## The Last Laugh: Hint File

\*one puzzle per page

### Ms. Cthulhu

- 1. In one of his hints to you, Howie talks about Cthulhu and typewriters with QWERTY key arrangements.
- 2. You have a picture of a typewriter in your box.
- 3. He talks about "being put on the *right* track."
- 4. Take each letter from the puzzle, find it on the typewriter and move right one key.
- 5. Write down your results.

## Comic Strip Puzzle

- 1. You will notice that each portion of the comic is in its own column with a specific image at the bottom.
- 2. Read the last thing Howie mentions in his interview very carefully.
- 3. Notice how certain words correspond to certain images on the comic strip.
- 4. Use what Howie tells you to rearrange the order of the columns.
- 5. Write the columns of letters down in the correct order and read left to right.

# Spiders

- 1. Notice that there are 9 rows of spiders with 5 spiders in each row.
- 2. Lux tells you: "Black Widow Venom Could Cause Aches, Pains, Agony, Death." This contains 9 words with 5 letters each.
- 3. Ariana, The Spider Queen, gives you 9 colors.
- 4. Match each word that Lux tells you with each color Ariana provides (example: the first word is Black, the first color is green...so the word Black goes with the color green)
- 5. Once you have the color that corresponds to each word, rearrange the words so that they go with their appropriate colors (example: since we know the word Black goes with the color green, we can place the word Black on the row with the green spiders.)
- 6. Place each word according to the color it corresponds with.
- 7. Take the letters that are circled and read from top to bottom.

## Coffin

- 1. Wolfgang tells you how to unlock the coffin inside Scarlett's trailer
- 2. The Homecoming King's interview is a good place to look for the answer.

#### Mirror Maze

- 1. Read John Harrell's interview to determine what you need to gain access.
- 2. Read the interview with Chatters the Clown to find the password.

#### Concessions

- 1. Read Lux's interview to determine how to gain access to the Concession Stand.
- 2. Use the information gained inside the Mirror Maze to open Concessions.

### Ticket Booth

- 1. Use the instructions that you decoded from Ms. Cthulhu. Read Howie's first hint completely. He gives a lot of information here.
- 2. Read Howie's second hint which describes what a certain word refers to.
- 3. Consult what you discovered inside the Mirror Maze to find that portion of the password.
- 4. Examine what you found in the Concessions booth.
- 5. Put both components of the password together to open the ticket booth (no caps, no spaces)

## Crazy Circus/Insane Clowns

- 1. Notice that certain letters are blacked out. Write those all together.
- 2. After gaining access to the ticket booth, you are instructed to use what we buried in the clown art along with another piece of specific information.
- 3. Follow the instructions.

### STALK Report

- 1. The email gives a very specific set of instructions for how to unlock the STALK report. At this point, you should have eliminated 6 suspects.
- 2. Take the number of each suspect that you have eliminated and put the numbers in sequence.
- 3. Use the sequence of numbers to unlock the report.

## STALK/Mikey

1. To learn what sort of information Mikey has, use the special password you obtained from the STALK report.

# Final Solution:

1. After reviewing what Mikey discovered, you should have the first and last name of the killer.