Life AS A Doodle 8

THE THINGS I LOVE NEED TO BE BETTER

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Dedicated to….

Coach, Looney, DTC, Nic, and my team for being my safe place

Special thanks to those of you that have bullied me for three years in tennis. Your abuse has never gotten you a win, but it has inspired this book. Enjoy your hate.

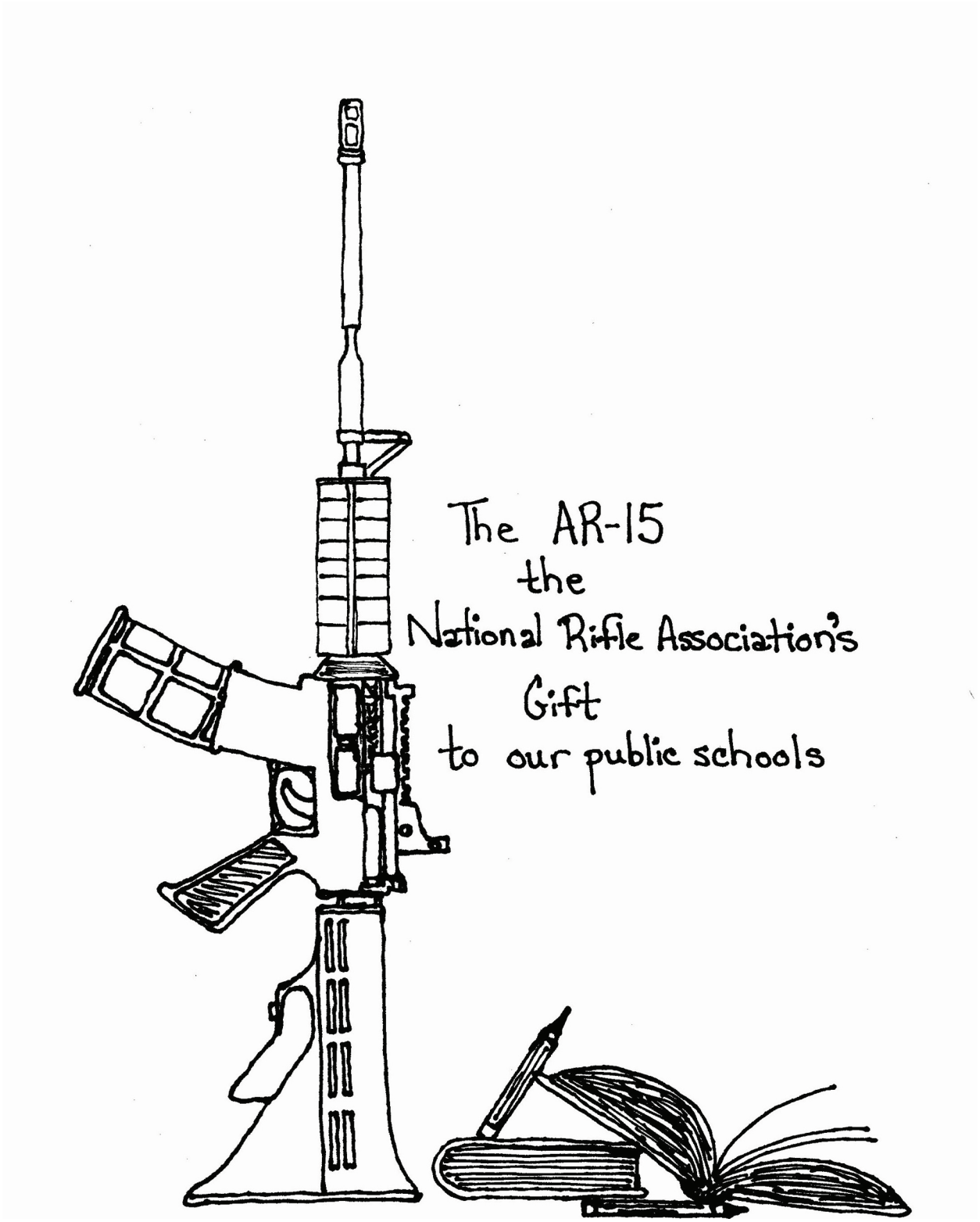




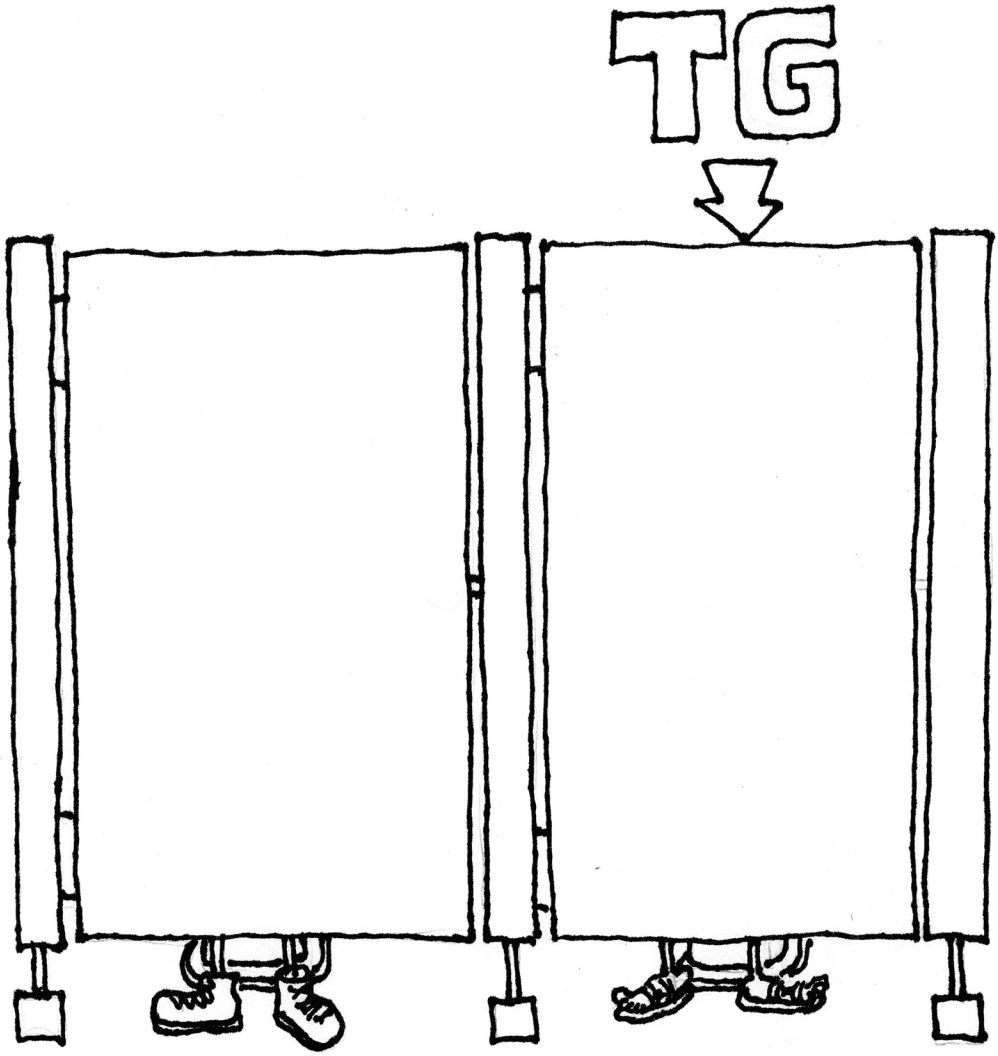
The Republican Version

My Support has come from unexpected places




The AR-15
the
National Rifle Association's
Gift
to our public schools

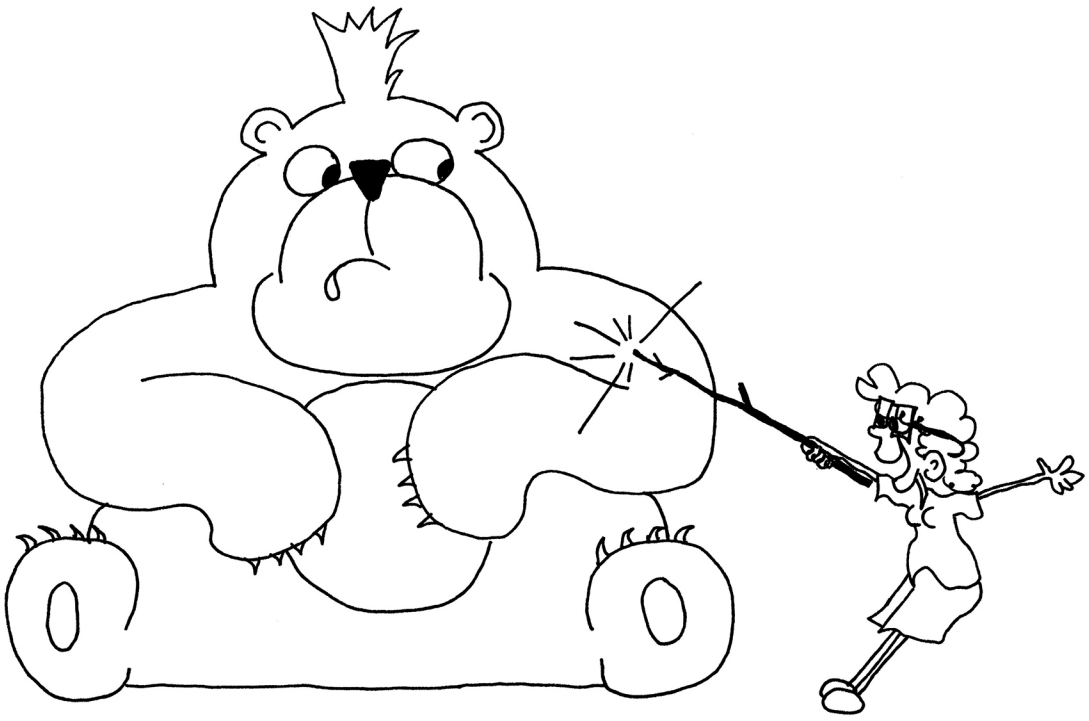

I wish the
Bad Guys
were more obvious



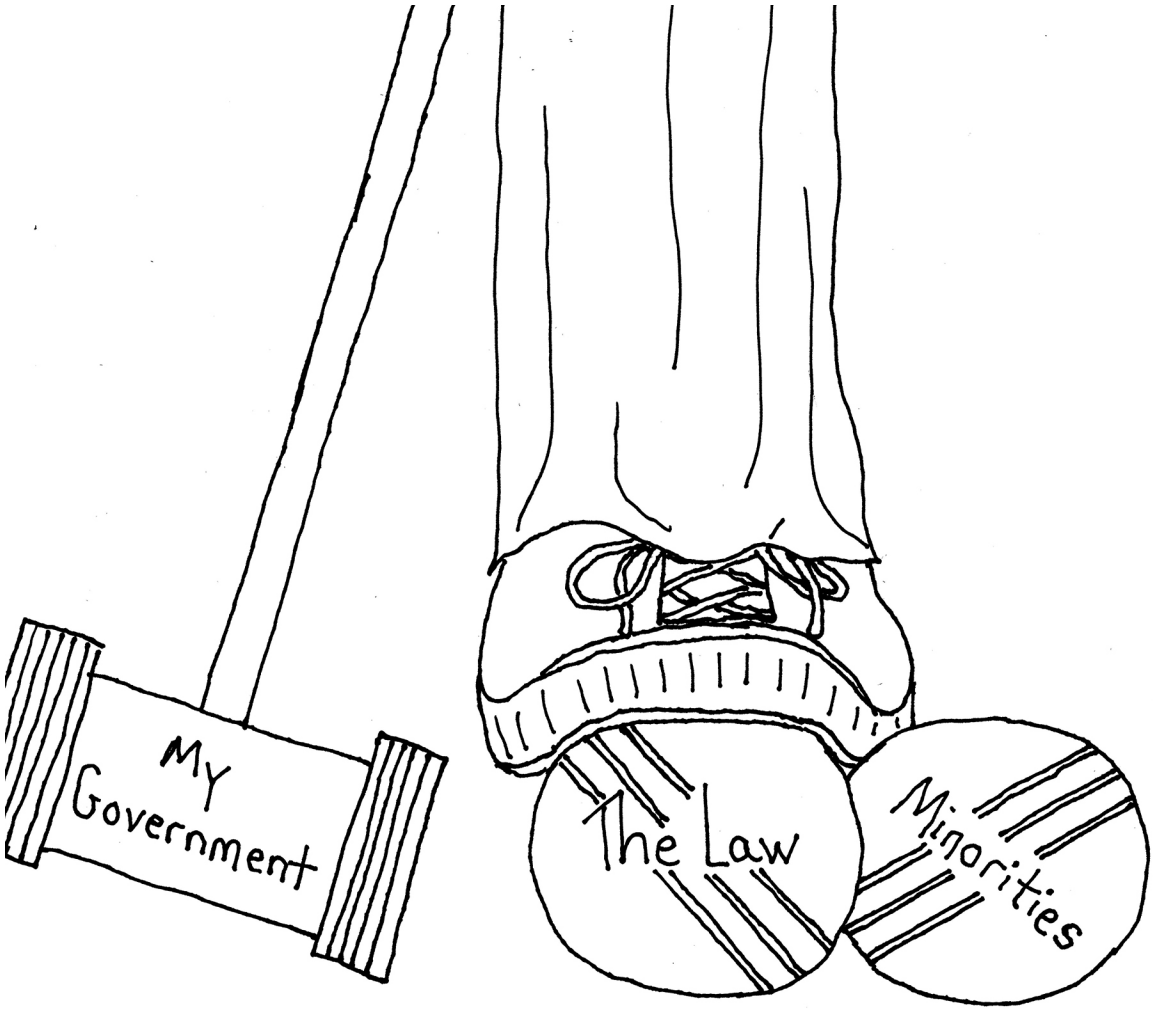
The fact that you think you'd know is hysterical

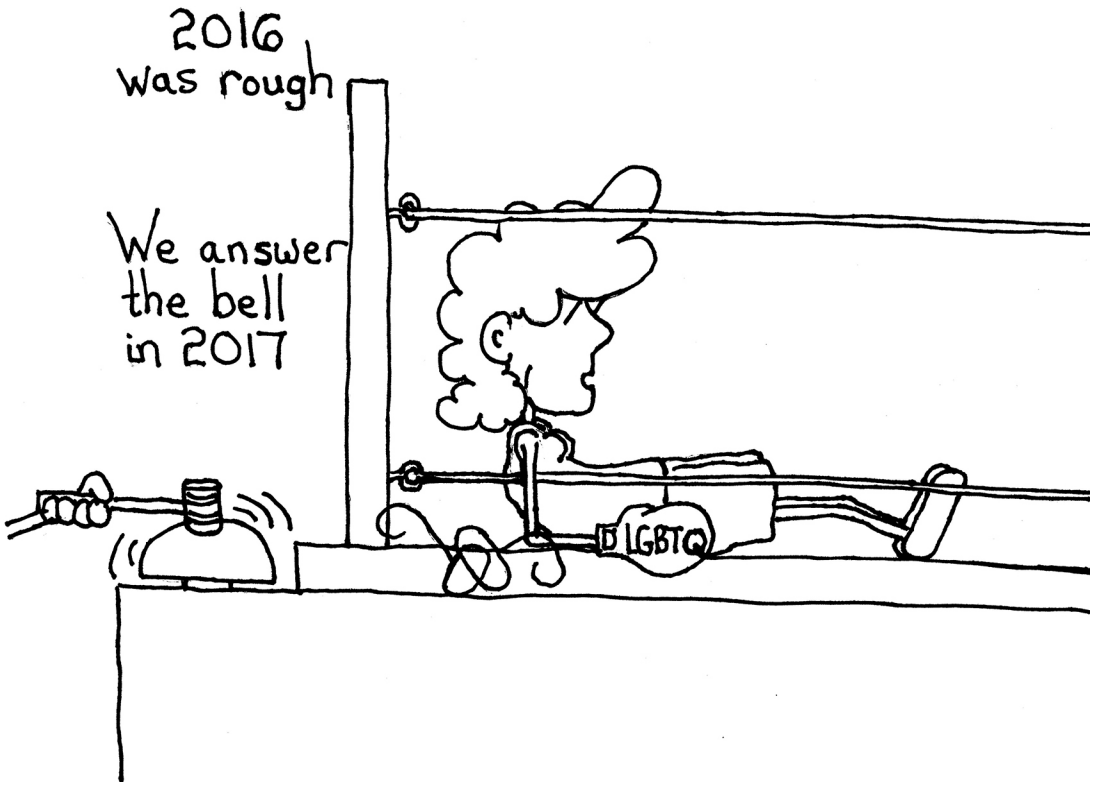


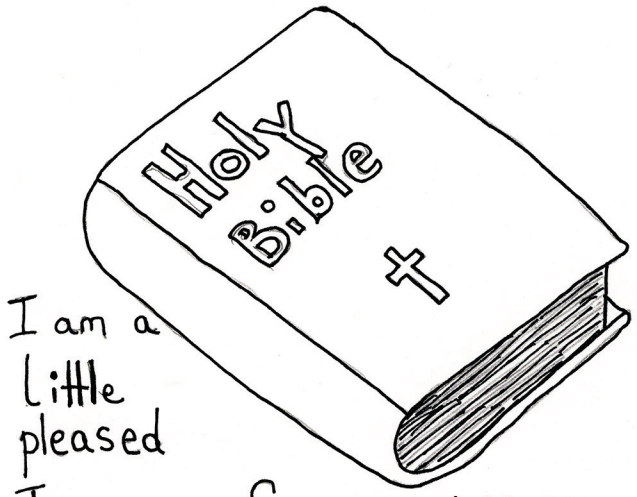
News flash Sherlock

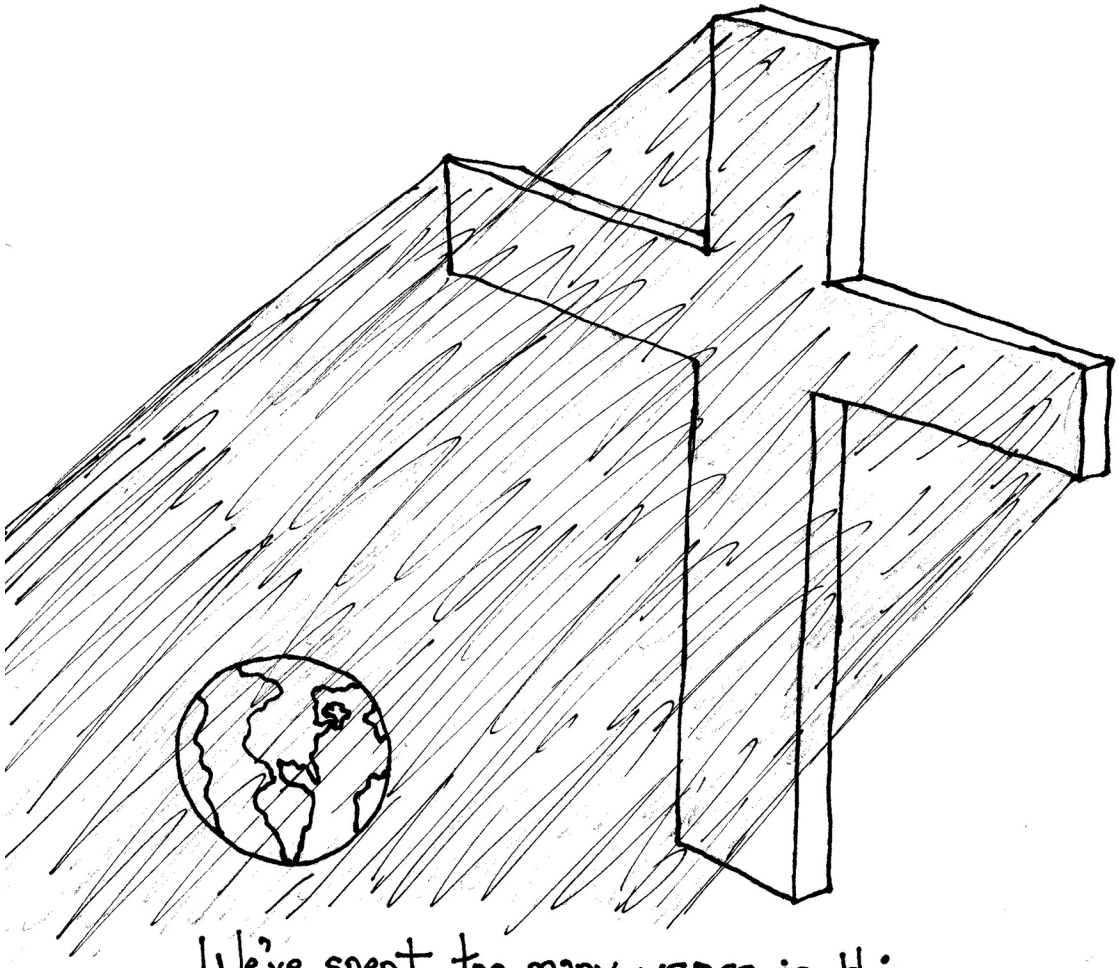


I can't help myself

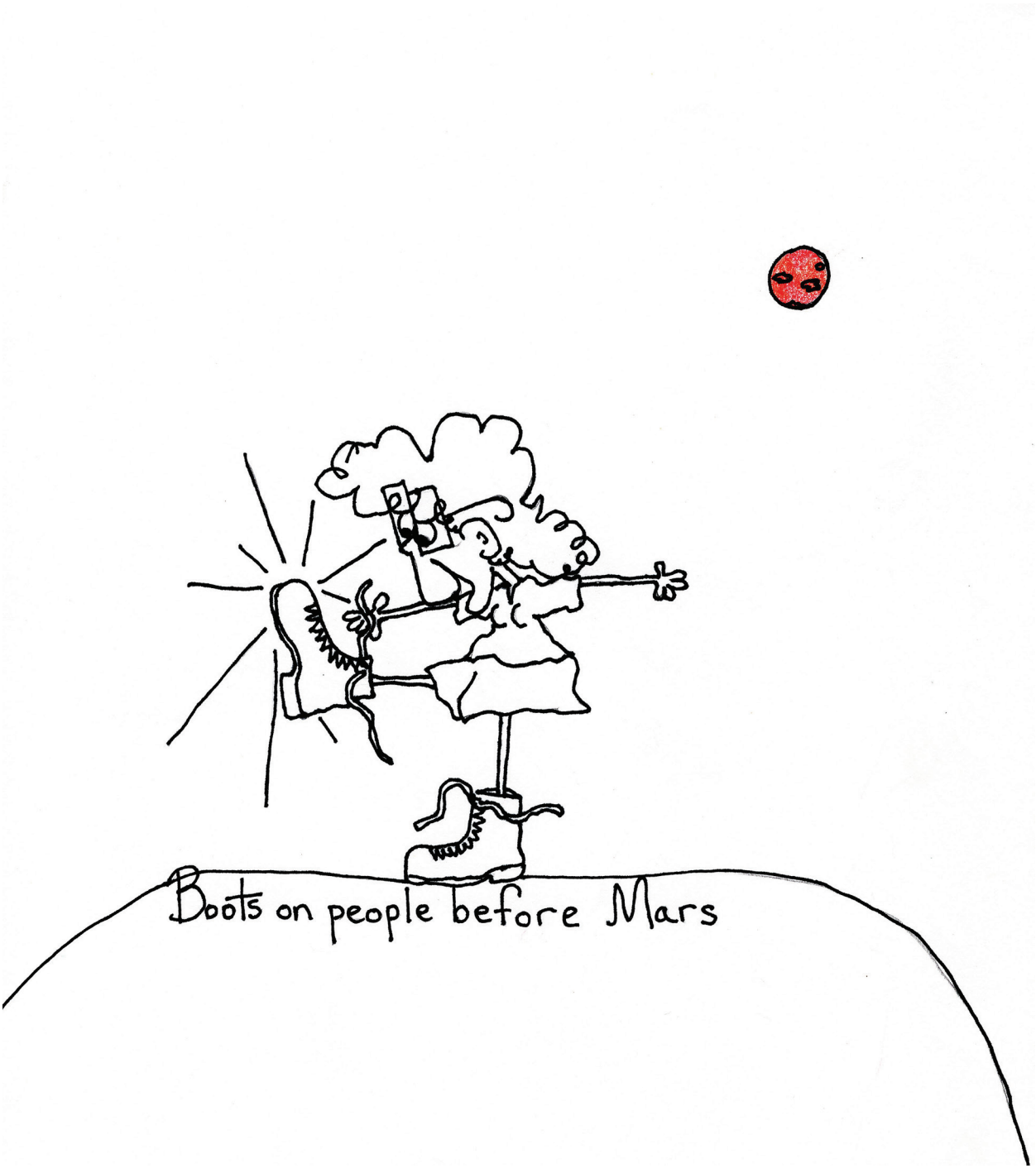

My Government
The Law
Minorities


2016
was rough
We answer
the bell
in 2017
LGBTQ


Holy
Bible
I am a
little
pleased
I am such a focus of the bible

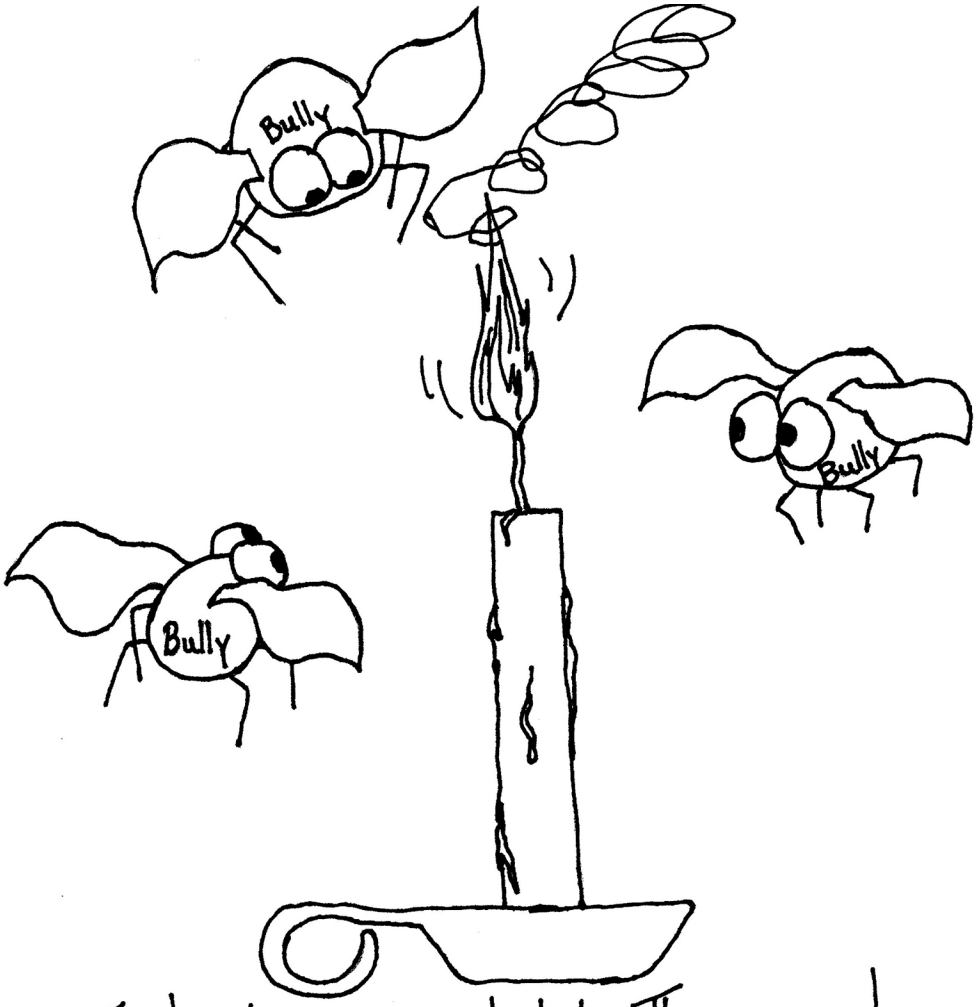


We've spent too many years in this shadow

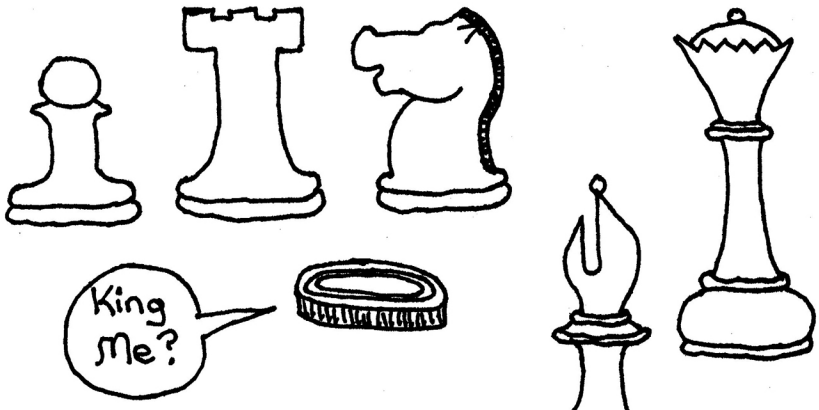

Boots on people before Mars


TRUMP is God
Send them home
Kill them all
ALL Lives Matter
MAGA
RNC
Karen
Why do I even want to build a bridge?

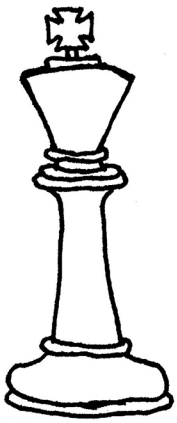

HBO
ENTERTAINMENT
If we'd had cable I would have missed the moon landing



The brighter your light. The more bugs.



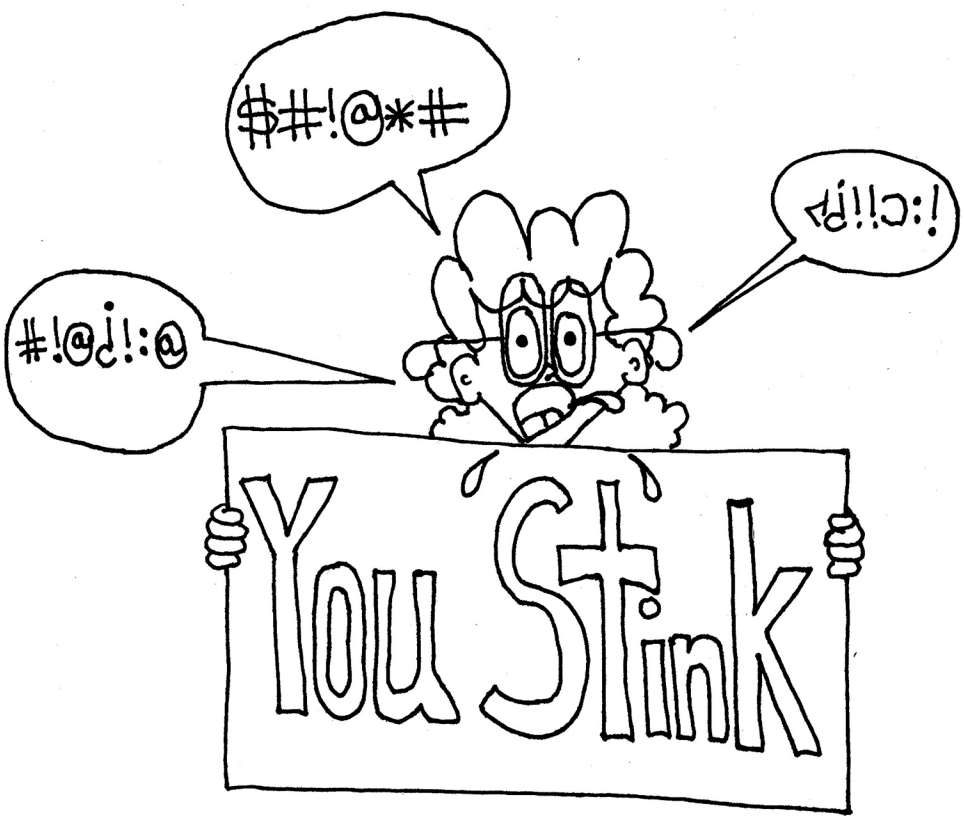
I am the checker
In a world of chess pieces





Most irritating aspect of Christians?
Selective use of the bible


LGBT
Be
Heard



Your slogan was so close to true....

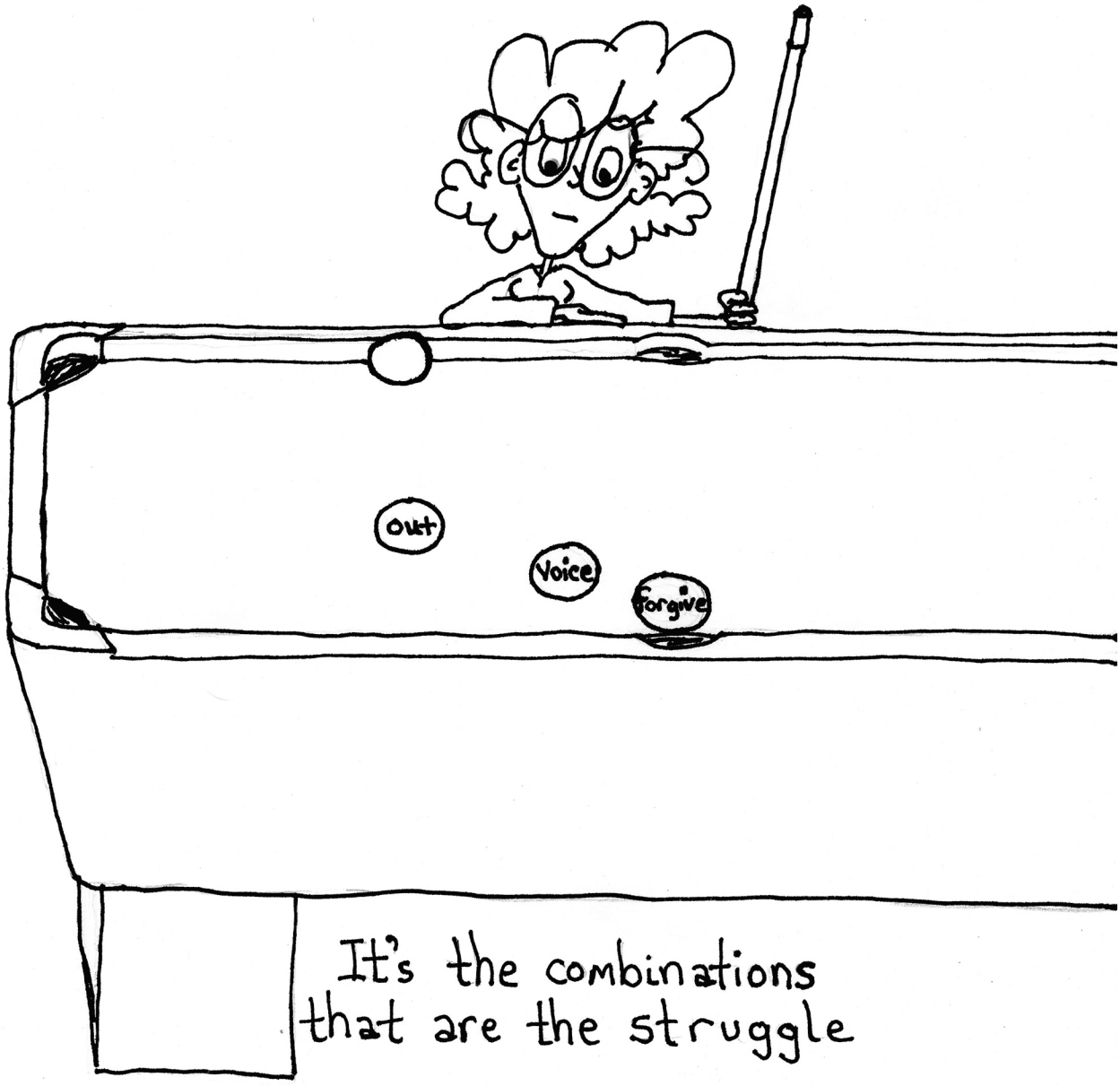
You meant "Making America Ungrateful"



I see all closets as being blue


Clothes don't
make the man.
Women do


Is the color of the children linked to the color of the water?
Flint
WATER TOXIC

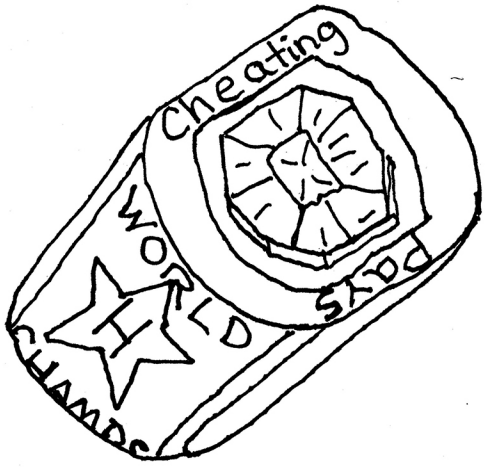

Out
Voice
Forgive
It's the combinations
that are the struggle



Conservative Dialogue


penguins should fly
I wonder if he'd take constructive criticism

The definition of cosmetic jewelry



Transitional Thoughts

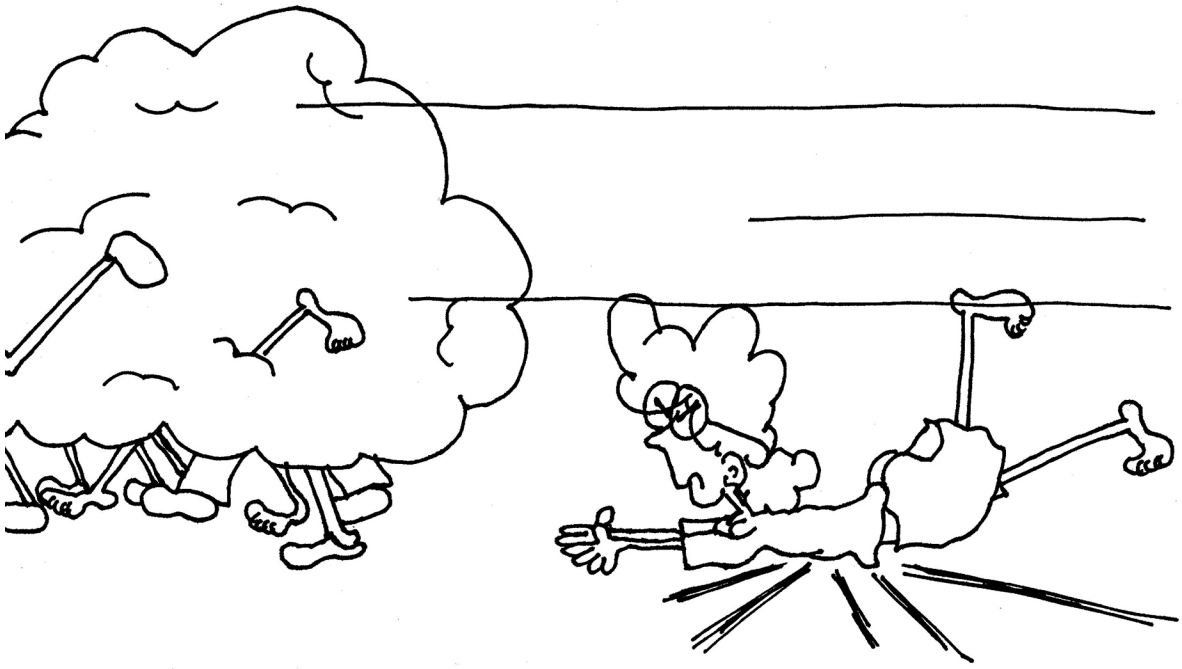


I'm amazed I thought "turn your head & cough" was a big deal

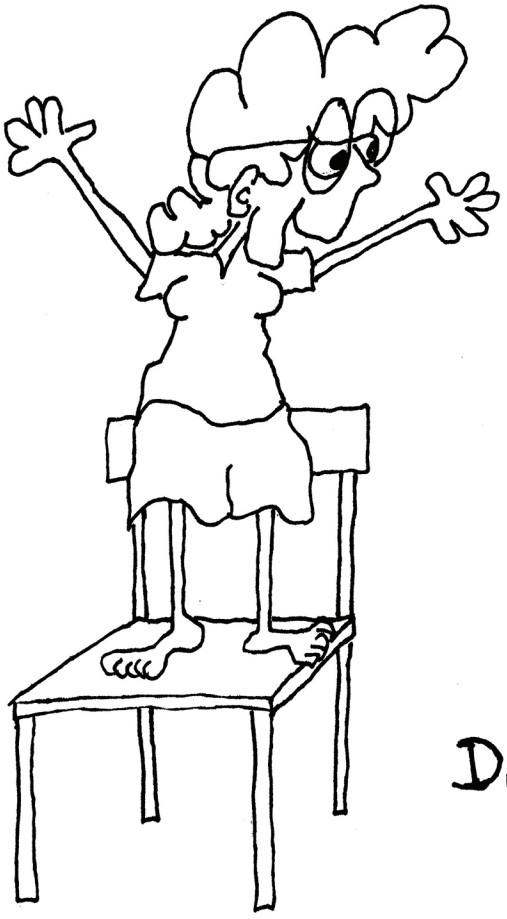


Reconciliation is awkward

I separate myself from the crowd by tripping



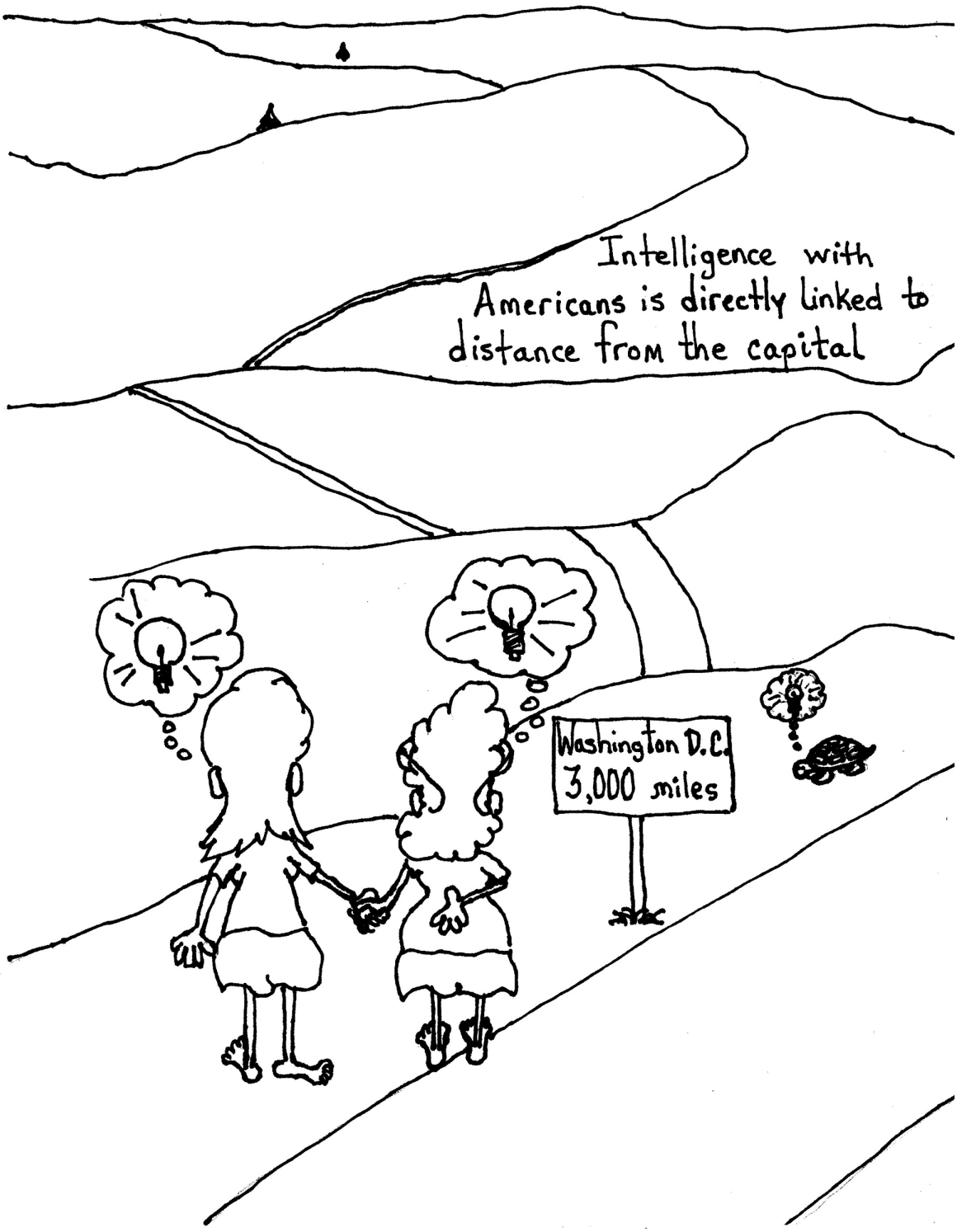
Don't ask to
be
heard



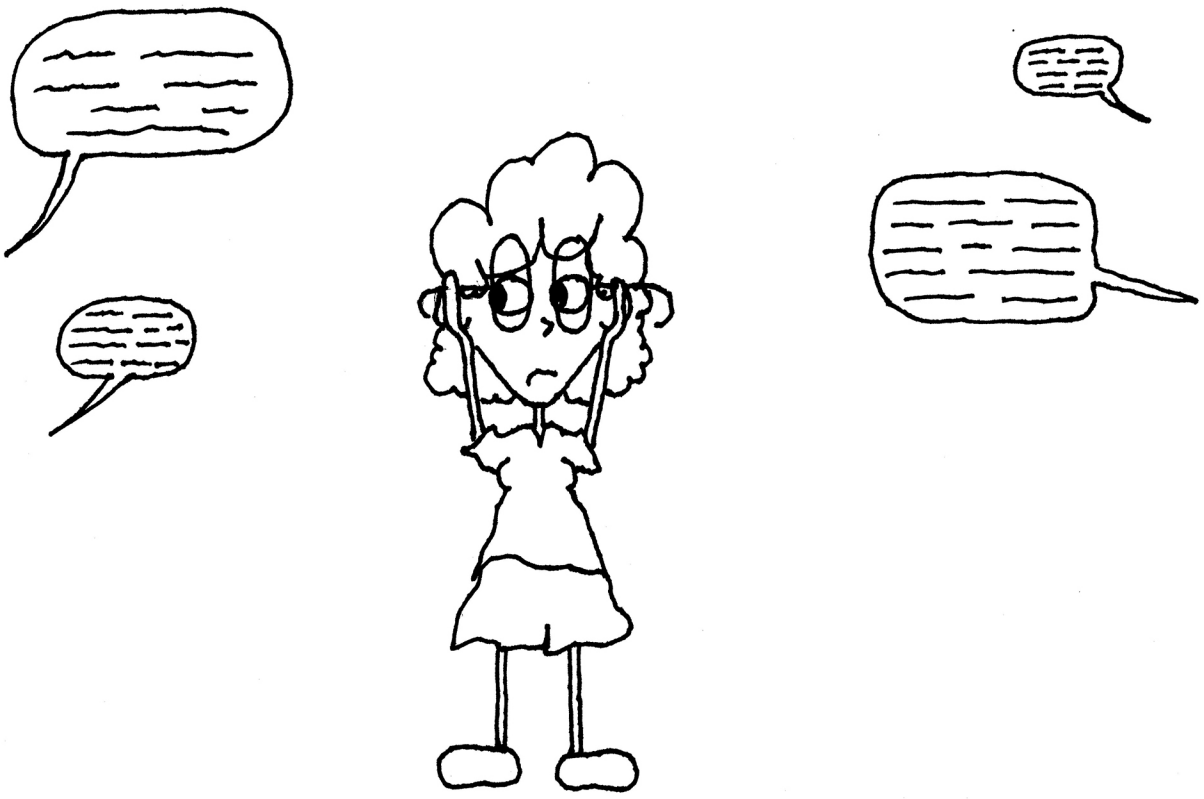
Demand it



Different sports = Different Questions

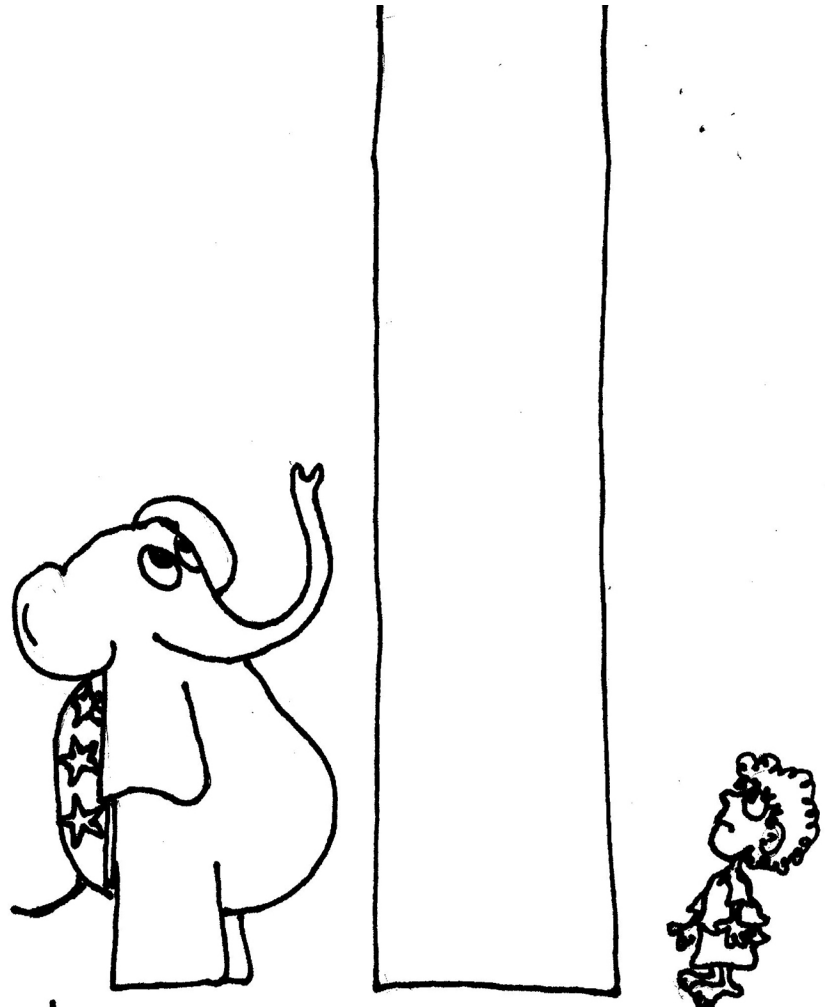

Intelligence with
Americans is directly linked to
distance from the capital
Washington D.C.
3,000 miles

Transitional Thoughts

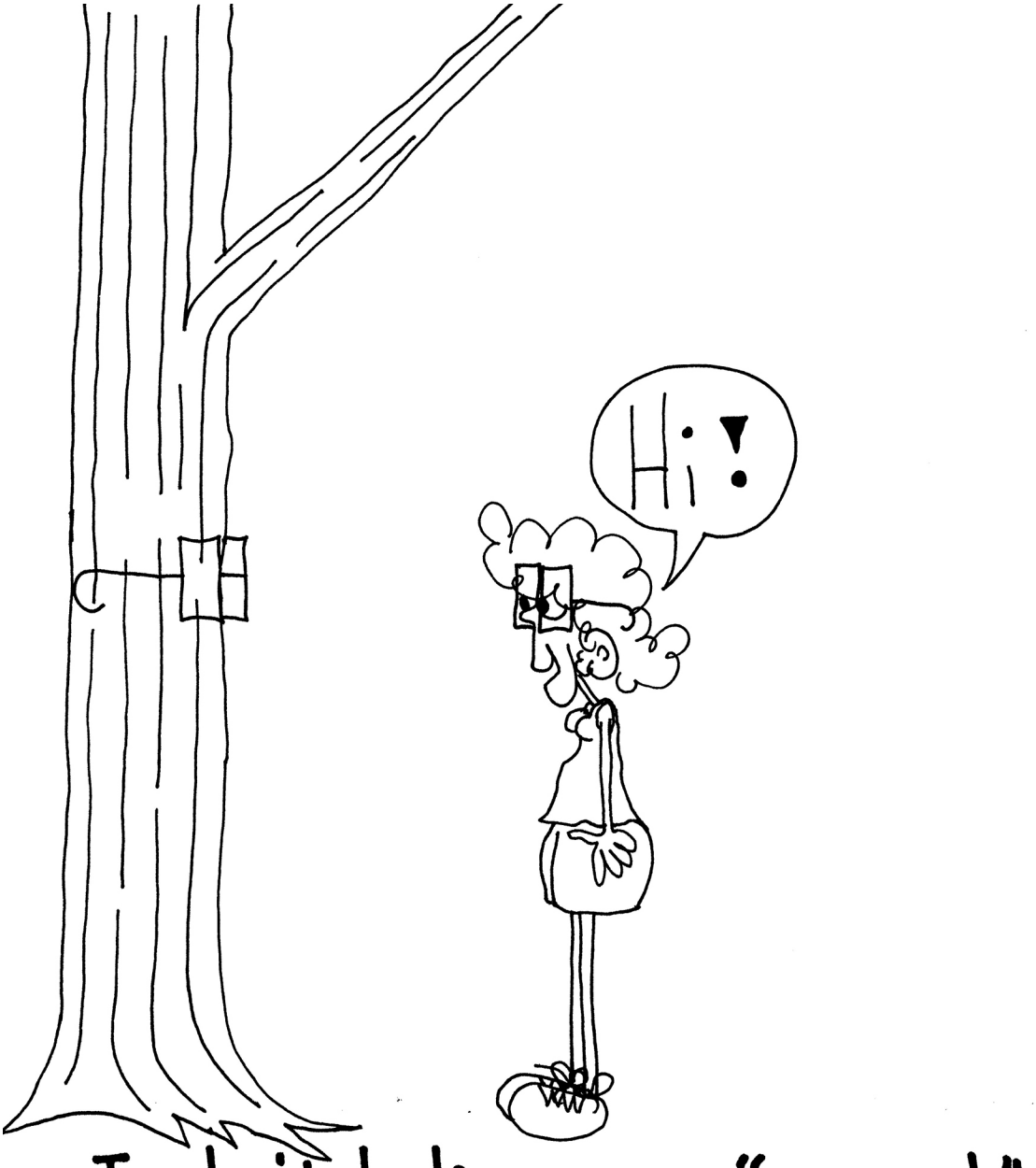


It's disturbing how deafening whispers are


Diversity
Makes
a
Better
Garden
Gay
Bi
TG
Straight
Lesbian

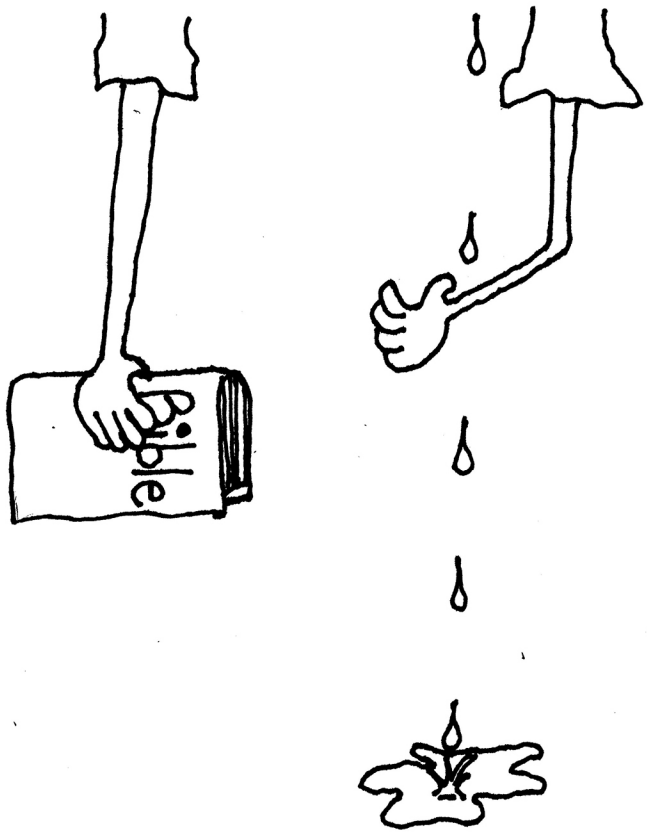


They never met a divider
they didn't endorse

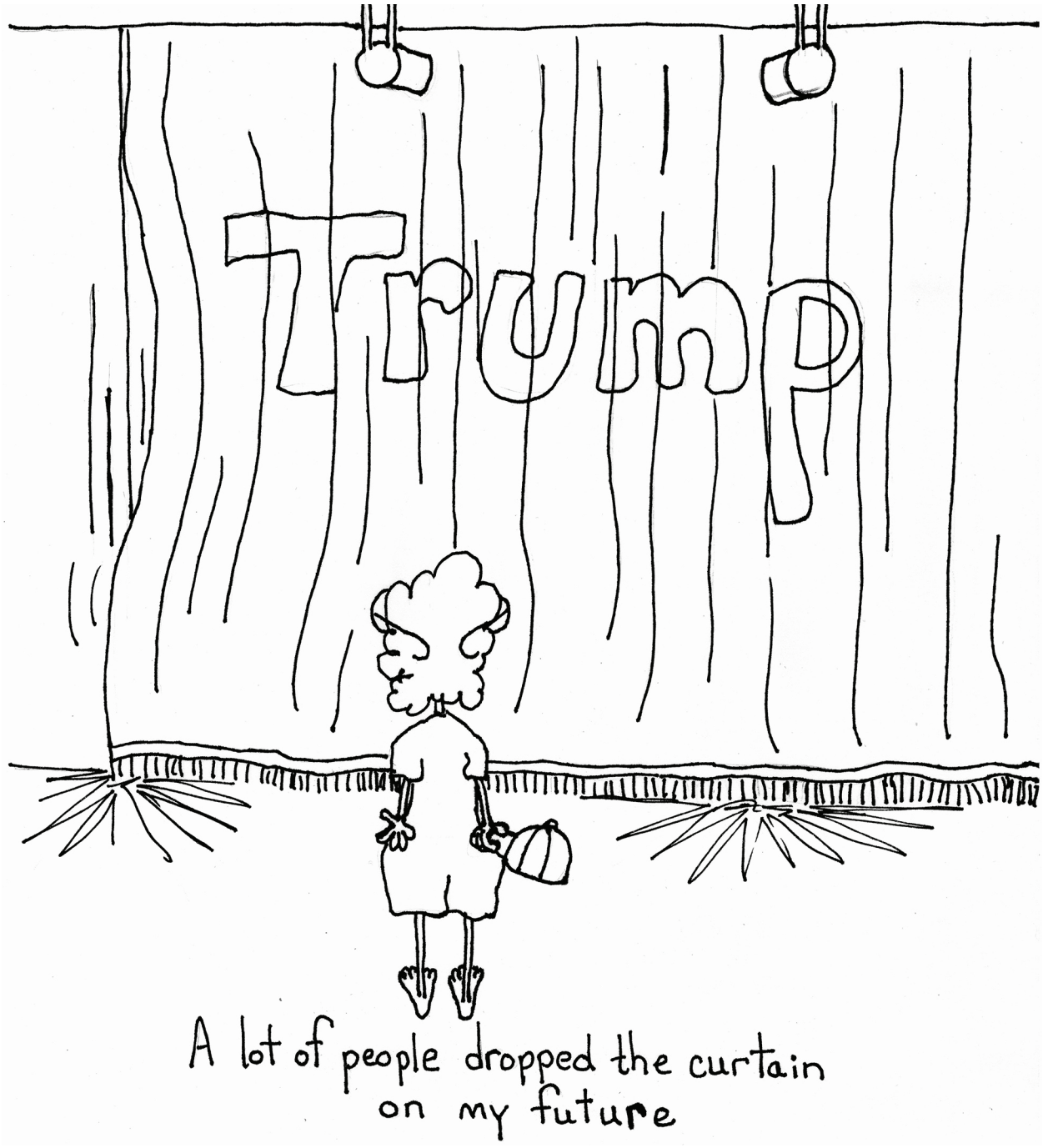

Hi!
I don't believe in "normal"

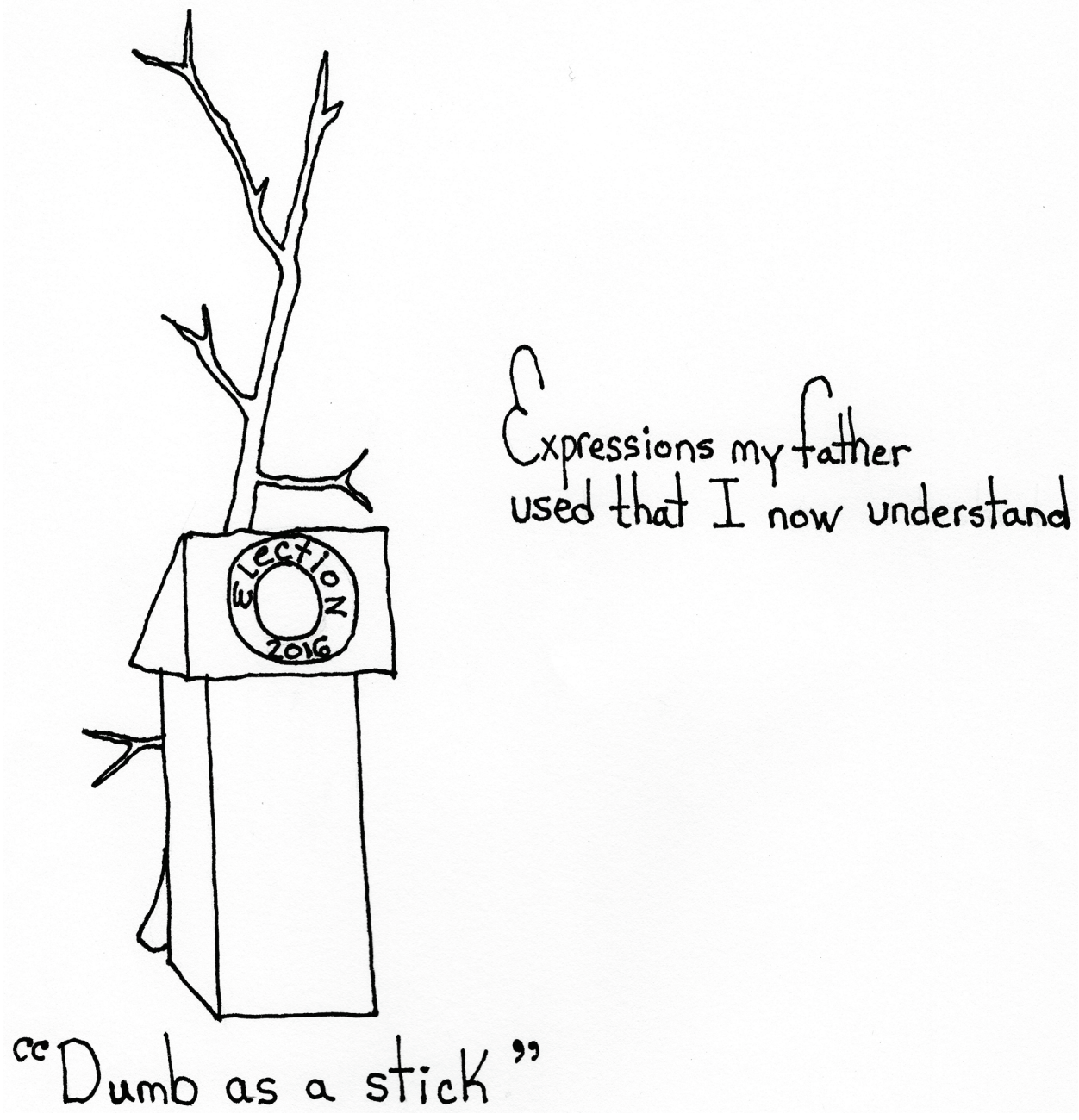

Do
Something!


I HATE You
Our Country!
When does the tide ebb?



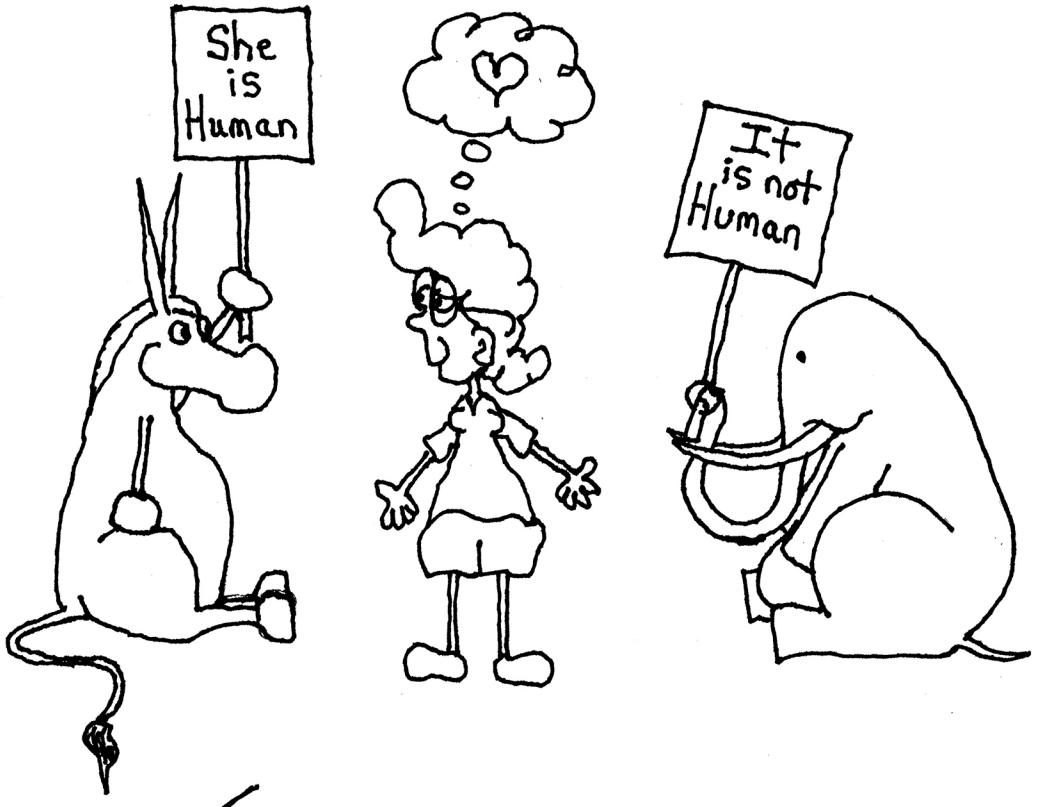
When your brother comes out to you as Trans...
drop the book and hug her.


Trump!
A lot of people dropped the curtain
on my future

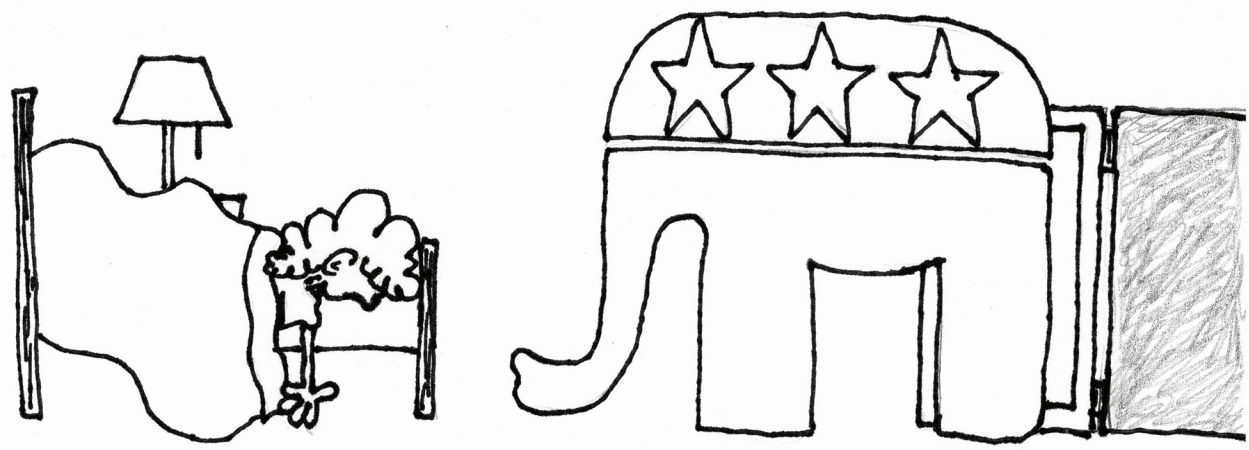

Expressions my father
used that I now understand
ELECTION
2016
"Dumb as a stick"



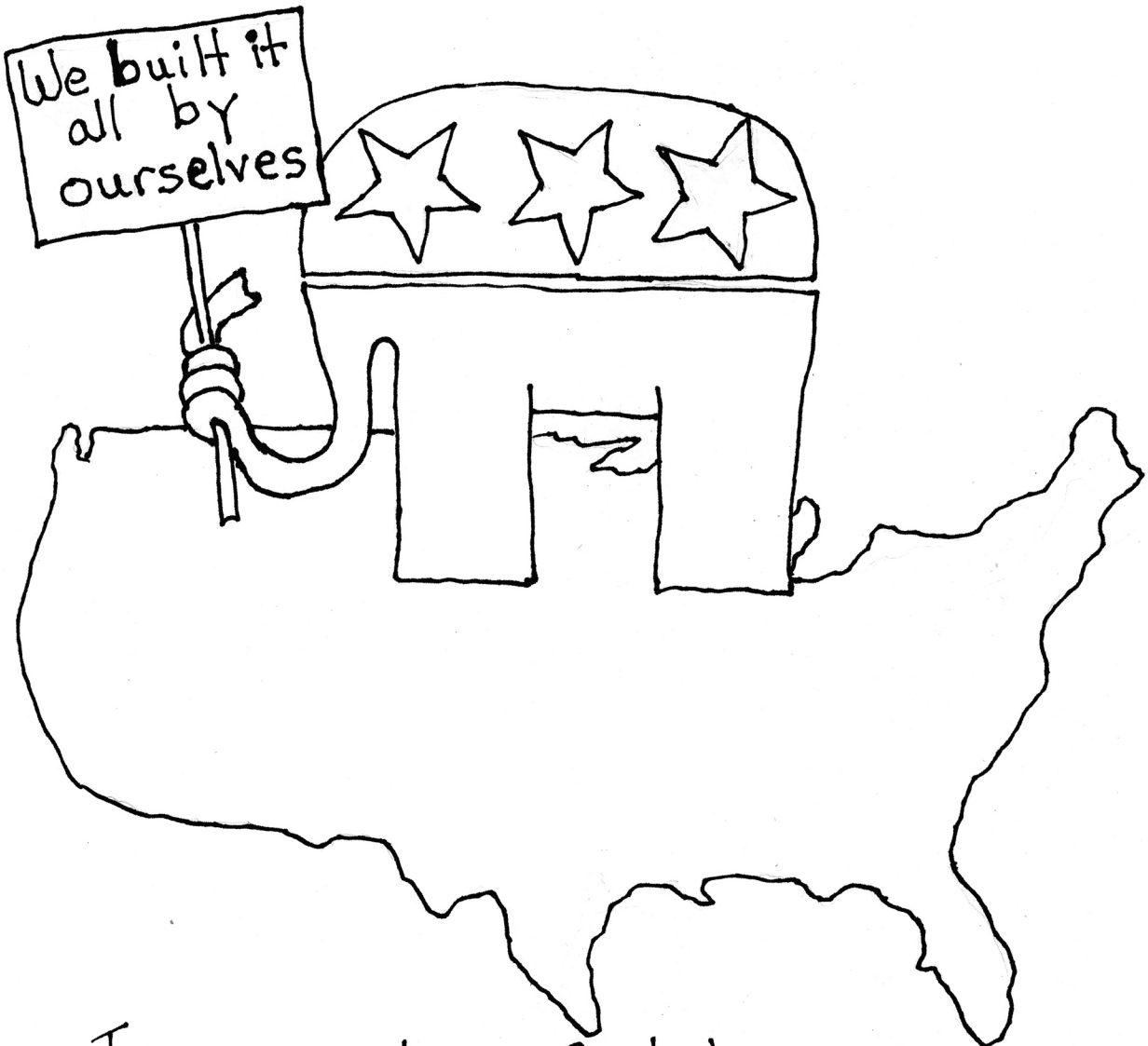
Early reviews of the church



They make the choice easy



Why are elephants drawn to bedrooms?

