

PARKS AND RECREATION

"Trump Fundraiser"

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PREVIOUSLY ON:

In the last episode of season 6, the show time jumps from 2014 to 2017. This episode takes place in between that gap, in the fall of 2016 before the presidential election.

Tom has left the Parks Department and opened his Italian restaurant, Tom's Bistro.

Ron also quit his job at the Parks Department, and started his own business, Very Good Building Co.

Ron and Leslie had a falling out in 2015 over an incident called "Morningstar", which doesn't get resolved until 2017 in season 7.

Donald Trump is somehow the Republican presidential nominee, and the former Governor of Indiana is his running mate.

COLD OPEN

INT. LESLIE'S OFFICE - MORNING

APRIL, ANDY, and DONNA watch as LESLIE flips through printouts of charts.

LESLIE

These new polls show Hillary and Trump are neck and neck. How could they possibly be this close?

DONNA

It's a tough decision. I still don't know who I'm going to vote for.

LESLIE

Donna, how are you still undecided?

DONNA

I hate Trump, but I also hate taxes.

Leslie opens up a binder and holds up a signed PHOTO of Hillary Clinton.

LESLIE

Look at the wisdom in her eyes, the warmth of her smile, the steadiness of her pantsuit collection. How can you not want to vote for her?

APRIL

How is this is work related?

LESLIE

Because if Trump wins, the government will spiral into debt, budgets will get slashed, and the parks service will get shut down. Or, he'll start a nuclear war, and the parks will all burn to ash. Either way, it affects us.

ANDY

What about me? Am I safe?

LESLIE

No, Trump will definitely shut down public access TV. And Donna, your real estate business will probably take a hit after a nuclear war.

APRIL

Oh my god, he's here in Pawnee.

April turns up the radio.

TRUMP (V.O.)

Everyone is saying Indiana is falling apart. Towns like Pawnee are slowly dying all over America! That's why I'm here with your former Governor, Mike Pence. We're here to raise money to defeat Crooked Hillary before she forces you to get married to a gay person in a mosque and teach your kid Spanish.

THE DOUCHE (V.O.)

I have a serious question for you, Donald. Which members of Congress would you bang?

Canned sound effects of a woman MOANING.

TRUMP (V.O.)

Well, obviously none of the ugly ones, or the old ones, or the fat ones, 'cause I got class.

CRAZY IRA (V.O.)

Donald Trump, all class.

The gang watches as Leslie fumes and rips up her charts.

LESLIE

Nooooo!

TOM TALKING HEAD

Tom is all smiles, and sings and dances to the tune of Santa Claus is coming to town.

TOM

Better not shout. Better not cry.  
Better not pout I'm telling you  
why. Donald Trump is coming to  
town!

He puts on a red hat that says "Make America Swagger Again".

**END OF COLD OPEN**

**ACT ONE****INT. LESLIE'S OFFICE - LATER**

Leslie points to the Trump Threat Meter, a big cutout of his face with an arrow near the top.

LESLIE

This is a threat level orange situation. We were at fake tan, but now we're full orange.

APRIL

We were at orange months ago.

LESLIE

It's a different orange. He's very orange.

APRIL

He's the worst. I might be in love with him.

ANDY

Do you want Johnny Karate to take care of him? I can send my army of kid ninjas. Their parents would just have to sign a waiver.

LESLIE

Trump thinks he can come into our town, badmouth it, and then try to take money from its citizens?! Absolutely not. I'll round up the troops, and we'll protest and boycott any place that's stupid enough to host Trump.

DONNA

I won't protest, but I'll go to do some research.

LESLIE

Great, hopefully you'll see why Hillary is the only choice. The rest of us are going to let Trump know he's not welcome.

DONNA

I thought Obama said don't boo, vote.

LESLIE

Oh, we're going to vote. But first  
we're going to boo.

TERRY shows up.

TERRY

Sorry I'm late. I had a little  
accident this morning.

APRIL

How many puppies did you run over  
this time, Terry?

TERRY

No, I was shaving and gave myself a  
little cut when Gayle surprised me  
with flowers.

(he chuckles)

I bled all over those flowers.

ANDY

Then you forgot to finish shaving.

TERRY

Did I?

He touches a narrow strip of a mustache left under his nose.

APRIL

You look like Hitler. Fat Hitler.

LESLIE

Dammit, Terry! Keep your pro-Trump  
views out of the workplace!

INT. BEN'S OFFICE - DAY

BEN tries to work while TOM has his feet up on his desk.

TOM

Ben, I'm trying to host Trump's  
fundraising dinner, and I need  
someone to put in a good word for  
me.

BEN

You want to help Trump?

