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Curbside

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SOON AFTER I'D BECOME A BONA-FIDE MEMBER OF THE ATOMS, I FINALLY LOST MY "EXOTIC DANCER" POSITION OVER AT THE BAR.

I TOLD MYSELF SO WHAT, IT DOESN'T MATTER, I HATED TAKING MY CLOTHES OFF FOR STUPID IDIOTS ANYWAY AND I'D FIND SOMETHING ELSE, BUT I MOSTLY GOT DEPRESSED.

I DIDN'T FEEL LIKE THERE WAS ANYONE IN THE GANG THAT I COULD TALK TO ABOUT MY PROBLEMS. AN AGE DIFFERENCE THING, I GUESS.

LOOK, WE COULD TRY YOU OUT AS A BAR BACK... HATE TO LOSE THAT PRETTY ASS OF YOURS ALTOGETHER...

NOTHER ONE, PAL?

YO, DR. DRE KICKS EMINEM'S ASS. DR. DRE - HA! EMINEM'S THE MAN.



THE YOUNGER GUYS - ALONSO, T-BOY, NICK RAY AND MIKE'N IKE - THEY WERE ALL ABOUT RUNNING AROUND AND SWIPING STUFF FROM STORES AND BEING TOUGH GUYS, WHILE ATOM WAS BUSY BEING THEIR LEADER AND BEATING UP PEOPLE WHO PISSED HIM OFF, THAT SORT OF THING.

PLUS, I FIGURED OUT EARLY ON, SEVERAL OF THE GUYS WERE HAVING SEX WITH EACH OTHER. TOTALLY CASUAL THOUGH.

THERE WAS ONLY ONE PERSON I WANTED TO TALK TO, AND ONE DAY, LO AND BEHOLD, HE APPEARED AT MY SIDE, AS IF I'D WILLED IT.



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THERE'VE BEEN A FEW CHANGES AT THE HOME OF JASMINE AND HER SON JONAS.

JANIS! WILL YOU SHUT THAT OFF AND GET UP HERE? YOU NEED TO FINISH PACKING.

HE WANTS TO GROW BREASTS LIKE MOMMY

I THINK HE... I MEAN, SHE HAS NOW OFFICIALLY WATCHED THAT OPRAH EPISODE ON TRANSGENDER KIDS MORE TIMES THAN THE "LITTLE MERMAID."

SO HERE'S STUART'S SLEEPING BAG...

AND THIS IS SPARRON'S RAIN JACKET. AND SOME FLEECE STUFF OF MINE.

THANKS. GOD, I HOPE THIS CAMP IS AS GREAT AS IT SOUNDS.

YEAH. IF SHE COULD JUST BE HERSELF WITH OTHER KIDS FOR A WHILE, WHERE THE GENDER THING ISN'T AN ISSUE.

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CANOEING
DIVERSITY TRAINING
LANYARD-WEAVING

CAMP TEN TREES
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JANIS! NOW!

YOU'RE REALLY DOING GREAT WITH ALL THIS, YOU KNOW.

I DUNNO. I MISS MY ANGELIC LITTLE BOY WHO PLAYED WITH DOLLS. NOW I'M LIVING WITH THIS... THIS VALLEY GIRL WHO STEALS MY CLOTHES AND IGNORES ME.

BUT ON THE UPSIDE, ALL MY ANXIETY ABOUT BEING A SINGLE MOTHER RAISING A YOUNG BLACK MAN IN THIS CULTURE HAS COMPLETELY DISAPPEARED.

MOM, CAN I GET A SPARKLY "KERRY 2004" PIN? PLUS I THINK I MIGHT LIKE THE NAME TERESA BETTER THAN JANIS.

Harry Potter

UH... LET'S GET YOUR STUFF TOGETHER, PRINCESS. LOOK, I BROUGHT YOU SOME NICE, WARM FLEECE.

IT'S HIDEOUS! CAN'T I TAKE MOM'S CASHMERE SWEATER SET?

JONAS!

WHO'S JONAS?

JANIS, IF YOU PACK QUICKLY AND SENSIBLY AND LISTEN TO YOUR MOM, I HAVE SOMETHING FOR YOU.

OMIGOD, I LOVE YOU!

HELLO KITTY THONG.