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DAVEY MUCKLEBONES WAS BORN INTO THE GREAT SNOWY MTN. HORDE IN CALIFORNIA. HE GRADUATED FROM THE WARREN SCHOOL AND STUDIED JOURNALISM AT BUTTE COLLEGE, BUT DROPPED OUT CITING THE CURRICULUM BEING TOO STIFLING AND HUMAN CENTRIC. MOVING NORTH DAVEY CONTINUES TO DRAW AND WRITE SONGS AND VERSE. HE LIVES IN BELLINGHAM WITH HIS CAT ANCHOVY.



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GOB GAB WITH DAVEY MUCKLEBONES

THIS BEING OUR FIRST ISSUE I'D LIKE TO START WITH WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO HERE AT M.U.G. AS THE PREMIER GOBLIN LIFESTYLE ZINE IN THE AREA, WE NOT ONLY HOPE TO GIVE VOICE TO THE LOCAL GOB POPULATION BUT ALSO TRY TO BRIDGE THE GAP BETWEEN COMMUNITIES BY ILLUMINATING OUR DIFFERENCES AND HIGHLIGHTING OUR SIMILARITIES.

IN THIS AGE OF MARGINALIZED AND PERSECUTED PEOPLES, GOBLINS HAVE UNFAIRLY CARRIED A DEMONIZED REPUTATION PERPETUATED BY DOMINANT HUMAN SOCIETY FOR TOO LONG. FOR THOUSANDS OF YEARS GOBLINS HAVE BEEN SCORNE, HUNTED AND KILLED IN FOREST, HEATH, MOUNTAIN AND BOG. WHERE HUMANS DIDN'T WANT TO BE, WE MADE OUR HOMES AND STILL SUFFERED THE REPERCUSSIONS OF XENOPHOBIA.

IN MODERN MEDIA WE'VE BEEN UNFAIRLY DEPICTED AS VICIOUS, GREEDY, BLOODTHIRSTY IMPS, THE THRALLS OF DEMONS AND WARLOCKS, HELLBENT ON HUMAN GORE AND DESTRUCTION. THIS IS FAR FROM THE TRUTH. WE ARE SURVIVORS. WE ARE FIERCELY LOYAL TO OUR FAMILIES AND CLANS. WE'RE STAUNCH DEFENDERS OF NATURE AND THE OLD PLACES, FOR THERE IS MAGIC AND BEAUTY THERE. WE'RE YOUR NEIGHBORS AND COWORKERS. WE WORK YOUR FARMS, COOK YOUR FOOD, PICK UP YOUR GARBAGE. AND WE WANT THE SAME THINGS YOU DO, SECURITY, DIGNITY AND LOVE.

WE CAN'T CHANGE THE PAST, CAN'T ERASE THE CENTURIES OF HATE AND BLOODSHED, BUT WE DON'T HAVE TO REPEAT IT. TO THAT END WE INVITE EVERYONE TO PICK UP OUR LITTLE RAG AND TAKE A LOOK AT WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE SHARE.

M.U.G. ISN'T JUST A GOBLIN LIFESTYLE ZINE, IT'S OUR HOPE THAT IN THESE PAGES WE CAN START THE CONVERSATION OF HOW WE HEAL THE PAST AND BUILD A FUTURE WE ALL WANT TO BE A PART OF. IN MY COLUMN GOB GAB I'D LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU THE READER AND ADDRESS THE ISSUES WE FACE IN OUR SHARED STRUGGLE TO COEXIST. JOIN US, WON'T YOU?

ROCK AND AWE

WITH TRIXIE SPLIVENS



IN 1982 S.O.N (SONS OF NURNEN) FORMED IN FT WORTH TEXAS, DEBUTING THEIR FIRST ALBUM, TOWERS FALL. BUT IT WASN'T JUST THEIR RAW, AGGRESSIVE ENERGY THAT ANCHORED THEM AS THE GENRE DEFINING ACT THEY WOULD BECOME. WHAT SET THEM APART WAS THE BAND'S LINEUP, CONSISTING OF BLIX KEGRIB (VOCALS) GONK ERLKING (GUITAR) WILL HAMMER (BASS) AND TONY BASH (DRUMS). S.O.N. WAS THE FIRST GOBLIN/HUMAN HARDCORE BAND, SETTING THE STAGE FOR BANDS TO COME LIKE MORGUL METH CULT, TUSK DUSTERS AND MAGGOT POTION. TOURING TO SUPPORT THEIR SEVENTH ALBUM, DIASPORA, I CAUGHT UP WITH S.O.N. AFTER THEIR RECENT SHOW AT THE NEEDLE GARDEN.

TRIXIE- "YOU GUYS WERE THE FIRST TO COMBINE GOBLIN AND HUMAN FORCES IN PUNK. HOW DID IT START?"