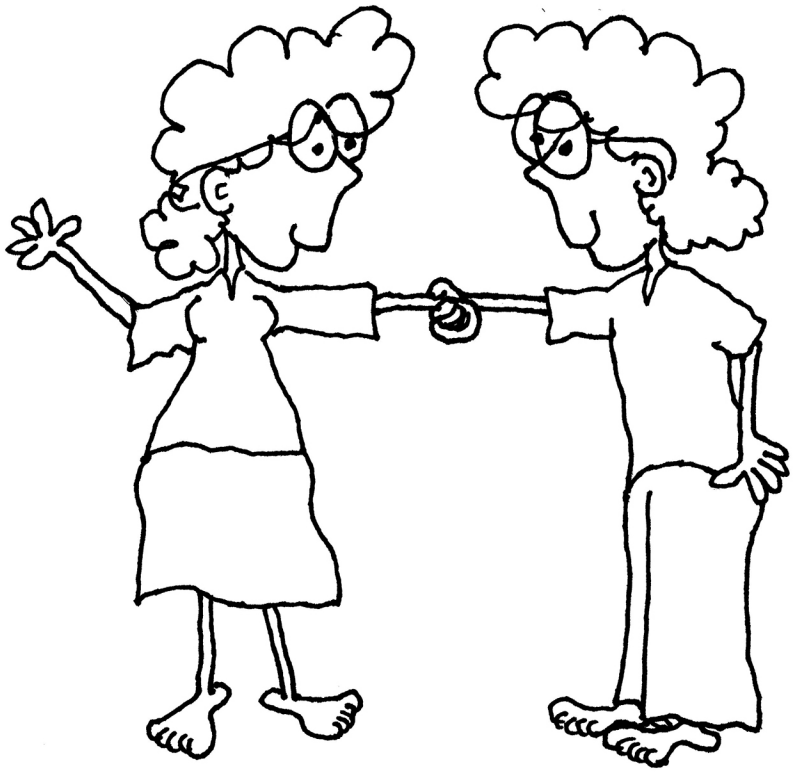


I see no evidence of elephants having great memories

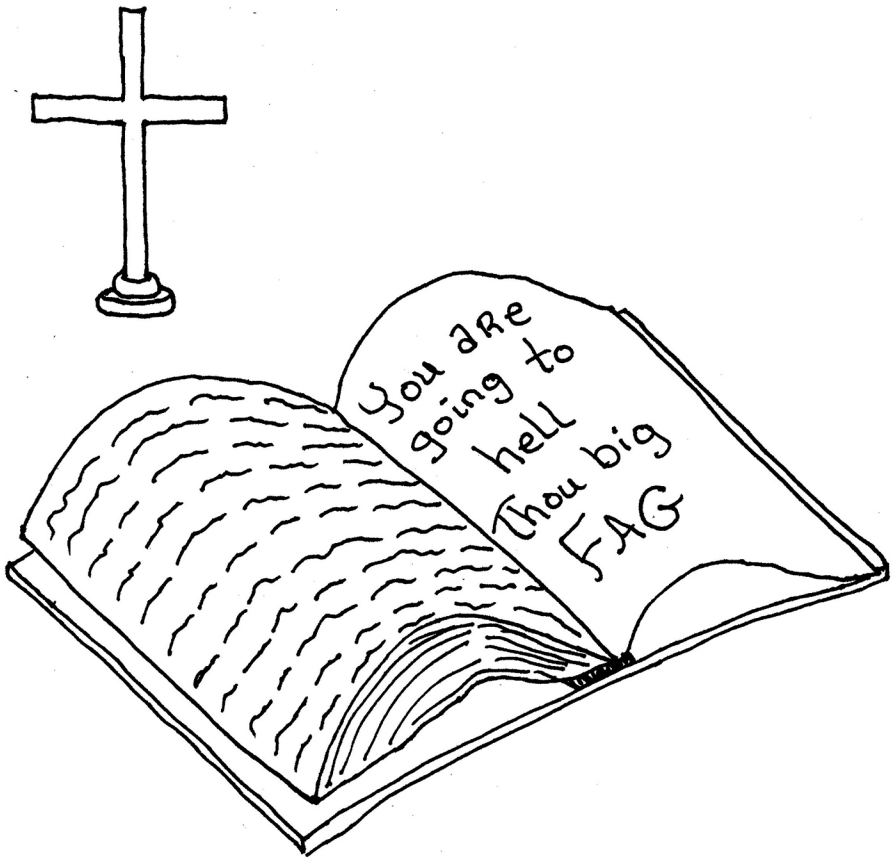


I Know it's immature...
But I can't help myself

A message from a
transgender person to her country:



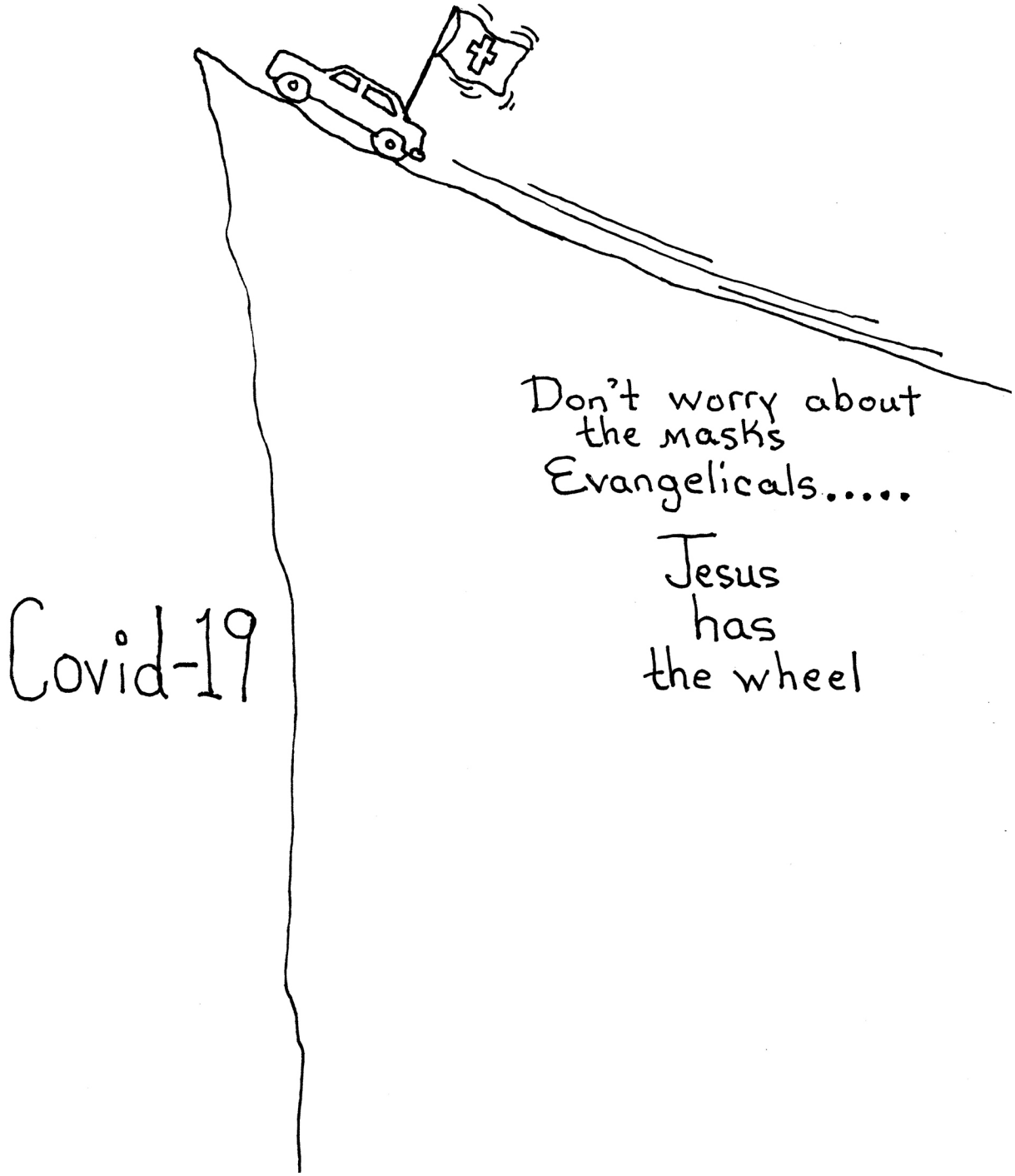
Change will hurt
less if you embrace it

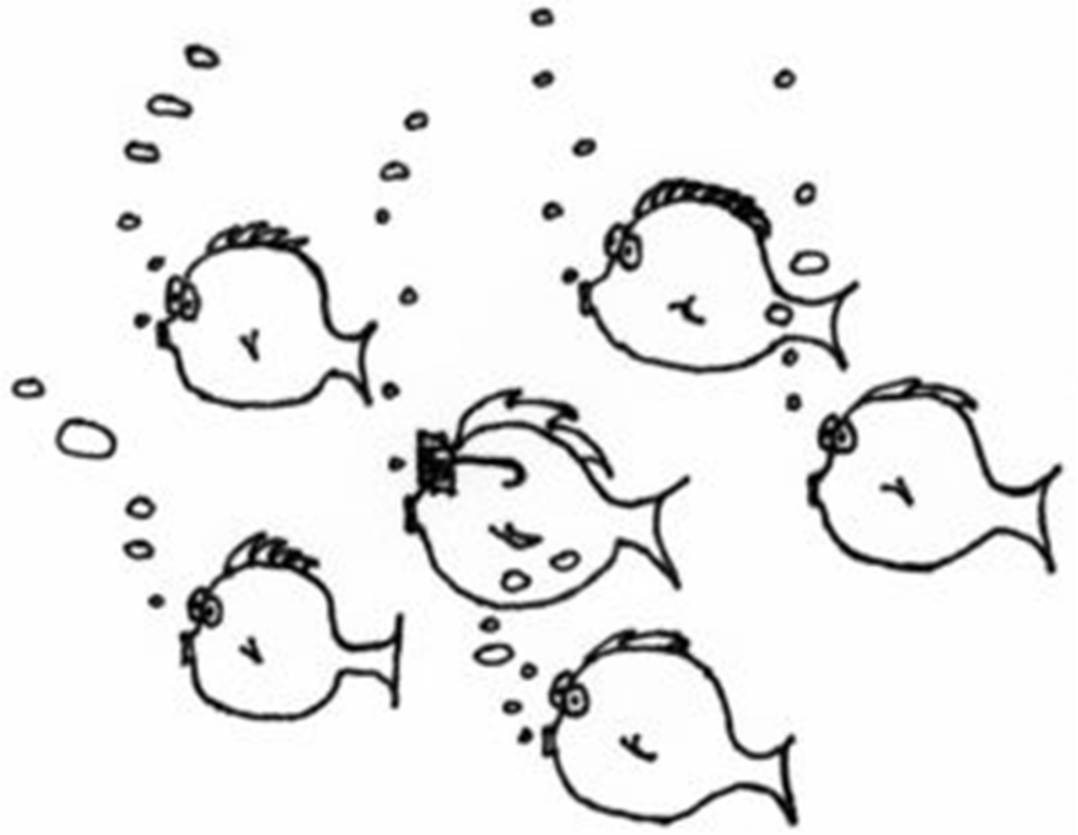


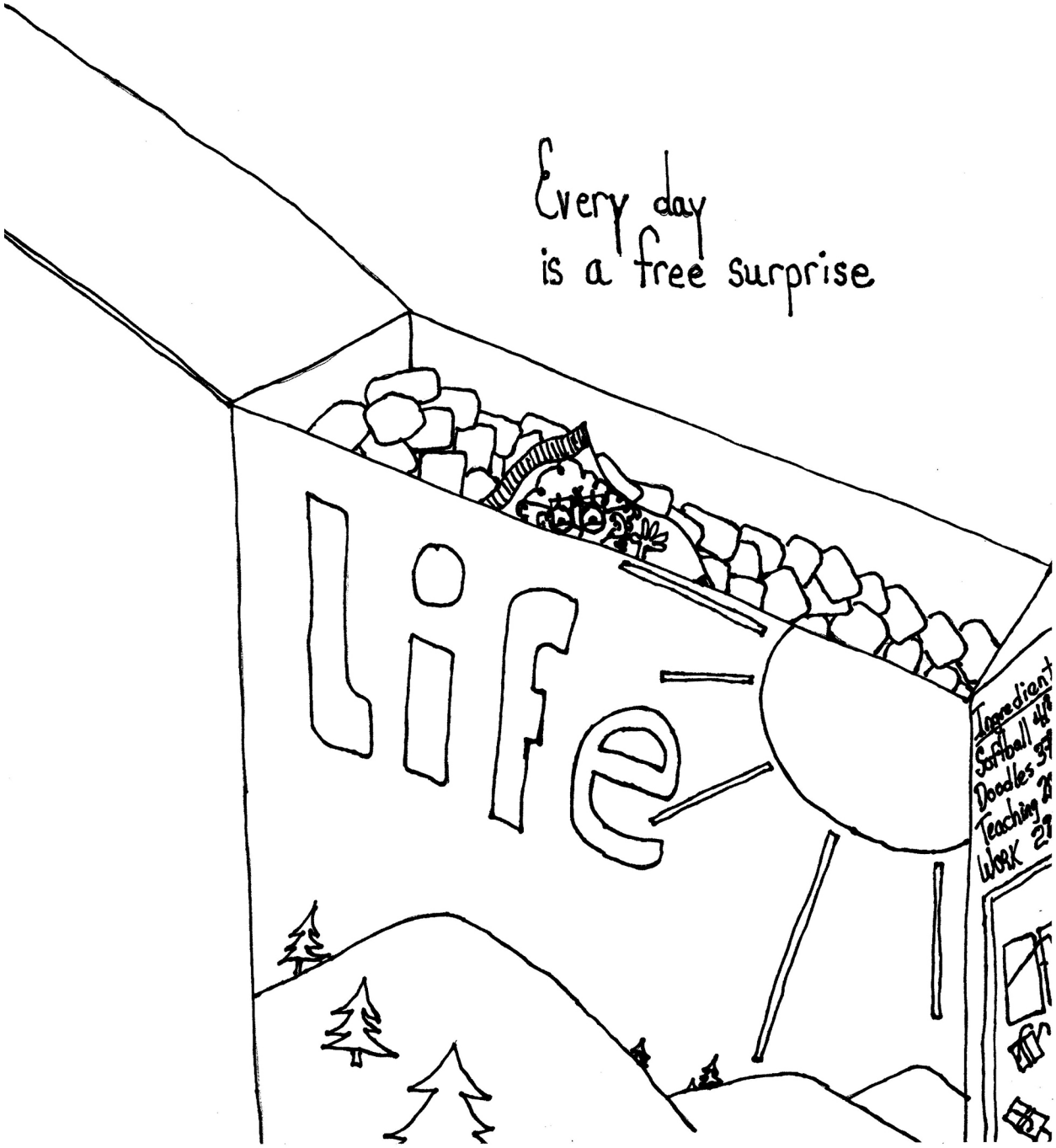
Her habit of reading the ending first backfired with the bible

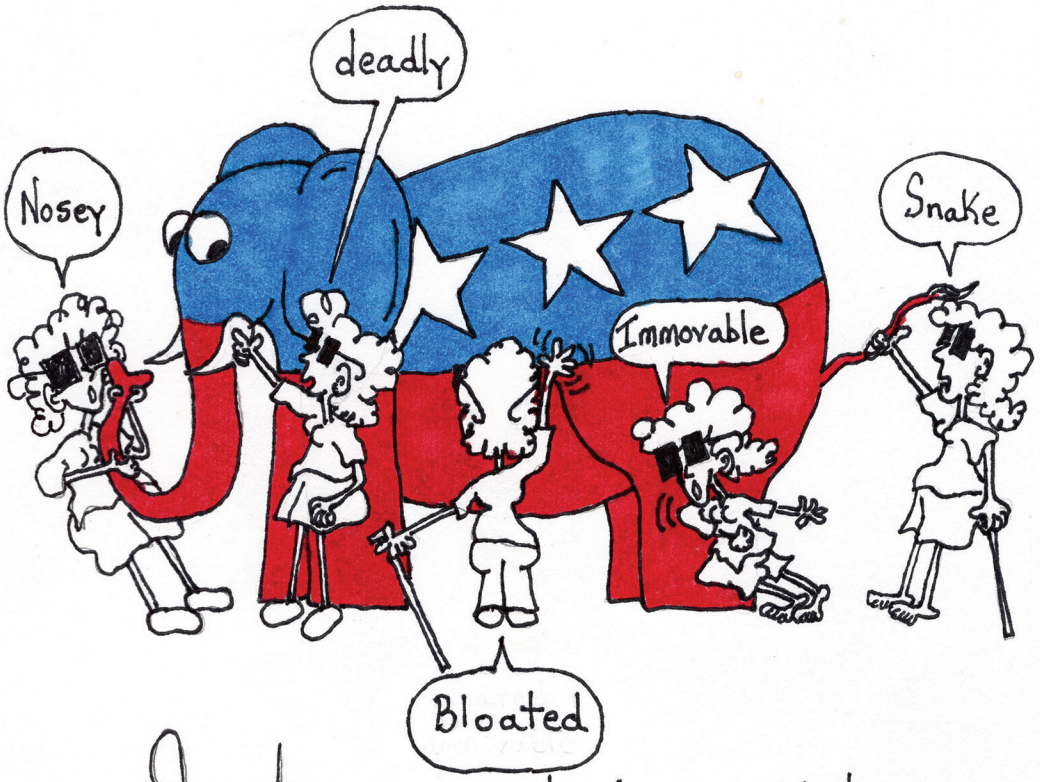


Doodle argues "manufacturer's error"


Don't worry about the masks Evangelicals.....
Jesus has the wheel
Covid-19

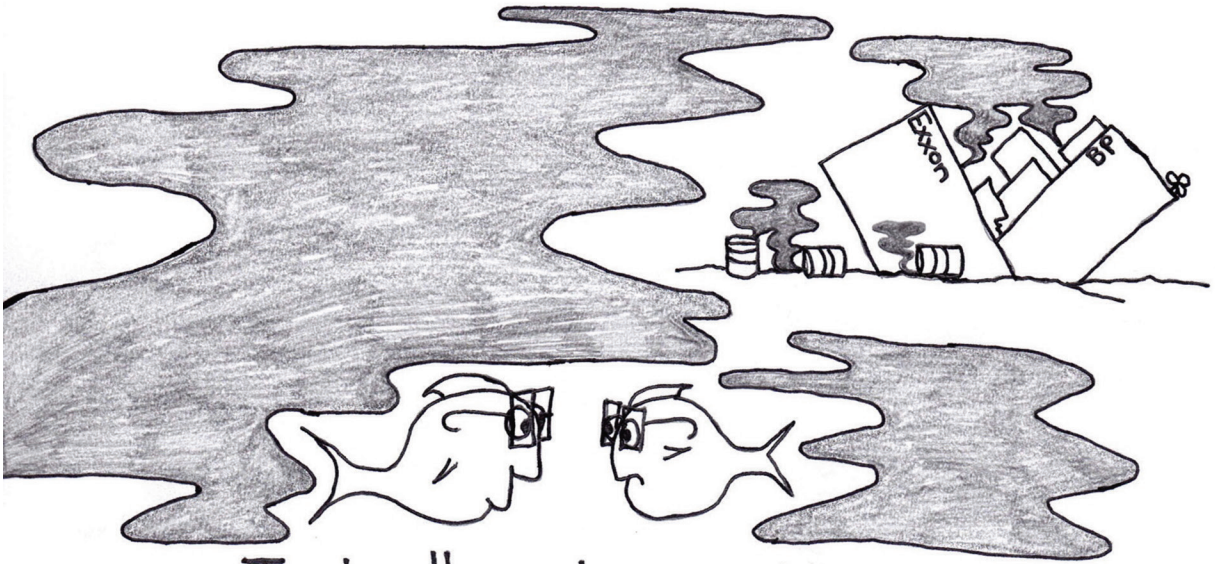

Even fish don't bully in schools


Every day
is a free surprise
life

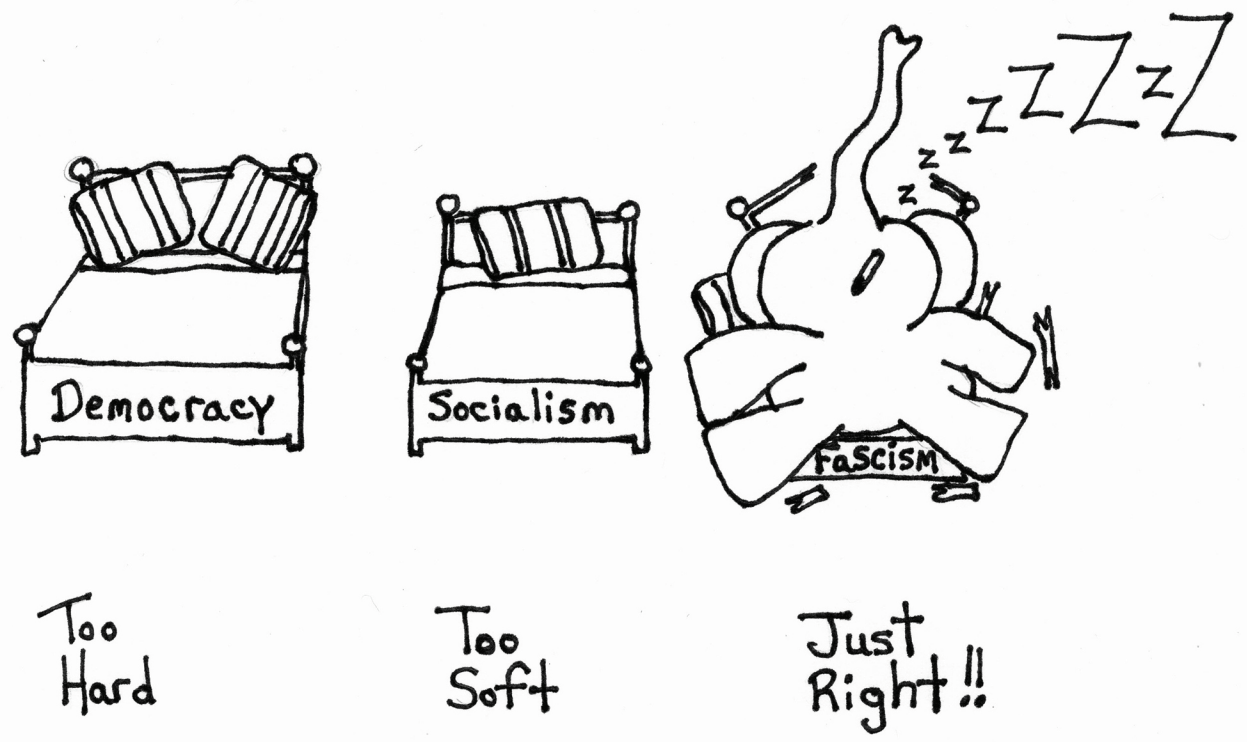


Sometimes everybody is right


Don't take pleasure at the expense of others



Is it getting dark earlier?


Democracy
Socialism
fascism
Too Hard
Too Soft
Just Right!!

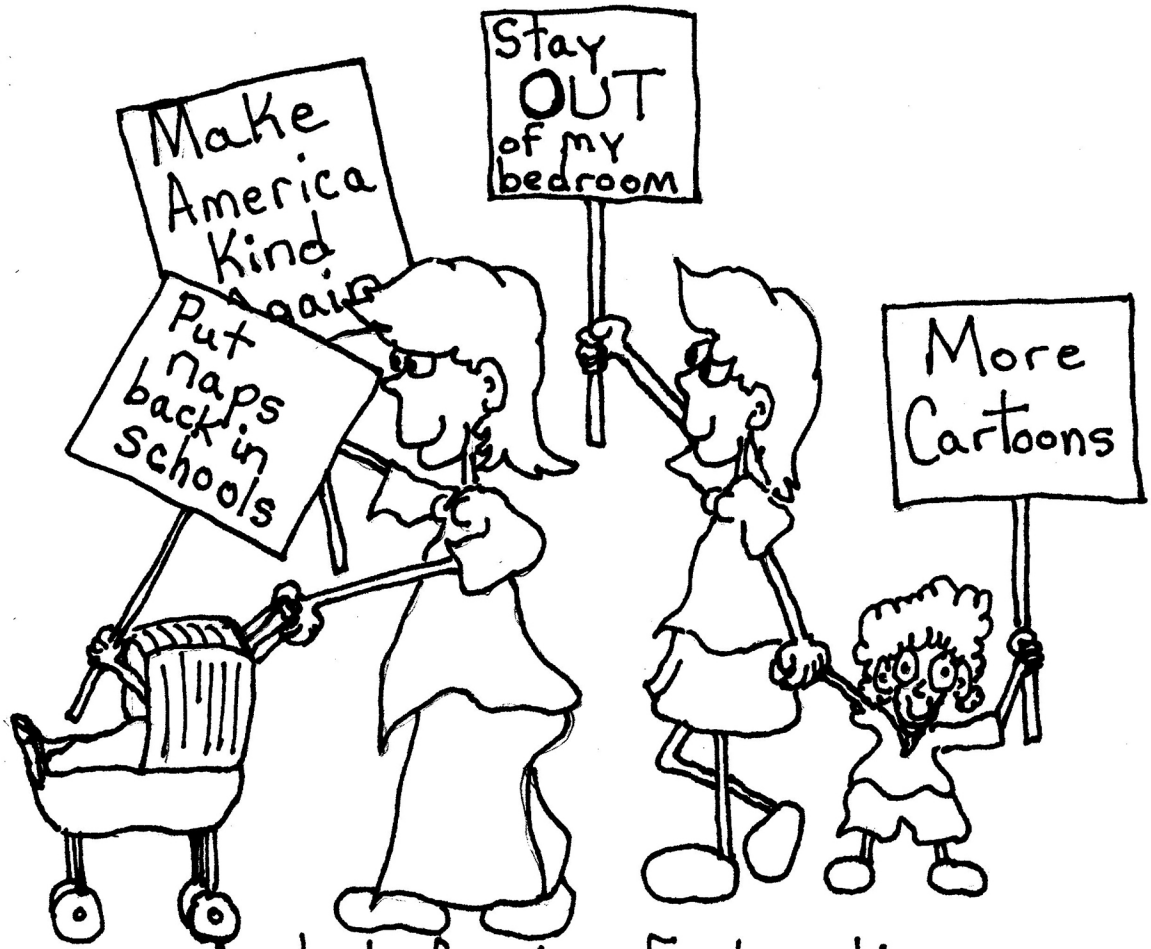
Transitional Thoughts



The new fall line for a lot of Americans

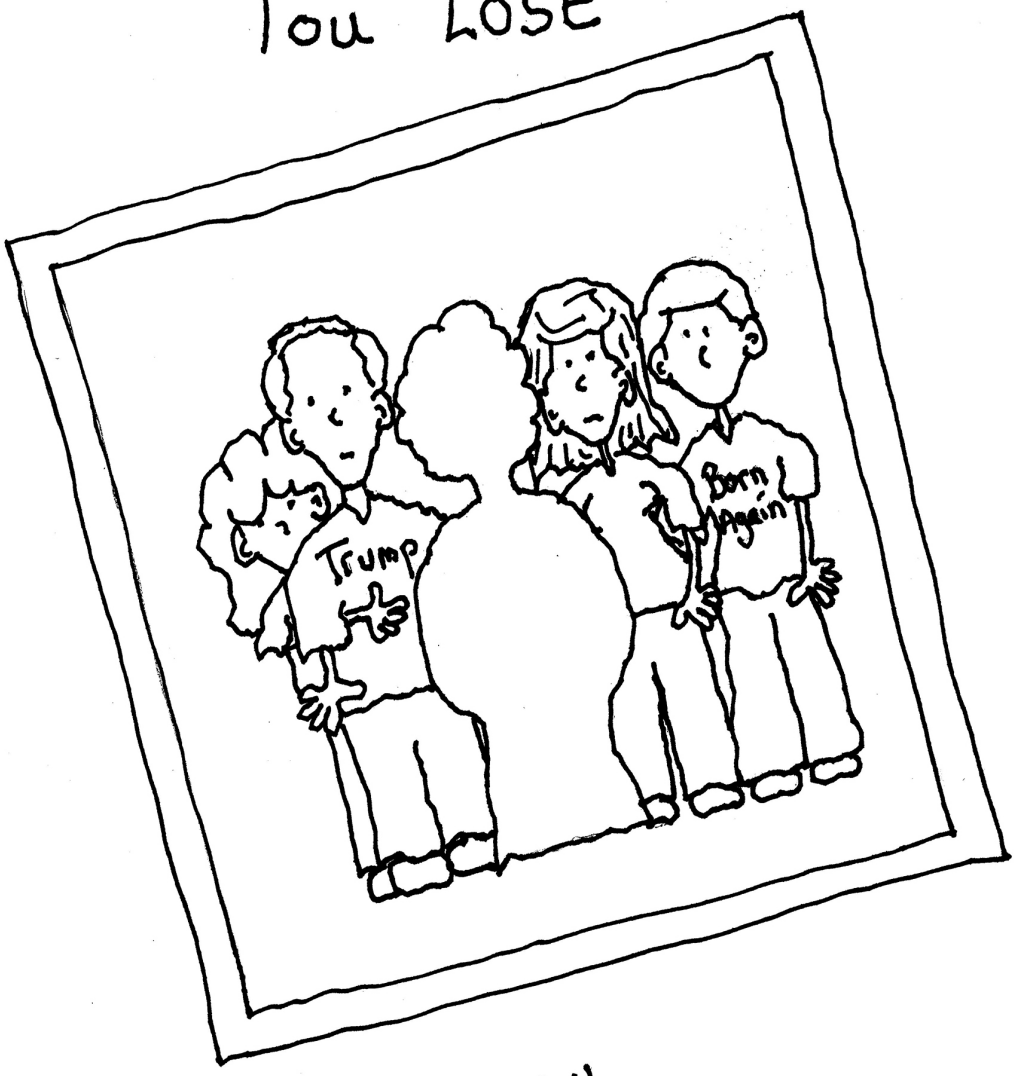


The evolution from symbolism to false advertising



A truly American Family outing

You Lose



When
family photographs transition
too

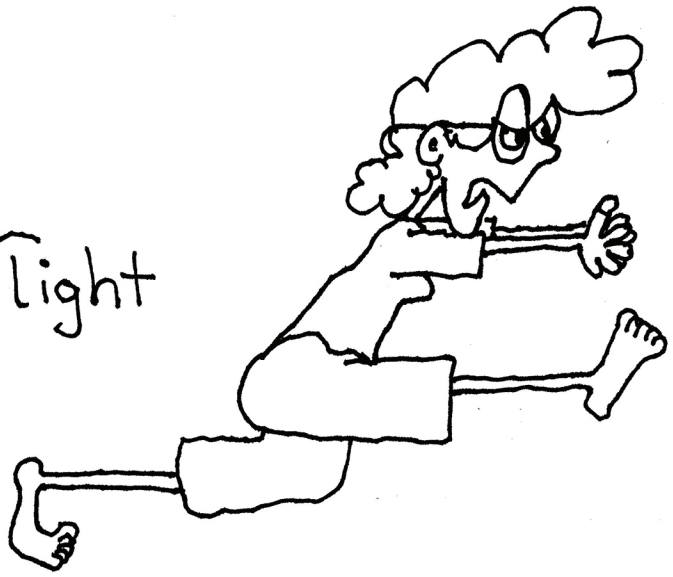

MORE
PENCILS
Pick a fight
Find your voice


It was supposed to be a Comedy
Bible
The first writers purge


I can't remember a time our flag wasn't at half mast
DEATH
DEATH
More Death

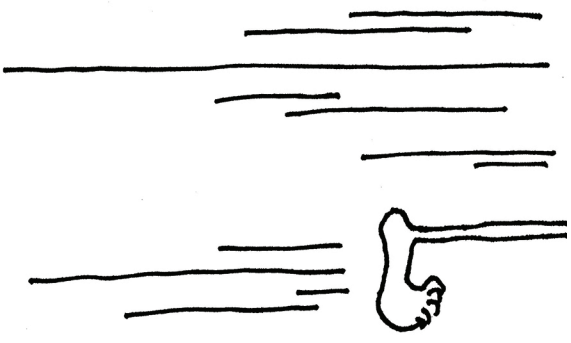
My instincts are

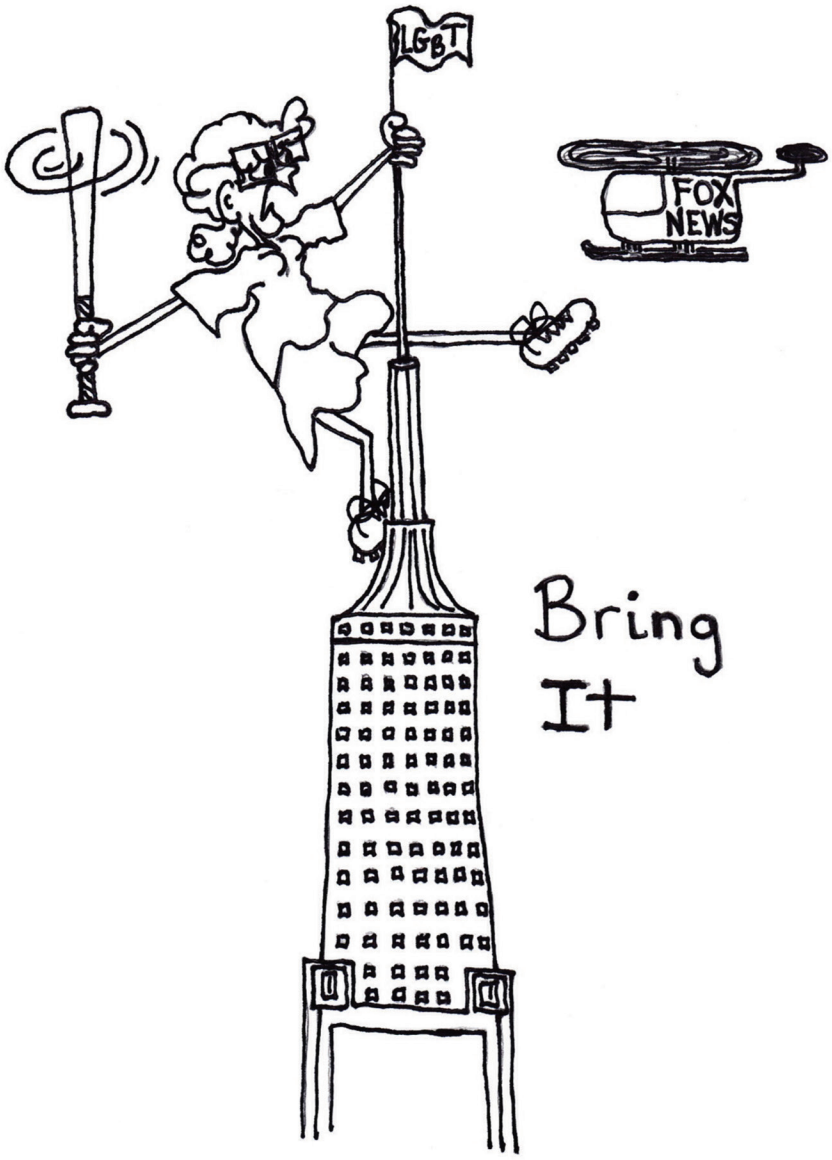
flight

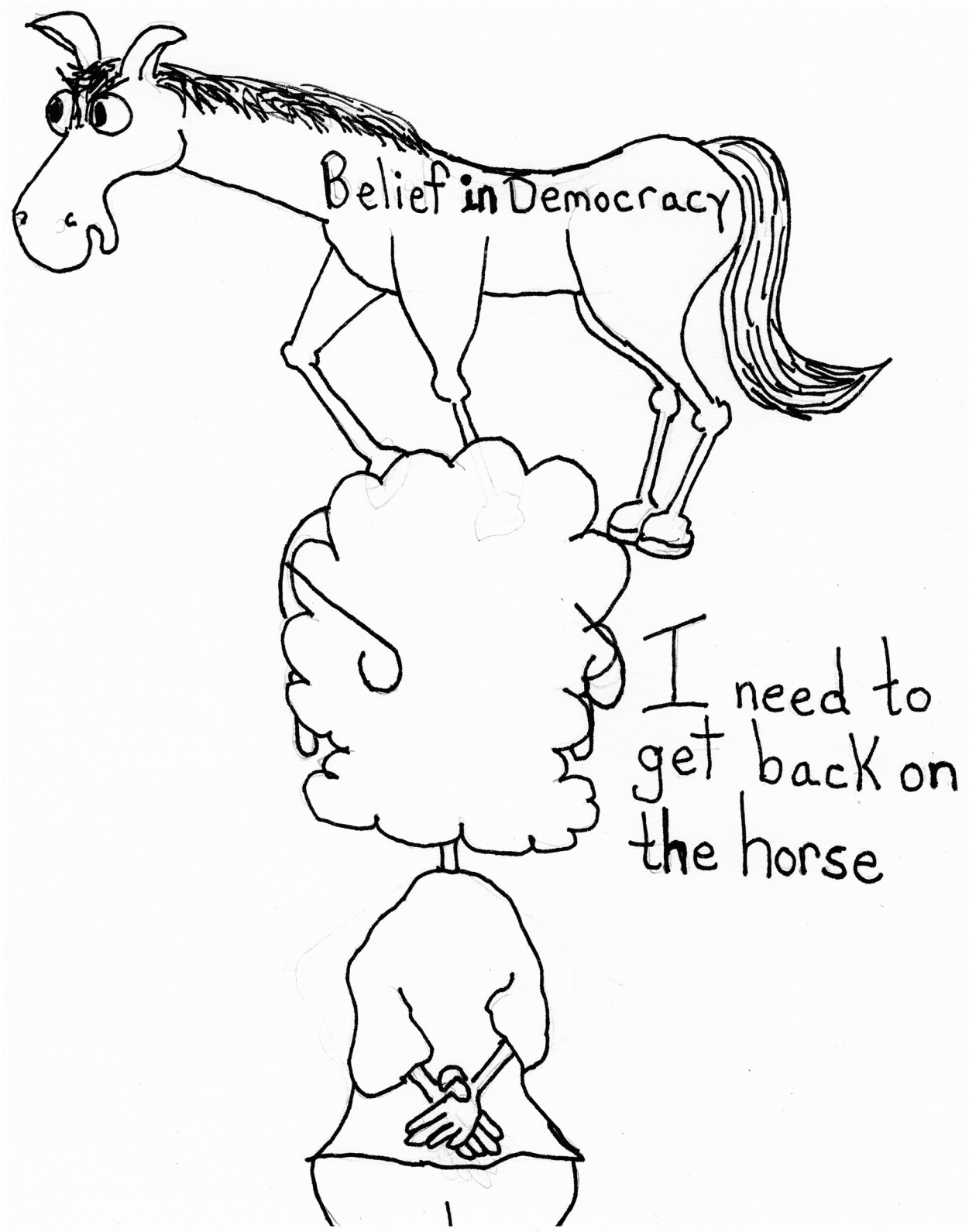


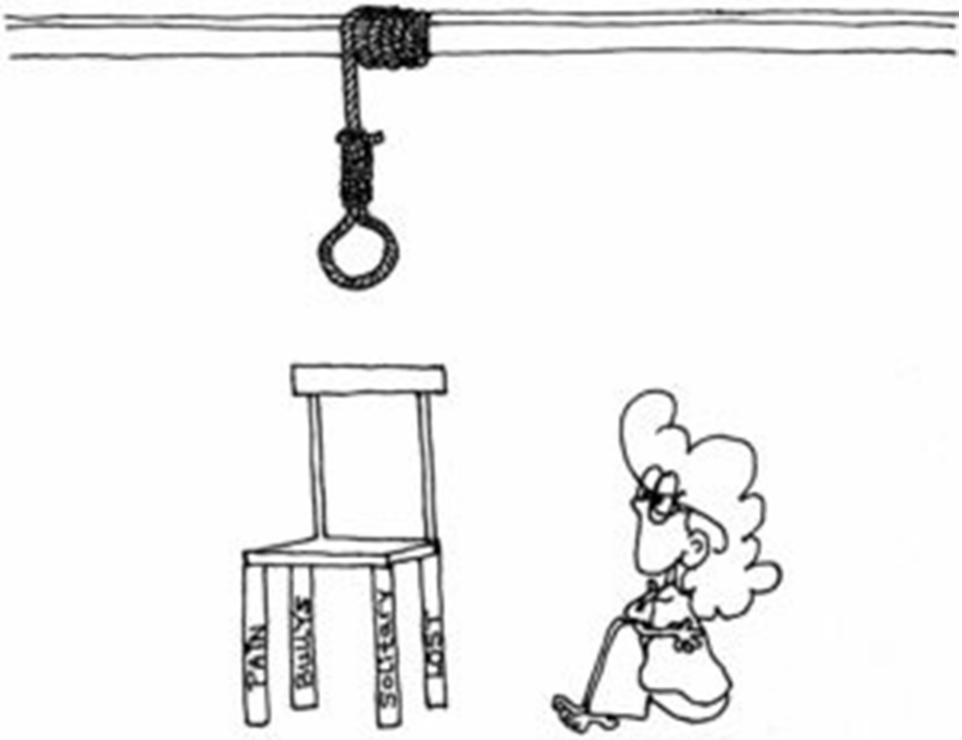
or

faster flight

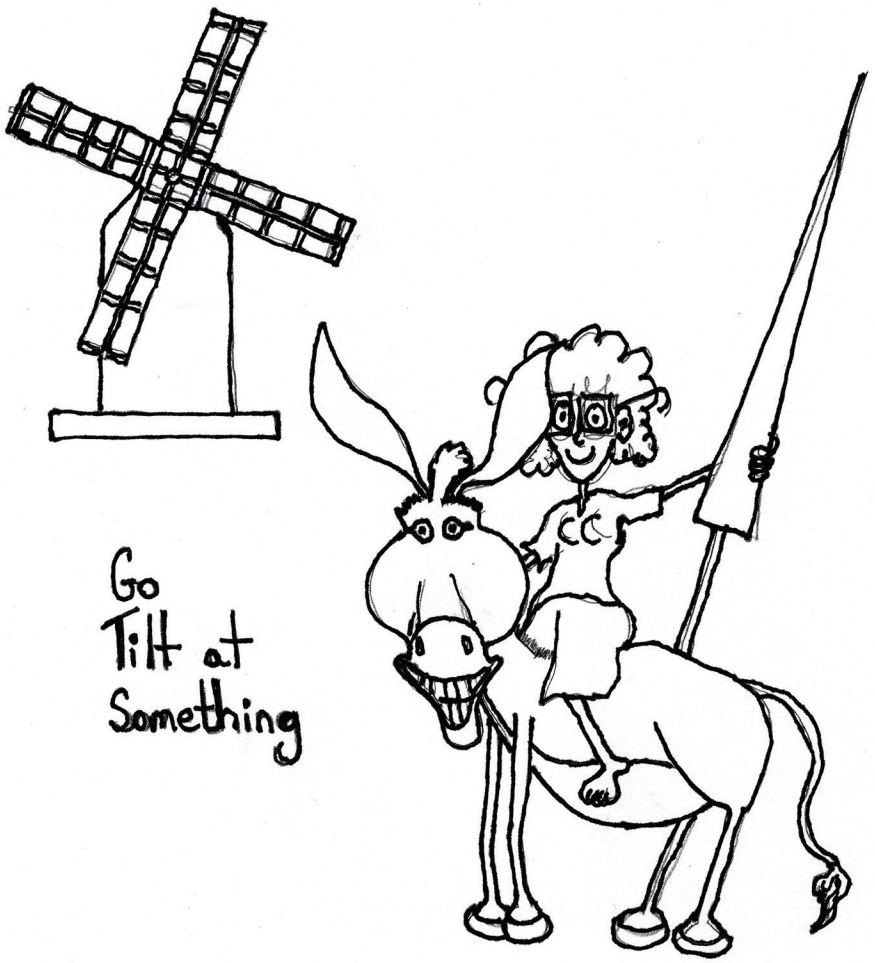



LGBT
FOX NEWS
Bring It


Belief in Democracy
I need to get back on the horse



I'm glad I didn't quit


Go
Tilt at
Something

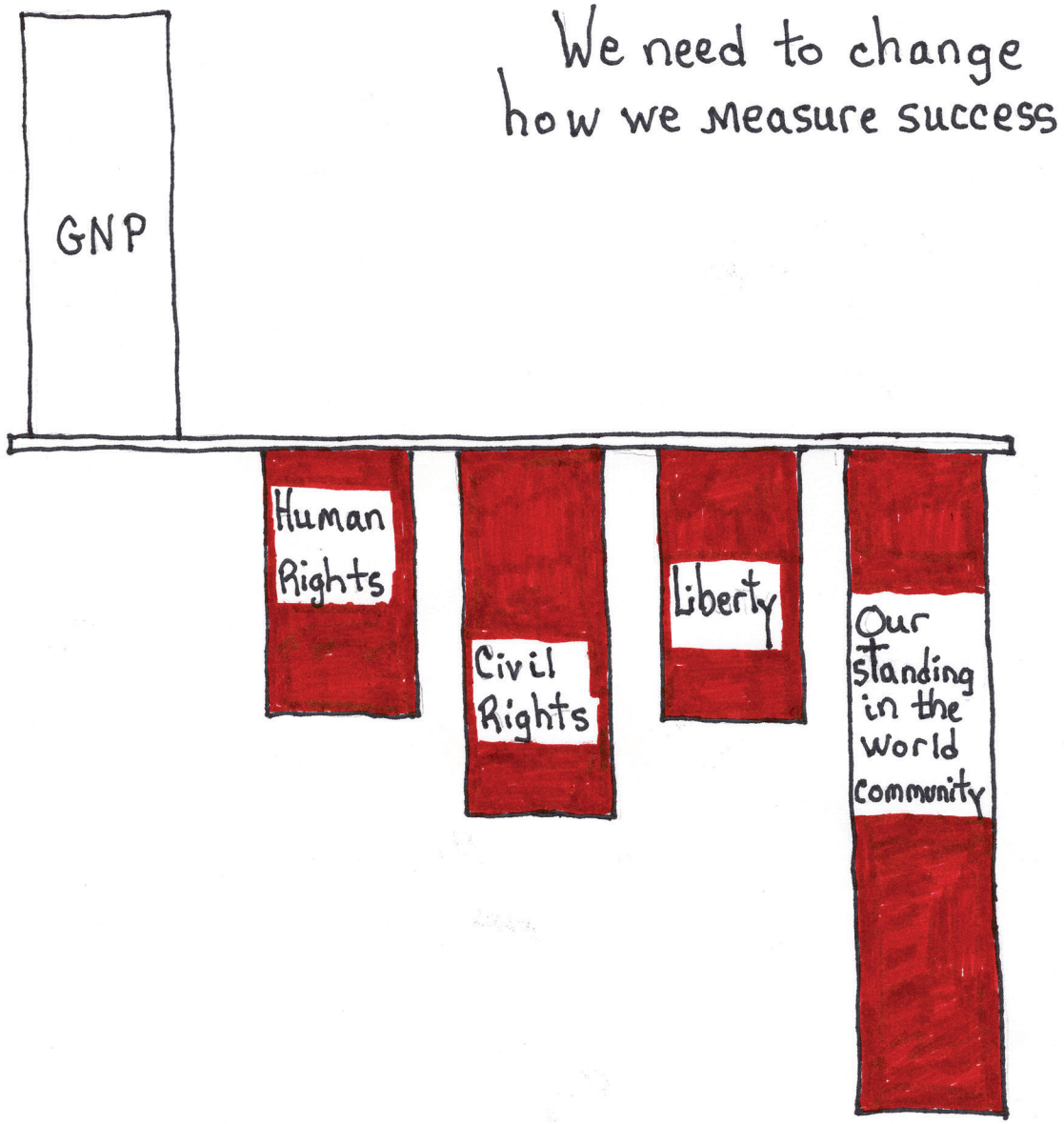


Maybe God's in the closet
and the bible is self-hatred

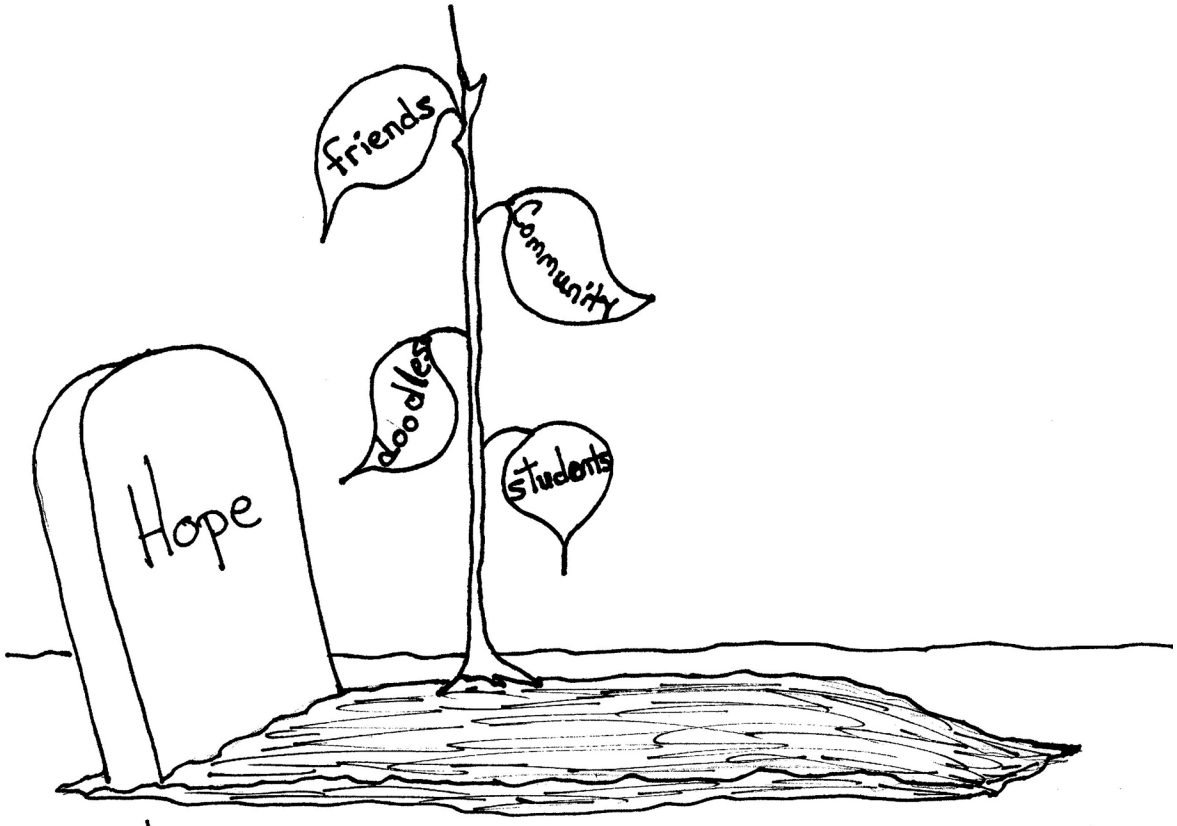

I believe God is everywhere
and doesn't demand I come to his office


At NO point did I promise those idiots virgins!
I want to be God's therapist

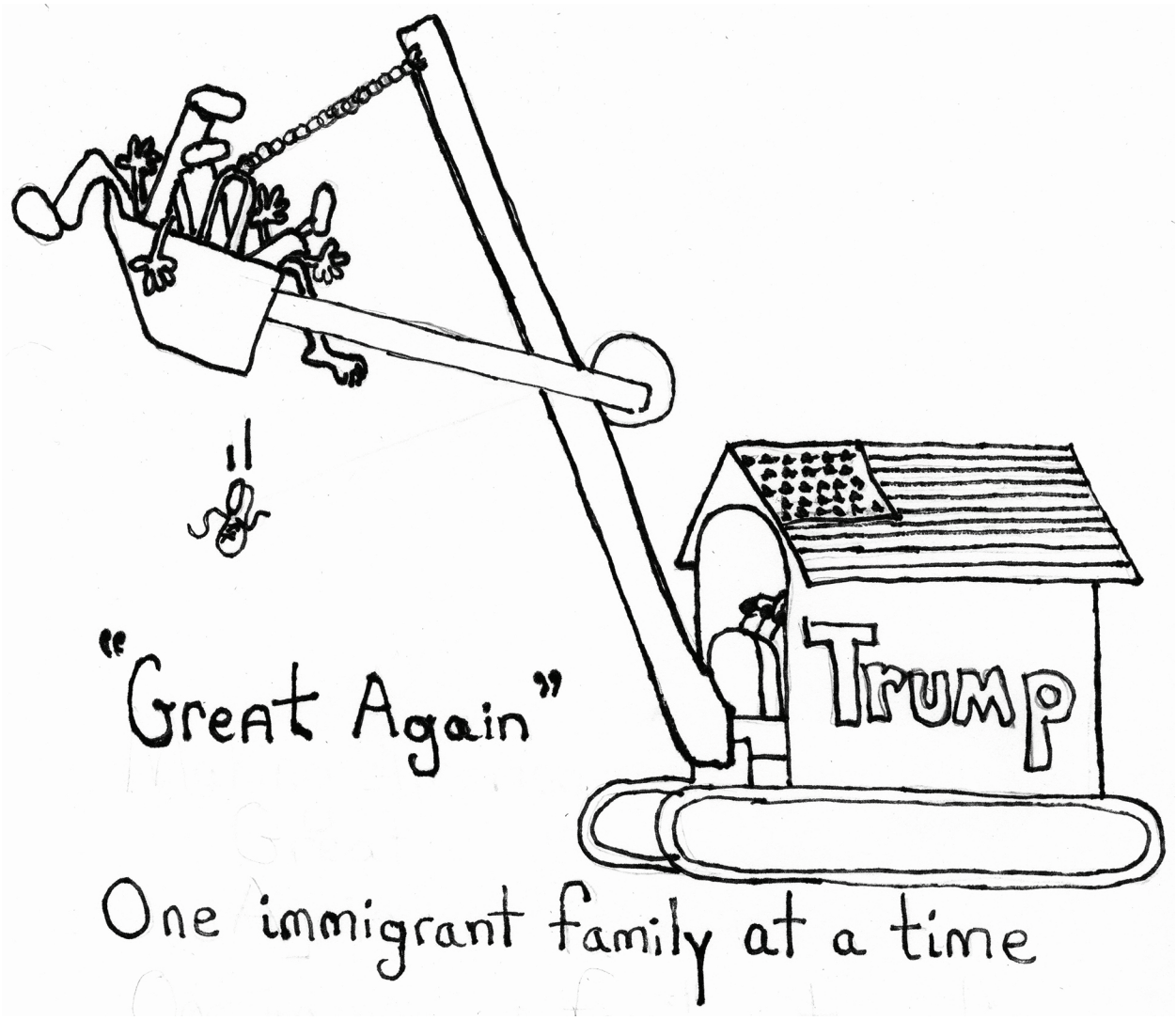

Middle School
Whites only
"The good ol' days weren't really that good"


We need to change
how we measure success
GNP
Human Rights
Civil Rights
Liberty
Our standing in the world community

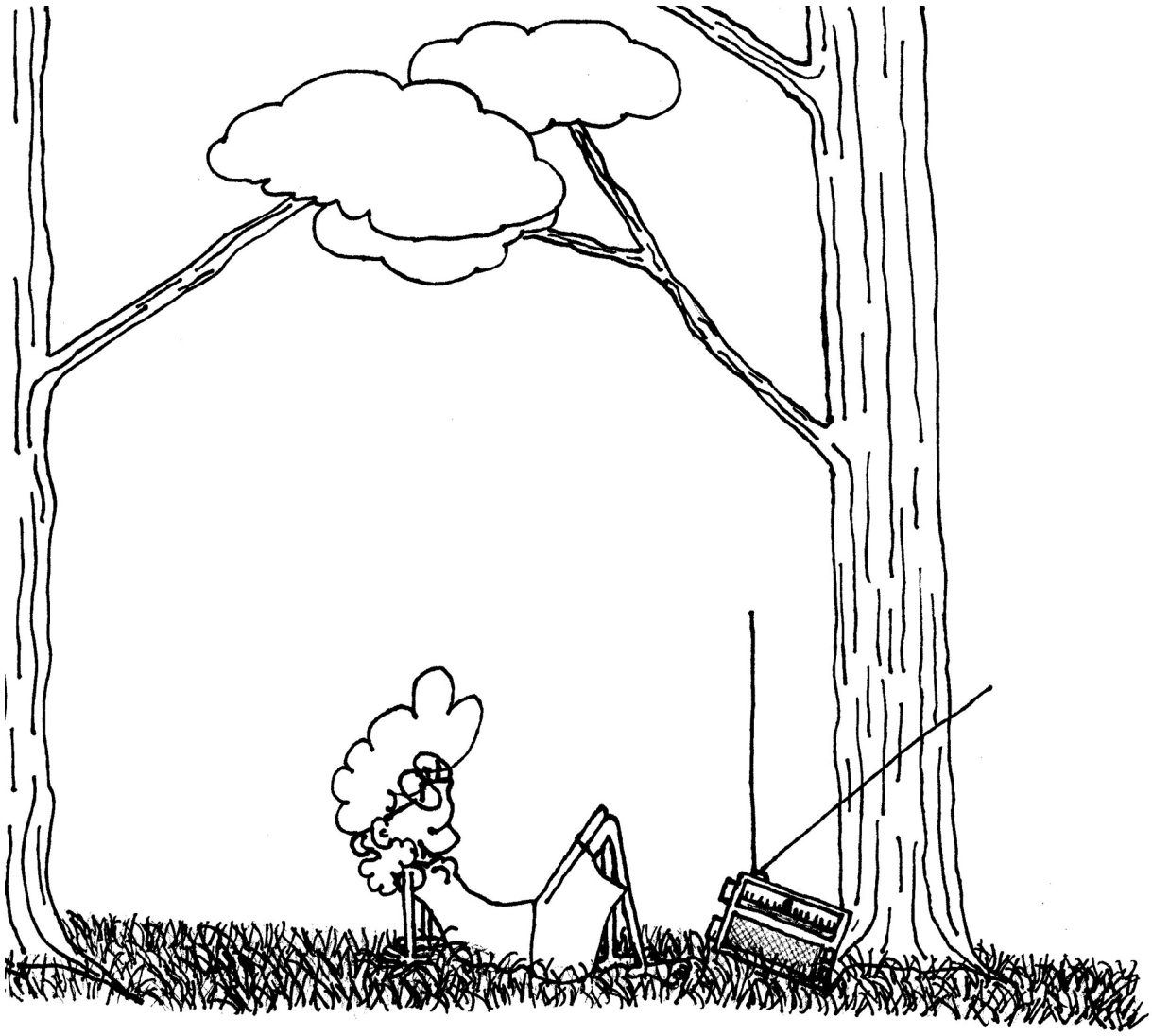

THE GAYS ARE COMING!
Republican Grassroots Movement



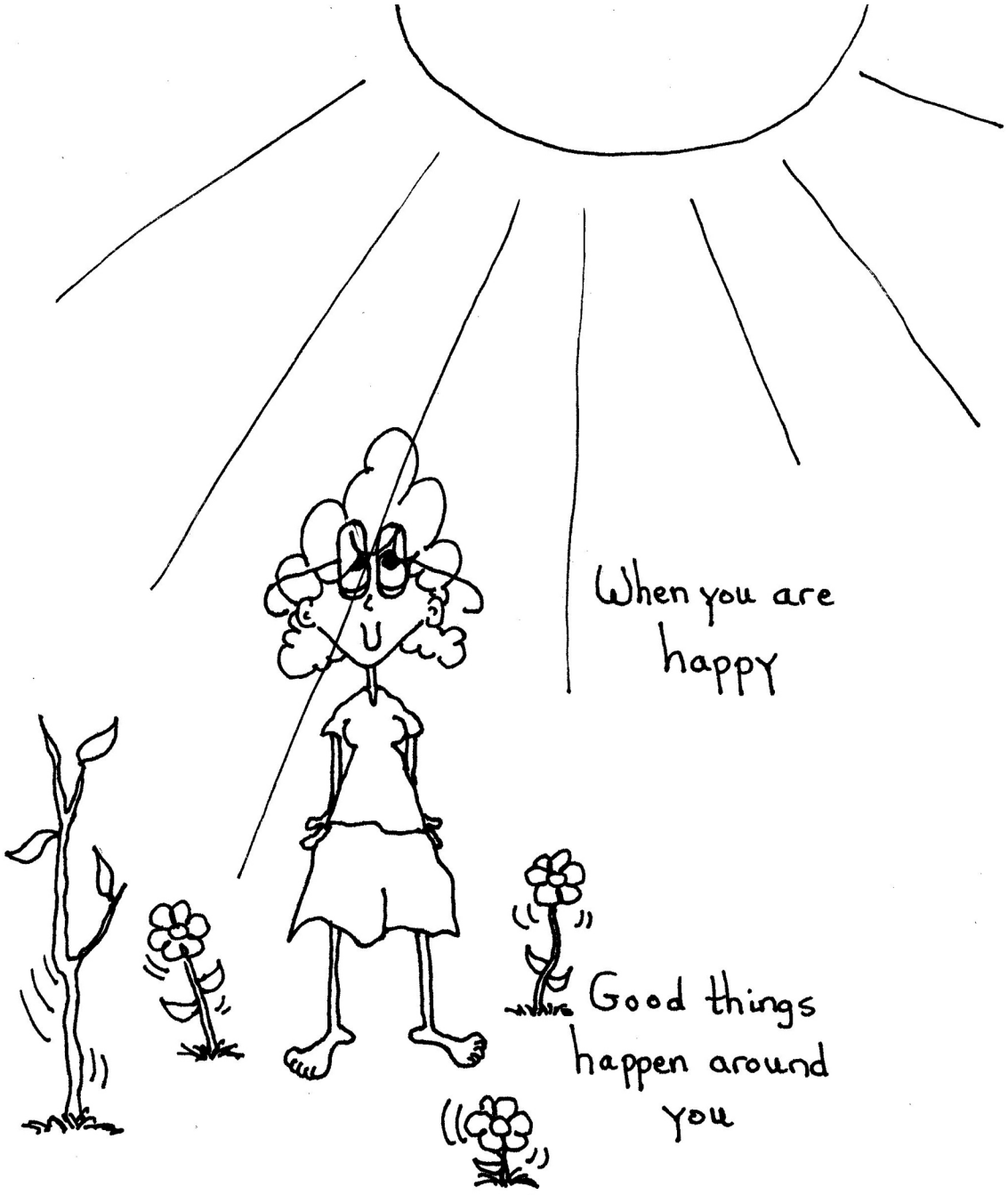
Live with a legacy in mind

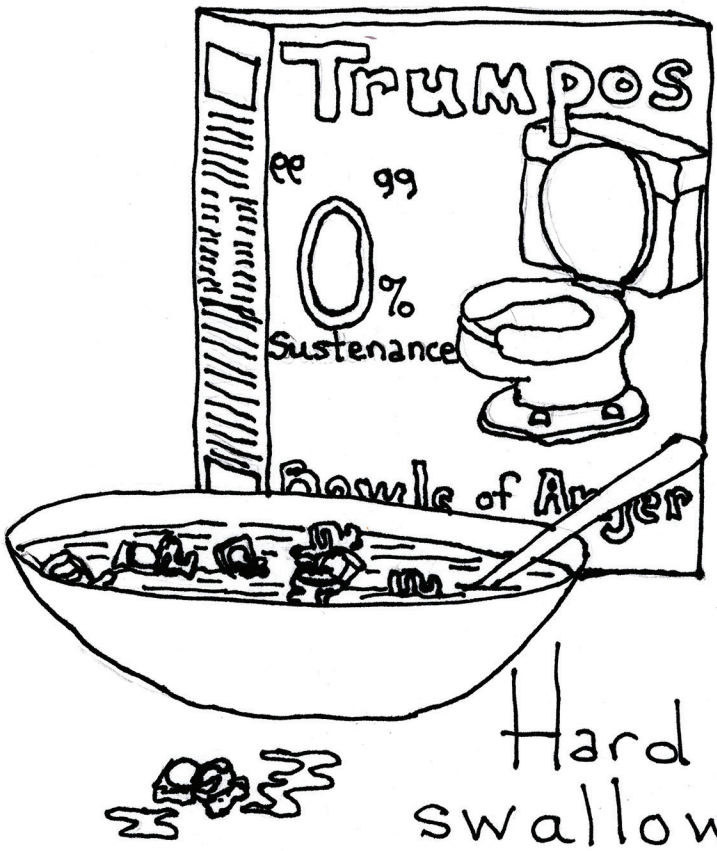

"Great Again"
Trump
One immigrant family at a time


Yes if you wait 224 years
cleaning up is more work
Voting
PD

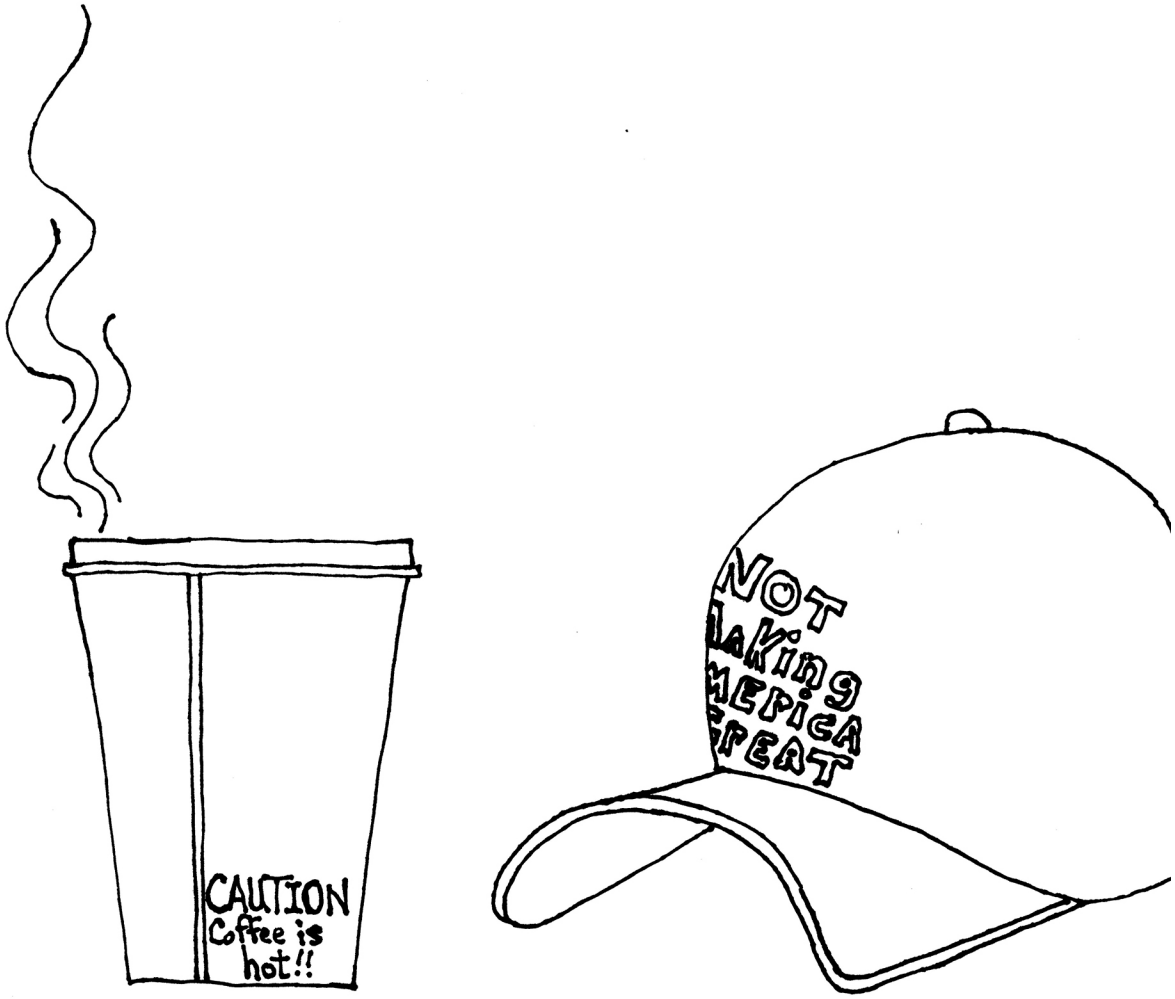


My happy place is a summer day in Michigan
with Ernie Harwell


When you are happy
Good things happen around you

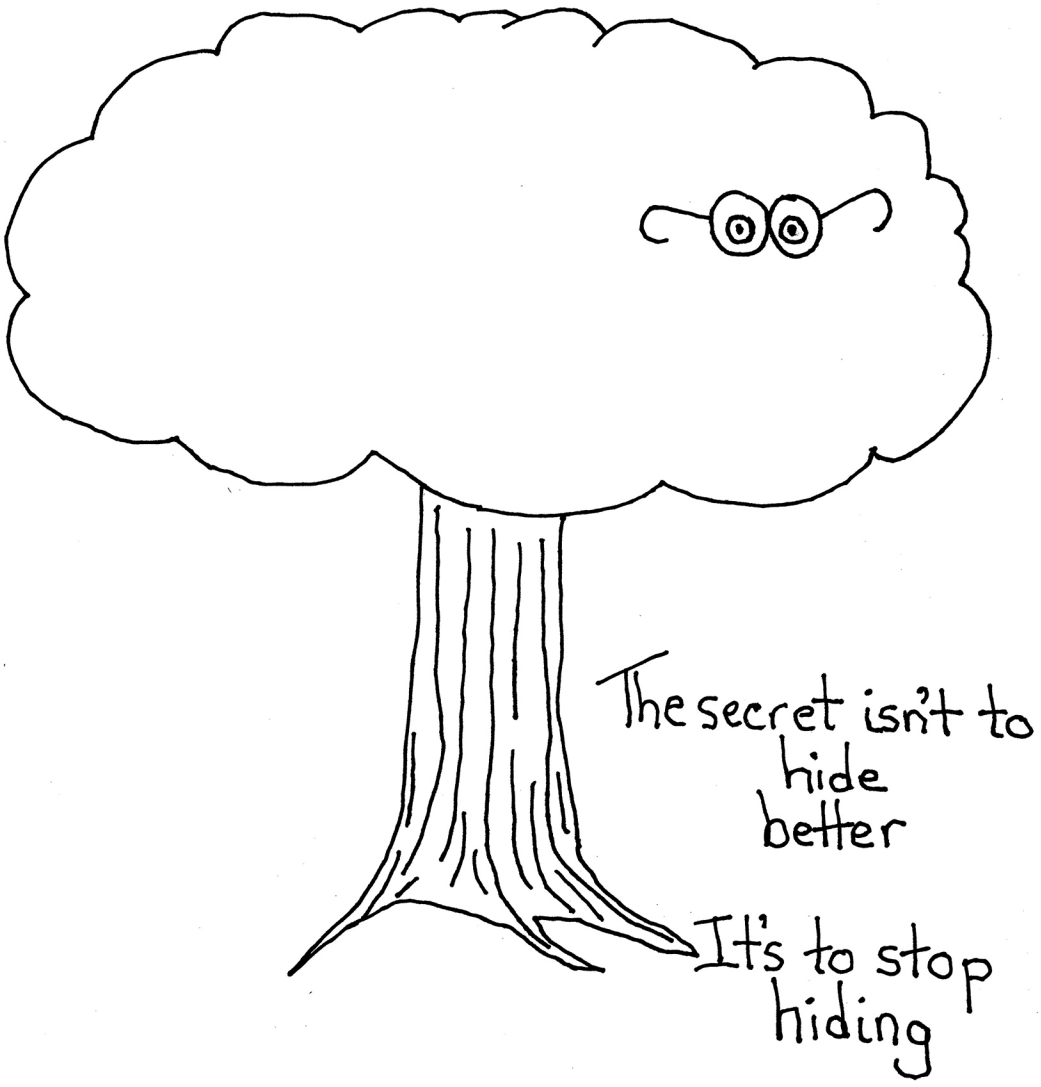


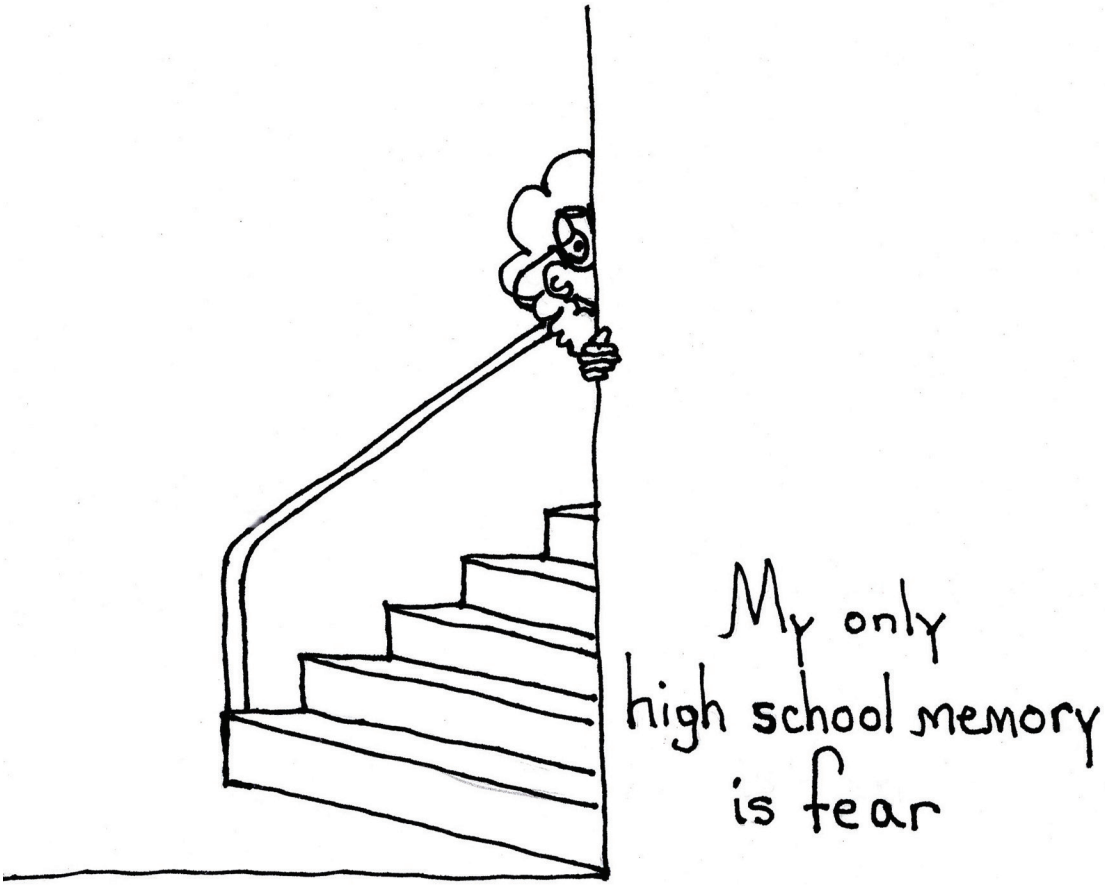
Hard to
swallow but
the only meal

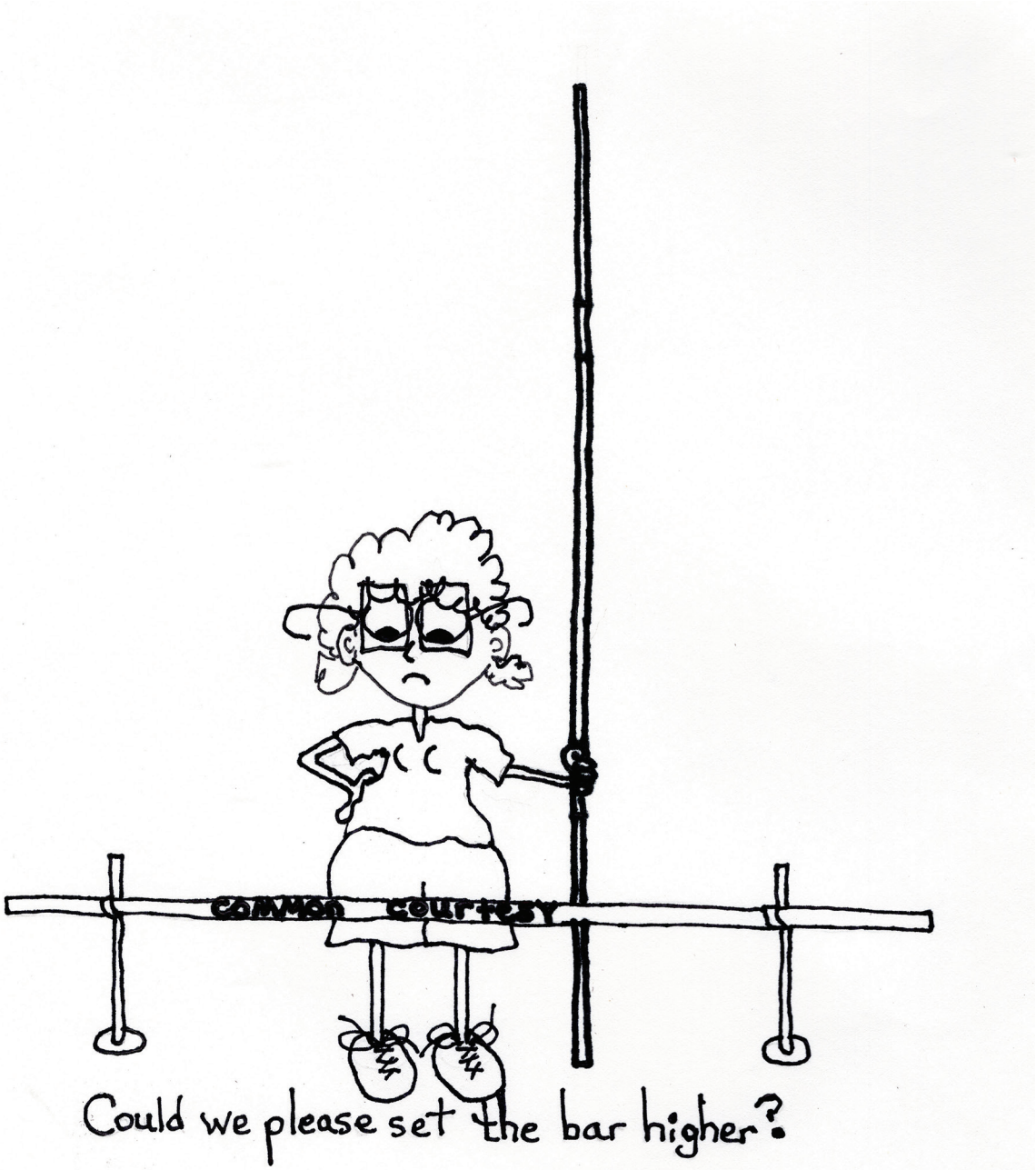


Things that seem obvious

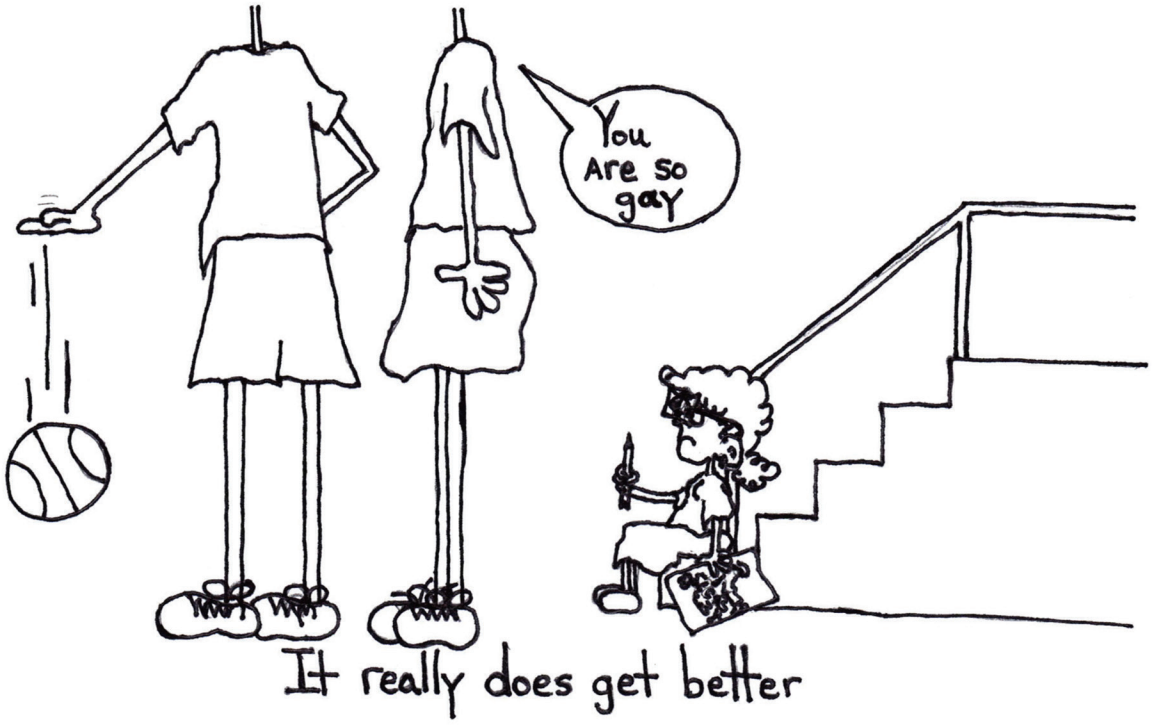
Transitional Thoughts

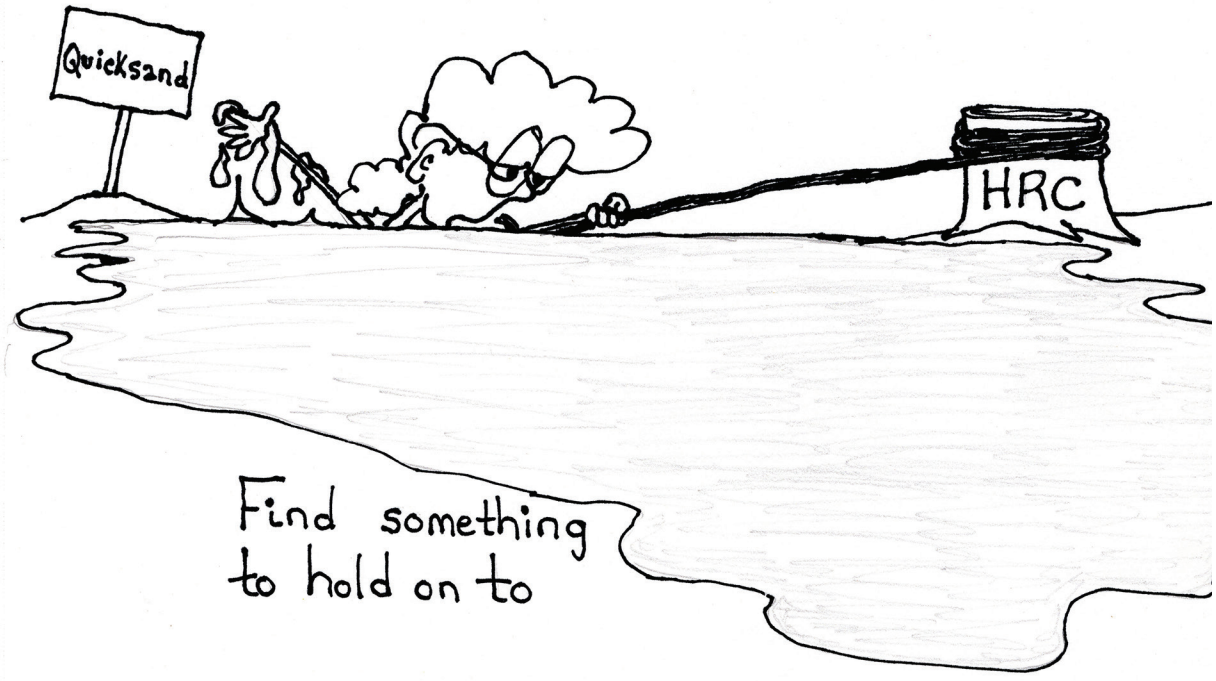


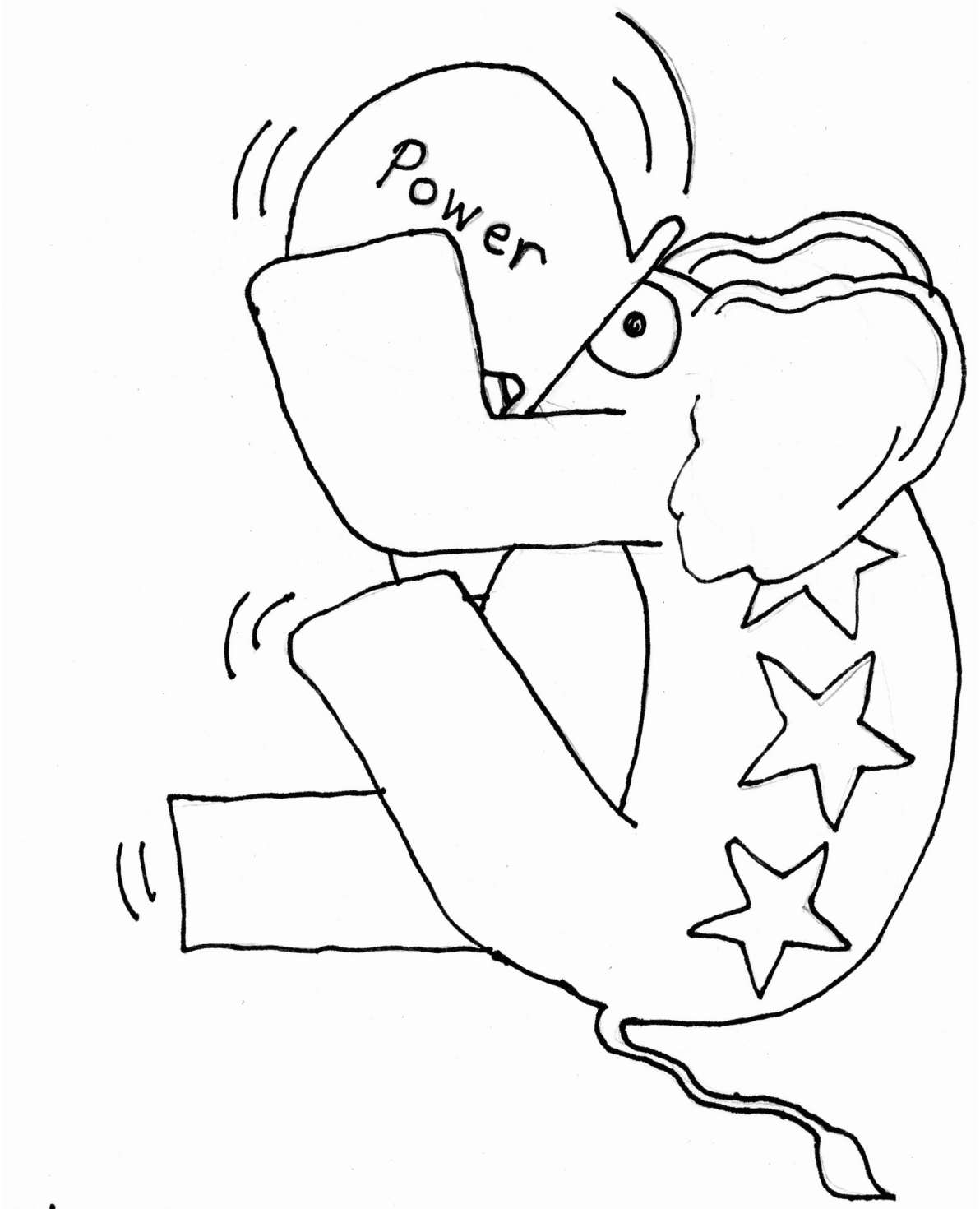

My only
high school memory
is fear



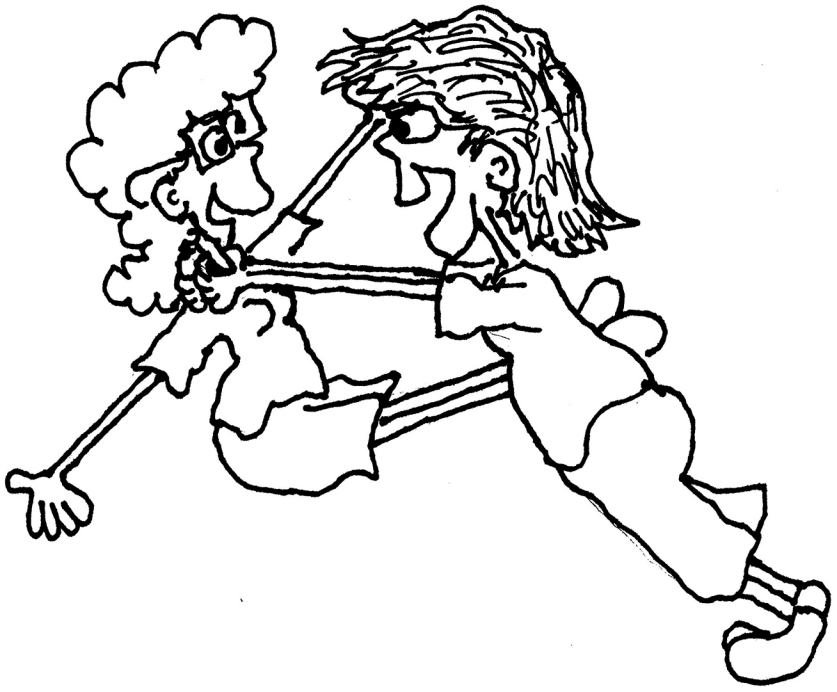
Could we please set the bar higher?


You Are so gay
It really does get better

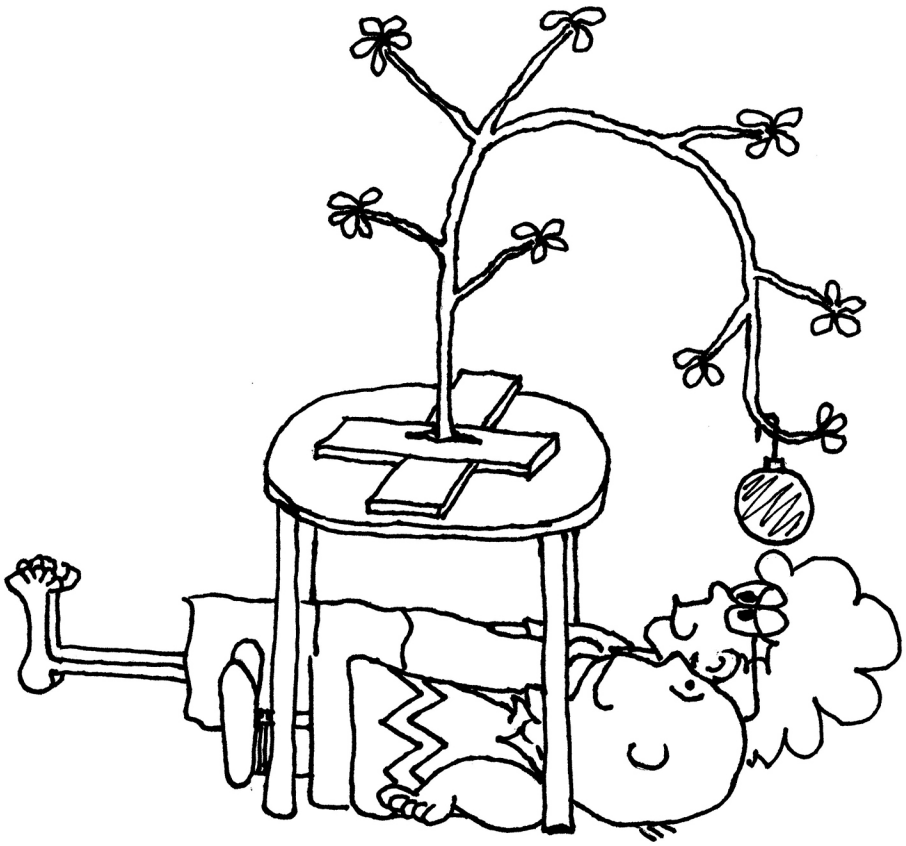

Quicksand
HRC
Find something to hold on to



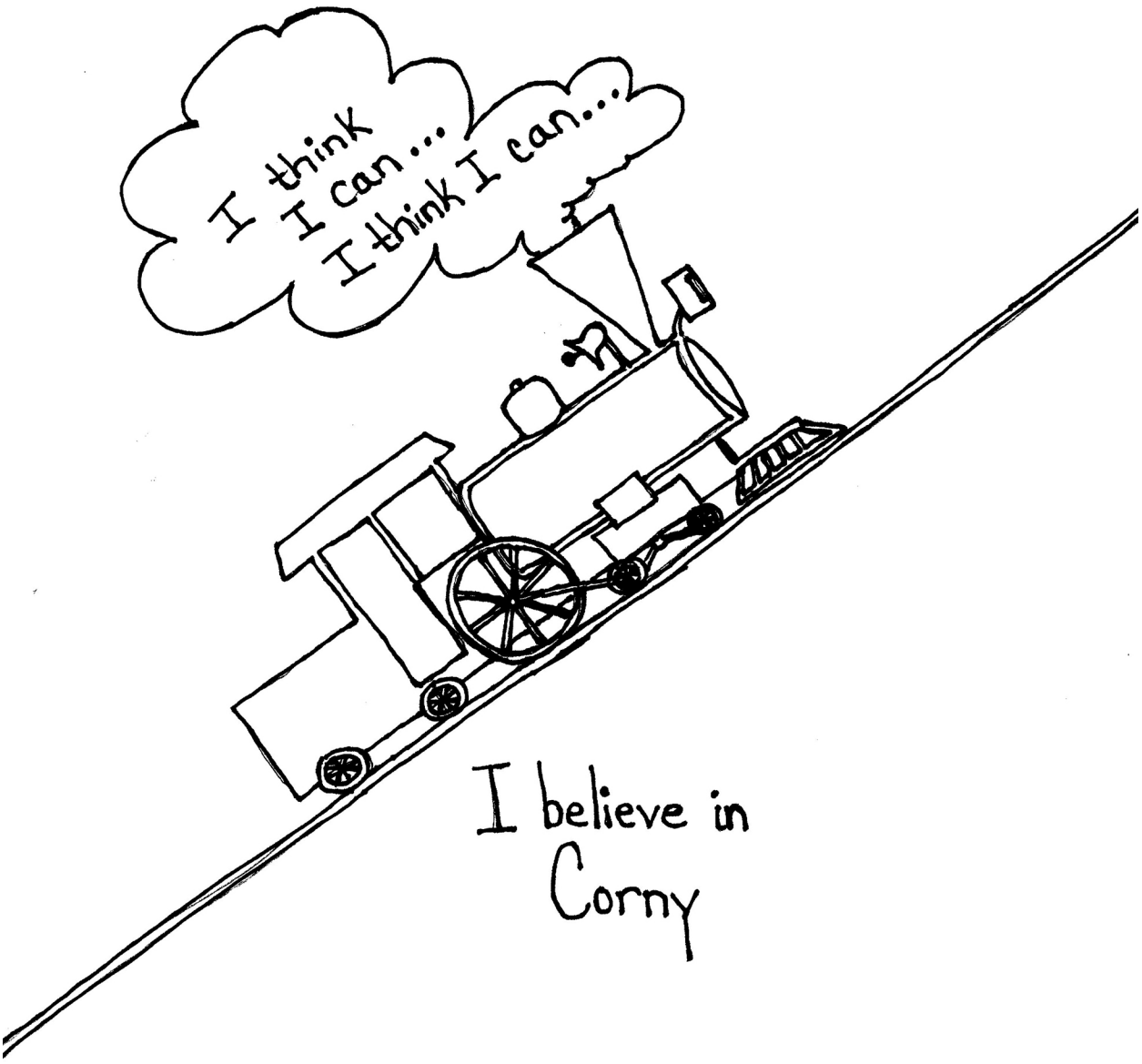
How does the honey pot fit?