TOM

I want to help myself. Trump is an  
icon!

(MORE)

TOM (CONT'D)

The media exposure is just what I need to push Tom's Bistro to the next level. And, I get to hobnob with The Donald.

BEN

I don't know if I should help you help Trump. I'm not a fan, and Leslie would definitely be upset.

TOM

What are you talking about? Why would Leslie care?

BEN

You're kidding, right? She's supporting Hillary. She's always supported Hillary.

TOM

What? For reals? Ben, how am I supposed to know these things?

BEN

I don't know, maybe this shirt I'm wearing?

Ben points to his shirt, which reads "I'm with her..." with Leslie's smiling face, "who's with her." with Hillary's smiling face.

BEN (CONT'D)

I think the local chair of the Trump campaign is Councilman Milton. Maybe he can help you.

TOM

Who?

BEN

The older gentleman. He's more conservative...

TOM

The racist? Are you talking about the old racist? Can you come with me? Pleeaaaaaase?

BEN

I literally hate everything about Trump.

TOM

But you're my friieeeeend!

INT. PARKS SERVICE - CONFERENCE ROOM - LATER

The gang sit around the conference table.

LESLIE

The most effective way to persuade irrational Trump supporters, or...  
(looks to Donna)  
...intelligent and beautiful undecided voters, is to bombard them with facts and logic. We'll explain Hillary's nuanced stances on multiple policies, and highlight all of her achievements.

Leslie passes out a stack of thick binders.

LESLIE (CONT'D)

Each of you has been randomly assigned a binder. They cover her college years, her time as a lawyer, First Lady, Senator, and finally, Secretary of State.

The group flip open their binders to find dense copy.

ANDY

Do you have any with more pictures? Perhaps in comic book form?

LESLIE

That's a great idea to make politics accessible for kids.

ANDY

Yeah, for kids...

LESLIE

For now, I expect you to memorize these as best as you can. We're also going post flyers and stickers. Where's Ed with the stickers?

APRIL

He sent an email saying he got on the wrong bus again, after a year of working here. How have you not fired him yet? He's worse than Terry.

TERRY

Leslie, I don't want to be a gossipy goose, but Ed is not the sharpest tool in the shed.

The gang looks at Terry, who doesn't realize he's dripping blood onto the binder from his accidental Hitler mustache.

INT. LESLIE'S OFFICE - LATER

Leslie is on the phone. April and Andy sit on the couch.

LESLIE

(on phone)

Still no word on where they're holding Trump's fundraiser? Okay, keep digging. Once we find out, we'll be there to protest.

She hangs up as ED (Jon Hamm) enters with a box full of stickers.

ED

Leslie, I got the stickers, and already started to stick them all around town.

LESLIE

Great. Let's see them.

ED

I thought the slogan "Stronger Together" was too vague, so I changed it to "Hillary Is The Best Choice."

Ed holds up a sticker. Leslie furrows her brow.

LESLIE

Ed, there's a typo. You wrote "is" twice.

APRIL

It looks like it says "Hillary Isis The Best Choice".

ED

Huh.

LESLIE

Like Hillary thinks Isis, *the terrorist group*, is the best choice.

ED  
Whoopsie. Do people even know what  
a Isis is?

They all shake their heads.

INT. CITY COUNCIL - DAY

Ben and Tom talk to COUNCILMAN FIELDING MILTON.

BEN  
Councilman Milton, this is Tom  
Haverford, a local businessman, and  
he was hoping you could help him  
get in touch with Trump's people.

COUNCILMAN MILTON  
Are you some kind of Mexican?

TOM  
I'm from North Carolina, but I'm of  
Indian descent.

COUNCILMAN MILTON  
Indian? You don't look Wamapoke.

BEN  
Different kind of Indian. Tom is  
interested in hosting Trump's  
fundraiser.

TOM  
I own the hottest new-world Italian  
restaurant in Pawnee, and it would  
be the perfect spot to host an  
upscale event.

COUNCILMAN MILTON  
Did you escape Guantanamo?

BEN  
Tom's a personal friend. I can  
vouch for the quality of his  
restaurant, and that he's not an  
escaped prisoner.

TOM  
All I ask is that you just come  
check out my restaurant before you  
make any decisions.

Tom hands him a business card.

INT. BEN AND LESLIE'S HOUSE - NIGHT

Leslie and Ben eat dinner while the TRIPLETS watch TV.

BEN

Honey, don't freak out, but Tom is trying to host the Trump fundraiser.

LESLIE

I'm not screaming because the children are right there, but on the inside I'm screaming. How do you know this?

BEN

He came to me to ask for help.

LESLIE

And did you help him?  
(off his look)  
Why?!

