

COOK HIGH SCHOOL

robert jarelski was a senior and
i was a freshman when he stuffed me
headfirst into the delightful blend
of candy wrappers, orange peels and
chew spit composting in the tall grey
plastic garbage can next to the heater
but that's okay cuz when robert went to
canada with his old man to hunt grouse
i screwed his lonely girlfriend.

ECOCHAUVINISM

when i was six
ross anderson and i
taught the neighbor lady's dog
to fetch rocks.

it was fun to throw
them in the lake
black lab almost drowning
in its eagerness to retrieve.

— Will Lahti

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RESIDUE

after cashing my paycheck I decided
to turn in some pennies for more
silverish coins ten of them grabbed
from my pocket and dumped onto the
counter along with a very conspicuous
pubic hair coiled like a snake staring
straight at the teller who turned
pale she handed me a
sterile dime and brushed the
evidence on the floor.

SIMPLICITY IS SALVATION

eating the same breakfast
every morning
or better yet
no breakfast at all.

— James Osmer

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