My friends hug me funny

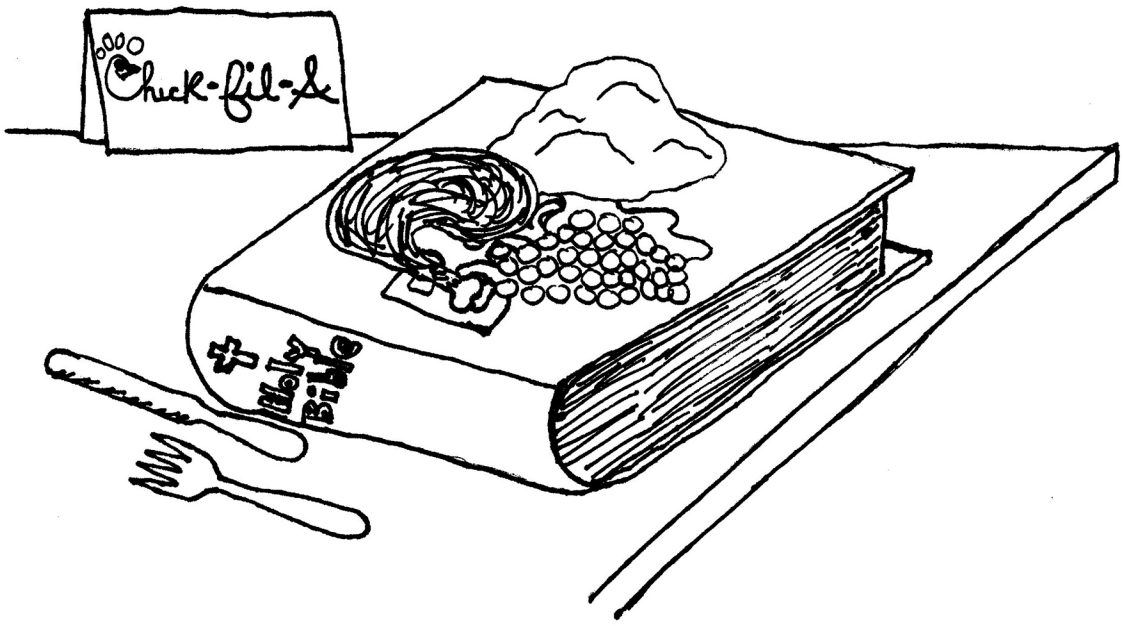


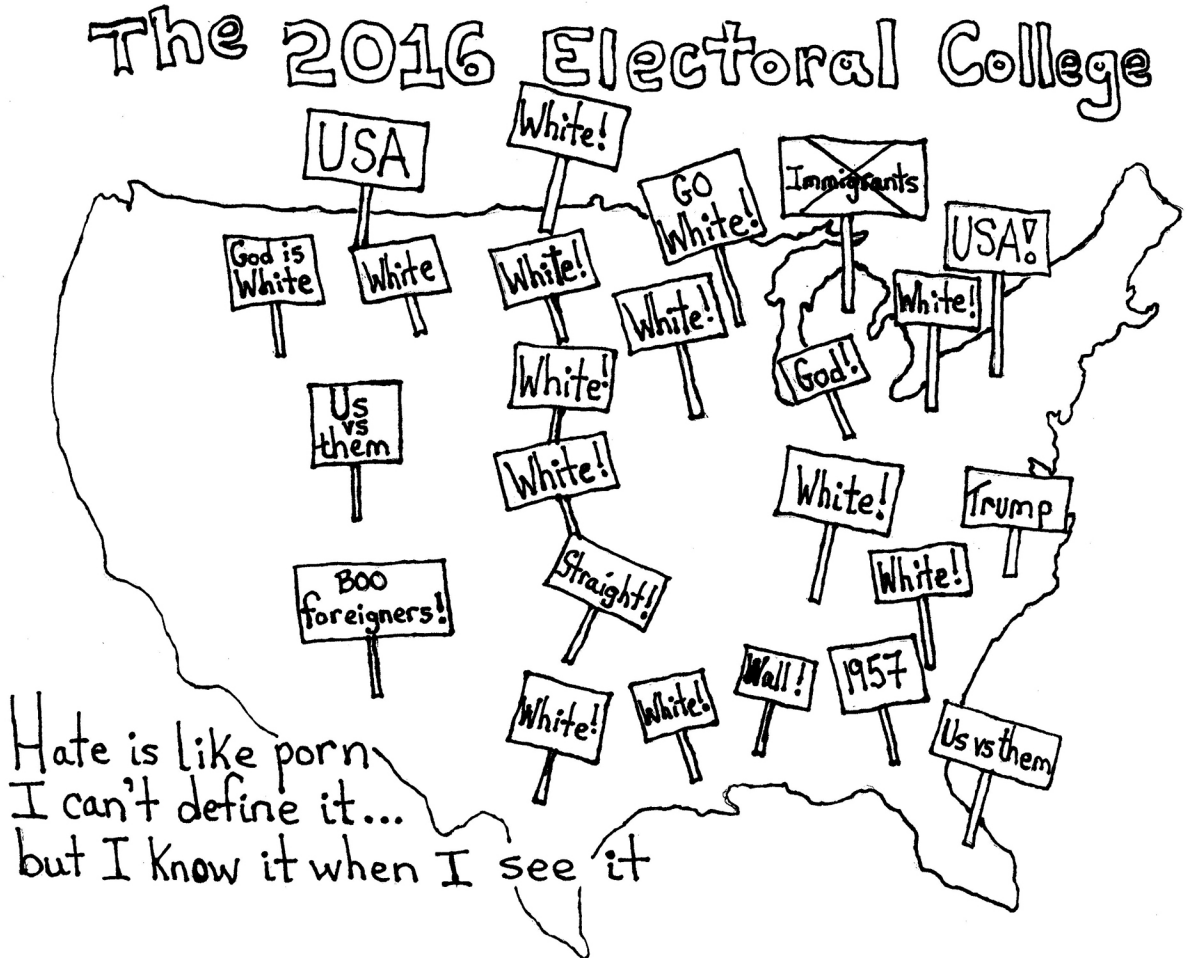
I am pulled to the tragic


I think
I can...
I think I can...
I believe in
Corny

I can't go in

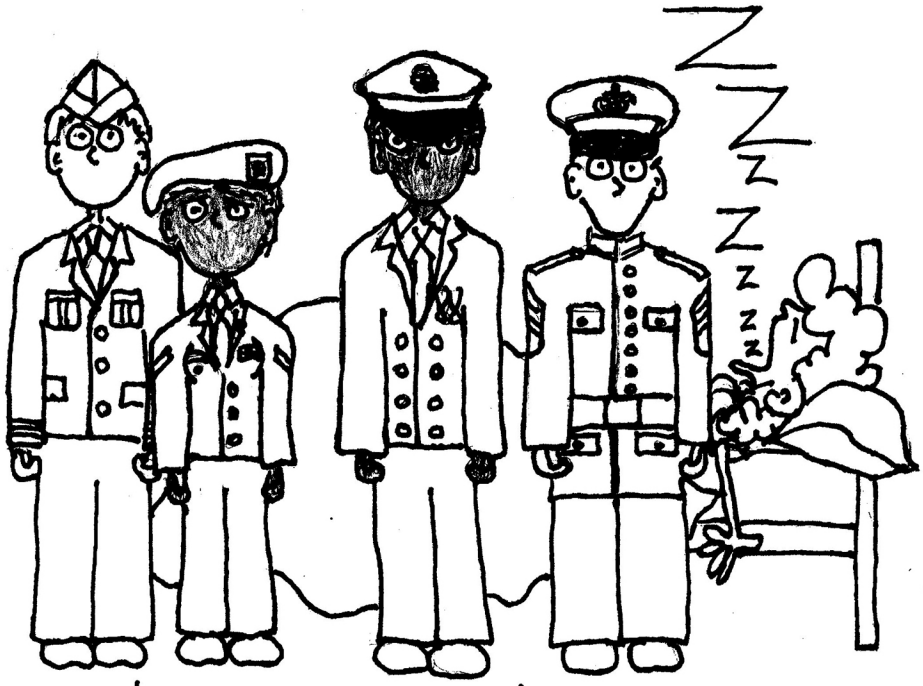
but it's fun to imagine
their plates



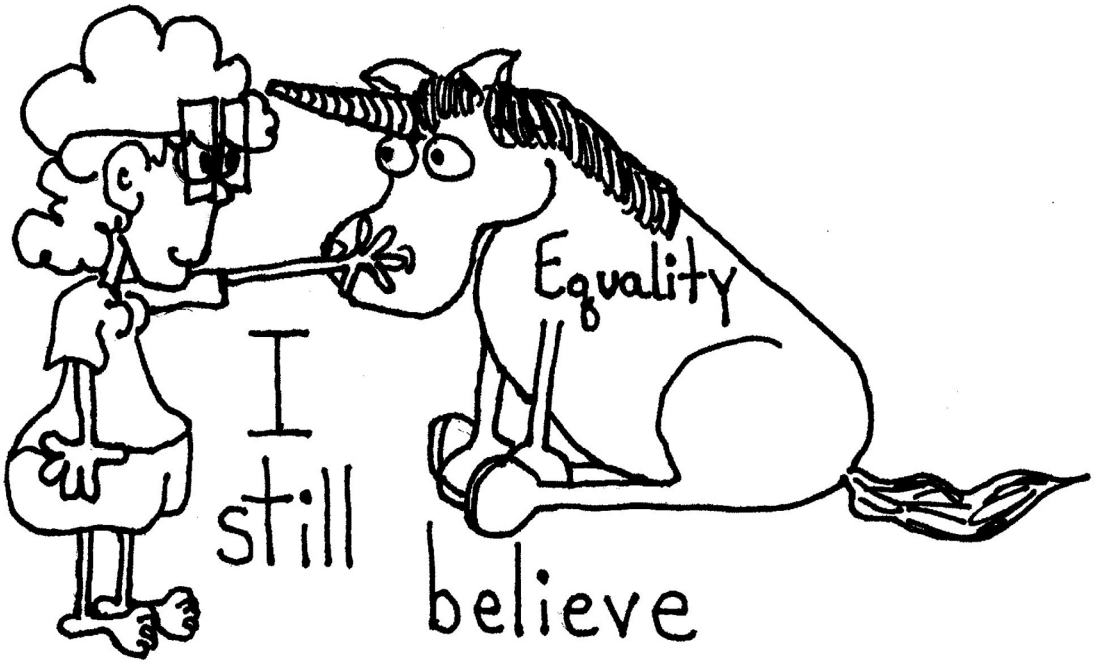

The 2016 Electoral College
USA
White!
GO White!
Immigrants
USA!
God is White
White
White!
White!
White!
White!
God!
Us vs them
White!
White!
Trump
Straight!
White!
Boo foreigners!
Wall!
1957
White!
White!
Us vs them
Hate is like porn.
I can't define it...
but I know it when I see it


I know it is all in my head
But my armor is still soiled
My Fears


No T.G.
Butts
God's
Pal
I actually miss
Nixon
and
real protests

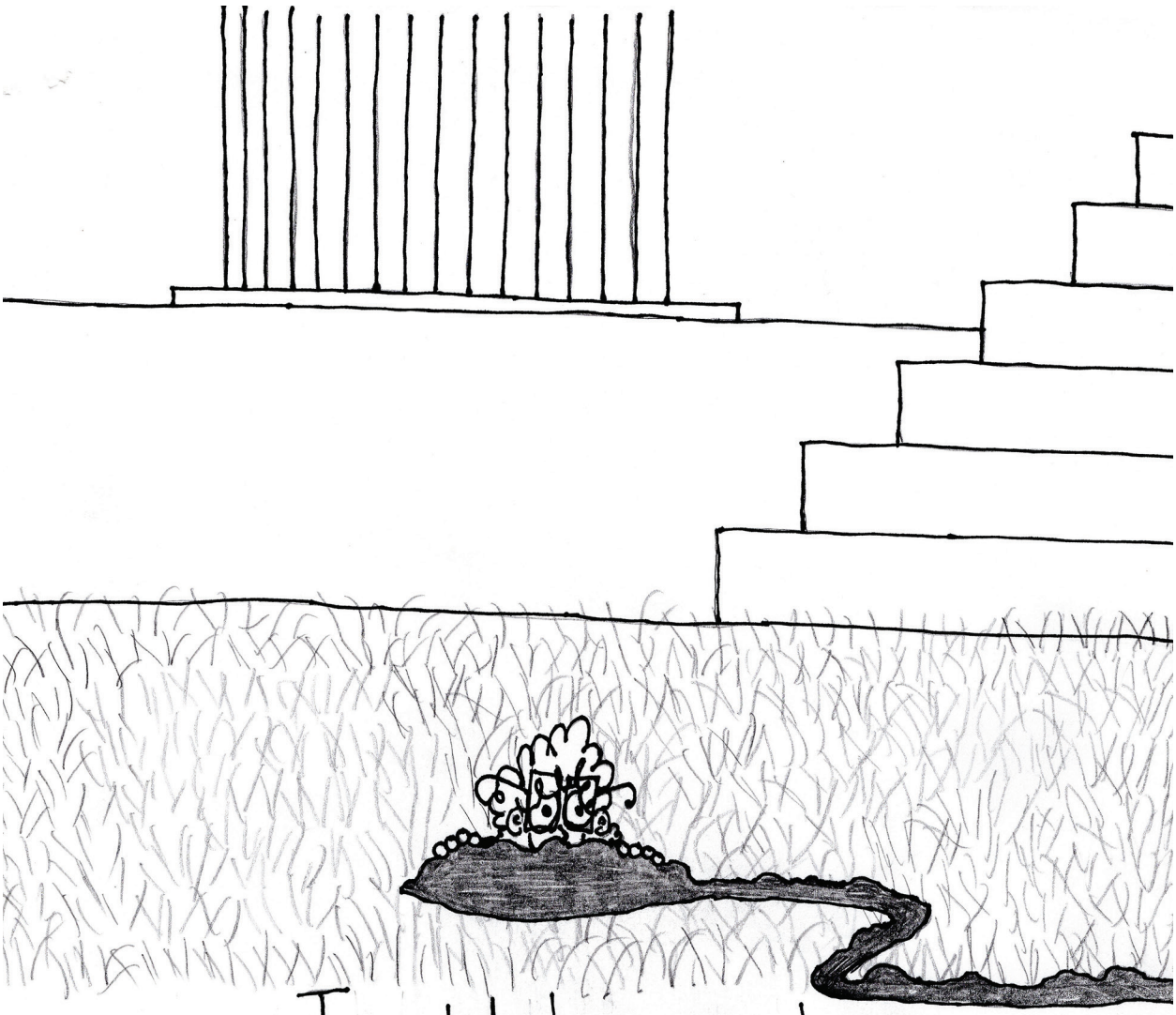


They are why I sleep well

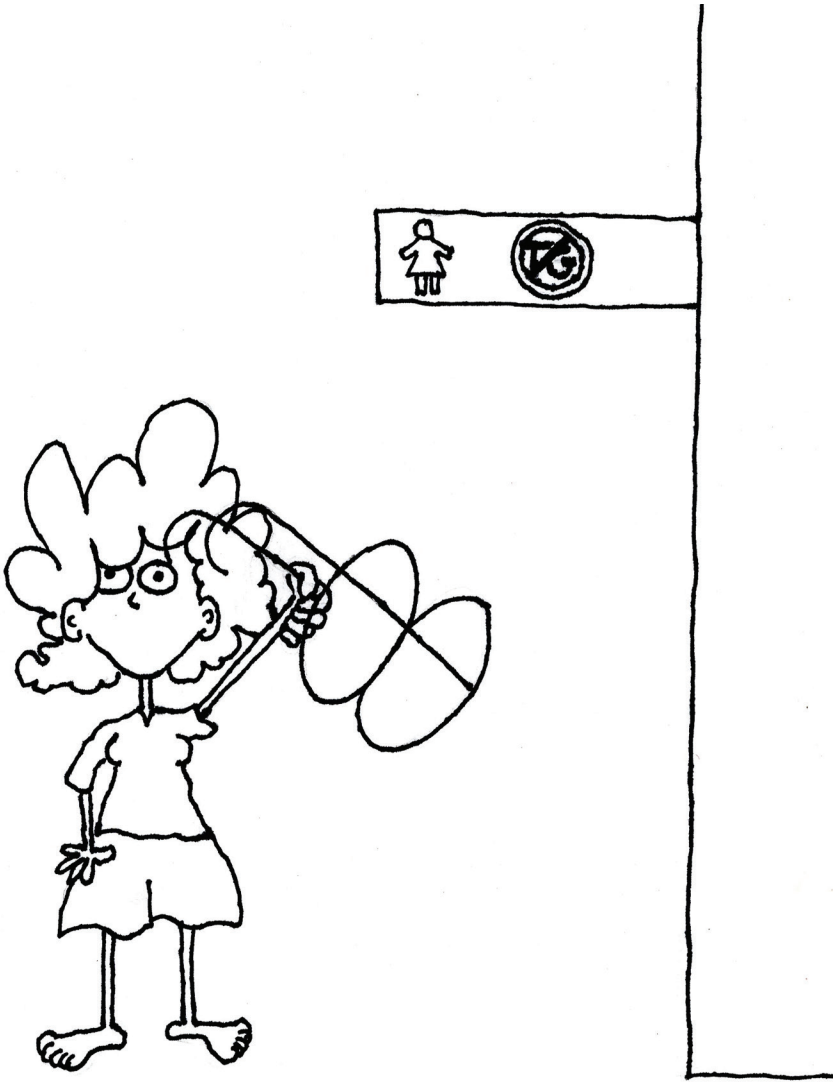

Equality
I
still
believe



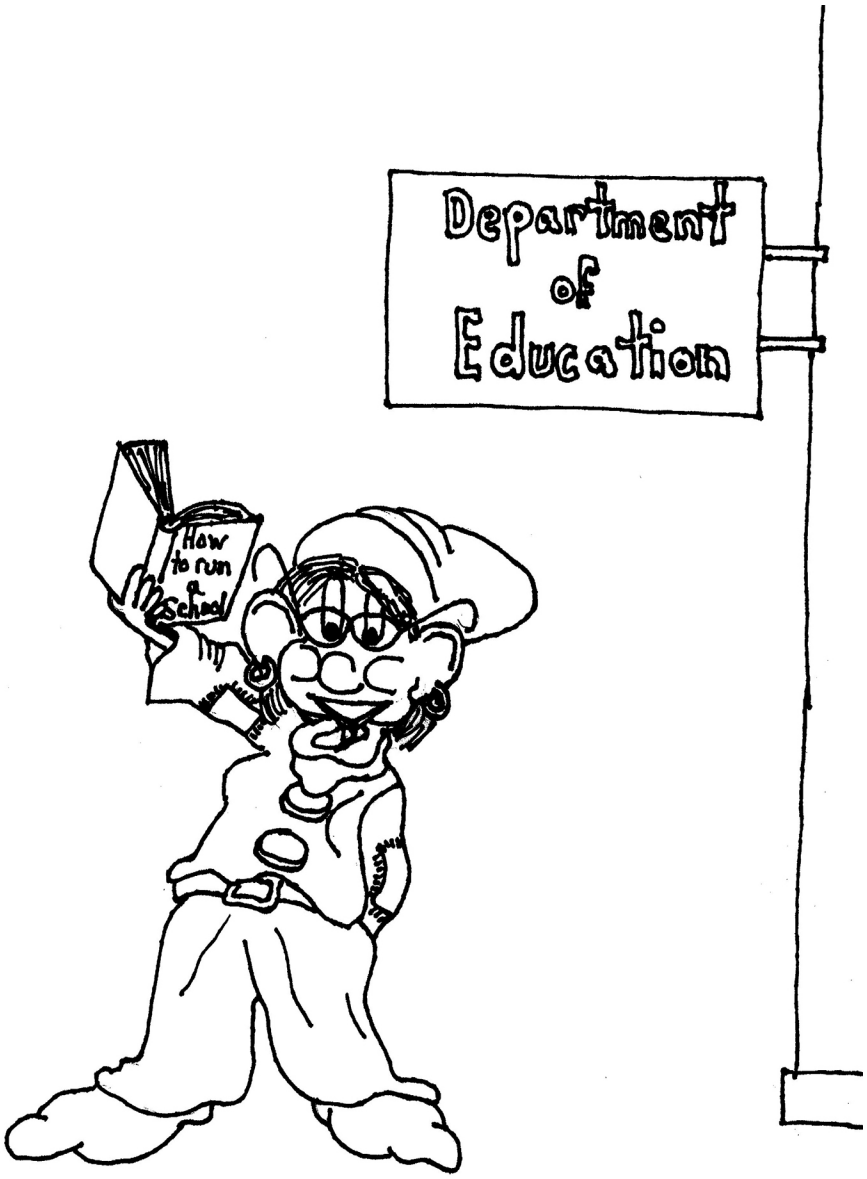
"I think therefore I am"... not a Republican



I want to be a gopher...
in the lawn of government

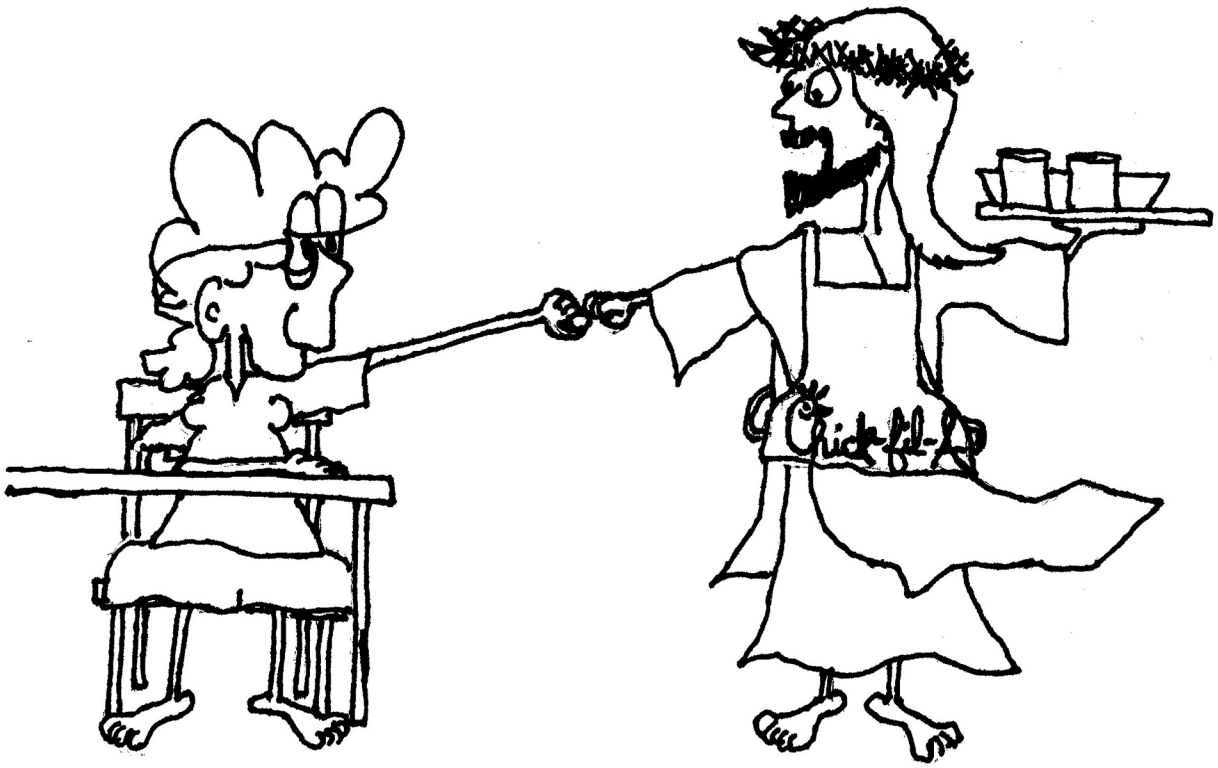


I'd like to help you see the harm you do

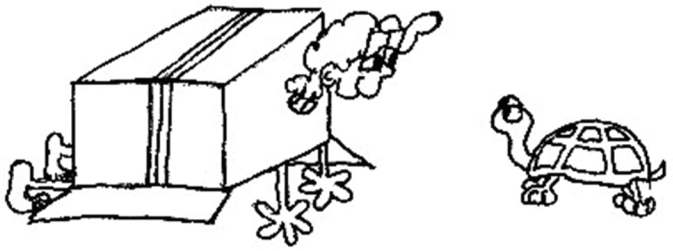


It's odd I work for a Disney cartoon


I WOULD KNOW!
OK

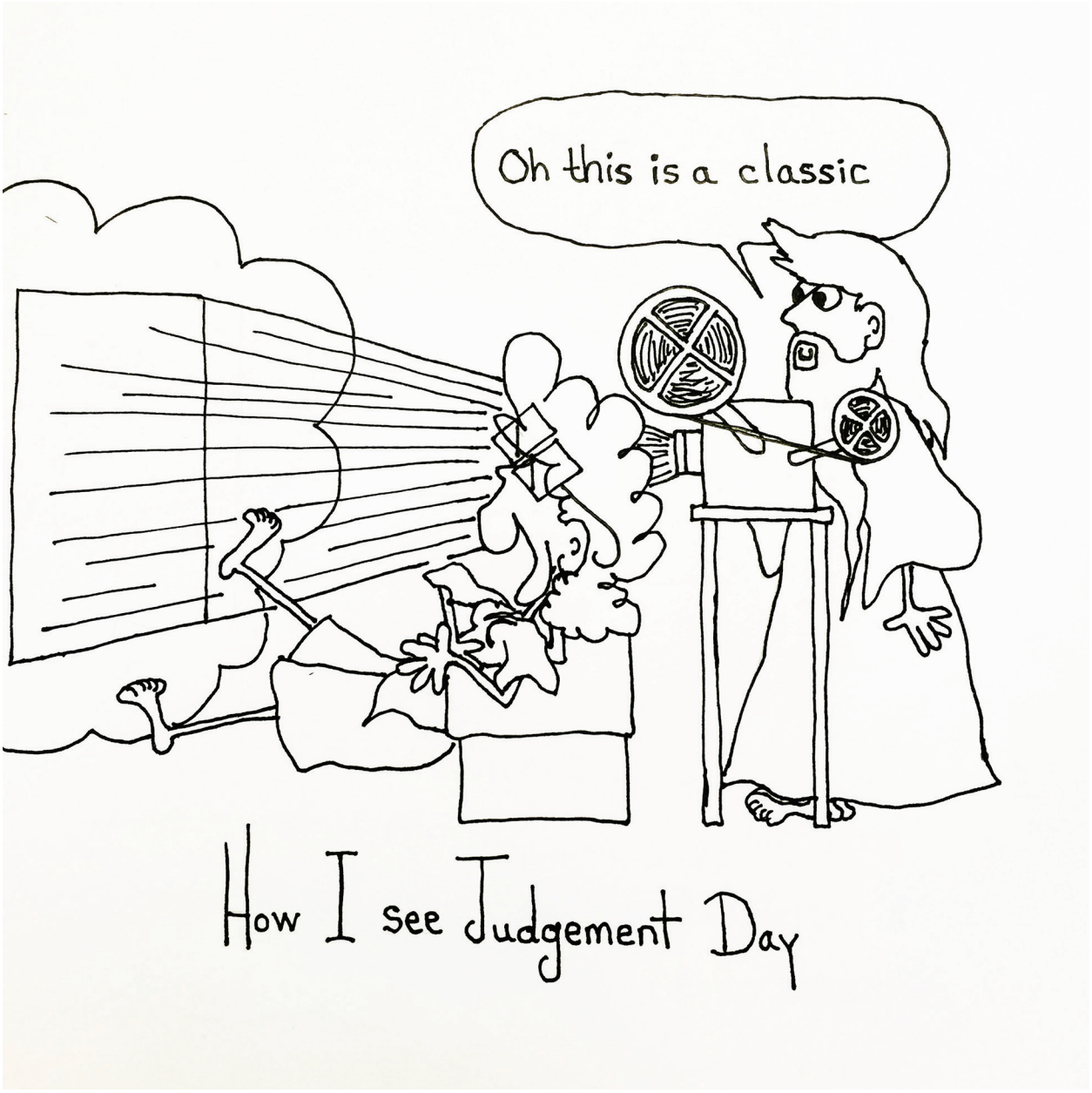


If he worked there....
we'd get served



empathize


Civil Rights
We the People
Absence makes
the heart grow fonder

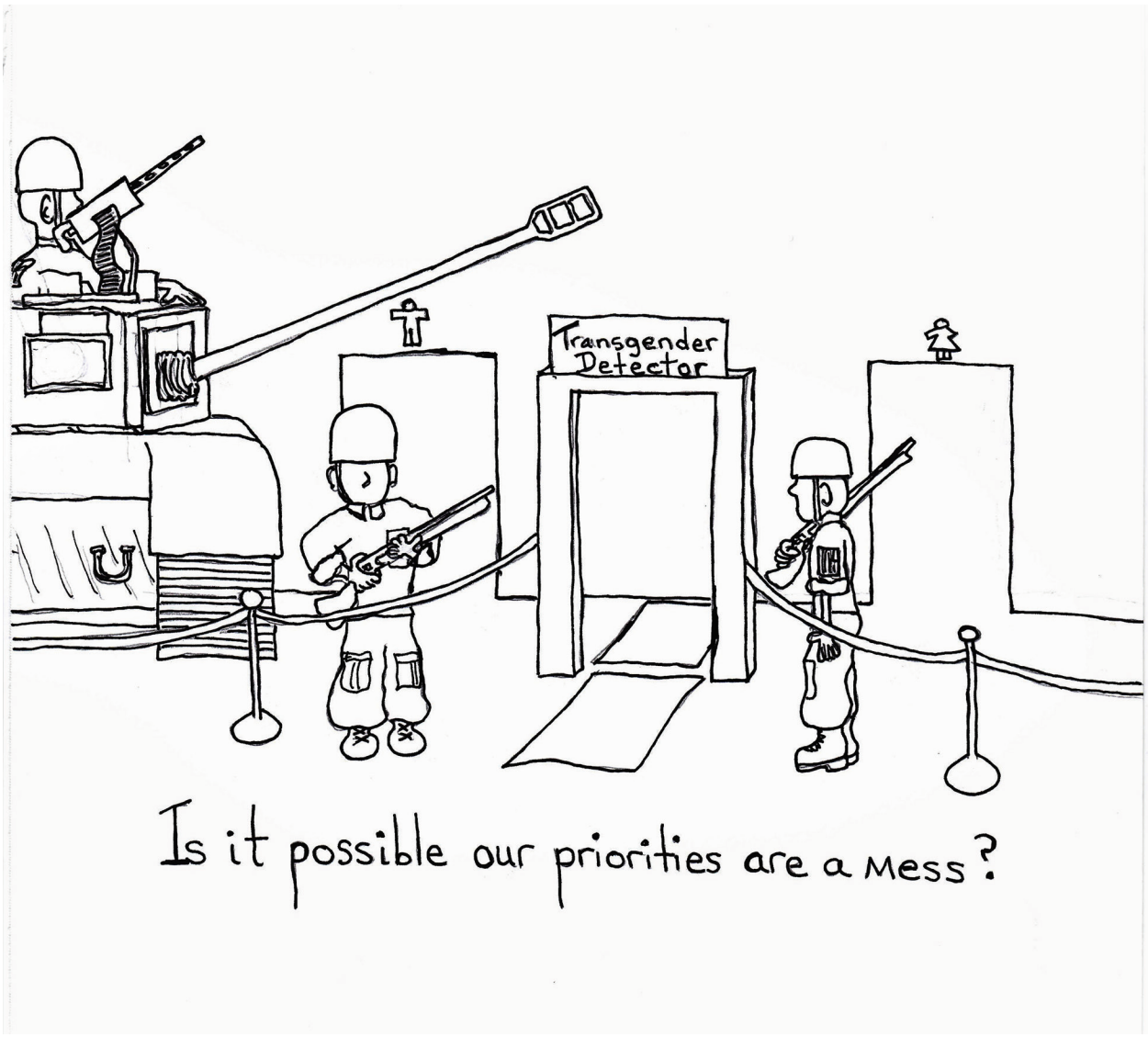

Oh this is a classic
How I see Judgement Day

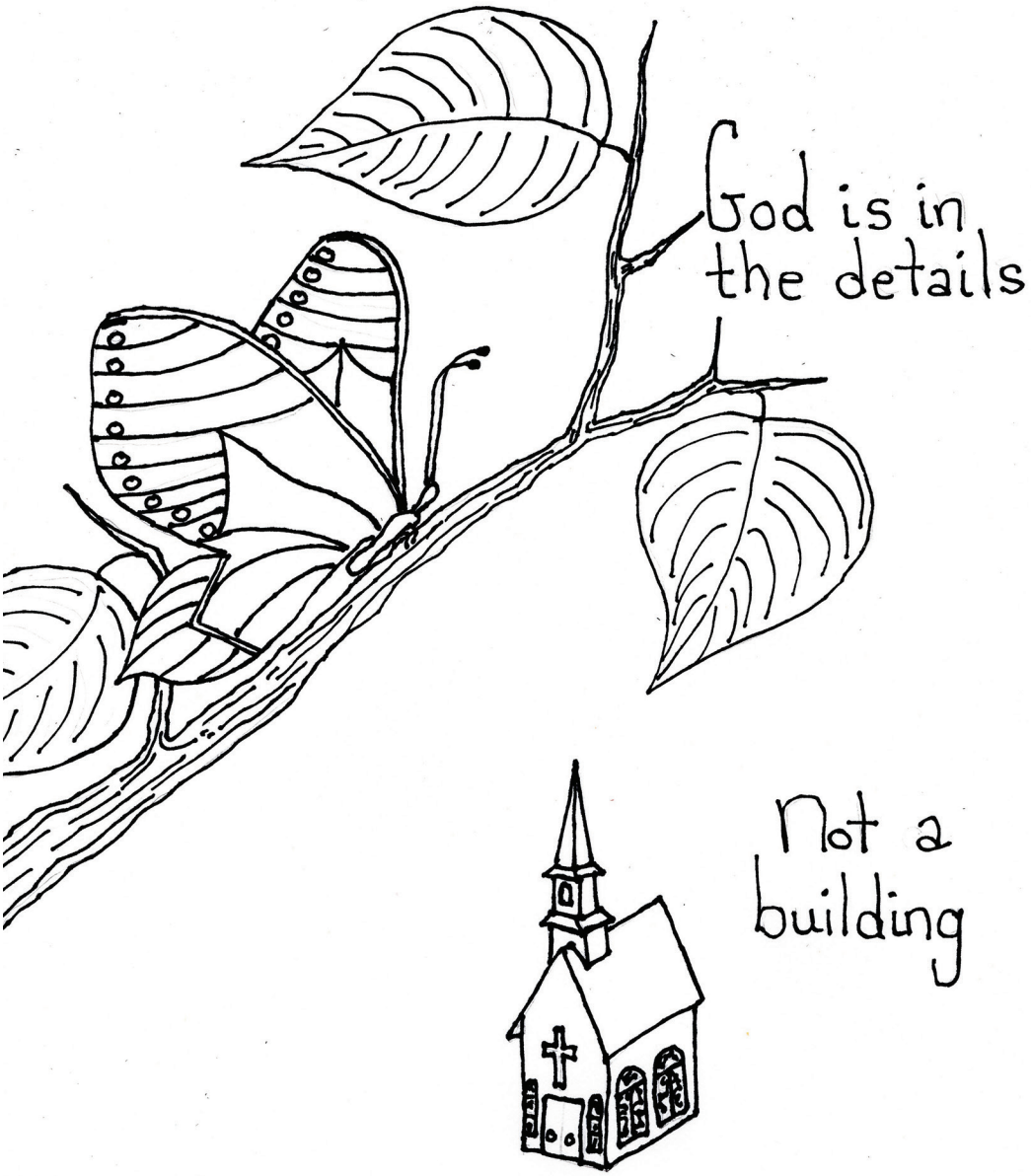

It's a beautiful day for baseball!
The Fallen
USMC
ARMY
NAVY
COAST GUARD
AIR FORCE
NATIONAL GUARD
The ground upon which freedom grows


I mourn for
people like me that
I never knew

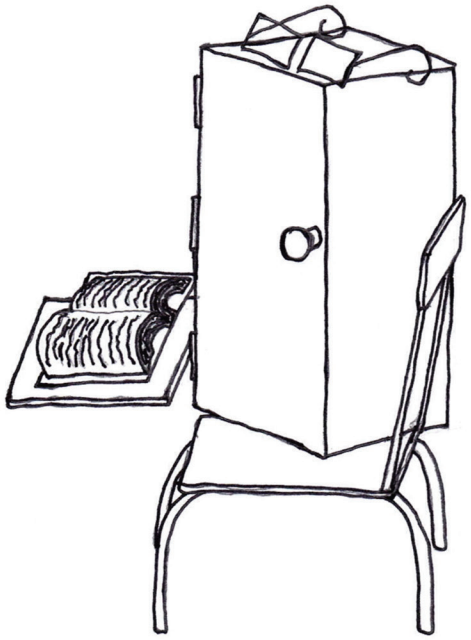


How
Conservatives
think
I
drive to work

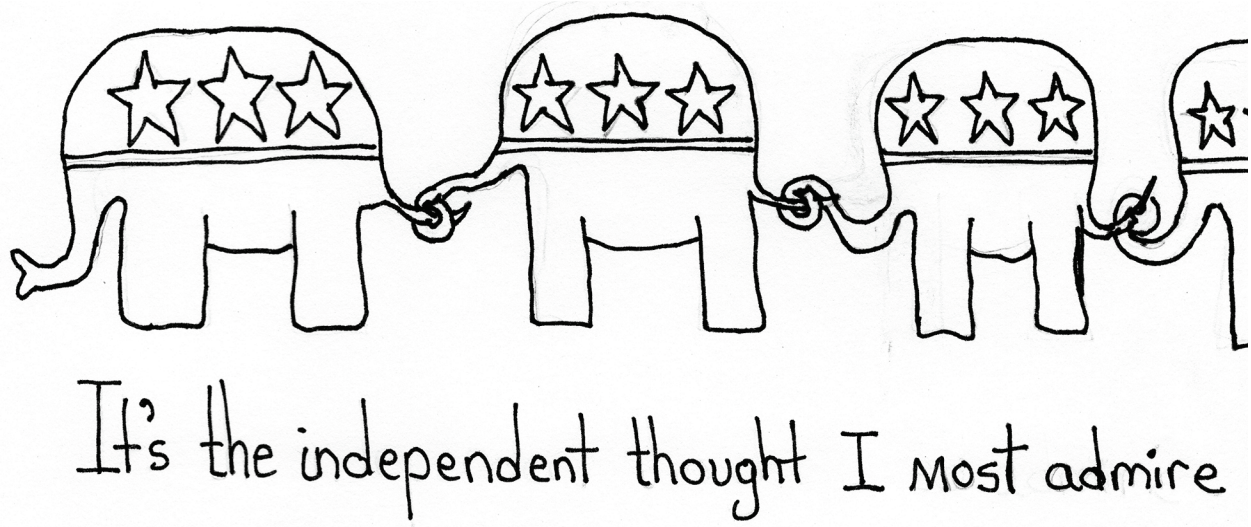

Transgender Detector
Is it possible our priorities are a mess?

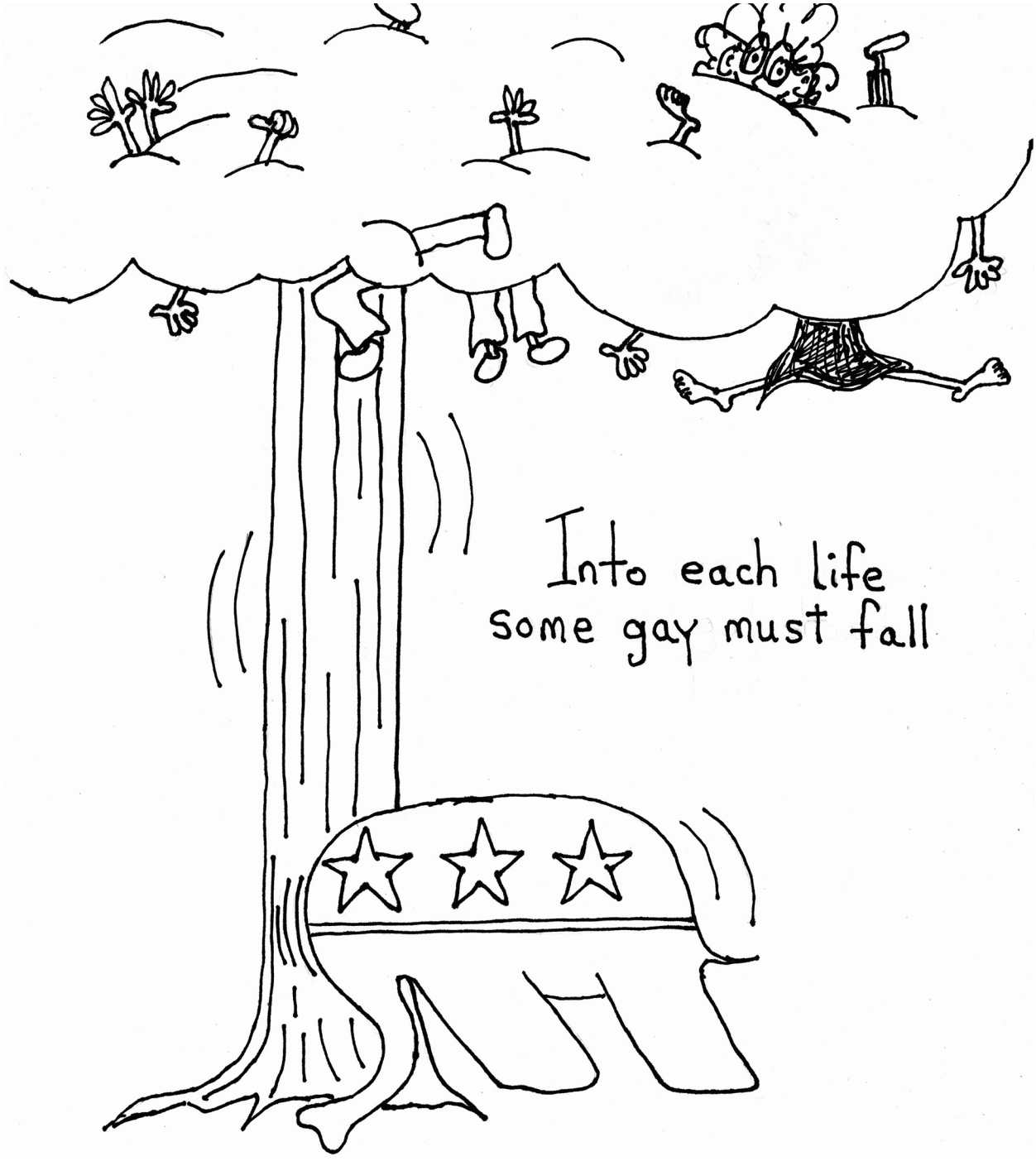

God is in
the details
Not a
building

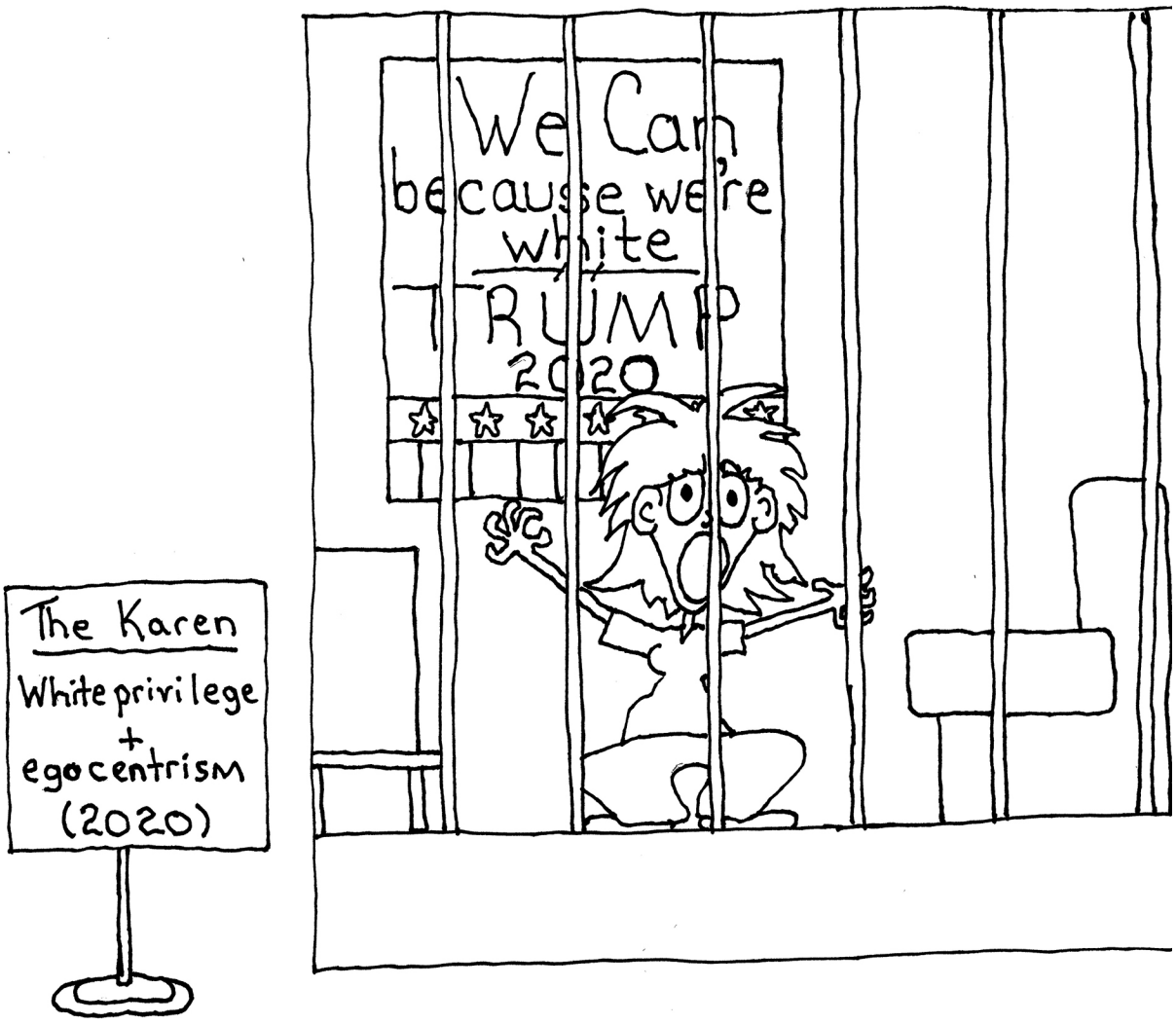
Things that don't work in a closet



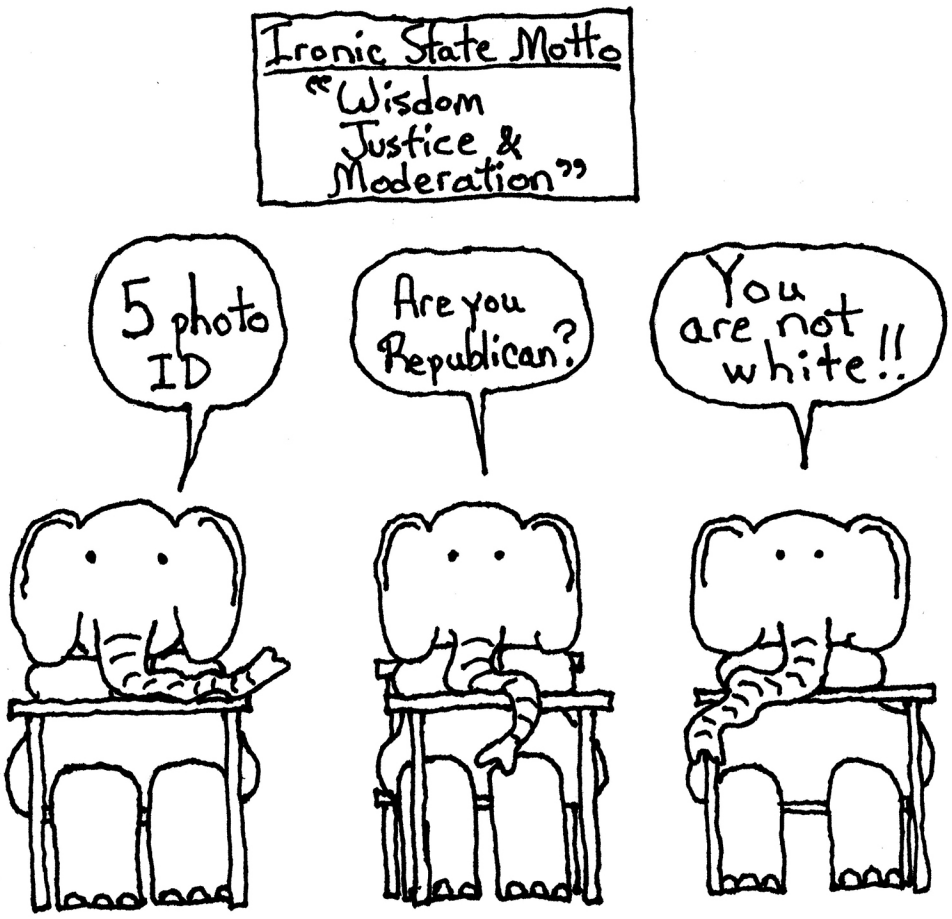
Learning


It's the independent thought I most admire


Into each life
some gay must fall

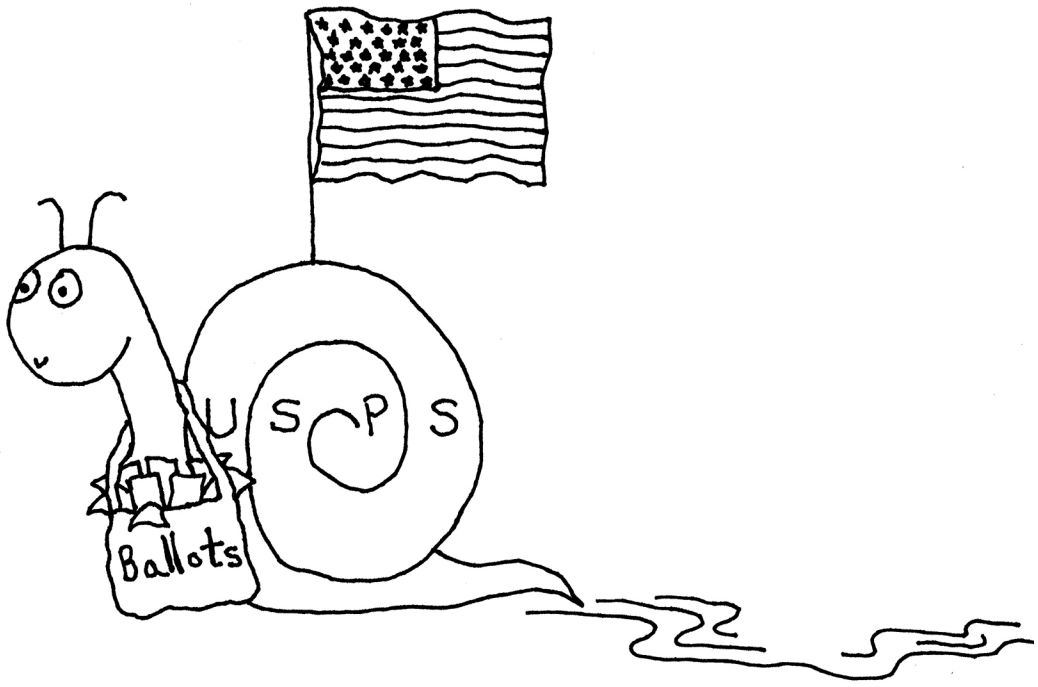


2020's addition
to the Smithsonian

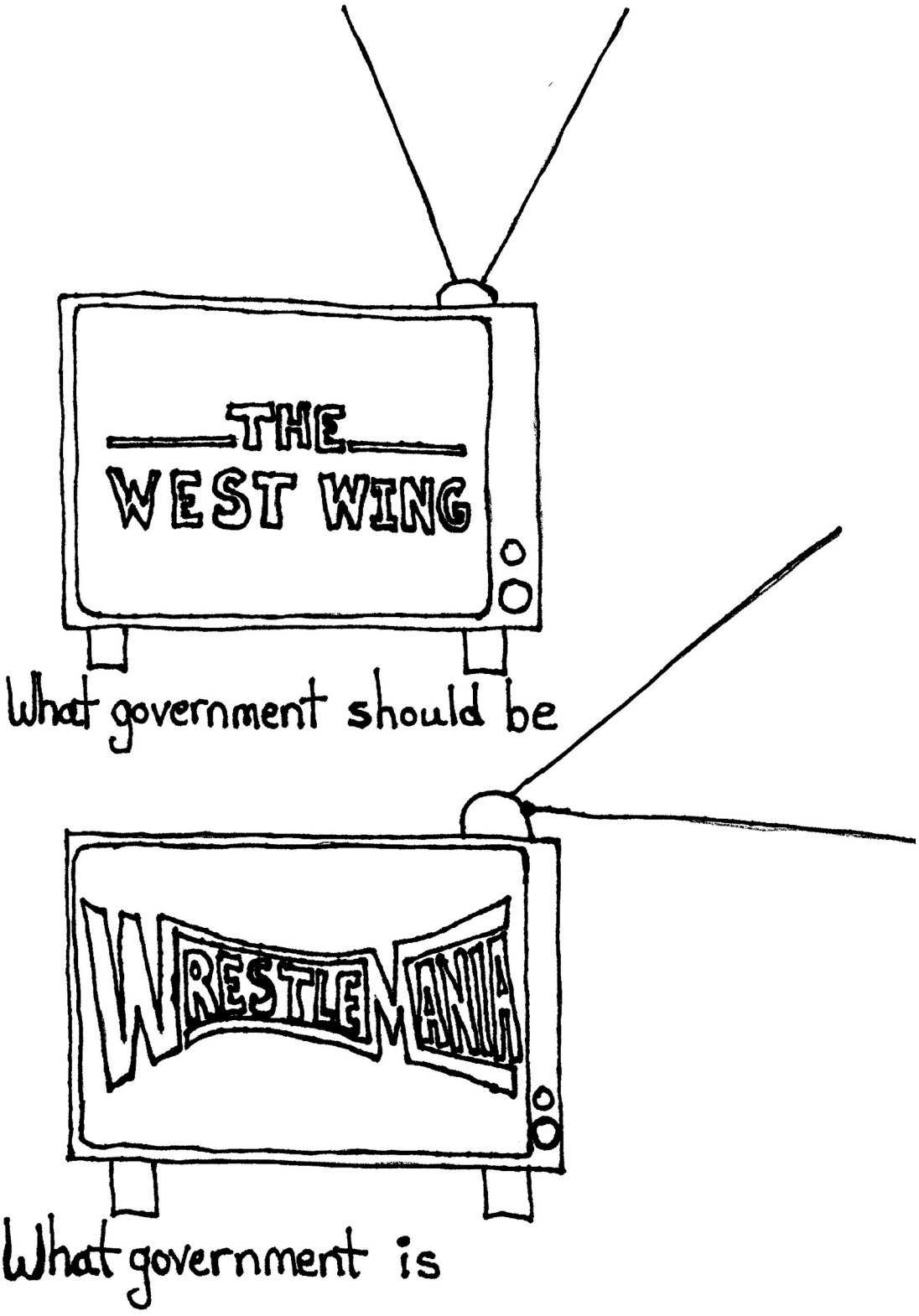


The new sophisticated
Jim Crow

I love the irony in my life



Democracy saved by a snail


THE
WEST WING
What government should be
WRESTLEMANIA
What government is


All we have is
each other

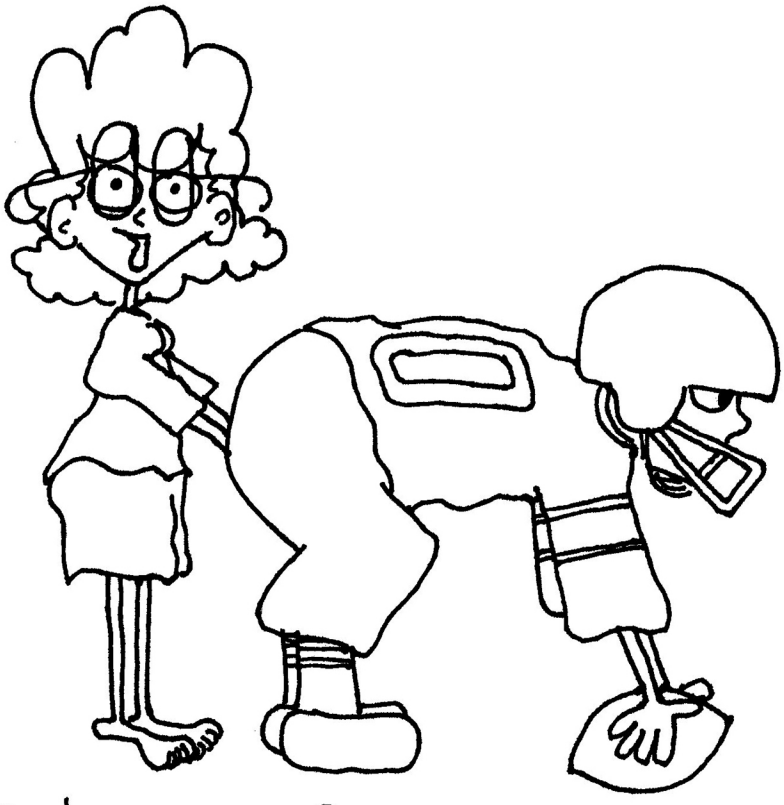


Sometimes I know I'm right because I am alone

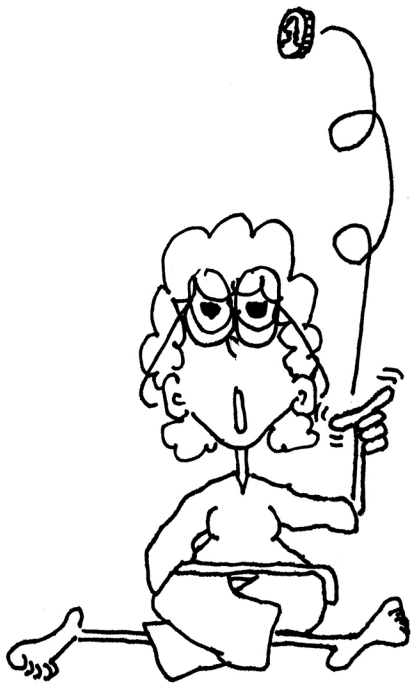


You make my forehead hurt

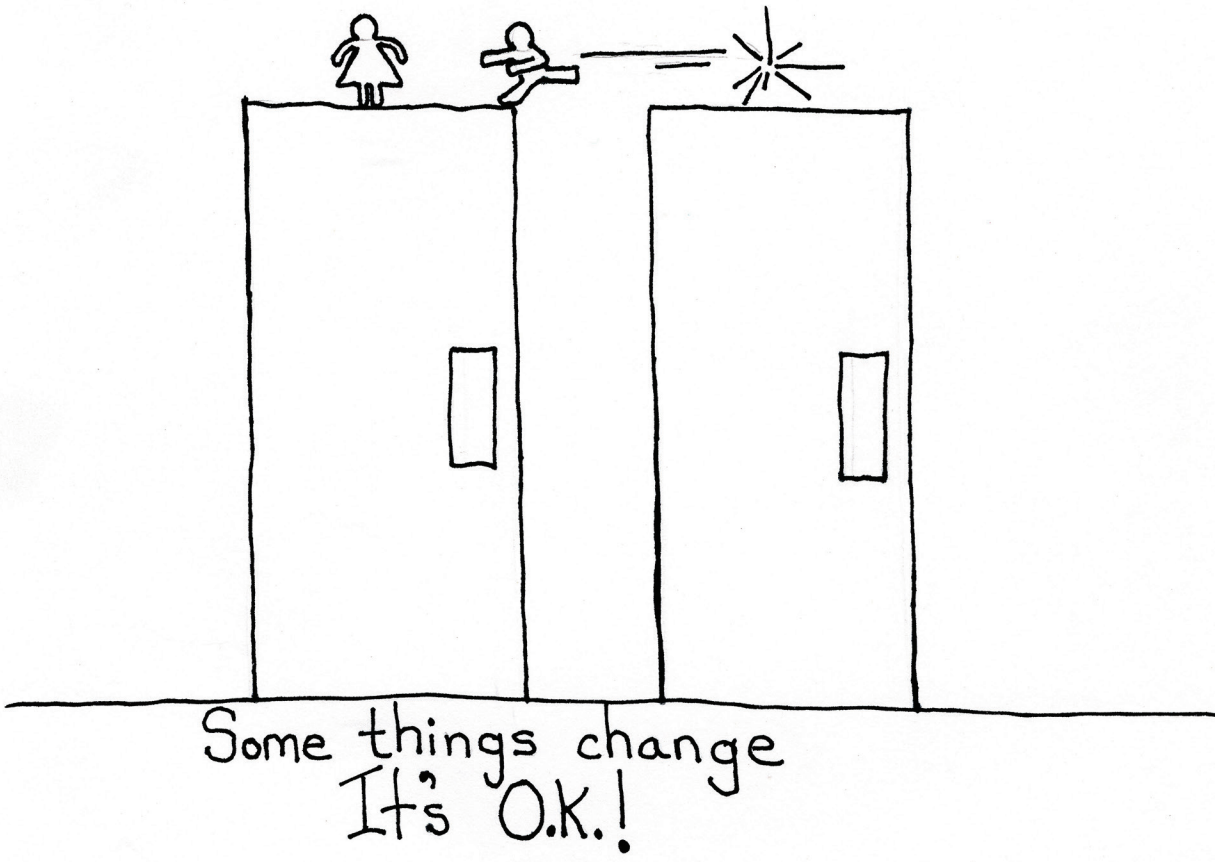
Transitional Thoughts



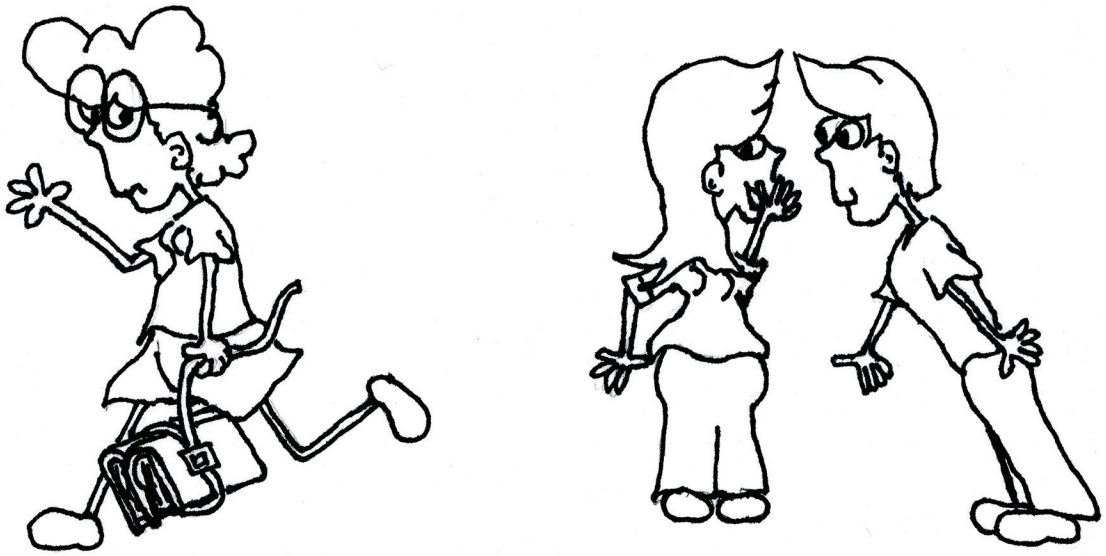
No I don't know football because I have brothers!



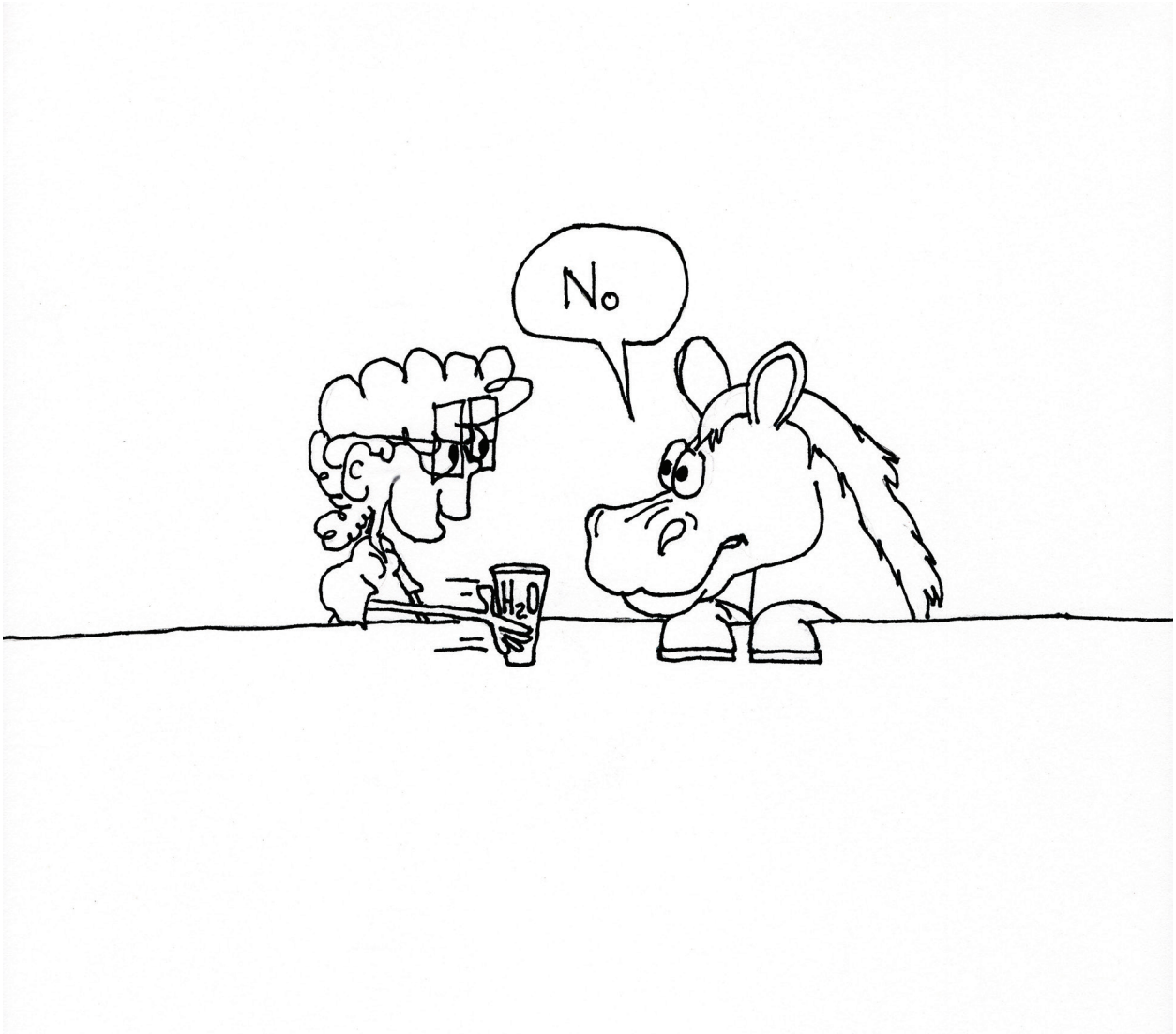
It is not my decisions.
It is my process.


Some things change
It's O.K.!

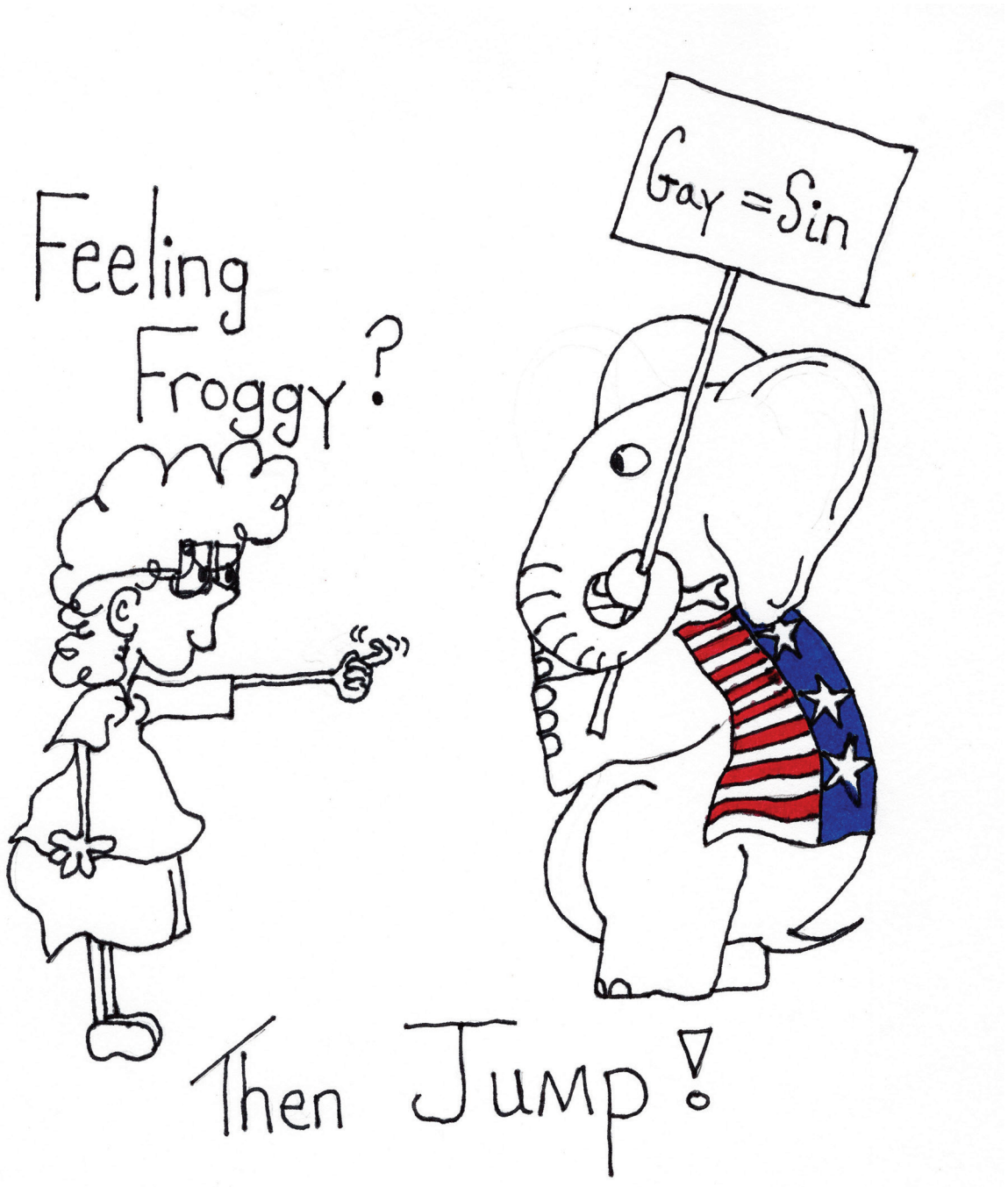
Transitional Thoughts

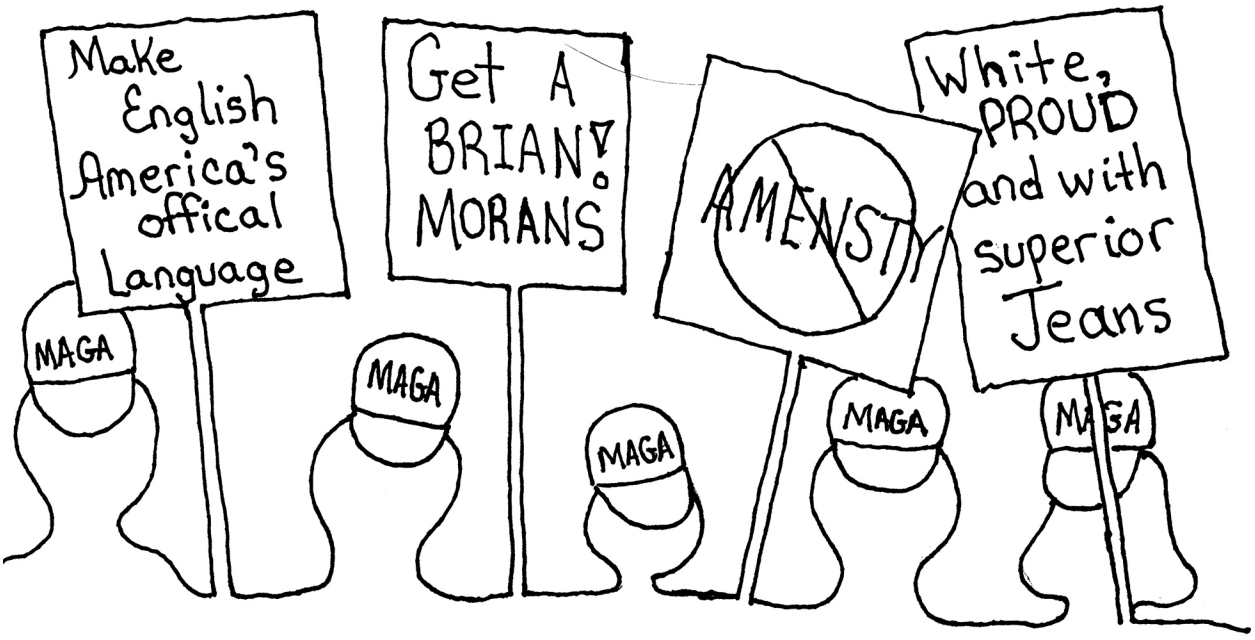


It's your fascination that confuses me


No
H_2O

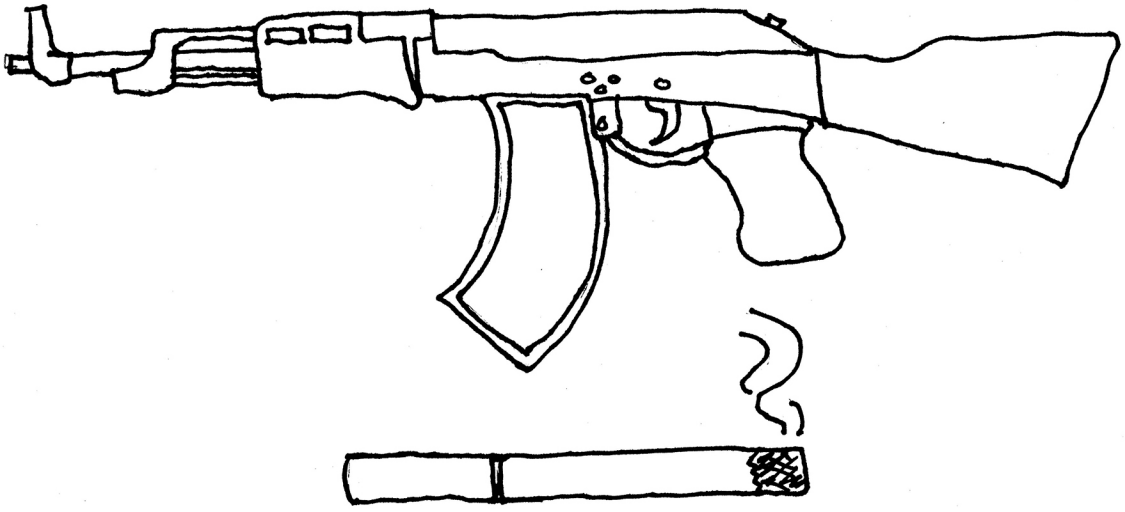

We don't like our athletes thinking

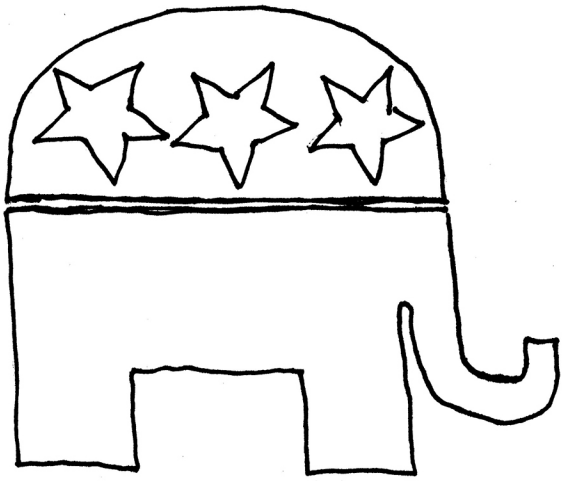

Feeling Froggy?
Gay = Sin
Then Jump!

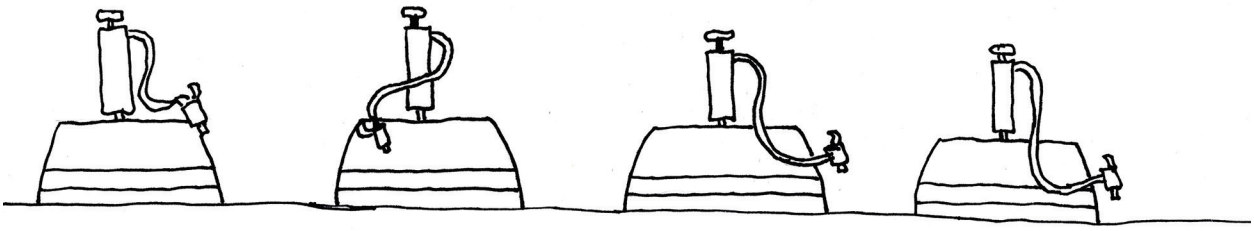


They simply just cannot pick our president...