BEN

I know Tom has different values than us, but he's our friend, and he thinks it'll help his business.

TRIPLETS (O.S.)

Build the wall! Build the wall!

They turn to see the triplets watching a Trump commercial, as they build a wall with sofa cushions.

LESLIE

I have to try to stop him before it's too late.

Leslie runs out the door.

INT. TOM'S BISTRO - LATER

Customers eat dinner while Tom hangs up some flags.

Leslie barges in.

LESLIE

Tom! Why are you trying to help Trump? He's a thin skinned, xenophobic, racist, misogynist, narcissist, lying piece of human garbage.

TOM

You're leaving out rich and famous.

LESLIE

You know how important this election is. The fact that Trump is even a candidate deeply offends me to my core.

TOM

Whatevs.

LESLIE

Tom, you know this means I have to protest.

TOM

No, don't protest. That won't hurt Trump. That'll just hurt my business. Most people have to pay money to talk to Trump. This way, Trump pays me, and I get free publicity.

LESLIE

But Trump is going to lose. Probably. Hopefully. And when he does, he'll drag you down because he offends every demographic. He's horrible with women, and you like women.

TOM

Really?

LESLIE

Yes! Women hate him! They won't show up to support him.

TOM

Thanks, Les. I will definitely take everything you said into consideration.

Leslie looks relieved.

INT. TOM'S BISTRO - DAY

Tom gives a tour of his restaurant to Councilman Milton.

TOM

I know you're considering a larger venue, but a big hall just reeks of "the establishment".

(MORE)

TOM (CONT'D)

What you need is an intimate, fine dining experience. I'm one of the few minorities who don't despise him, and, I guarantee that I can bring a large chunk of the demographic that Trump is having the most trouble with.

COUNCILMAN MILTON

The blacks?

TOM

No.

COUNCILMAN MILTON

Muslims?

TOM

No. And I'm not Muslim, not that it should matter.

COUNCILMAN MILTON

The Mexicans? The disabled? The gays? Veterans? Gold star parents? College educated whites? Any educated anyones?

TOM

Women! I can bring the women. Middle aged, white, voting women.

Councilman Milton looks intrigued.

INT. VERY GOOD BUILDING CO. - DAY

RON is in his office looking at a blueprint. He looks up and starts sniffing.

RON

I smell bacon. I'd say about two pounds.

Tom walks in with a plate full of bacon.

TOM

It's bacon wrapped in bacon.

Ron knocks everything off his desk to make room for the bacon.

RON

Tom. What's the occasion?

TOM

Are you available tomorrow night  
for a little shindig? I can't pay,  
but I can set you up with a private  
station with my finest meats.

INT. LESLIE'S OFFICE - DAY

Leslie hands April a stack of pro-Hillary flyers as the news  
plays in the background.

LESLIE

You and Andy can hand these out up  
until Plymouth St, and I'll have Ed  
cover the more dangerous part up  
toward the haunted junkyards.

PERD HAPLEY comes on TV, wearing a shirt that says "I'm With  
Perd".

PERD HAPLEY (V.O.)

News on the street is that Donald  
Trump will be holding his  
fundraising dinner at a restaurant  
in Pawnee, the name of which is  
Tom's Bistro. Not to be mistaken  
with Tom's Diner, which is a song  
by Suzanne Vega.

LESLIE

That sneak! We have to sabotage  
Tom.

Perd hums the tune of Tom's Diner.

**END OF ACT ONE**

**ACT TWO****INT. BEN'S OFFICE - DAY**

Leslie paces in front of Ben.

LESLIE

How could Tom lie to me? He promised he wouldn't support Trump, and that he would work tirelessly for Hillary and all that she stands for.

BEN

Did he actually say those things?

LESLIE

Yes! Sort of! It was implied.

BEN

Maybe it's not the worst thing that Tom is hosting Trump's fundraiser. This could be like Game of Thrones.

LESLIE

You mean I'm like the beautiful and fireproof Daenerys, and I should burn down Tom's restaurant?

BEN

No.

LESLIE

I have to send in dragons? To burn down Tom's restaurant?

BEN

No, I was thinking more like the Red Wedding. Tom traps everyone in one room, but instead of murdering them, you ambush them all at once with your love for Hillary.

Leslie realizes Ben is right.

LESLIE

Babe, you're a genius. Did talking about Game of Thrones turn you on?

BEN

Totally.

They kiss.

EXT. TOM'S BISTRO - ESTABLISHING - NIGHT

There's a line of people out the door.

INT. TOM'S BISTRO - CONTINUOUS

Leslie and Ben show up at the fundraiser. It's decorated with flags, banners for Trump, and a giant poster of Tom holding a tiny tea cup. There's one small postcard for Pence.

