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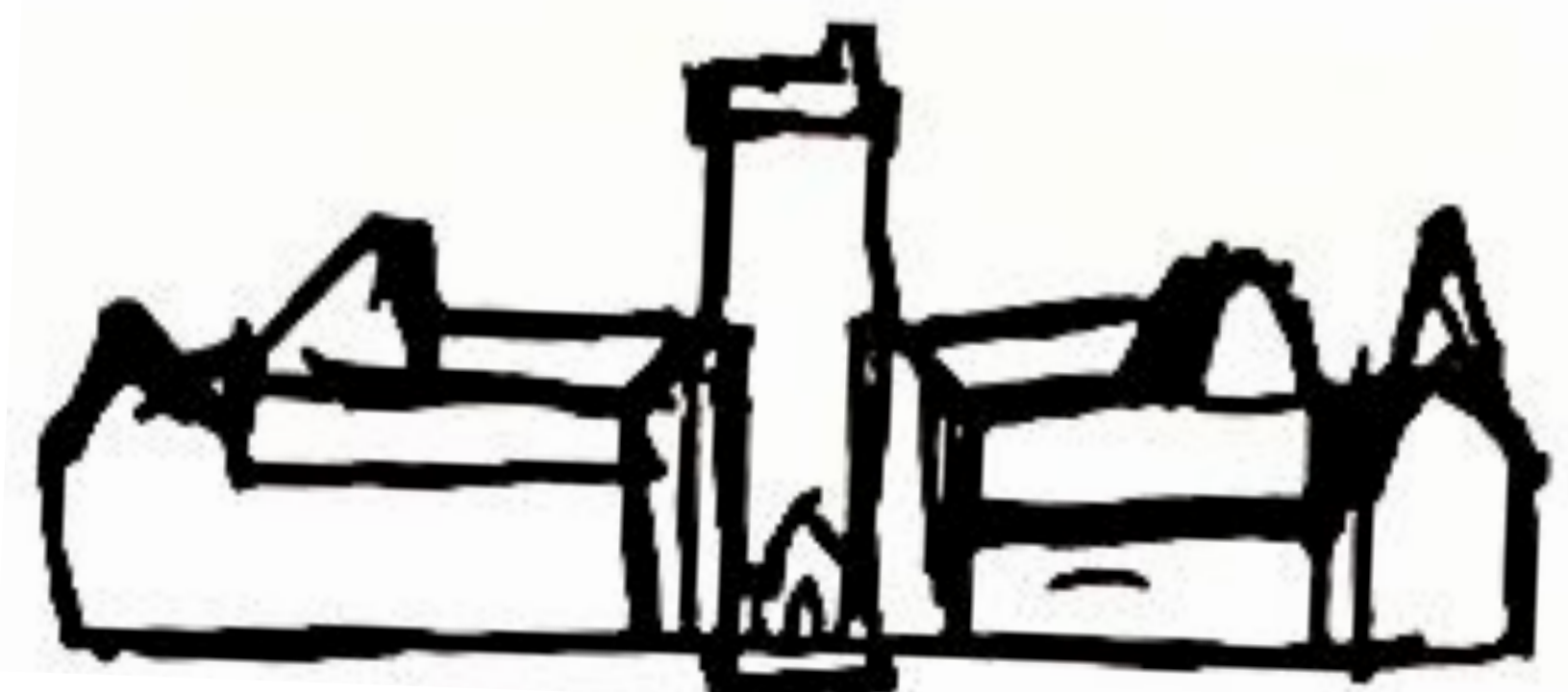
