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I'M BECOMING A
HATEFUL TROLL!
NOOOOOOOOOOOOOOO!

THE TERRIFYING TRUE STORY
OF GAMERGATE!

HOW THEY USED GAMIFIED
ACTIVISM TO DEHUMANIZE AND
HARASS THEIR TARGETS!

FIND OUT MORE IN THIS
HORRIFYING "ALL-TRUE"
ISSUE!

THE INTREPID KATHERINE
CROSS IS ON THE CASE!



KATHERINE CROSS IS CONCERNED ABOUT THE GAMIFICATION OF ONLINE ACTIVISM, ESPECIALLY IN GAMERGATE...

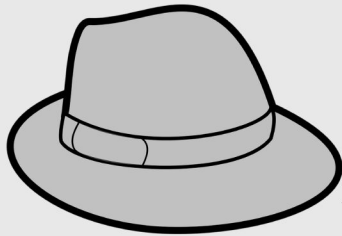
YOU THINK YOU CAN SLANDER GAMERS AND GET AWAY WITH IT! WE ARE COMING FOR YOU!



ALTHOUGH THE LINK BETWEEN GAMES AND VIOLENCE MIGHT BE OVERSTATED, SHE BELIEVES THERE ARE OTHER "SUBTLE INFLUENCES."



GAMERGATE IS AN ONGOING HARASSMENT CAMPAIGN THAT TARGETS FEMINIST GAMEMAKERS AND CRITICS UNDER THE GUISE OF "ETHICS."



IT'S ABOUT ETHICS IN GAMES JOURNALISM!



ALTHOUGH GAMERGATE ACTIVISTS CLAIMED NO LINK BETWEEN THEIR BEHAVIOUR AND GAMES...

...THEY CONTINUALLY USED "LUDIC" LANGUAGE DURING THEIR HARASSMENT CAMPAIGNS.

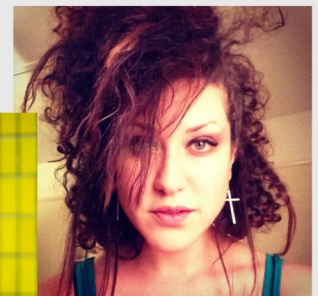
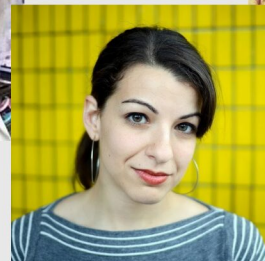
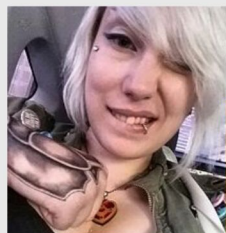
GG PRACTICES "GAMIFIED" ACTIVISM, WHERE POLITICAL TARGETS ARE CONVERTED IN BOSSES AND NPCs.



IT'S TIME TO GO ON ANOTHER "BOSS RUN."

I'LL HELP YOU DURING THE "RAID."

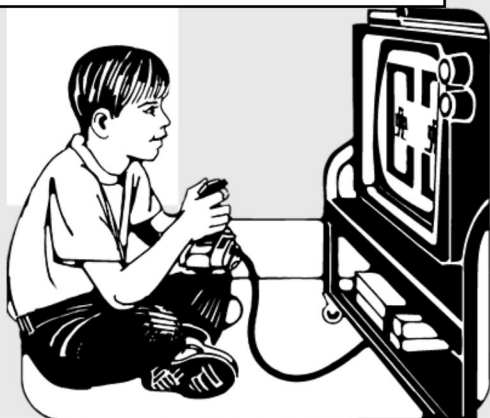
FEMINIST CREATORS AND CRITICS LIKE ZOE QUINN, LEIGH ALEXANDER AND ANITA SARKEESIAN ARE TURNED INTO BOSSES AND MINI-BOSSES. WOMEN WERE CONSISTENTLY THE "TOUGHEST" BOSSES TO OVERCOME.



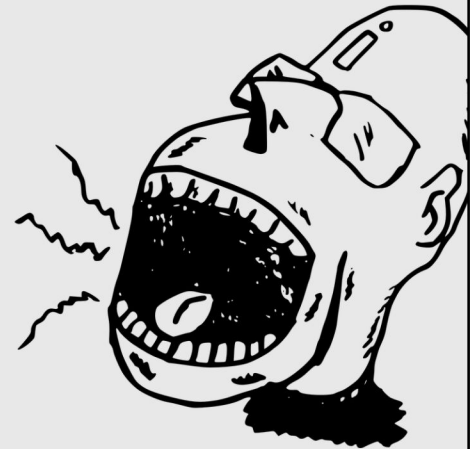
CROSS DETAILS HOW SENDING EMAILS WAS A CORE GRINDING MECHANIC, WITH GG ACTIVISTS SENDING THOUSANDS OF EMAILS TARGETING PUBLICATIONS THEY DIDN'T LIKE, HOPING THEY WOULD GET ADS PULLED.



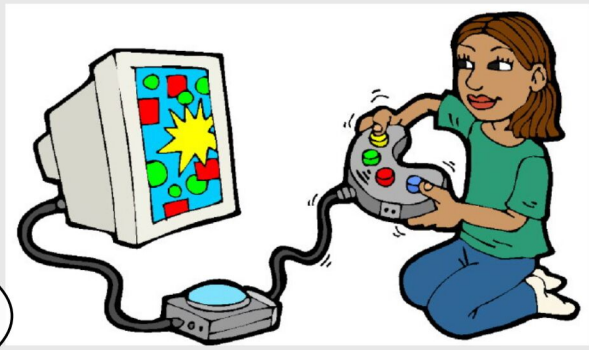
THEY DEHUMANIZED THE WOMEN THEY TARGETED, REPLICATING THE CLOSED SYSTEMS AND CONTROLLED VARIABLES OFFERED BY VIDEO GAMES.



GG CONTINUALLY DEFENDED WHAT THEY WERE DOING AS LOGICAL, RATIONAL, AND WITHIN ETHICAL BOUNDARIES BECAUSE THEIR TARGETS "LACKED ETHICS."



CROSS ENDS THE ARTICLE REMINDING US THAT THERE ARE REAL FLESH AND BLOOD PEOPLE AT THE OTHER SIDE OF THE COMPUTER SCREEN. THERE ARE REAL CONSEQUENCES TO OUR ACTIONS.



THERE IS MORE TO LIFE THAN WINNING, AFTER ALL...

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