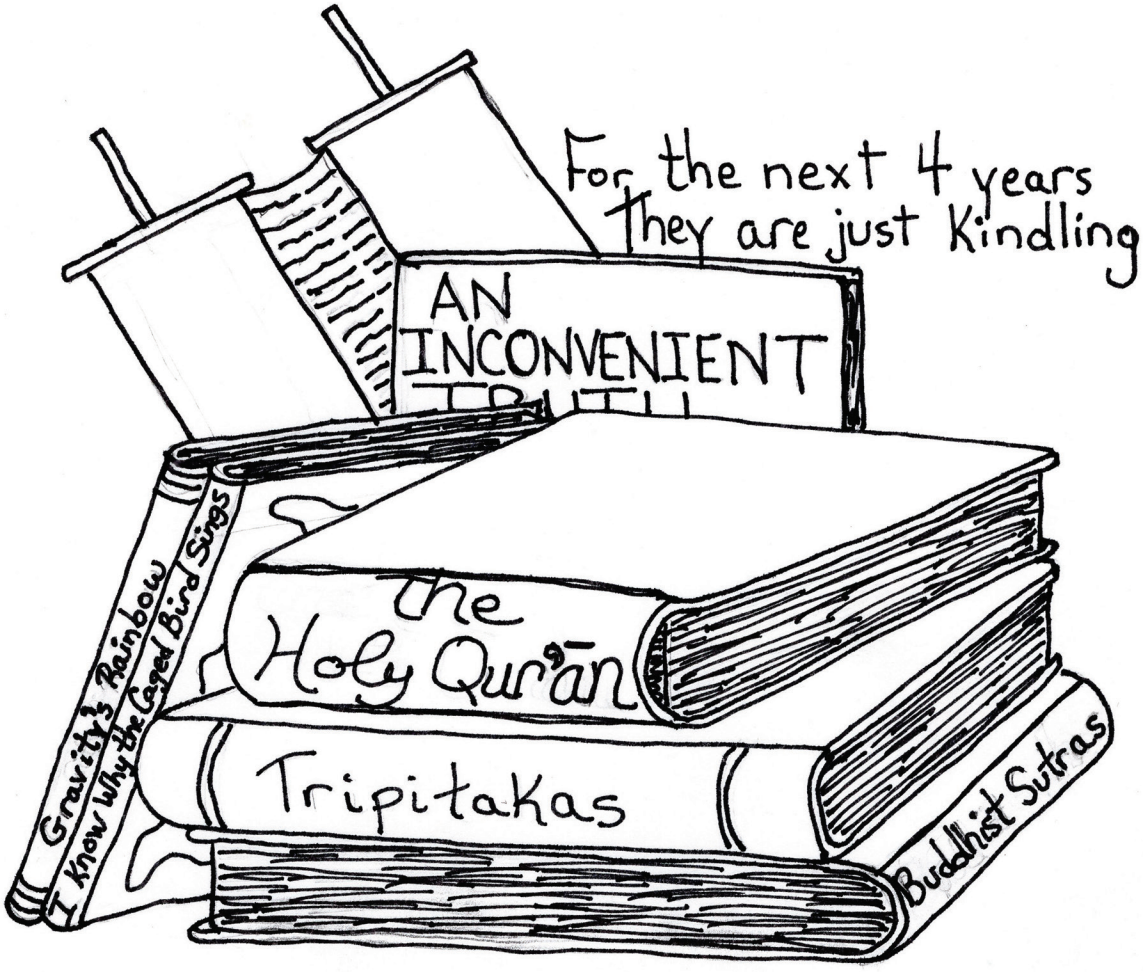
Things whose only purpose
is causing misery

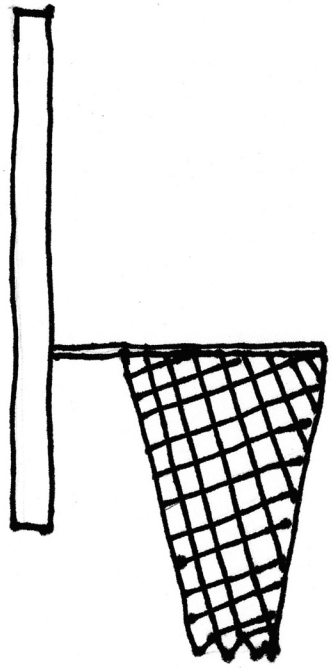







Mr. Kavanaugh's
Ideal Judiciary Committee

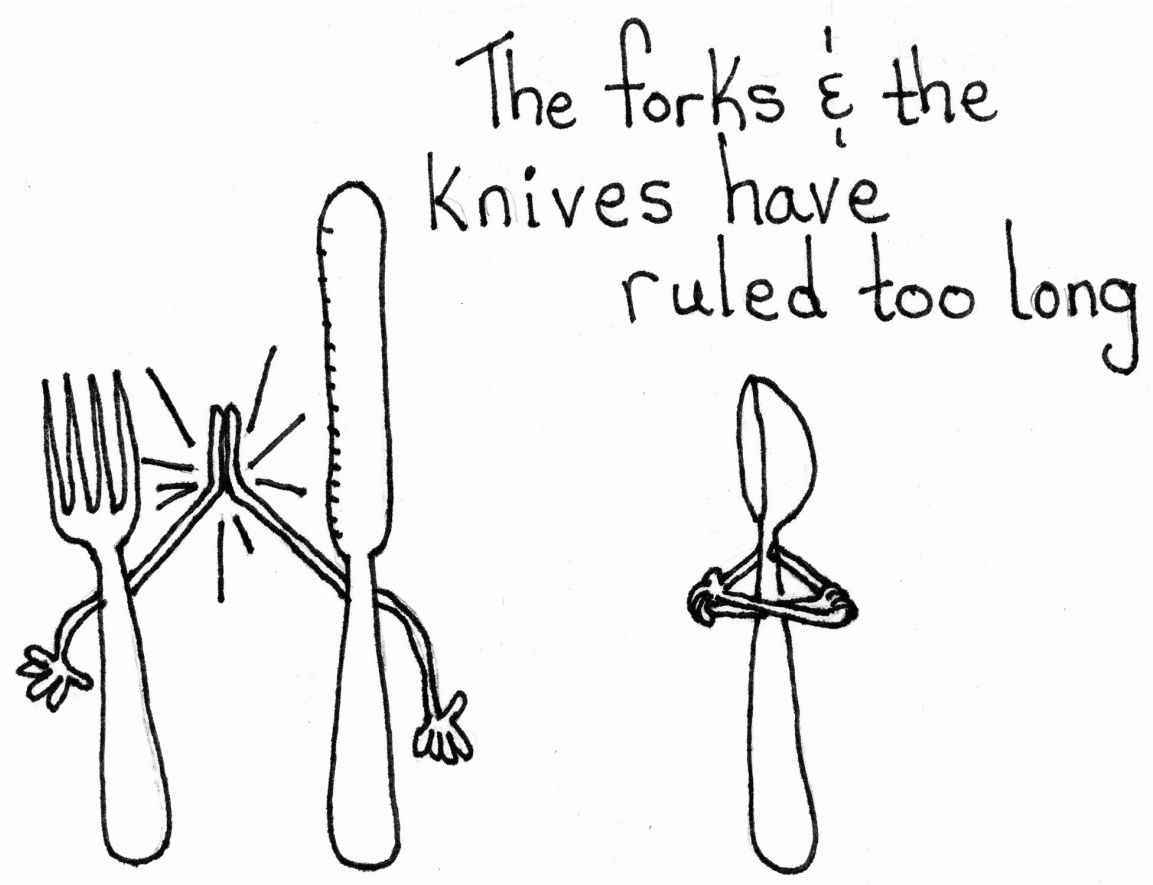

For the next 4 years
They are just Kindling
AN
INCONVENIENT
the
Holy Qur'ān
Tripitakas
Gravity's Rainbow
I know why the Caged Bird Sings
Buddhist Sutras

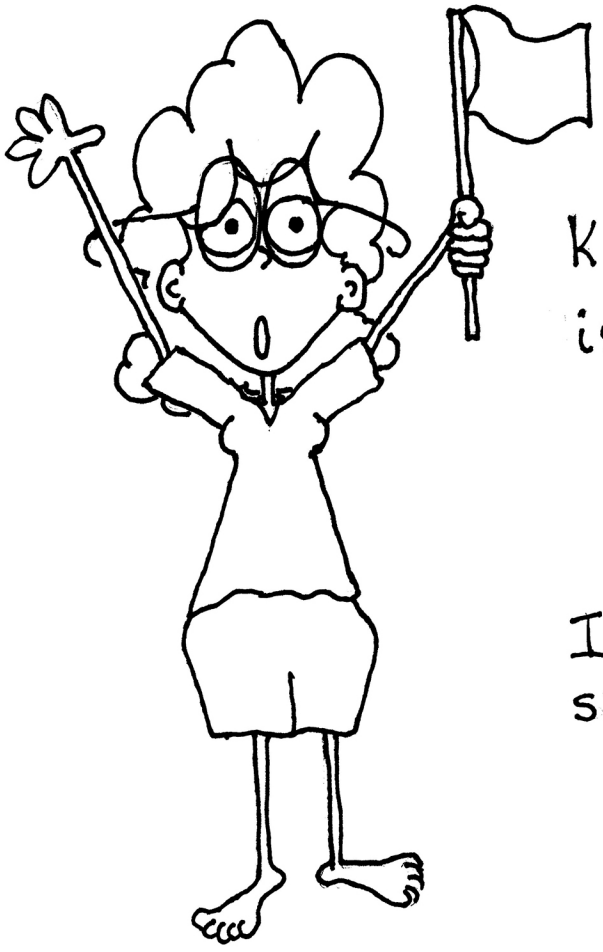


Kindness is a free throw....



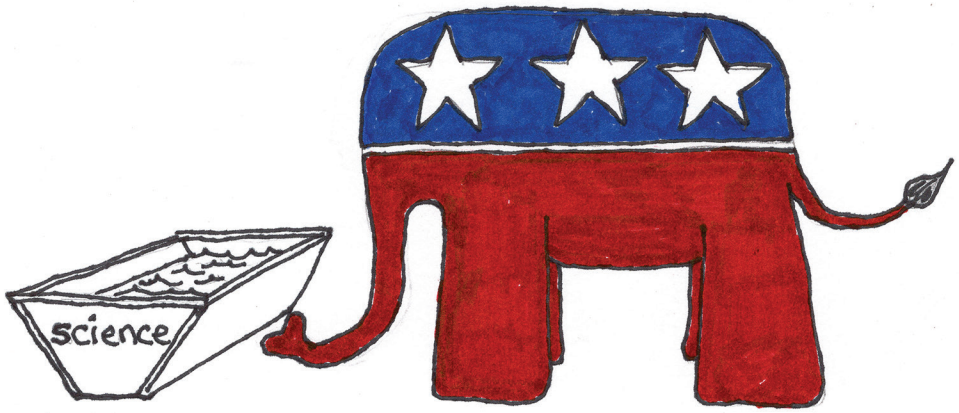
Easy..but needs to be practiced


The forks & the
knives have
ruled too long

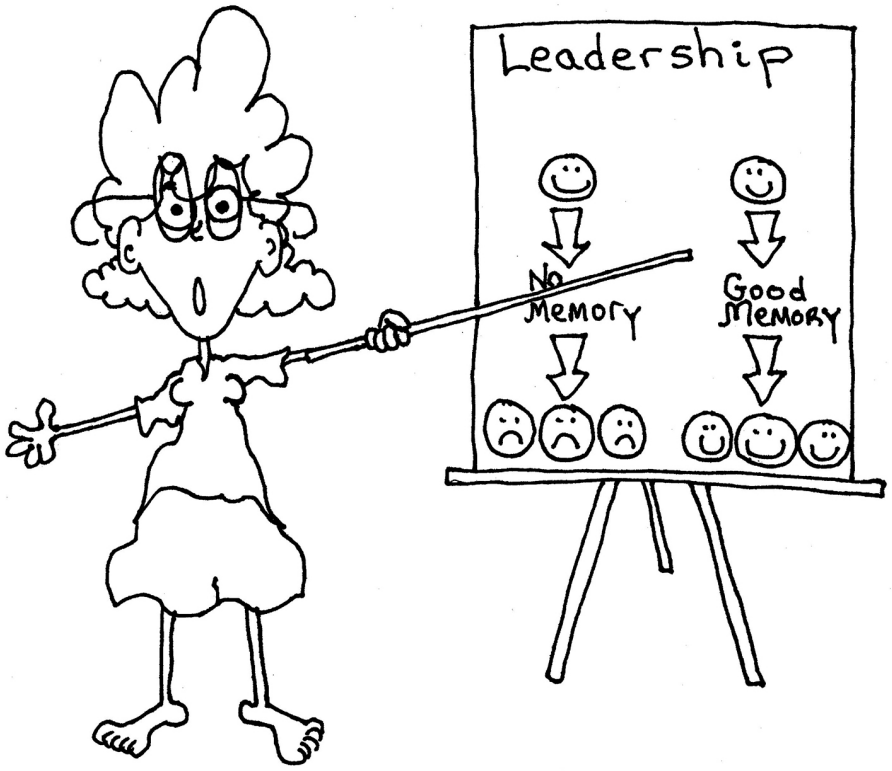


Knowledge
is power

I need
strong allies



You can lead to water
But not make them think



A good memory is all you need to lead...
who made you want to follow?

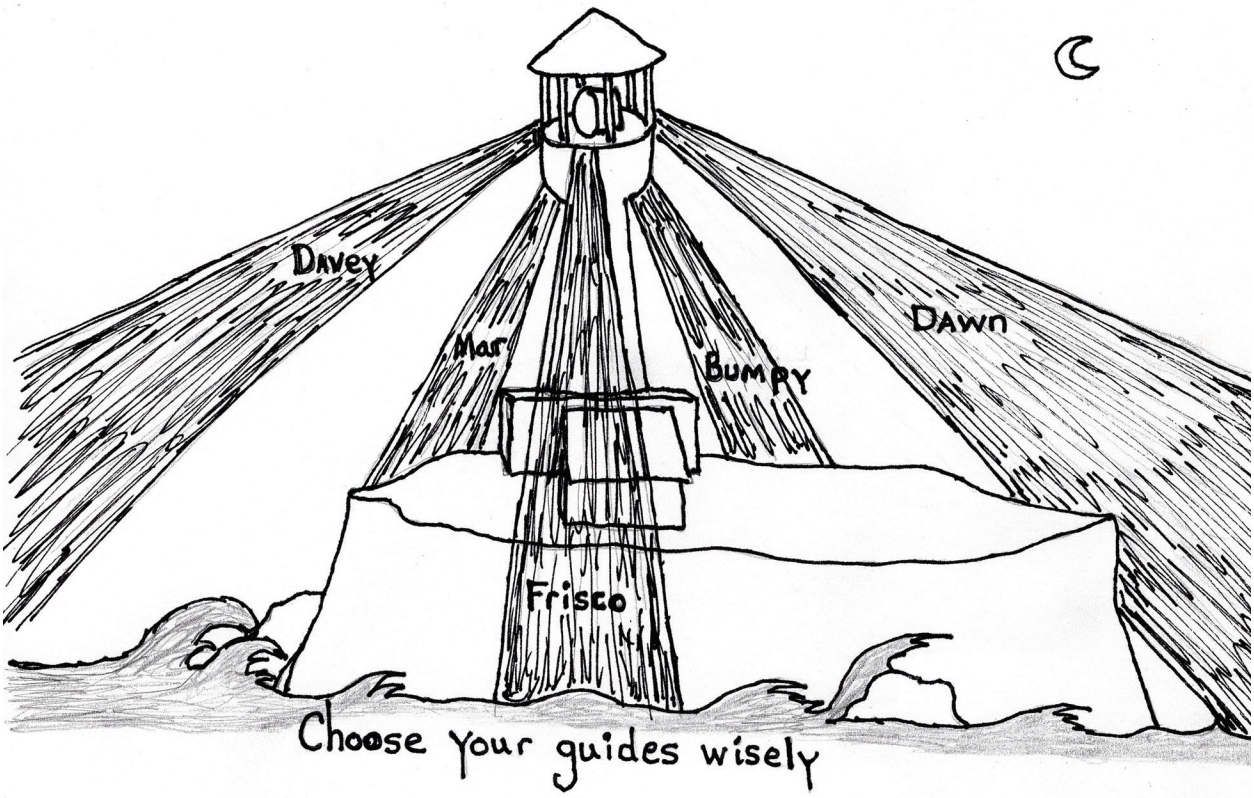


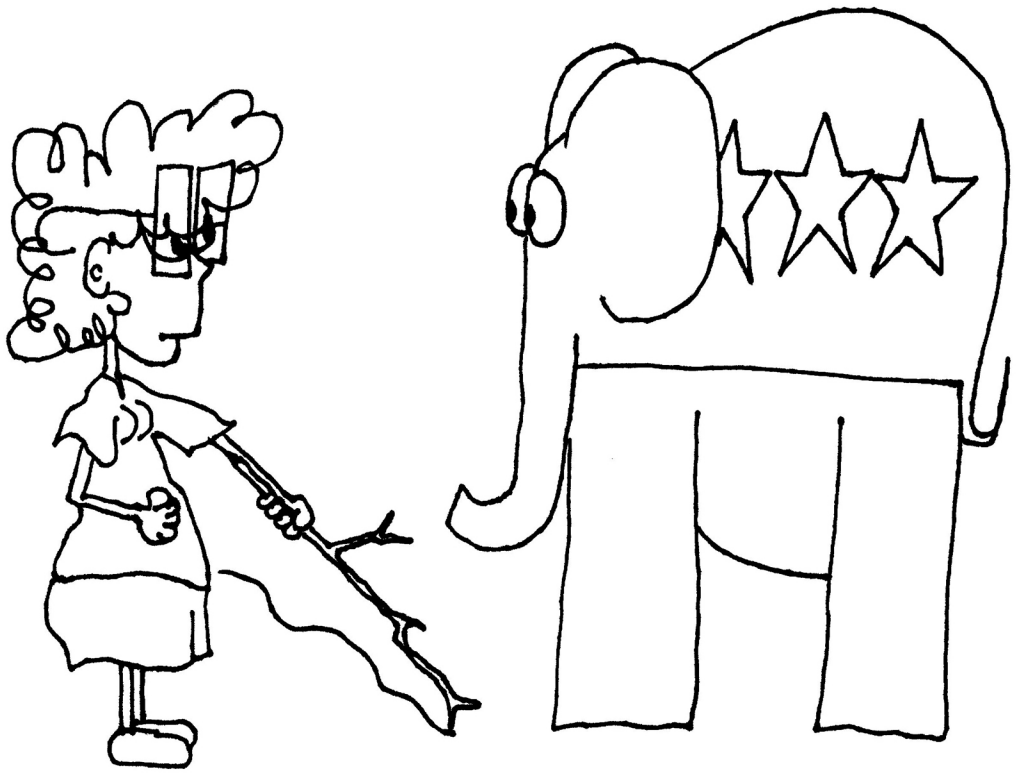
Control Your Dog



Leave them guessing


less talking
more bailing
STATES
RICA


Davey
Mar
Bumpy
Dawn
Frisco
Choose your guides wisely



Draw a non-straight line in the sand

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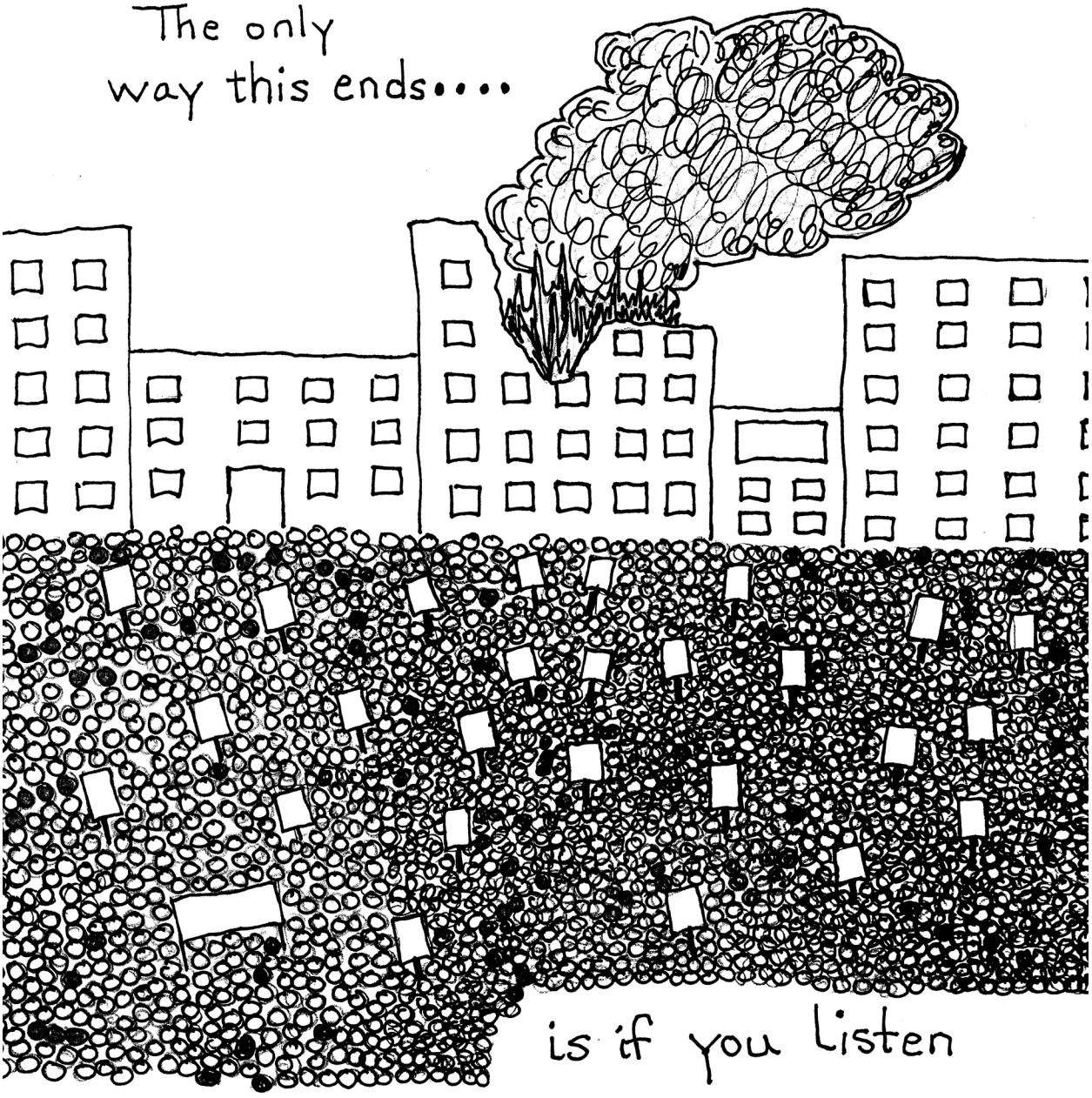
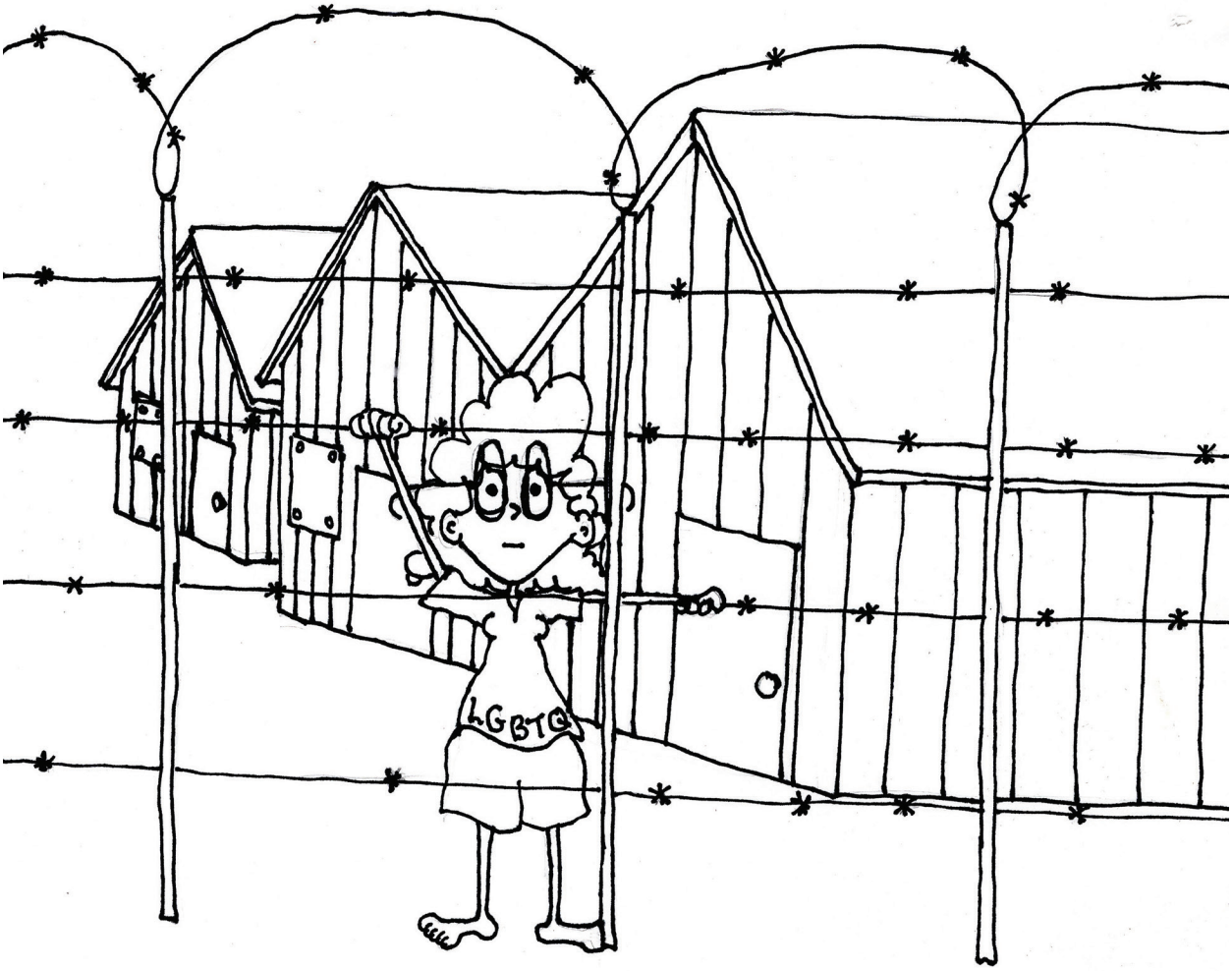
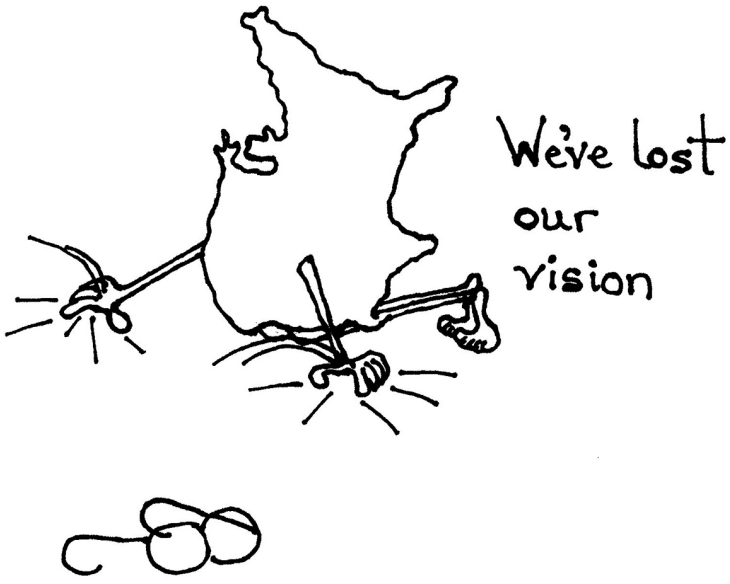
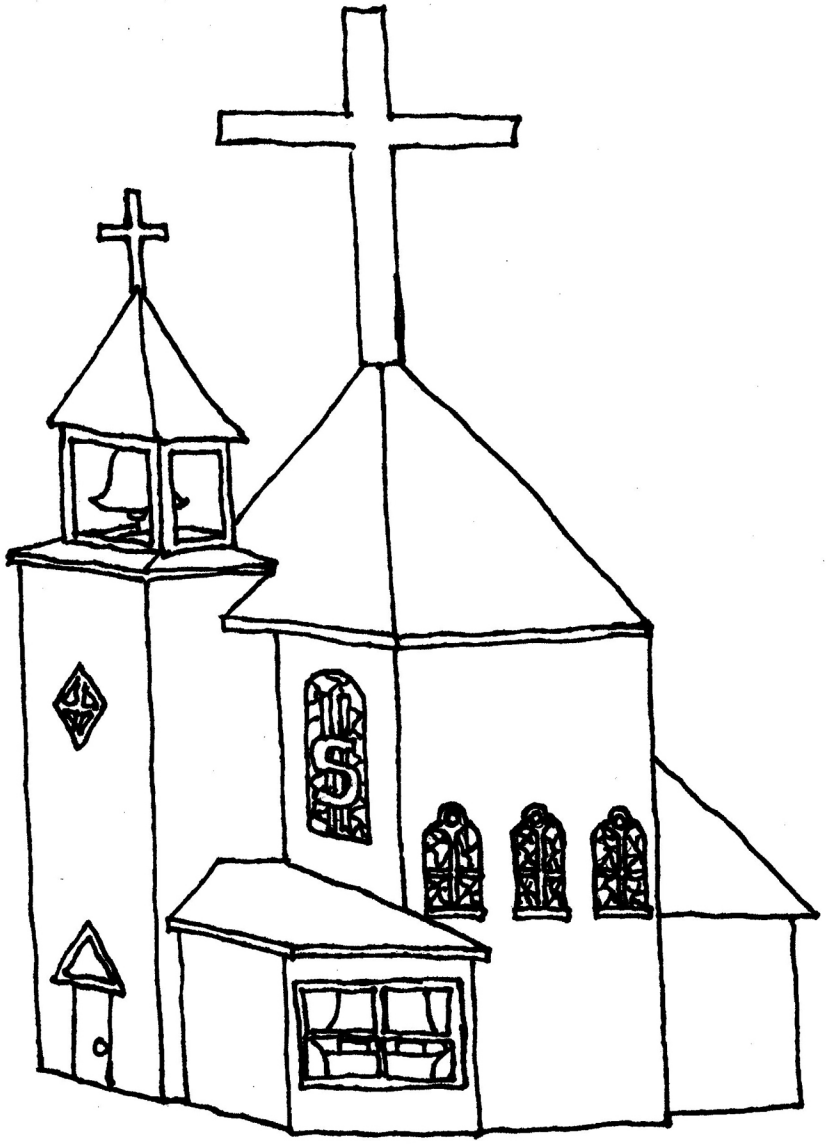
A comprehensive
list of all the disadvantages
of white men


The only
way this ends....
is if you listen



Republican Politics
Location... Location... Location


We've lost
our
vision

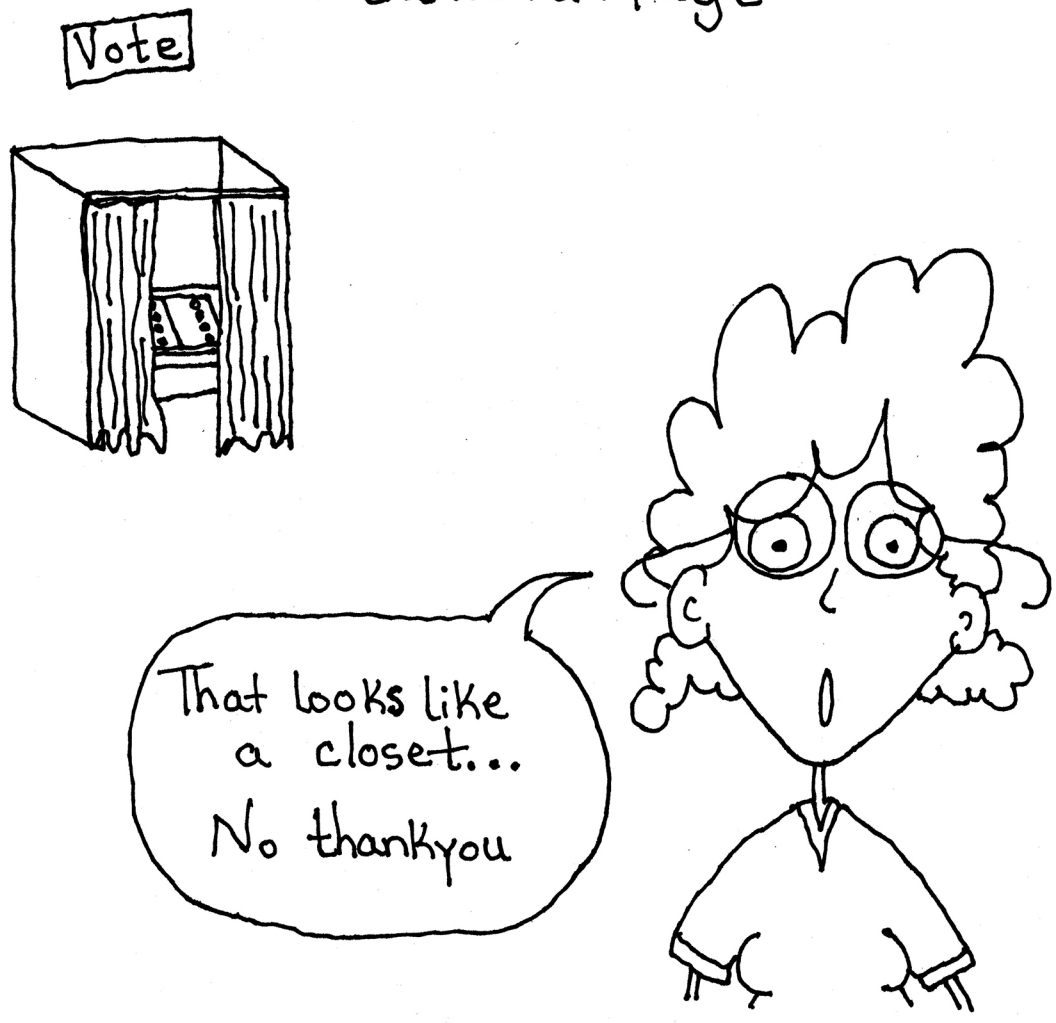


Fancy churches are a tribute to man
not God



Republicans don't start fires.
They just bring marshmallows.

Mayor Pete's tragic disadvantage



Republicans bring back their greatest hits

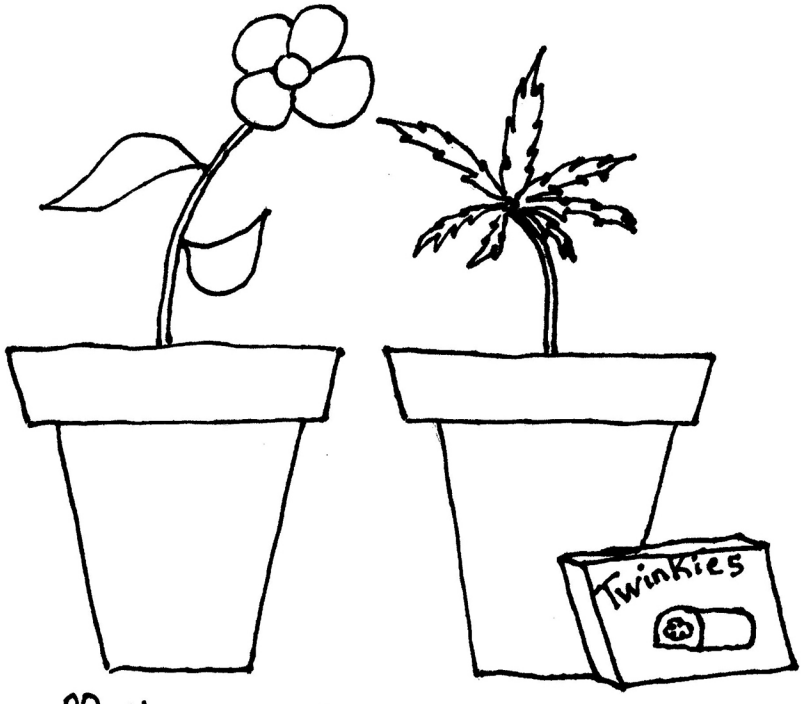




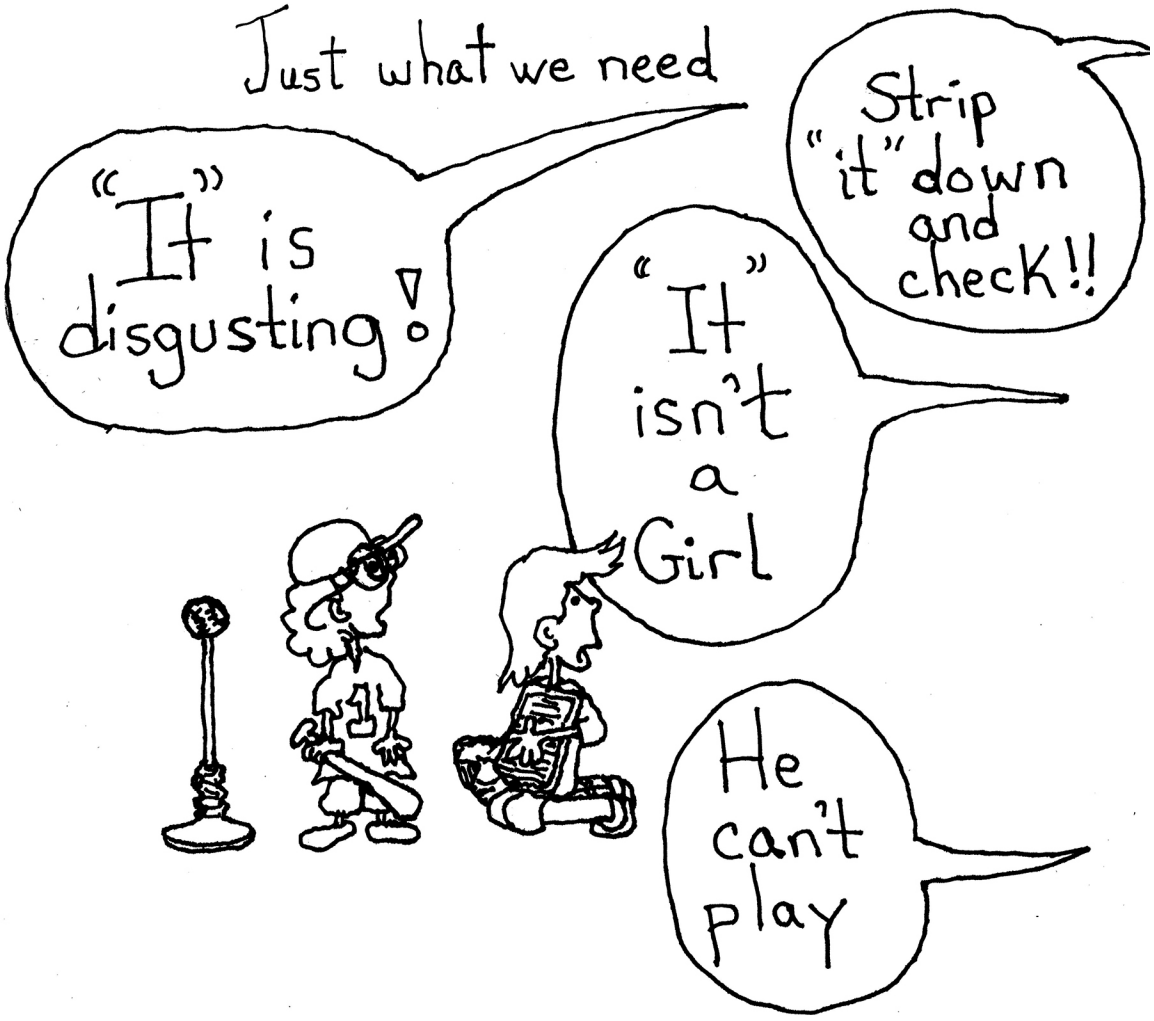
Me
Pre 2016 Election



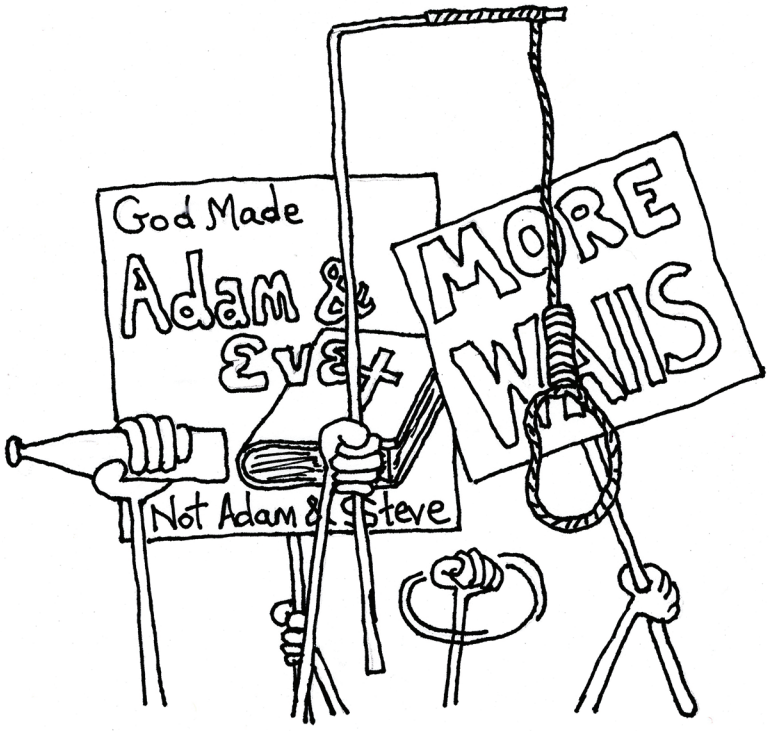
Me
Post 2016 Election



Mellow neighbors are funny

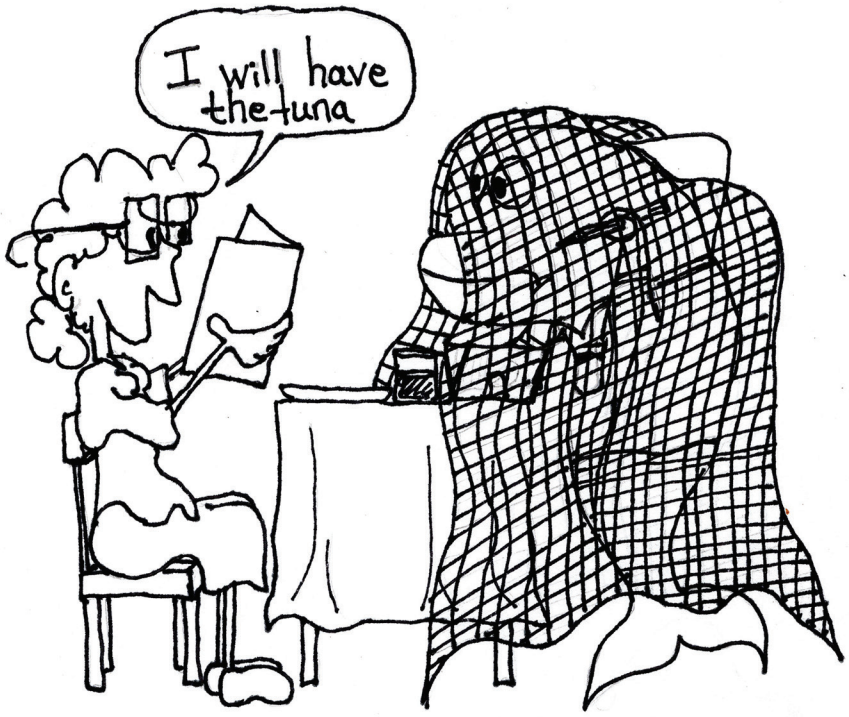


More chances to model Kindness
for our children

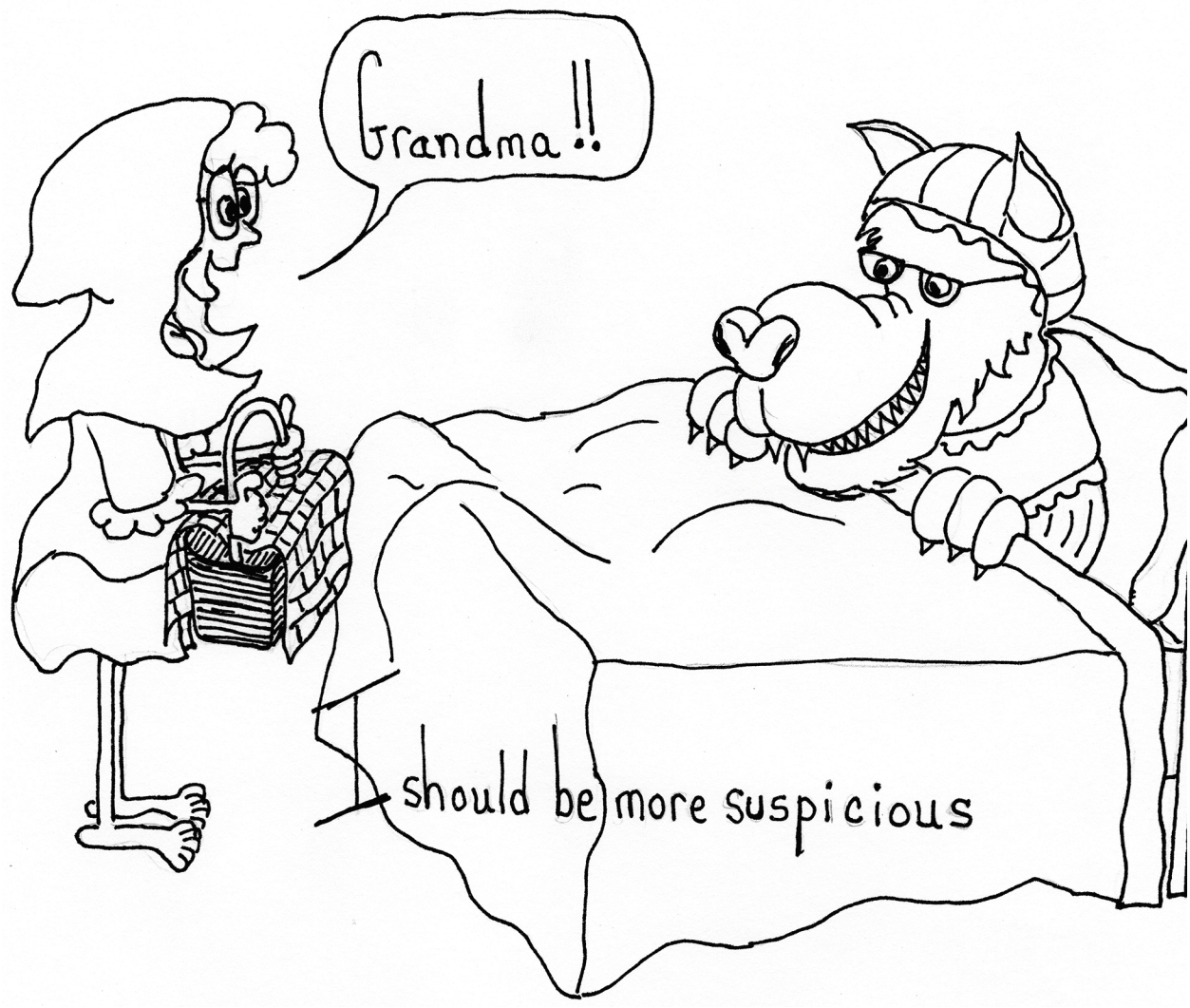


It's not alarming Trump doesn't represent our best

(It's alarming that he MIGHT!)



I need to be more environmentally aware

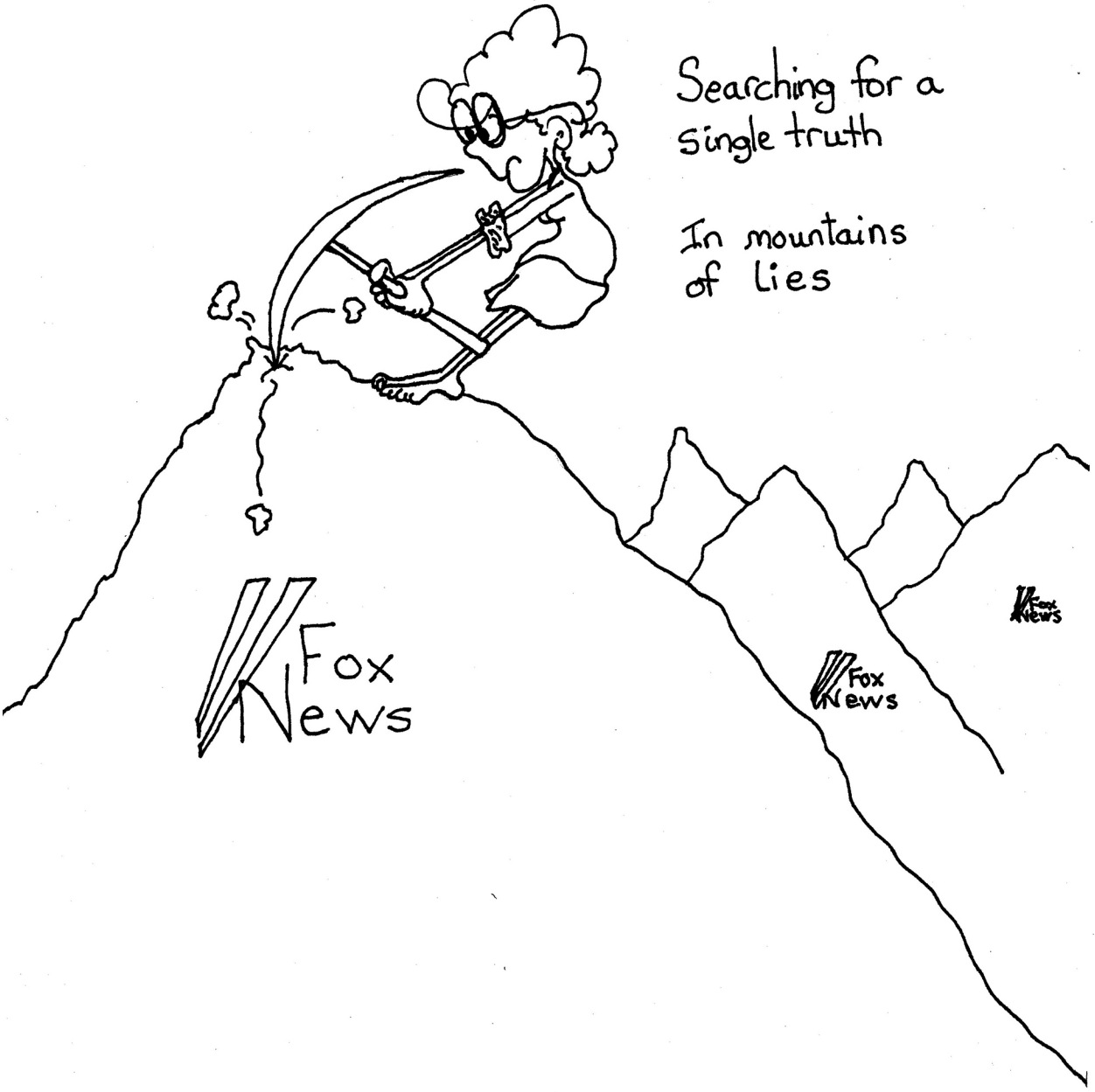

Grandma!!
should be more suspicious

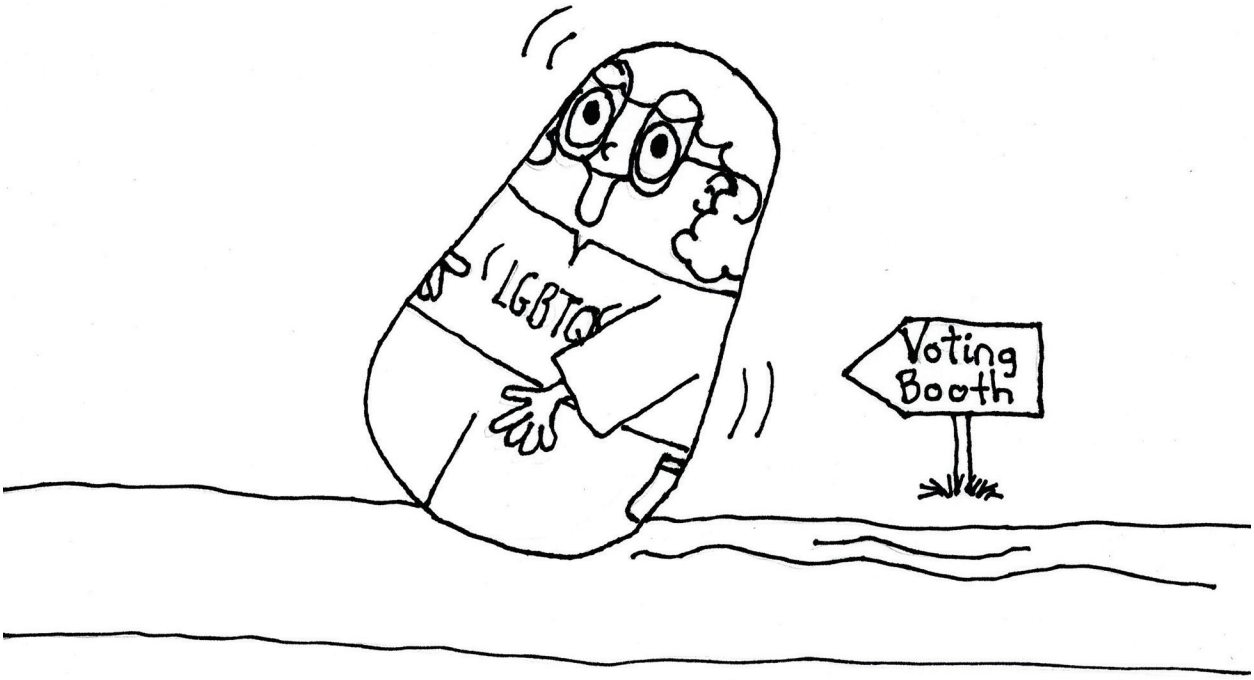
Transitional Thoughts

I don't know if I am smarter as a woman

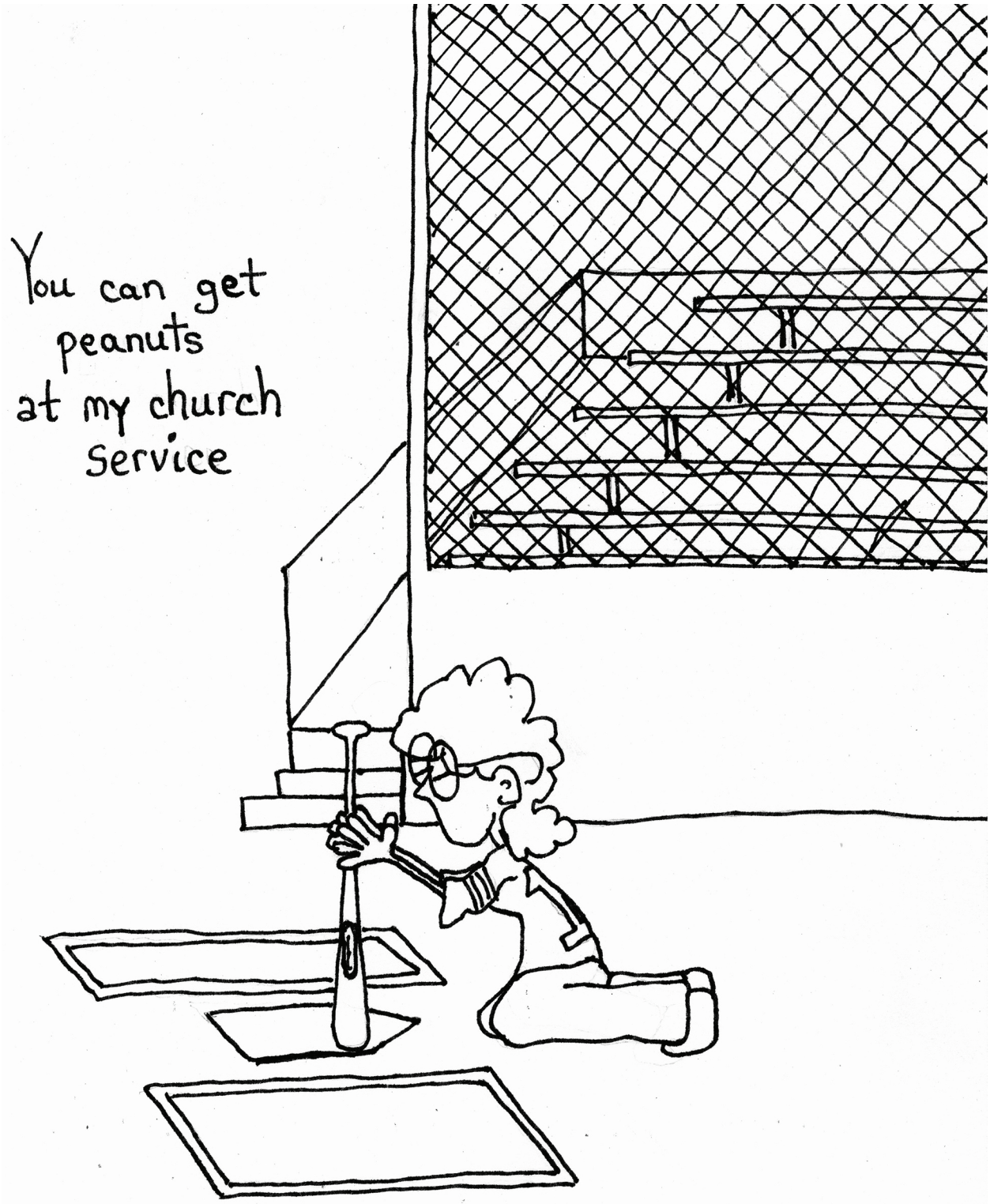


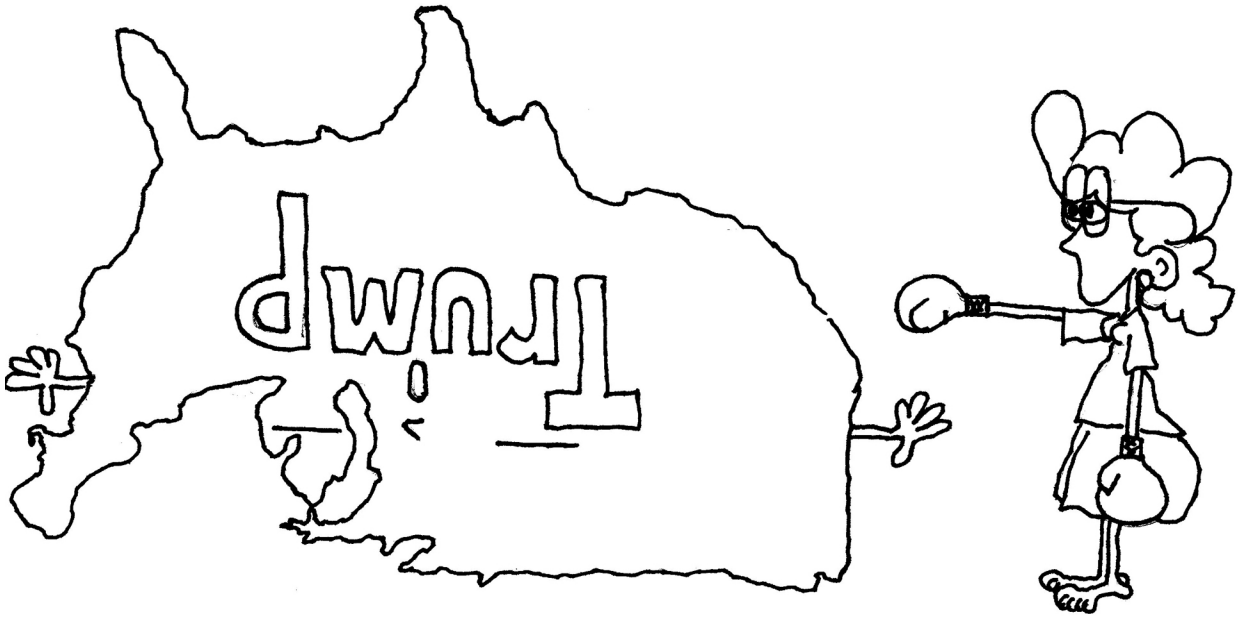
But I spend time more wisely


Searching for a single truth
In mountains of lies
Fox News
Fox News
Fox News



Due to our recent history
I'M approaching all elections like a Weeble

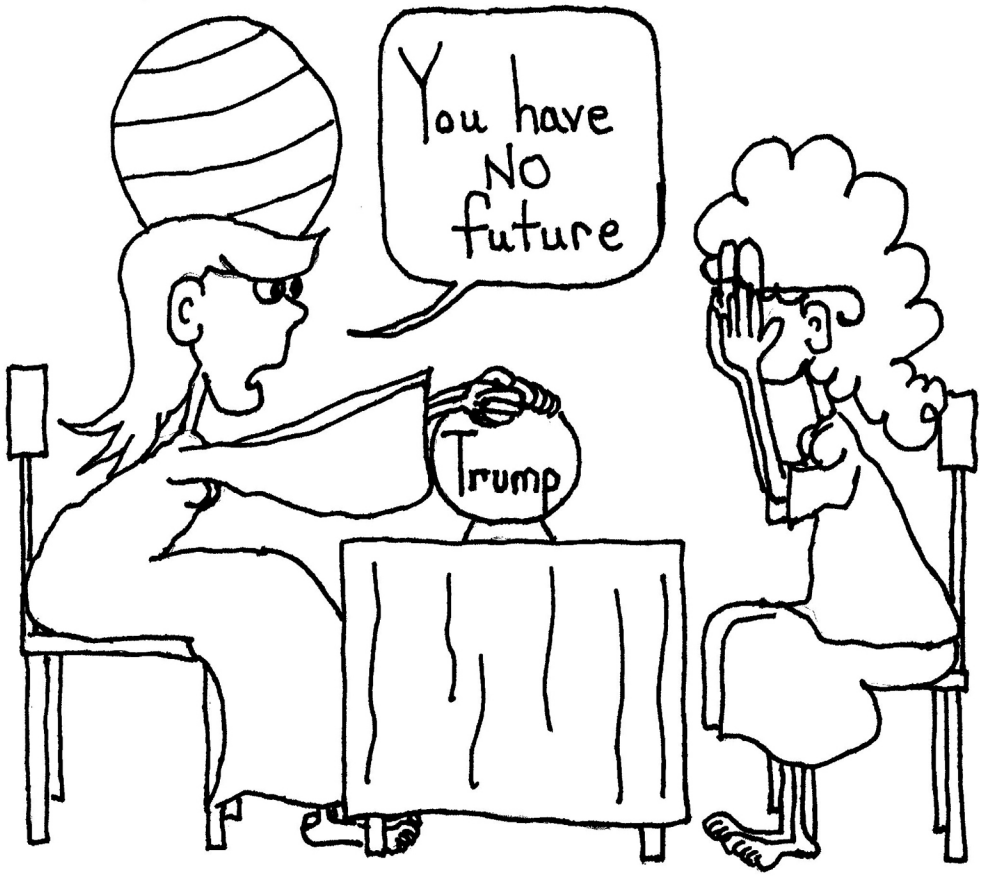

You can get peanuts at my church service



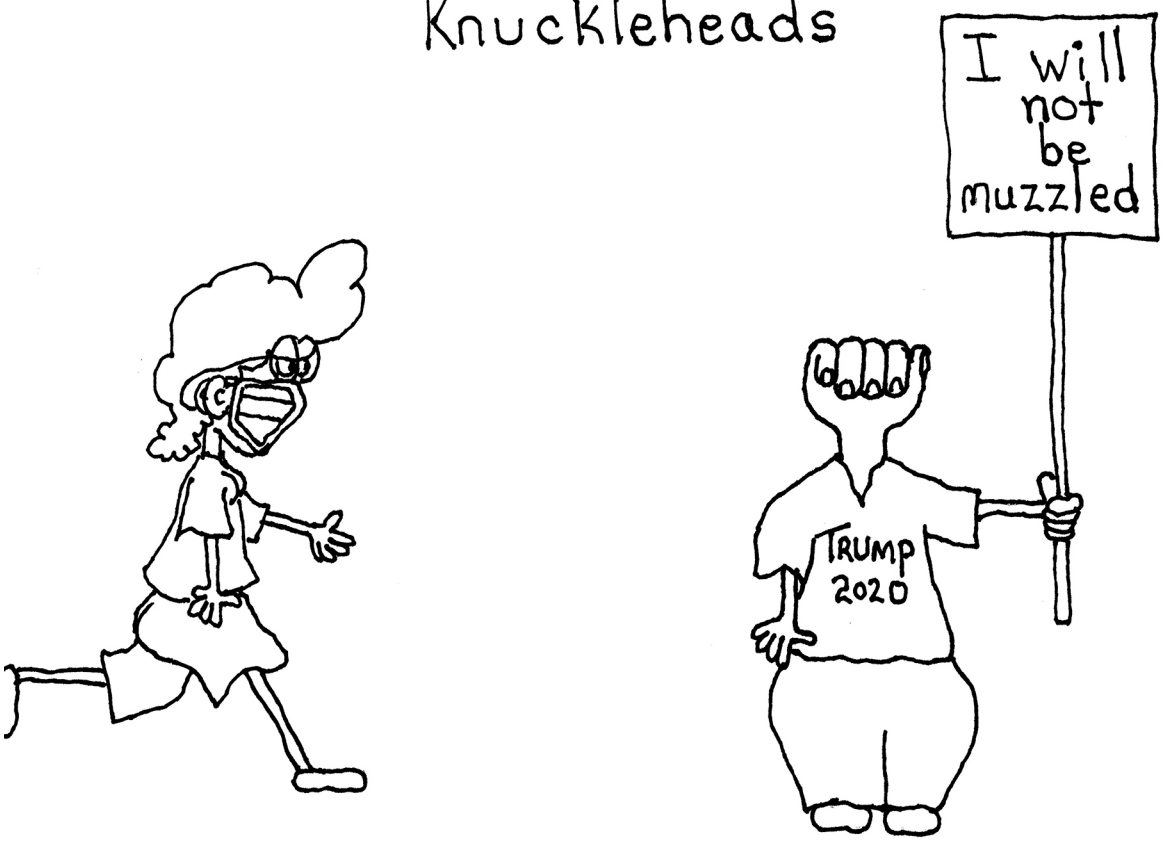
I want to punch my country in the face

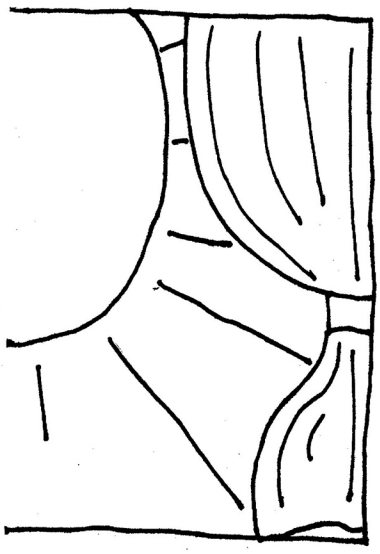


(and give wonderful shade)

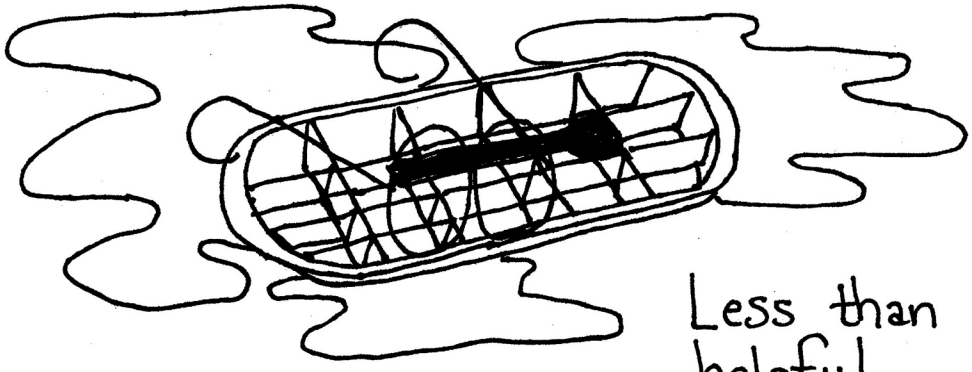

You have NO future
Trump

My grandma wouldve called them Knuckleheads



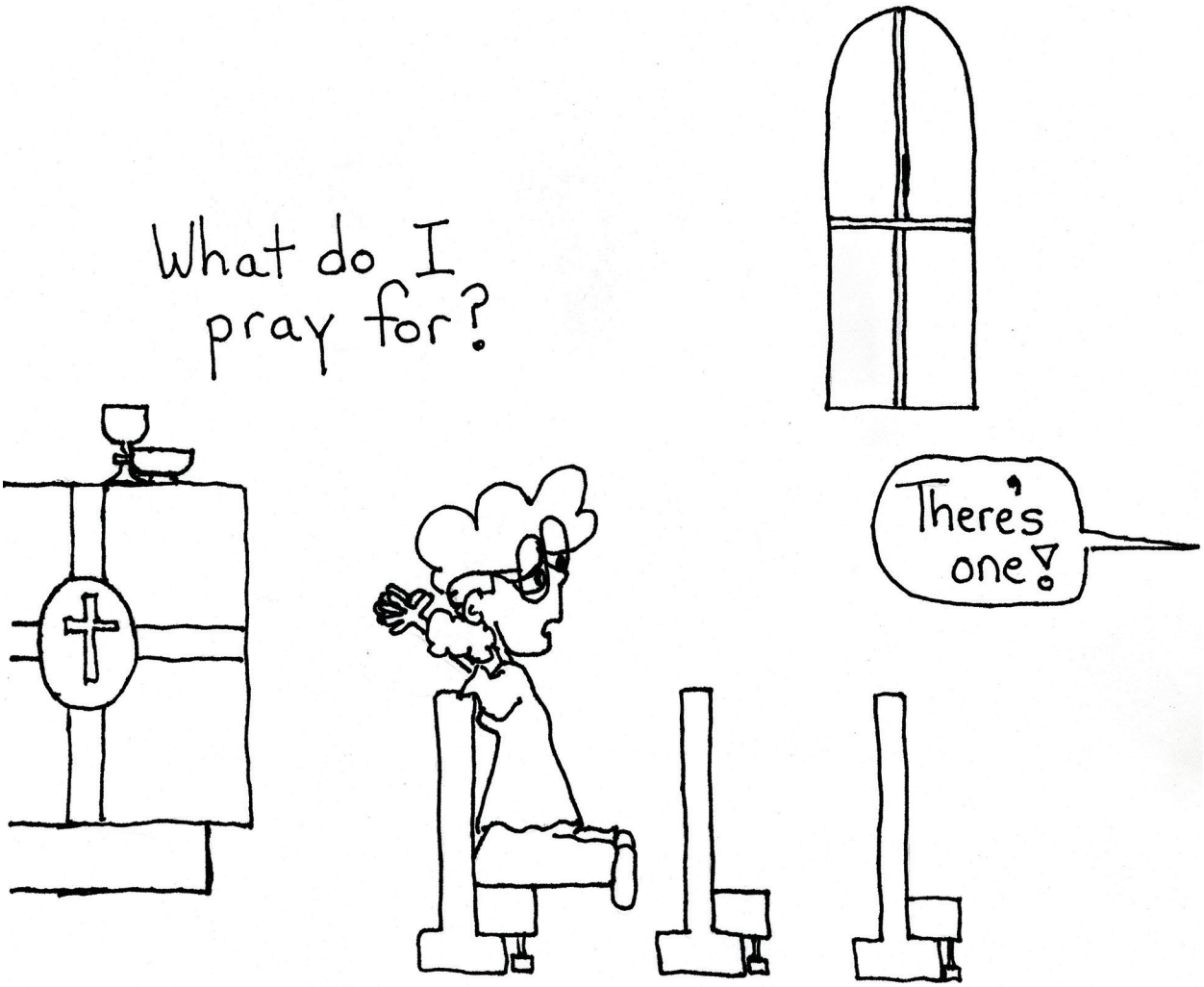


My government's loving warmth

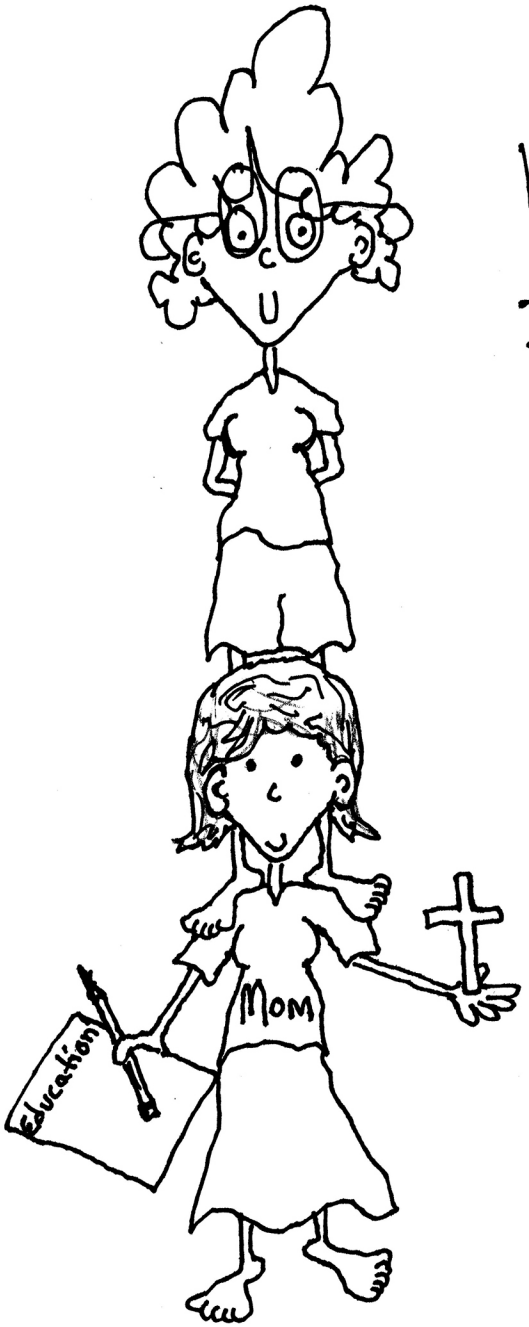


Less than helpful

Transitional Thoughts

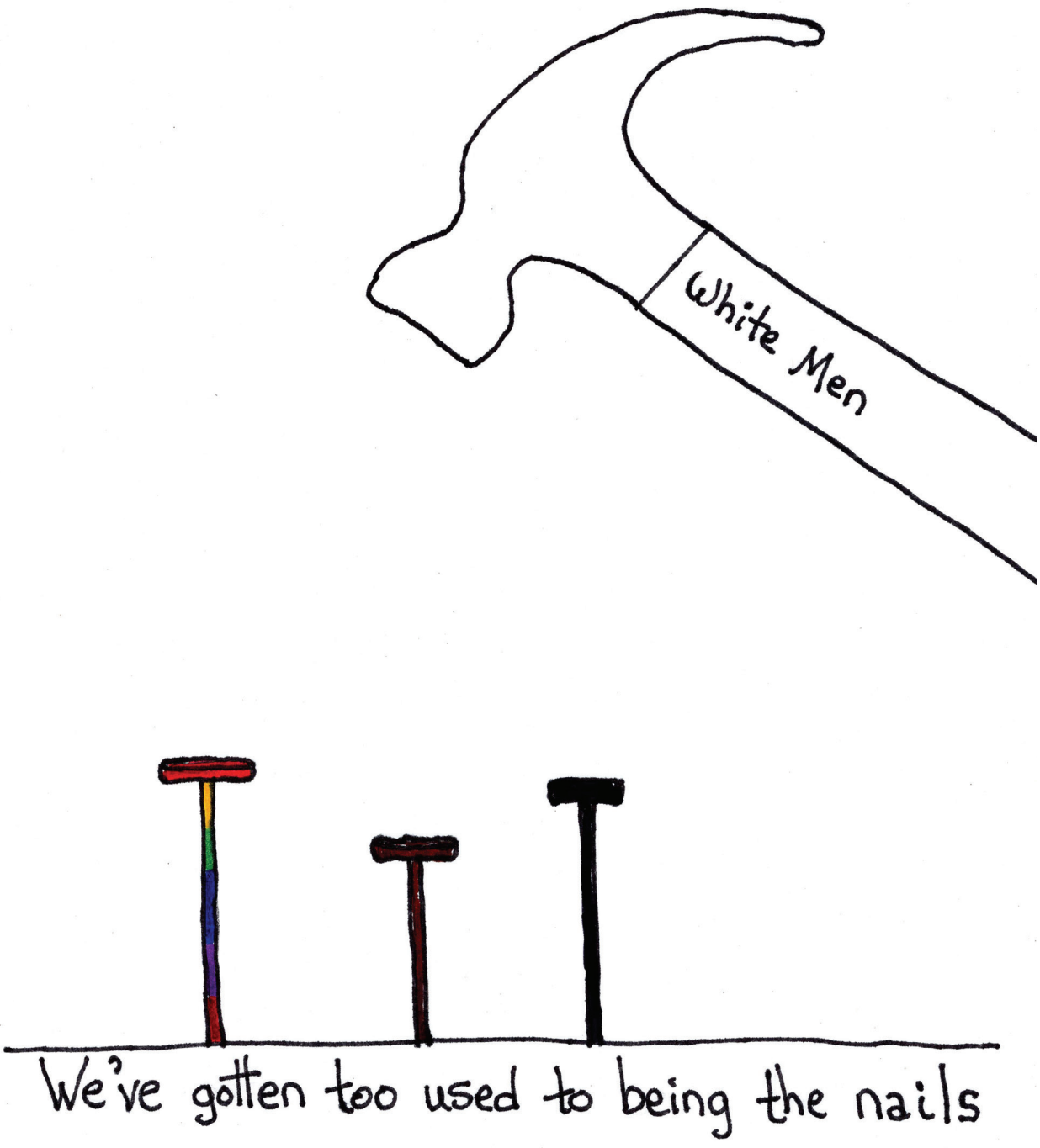


Protection from the religious



My reach
has been aided
by the shoulders
I stand on


My smile is
my umbrella
I get wet
A LOT

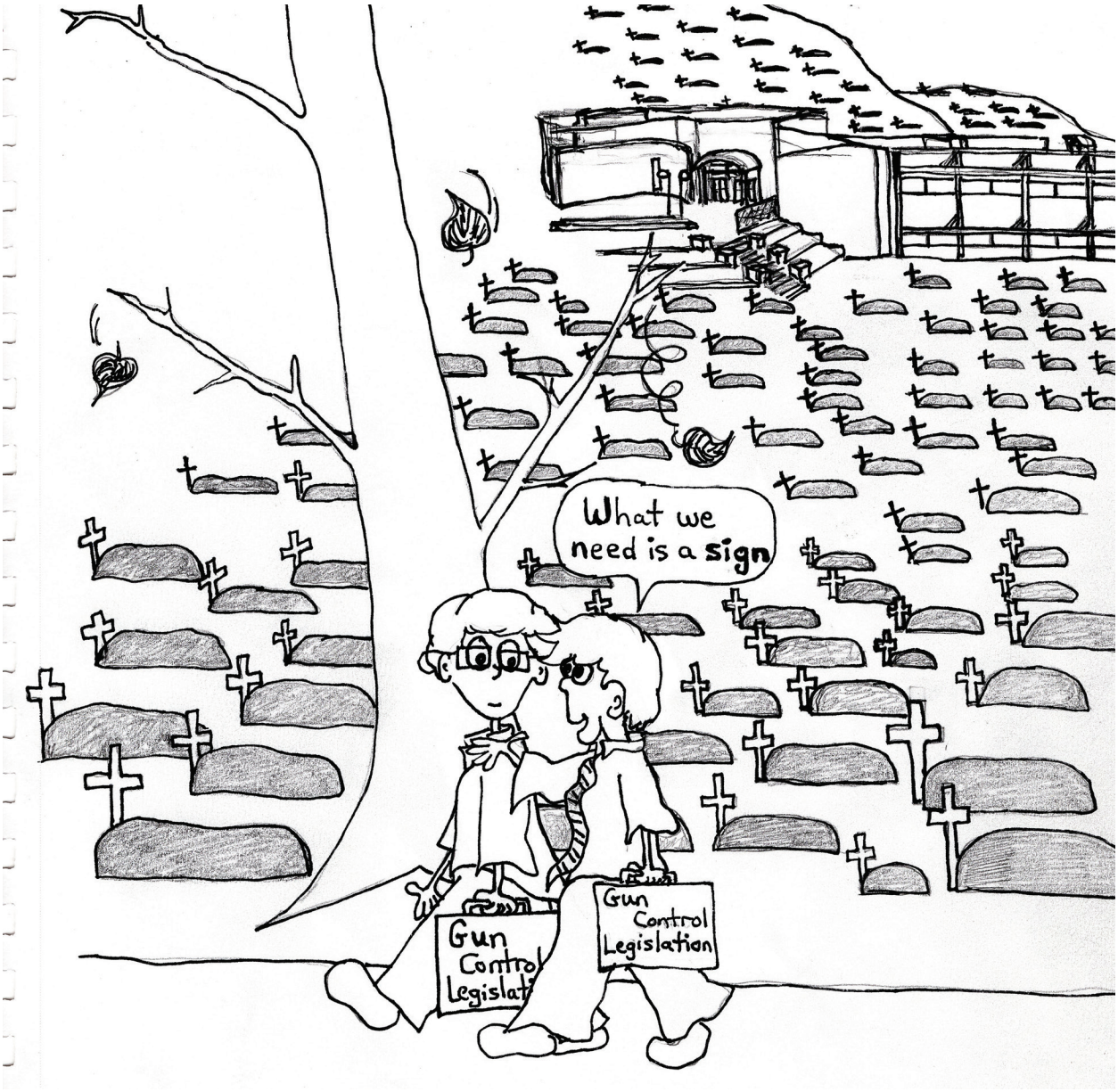

White Men
We've gotten too used to being the nails



The Republican Party
is bad for our national diet

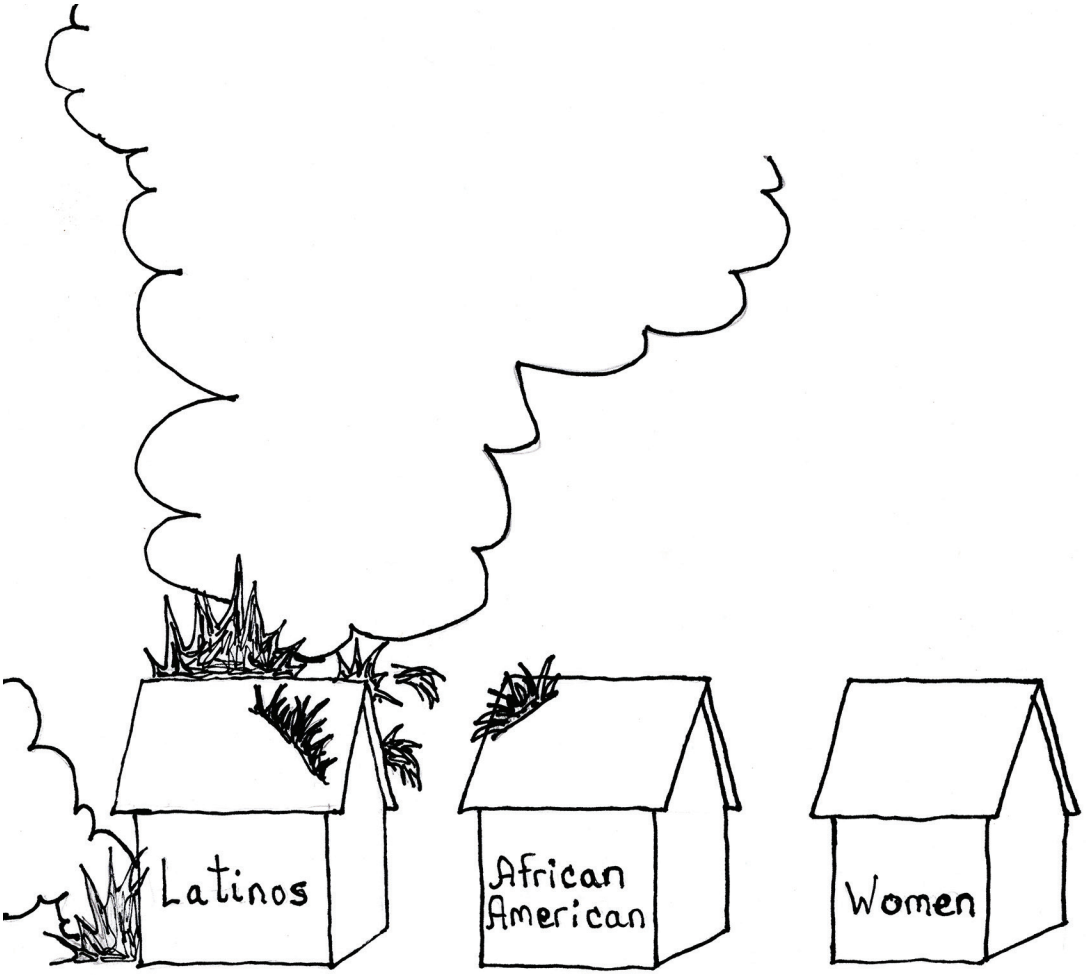
If nature was like us




What we need is a sign
Gun Control Legislation
Gun Control Legislation



Friendships need attention



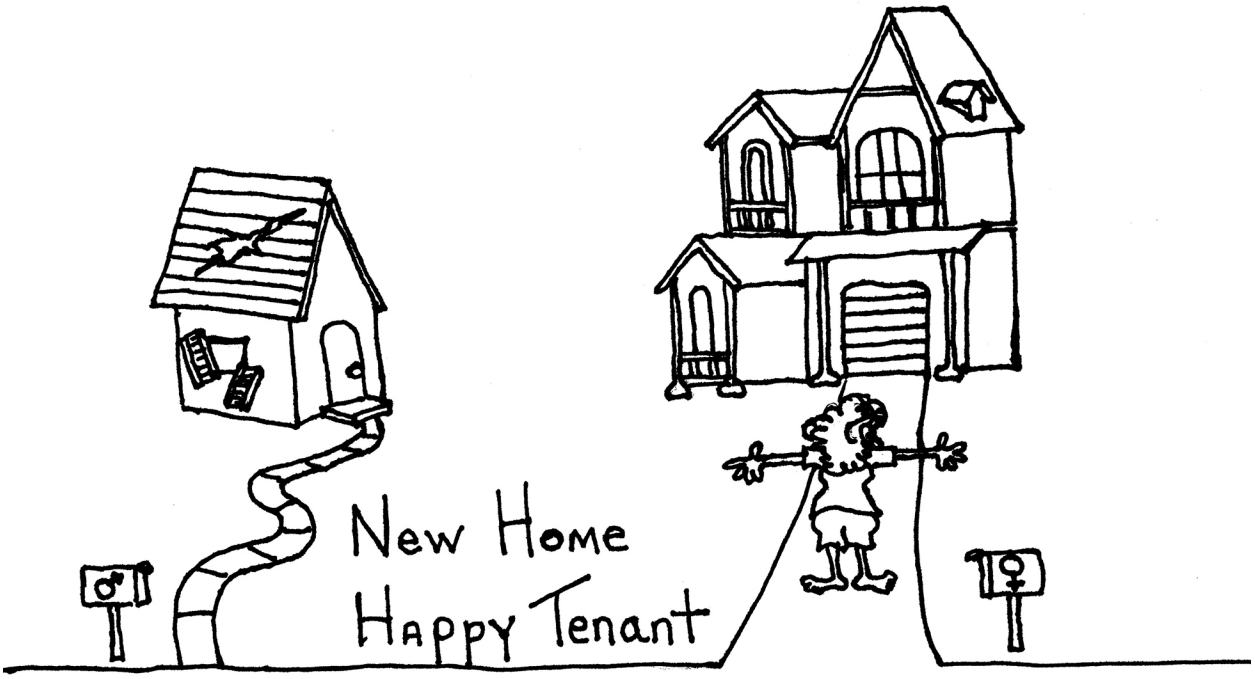
If your neighbor's home is on fire
Don't haggle over the price of your garden hose

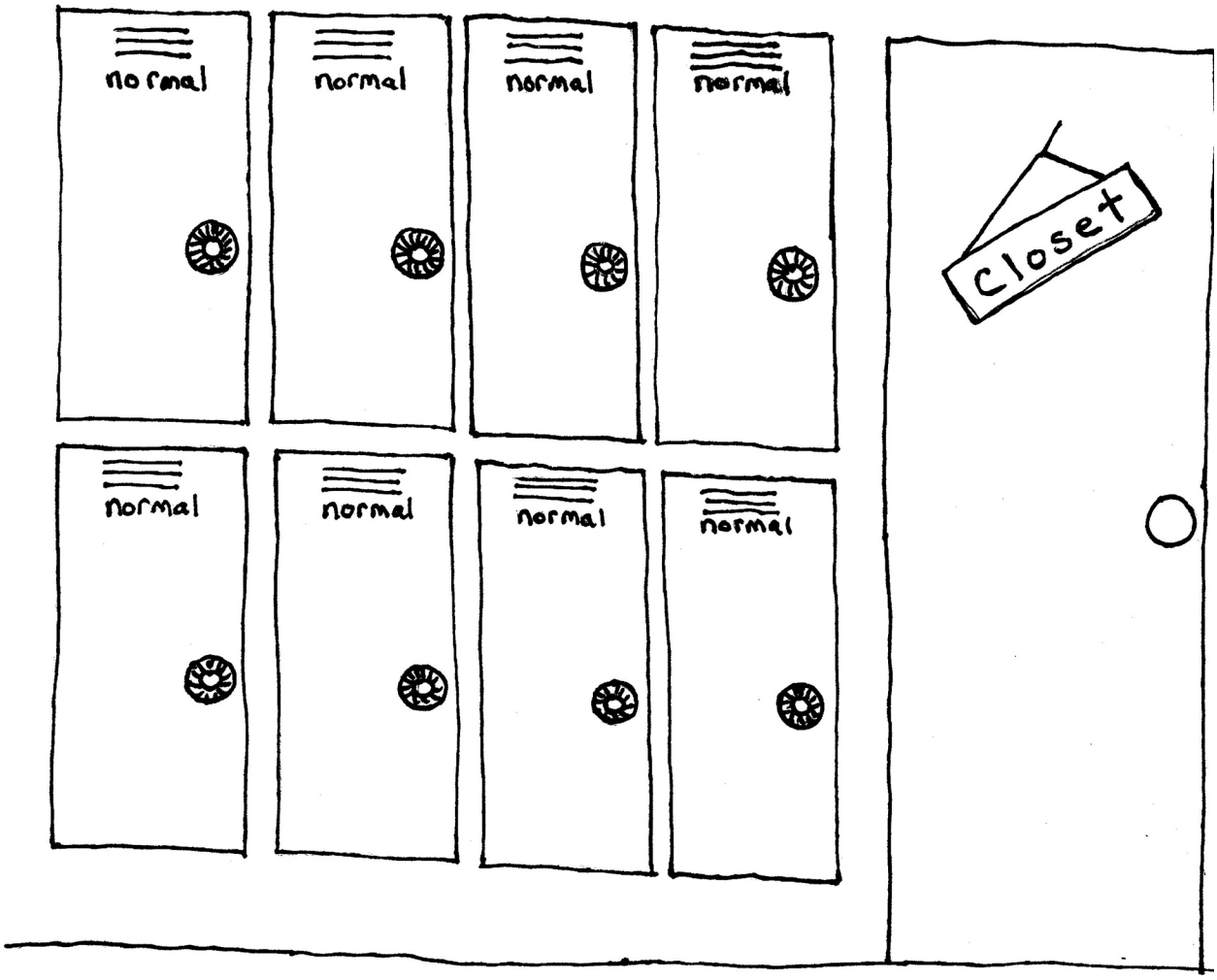
So will sagging masks be the new cool?