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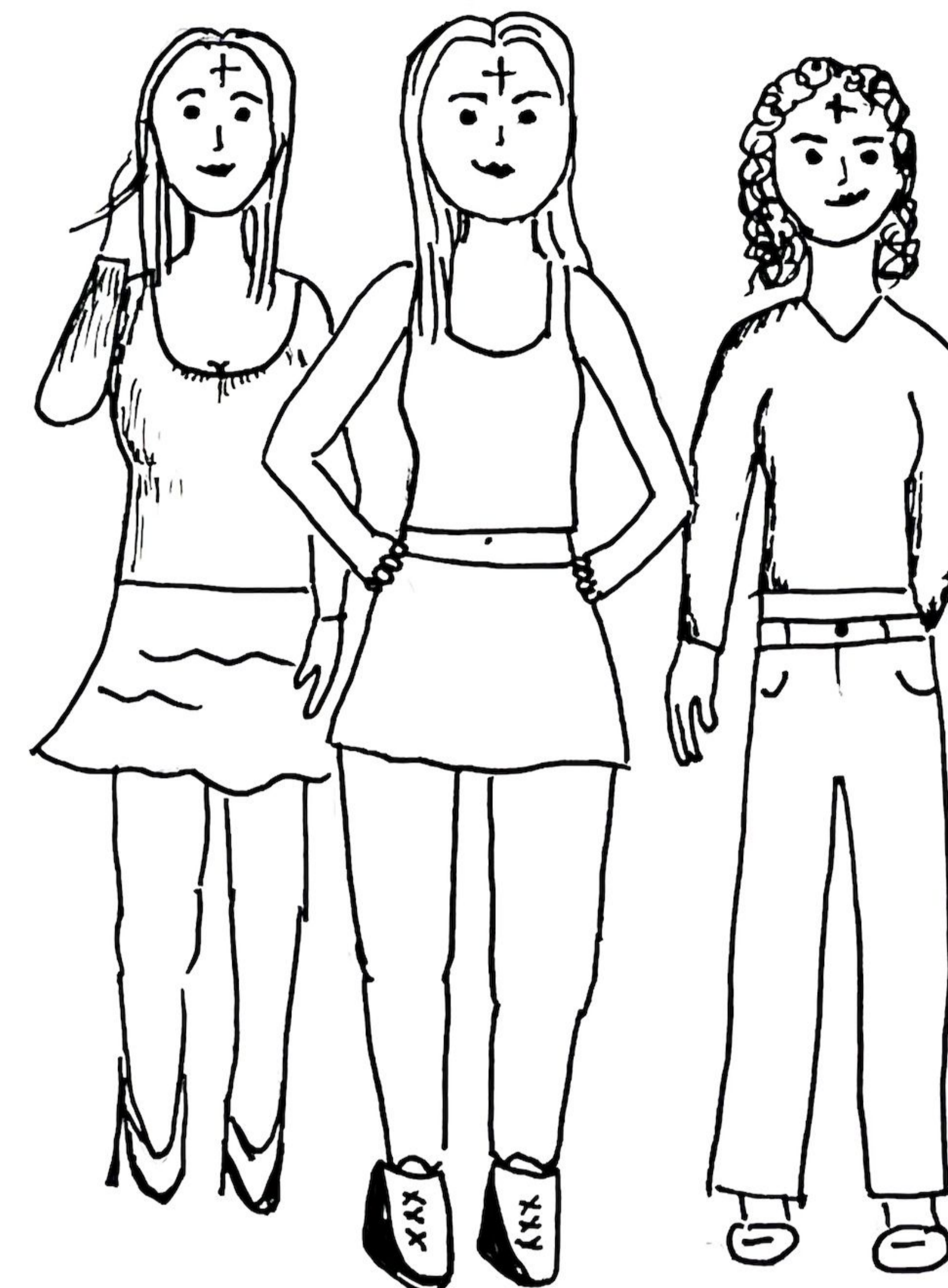
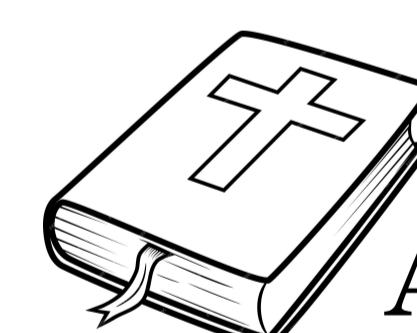