The restaurant is packed with older, wealthy looking people. Tom walks up to Leslie and Ben.

TOM

What are you guys doing here? This is a \$5,000 a plate dinner.

LESLIE

Tom, I'm not here to cause a scene, even though you're breaking my heart by supporting Trump. I just want to talk to some of our citizens, educate them about the facts, and explain to them how their opinions are wrong.

TOM

You can stay and serve appetizers, but only until Terry gets here. These rich people are my future loyal customers, so do not offend them.

BEN

We'll just engage in friendly conversation.

TOM

Dressed like that? I don't think so, buddy. You get kitchen duty.

Ben looks at his suit, wondering what's wrong with it.

EXT. STREET - TOM'S BISTRO - CONTINUOUS

April, Andy, Terry, and Ed are outside the restaurant passing out pro-Hillary flyers to people walking in. Andy is dressed as Burt Macklin, with his FBI jacket and sunglasses.

TERRY

I really don't know if you should be wearing that FBI jacket, Andy. The Secret Service might not think it's funny.

ANDY

Of course it's not funny. The FBI is not a joke.

APRIL

You know what's not funny, Terry? Your Hitler mustache.

TERRY

I wish you would've let me stop by my house to shave.

APRIL

We don't have time. Ed has to fix his huge mistake first.

Ed opens up his backpack full of his Isis Hillary stickers.

ED

Leslie seemed pretty upset about the stickers linking Hillary to Isis. I need to go fix every single sticker around town. Anyone want to help me?

Nobody answers.

ANDY

That long silence was me saying no.

ED

Okay, catch you on the flip side.

Ed leaves.

A SECRET SERVICE AGENT approaches them.

TERRY

Guys, I have to go in and help Tom.

SECRET SERVICE AGENT

Excuse me. There've been calls about people handing out terrorist propaganda.

ANDY

Burt Macklin, FBI.

INT. TOM'S BISTRO - MOMENTS LATER

MIKE PENCE talks to a group of people, including conservative activist MARCIA LANGMAN and her obviously gay husband, MARSHALL LANGMAN.

Leslie walks over with a tray of appetizers.

MIKE PENCE

I know I passed all those anti  
LGBTQ laws, but there's still a lot  
of work to do. There are so many  
more rights to take away from them.

MARSHALL LANGMAN

(flamboyant)

I couldn't agree more.

MIKE PENCE

Donald Trump and I will see to it  
that America goes back to family  
values that didn't force upon women  
this burden to work, or vote, or  
think.

MARCIA LANGMAN

Amen!

LESLIE

That sounds horrifying.

Pence notices Leslie's tray of appetizers.

MIKE PENCE

Can I get one of those stuffed  
mushrooms?

LESLIE

No! You get nothing.

She backs away, staring daggers at Pence.

INT. TOM'S BISTRO - MOMENTS LATER

Leslie talks to Donna and a crowd of women, including a  
KOOKY LADY.

KOOKY LADY

I just don't trust Hillary. I hear  
she has the bubonic plague, and she  
wants to use Obamacare to infect  
all the Christians with it.

LESLIE

Well, that's obviously a lie.

KOOKY LADY

But I just feel like Trump is more  
honest, and has less bubonic  
plague.

LESLIE

What? You can't base your opinions based on outright lies.

KOOKY LADY

But my opinions are based on my feelings, and I feel like my feelings wouldn't lie.

Leslie is beside herself. She leans in and whispers to Donna.

LESLIE

My god, these people. Donna, please tell me you're on team Hillary now.

DONNA

I'm still undecided.

LESLIE

How is that possible? What more information could you possibly need?

Donna shrugs.

DONNA TALKING HEAD

DONNA

Trump will lower taxes, but might also destroy the country. But I'm not gonna vote for Hillary just because she's a woman. And I work in real estate now. If Trump wins and uses eminent domain to buy up land, I want a piece of that action! So yeah, I'm still undecided. When's the election?

INT. TOM'S BISTRO - MOMENTS LATER

Donna and the crowd of women listen to Leslie.

LESLIE

Trump treats women horribly. He has called us women pigs, dogs, and slobs. He assigns numbers to rate us.

Some women nod in agreement.

PRETTY LADY

I bet you he'd give me a nine.

LESLIE

It makes no sense for women to support either of them. Actually, why are there so many women here?

KOOKY LADY

Oh my god, there he is!

A group of women rush by. They hear a SAXOPHONE. Leslie turns to see Ron dressed as Duke Silver.

RON

Good evening to all the enchanting ladies out there. I hope you're ready for Duke Silver to warm your soul with all of my jazz.

