

Series Name: The Exchange Street Show

Genre: Satire, Comedy, Drama, Sketch/Variety

Series Premise: Five college students start a web page to help other students (and, eventually, the Akron community) with their problems. While doing so, they must also deal with their personal problems. Hilarity (and sometimes drama) ensues from there.

Main Characters:

KARA WELLINGTON is the first member of the group. She lives across the hall from the other four characters. Kara is a poster child for today's social media generation. She's impatient, cynical, and has a VERY sarcastic (and sometimes cruel) sense of humor. She's also a huge nagger.

COLIN MARCUS CARROLL is the second member of the group. He's sort of like Mr. Spock: everything that happens in life has logic and reasoning behind it. He's from West Akron (which is another way of saying his family has money) and hopes to run a multi-billion dollar conglomerate someday.

LEONARD JEROME "LENNY" HIGGENBOTTOM, the third member of the group. Think of him as a mix between Al Bundy from "Married... With Children" and Archie Bunker from "All in the Family." Lenny is unapologetic in his views. He has no filter between his brain and his mouth and is VERY politically incorrect. He's also like Johnny Bravo: he loves to flirt with women, even though he's not very good at it.

DWAYNE STEVENSON is the fourth member of the group. He has the most common sense out of all the main characters. He always thinks before speaking and never lets impulsive behavior get the best of him. However, he is sometimes perceived as being too uptight and needs to loosen up.

ROGER JERICHO is the fifth and final member of the group and will be the leading main character. He is the creator of the web page and the gel that keeps the group together. Roger is very old-school: he's kind, sweet, and strongly believes that if people give each other a helping hand, the world will become a better place. He's also Kara's best friend and has known her since middle school.

EXT. EXCHANGE STREET RESIDENCE HALL - DAY

We get a nice establishing shot of the building.

ROGER (V.O.)

Akron, Ohio: where the people are real, but the weather is always gloomy.

INT. EXCHANGE STREET RESIDENCE HALL (5TH FLOOR HALLWAY)

We FOLLOW a student walking down the hallway. His name is ROGER JERICHO. Roger stops at room 548. He unlocks the door and steps inside.

INT. EXCHANGE STREET RESIDENCE HALL (ROOM 548)

Four other students are waiting for him in the living room. Their names are KARA WELLINGTON, DWAYNE STEVENSON, LENNY HIGGENBOTTOM, and COLIN CAROLL.

LENNY (CONT'D)

Roger, where have you been?

ROGER

Class.

DWAYNE

Well hurry up and put your stuff away! We don't have all day.

Roger rolls his eyes before walking into his room and putting his stuff away. He then joins his friends in the living room and makes small talk with them. The friends gather around as Roger opens up his laptop and begins a lot of typing.

ROGER (V.O., CONT'D)

Your first year of college is usually when you have no clue what you're doing. Your second year is when you start to figure things out. And by the third year, you realize that you're doomed and college is a shameless ploy for the system to deprive you of hundreds of thousands of dollars. And by that time, it'll be too late. That's where we come in. We're third year students. And we're here to help you.

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KARA

Well? Is it ready yet?

ROGER

Could you give me a minute? I have to wait for the page to load. You know the wifi here is terrible.

LENNY

Yeah, Kara. Stop being a nag and give it some time.

We FREEZE on Lenny's face while Roger introduces him:

ROGER (V.O., CONT'D)

That's my first roommate, Lenny. Roomed with him since freshman year. The rest of us are convinced that he's the illegitimate child of both Archie Bunker and Al Bundy. Obviously, not a good mix. But we still love him.

KARA

Gee, Lenny, I forgot. Not everything can be as fast as you.

FREEZE on Kara's face:

ROGER (V.O., CONT'D)

That's Kara, my best friend since middle school. She's lives across the hall from us. I don't want to say she's a meanie, but she once told a guy that his lower middle class parents should have robbed a bank so they could afford to abort him while he was in his mom's womb.

COLIN

Calm down, guys. We don't even know if this is gonna work. We have to approach this agenda in a realistic fashion.

FREEZE on Colin's face:

ROGER (V.O., CONT'D)

My second roommate, Colin. Someone once said they would pay him 20 bucks if he would eat a McDonalds cheeseburger covered in dirt. Guess who got 20 bucks richer that day?

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DWAYNE

Right. Besides, why can't we let these little brats help themselves? I mean, nobody helped us in our first years of college and we turned out fine.

FREEZE on Dwayne's face.

ROGER (V.O., CONT'D)

And finally, my third roommate, Dwayne. His life goal is to be the next big playwright. Sort of like Tyler Perry. Minus the cross-dressing, the terrible writing, the one-dimensional characters and the completely undeserved feeling of pride over mediocre work.

ROGER

Look at it this way, guys. If you walked in on Jerry Sandusky fornicating with a child, would you call for help or would you ask him if there's room for one more?

Awkward silence.

DWAYNE

Touché.

Roger finishes typing.

ROGER

Done. And I added you all as admins.

Kara goes into the kitchen and makes everyone a drink while the others make idle chit chat about how this plan may not work.

ROGER (V.O., CONT'D)

Our mission is simple. We're opening up a web page where our fellow University of Akron students can log on and ask for help and advice. We'll help them with anything ranging from school work, personal problems, or plotting the demise of Kristen Stewart.

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ROGER

Look at it this way, guys. Now we can make sure no one has to go through the same crap we went through in our first years.

COLIN

Like buying overpriced textbooks you'll barely use in class.

KARA

Like picking the wrong teacher for Humanities.

LENNY

Like taking a class at the Polsky Building.

The others groan in agreement.

LENNY

I'd rather let Courtney Love vomit in my mouth.

COLIN

So, when do you guys expect our first customer to arrive?

ROGER

Well, I shared the page on my blog. So we should be expecting our first guest any minute now.

FADE TO:

EXT EXCHANGE STREET RESIDENCE HALL (ROOM 548) - DAY - LATER

They're still sitting in the room, waiting for their first client.

KARA

This is boring.

ROGER

It's only been five minutes.

KARA

Exactly. This could take forever.

LENNY

What should we do to pass the time?

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COLIN

We could do homework.

The students laugh.

DWAYNE

We could go downstairs and get something to eat at Zee's Grille.

The students laugh even harder.

ROGER

Wait! We've got something.

The others gather around Roger's laptop.

DWAYNE

Seriously?

LENNY

You've got to be kidding me.

LENNY

Okay, maybe we should wait for our second customer.

ROGER

Hey, we promised to help students. I mean, it's worth a shot. Right?

COLIN

(sighs)

All right. Let's do this.

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