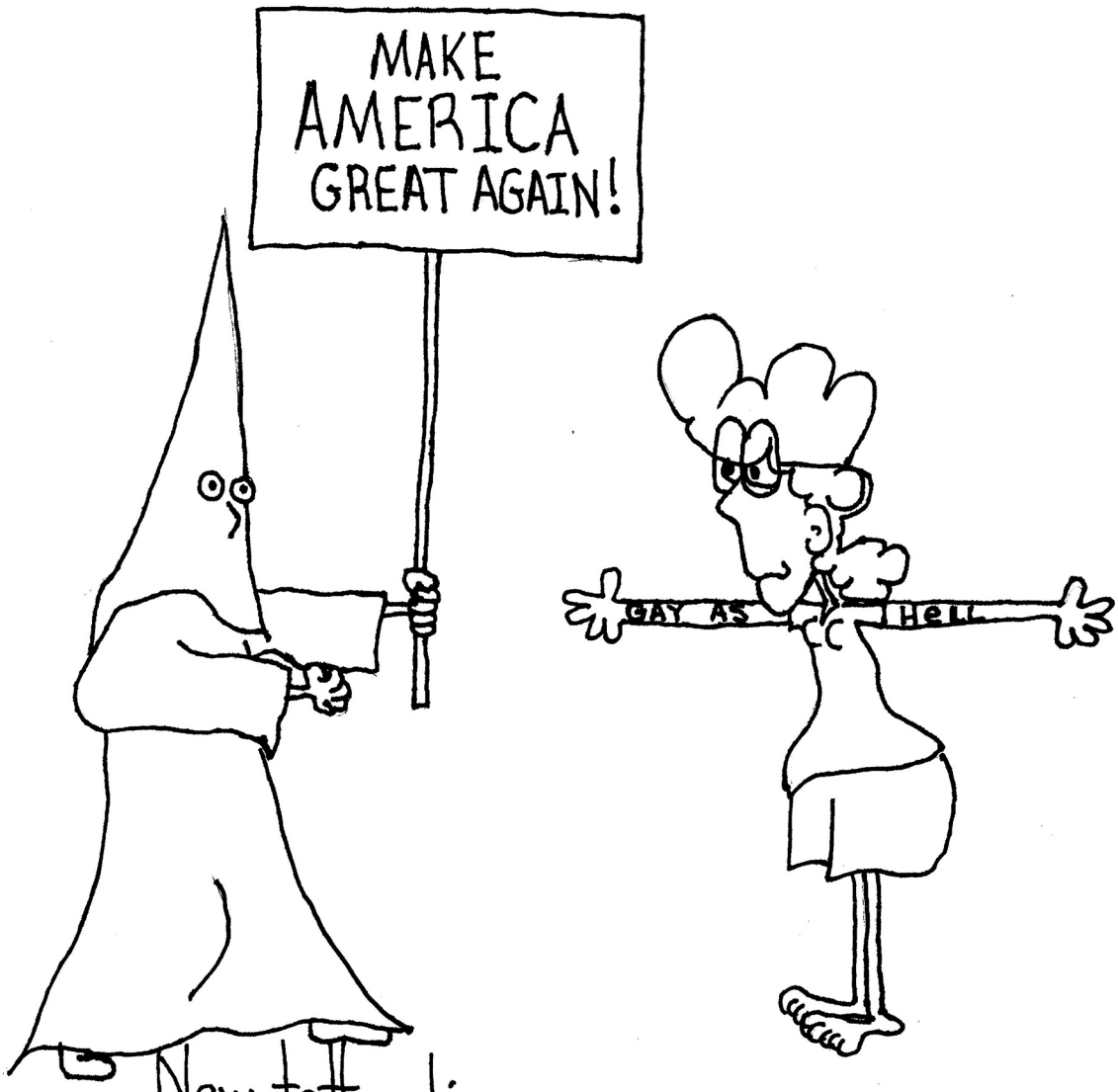
I love teaching.
But I'm also fond of being alive!

Transitional Thoughts





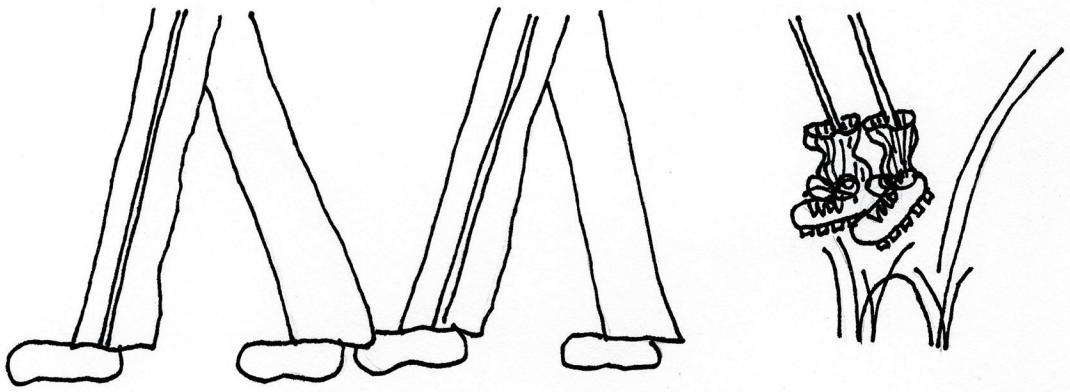
Transgender students get new roomier lockers in Red States!



New tattoo time....
So they will have no problem finding me



There are no atheists in state testing

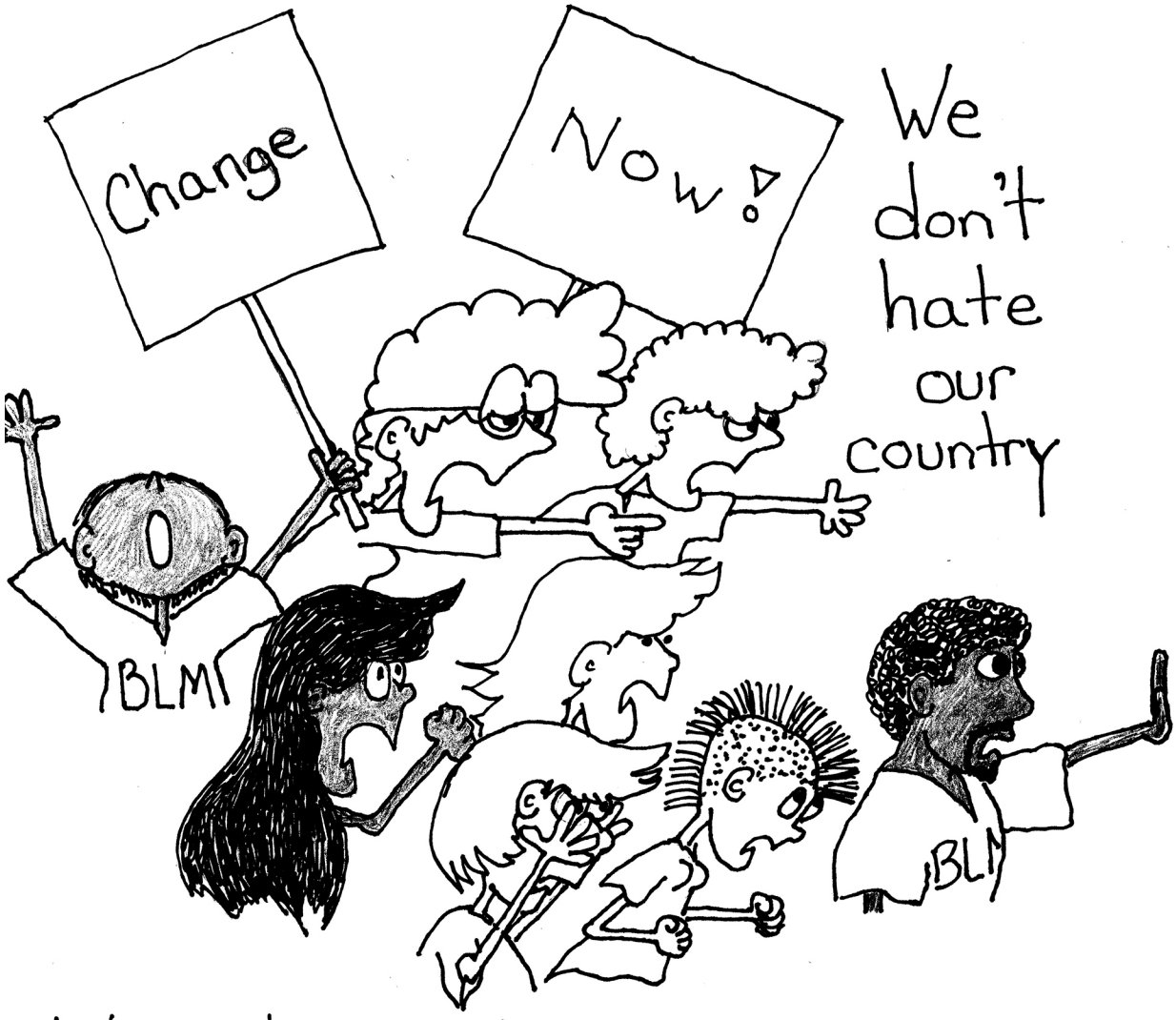


I make no attempt to be in step



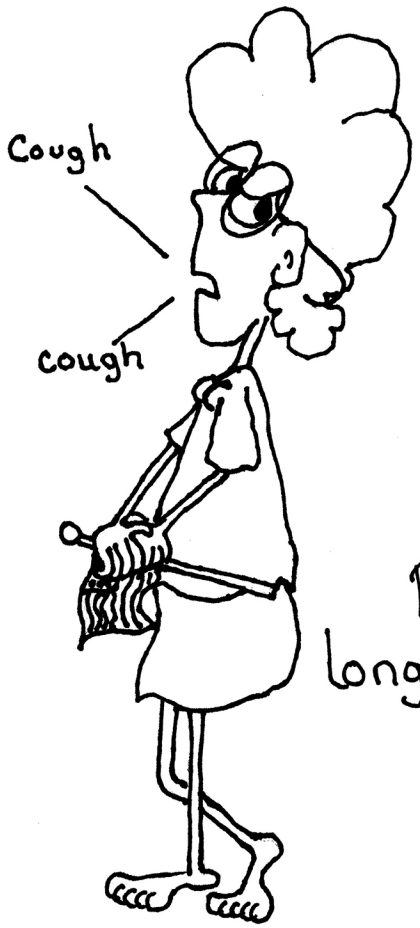
A tree with no fixed position

Gives no shade


Change
Now!
We don't hate our country
BLM
BLM
We just want her to be better

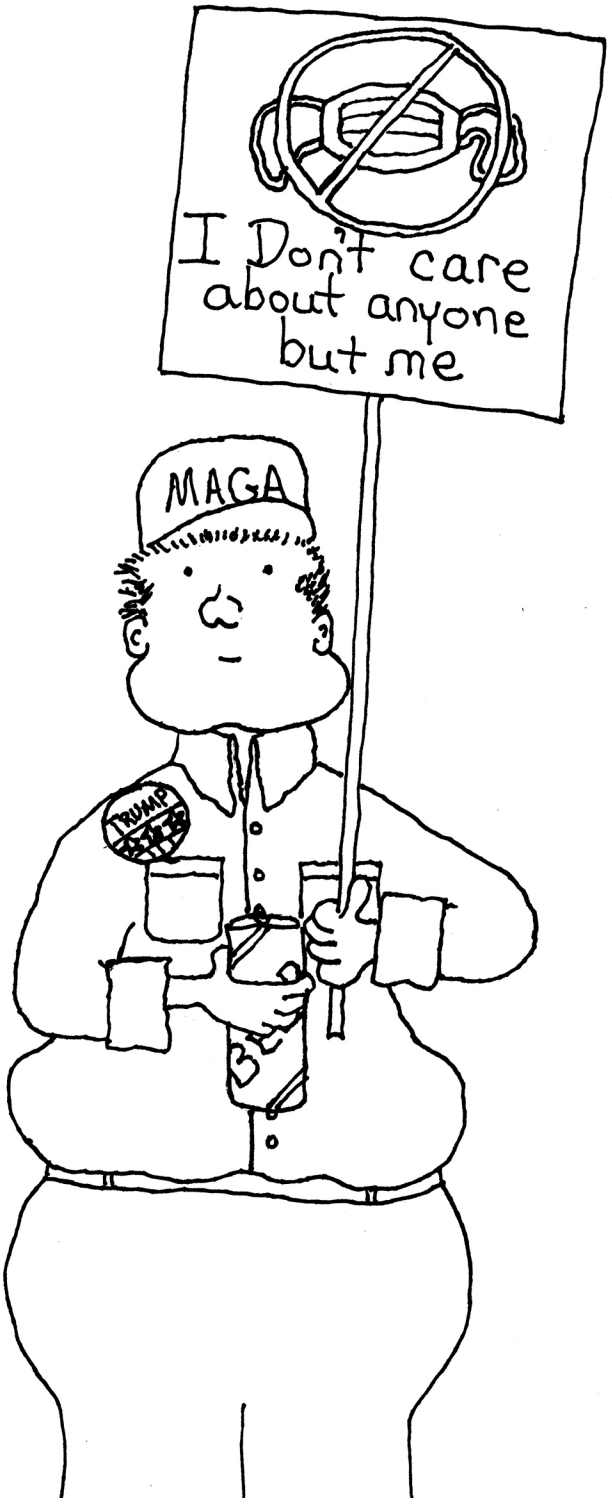

No wishing for wishes!
and
NO impeachment!
RATS!

I will always
love my country

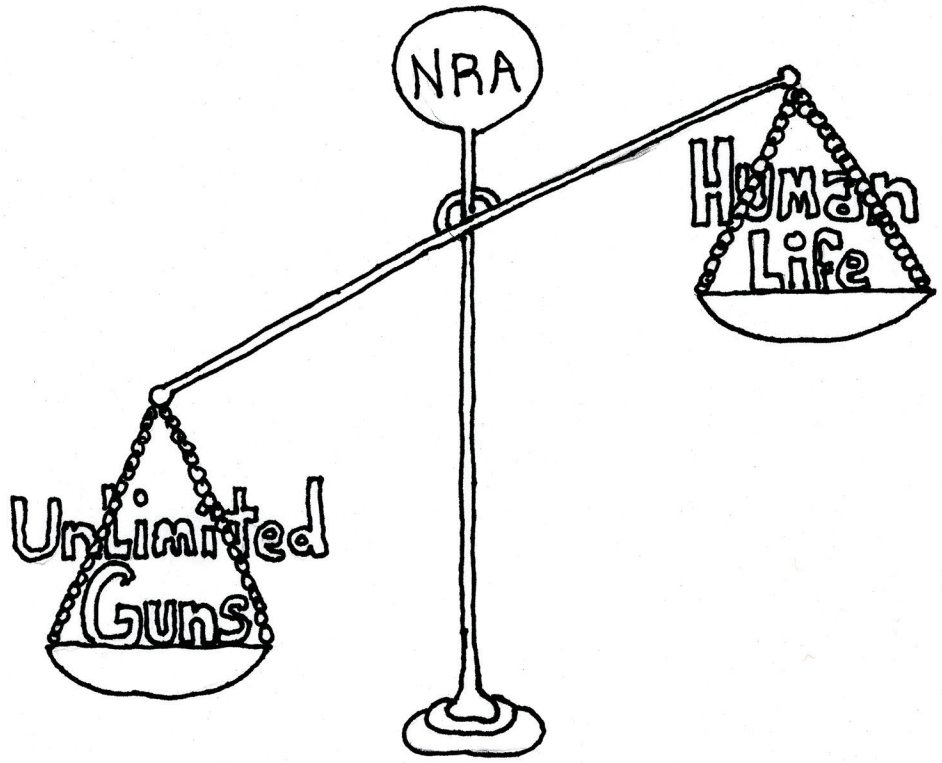


But I no
longer brag about
her

What Happened to "I have a dream?"

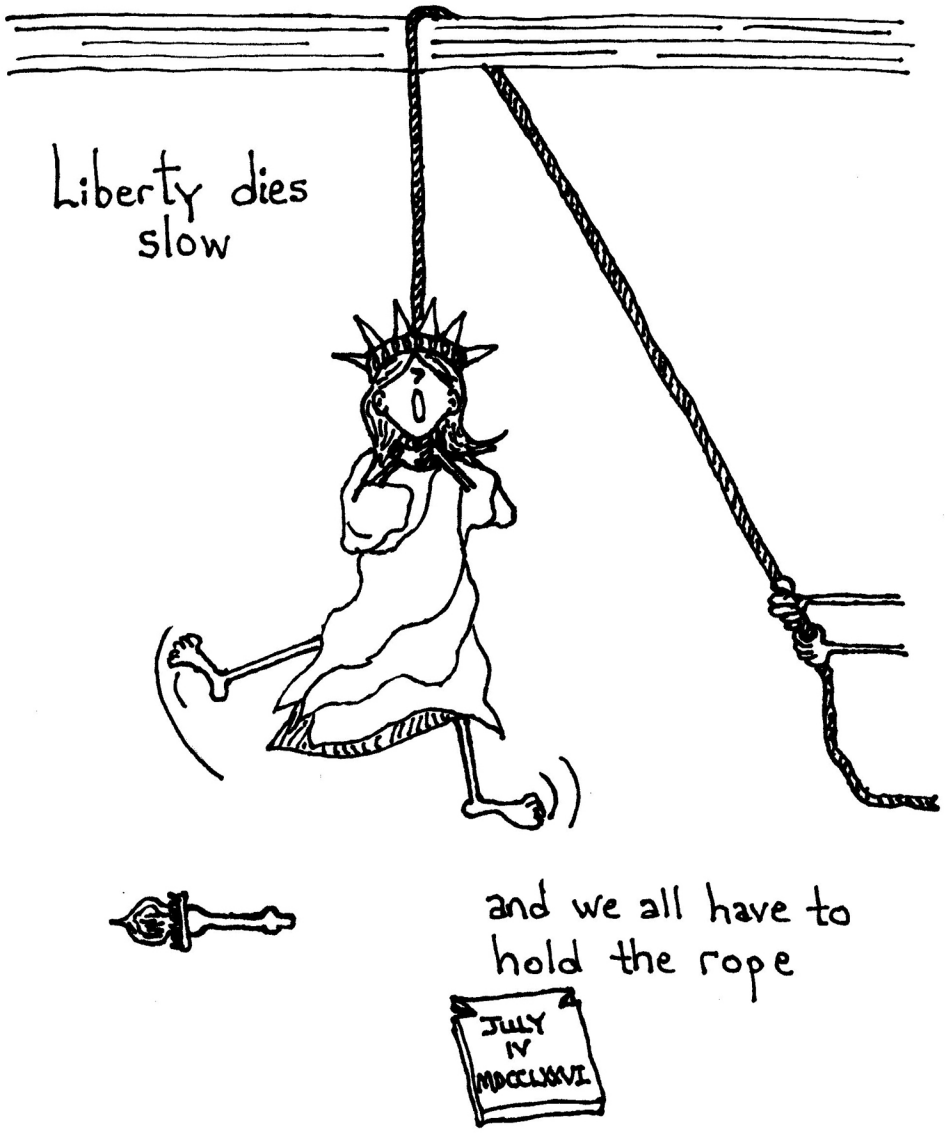



Don't respect ALL your citizens?
You should lose your star
Bye Indiana!



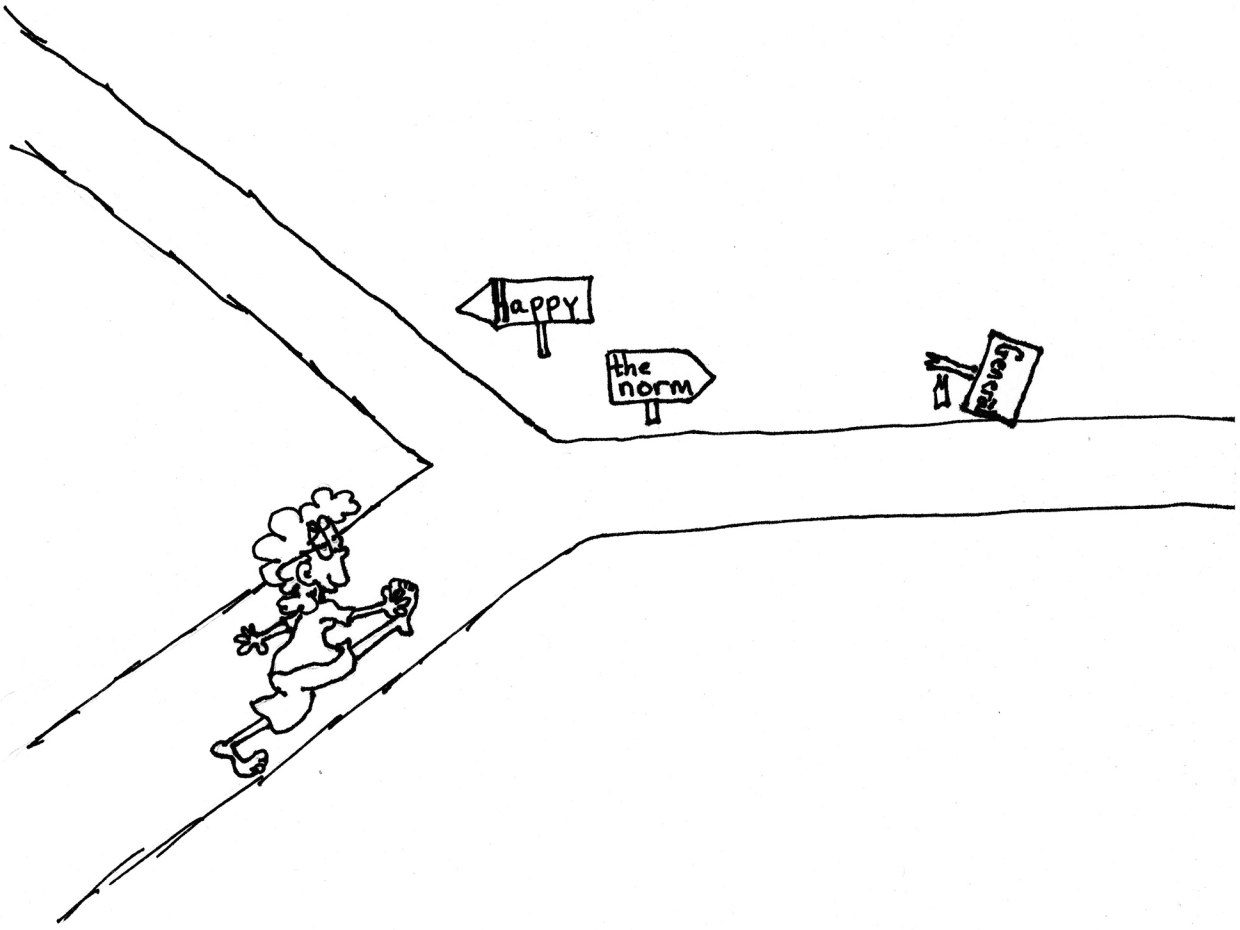
We have no value to them


The seeds
of
self-hatred
grow
into an ugly
tree


Liberty dies
slow
and we all have to
hold the rope
JULY
IV
MDCCLXXVI

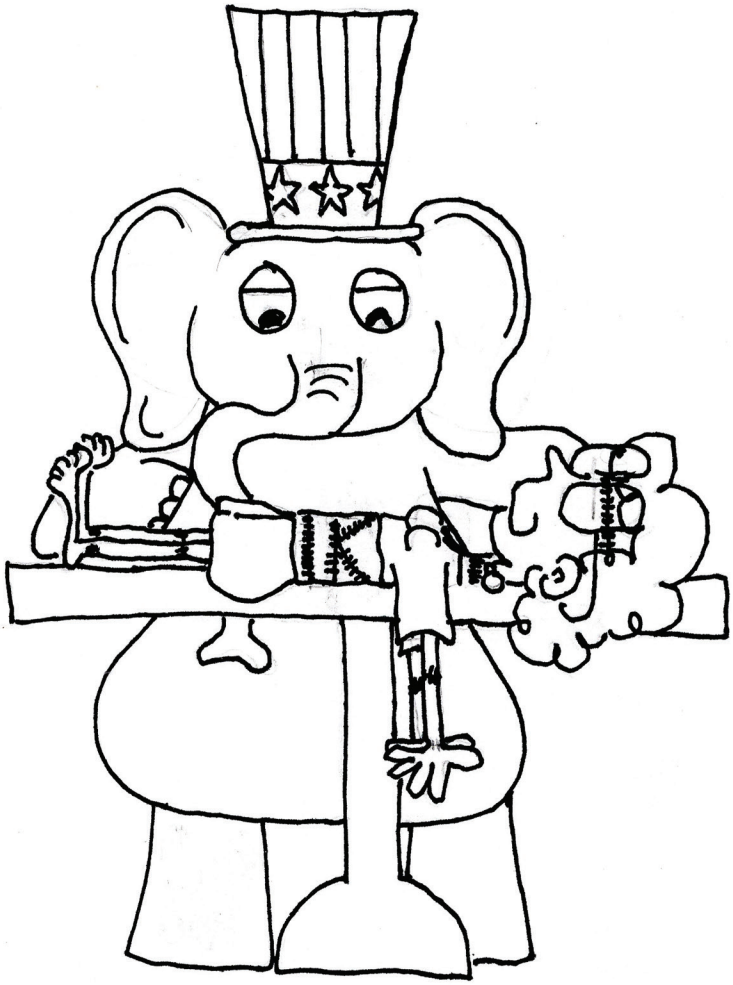


No vote = No opinion

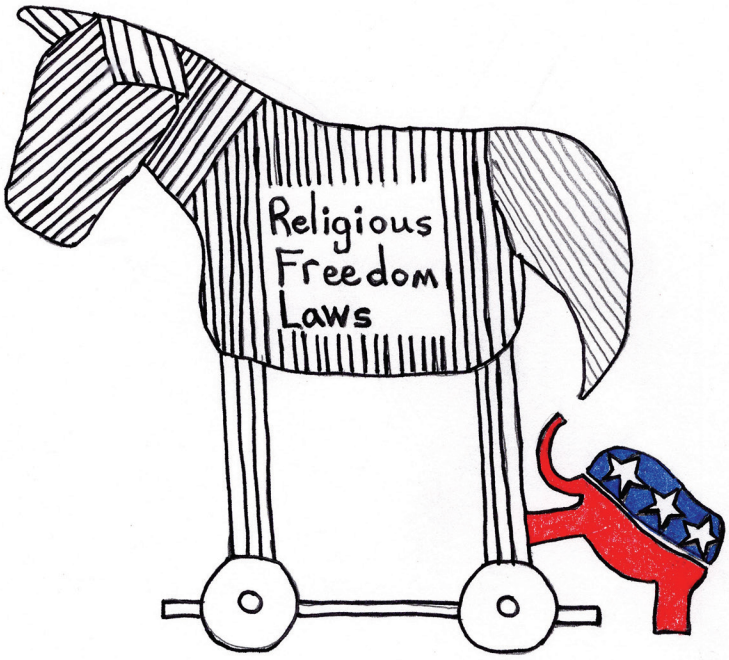

Happy
the norm
Crazy


Lord the U.S. is a mess
I Know. Remind me why people don't believe in science?!!!

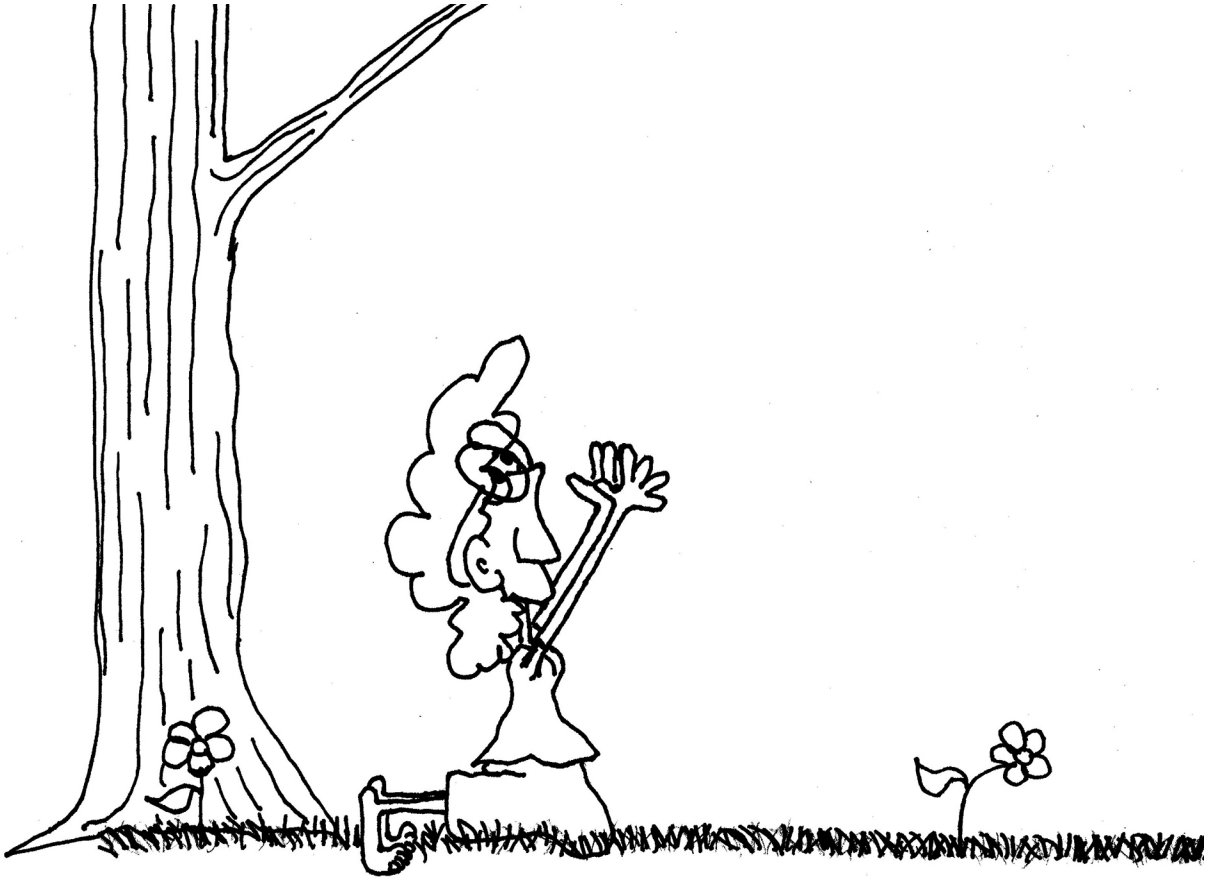

HRC
It Gets Better
GSA
Teachers
GLAAD
GLSEN
PFLAG
NOH8
Parents
LGBTQ Task Force
You don't need to jump alone



Activists aren't born
They are created by events



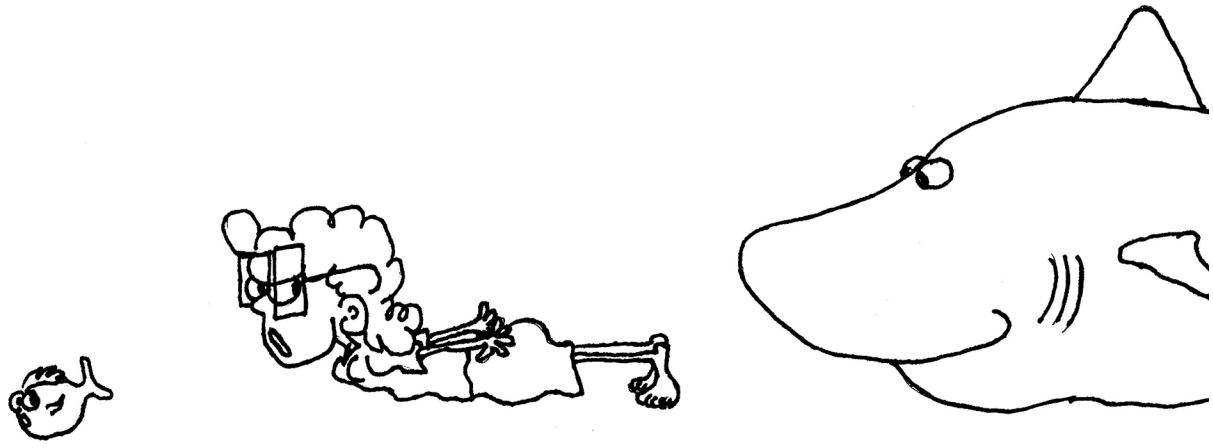
You aren't fooling anyone



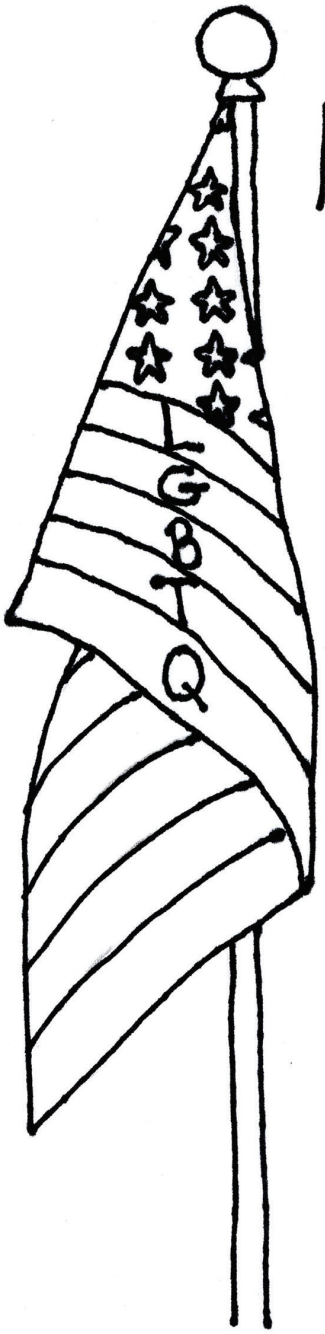
I thank God I'm not religious



Hiding isn't the answer



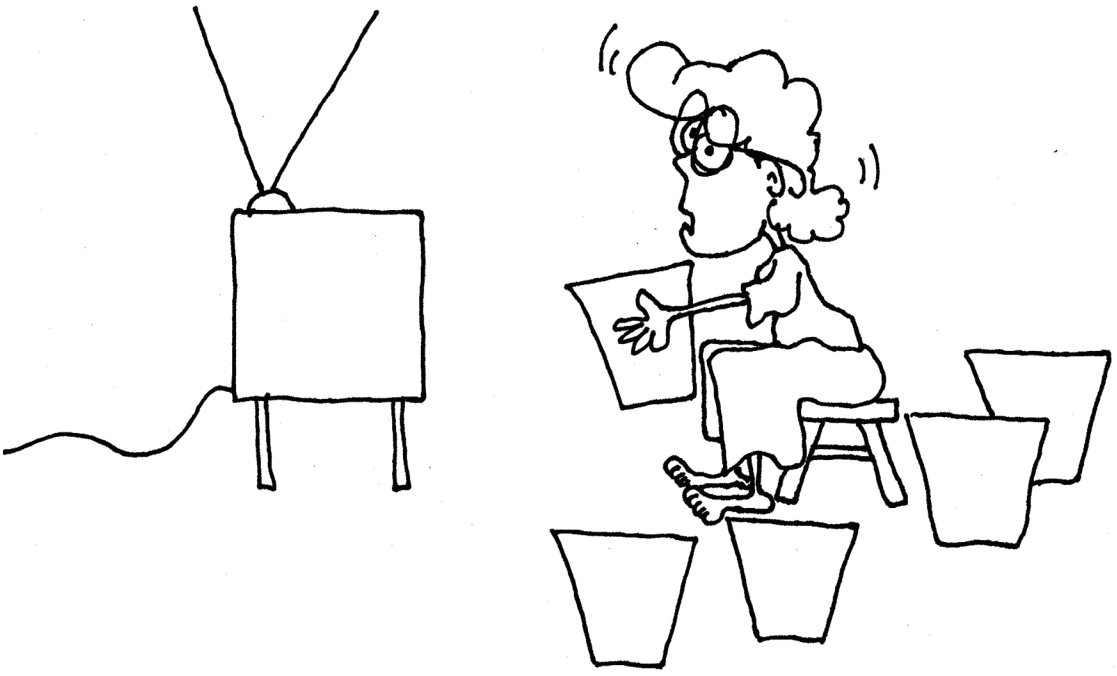
At that moment she understood...
she was NOT the shark

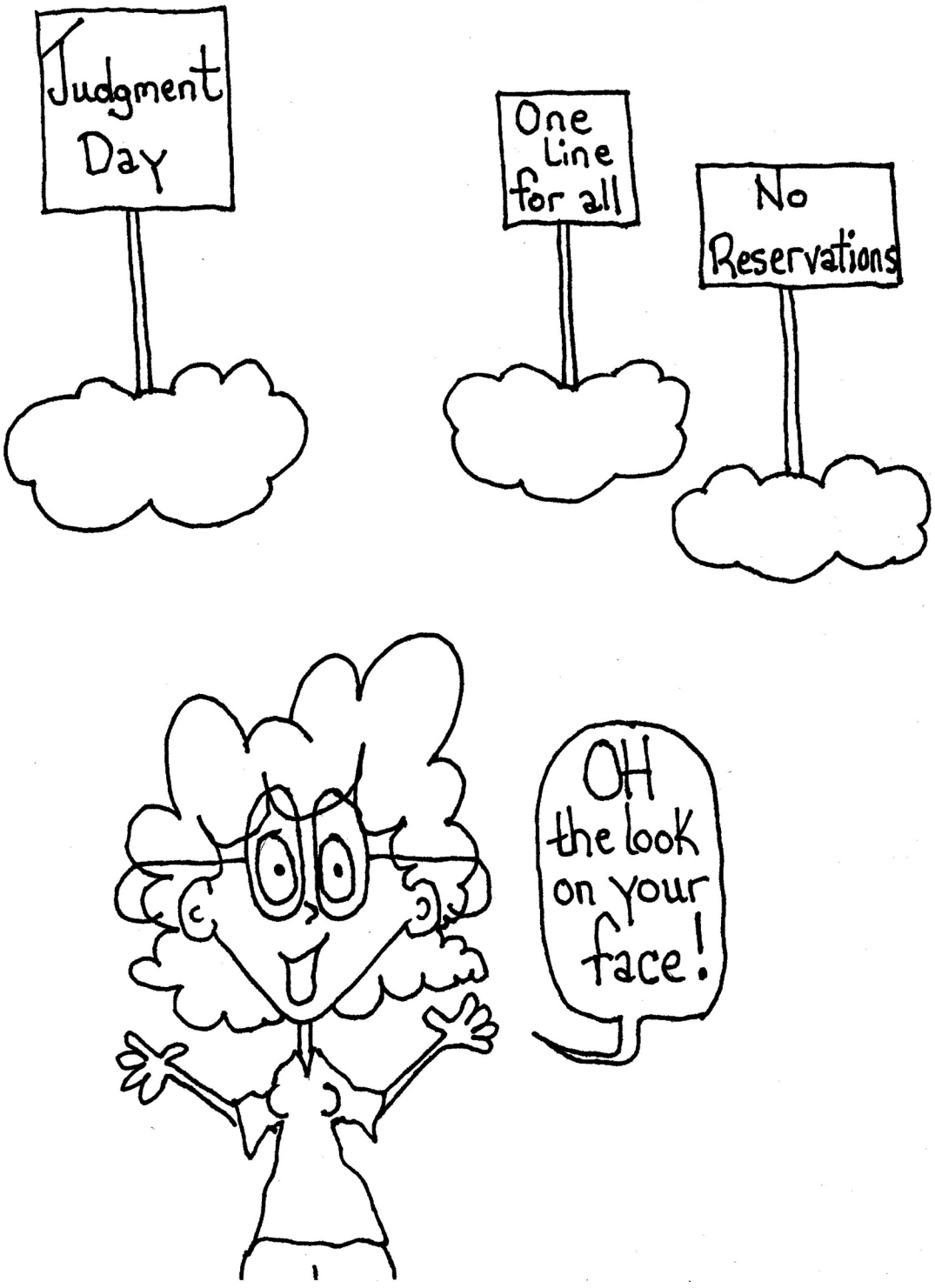


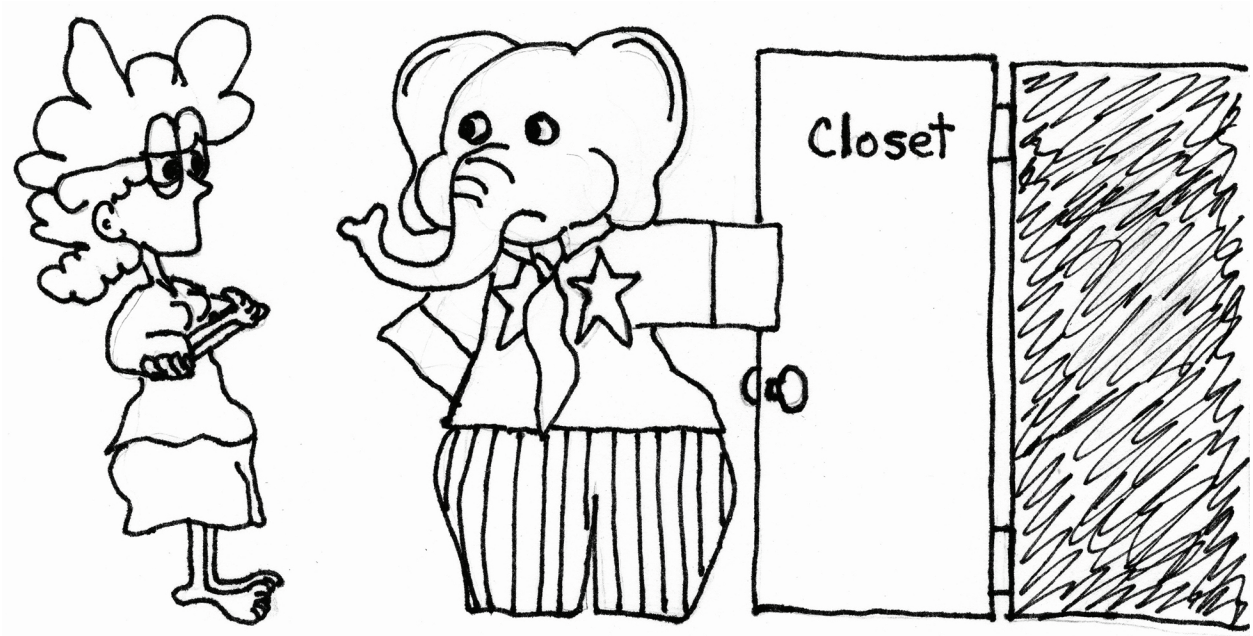
Make America Great Again?

Not Without Us

Why do I listen to the president?



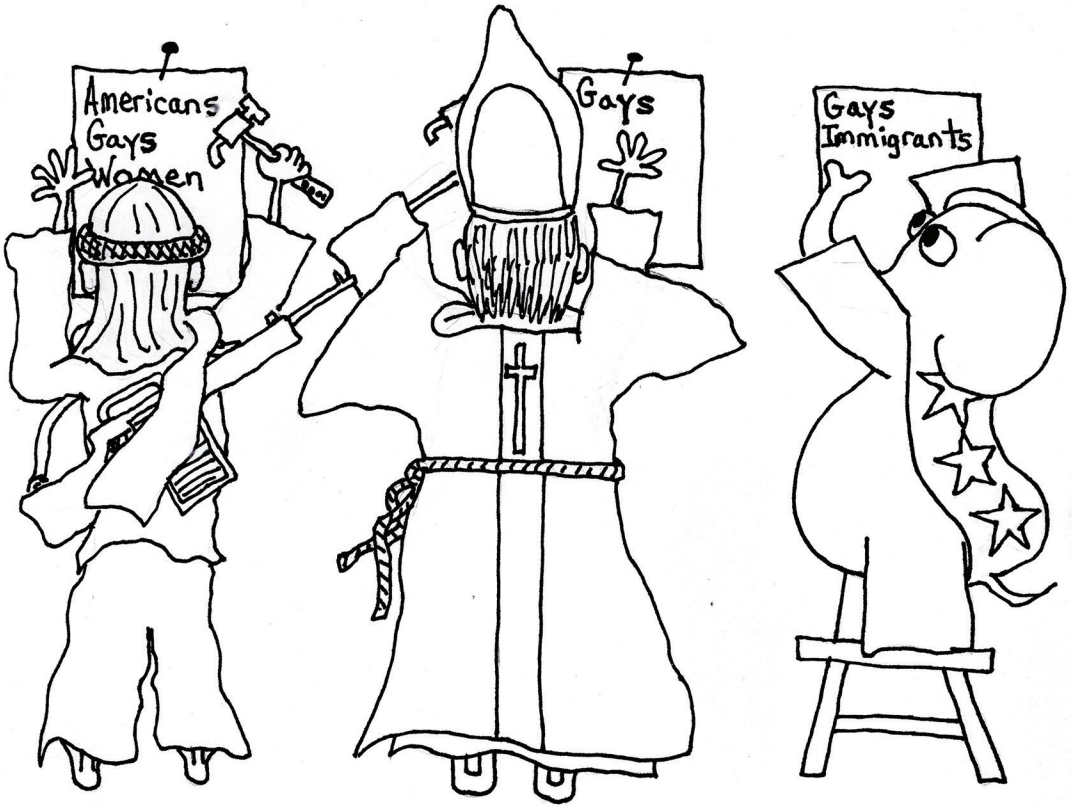

Judgment Day
One Line for all
No Reservations
OH the look on your face!



Sorry. This old dog doesn't relearn old tricks

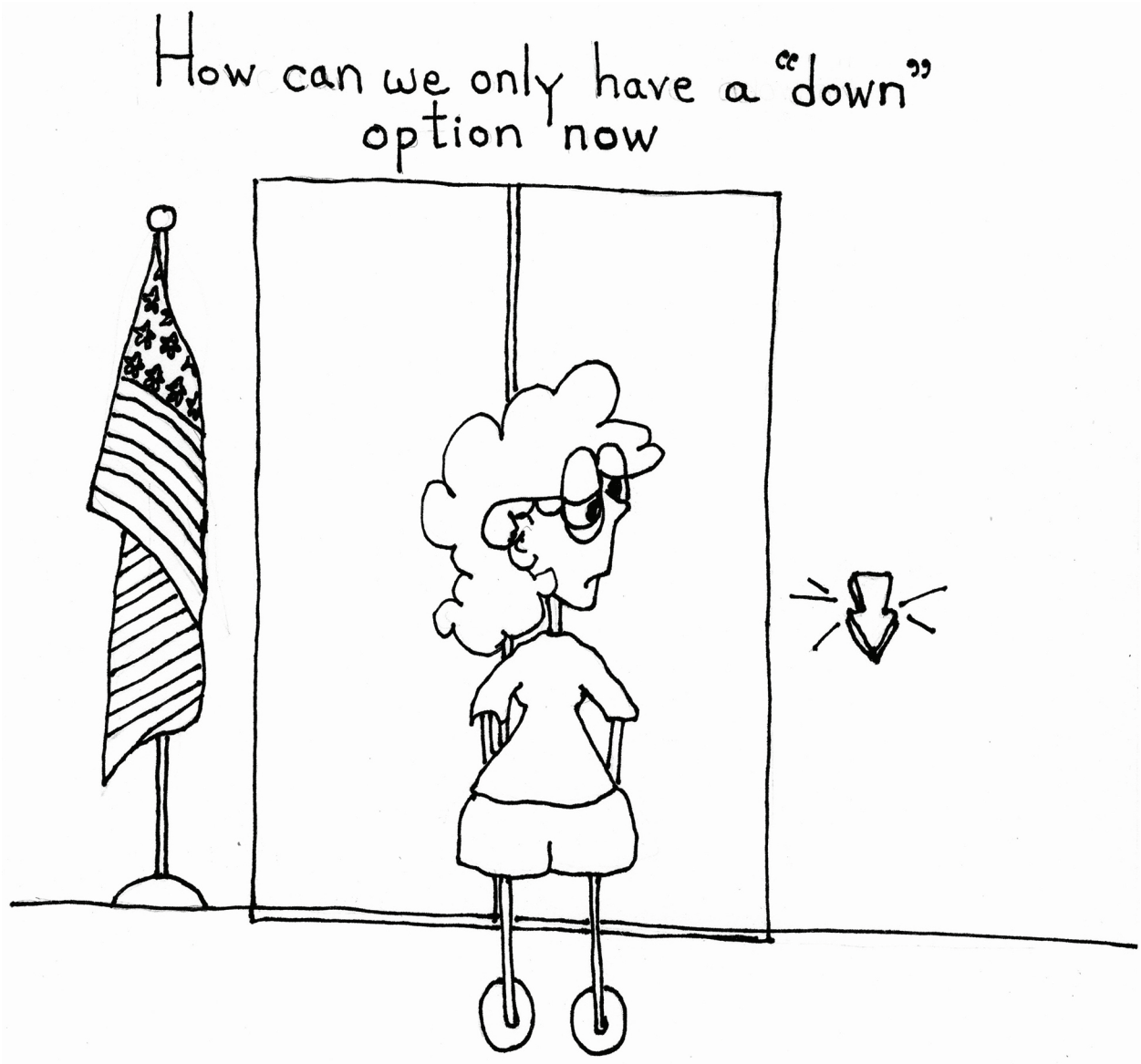

I spend
Christmas
on
the
Island

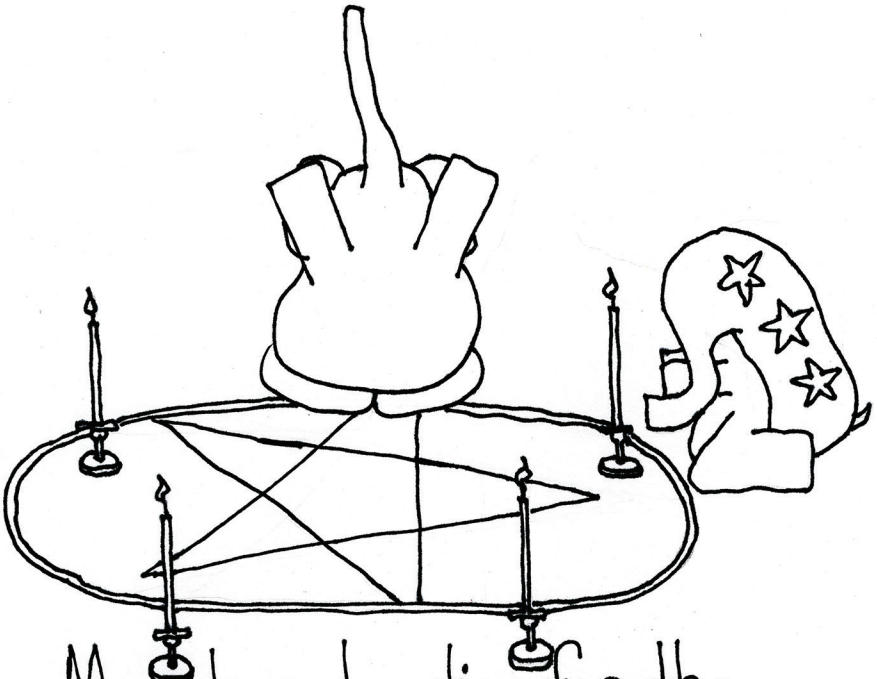
I feel like I am on too many lists



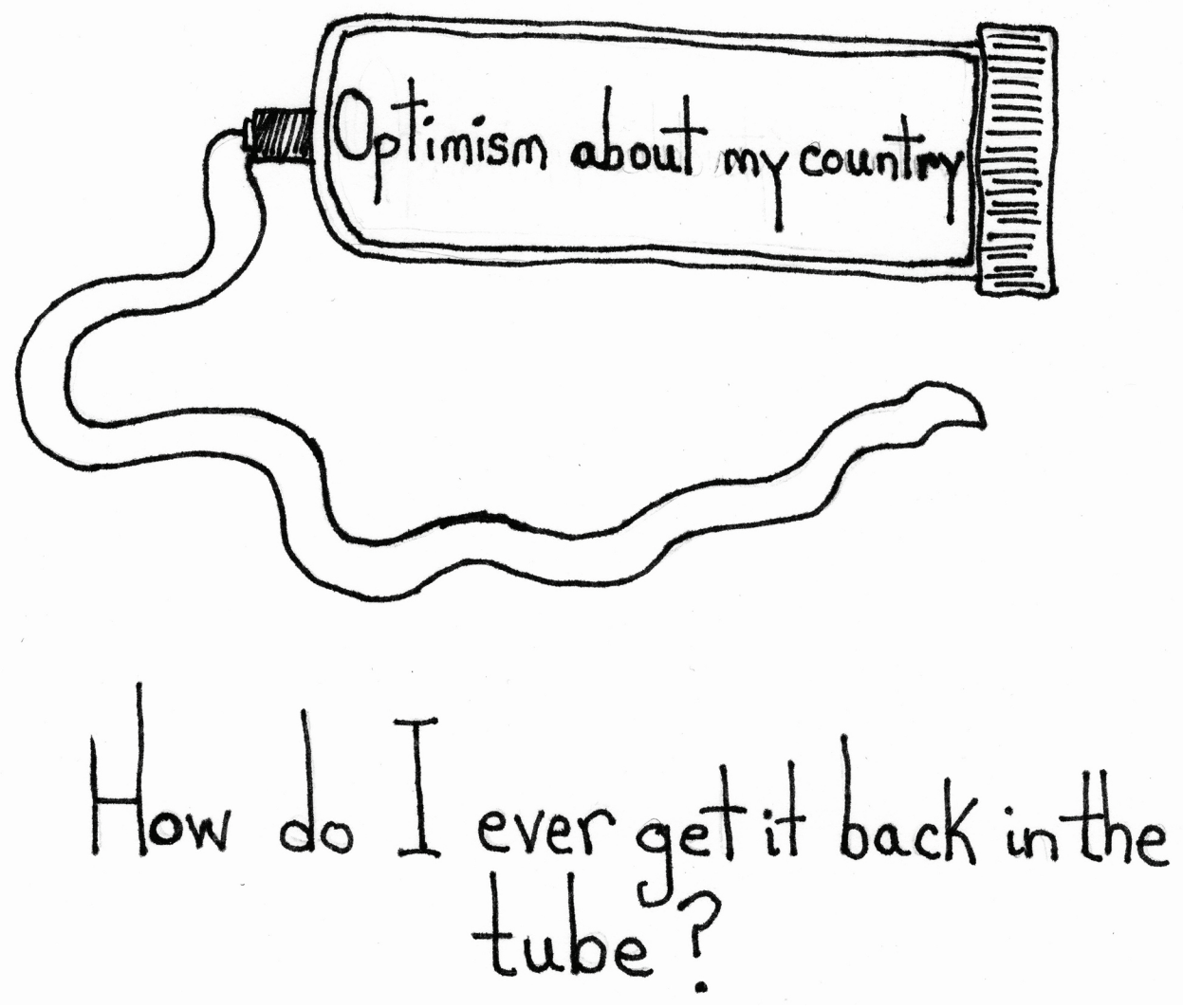


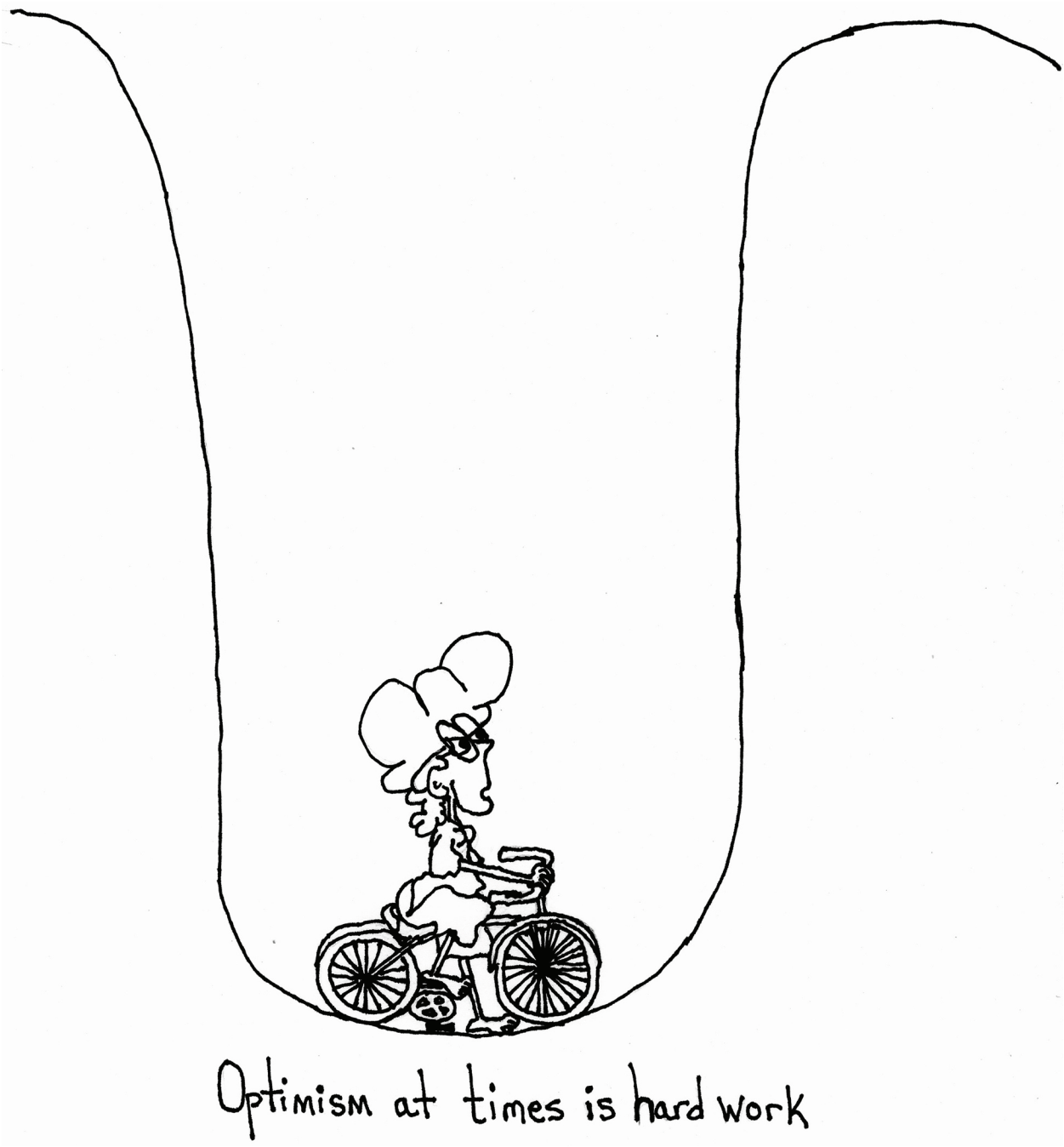
Some elephants think the world is their "locker room"


How can we only have a "down" option now



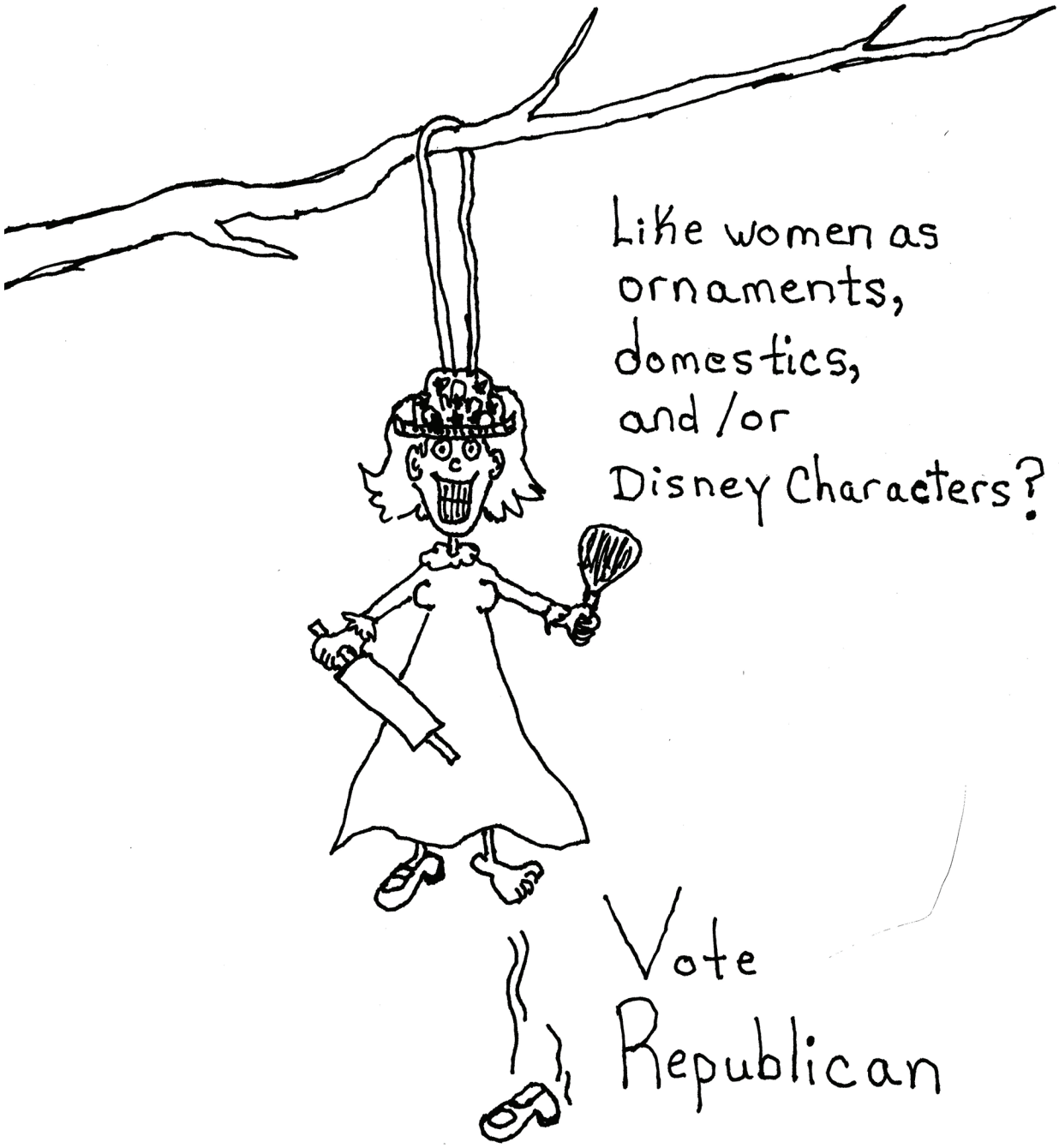
My only explanation for the rise of Trump


Optimism about my country
How do I ever get it back in the tube?


Optimism at times is hard work


Mad your brother is Trans?
Or that a sister embarrassed you in football?

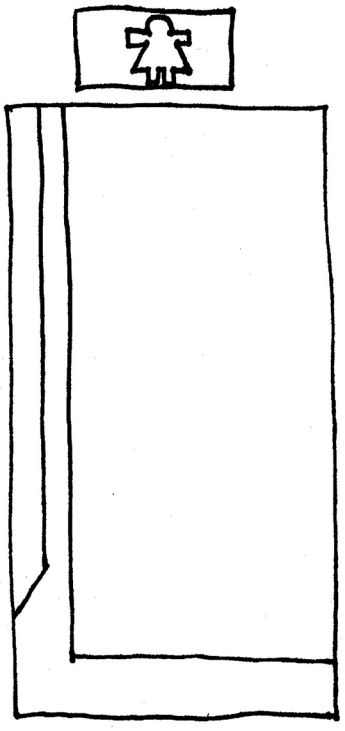

The
United States returns to
the Original Version
INCOME TAX
PAY 10% OF 200$
BALTIC AVENUE
COMMUNITY CHEST
MEDITERRANEAN AVENUE
WHITES ONLY
GO
BOARDWALK
PRICE $400
LUXARY TAX
PAY $75.00
PARK PLACE
PRICE $35


Like women as ornaments, domestics, and/or Disney Characters?
Vote Republican

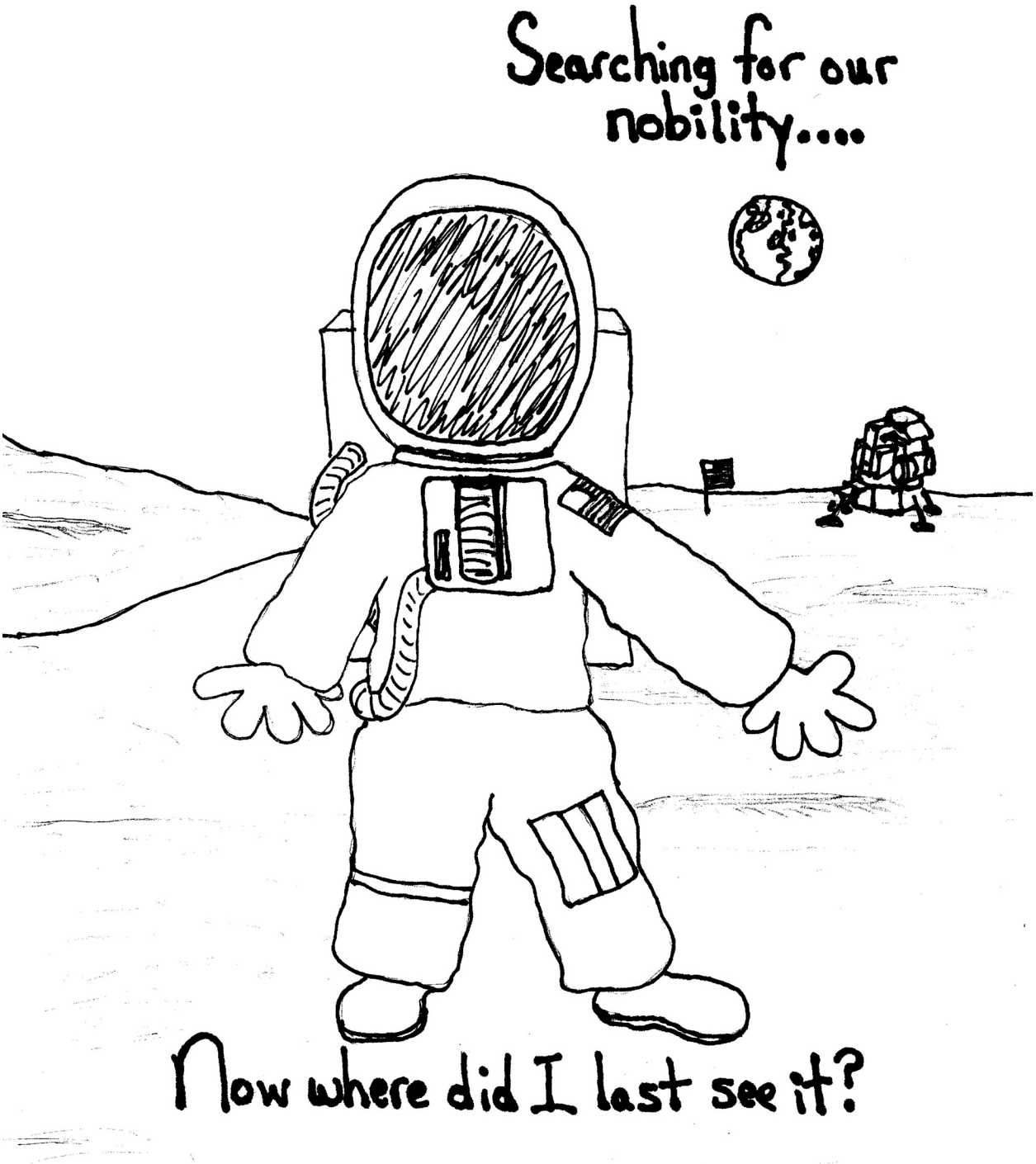


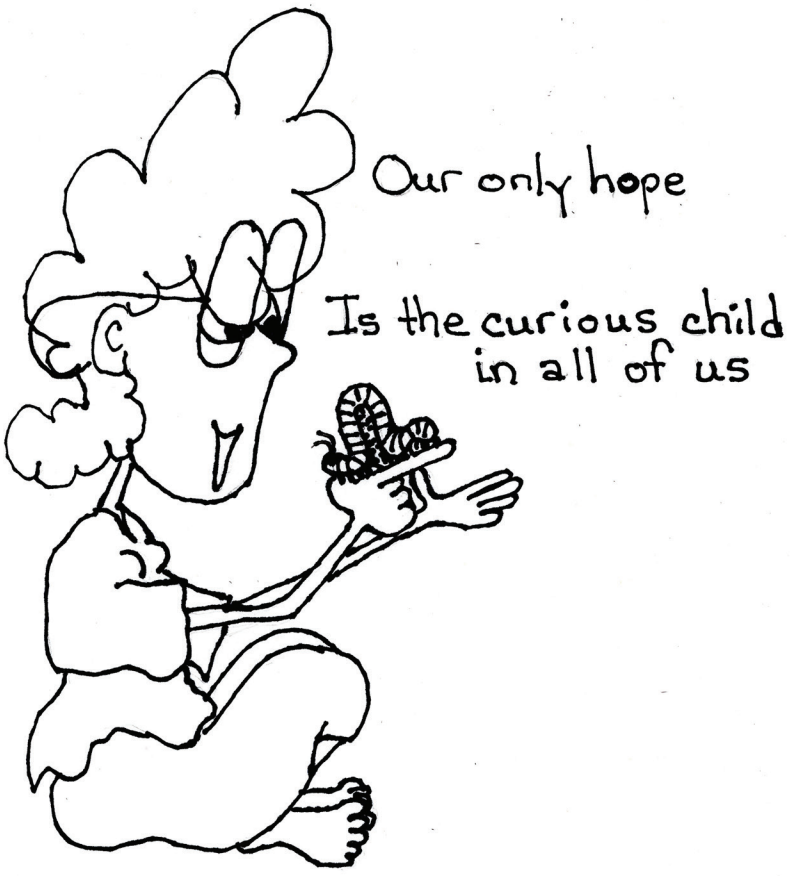
1966

Our fears Change over time



Now


Searching for our nobility....
Now where did I last see it?