The women CHEER. Leslie looks disgusted.

INT. TOM'S BISTRO - KITCHEN - LATER

Tom and Donna watch Ben prep appetizers. Leslie confronts Ron as he samples an assortment of meat.

LESLIE

What are you doing here, Puke Silver, AKA, the butthead betrayer formerly known as Ron?

RON

At the moment, I'm eating meat from this meat station that Tom promised would be private.

TOM

(to Leslie)

You told me women wouldn't come to support Trump, so I used Ron as bait to attract all the middle aged women from miles around.

LESLIE

You're weren't supposed to use that information against me. You were supposed to give up!

RON

Leslie, sometimes people do things that they want, not what you want.

Leslie looks pissed.

TOM

You guys have a five minute break,  
then back to work. Donald will be  
here any minute.

Tom exits.

BEN

This is good you're both here. It's  
been over a year since Morningstar.

DONNA

Yeah, you two seriously need to  
handle your business and squash  
your beef.

RON

I am squashing beef, with my teeth,  
in my mouth.

Ron continues to eat.

LESLIE

I assume you're here to support  
Trump.

RON

Is that a question?

LESLIE

No. Yes.

RON

If Trump became president, he'd  
destroy the government as we know  
it. You know I support that.

LESLIE

Ugh, such a Ron. I don't have time  
for this now. We have to focus on  
changing minds out there.

She takes a tray of appetizers and exits.

EXT. STREET - TOM'S BISTRO - SAME TIME

A Secret Service agent questions April, Andy, and Terry.

SECRET SERVICE AGENT

(to Andy)

You're obviously not FBI, but you  
do look familiar.

TERRY

Andy, just tell him the truth. I need to get inside to help Tom.

April sees white powder on Terry.

APRIL

Why are you so desperate to get inside, Terry. Wait, what's that white powder? Oh my god, is that anthrax? Arrest him!

ANDY

That's totally anthrax. Or Metallica. One of those two.

TERRY

No, this is just powdered donut.

Terry sticks his finger out to the agent.

SECRET SERVICE AGENT

Sir, can I see some ID?

ANDY

Ooh, Terry, you're in so much trouble!

Terry hands him his ID.

SECRET SERVICE AGENT

Terry? Your license says Garry Gergich.

TERRY

Well, actually, that's a funny story...

APRIL

He also goes by Larry, and Jerry. This man uses multiple aliases to hide his mysterious past.

SECRET SERVICE AGENT

You're going to have to come with me, sir.

Terry gets dragged away. April and Andy think it's hilarious.

INT. TOM'S BISTRO - LATER

Leslie, Tom, and Donna hang out by the door.

TOM

Do you think everything is good enough for Trump? How's my hair? Is there anything in my teeth?

DONNA

Don't be so thirsty. Just be your chill, smooth self.

TOM

You're right.

Tom closes his eyes, and takes a deep breath. When he opens his eyes, he freaks out.

TOM (CONT'D)

Omigod he's here!

They turn to see TRUMP walk in with his team. People applaud and take pictures on their phone.

TRUMP

Hello, folks. Good to see everyone.

TOM

Donald, I'm Tom Haverford--

Tom goes to shake hands, but accidentally SMACKS Trump's hand too hard, causing Trump to drop something.

TOM (CONT'D)

Oh my god, I'm so sorry.

Tom bends down and picks up flesh colored tubes from the floor. They look like fingers.

TOM (CONT'D)

Whoa, are those prosthetic fingers to make your hand look bigger?

Trump snatches the fingers and reattaches them to his tiny hands. Leslie and Donna watch with glee.

Pence comes out of nowhere and steps in front of Trump to cover his hands.

MIKE PENCE

That didn't happen.

SERGEI, a Trump campaign guy with a Russian accent, cuts off Tom as Trump walks away.

SERGEI

Little man, do you have internet access for me? I need for Mr. Trump.

TOM

The wifi password is Tommy Trillionaire, all one word.

SERGEI

No, I need hard line to wall, no wifi. Security reasons.

TOM

I don't know, man.

Tom leaves to catch up with Trump.

TOM (CONT'D)

Donald, wait up!

INT. TOM'S BISTRO - LATER

Everyone is seated and eating dinner. They listen as Trump gives a quick speech. Pence stands next to him. Leslie, Ben, Tom, and Donna watch. Leslie gives dirty looks to Ron across the room.

TRUMP

Hillary hates god! She wants to take your religion away. She wants to take away your right to impose your religion on others. Sad.

The crowd BOOS.

TRUMP (CONT'D)

Like the rest of this country, Pawnee is a disaster. Everything is falling apart. Jobs are being stolen by immigrants. Even your city mascot is a panda. From China! You couldn't even give the job to a patriotic animal, like a Russian bear.

