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Vivian Lancaster (Joceline Paczoski)	Lead	Female	Mid-Life (36-50)	Protagonist with Obsessive, Compulsive, Perfectionist, traits	The Logical Smart One	Vivian is a well education, sophisticated and confident woman. She is good looking and poised exuding confidence. There is a place for everything and everything has its place is her motto and she can be seen following others and straightening things as she goes. Vivian is a widow and the mother of Liz. She bought the coffee shop so that she and her daughter could finally bond since she spent most of her daughter's growing years buried in her work while her daughter was raised by multiple nannies and private schools.
Patsy Long (Debra Steeves)	Featured	Female	Mid-Life (36-50)	Man Hunter, Loud & Fast	The Neurotic One	Patsy (played by Debra Steeves) is worried about her chances of landing a man and her eggs aren't getting any fresher. She has decided that the Coffee shop offers her a home base from where she can hunt down her men. She has a membership with every electronic dating service and has no problem sharing her dating experiences with those in the coffee shop. Her weapon of choice in a fully wifi networked laptop with onboard camera and Skype and has put Donna in front of the camera on several occasions to trap her next victim, hopefully a native man with high cheek bones, jet black hair and light brown skin.
Donna Lee (Line Pelletier)	Featured	Female	Mid-Life (36-50)	Sidekick with Materialistic tendencies	Manizer	Donna is an aspiring actress. She spends her day looking through the paper to find her next audition and is always on the phone to her agent. She is a waitress at the coffee shop and can suddenly transform herself into one of the past characters that she played. She has a secret that so far only the audience knows, she used to be Johnny Lee. Her new "look" is attracting a lot of male attention much to the chagrin of her boyfriend Ricky.
Ivy Waters (Christine Mitton)	Featured	Female	Adult (26-35)	Sidekick	In Their Own Universe	World peace, love, naturalist, animal lover, mother earth, all words that describe this off beat, yet lovable person. She's as tall as your baby sister with a heart the size of Texas. She intends on converting everyone to her thinking, one person at a time by introducing them to the better, sustainable way of life and living.
Fred Williams (Mike Prangnell)	Featured	Male	Senior (66-79)	Sidekick	The Bastard	Fred is a regular at the coffee shop where he and his gang of retirees spend a great deal of their time discussing the weather, politics, religion and the news. He has a lot to say and is seen on several occasions expressing his one-sided views with the mayor. No matter where you go, Fred is there, where does he get his energy!?
Mammy Leblanc (Dorine Gautreau)	Featured	Female	Senior (66-79)	Sidekick	The Bitch	Mammy is Vivian's mother and spends most of her day at the restaurant. She is witty and sarcastic and seems to be in everyone's business. She doesn't take any guff from anybody and seems to particularly enjoy picking on Vivian's secret admirer Tom.
George Runsfeld (Conrad Cormier)	Featured	Male	Young Senior (51-65)	Skeptic	The Womanizer	George is the part-time mayor of the town, he works afternoons and spends most of his mornings in the coffee shop planning his days. He has a special spot in the back where he meets with various shady looking people. He is a smooth talker and likes the ladies, even if he has one on his arm at the time.
Benjamin Crank (Danny Thebeau)	Featured	Male	Mid-Life (36-50)	Antagonist	The Bastard / Bully	Crank owns all of the buildings on either side of the Coffee Shop and has a dream of demolishing the entire block in order to put in a modern 5 story business centre which includes a gentlemen's club. The only thing stopping him is this coffee shop. His goal in life is to acquire this building at any cost. He is a small time Mobster "wanna be".

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Homer Johnson (Pierre Leger)	Supporting	Male	Mid-Life (36-50)	Antagonist "Wanna Be" Bully	The Dumb One	Homer (played by Pierre) is Benjamin's sidekick and bag man. Where Benjamin goes, so does Homer. What Homer says, so does Homer. He makes a great parrot and a pretty cute little bulldog.