Our only hope
Is the curious child
in all of us

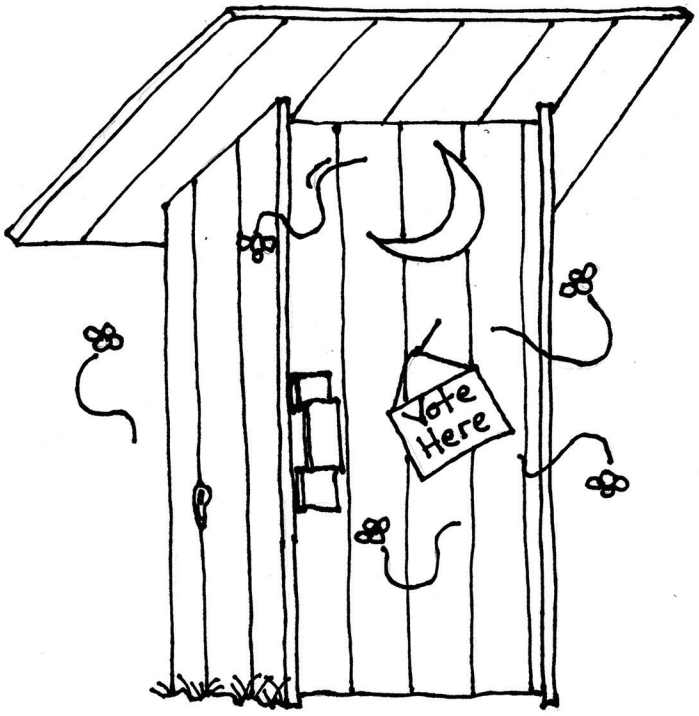
Our Covid-19 response plan was drawn up by a 6 year old




Our Silence
not Republican hate....
is the true betrayal

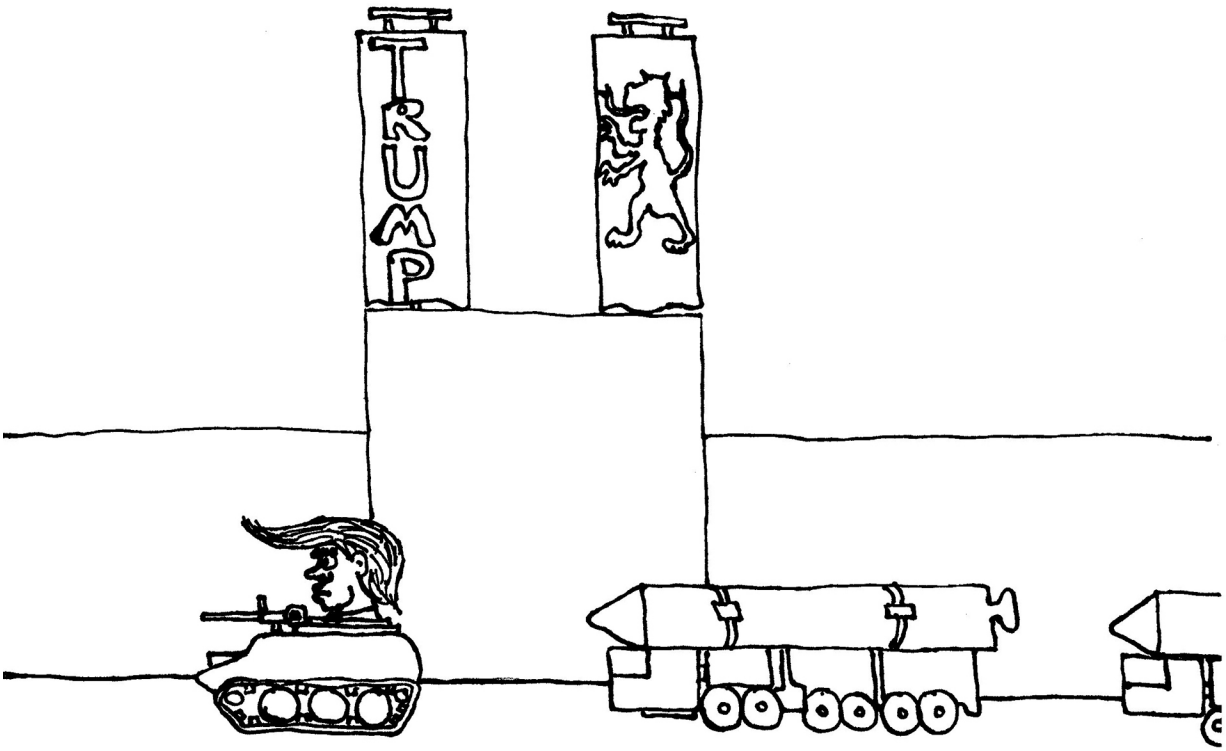

A leader
with no
followers
is just a
person taking
a walk

If voting booths reflected the state of our democracy

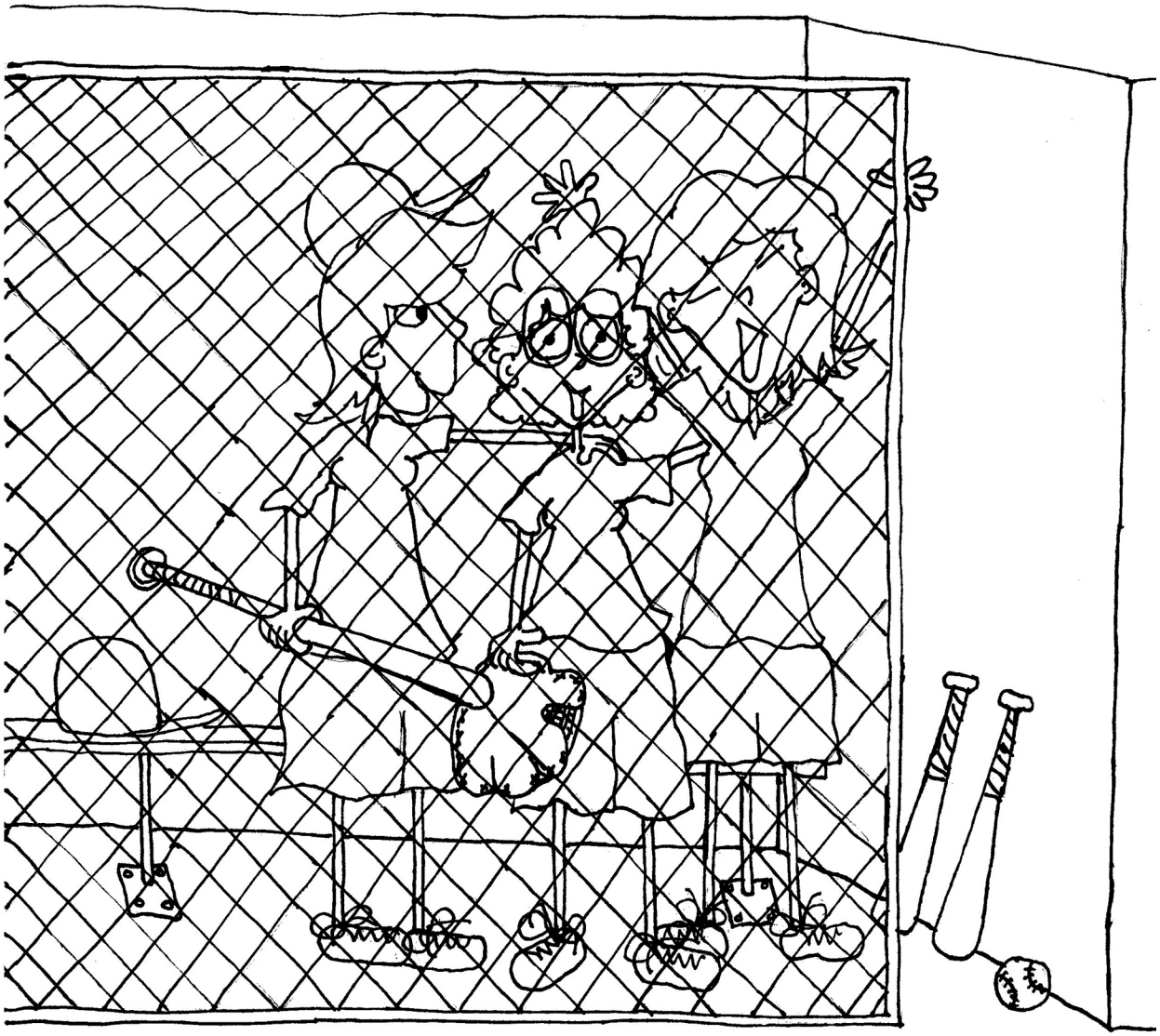




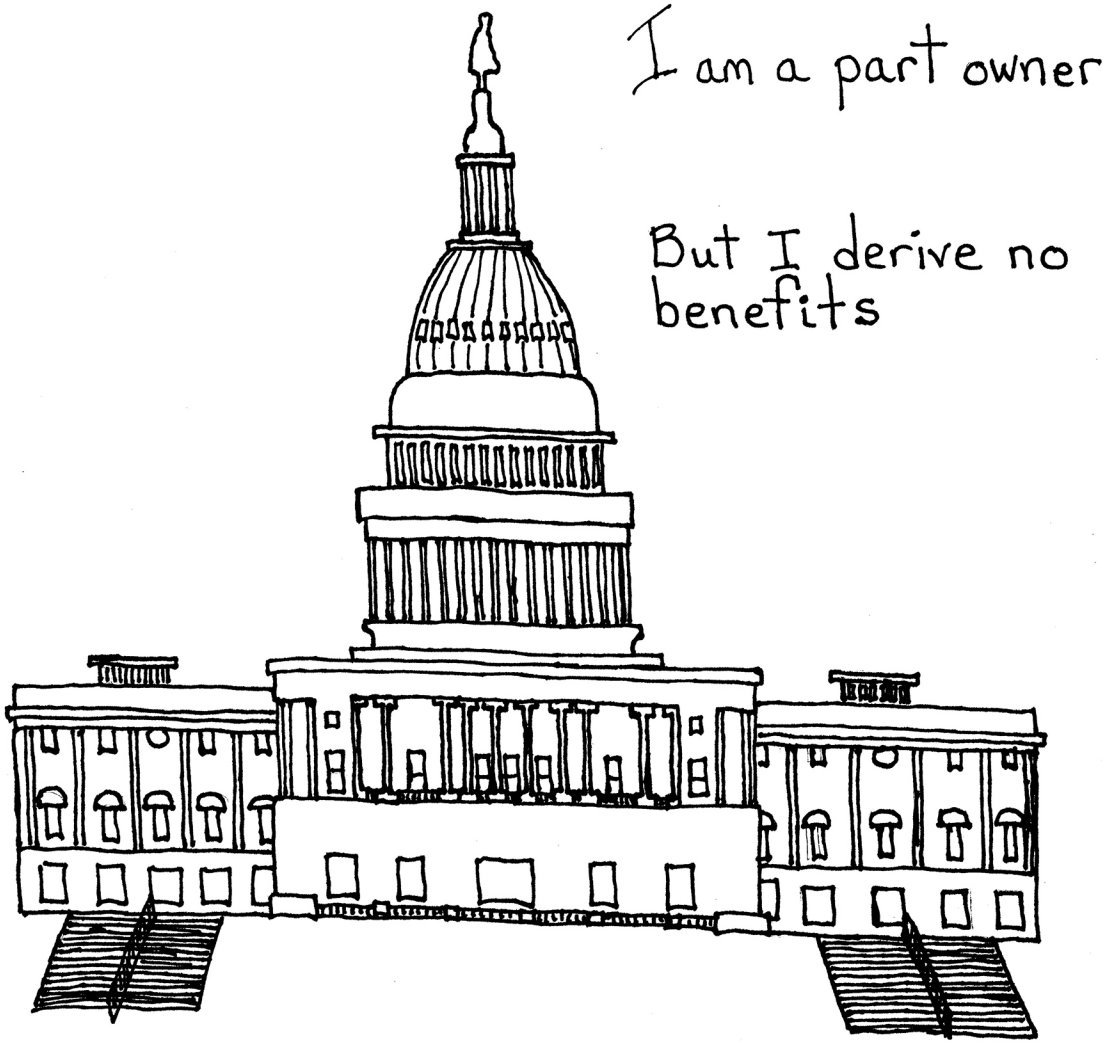
Sometimes the packaging is wrong

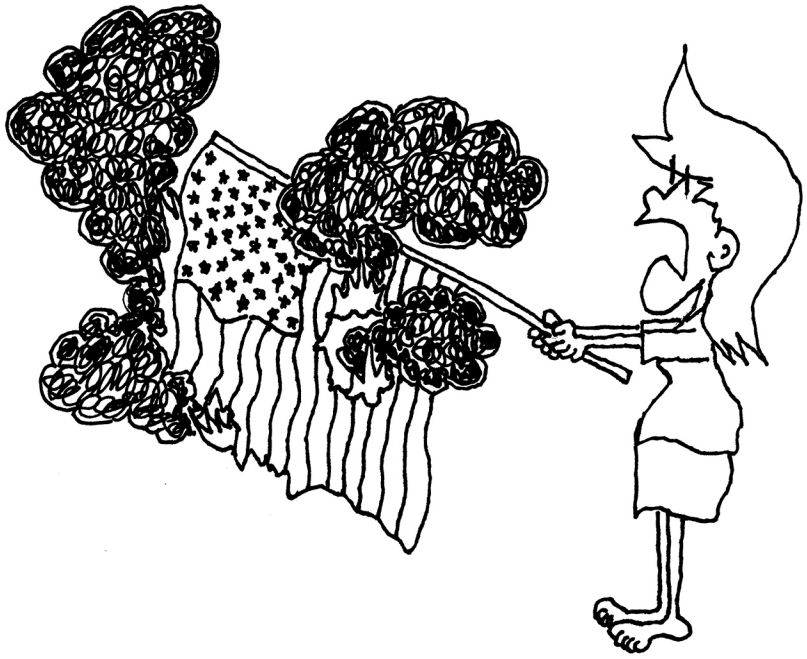


Nothing screams democracy like a parade



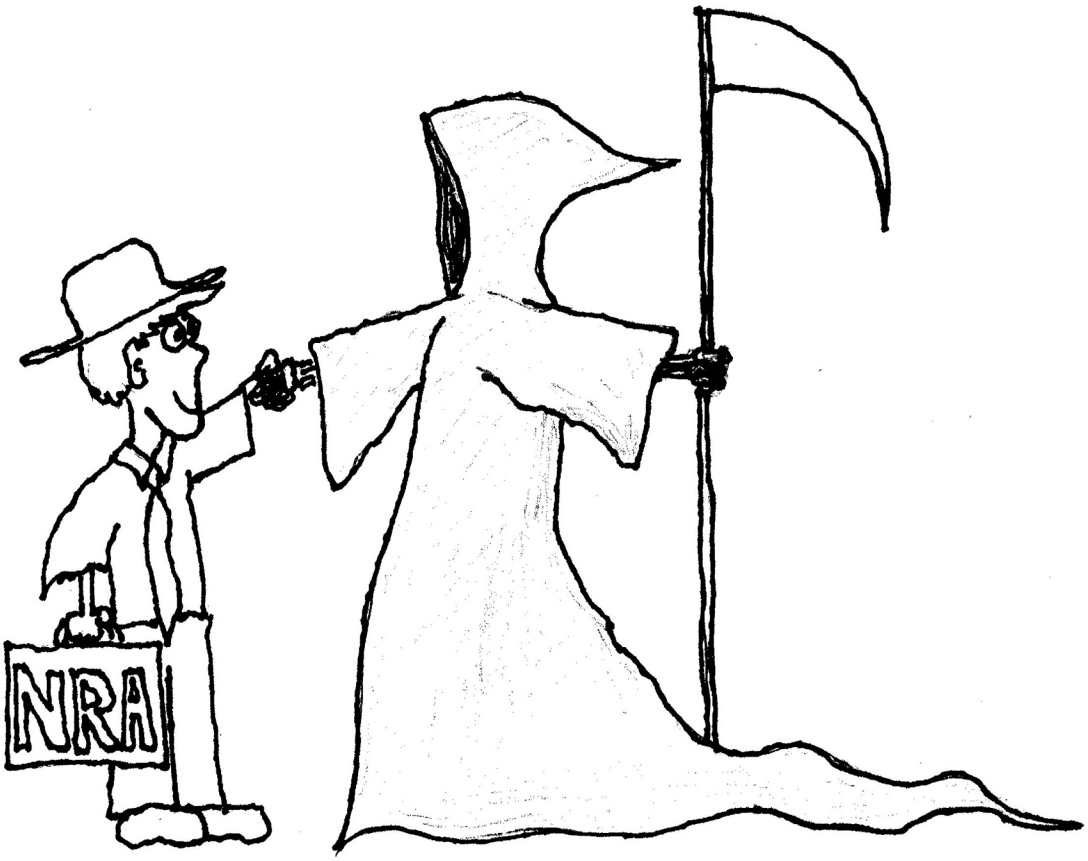
Don't pick a president
that has never been part of a team


I am a part owner
But I derive no benefits

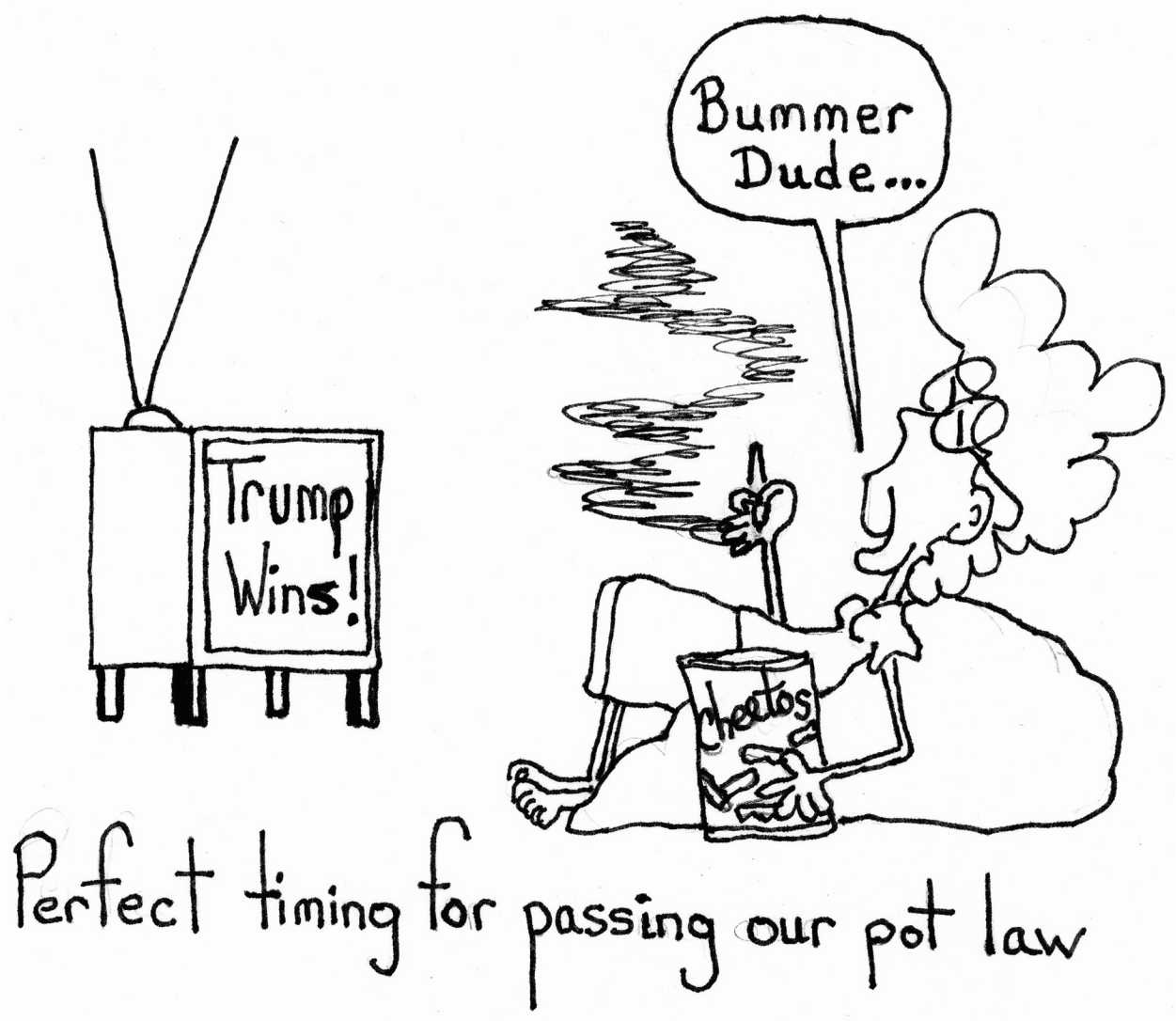


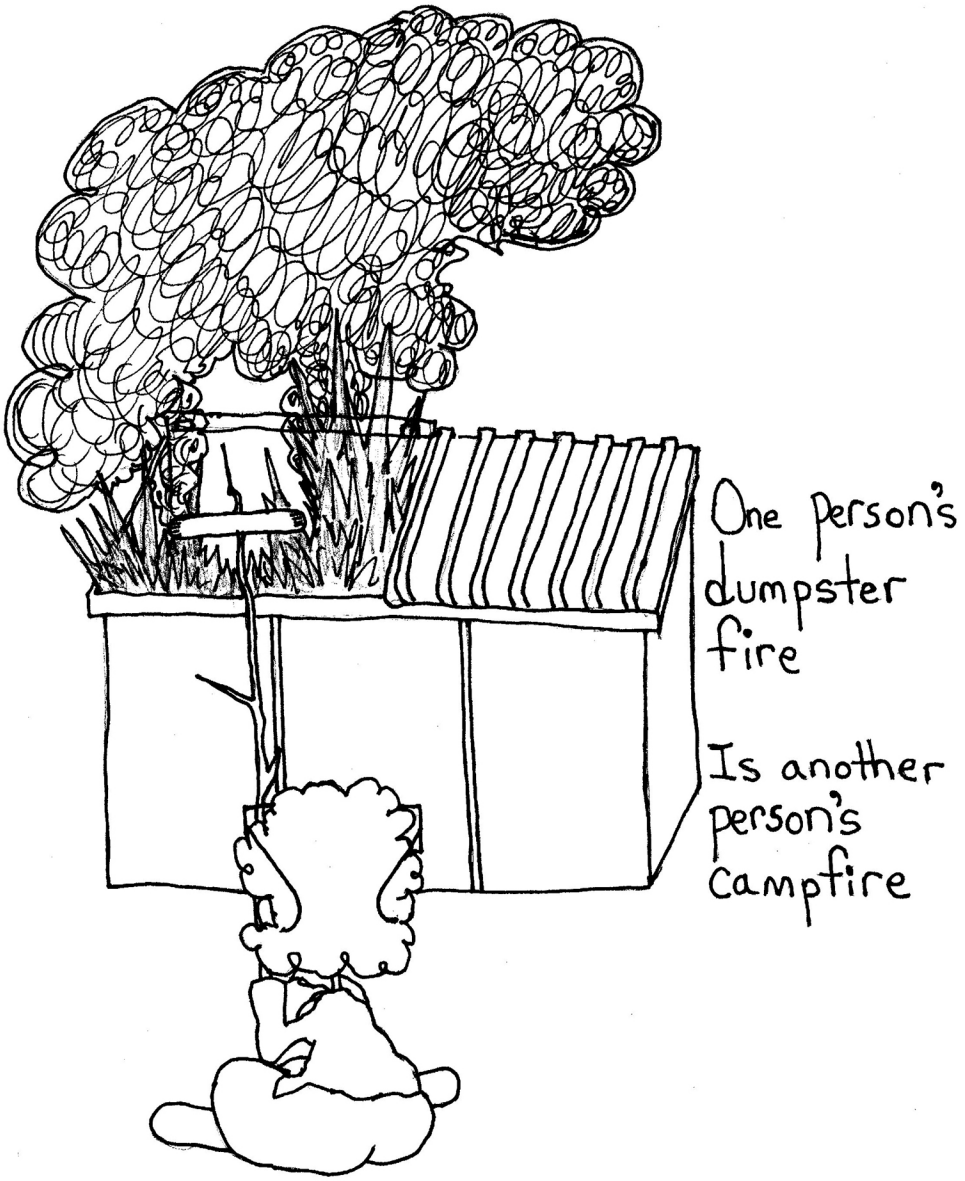
For the record....

This is where the protests & I part ways

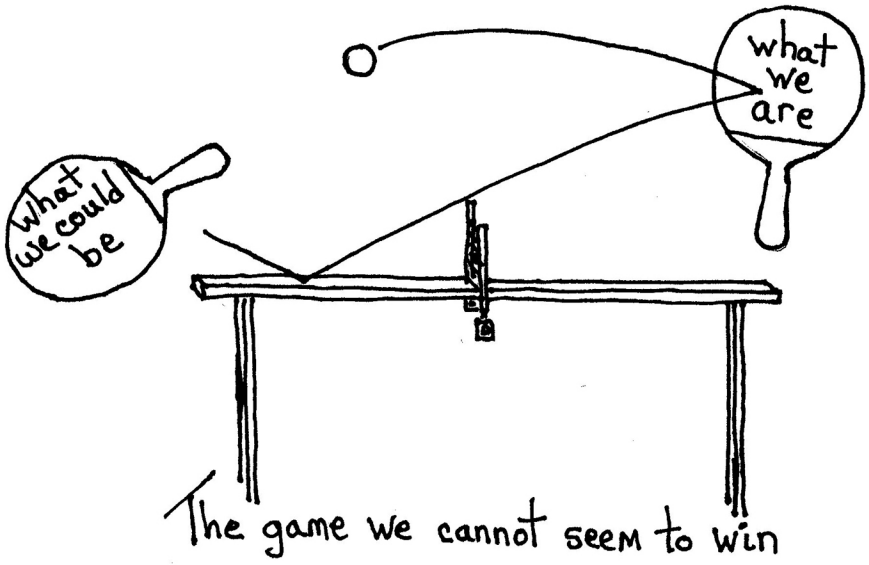


Perfect Partnership


Trump Wins!
Bummer Dude...
cheetos
Perfect timing for passing our pot law


One person's
dumpster
fire
Is another
person's
campfire


Coming
Out
As close as
human beings
get to being
a
Phoenix


what we are
what we could be
The game we cannot seem to win


Please Sir... can I have all my rights?


almost!
It's all pointless without a dream

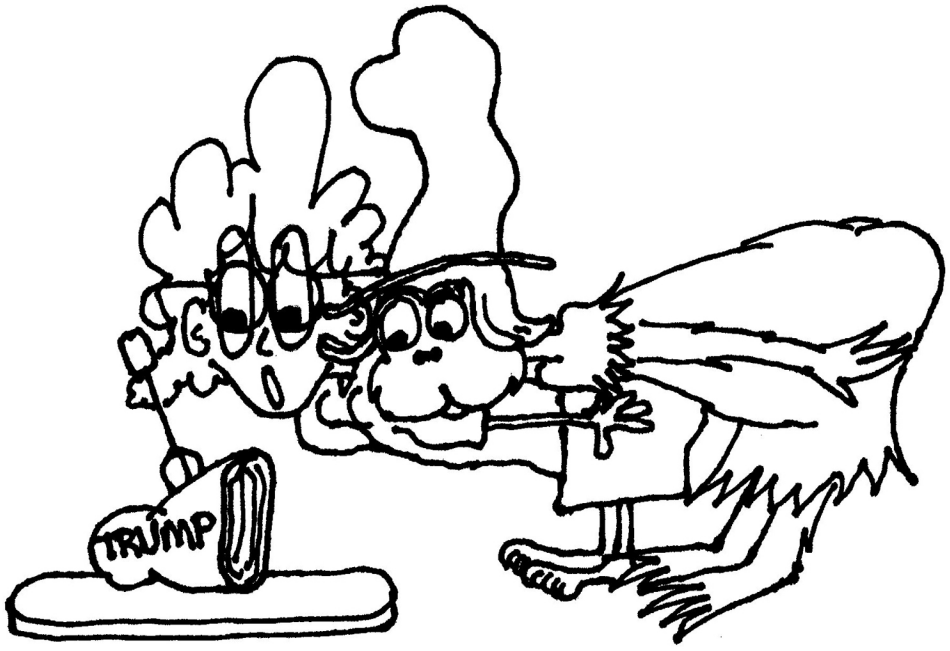


Fine. I'm all in!

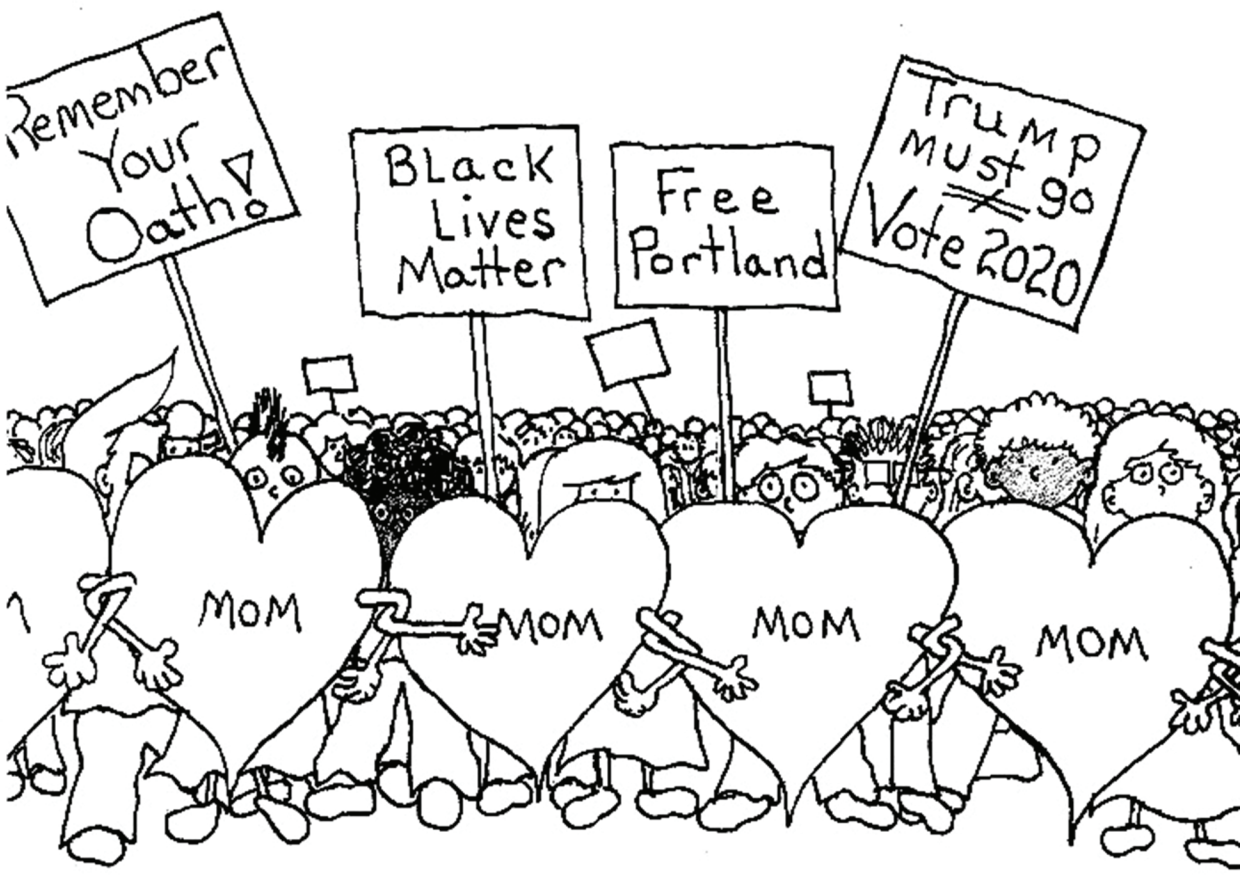


The polite response to "born agains"

I do not like a political ham...



I do not like him Sam I Am



The right side is behind the moms

SUPPORT PORTLAND



My pragmatic friends prevent me from being institutionalized

Pre SRS

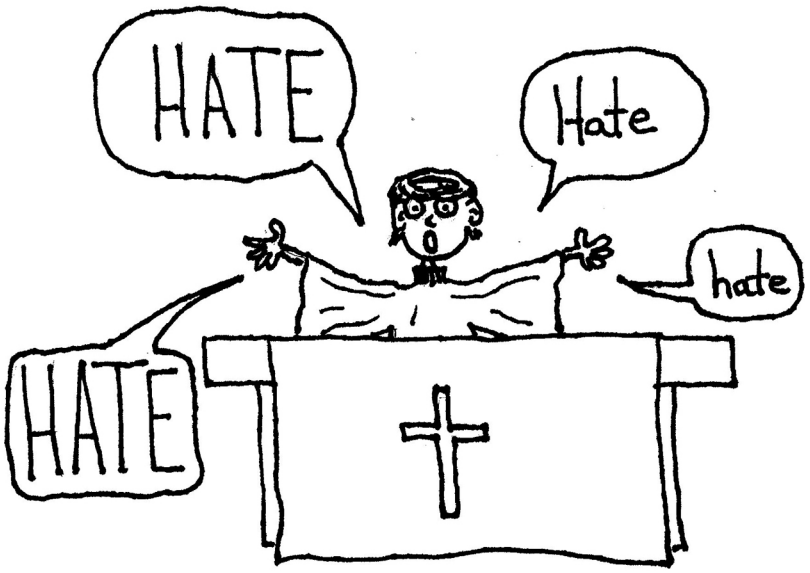


A tennis win

Post SRS



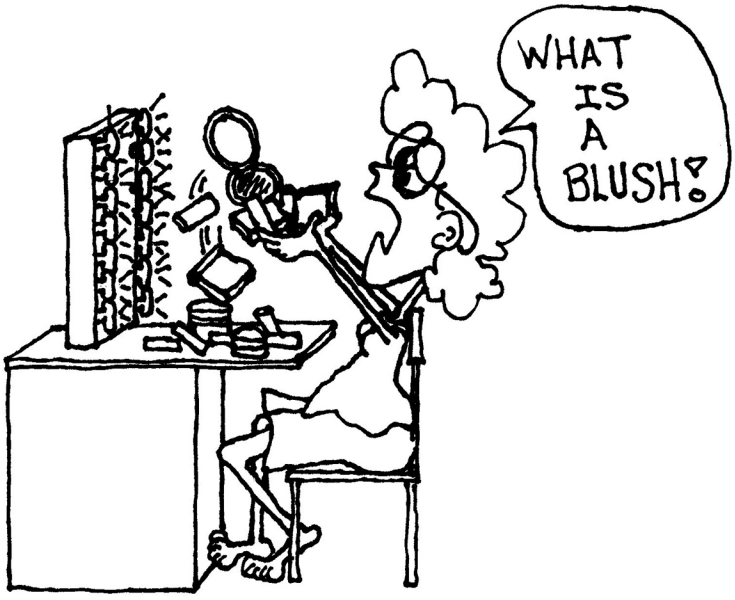
A better maxi pad



Preach what you Practice

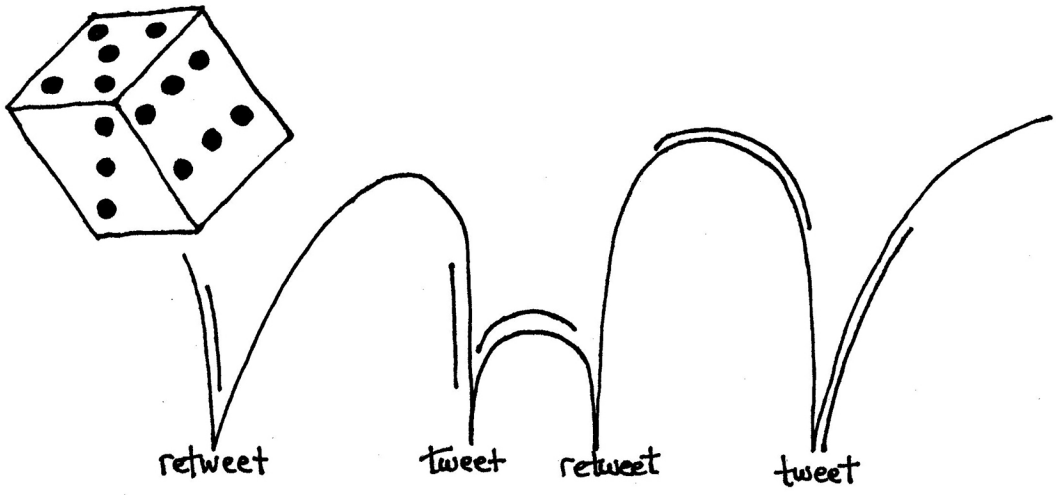

We need to stop preaching to the choir ..... and reach the congregation
bay
LGBTQ

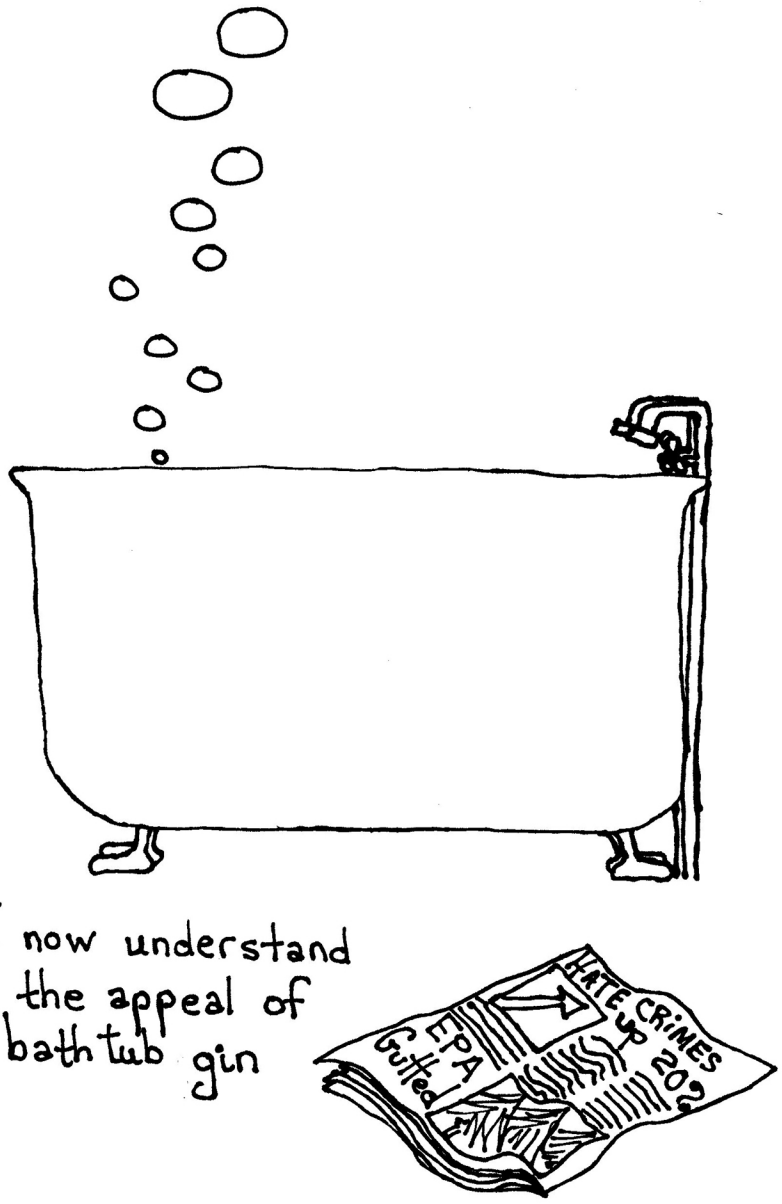
Transitional Thoughts

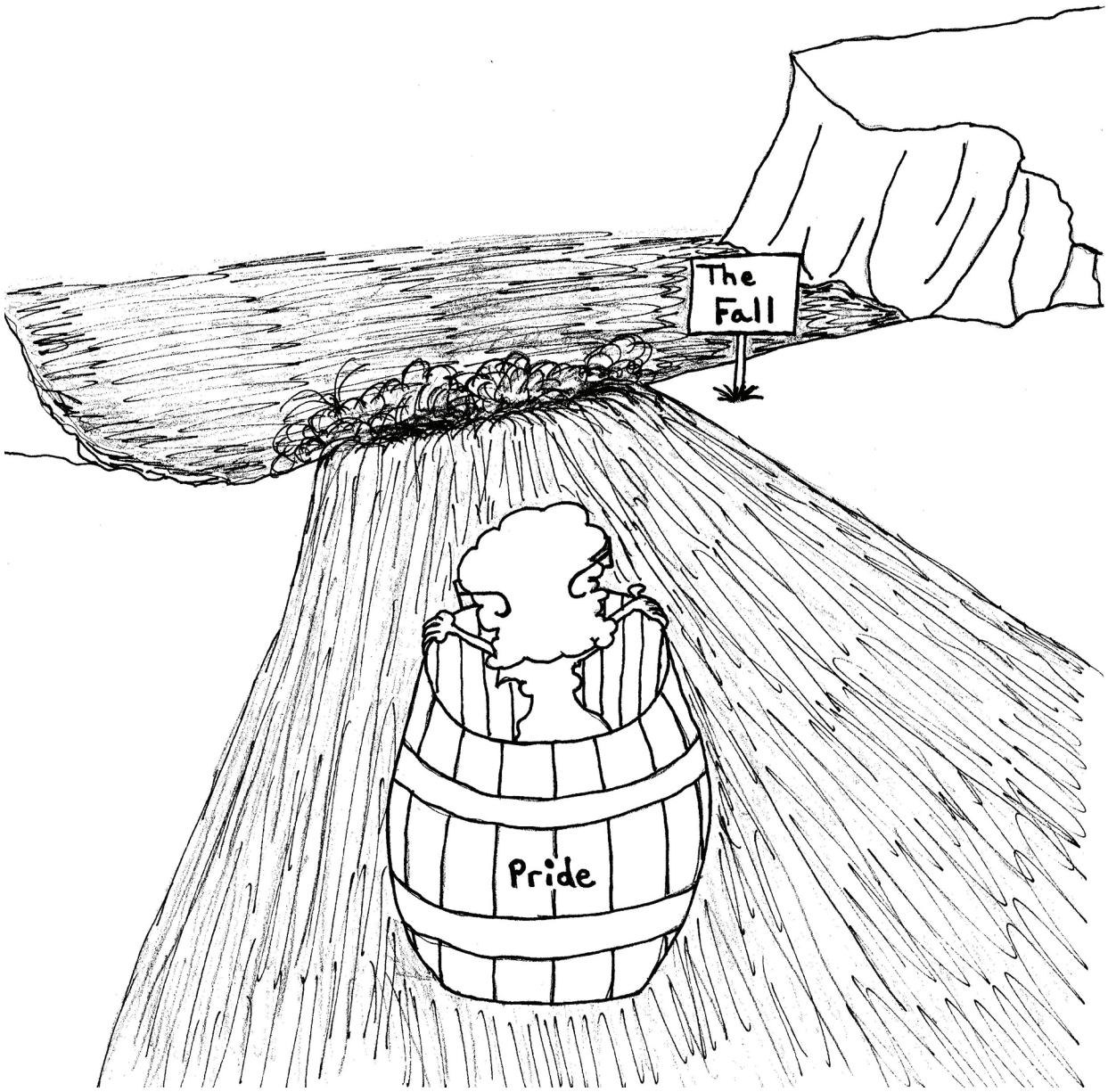


Harder than learning to throw a spiral,
drive a stick, or GEOMETRY?

The governing of my country
seems random

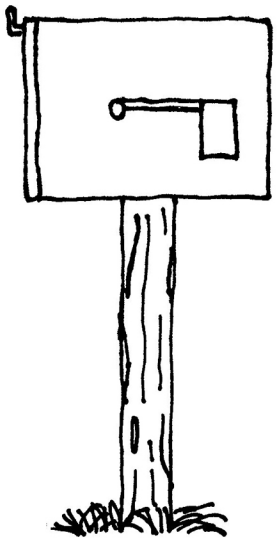



I now understand the appeal of bath tub gin
HATE CRIMES UP 20%
EPA Gutted


The
Fall
Pride

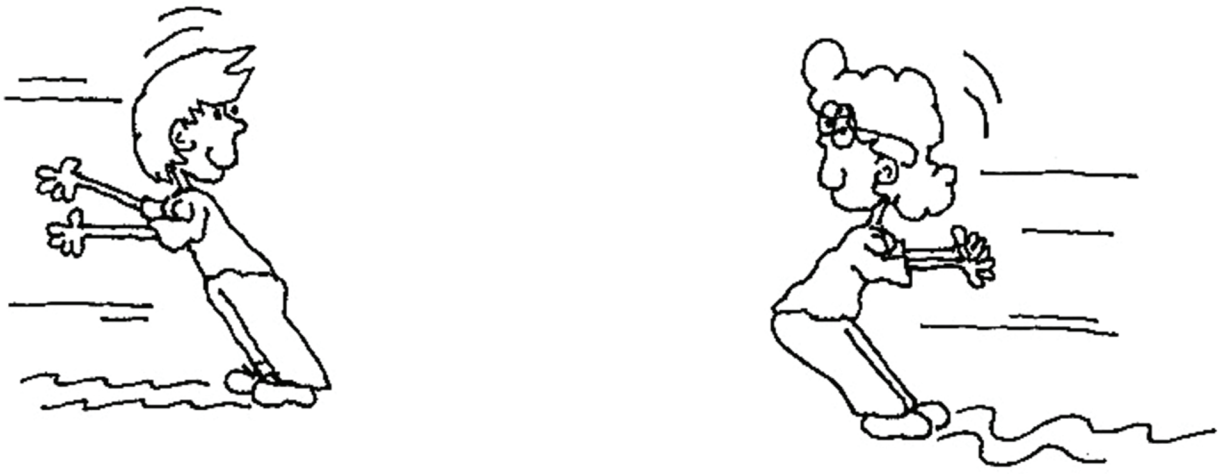


My privilege started early

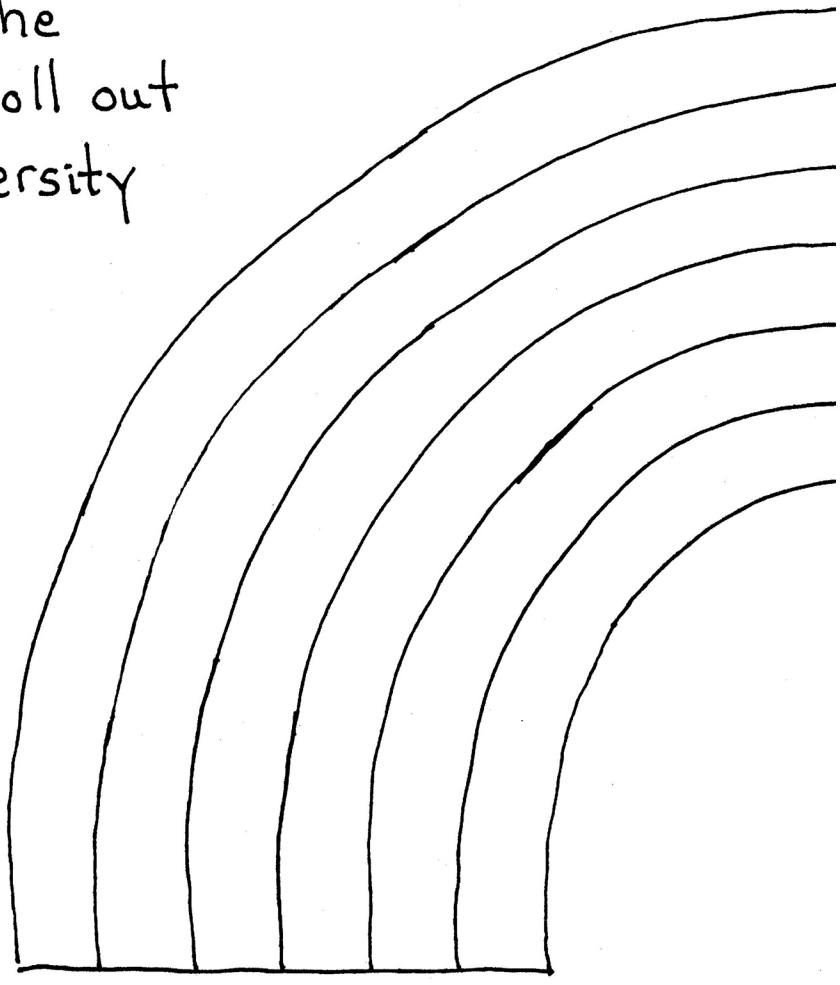


Proof that at one time
we had patience

I am pulled
to people
that share my weirdness

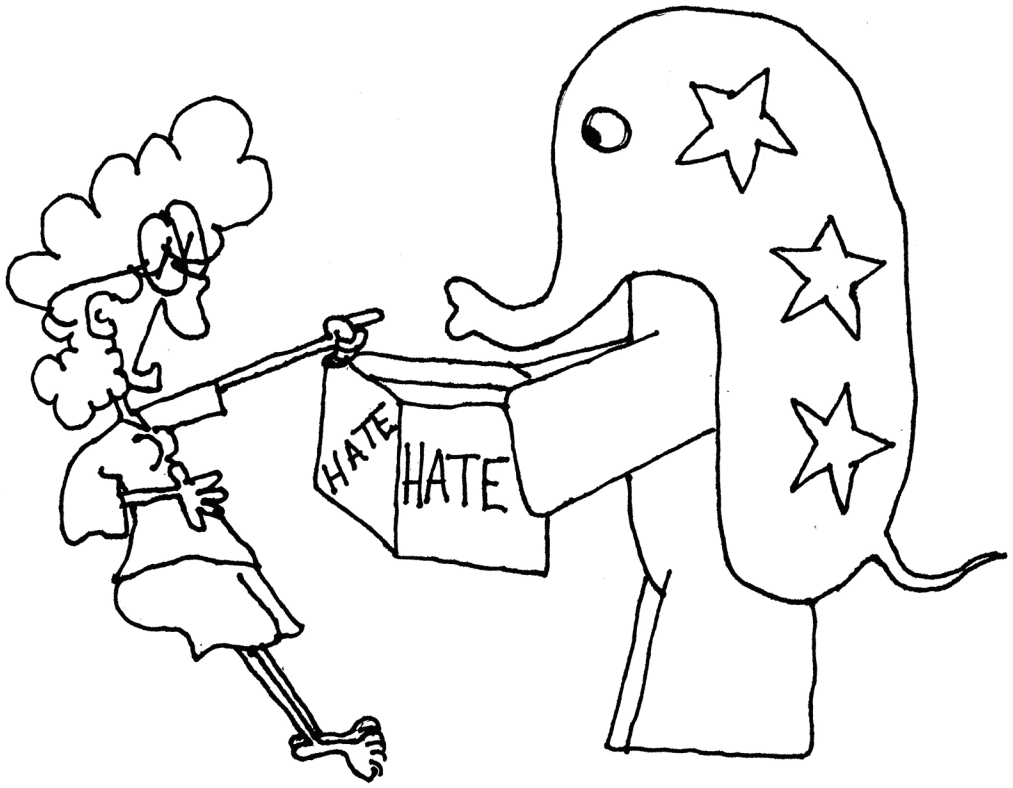


Trump and the Republicans roll out their own diversity rainbow

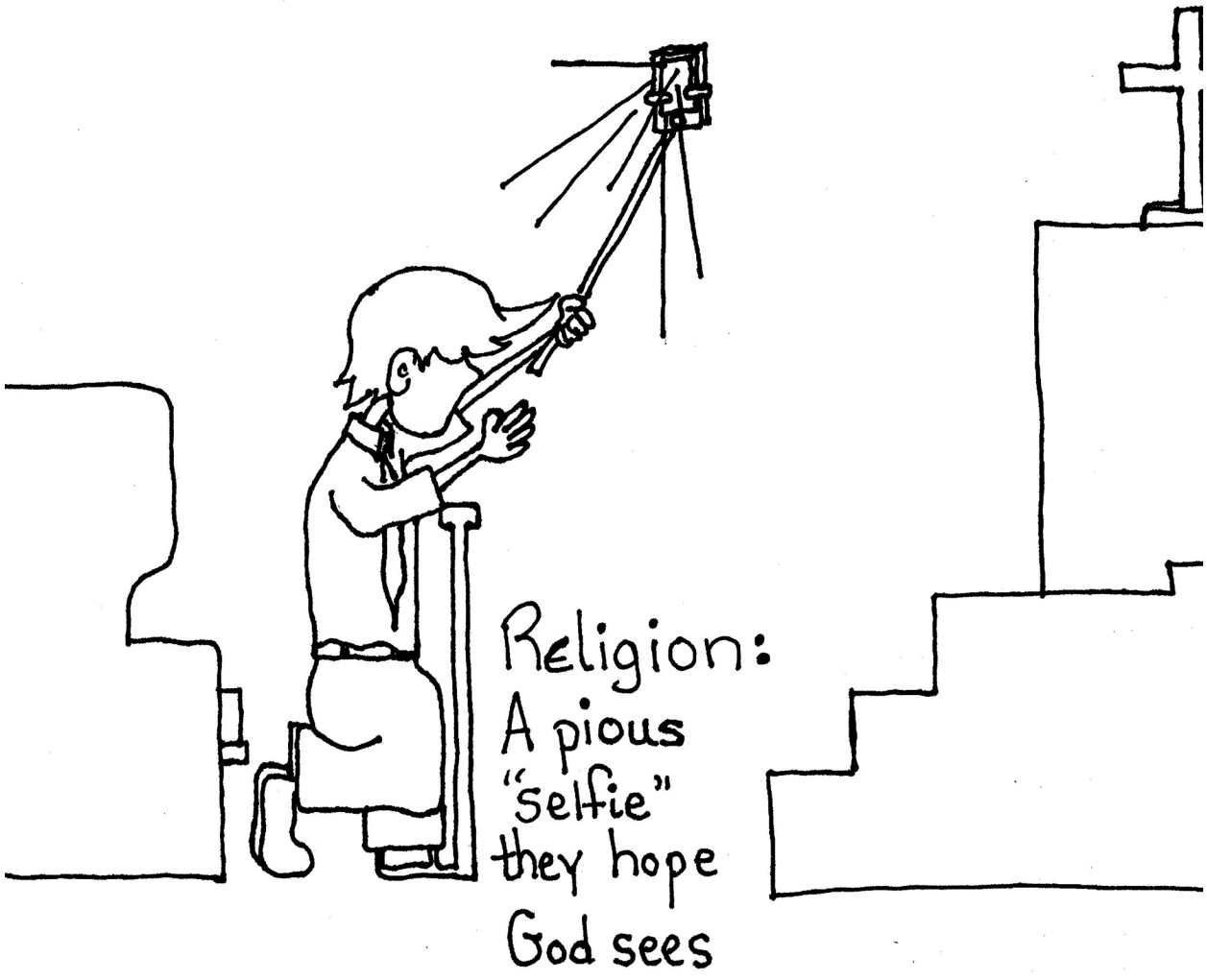




I Like being part of something greater than myself



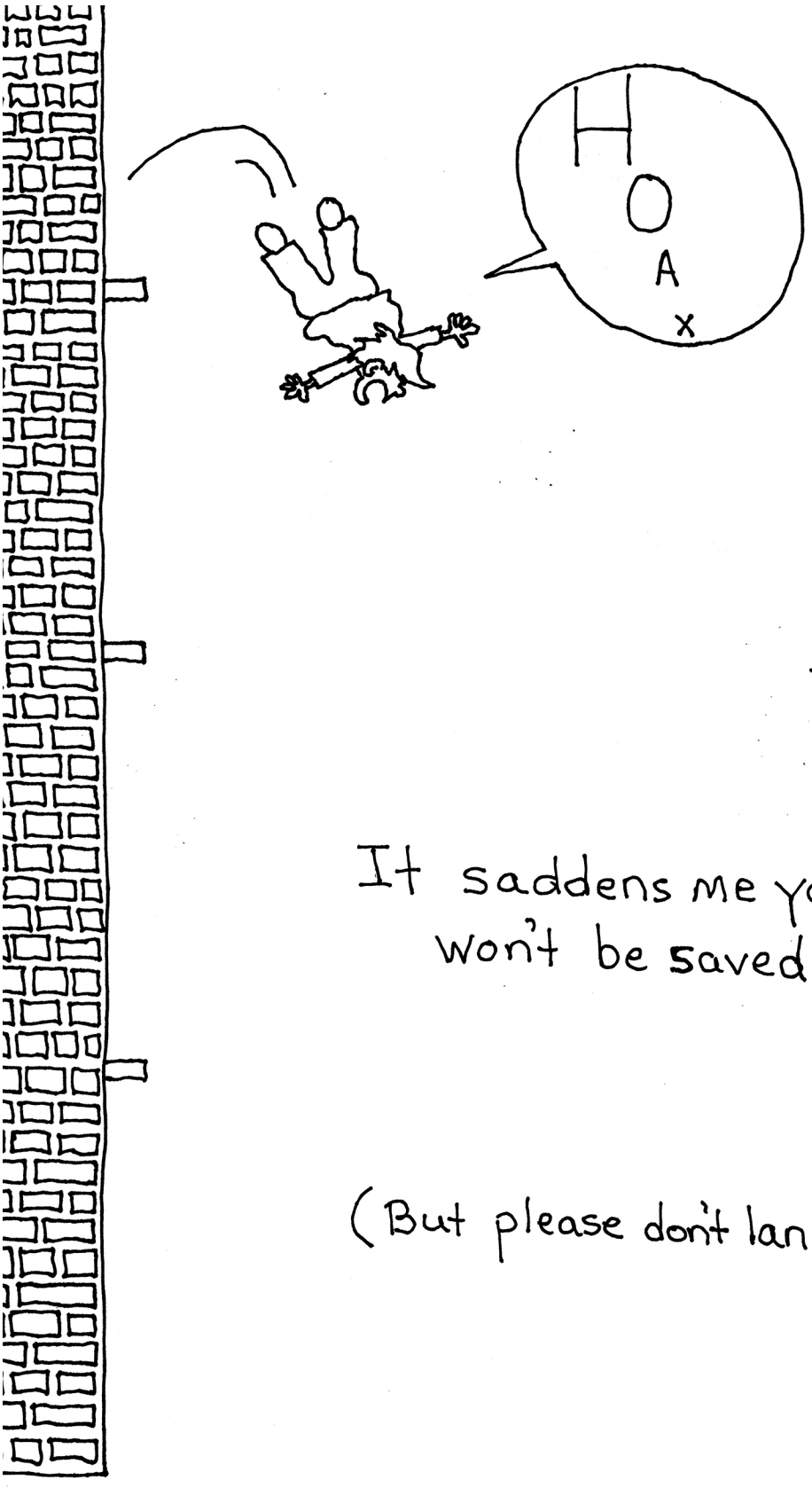
The secret is to refuse delivery


Religion:
A pious
"selfie"
they hope
God sees



The key is choosing a good role model


LENSCRAFTERS
DoodleMe
1
Choose the Rose colored ones



It saddens me you
won't be saved

(But please don't land on us)

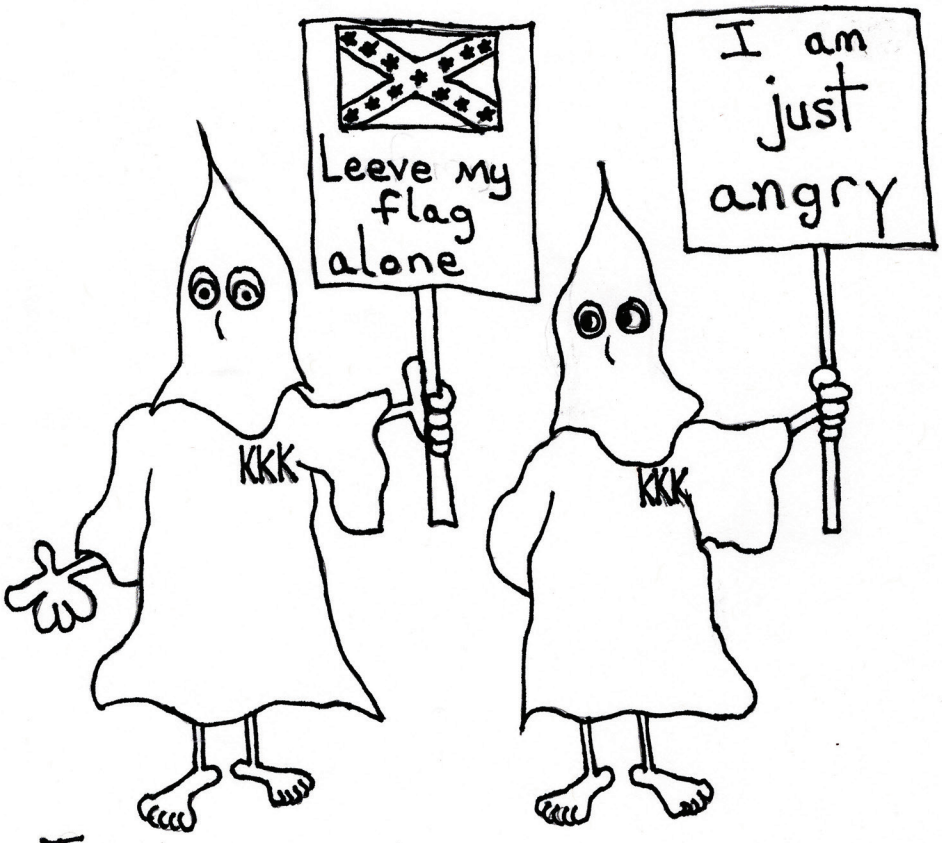

LGBTQ
Saddle up. Get in the fight.



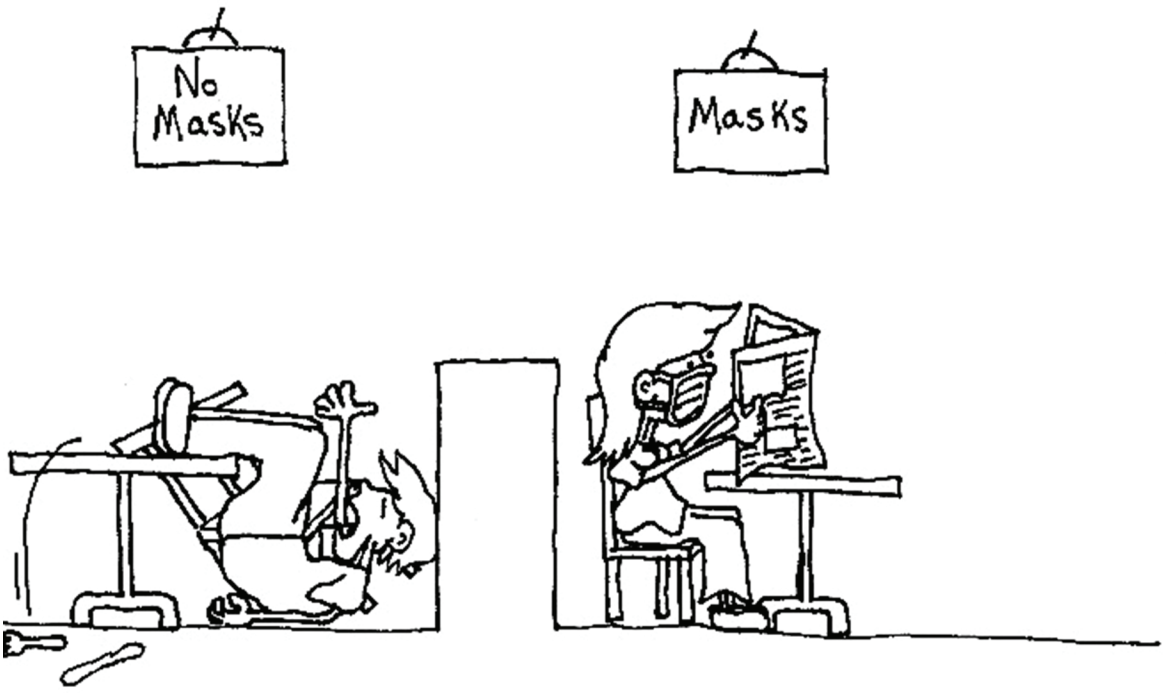
Most irritating aspect of Christians?
Selective use of the bible



Maybe God's in the closet
and the bible is self-hatred



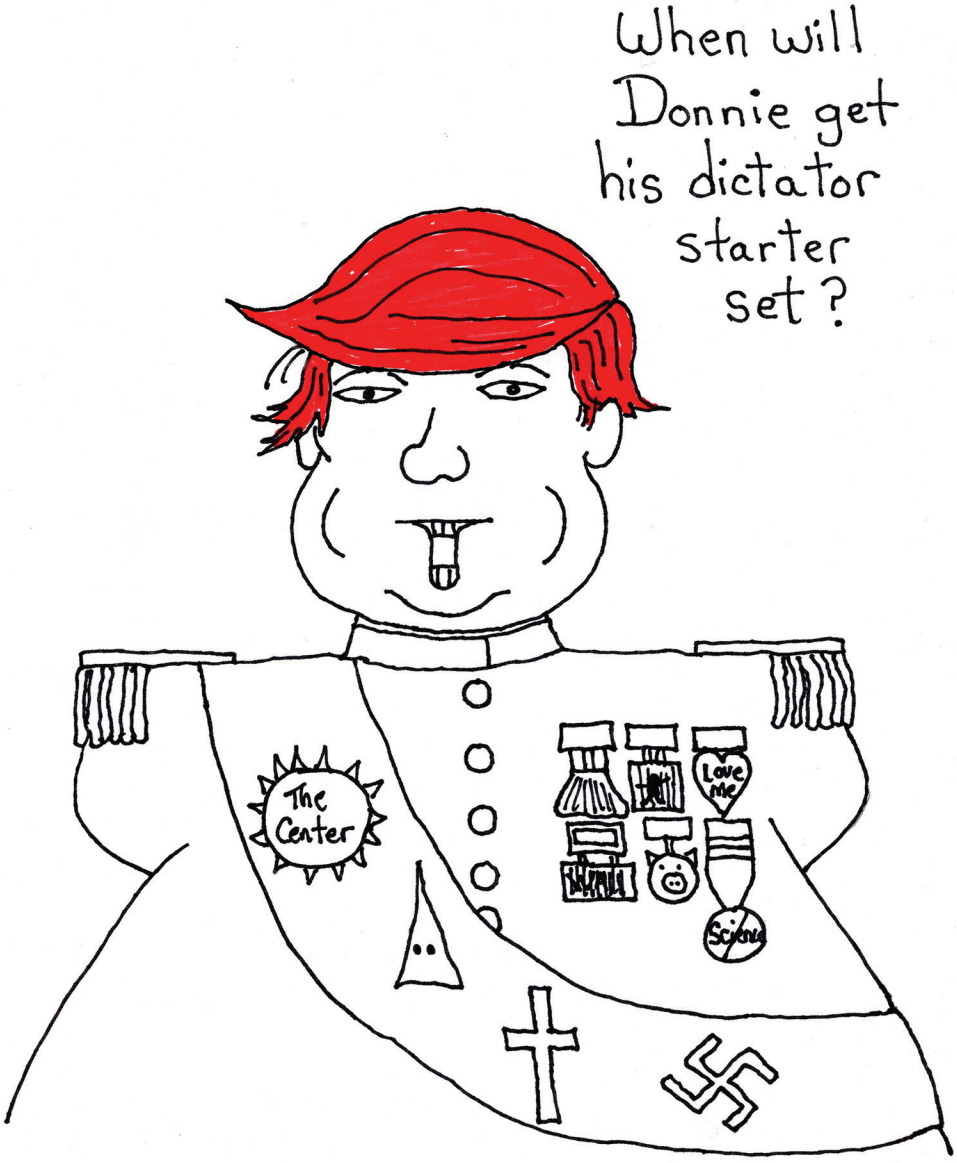
If your supporters are in sheets....
You are just wrong.

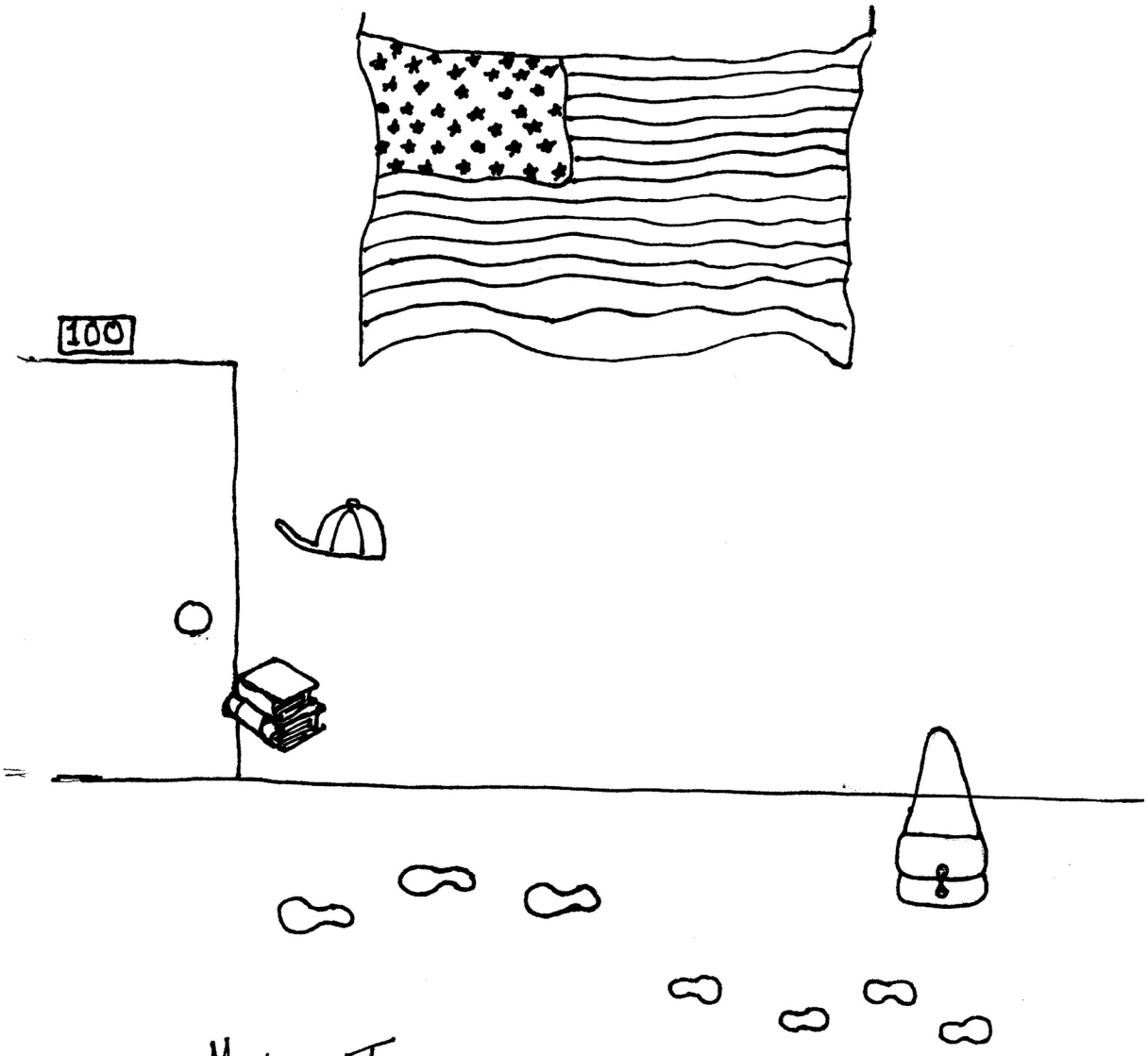


The new "smoking" and "non-smoking" sections

(with similar results)


I'm angry
Stand with us
or
SHUT UP!
LGBTQ
ORLANDO
MASSACRE

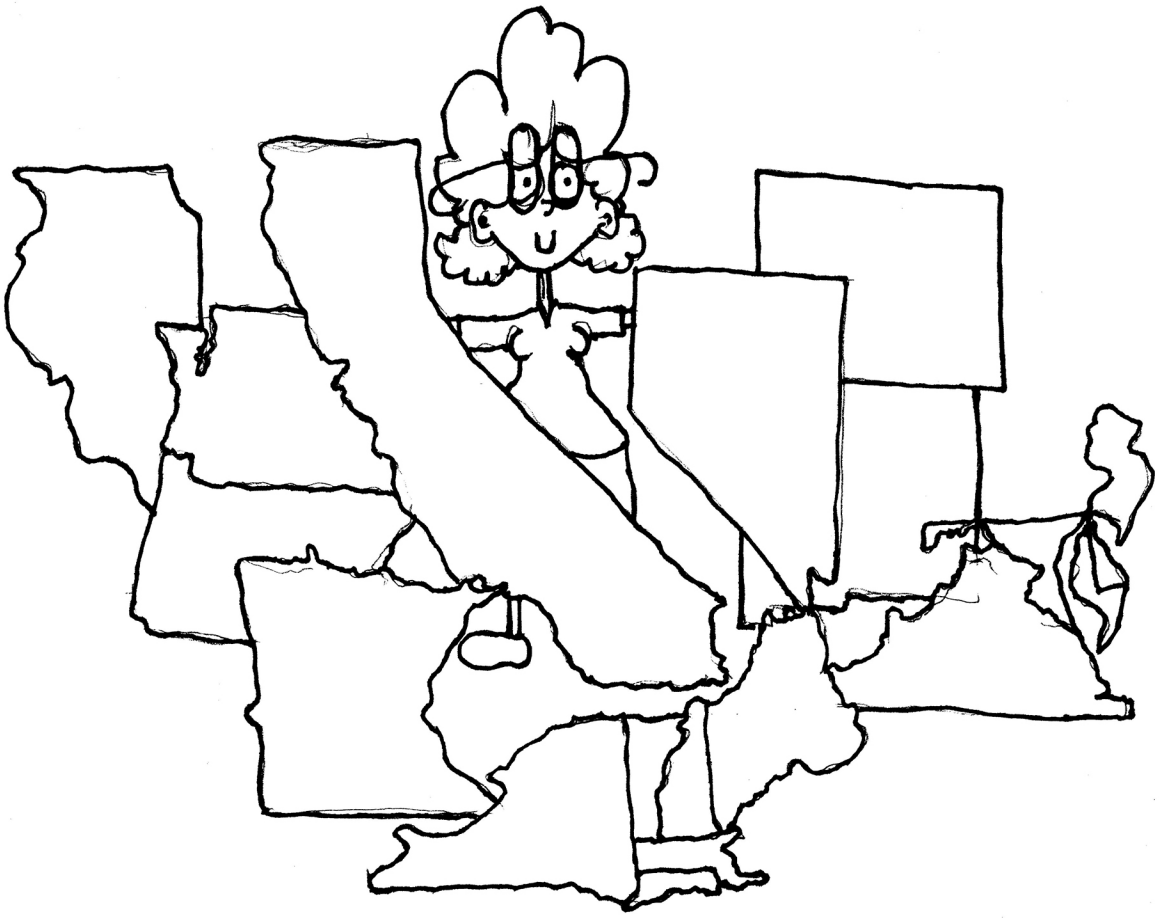

When will Donnie get his dictator starter set?
The Center
Love me
Science



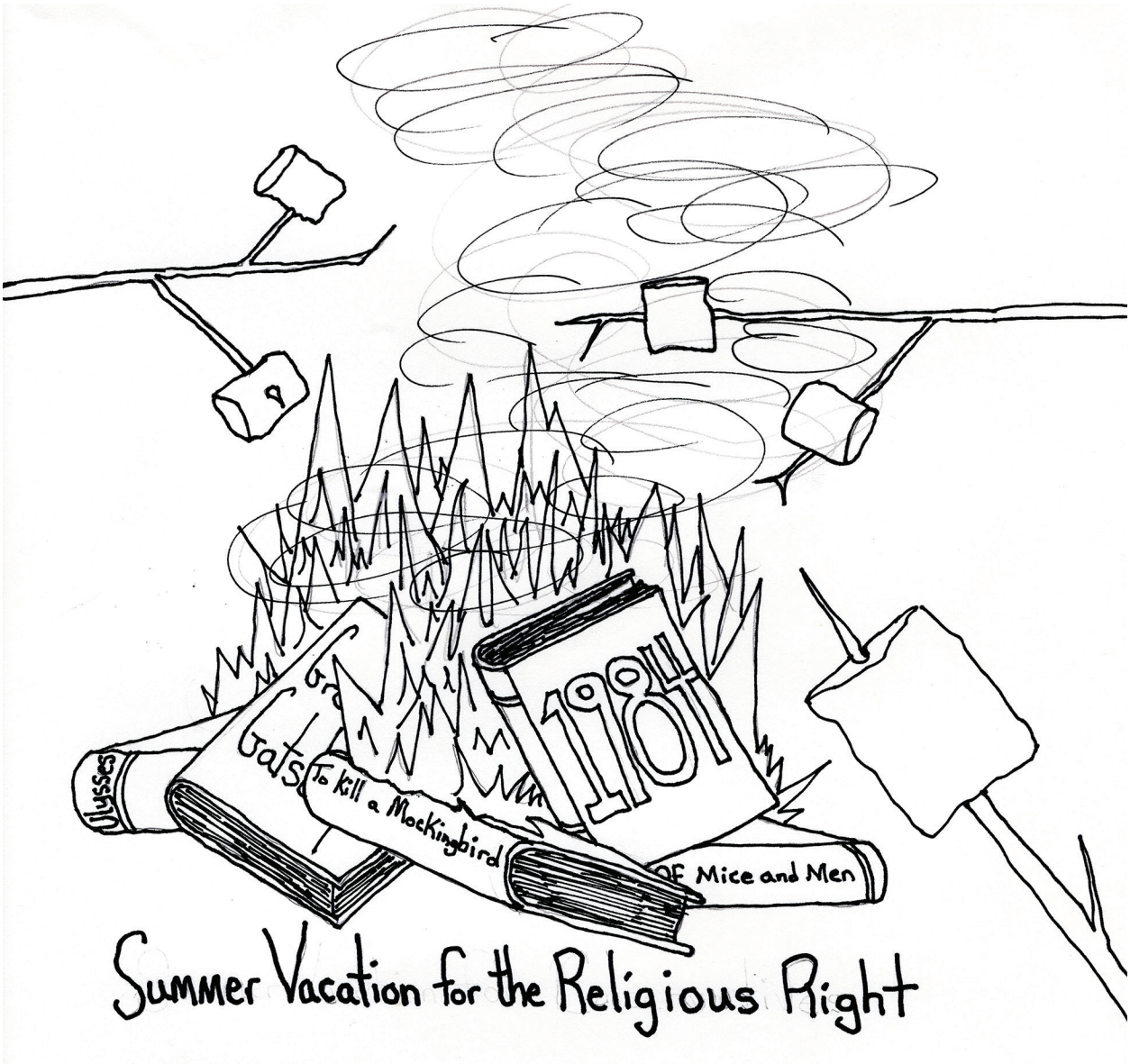
Making Transgender students invisible

Is now a "state power"

Live in a state ~~that~~ likes
All of it's citizens

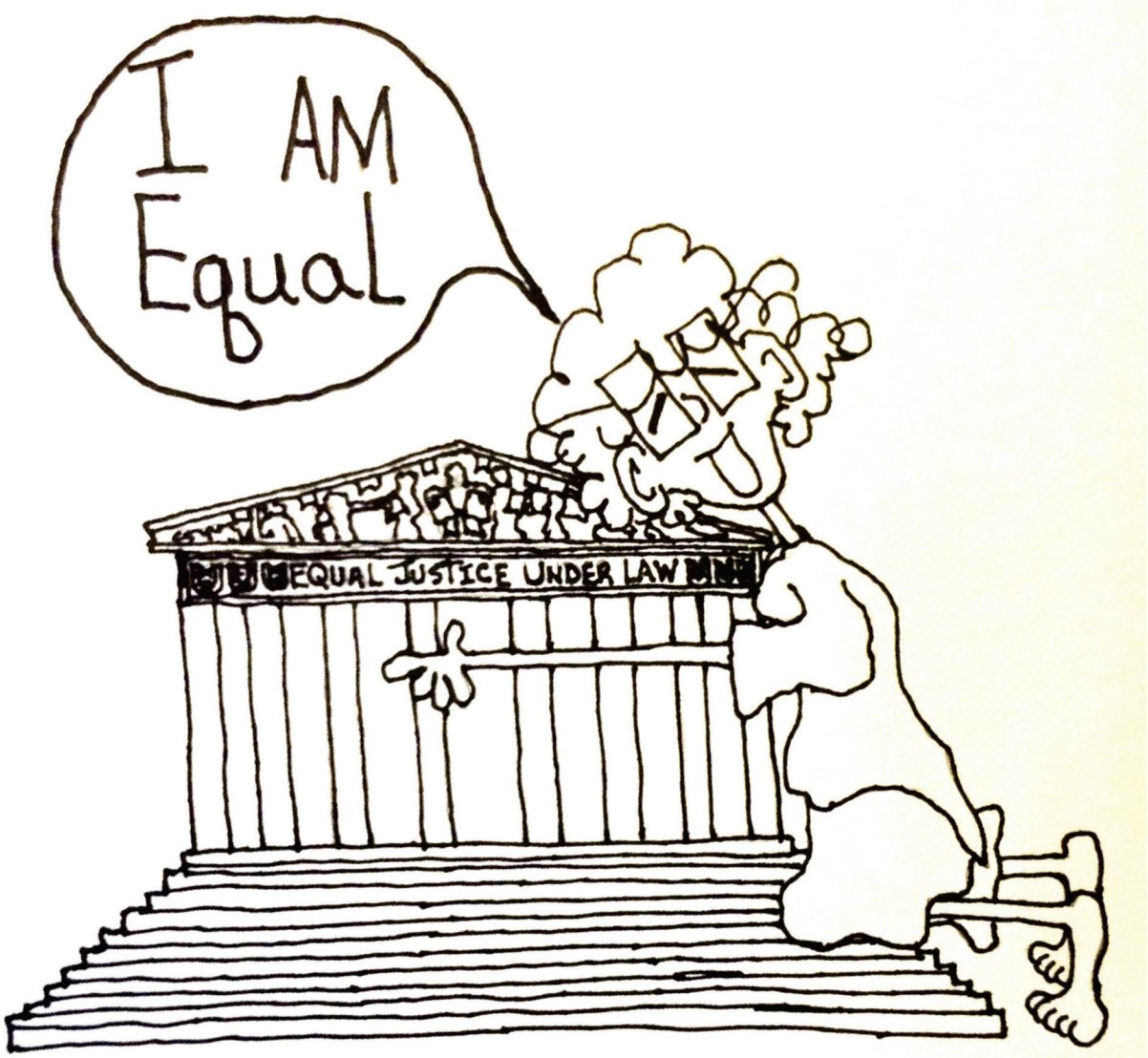



By any standard of measure...
Good lord! Who did he eat?


Ulysses
Gats
To kill a Mockingbird
1984
Mice and Men
Summer Vacation for the Religious Right

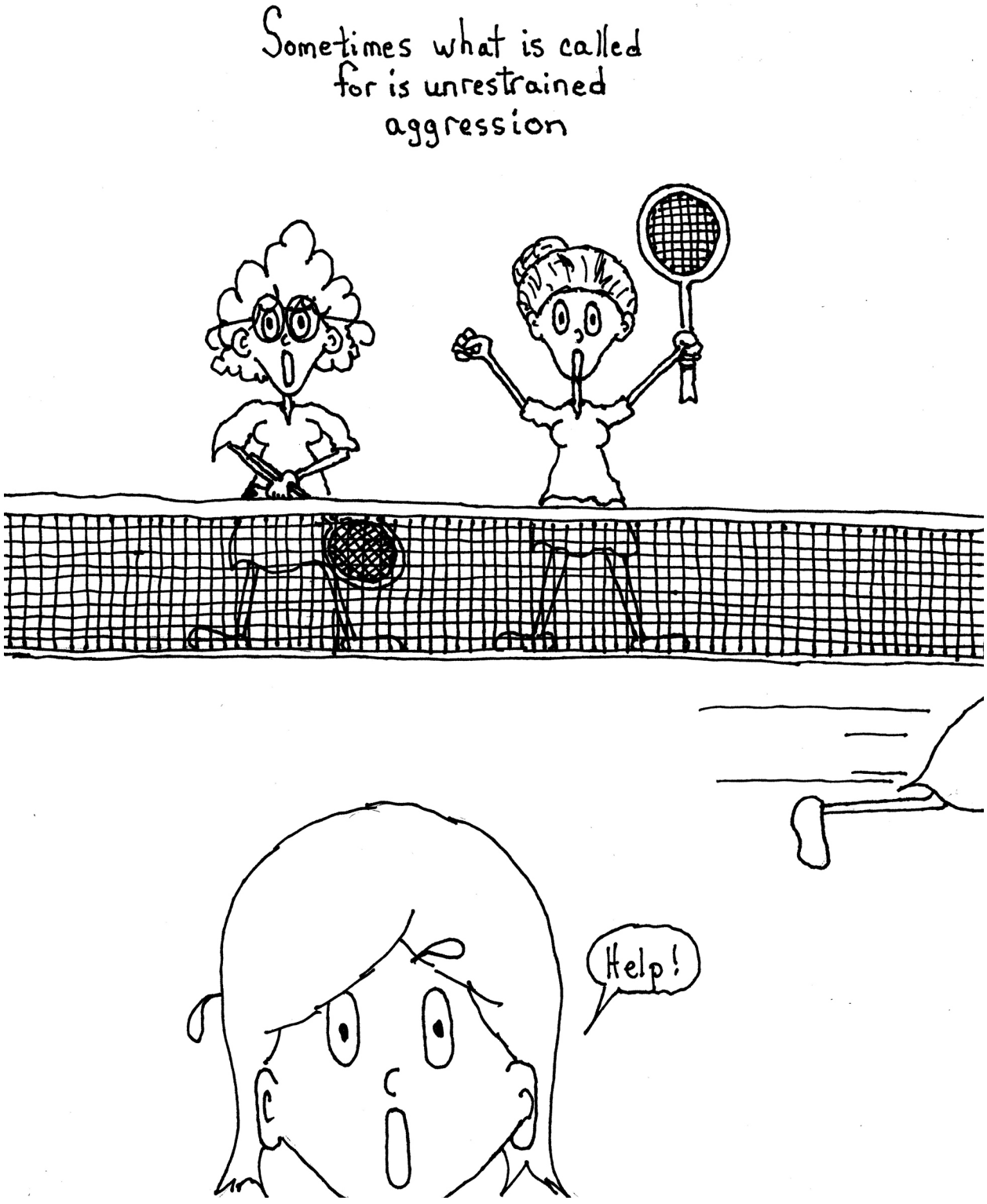


My super power is Midwest manners

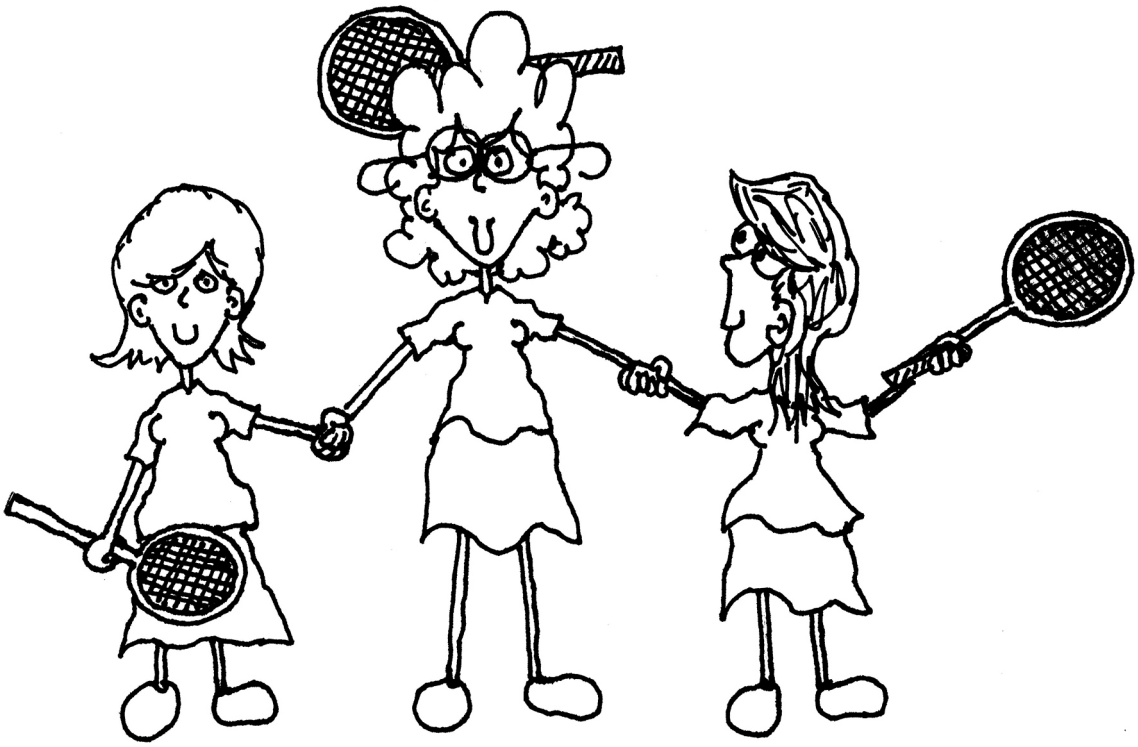


A Supreme Hug


TRUMP EMPIRE
More Tacky Property


Sometimes what is called for is unrestrained aggression
Help!