BEN

(to Leslie)

Wow, he's even going after Pookie the panda?

TRUMP

We make the best candy, don't we, folks?

(MORE)

TRUMP (CONT'D)

Right here in the USA, companies like Sweetums. No spicy Mexican candy, no Asian candy with cartoon cats.

The crowd CHEERS.

TRUMP (CONT'D)

I noticed a lot of fat kids in Pawnee. Probably eating too much candy, if I'm being honest. I have an idea for a program. I call it the Trump Youth. Give them uniforms, have them march around, teach 'em how to shoot guns. Get kids healthy again. It'll be great.

LESLIE

It's just jibberish.

BEN

How do people like this guy?

TRUMP

And your taxes are too high. I, Donald J. Trump, will cut your taxes as much as I can, big league. Like, to an irresponsible degree.

Everyone CHEERS loudly, including Donna.

DONNA

Woooo! Yes!

Leslie and Ben share a concerned look.

**END OF ACT TWO**

**ACT THREE**INT. TOM'S BISTRO - LATER

People are seated at tables, eating dinner. Tom sits with Trump and some of his staff in a booth.

TOM

Donald, I know you like to come up with nicknames for everyone. Based on your first impression, what nickname do you have for me?

TRUMP

Nothing comes to mind.

TOM

Maybe something about my sophisticated fashion? My dazzling charm? No? That's okay. I actually have some business ideas I'd like to run by you. My own line of designer water called "Just Water". What would you like to drink? Just water? You just ordered my designer water that costs seven dollars a glass.

TOM TALKING HEAD

TOM

I also have Uggs for dogs. I call them Duggs. Rate Yo Self, an app that let's a woman know that she might only be a 4, but she's a Pawnee 7. Hundie Undies, underwear that smells like hundred dollar bills, ya'll.

INT. TOM'S BISTRO - LATER

Ben and Leslie trying to convince some younger people, including a younger millennial couple, CALVIN and SARA to vote for Hillary.

BEN

Trump is wrong. Pawnee has actually been growing its economy for the last 8 years. Young people have more opportunities here than ever before.

CALVIN

Really?

Leslie whips out her binder and pulls out various charts.

LESLIE

The evidence is all right here. And the person that will keep Pawnee and the rest of the country on this path is Hillary.

She turns the page in her binder to the signed photo of her.

LESLIE (CONT'D)

What? An autographed photo of Hillary? How'd that get there?

Calvin and Sara smile, slightly impressed.

CALVIN

You make some good points. What's Hillary's stance on student loans?

Leslie is distracted when she see Trump walk by with Tom and other admirers.

LESLIE

Huh? Let's move over here.

INT. TOM'S BISTRO - NEARBY - CONTINUOUS

Leslie herds the couple and Ben closer to Trump and Tom.

TOM

So besides starting my own foundation for charity, how else can I pay for all the things I want buy for myself?

TRUMP

If you wanna get rich, the best advice I can give you is you have to be strong, and you have to be ruthless. And because I'm strong, and ruthless, and I also have the best brain, let me tell you, I'll make this country rich.

Tom and the others are impressed. Leslie shakes her head.

TOM

I feel like I'm strong, and ruthless, and my brain is pretty good. How am I not already a billionaire?!

He and Trump laugh.

SARA

Hello? You never answered our question.

LESLIE

Shhhh.

Leslie is focused on Tom and Trump. Calvin and Sara walk away, annoyed.

BEN

Hillary has a great plan for student loans, including refinancing...

(to Leslie)

And they're gone. What happened? You were making inroads with them.

LESLIE

Tom might be in trouble.

TRUMP

Sounds like what you need is a mentor to take you to the next level. I'm sure you've heard of Trump University.

LESLIE

Don't do it!

Leslie tries to intervene, but Ron steps in her way, emerging from a sea of female fans.

LESLIE (CONT'D)

Ron, get out of my way. I'm trying to intervene.

RON

Ron? You have me mistaken for someone else. I'm Duke Silver, and I'm trying to intervene on your intervention.

Leslie tries to pass but Ron keeps blocking her.

RON (CONT'D)

You don't get to decide what's in everyone's best interest. Stop babying people and let them make their own choices, however wrong they may be.

Leslie shoves Ron aside to get to Tom. Women are horrified to see Duke Silver attacked.

Tom takes out his wallet and signs a check.

LESLIE

Tom, stop! Don't sign up for Trump University. It's a scam.

TOM

Don't worry, Leslie. I'm a successful businessman. That's why I was invited to skip ahead to Trump Grad School.

Leslie snatches the check and rips it up.