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Boundary Bible Study

A Glimmer of Faith in a Heathenish Publication



μείζονα ταύτης ἀγάπην οὐδείς ἔχει, ἵνα τις τὴν ψυχὴν αὐτοῦ θῆ ὑπὲρ τῶν φίλων αὐτοῦ

“Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.”

John 15:13 (KJV)

Commentary

If you're desperately looking for a Valentine's date, take heed of this sagely advice. Never underestimate the number of candy hearts you will receive if you jump on a grenade to save a sexy acquaintance.

Top 10 Date Locations on Campus

Jess LeBlanc (Feb. 4, 2024)

1: Robarts Commons study rooms

As the majority of the student population suggests, these rooms make for great makeout spots. Why don't you join in on the fun?

Note: these are NOT private, your makeout will be witnessed. But you *like* that don't you...

2: Queen's Park port-a-potty

Convenient, perfect for a little privacy in a big city.

3: Northrop Frye statue bench

For those interested in experimenting with polyamory. He's down for pretty much anything.

4: The Delta Kappa Epsilon house basement

Perfect for those who like danger – it could collapse at any moment.

5: The portion of Robarts Library that is the turkey's ass

Great views.

6: The defunct waterfall and empty pond beside Lower Burwash

Nothing more romantic than a body of water, except where water would be if there was water in it.

7: Burwash Dining Hall

For a culinary experience that cannot be replicated.

8: The Edward Johnson Buildings' asbestos-ridden hallways

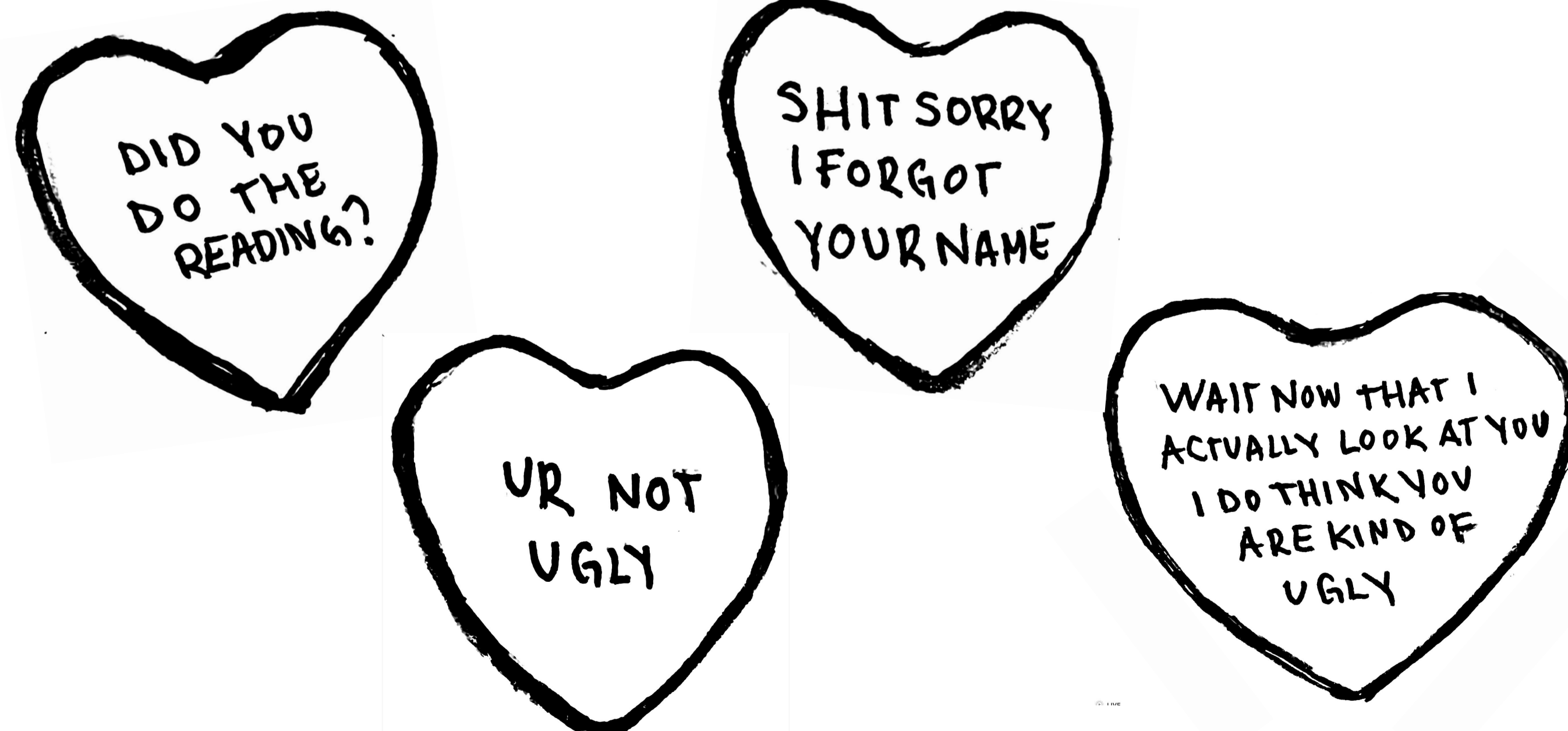
No one will find you there, and soon, no one will find you at all.