Liz Lancaster (Alicia Potter)	Featured	Female	Adult (26-35)	Sidekick	The Bitch	Liz is Vivian's daughter. She was raised by nannies while her mother built her career and holds that over her mother's head. She followed her Mom to Saint Mary's University but couldn't live up the the reputation that her mother had for being number one so she dropped out after the first semester. She has two children (played by Madison and David Daniel) and is separated from her husband Enrico of 5 years.
Mitch Ryder (Alex Levi)	Featured	Male	Adult (26-35)	Sidekick with a Mysterious Background	The Lovable Loser	Mitch works at the coffee shop as the baker/bus boy. His background is somewhat of a mystery, some say special forces but can't be sure. He seems to be suffering the effects of Post Tramatic Syndrome. Sometimes big things happened that just can't be explained and Mitch may just be the reason. He's never short of "special ingredients" such as gun powder or the latest military technology. Although he is Mickey's twin he looks older because of Progeria currently controlled by a special concoction of herbs and minerals by the tribes medicine man.
Ricky Ventura (Sam Richard)	Supporting	Male	Adult (26-35)	Jealous type	The Lovable Loser	Ricky is Johnny Lee turned Donna Lee's boyfriend. He has supported him/her through thick and thin but now finds himself feeling a little jealous as a result of her new found attraction. He plays guitar in a local band and writes music of the soul.
Samantha Burns (Joline Robichaud)	Supporting	Female	Adult (26-35)	Sidekick	Materialistic	Samantha is the Mayor's latest fling. All dressed up and and no place to go seems to be the curse. She seems to be the ditzzy one, but there is something about the look in her eye.
Zoe Perez (Madison Pendleton)	Supporting	Female	Child (10-15)	Sidekick	Materialistic	Liz's daughter
Matt Perez (David- Daniel Pendleton)	Supporting	Male	Child (10-15)	Sidekick	Materialistic	Liz's son
Wally Henkel (André Goguen)	Supporting	Male	Adult (26-35)	Emotional with Shy / Introvert tendencies	The Lovable Loser	Wally is the mechanic from next door who has a thing for Liz even though they are second cousins, except Liz thinks he's an idiot. He is a regular at the coffee shop and drives Vivian crazy because he is always covered in grease.
Pierre Monet (Eugene Leblanc)	Supporting	Male	Senior (66-79)	Sidekick / Nerd	In Their Own Universe	Pierre is often referred to as “Crazy Pierre”. He is one of those artsy fartsy types and has even changed his last name to match that of the once great painter (Claude) Monet. Pierre's paintings look more like the throw cover that Monet would have used to protect the furniture but Pierre is always hoping that some day a curator from a gallery will recognize his talent. Hangs out at Fred's table.

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Mary Hartlett (Mary Prangnell)	Background	Female	Senior (66-79)	Curmudgeon	The Logical Smart One	Mary is one of the curmudgeon's at Fred's regular table.
Harold	Background	Male	Senior (66-79)	Sidekick	In Their Own Universe	Harold is one of the curmudgeon's at Fred's regular table.
Dennis Smith (Dennis Deveau)	Background	Male	Adult (26-35)	Sidekick	The Logical Smart One	Member of Ricky's band
Jason Bradley (Jason)	Background	Male	Adult (26-35)	Sidekick	The Dumb One	Member of Ricky's band
Diane Dawson (Diane Richard)	Background	Female	Mid-Life (36-50)	Sidekick	The Lovable Loser	Member of Ricky's band
Johnny Lee	Background	Male	Mid-Life (36-50)	Sidekick	Manizer	Donna Lee's former self
Al Granger (Al Titus)	Background	Male	Mid-Life (36-50)	Sidekick	The Neurotic One	Member of Ricky's band
Policeman	Background	Male	Mid-Life (36-50)	Sidekick	The Dumb One	Policeman who helps Crank enforce court order
Doctor Dan	Background	Male	Mid-Life (36-50)	Sidekick	The Logical Smart One	Donna Lee's doctor
Enrico Perez	Background	Male	Mid-Life (36-50)	Sidekick	The Dumb One	Liz's derelict ex-husband who visits the coffee shop to beg for money from Liz.