

Dykes To Watch Out For by Alison Bechdel

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...OR PERHAPS A FIT OF APOPLEXY.

...OR PERHAPS NOT.

...A PALESTINIAN STATE WILL REQUIRE A VIBRANT ECONOMY, WHERE HONEST ENTERPRISE IS ENCOURAGED BY HONEST GOVERNMENT...

CAN YOU BELIEVE THIS DYNASTIC DIPSTICK? IF IT WEREN'T FOR DISHONEST ENTERPRISE AND DISHONEST GOVERNMENT, HE'D BE SELLING PRE-OWNED BUICKS!

GOD, EVERY TIME I DOWNLOAD THE LATEST QUOTES, MY NET WORTH PLUNGES.

THIS IS HIS MIDEAST "PLAN"! HOPE THAT ARAFAT GOES AWAY, AND LET ISRAEL CONTINUE THE OCCUPATION?

SOUNDS A LOT LIKE HIS GLOBAL WARMING "PLAN." PRETEND THERE'S NOT A RAGING FIRE GOING ON, BUT AT THE SAME TIME, THROW MORE FUEL ON IT.

WANNA FOOL AROUND? I'LL BE MARTHA, AND YOU BE THE CONGRESS-WOMAN INVESTIGATING ME.

THAT'S ANOTHER THING. WHO'S DESTABILIZING EVERYDAY LIFE IN THIS COUNTRY? MORE? TERRORISTS? OR THE PENSION-PLUNDERING PERPS ON WALL STREET?!

COME ON, I'M SERIOUS. YOU'RE LEAVING IN THE MORNING FOR INDIANA OR ILLINOIS OR IOWA OR WHEREVER, AND YOU'LL BE AWAY FOR ALMOST TWO WEEKS.

GOD, THE WORLD IS BURNING, AND I'M GOING OFF TO LIBRARY SCHOOL. I SHOULD BE FLYING TO THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES TO JOIN THE INTERNATIONAL SOLIDARITY MOVEMENT.

DOING NON-VIOLENT DIRECT ACTION! DELIVERING FOOD AND MEDICINE TO PEOPLE UNDER CURFEW!

D'YOU THINK THE OTHER INTERNATIONAL PEACE ACTIVISTS BRING THEIR OWN PILLOWS?

COME ON. ONE FOR THE ROAD?

IS IT THE HEAT?

SYDNEY, I'M BUST.

I HOPE YOU'RE NOT PLANNING TO LEAVE ME FOR SOME BLEEDING-HEART LIBRARIAN.

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ARE YOU FINDING THE ACTION-PACKED SUSPENSE OF THIS COMIC STRIP SIMPLY UNBEARABLE?

TODAY WE'LL RESOLVE A FEW SUBPLOTS THAT HAVE NO DOUBT KEPT YOU ON TENTERHOOKS FOR WEEKS.

DID STUART GET THAT STATION WAGON?

NEXT TIME YOU BUY A USED CAR, DO IT FROM A LEFT WING WACKO.

SMILE! YOUR MOM WAS PRO-LIFE!

I HAVE EXCELLENT GUN CONTROL.

STOP GLOBAL WARMING. TURN UP THE A/C.

LIMBAUGH: THE GREAT RIGHT HOPE.

WHAT'S GINGER'S COMPUTER SITUATION?

JASMINE AND JONAS ARE HERE. D'YOU WANT TO COME TO THE LAKE WITH US?

LOIS, WHAT THE HELL'S GOING ON?

ARE YOU PURSUING JASMINE JUST TO TORTURE ME? LAST I HEARD, YOU WERE INTO BUTCH DADDIES AND TRANS MEN. SHE'S NOT YOUR TYPE AT ALL!

I HAVE VERY CATHOLIC TASTES. AND BESIDES, JONAS NEEDS A GENDERQUEER ROLE MODEL.

LOIS, LOOK! MOM LET ME WEAR THE TUBE TOP YOU GOT ME!

SWEET.

HAS SYDNEY HEARD FROM THE PROVOST?

WOOHOO! TENURE, BABY! I'M HERE TO STAY!

-KOFF-

BETSY? SURELY YOU'RE NOT LEAVING? YOU GET ANOTHER YEAR AFTER BEING DENIED TENURE!

OH, I GOT TENURE. BUT I WAS JUST OFFERED A POSITION AT HARVARD. TOUGH CHOICE! HA HA!

AND WHAT EXACTLY GOES ON AT LIBRARY SCHOOL ANYWAY?

EXCUSE ME, I, UH...JUST HAVE TO TELL YOU, I FOUND YOUR POWER POINT PRESENTATION ON PRESERVING PATRON PRIVACY UNDER THE PATRIOT ACT PROVOCATIVE AND PENETRATING.

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WELL, THAT WAS AN EDIFYING EXPERIENCE! THANKS FOR SUGGESTING IT. LET'S FOR SURE CHECK OUT THE DEGAS SHOW NEXT MONTH!

YEAH! I WISH WE COULD HANG OUT A LOT LONGER TODAY, BUT I HAVE TO GO MEET MY BROTHER AT 4.

GIFT SHOP →

OH. WELL... I GUESS I SHOULD GET SOME STUDYING DONE ANYWAY..

WELL, BRENDAN, I HOPE WE CAN DO THIS AGAIN, REAL SOON..

WELL, YEAH! BUT HEY, LET ME WALK YOU HOME AT LEAST!

I LIKE IT, J.T. YOU HAVE A REAL WAY WITH COLOR, ESPECIALLY.

YEAH? I'M SORTA STUMPED WITH IT NOW...

..JUST NOT SURE WHAT IT WANTS TO BE YET.

YOU MEAN YOU DON'T PLAN IT ALL OUT IN ADVANCE?

NOPE... I GUESS I GO BY INSTINCT MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE.

HMM.. I GUESS THAT'S NOT A BAD WAY TO APPROACH THINGS...

YEAH.. BUT HOW DO YOU KNOW WHEN YOUR INSTINCTS ARE CORRECT?

IF I KNEW THE ANSWER TO THAT I'D HAVE MADE MY MOVE BY NOW...