9: Front Campus

Muddy, yellow grass is a known aphrodisiac.

10: The Munk School Fountain

A romantic swim near the campus' war-criminals-in-training sure gets the blood pumping.



Genius Groundhog Predicts Early Spring on 5 Degree February Day

Jonah Wineberg (Feb. 2, 2024)

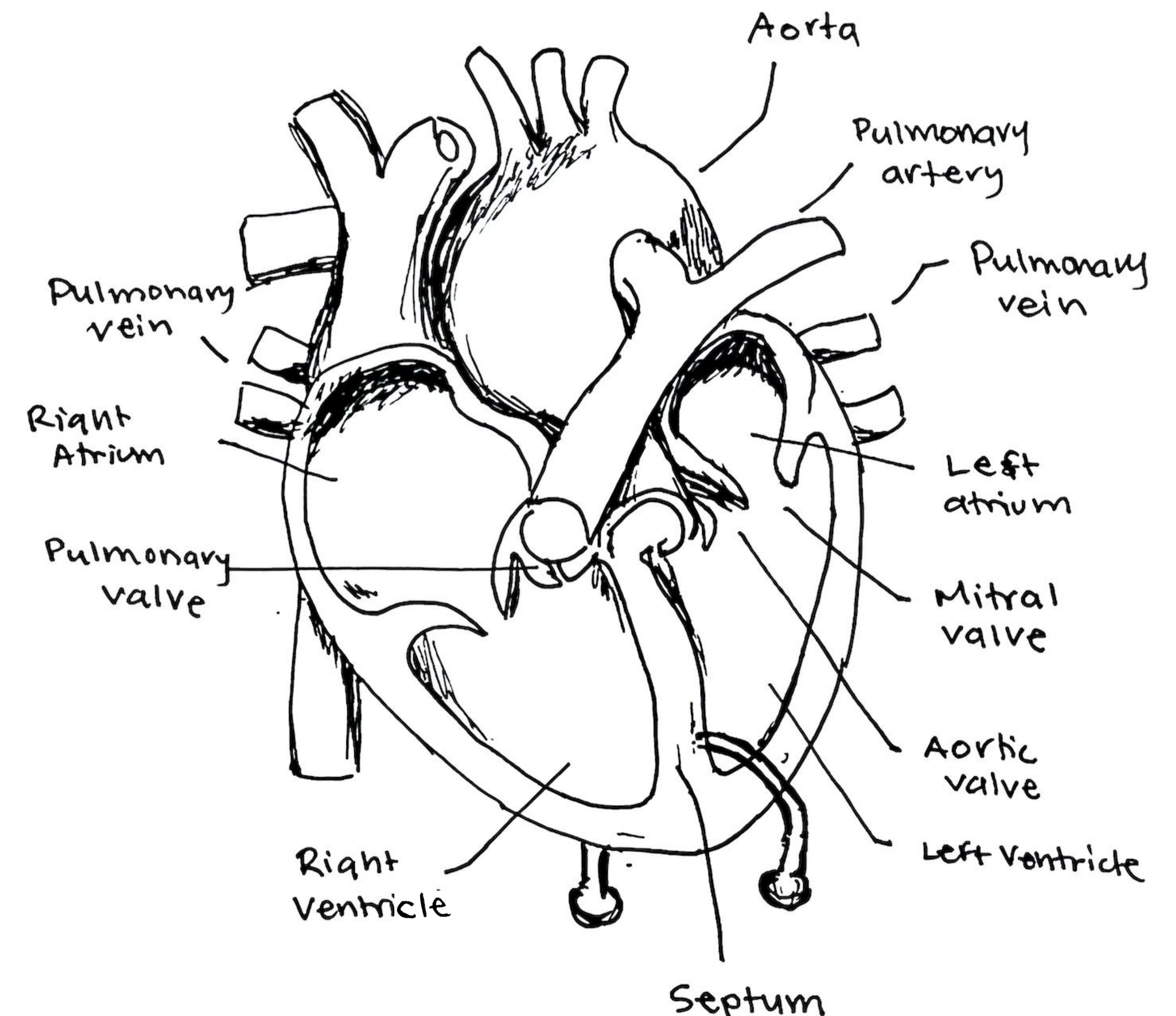
The local Ontario groundhog, Warton Willie, did not see his shadow this Groundhog Day morning, ingeniously predicting an early spring. This is a remarkable feat, as surely no one else could have predicted that during a mid-winter day with spring weather.