TOM (CONT'D)

What are you doing?

LESLIE

Tom, you don't need Trump. He's just a sleazy con man.

The crowd GASPS.

LESLIE (CONT'D)

That's right. It's my responsibility to tell people when they're being lied to. Trump has lied about every aspect of Pawnee. Our economy is doing great! We have jobs. We have diversity and that makes us stronger. Are we perfect? No. Do we have a raccoon problem? Yes.

TRUMP

Excuse me! Excuse me! You don't know what you're talking about.

LESLIE

I do know what I'm talking about. Trust me when I tell you we have a raccoon problem. But Pawnee is not a disaster. Neither is Indiana, neither is our country.

TRUMP

Who is this annoying blonde?

BEN

That annoying blonde is my wife.

TRUMP

(to Leslie)

You're very disrespectful.

(MORE)

TRUMP (CONT'D)

You're just as horrible as Crooked Hillary. You're like a little Hillary. That's what I'm gonna call you. Lil' Hillary.

TOM

What?! She gets a nickname and I don't?

LESLIE

Thank you, that's the nicest thing anyone's said about me in a long time. But that doesn't change the fact that you are just the worst.

(to Tom)

Tom, you don't need him. You're so much better than him.

The crowd starts to BOO. Tom looks uncomfortable.

TRUMP

Remember what I told you earlier? You have to be ruthless. Throw her out of here.

CROWD

Throw her out! Throw her out!

And old GRANDMA next to Ron raises her fist.

GRANDMA

She hurt Duke Silver! Throw her out!

Tom looks at Leslie's pleading face.

TOM

Everyone calm down. This is my restaurant, and I say... throw her out!

Tom dances as people CHEER. Ben looks disappointed.

A group of Ron's female fans shove Leslie along.

LESLIE

Hey! Watch it, ladies!

Someone throws food at her.

TRUMP

We have to be gentle. Otherwise, the media will get upset.

The commotion scares a baby, who starts crying.

TRUMP (CONT'D)

Get that crying baby out of here!  
Just kidding. Actually, I'm not  
kidding. He has to go.

EXT. STREET - TOM'S BISTRO - LATER

Leslie sulks in front of April and Andy.

LESLIE

Well, I tried. I tried to engage in  
civic discourse, and I got thrown  
out by a mob of women, and had food  
thrown at me.

APRIL

Sounds pretty typical. What food  
was it? Was it at least good?

LESLIE

It was pie, and it was delicious. I  
thought I could turn the donors  
against Trump by pointing out his  
flaws and his lies, but it  
backfired and it made them like him  
more.

ANDY

Maybe if you support Trump, that'll  
backfire, and then they'll support  
Hillary.

LESLIE

Sure, I'll pretend Trump is  
qualified and just ignore the piles  
of data in my binder... Oh no! My  
photo of Hillary!

INT. TOM'S BISTRO - CONTINUOUS

People don't notice Leslie's face pressed against the window,  
looking in.

Leslie spots Tom going through her binder. She pounds on the  
window but Tom can't hear.

TRUMP

That woman said some nasty things  
about me. Some really not nice  
things. Back in the day...

He makes a slapping gesture. People laugh.

DONNA

Nuh uh.

TRUMP

But now, everyone has to be politically correct. You can't hardly smack anyone anymore.

TOM

Yeah, she's totally cray cray.

Tom flips through her binder.

TOM (CONT'D)

Look at all these nerdy charts and maps. She has a signed photo of Hillary in here. It says, "Dear Leslie, Thanks for all your service. Let's keep doing great things. Your friend, Hillary."

The crowd BOOS.

TRUMP

What should we do with it?

(to Tom)

She ripped up your check, maybe we should rip up her photo.

CROWD

Rip it up! Rip it up!

TRUMP

The people are saying we should rip up the photo. What do you say, Tom? He's my Mini Muslim over there.

TOM

Mini Muslim?

Tom looks at the photo, then looks up and spots Leslie's sad face through the window. He hesitates.

Ben, Ron, and Donna shake their heads.

BEN

Tom, you know Leslie treasures that photo.

RON

Don't do it, son. Leslie is stubborn, but she's your friend.

DONNA

Don't make me live tweet a beat  
down.

TOM

I can't do it. Leslie's my friend.

Tom hands the photo of Hillary and the binder to Ben.

The crowd BOOS in disappointment. Trump looks at him and shrugs.

TRUMP

Not everyone can counterpunch. Not  
everyone has what it takes to be  
me.

Leslie smiles through the window.

INT. TOM'S BISTRO - LATER

The restaurant has cleared out after the event. Tom, Leslie, Ben, and Donna look tired.