GONK- "BLIX AND ME WOULD LEARN SONGS OFF THE RADIO AND PLAY FOR OUR FRIENDS UNTIL OUR PARENTS WOULD CHASE US OUTSIDE WITH KNIVES. WE WENT TO SHOWS ALL OVER THE NORTH SIDE. HAMMER AND BASH WERE IN THIS BAND BOTTLE VALOR, WE SAW AT A HOUSE SHOW. THEY WERE PRETTY GOOD."

HAMMER- "WE SUCKED. I MEAN IT WAS FUN, BUT IT WAS JUST DRUNK PUNK. ME AND BASH STARTED GOING TO THE SHOWS OUT IN THE WARRENS. THERE WAS SOMETHING PRIMAL, VISCERAL ABOUT THE SOUND."

BASH- "WE'D GO TO GOBLIN SHOWS, THEY'D COME TO OURS. WE WERE ALL POOR. WE ALL HATED THE COPS, THE REDNECKS, THE GOVERNMENT. MUSIC WAS ALL WE HAD."

BLIX- "OUR WARREN THREW A BIG WAREHOUSE SHOW. BEER, BBQ, MUSIC AND EVERYTHING. GONK AND ME PLAYED OUR SONGS AND HAMMER AND BASH SHOWED UP. WE RECOGNIZED THEM, ASKED IF THEY WANTED TO JAM, THAT WAS IT. WE NEVER THOUGHT IT'D TURN INTO THIS, BUT HERE WE ARE."

FORTYTHREE YEARS ON S.O.N. ARE STILL GOING STRONG. STILL SELLING OUT SHOWS TO VEST WEARING HORDES OF BEER CHUGGING GOBLINS AND PEOPLE ALIKE. STILL REMINDING US THAT THOUGH THE MUSIC BRINGS US TOGETHER IT ISN'T ALL WE HAVE. WE SHARE OUR CITIES, PLIGHT AND SPIRIT OF DISSENT.

BANDS, SHE ENJOYS EXPLORING RUINS, SPOKEN WORD, EROTIC FOOD PHOTOGRAPHY. HATES MEN WHO VAPE, WIZARDS, AND HAS A MORBID FEAR OF UNICORNS.



TRIXIE IS 29, 4 FT 8, 115 POUNDS. MEASUREMENTS: SHE TOLD US TO GO FUCK OURSELVES. BORN INTO THE MOUNT RAINIER HORDE, SCHOOLED AT SKYLINE,



NASTY THOUGHTS W/ SNOTTY PIMPLIN



STOP TRYING SO HARD

EVERYONE HAS BEEN BITCHING ABOUT THE PERFORMATIVE BEHAVIOR OF HUMANS TOWARDS GOBLINS AND IT BOTHERS THE SHIT OUT OF ME TOO. BUT I LOOK AT IT FROM THE BIGGER PICTURE.

THE REFORMS THAT TOOK PLACE THAT ALLOWED FOR PEOPLE AND GOBLINS TO ATTEND THE SAME SCHOOLS MEANT THAT BOTH HUMANS AND GOBLINS WERE LEARNING TOGETHER ABOUT OUR SHARED HISTORY, INCLUDING THE MORIA GENOCIDE. SITTING IN CLASS NEXT TO THE DESCENDANTS OF THOSE WHO KILLED YOUR GOBLIN ANCESTORS IS AWKWARD, TO SAY THE LEAST.



BUT WE LIVE IN A MUCH MORE LIBERAL SOCIETY, AND SO THE HUMANS FEEL GUILTY, LEARNING HOW THEIR ANCESTORS BRUTALLY MURDERED OUR OWN. SO THEY LOOK AT US AND THINK THEY OWE US SOMETHING. THEY THINK THEY HAVE TO MAKE UP FOR THE PAST AND MAKE US FEEL SAFE AND ACCEPTED.

SO THEY TRY HARDER WITH US IN SOCIAL SITUATIONS, AND IT'S STRANGE AND IT FEELS WEIRD, AND IT CERTAINLY DOES FEEL PERFORMATIVE.

BUT I'M HERE TO SAY THAT IT'S NOT THEIR FAULT, AND THAT INSTEAD OF JUDGING BELLINGHAM AS HATEFUL OF OUR KIND, IT'S PROBABLY BETTER TO OPEN UP A CONVERSATION ABOUT IT. I FOR ONE, AS A GOBLIN, PREFER TO BE TREATED NORMALLY. JUST A REGULAR "WHAT'S UP, DUDE?" A SIMPLE CHIN NOD TO ACKNOWLEDGE ME AND SAY HELLO. I DON'T NEED THE PRETEND OVER-INTEREST IN ME, OR THE CONSTANT AND WEIRD EYE CONTACT AND YAPPY CONVERSATION, WHEN I CAN TELL YOU'RE UNCOMFORTABLE AND JUST WANT TO LEAVE WITHOUT SEEMING AWKWARD.