I have no chance of fitting in.....



being welcome is the best I can hope for


Army
USMC
Navy
Coast Guard
Army
AirForce
Navy
USMC
AirForce

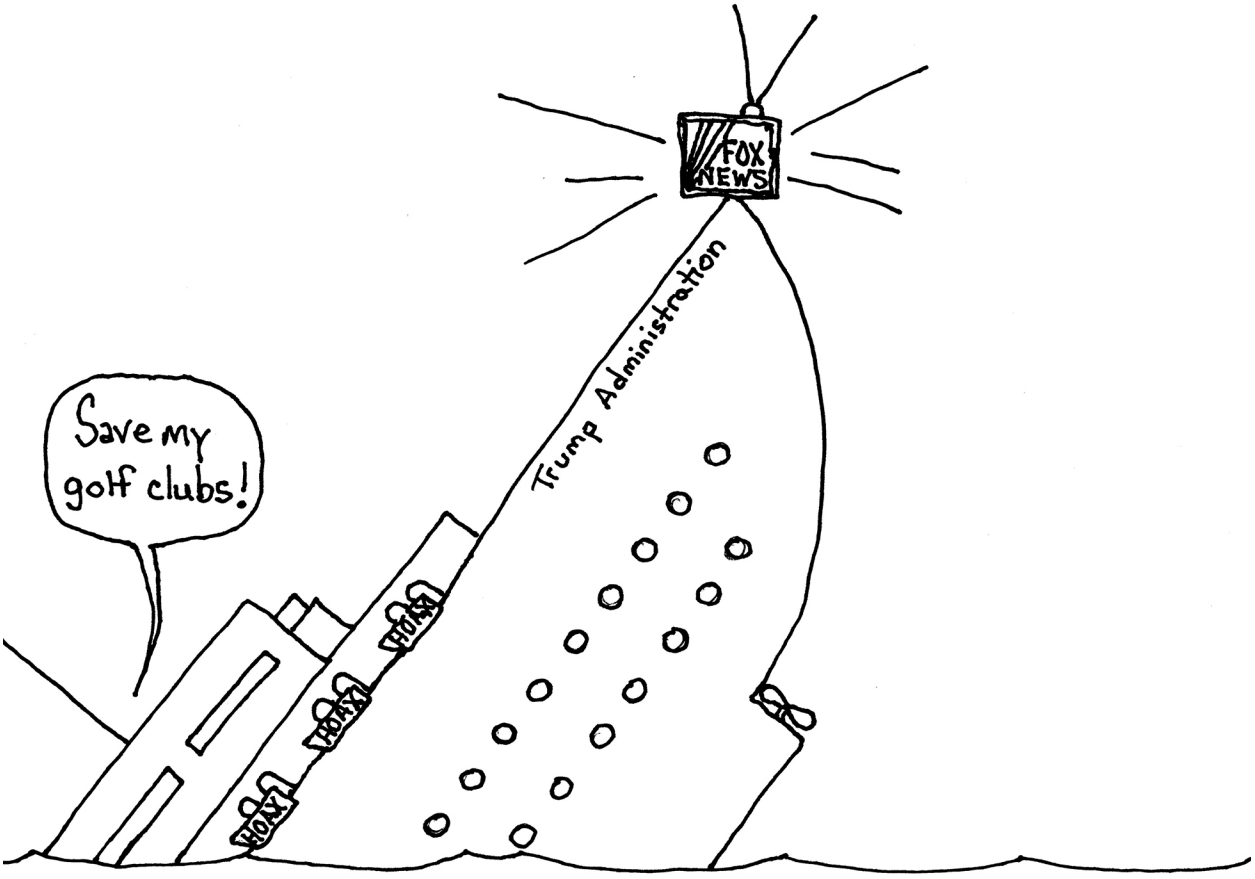
Thank You

Transitional Thoughts

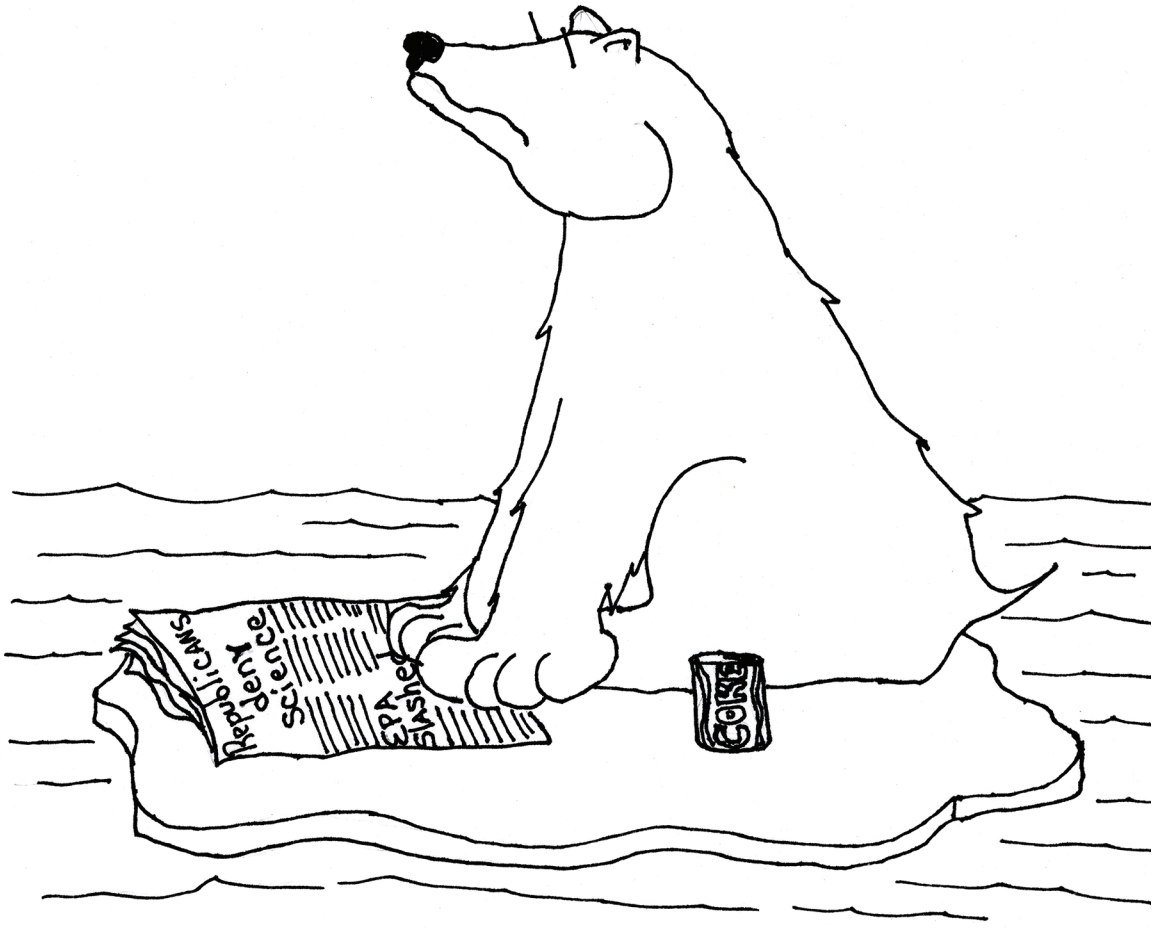
I've decided to start curtsying to Republicans

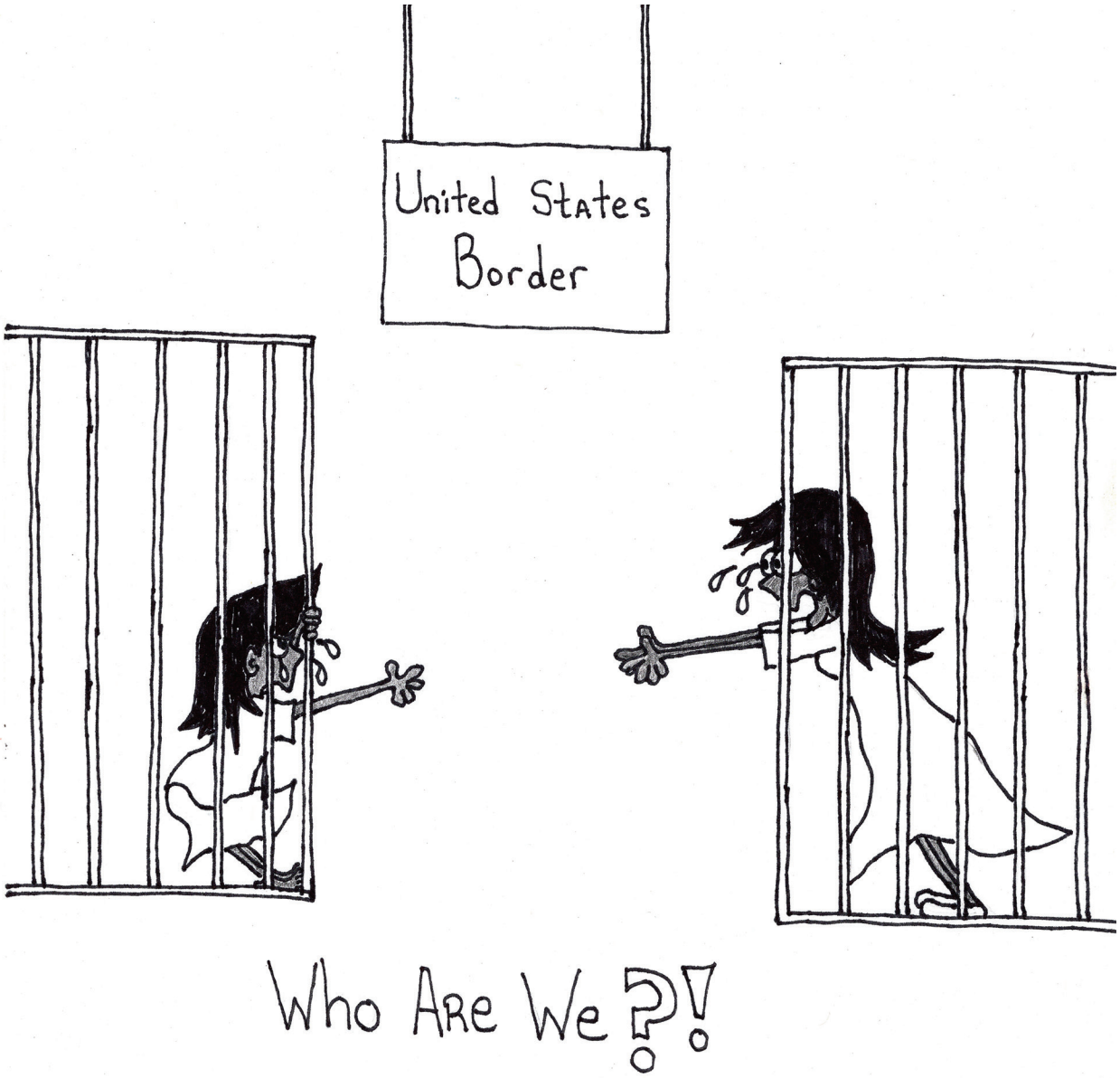


It will drive them insane

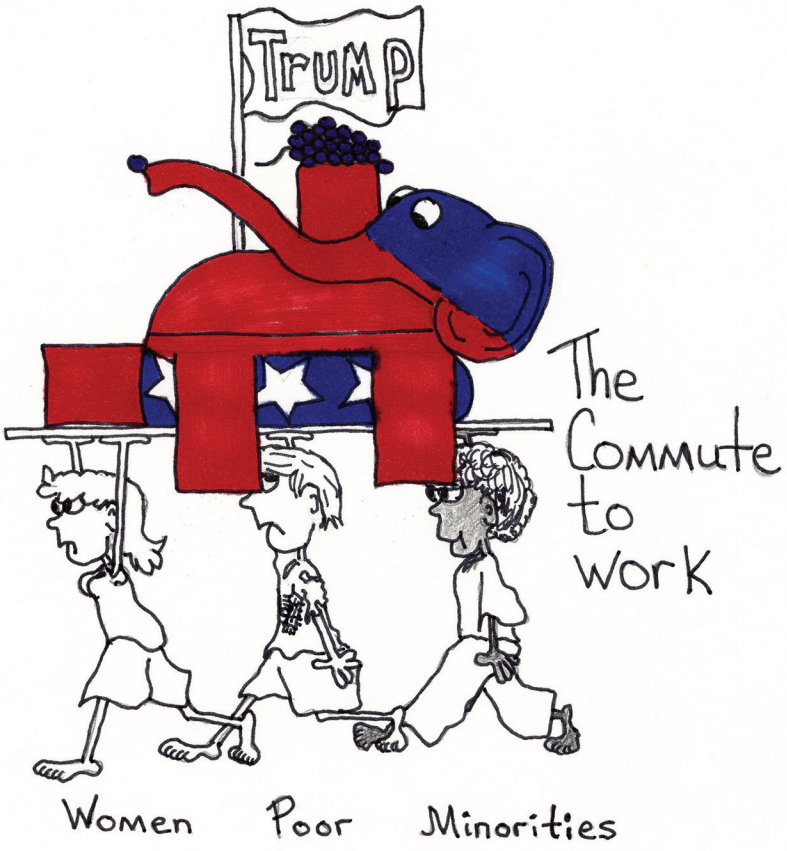


... and the band played on


Republicans
deny
science
EPA
slashes
COKE

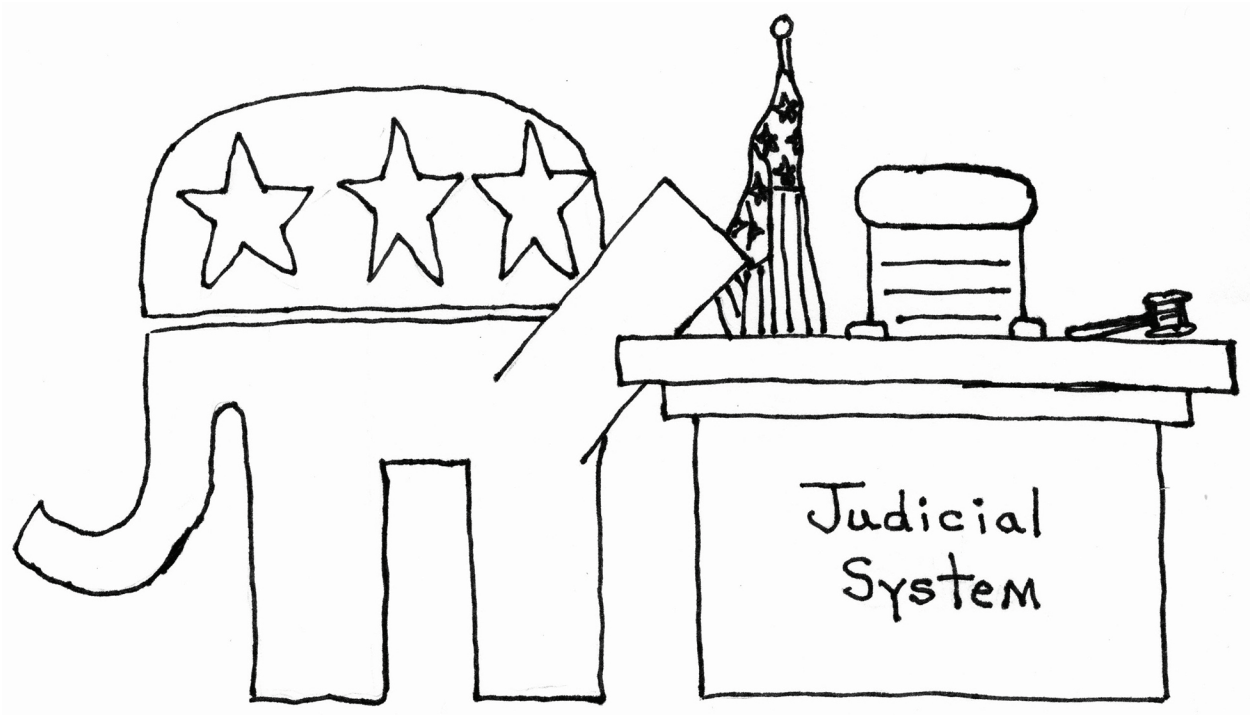

United States
Border
Who Are We?!


You know....
we are going
to have to clean
this up
Loss of
the planet
tariff
wars
2nd
class citizenship
for
women
open
racial
hatred
end
of
alliances


TRUMP
The Commute to work
Women Poor Minorities

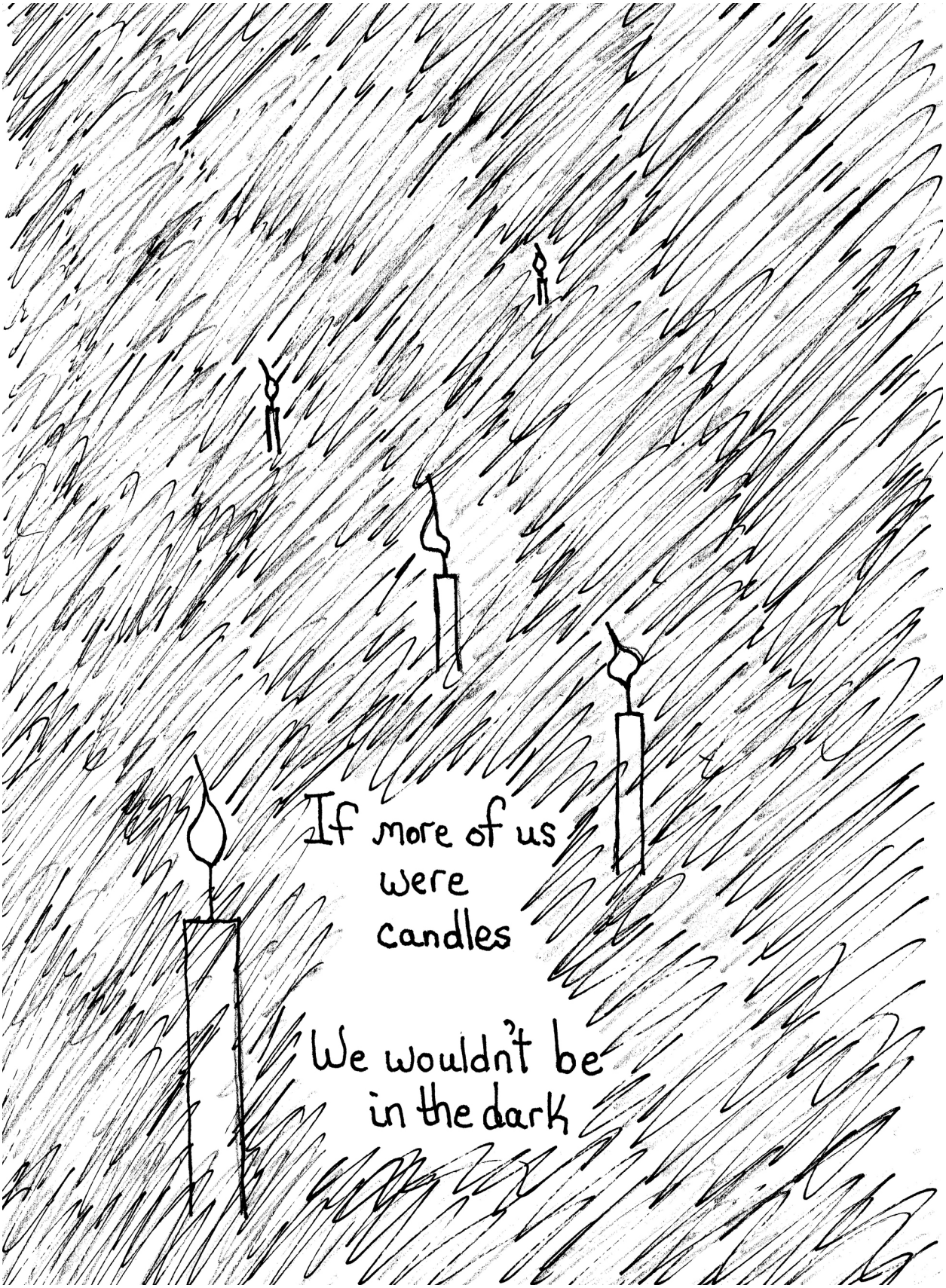


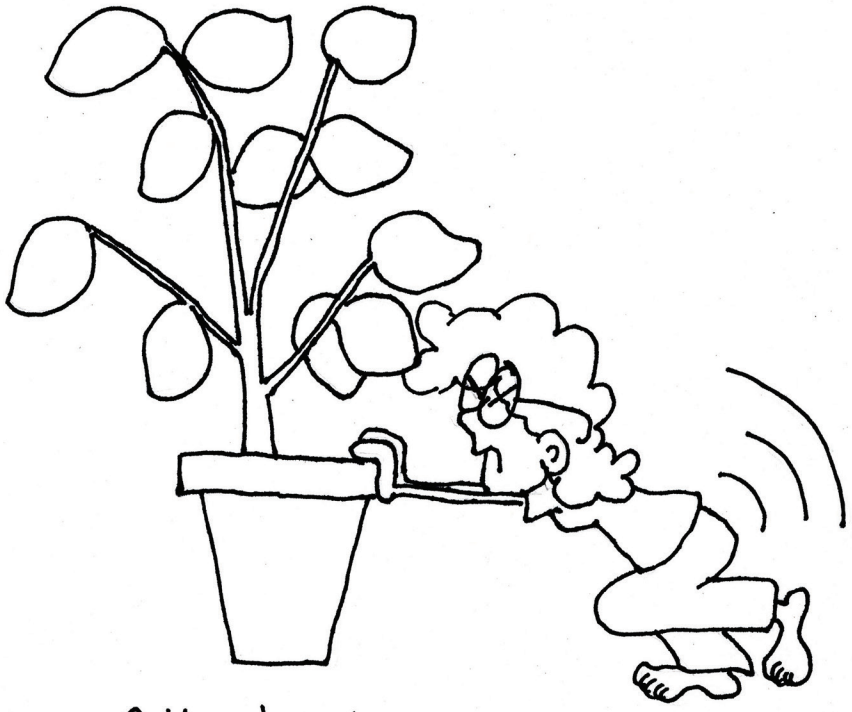
The cost of true citizenship

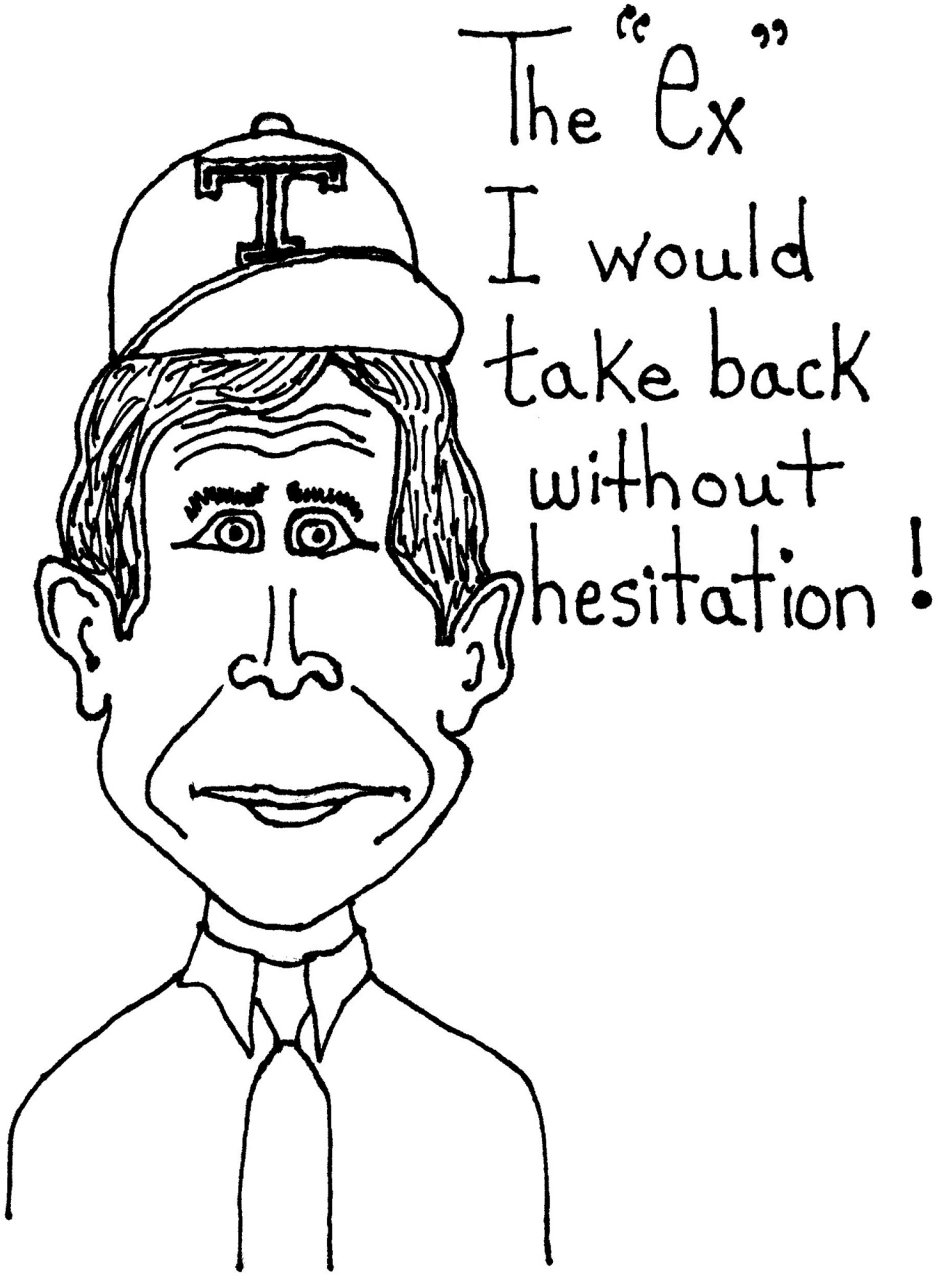

Judicial
System

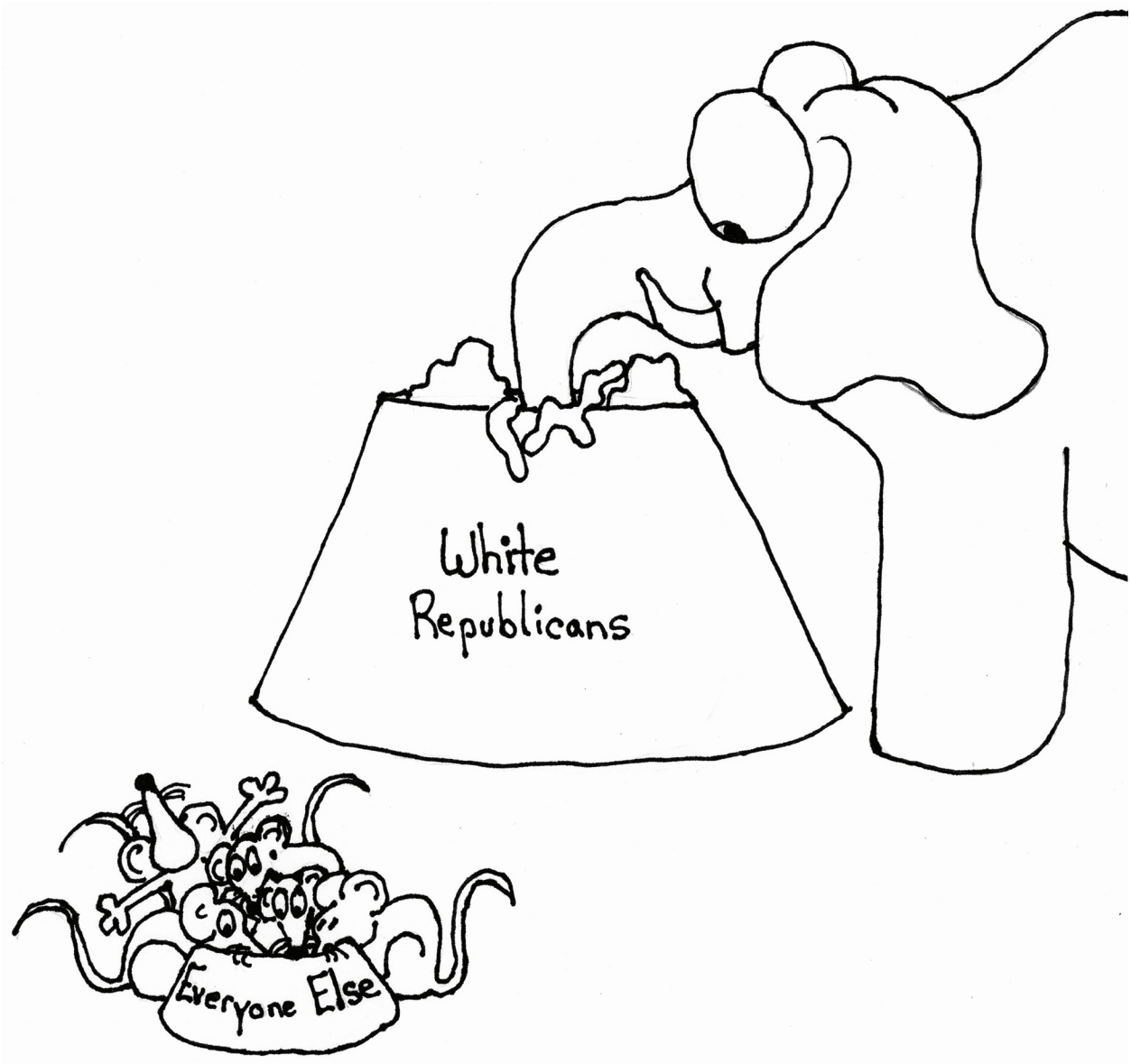


Change the culture


If more of us were candles
We wouldn't be in the dark

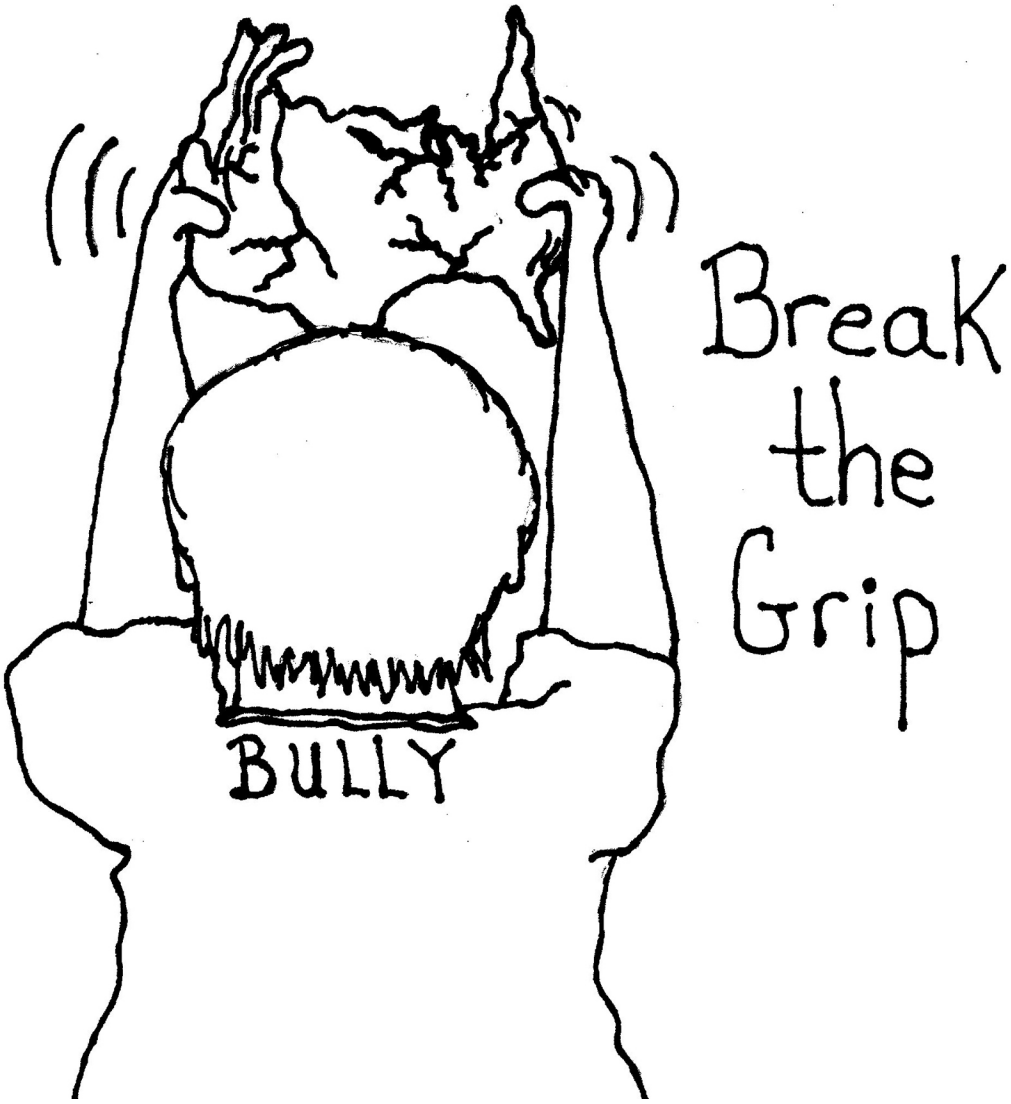

Rubber tree plant
Me

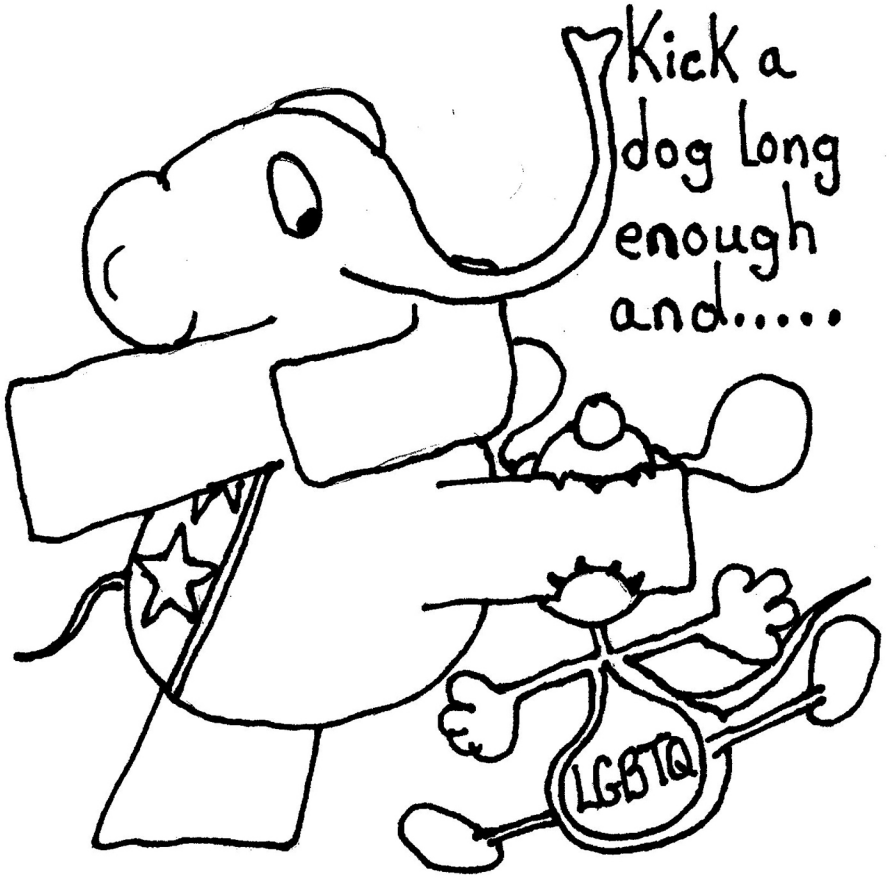

The "Ex"
I would
take back
without
hesitation!


White
Republicans
Everyone Else

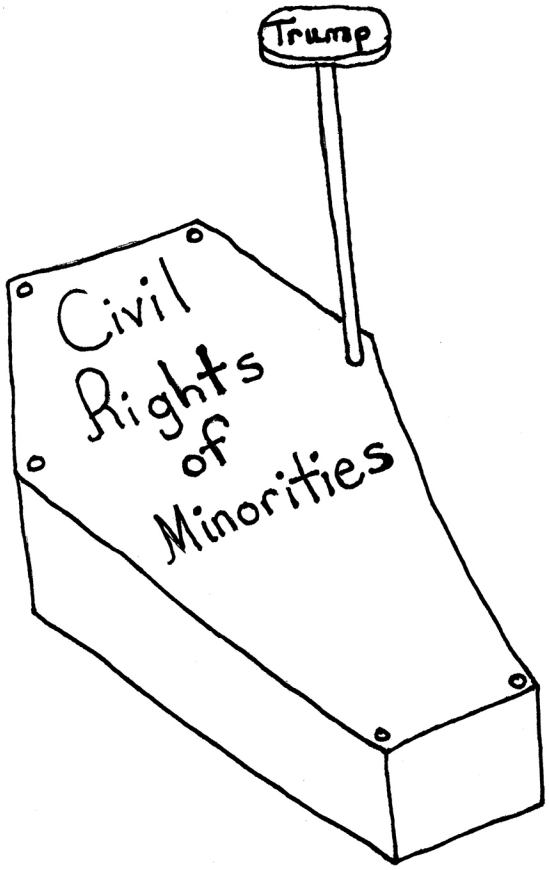


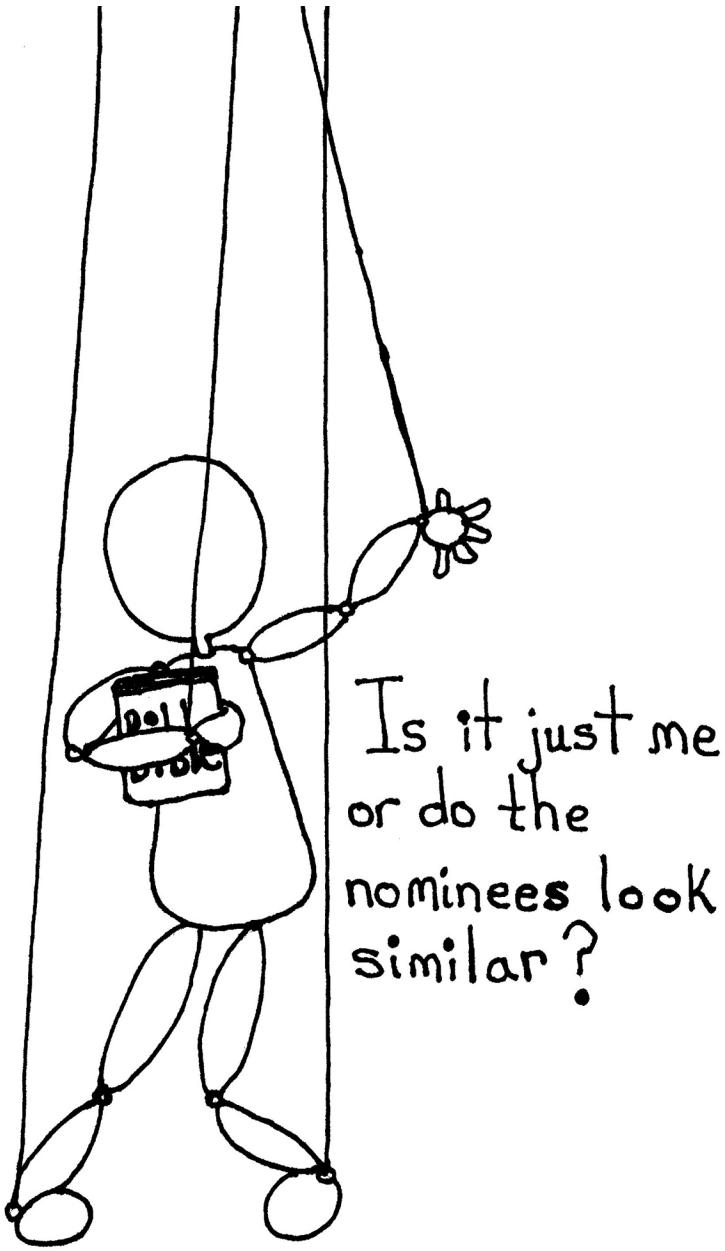
2016 to 2020 National Forecast

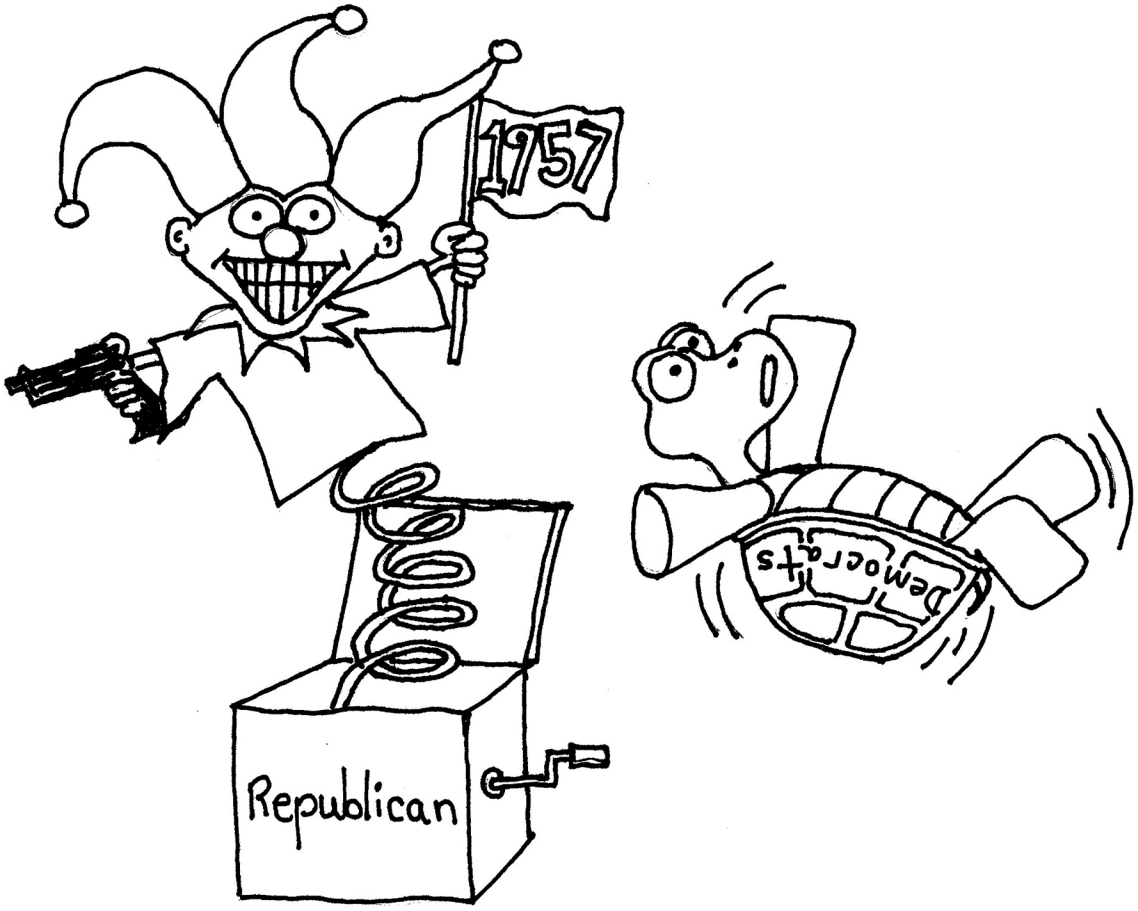

BULLY
Break
the
Grip


Kick a dog long enough and.....
LGBTQ

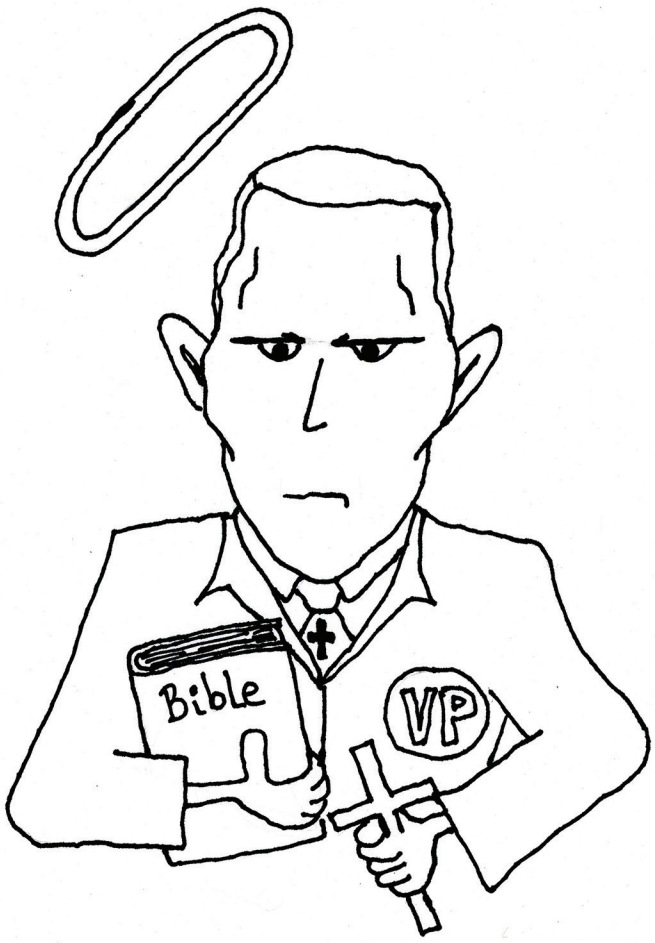

One Line Please (and it need not be "straight")
I'd like to see their faces....


Trump
Civil
Rights
of
Minorities

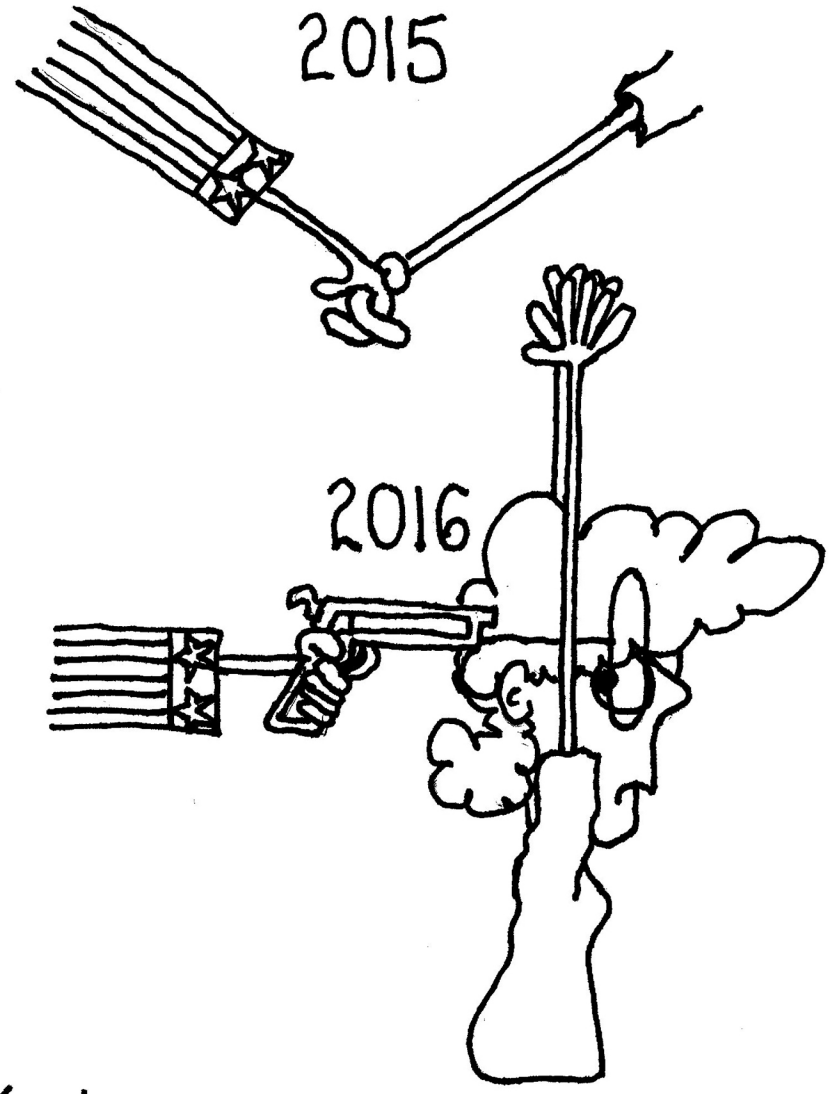

Is it just me or do the nominees look similar?



Time for the political parties to get new logos



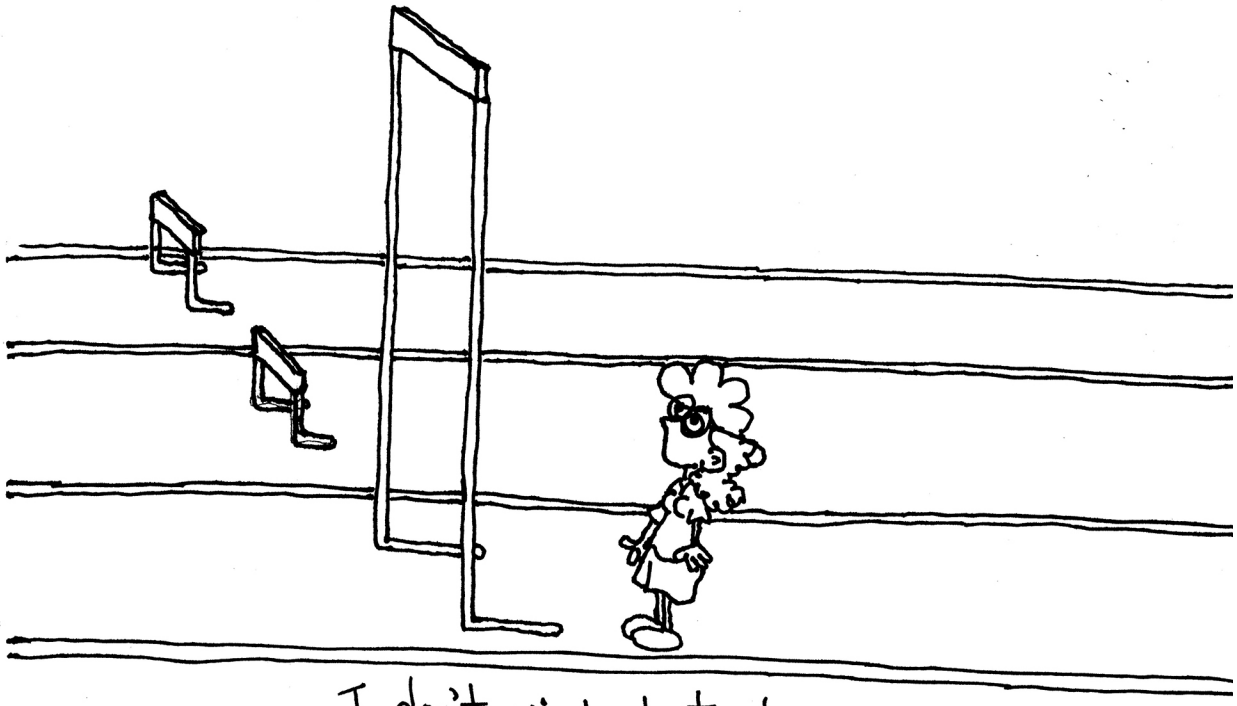
The reason I pray nothing happens to Trump



The changing relationship with my government



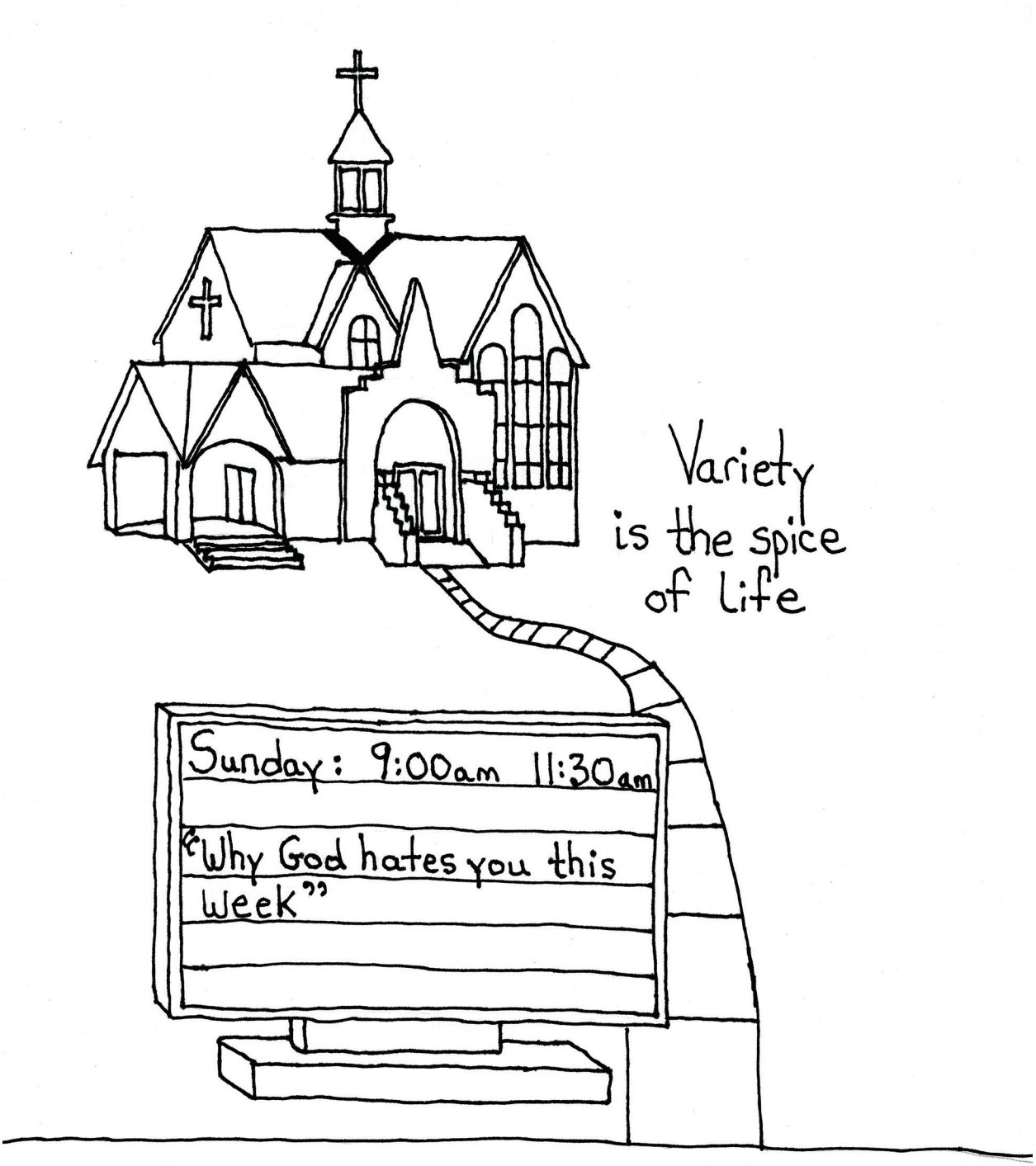
Avoiding fights is pragmatic
But picking the right fight is morality



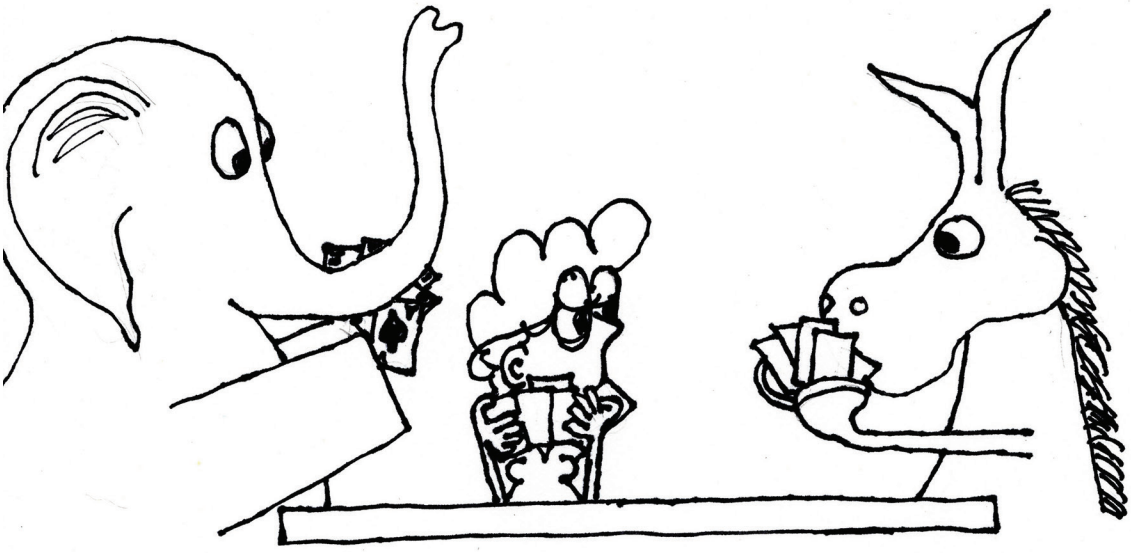
I don't mind obstacles...
I just want the same ones as everybody else...

Transitional Thoughts




Variety is the spice of life
Sunday: 9:00am 11:30am
"Why God hates you this week"

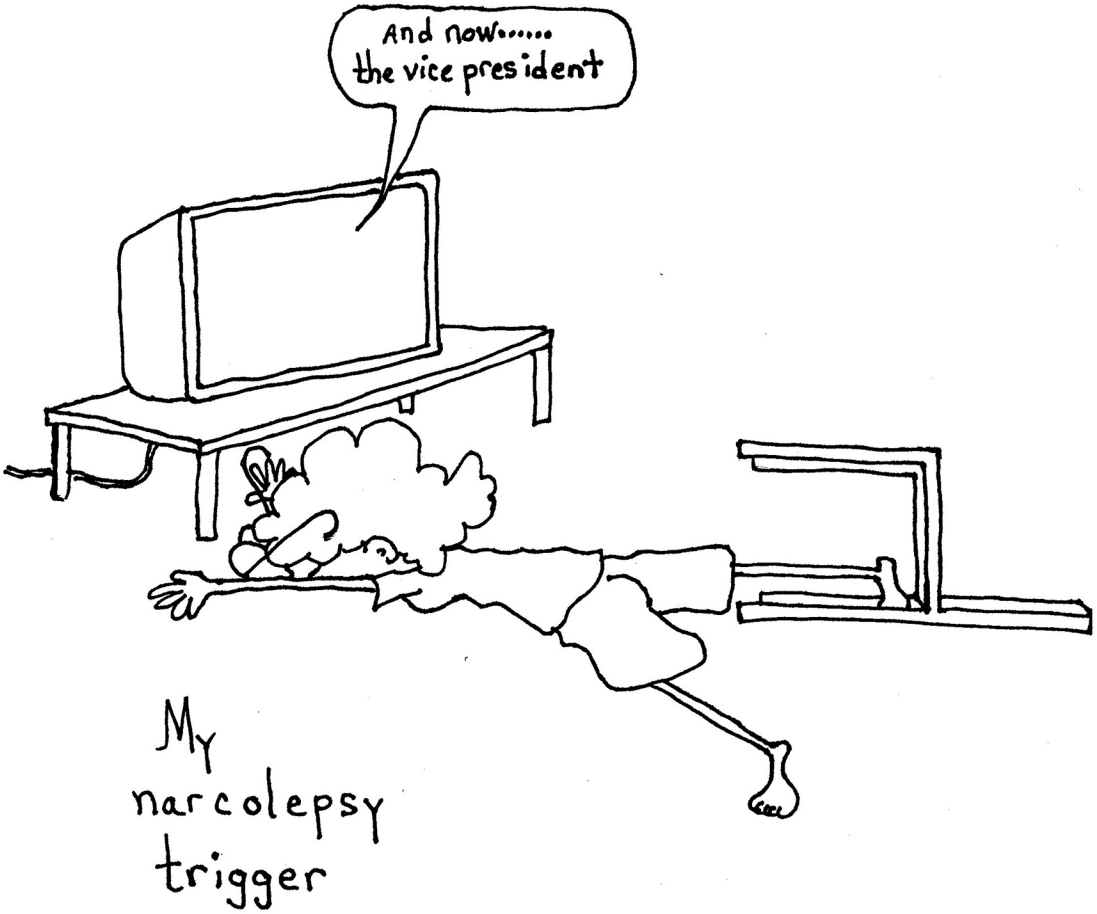
Look around the table

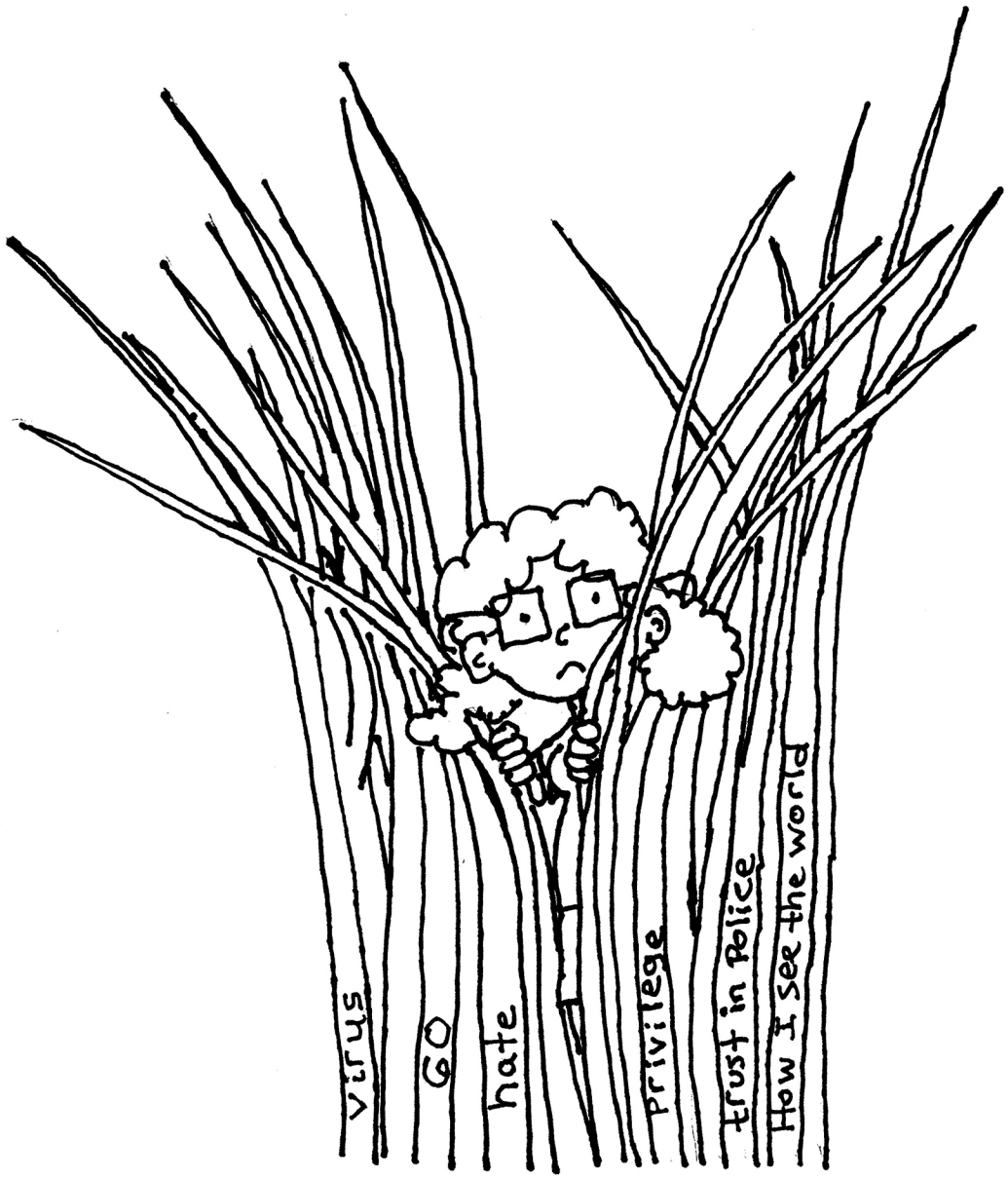


If you don't see the sucker...
it's you

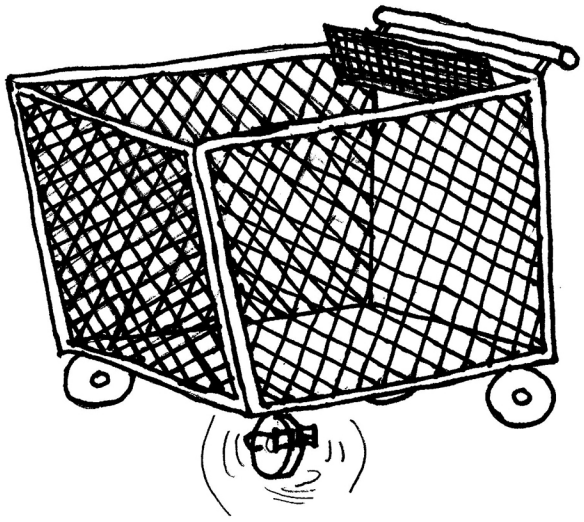


The vehicle of change

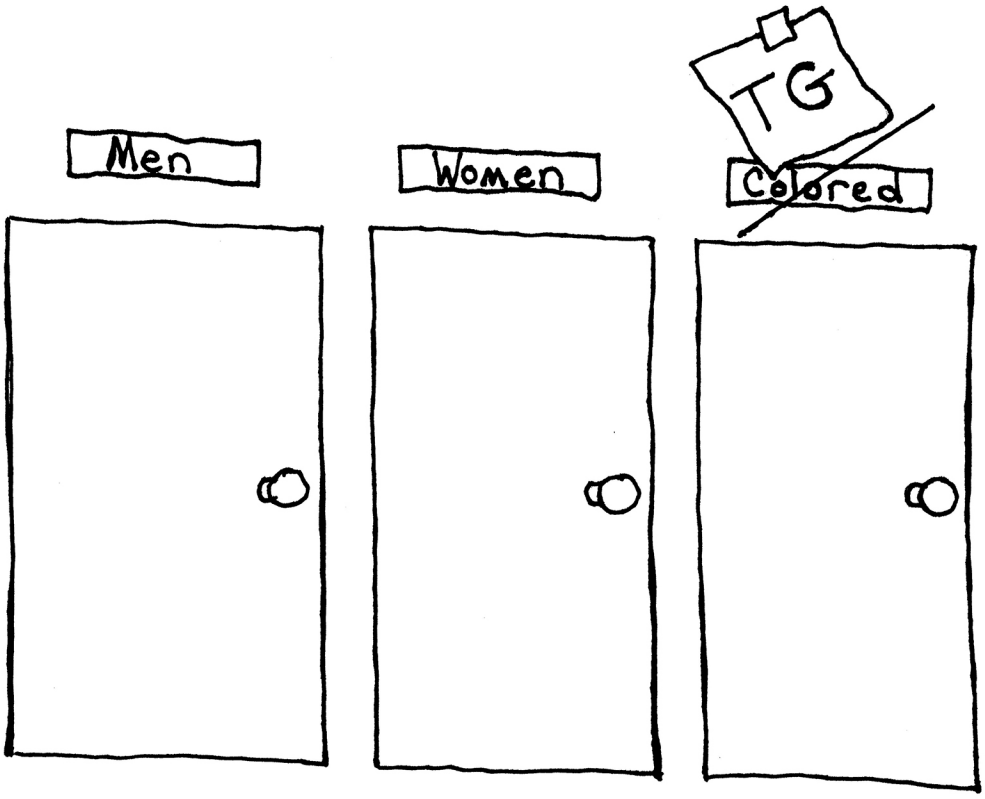

And now.....
the vice president
My
narcolepsy
trigger



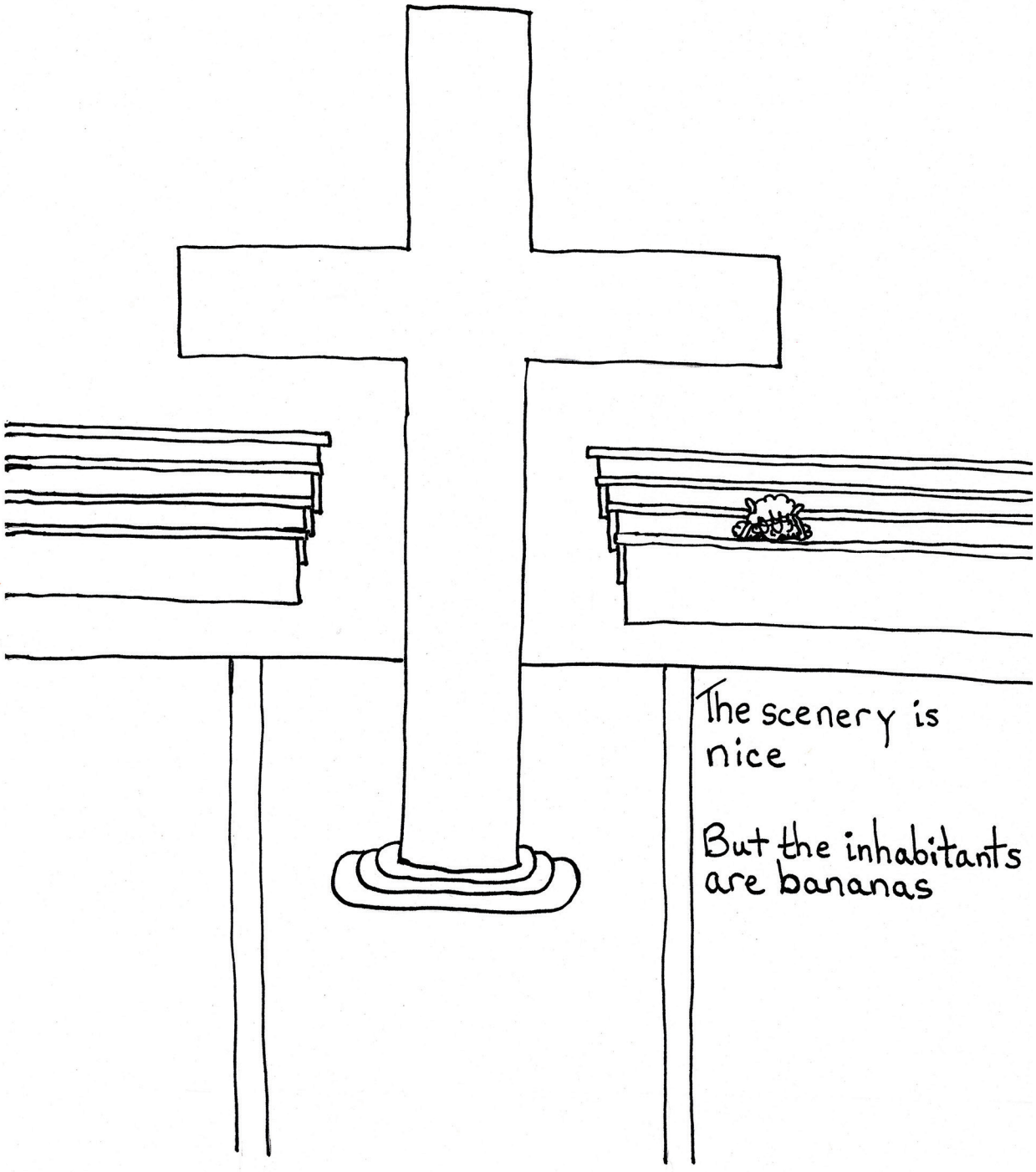
I am in the weeds

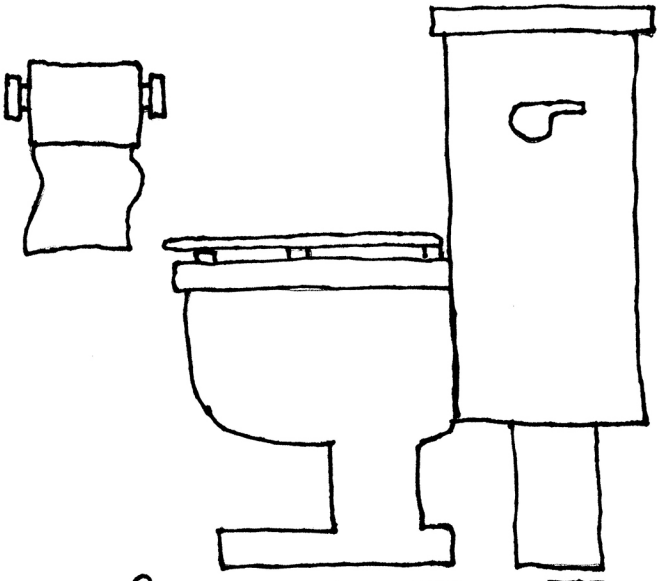


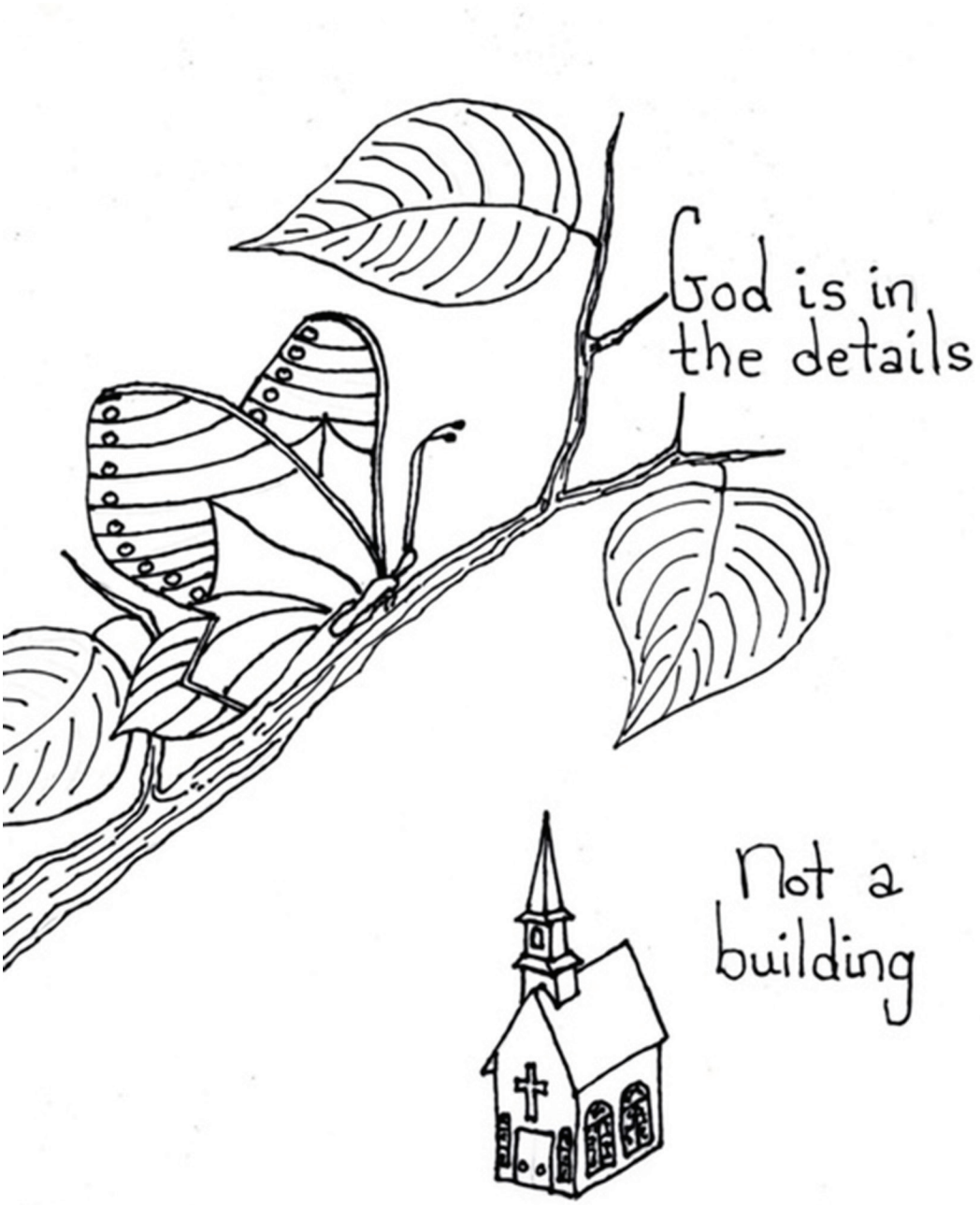
I am the wheel causing chaos

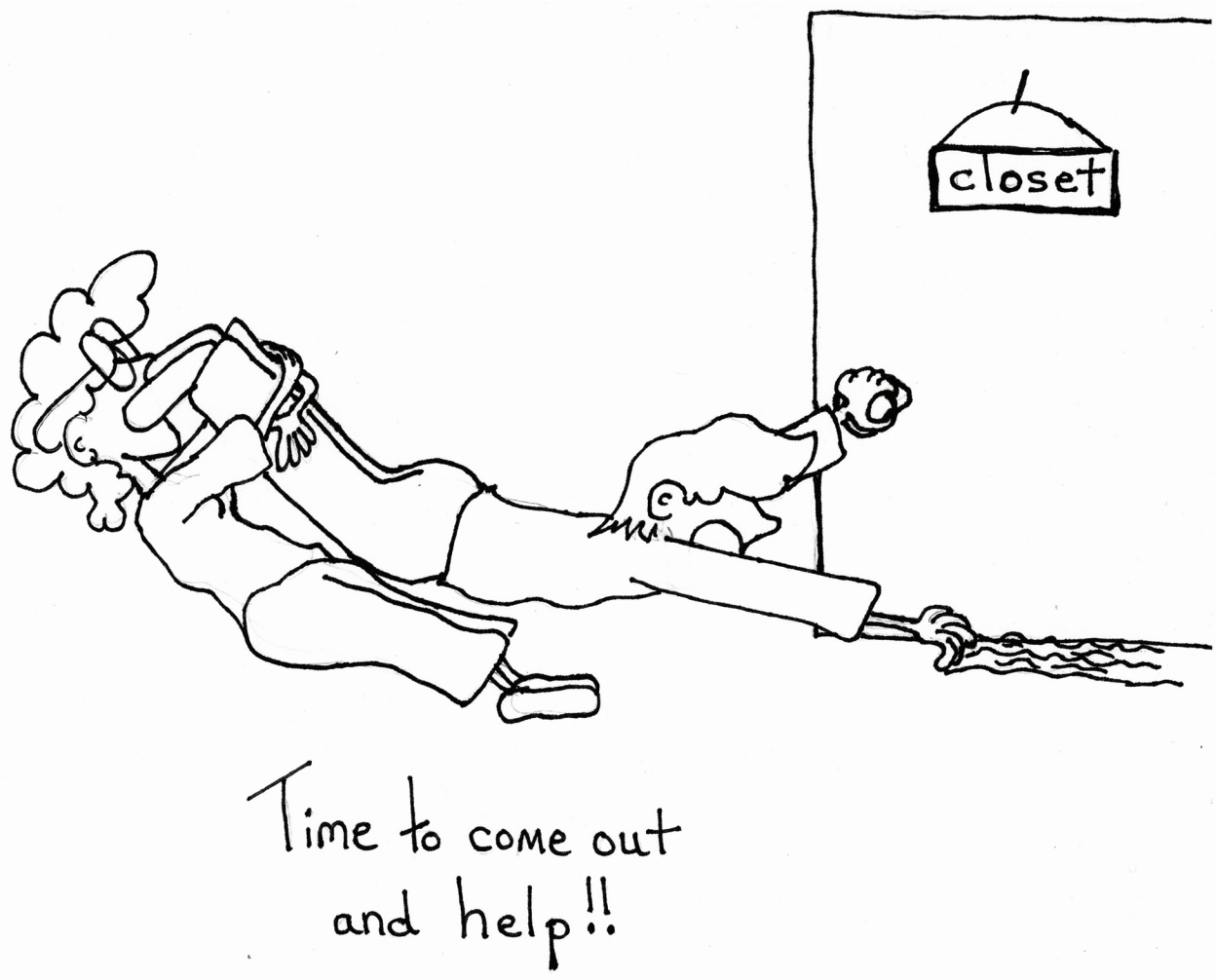


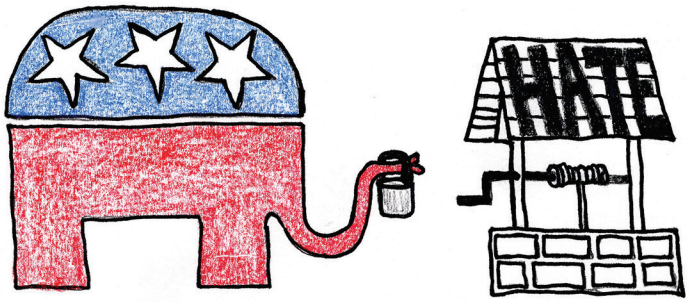
Seems familiar


The scenery is nice
But the inhabitants are bananas

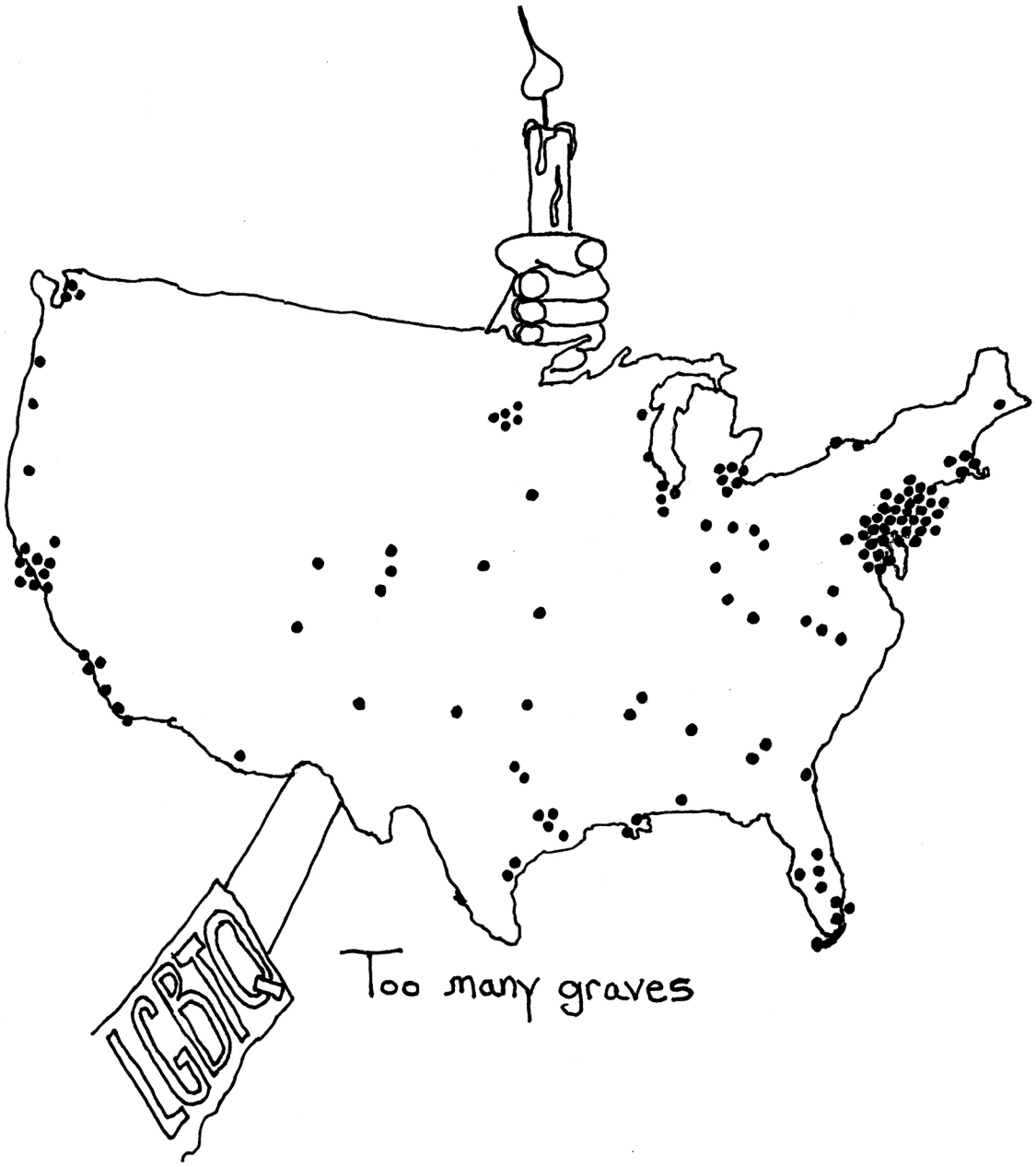

Conservative Think Tank

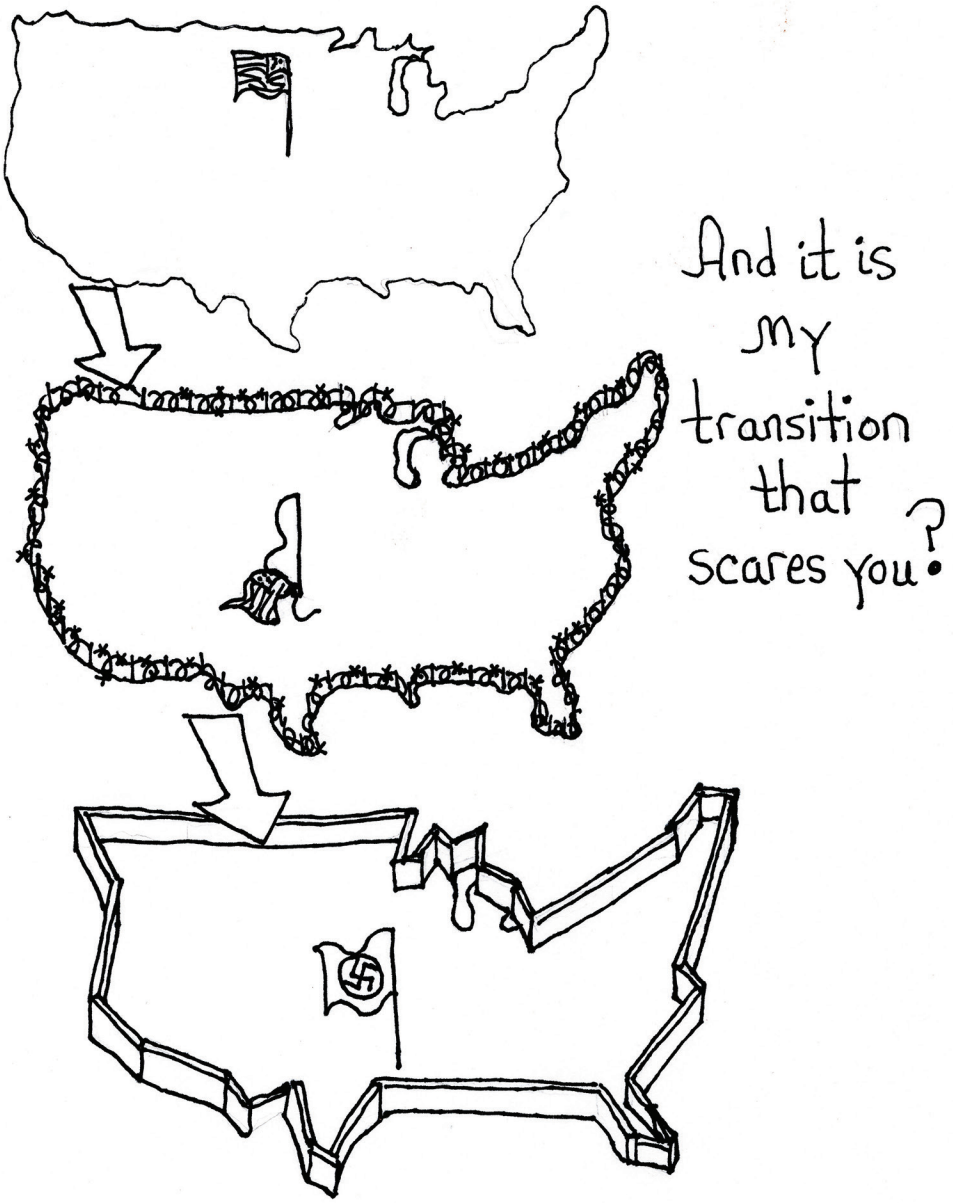

God is in
the details
Not a
building


closet
Time to come out and help!!