LESLIE

Well, I completely failed. I  
couldn't persuade anyone to not  
support Trump and vote for Hillary.  
Actually, I made women like Trump  
more.

DONNA

Not all women. When I saw Trump up  
close, I realized he's just a big  
baby. I'm voting Hillary.

LESLIE

Thank you!

Leslie jumps up and gives her a hug.

DONNA

Watch your food stains, girl.

TOM

Who cares who's voting for who? I'm  
a failure and will never succeed in  
business because I can't be  
ruthless like Trump. I'm too damned  
compassionate and thoughtful and  
too good of a friend. How pathetic  
is that?

BEN

Tom, you don't have to be like Trump to be successful.

LESLIE

Trump is rich because his dad gave him money, and he cheated the system and cheated workers. You took risks on crazy, ill advised dreams that some might call schemes, but you kept at it and now you've succeeded all on your own. That's the real American dream.

TOM

That dream sucks! My American dream is I want to be so rich and powerful that I can have my own Christie or Cruz to be my errand boy. I guess I'll have to settle for you guys.

BEN

Uh, thanks?

TOM

You know what I mean. You guys are always going to be my friends, no matter what.

LESLIE

Tom, did you really support Trump, or was this purely motivated by self interest and greed?

TOM

Self interest and greed, of course! I have nothing in common with Trump, except we're both moguls, and we both want to date his daughter.

Terry stumbles in.

TOM (CONT'D)

Terry, where have you been?

TERRY

Sorry, Tom. I was detained by Secret Service and just got released.

TOM

Well, start cleaning! It's a mess  
in here.

TERRY

Will do.

INT. TOM'S BISTRO - NIGHT

Ben brings Ron over to Leslie.

LESLIE

Ben, me and Ron are not making up.  
Get over it.

BEN

I think there's something you need  
to know. Ron, can you tell her what  
you told me?

RON

For someone who's supposedly a  
great builder, Trump knows nothing  
about woodworking. I doubt his  
hands have actually built anything,  
and I can't trust a man like that.

BEN

What he's saying is he's not voting  
for Trump.

LESLIE

Good. But you're still a butt face  
jerk.

Ben leads Ron away from Leslie.

BEN

Okay. She's had a long day.

INT. TOM'S BISTRO - LATER

Leslie, Ben, April, and Andy have coffee while Terry cleans  
up around them.

Ed enters with his bag of stickers and a takeout box.

ED

Leslie, I fixed the stickers around  
town. The glue was too strong to  
peel off, so I had to cut up new  
stickers to cover up the mistake.

Ed shows his revised stickers. Leslie frowns.

LESLIE  
How did you... This is worse than  
before. Now it says "Hillary is  
Isis."

ED  
Oh, now I see it.

Leslie buries her head in her hands.

LESLIE  
So incompetent.

ED  
Well, I guess it's a good thing I  
stopped by JJ's and got you this.

Ed hands her a takeout box.

LESLIE  
Thanks, Ed. You didn't-- Ahh!

Leslie drops the takeout box.

LESLIE (CONT'D)  
What the hell is that?

ED  
That's a crepe, your favorite.

BEN  
What's wrong with you, man?

LESLIE  
A "crepe"? Not a waffle, but  
"crepe"? Are you freakin' kidding  
me right now? You're a crepe, Ed!

LESLIE TALKING HEAD

LESLIE  
Even though there a lot of very  
different people in our country, I  
have faith in the people, and the  
democratic principles that've  
guided us here. And even though I  
was hoping to be the first female  
President of the United States, it  
would be my dream come true if I  
could be its second.

**END OF ACT THREE**

**TAG****INT. TOM'S BISTRO - KITCHEN - LATER**

Tom runs into CHRIS CHRISTIE in the back of the kitchen.  
Christie has crumbs and sauce on his face.

TOM  
Chris Christie! What are you doing  
here?

CHRISTIE  
Donald said it was okay if I ate  
the leftovers.

Christie holds up his phone. Trump is on video chat.

TRUMP (V.O.)  
No, I told him to *bring me* the  
leftovers.

TOM  
Chris, just wanted to let you know  
I thought Bridgegate was a baller  
move. Abusing your power because  
someone didn't endorse you? How  
cool is that?

CHRISTIE  
Thanks.

Terry enters with a stack of dirty plates, just as Christie  
turns to get more food.

They run into each other, and all the plates and leftovers  
comes CRASHING down.

TERRY  
Aw, geez.

CHRISTIE  
Thanks, Obama.

TOM  
Dammit, Terry!

TRUMP (V.O.)  
Dammit, Christie!

Tom smiles to camera when he realizes he has a Terry just  
like Trump has a Christie.

**END OF SHOW**