WELL GUESS WHAT, YOU ARE SEEMING AWKWARD. YOU STANDING THERE TRYING TOO HARD ISN'T GOING TO MAKE UP FOR THE FACT THAT MY GRANDPA SNICKLE BUTT WOUND UP WITH HIS HEAD ON A SPIKE. SO JUST STOP IT ALREADY! AND I'D LIKE TO HEAR FROM THE HUMANS ON THIS TOPIC AS WELL. WE SHOULD ALWAYS TALK OPENLY ABOUT THESE ISSUES, RATHER THAN LET THEM SIMMER INSIDE. I'M TIRED OF ALL THE GOBLIN GOSSIP WHERE WE DO NOTHING BUT COMPLAIN ABOUT THE PEOPLE AROUND OUR COMMUNITY. I THINK WE'LL ALL FIND OUR COMMUNITY WILL GROW AND HEAL FROM TALKING DIRECTLY ABOUT THIS STUFF TOGETHER.

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FEEDING A WARREN ON A BUDGET CAN BE A DAUNTING TASK, AS YOU KNOW, BUT LIMITED INGREDIENTS AND FUNDS DOESN'T MEAN YOU HAVE TO BREAK THE BANK TO MAKE IT DANK. AS WE ALL KNOW THE POOR HAVE BEEN THE DRIVING FORCE BEHIND FOOD INNOVATION FOREVER AND WITH A LITTLE CUNNING AND CREATIVITY ONE CAN THROW TOGETHER A DISH BOTH FILLING AND SATISFYING. SUCH IS THE NATURE OF THE CASSEROLE AND THIS ONE IS SURE TO TURN HEADS AND MAYBE A STOMACH OR TWO AT YOUR NEXT BIG FEED.

MANHATTAN STYLE TUNA NOODLE CASSEROLE

4-6 PACKS RAMEN NOODLES, RESERVE SEASONING PACKETS FOR FUTURE USE
1 CAN TOMATO SOUP
1 CAN MINISTRONE SOUP
4 CANS SEAFOOD FEAST CAT FOOD, SUBSTITUTE CANNED TUNA IF THAT'S YOUR THING
1 LB YOUR CHOICE SHREDDED CHEESE
CRUMBS FROM THE BOTTOM OF A COUPLE BAGS OF CHIPS, OR A SLEEVE OF RITZ OR WHATEVER

NOW WHAT YOU WANNA DO IS JUST SMASH THE DRY NOODLES UP AND MIX IN THE CANNED STUFF, MASH IT ALL INTO A CASSEROLE DISH, TOP IT WITH CHEESE AND CRUMBS AND BAKE IT OFF TO A NICE GOLDEN BROWN. THE DUAL APPEAL OF THE CAT FOOD ENSURES BOTH GOBS AND PETS CAN ENJOY LEFTOVERS. IF YOU CAN'T AFFORD CHEESE USE SOME PACKETS OF GRATED PARM FROM THE PIZZERIA, THOSE RED PEPPER FLAKES GIVE IT A NICE KICK TOO. DON'T FORGET TO SPIT TWICE IN IT SO THERE'S A LITTLE BIT OF YOU IN THERE, AND THAT'S GOOD EATING.

BONE APPÉTIT!

CLASSIFIEDS

ATTENTION ALL GOB DOG PARENTS! DO YOU OWN A RAT DOG? ARE THEY PENT UP, HIGH STRUNG, NIPPY? WELL WE NEED YOUR HELP. OUR WARREN IS OVERRUN WITH RATS AND IT REEKS OF PISS. BRING THE POOCHES BY FOR SOME OLD FASHIONED RAT BAITING. YOU KILL IT, YOU KEEP IT. 360-555-2788

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SNOTTY PIMLIN WAS SPAWNED IN THE COLD DARK SEWAGE OF MORIA. GRANDSON OF WARRIOR HEROES WHO BATTLED ALL MANNER OF CREATURES IN THE RING WARS, HE STUDIED ANCIENT MYTHOLOGY AND UPCYCLED CRAFTING AT MORGUL A&M. HE LIVES ALONE WITH HIS CAT, PUKE, AND WRITES ABOUT CULTURE.

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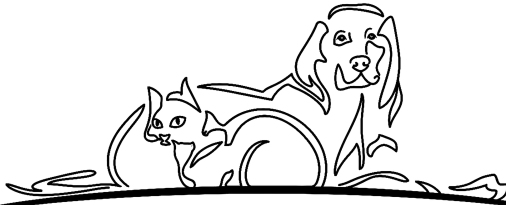
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