convertible but it's tricky with the asteroid belt 'n'all.

ARE ALL EARTH BOYS AS CUTE AS YOU ARE?

No, I'm the only one.

MARS CITY

Wanna get out of here?

Yeah.

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