The community was quick to commend this brilliant groundhog for his groundbreaking forecast, whose tremendous achievement managed to overshadow a local journalist's recent development of his beatboxing skills. Maybe the office talent show prize should go to Willie since he's so special.

Witnesses reported that Willie flashed a smug little smile near the end of the ceremony, really patting himself on the fucking back for such a remarkable achievement of not looking at his dumb shadow. Any old journalist could have predicted warm weather, but nooooo let's give our attention to a stupid rodent instead. Dumb gluttonous fuck.

Vic Student Gets Wrong Septum Pierced

Natalie Cader-Beutel



UofT Love Language Course Cancelled After Inappropriate Physical Touch

Natalie Cader-Beutel (Feb. 6, 2024)

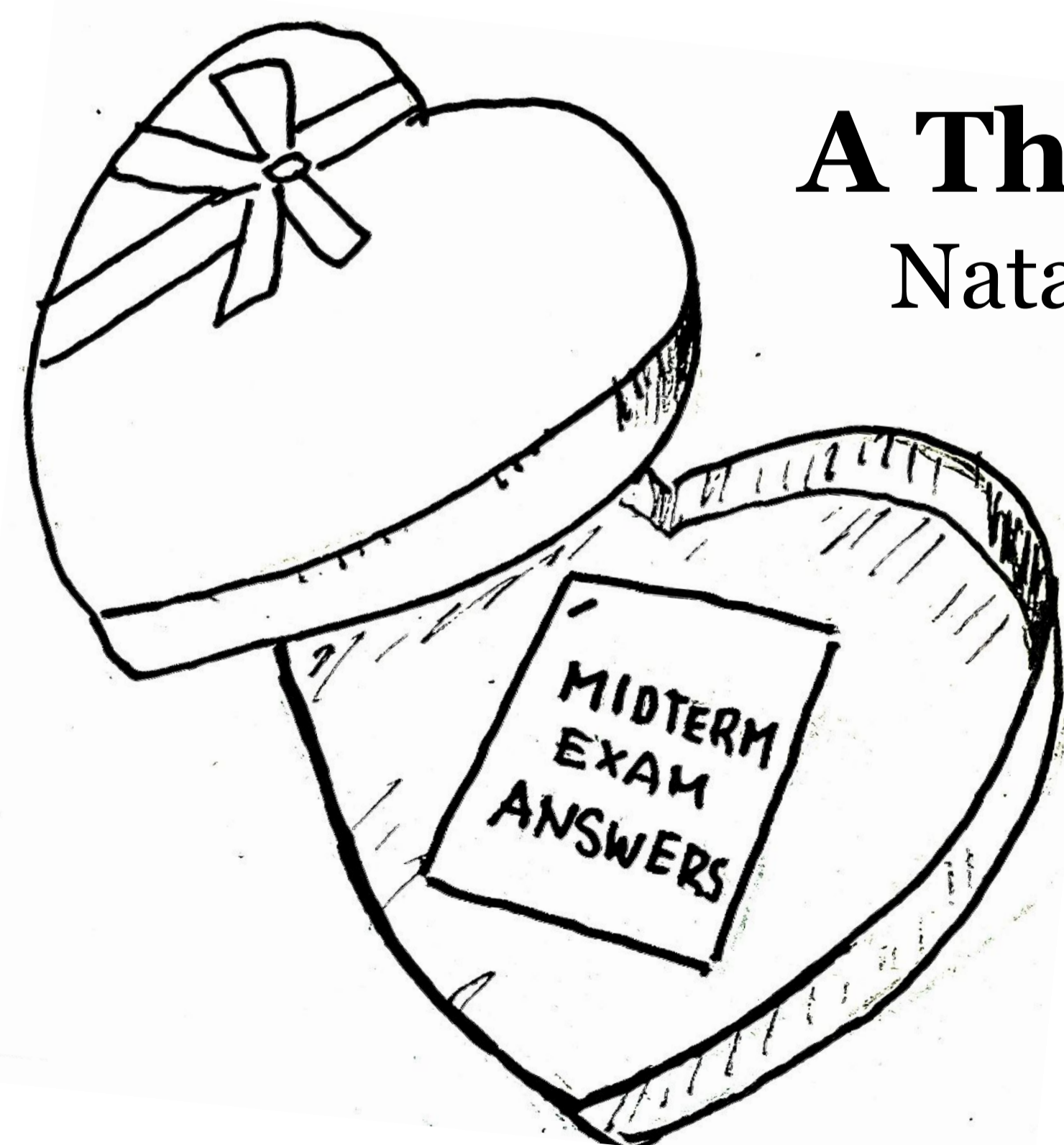
Among other things, UofT is known for its wide range of course options. From Quantitative Reasoning for Political Science Majors to Quantitative Methods for Business Management, there's almost no shortage of fun classes to choose from. A recent addition to the course catalogue, LAN169: Introduction to Love Language(s), was expected to be a hit. Taking famous Christian DILF Gary Chapman's book on the five love languages as its textbook (available for \$16.99 on Amazon or \$56.99 at the UofT Bookstore), the class had over 200 students enrolled at the beginning of the semester.

The class appeared to start smoothly, with seemingly happy students streaming out of Professor Pederfilla's lecture room. But between January 8th and February 2nd, over half of the class dropped the course. Today, the course has officially been cancelled by the department, which revealed that inappropriate conduct concerning physical touch had made the class an unsafe space.