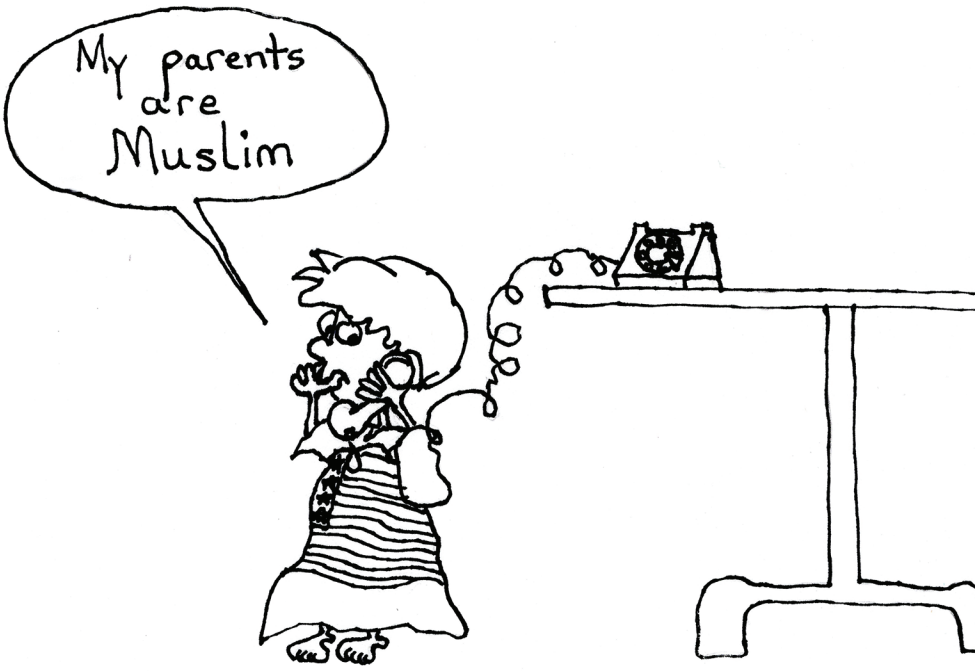


Going to the well once too often?

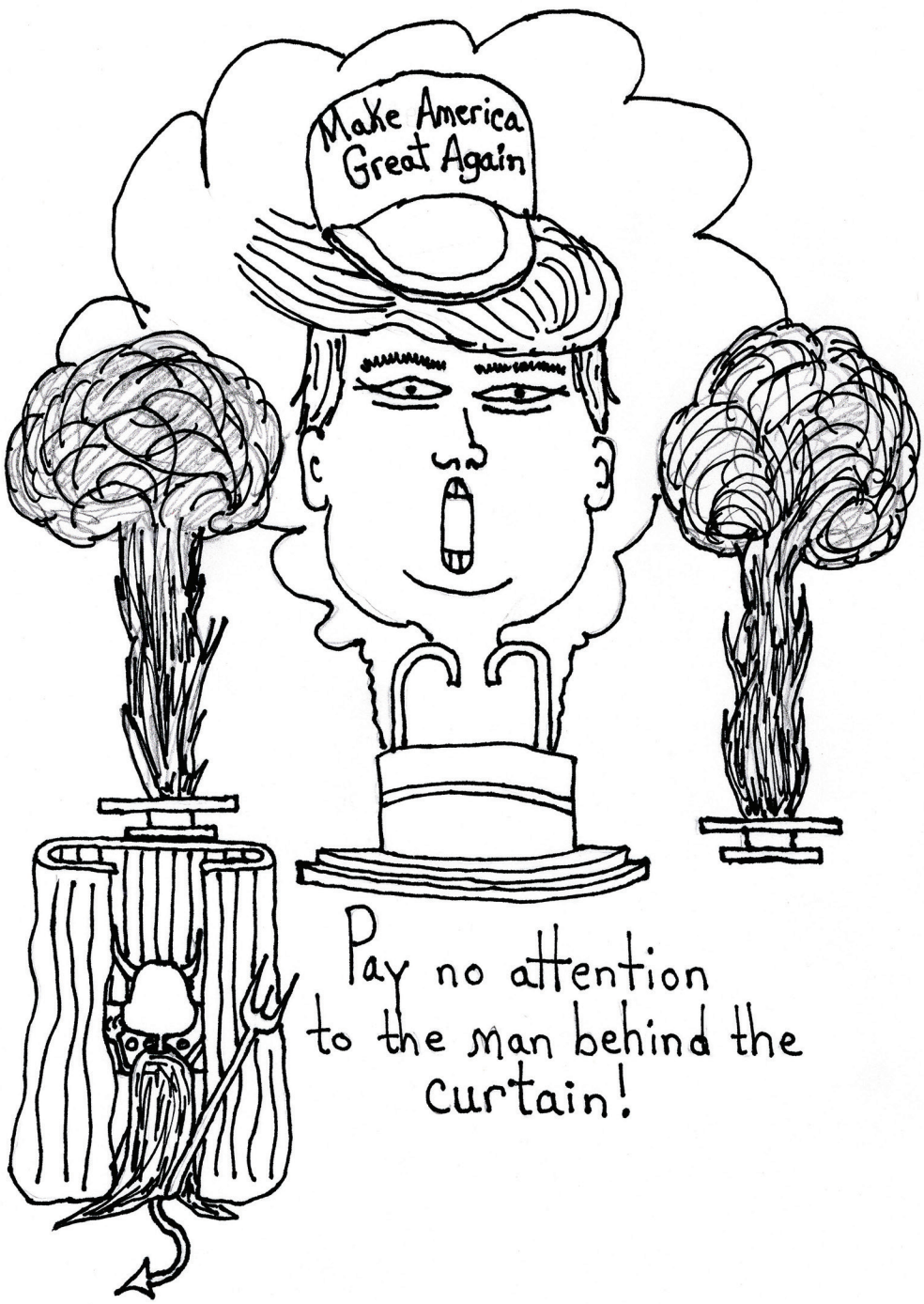

LGBTQ
Too many graves


And it is my transition that scares you?


I want to
be as
comfortable
with myself
as trees
seem to be

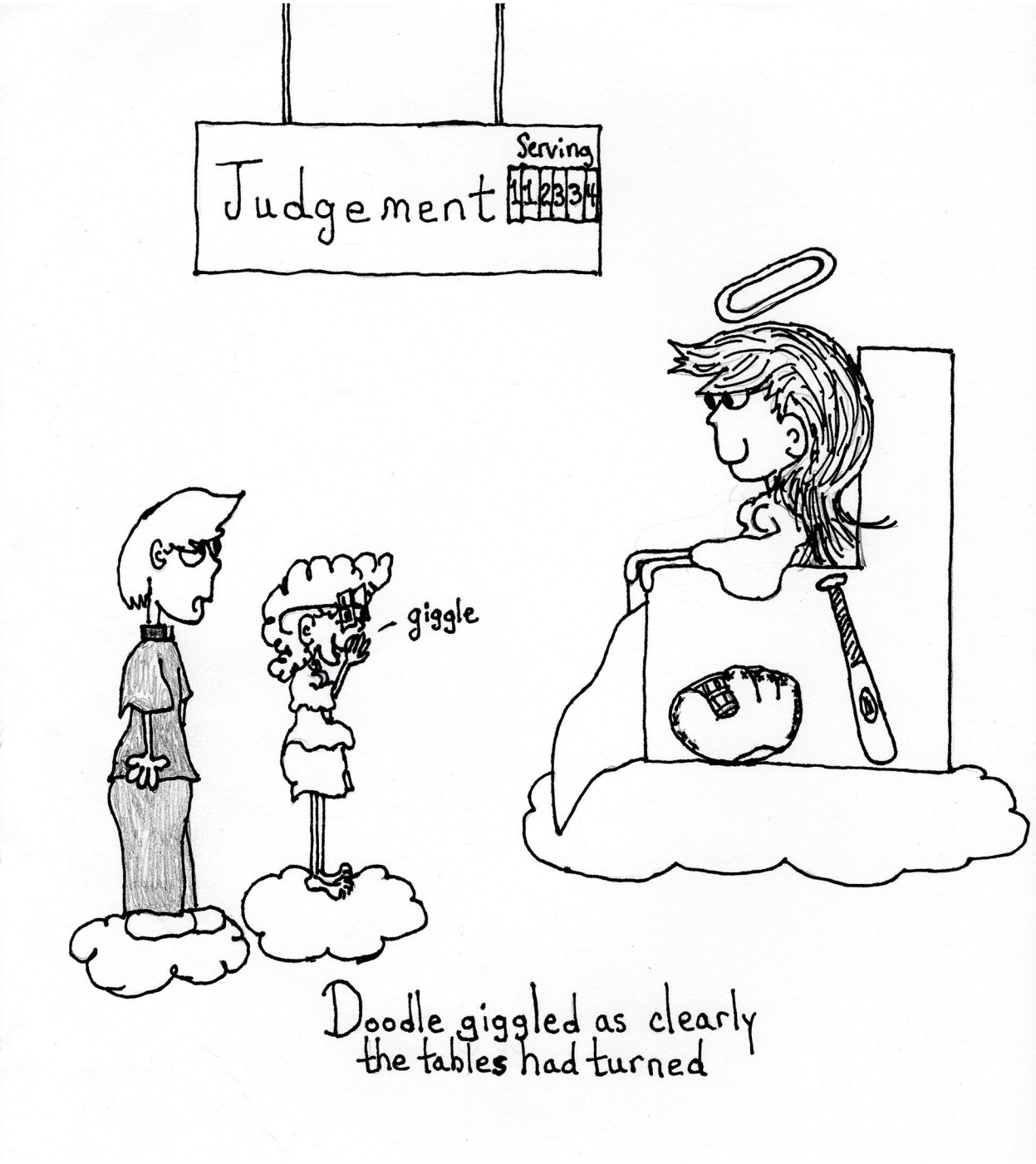


Trump Youth
Seem familiar?

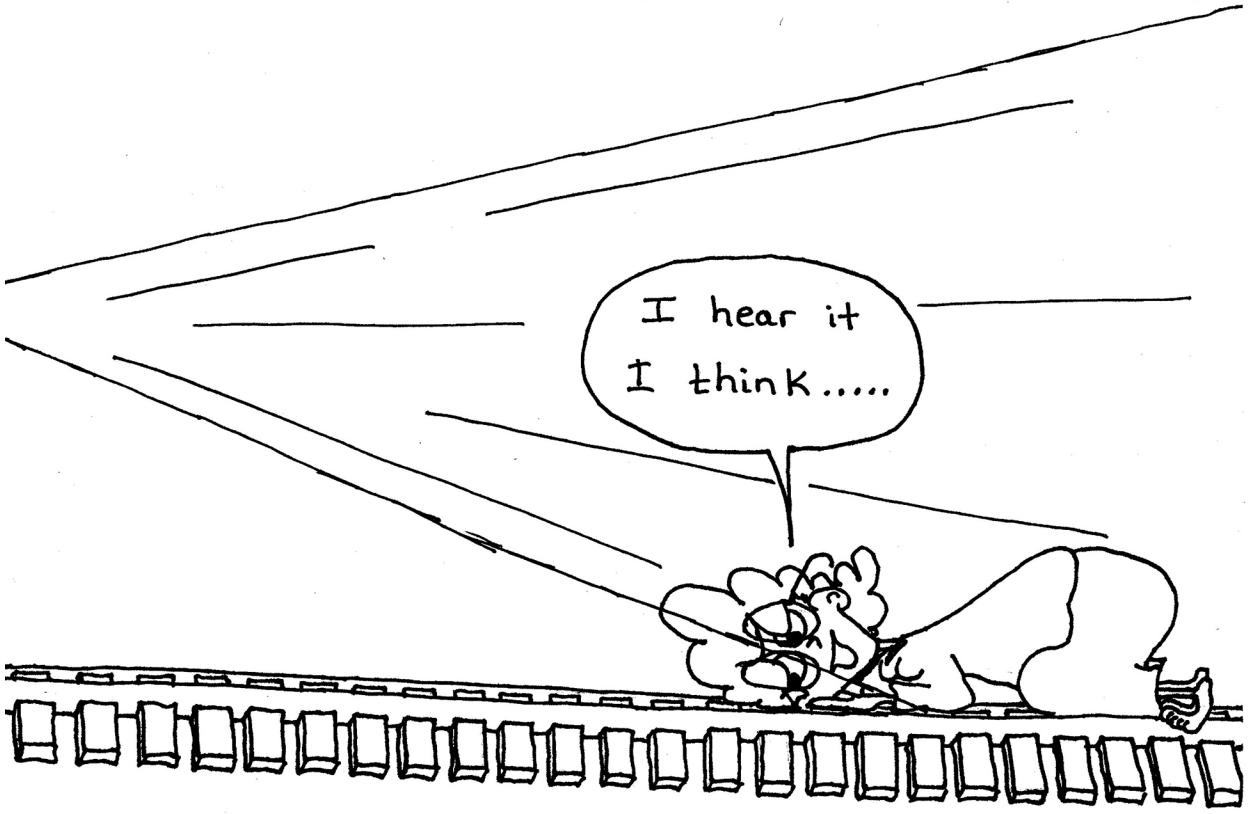

Make America Great Again
Pay no attention to the man behind the curtain!



I just needed to see him speak Spanish

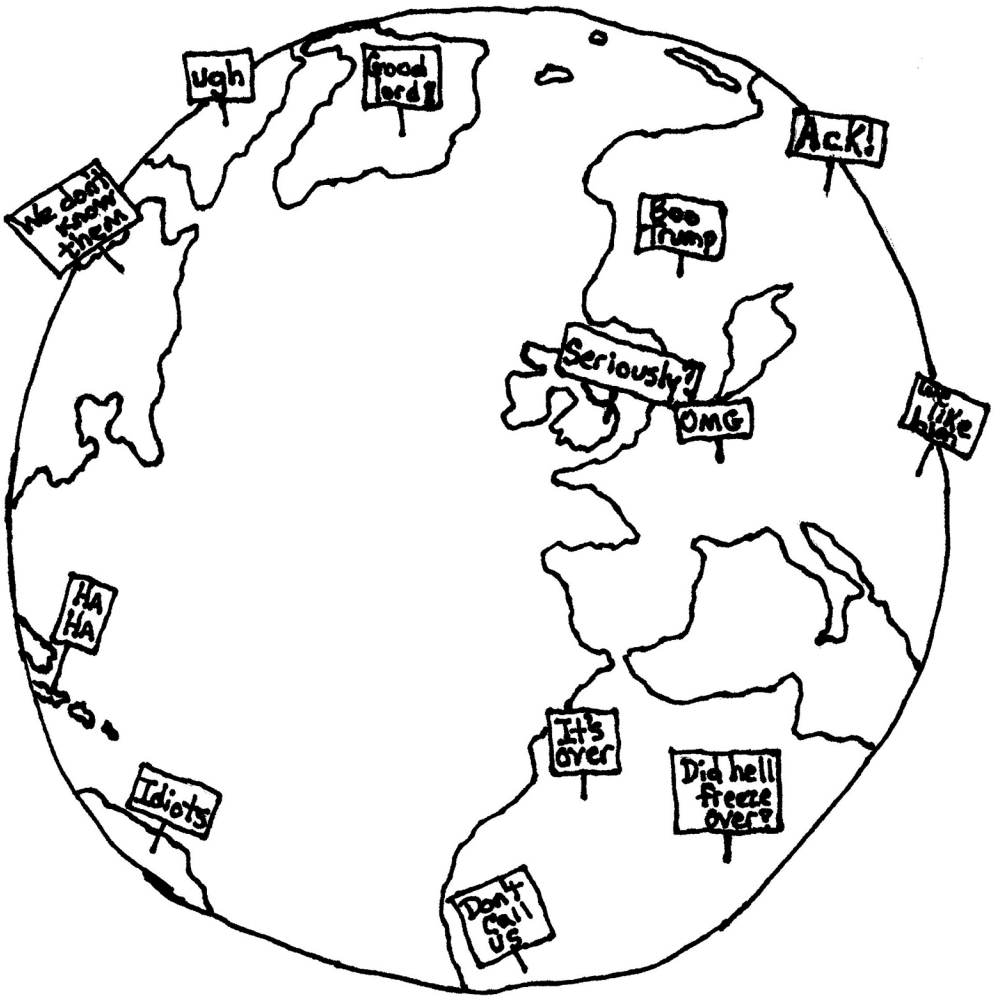

Judgement
Serving
1 1 2 3 3 4
giggle
Doodle giggled as clearly
the tables had turned


doodles
are how I
Texas Two Step
with God

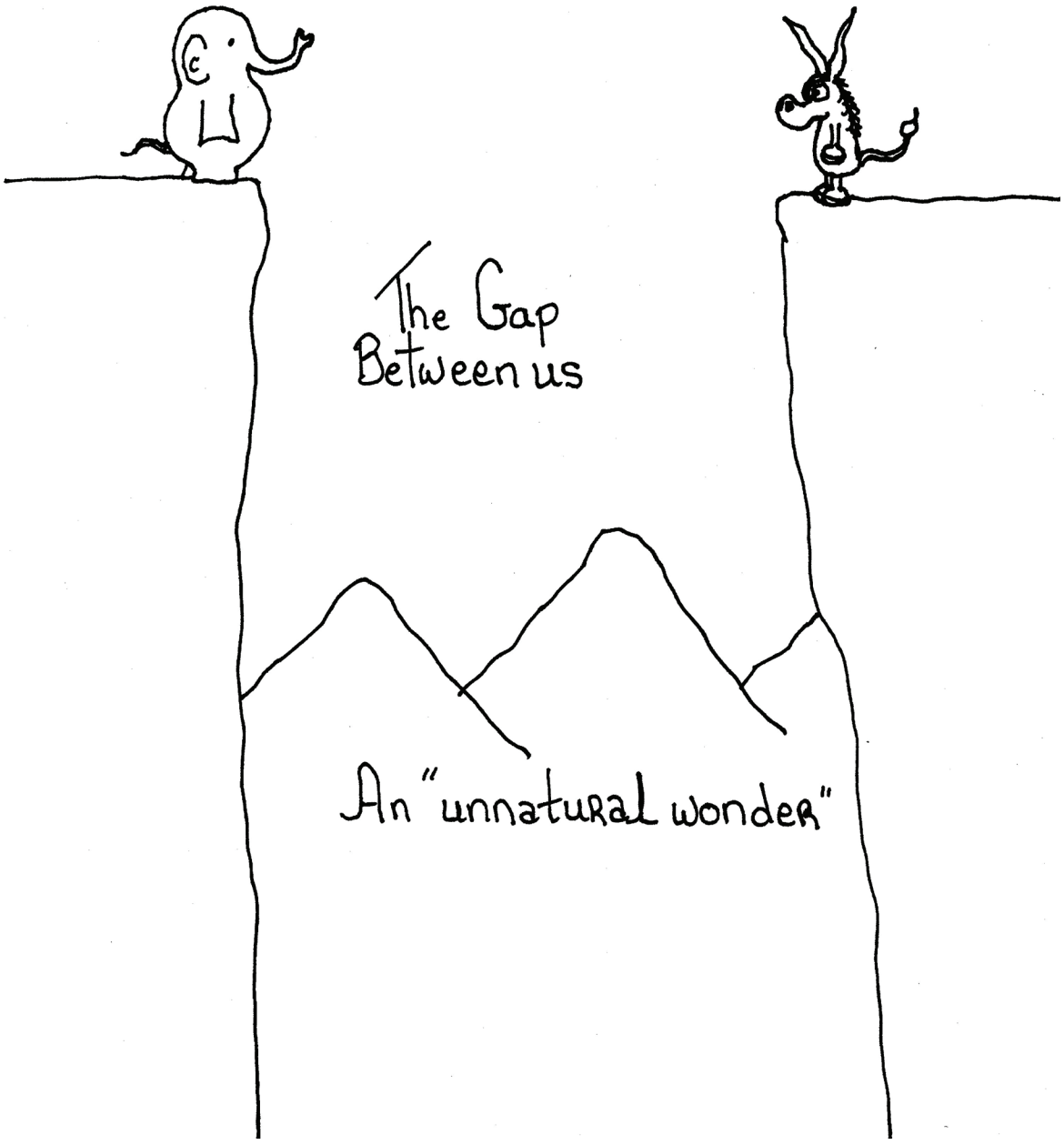


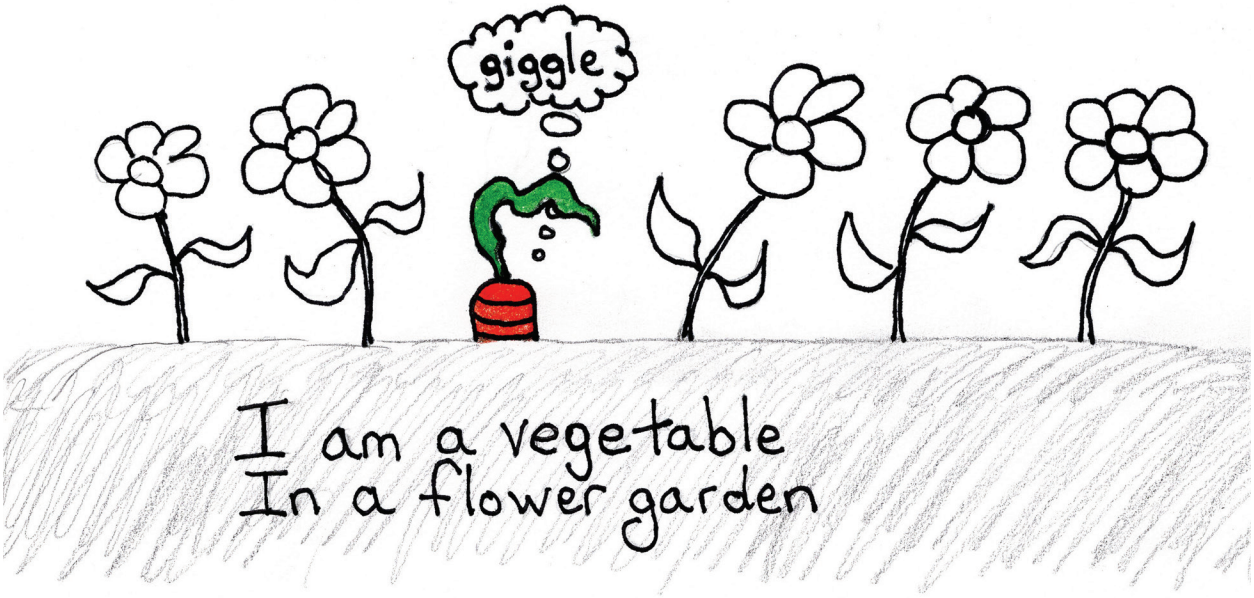
I don't see things coming

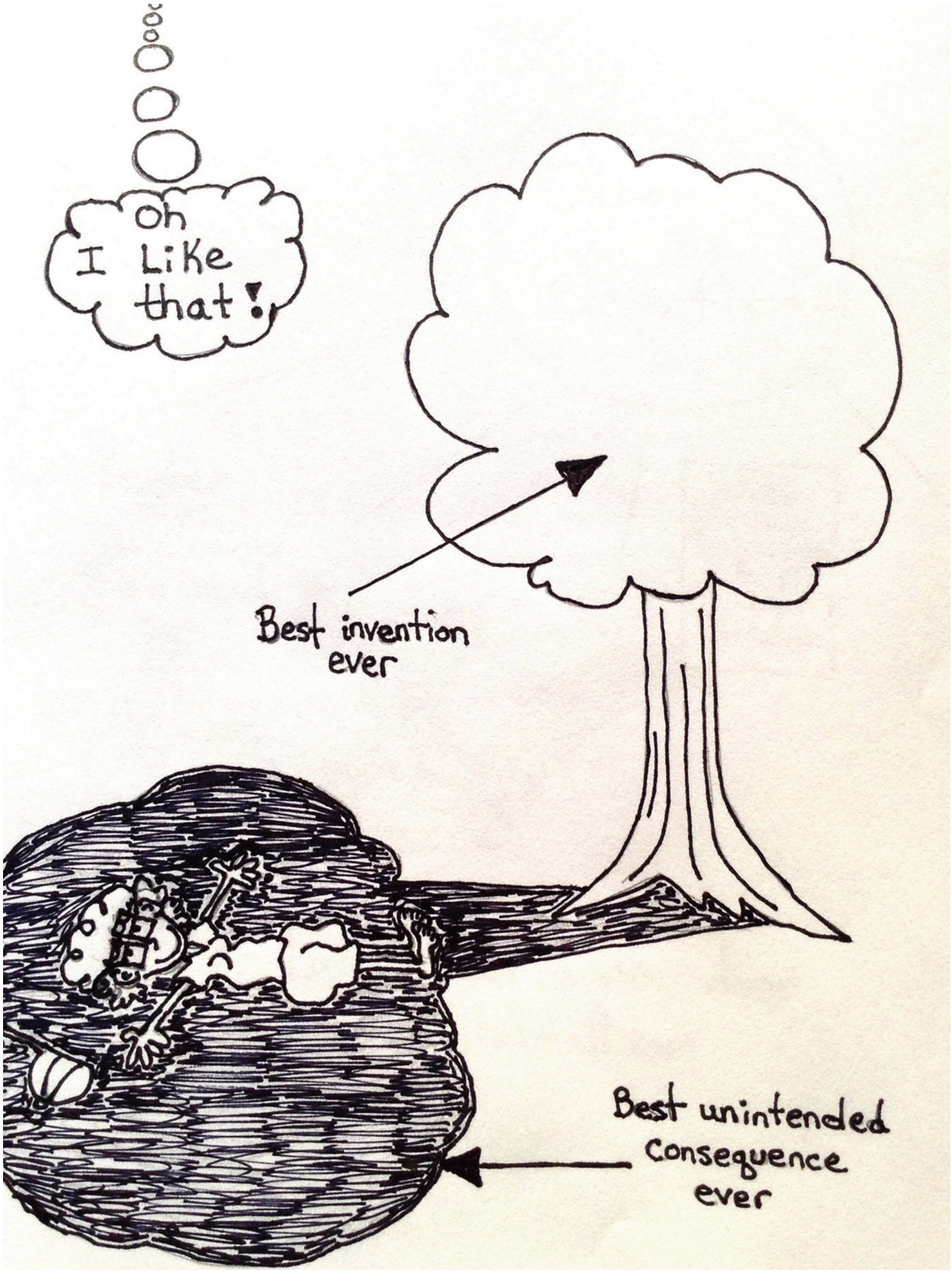

What Russians?

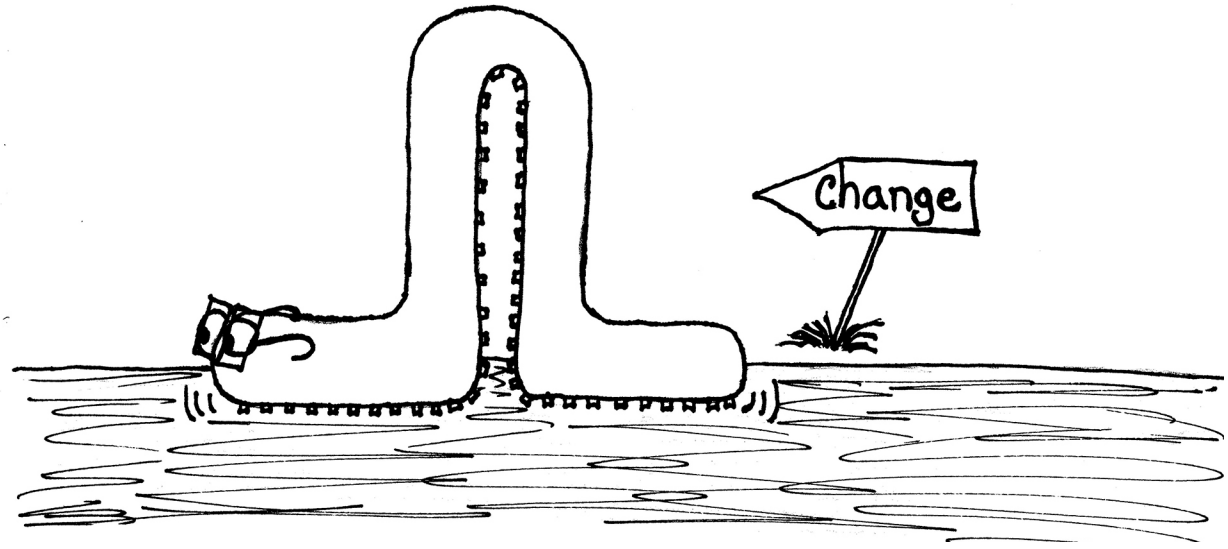


An American President that unites the World


The Gap
Between us
An "unnatural wonder"

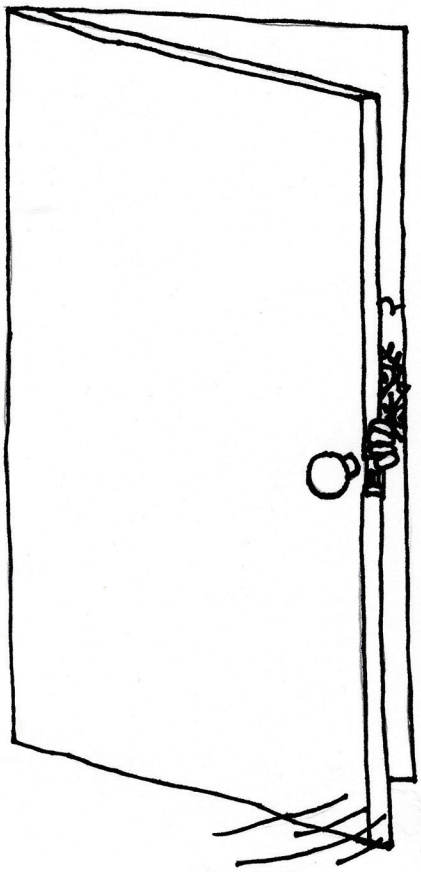

giggle
I am a vegetable
In a flower garden


Oh I Like that!
Best invention ever
Best unintended consequence ever


Change



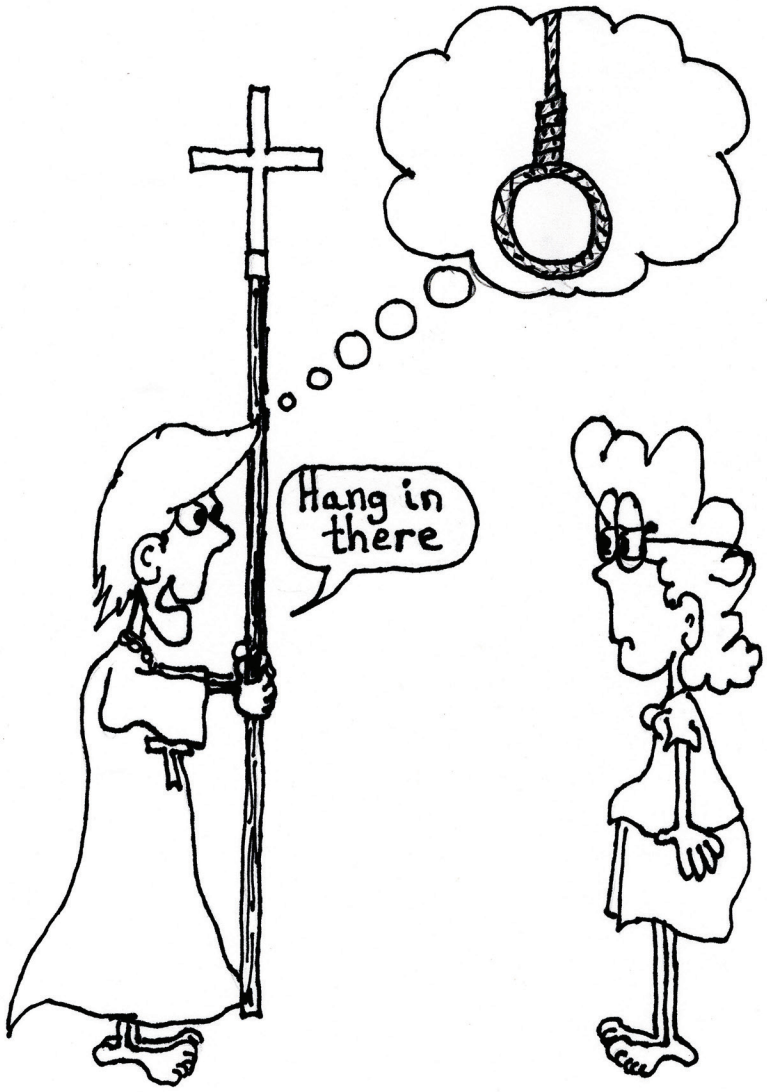
When your hatred needs a visual



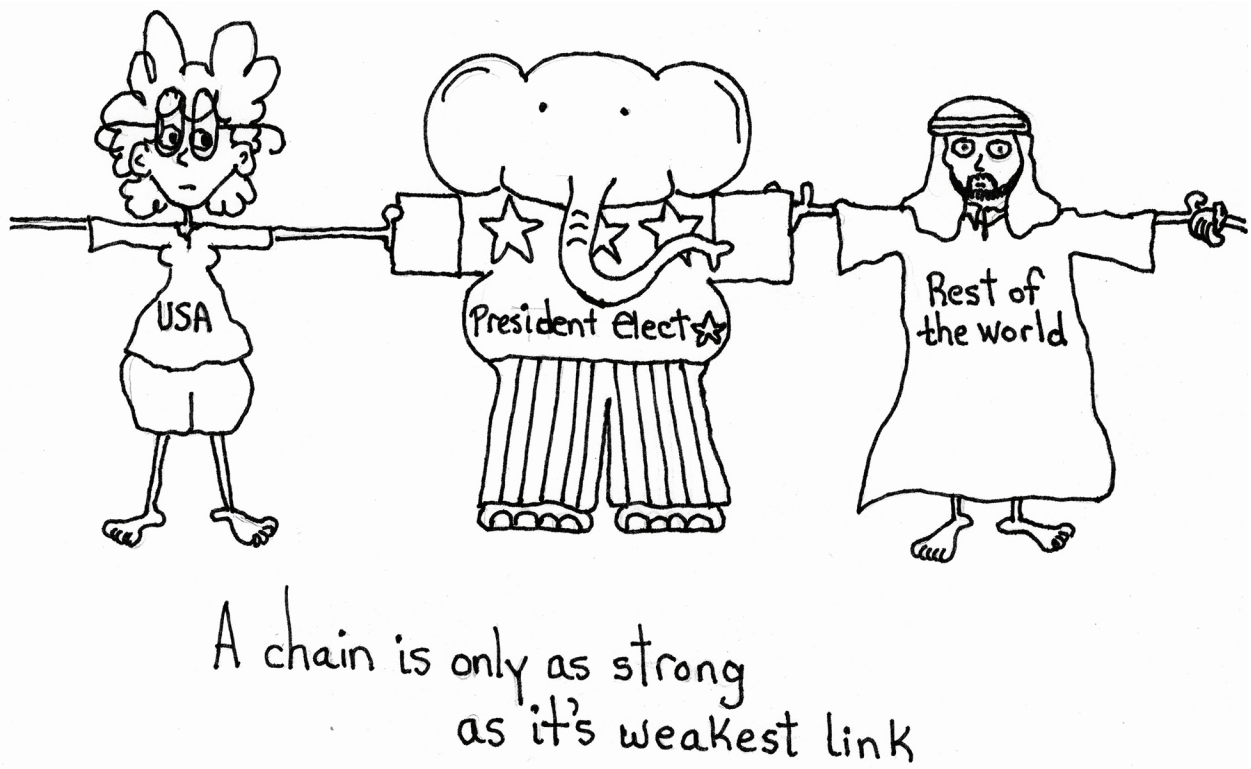
Closets. Where dreams go to die.



Wandering leads to marvelous friendships

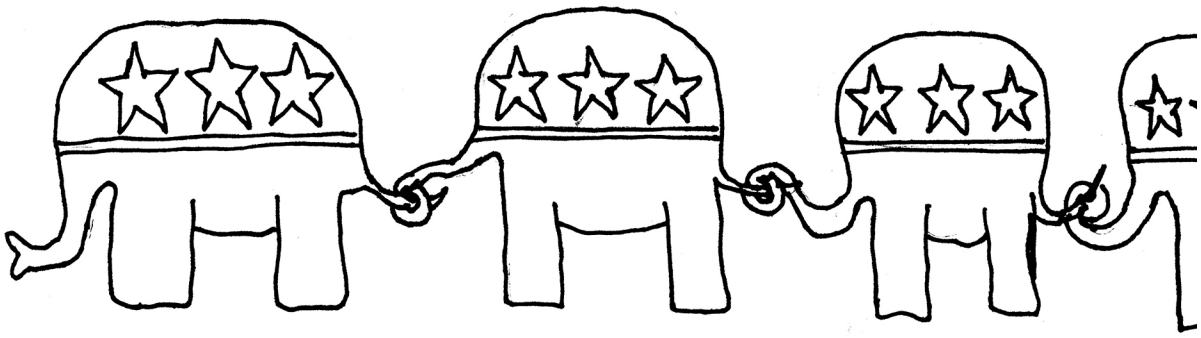


I wouldn't waste the penny

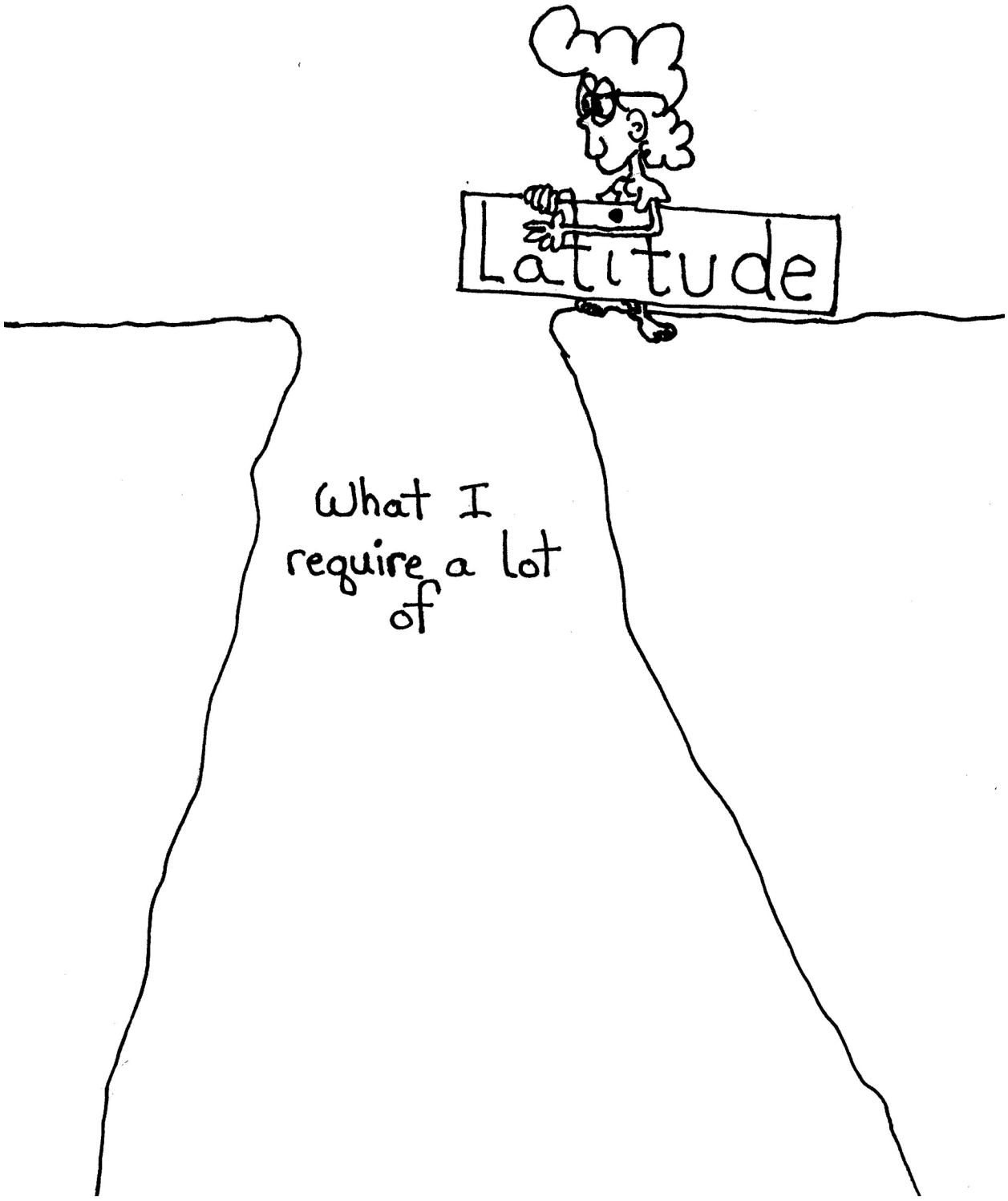

USA
President Elect
Rest of the world
A chain is only as strong as it's weakest link



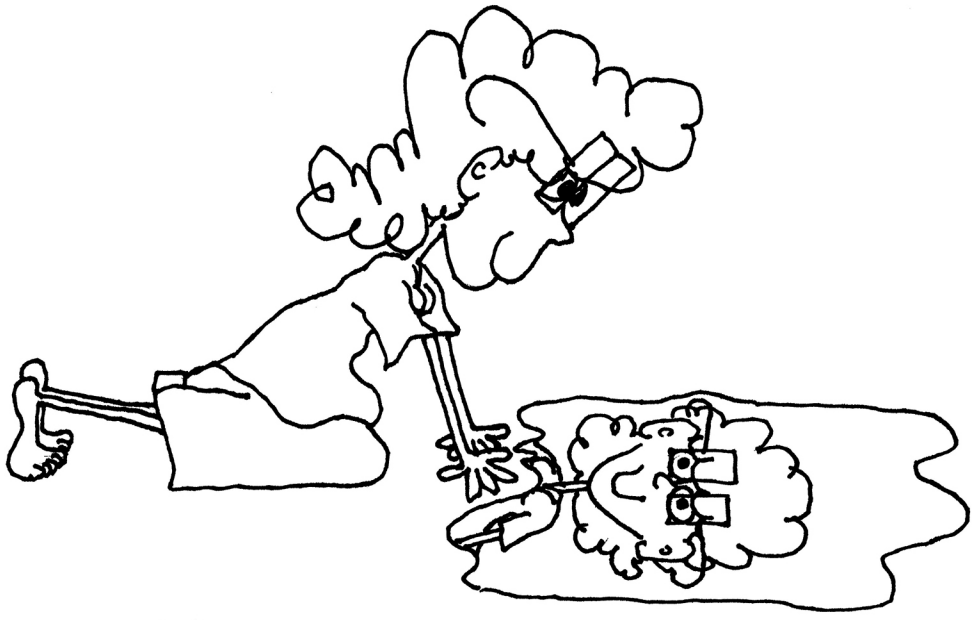
Whats it cost to be nice?



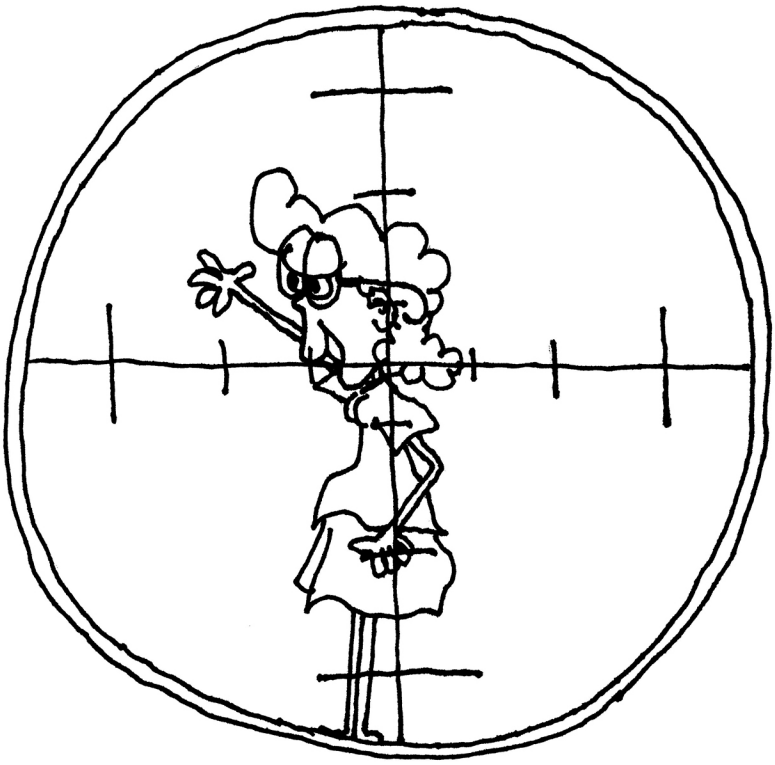
It's the independent thought I most admire


Latitude
What I require a lot of

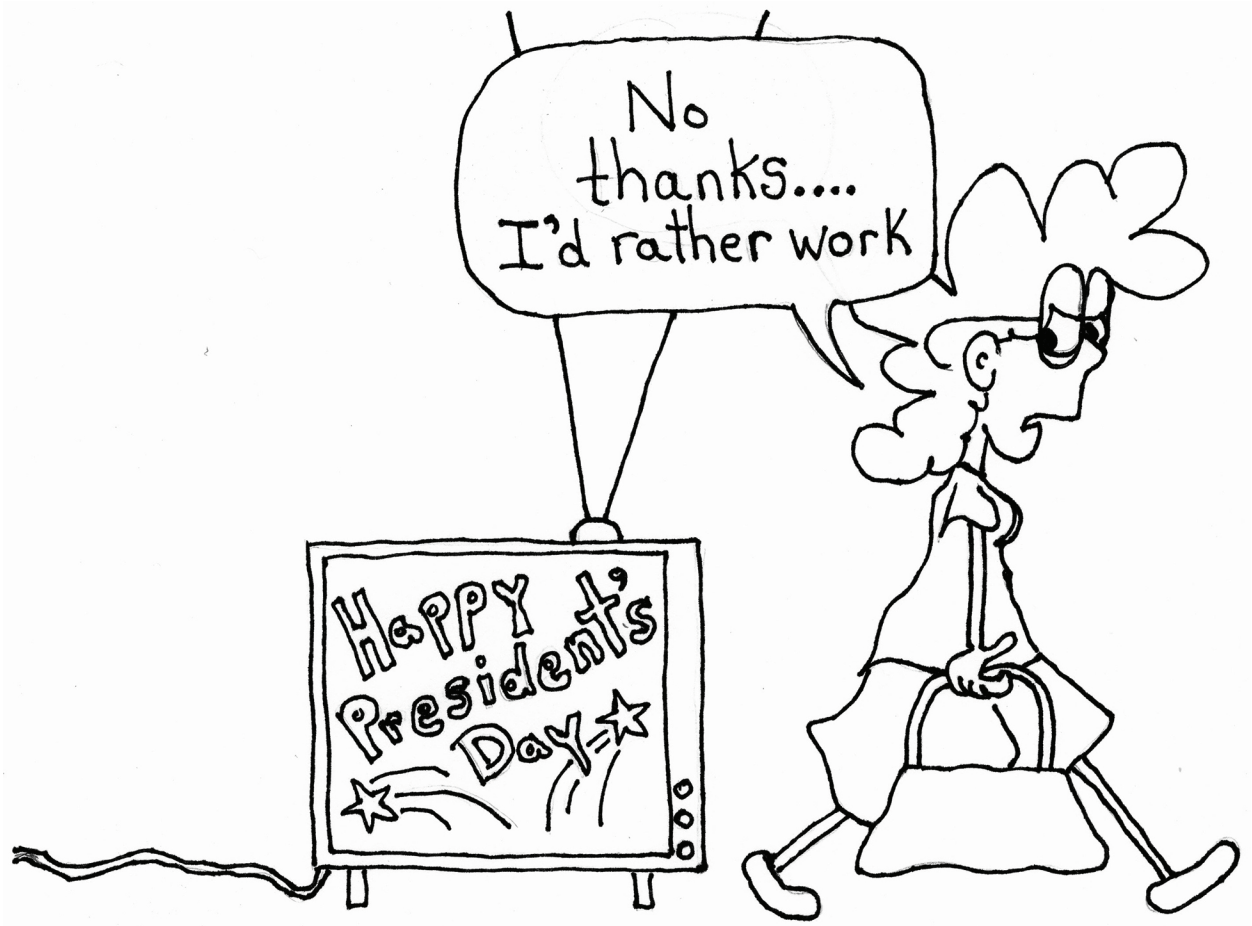

Sometimes even I can't believe I said what I said



You need to like what you see



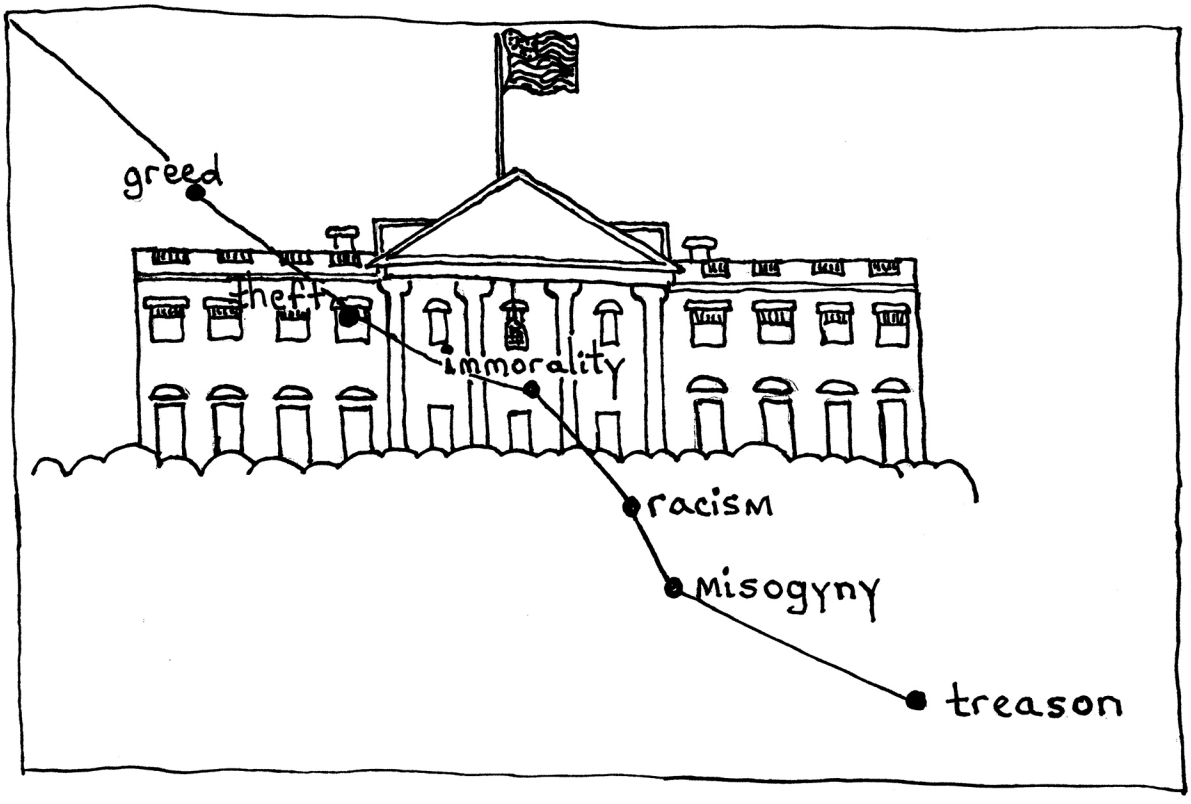
When did "different" become "enemy"



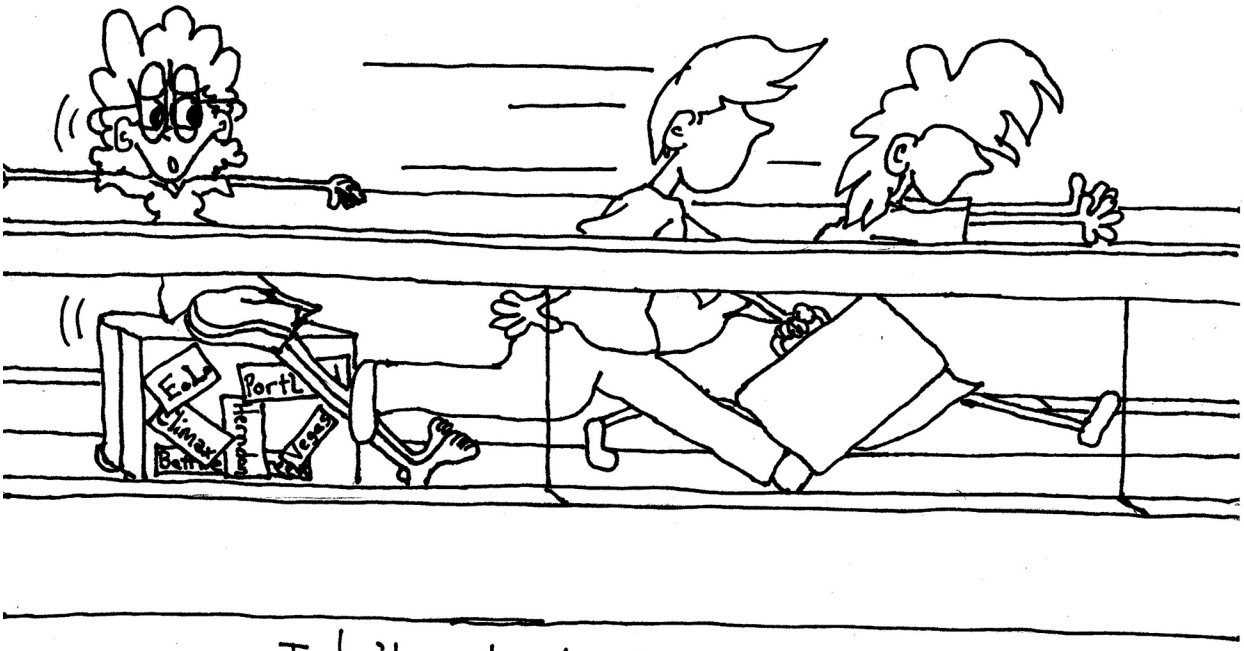
Where I draw the line



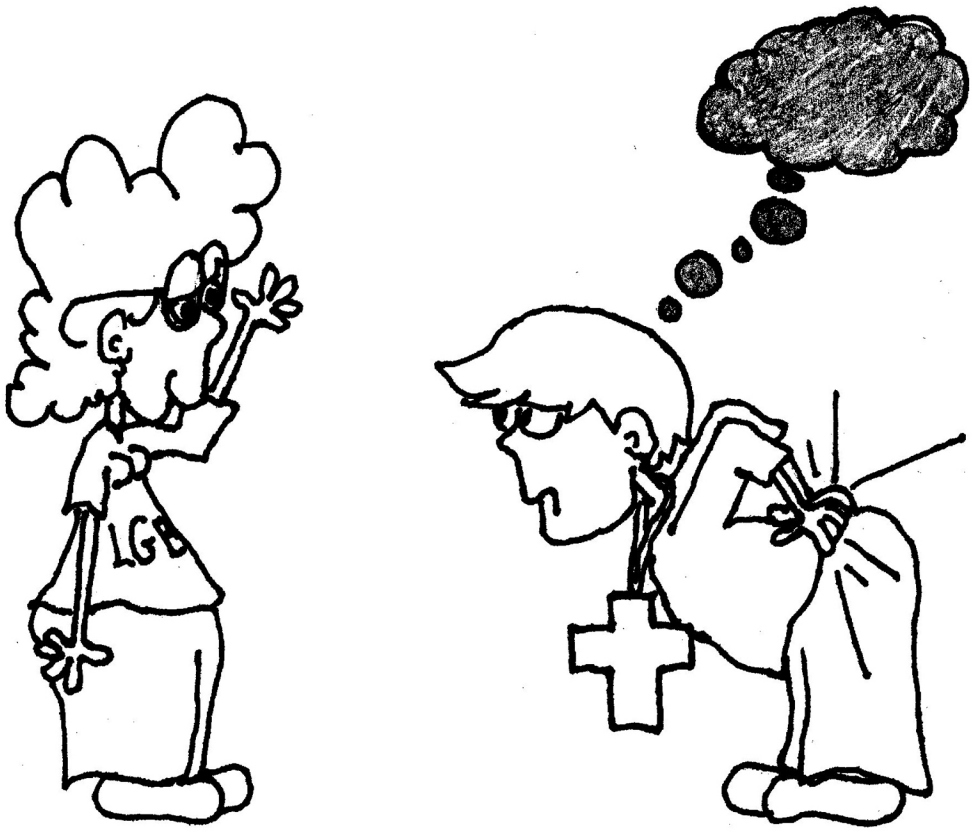
Which horse do you want in your neighborhood?



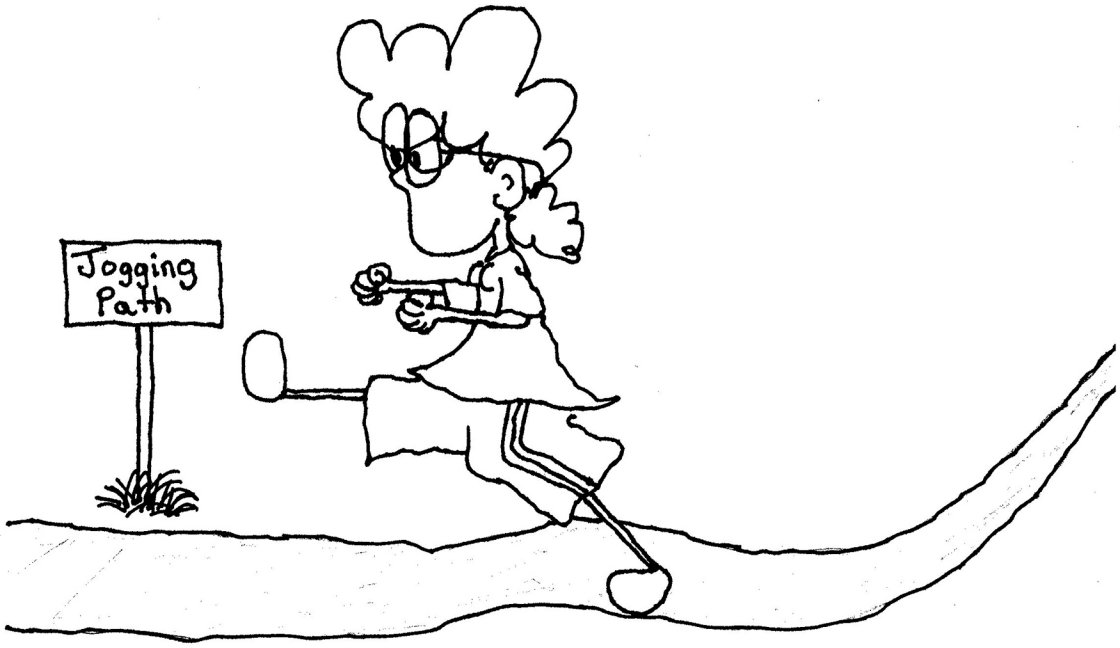
A house with plummeting value



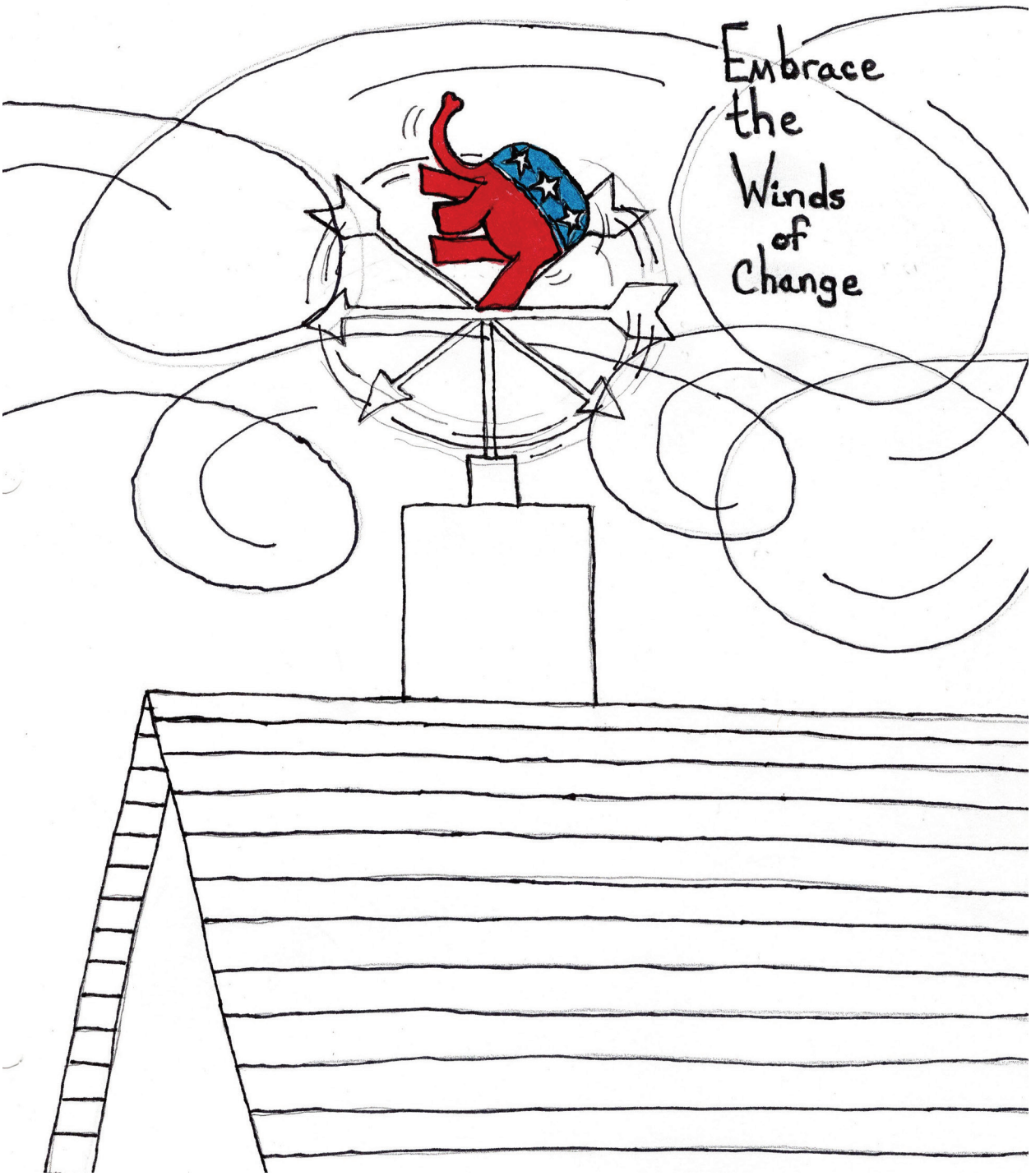
I don't understand running on something that's already moving

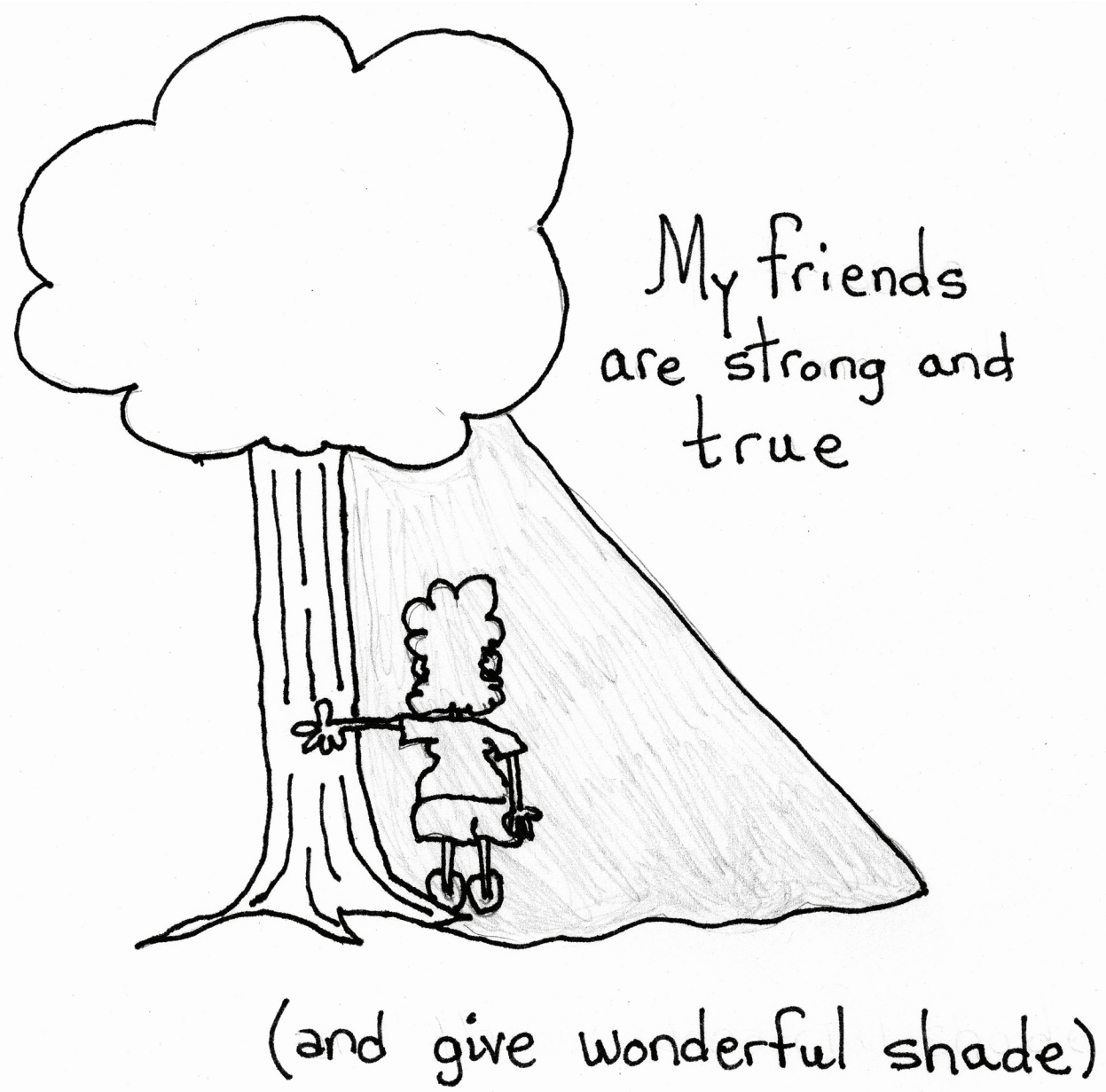


Why Christians are cross?
God dabbles in wordplay.



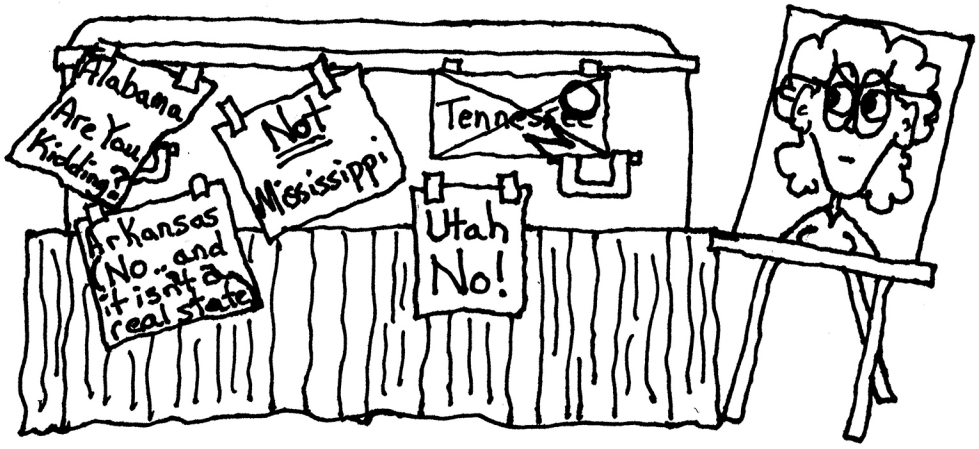
I don't understand a sport
with no score


Embrace
the
Winds
of
Change

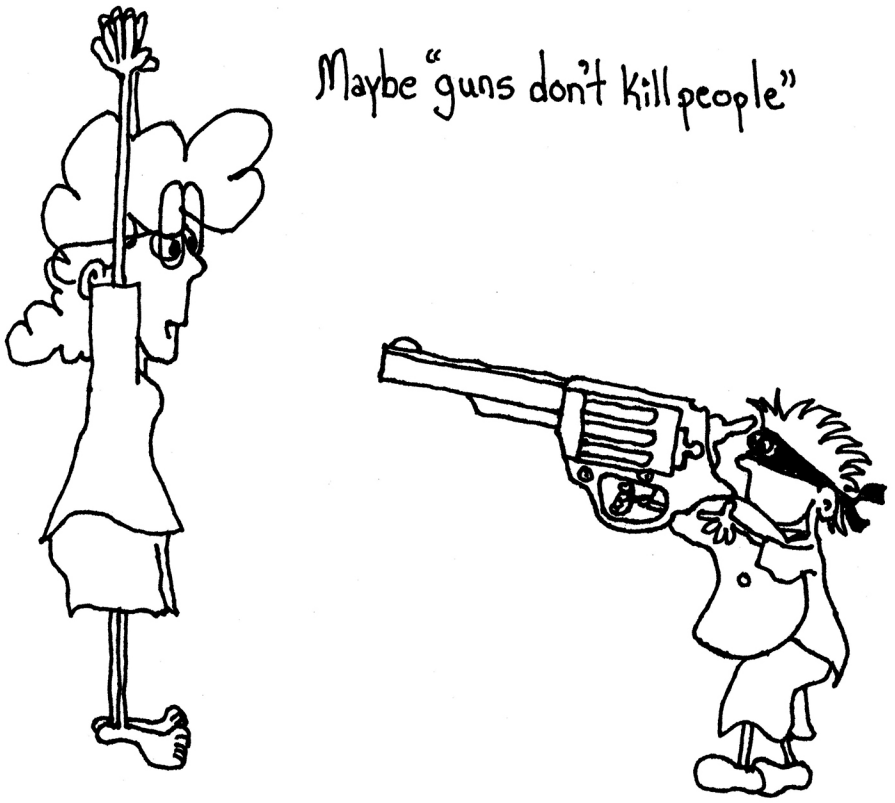

My friends
are strong and
true
(and give wonderful shade)

Works out well....

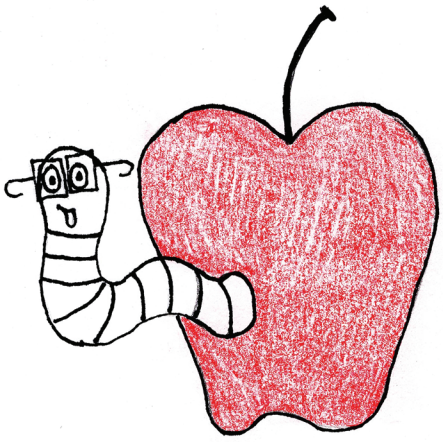
The states that hate transgender adults & children



I wouldn't be caught dead in

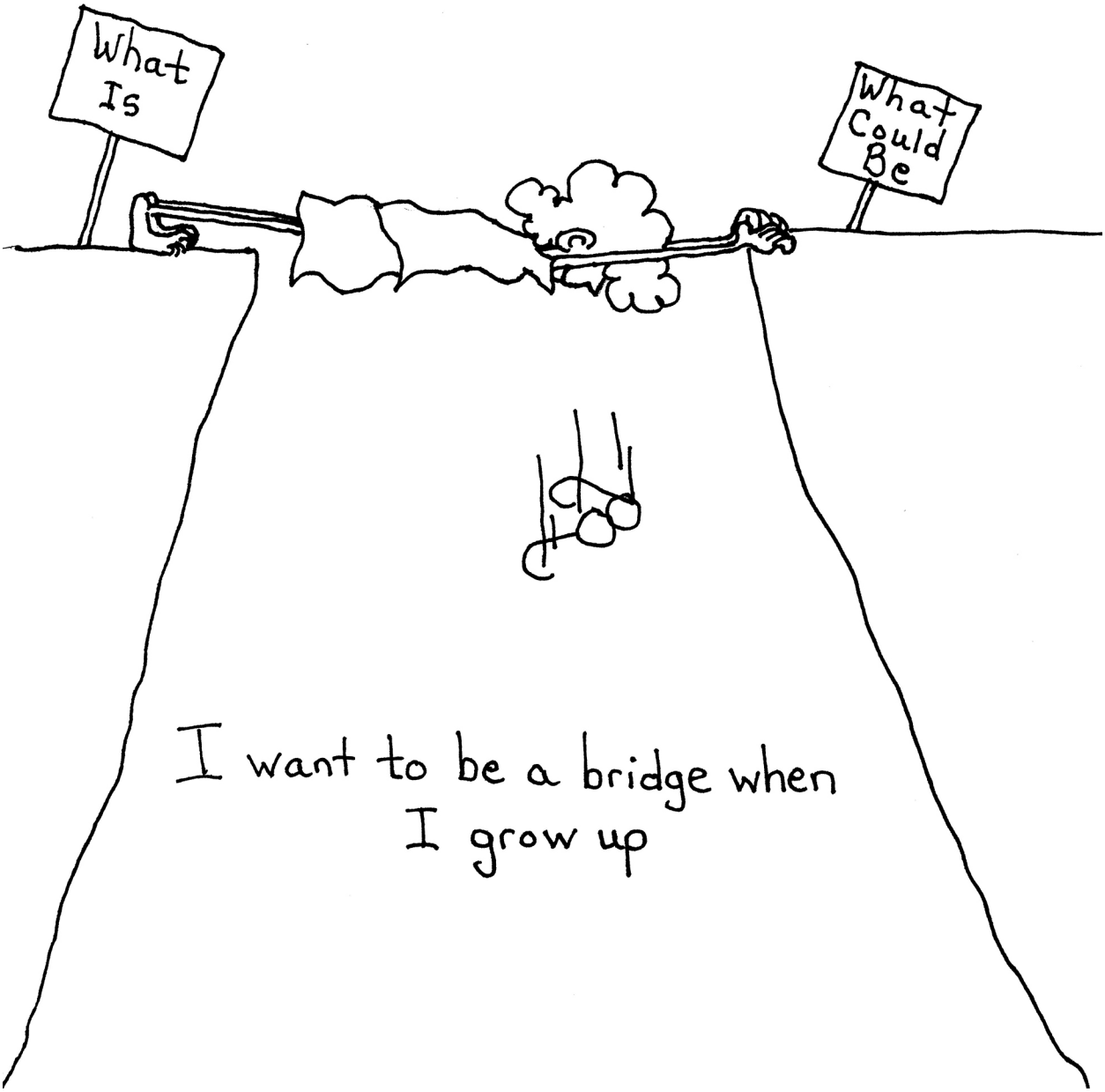


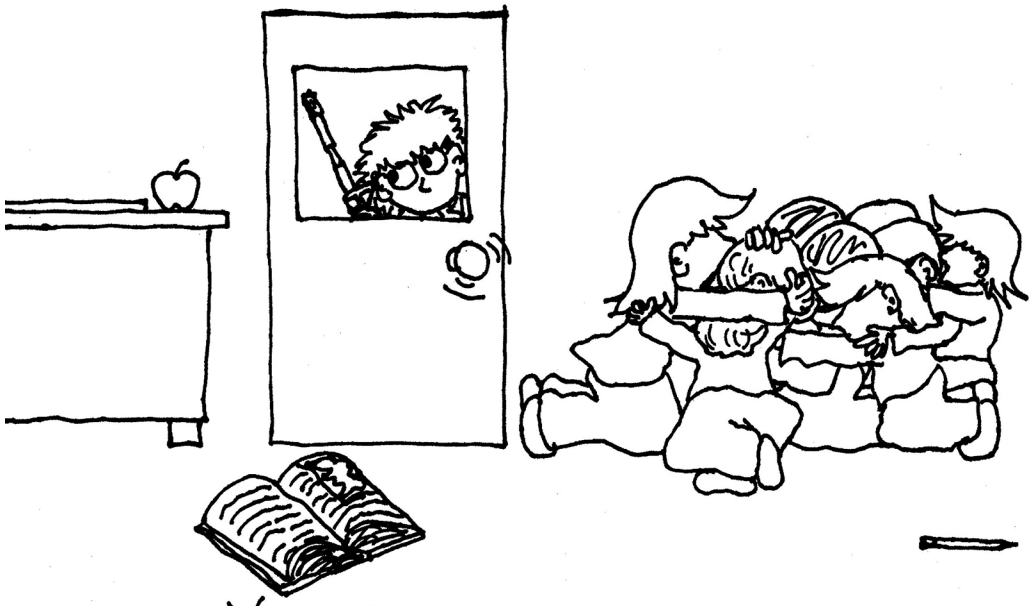
But they are certainly
World Class enablers



Sometimes I am unintentionally the worm


It's a Trump!
JULY IV MDCCLXX
The worst part is over right?


What Is
What Could Be
I want to be a bridge when I grow up



Your 2nd Amendment at work

The fountain of youth is a garden hose between innings