"I'm not surprised they ended up cancelling the class," said former student Bella Ankorage (she/her, words of affirmation, gift giving), "I feel like I learned a lot, but Pederfilla's methods don't work for everyone. I'm not physical touch dominant either."

"Honestly, I don't know where the department is coming from with this," said Pederfilla, "I was teaching a course on love languages. Did they think I wouldn't demonstrate?" The Professor continued, "I'm sorry that my love language is physical touch. But I shouldn't have to be. One of the main issues we would cover in the class is the discrimination of people with other or 'othered' love languages."

Though some expected the class' cancellation to be accompanied by the firing of Pederfillia, those individuals clearly don't understand the concept of tenure. It will be a long time until Pederfillia is removed from our campus.



A Thoughtful Gift

Natalie Cader-Beutel

Ask Ariel

The Best Advice Column this Side of the Don Valley

"My friend is committing flat-cest and I need to know if I should make them break up." -Leon

Now, Leon, it honestly seems like you've got a good idea here. Matter of fact, I think you should make them break up. There is no one more fun to be around than someone who just had a break up, especially on Valentine's Day. Your flatmates will be so positive and uplifted!

Also, break up sex is notoriously chill and quiet, so you won't have a problem with hearing that.

Here's where you're wondering: "Ariel, how do I make this couple break up?"

To that, my answer is to ask them nicely!

"How do I stay alone? Dealing with people is difficult." -Noura

Based on the fact that you're asking this, Noura, it seems that you already have the answers to this question. If you keep that negative attitude, you'll be able to stay alone no problem.

"How do I convince my boyfriend to have a threesome?" -Sophia

First, Sophia, I think you should ask yourself why you desire a threesome. Is your boyfriend not satisfying you? Is it of a homoerotic nature? Do you have an interest in any advice columnists in local publications?

Once you've determined a reason for your desires, then you can pursue the idea. From here, it is easy. You'll have planted a seed in your boyfriend's mind that you are forming attractions to third parties. Over time, this will slowly break him down until he feels he has no choice but to have a threesome with you and your chosen party. Win - Win - Win!0

TA's Office Hours Closest CS Student Can Get to Valentine's Date

Daniel Golden (Feb. 14, 2023)

For many U of T students today's a day for romantic dining, gift giving, and cavity-inducing multicoloured candy hearts. Not so for Tim Turing, a 3rd year Computer Science student who, in spite of his immaculate syntax and record-setting minesweeper runs, is yet to secure an amorous meet-up.

"I can't comprehend what the problem is" shouts Turing over the deafening whir of his gaming computer's military-grade fans. "It must be my unmatched C++ skills and employable major which performs the function of intimidating all my hypothetical female companions"

Whatever the reason may be, Turing has developed a surefire way to lock down a date this Valentine's evening: a visit to his TA's office hours.

"I have my whole evening programmed: I'll head over to Bahen with a box of heart shaped chocolates and a ChatGPT generated confession of my love. There are numerous variables to consider: if TA is alone, ask out for a cup of java. If TA makes eye contact, initiate kissing protocol. If TA shows interest in intercourse, quickly pull up the WikiHow page. Else, go home and play Zork."

```
public void GetValentinesDate(Person me,
Person TA) {
    me.getBoxOfChocolates();
    me.goToBahen();
    if (TA.isAlone()){
        me.askOut(TA);
        if(TA.makesEyeContact(me) &&
TA.interestedInIntercourse()){
            me.initiateKissingProtocol();
            wikiHow.getWikiHowPage(Intercourse);
        }else{
            me.goHome();
            me.playZork();
        }
    }else{
        me.goHome();
        me.playZork();
    }
}
```

Com Sci Dating Protocol (Java)

Sarah Dorfman

Friend Dating Herself Right Now Clearly Taking Things Too Far

Natalie Cader-Beutel and Madeleine Beckett
(Feb. 12, 2024)

Since her most recent breakup from her summer camp boyfriend about six years ago, Alex Behzadi has been in a committed relationship with someone she just simply can't live without: herself. This Valentine's Day, she plans on surprising her better half with a tall glass of wine and an intimate, over-the-shoulder back massage.

Alex says she's perfectly happy in her relationship: "I'm so lucky to have found someone who understands me as much as I do. It's like we're the same person. We even finish each other's... sentences!"

However, her roommates Jenn and Fanny are starting to worry about their friend getting too attached to her lover.

"Self-love is definitely important, yeah, but this seems different. In the past two weeks, I've caught her kissing the hall mirror twice, and sending herself flowers thrice," Jenn says. "I guess it wouldn't be such a big problem, but she hasn't cleaned off the lipstick kisses from the glass, and her flower money is supposed to go towards our billion-dollar Yorkville rent."

Alex's other roommate, Fanny, says the relationship isn't just weird, it's unhealthy: "I mean, Alex never lets herself hang out with other people and freaks out when she brings up her ex from Grade 8. It seems like a really controlling relationship to me," she says.

Despite her friends' worries, Alex is just pleased to be with someone she loves. When asked for comment, Alex couldn't help but thank the matchmakers who introduced her to her significant other:

"Mom, dad, thank you for setting me up with someone who really gets me, inside and out. I feel like the luckiest girl in the world."



Illustration by: Daniel Golden

Friends With Benefits Mark Valentine's Day With Awkward Public Encounter

Patrick Fraser (Feb. 14, 2022)

TORONTO - For many couples at UofT, this year's Valentine's Day serves as an opportunity to celebrate their relationship following a long and taxing lockdown. With restaurants and bars open, dining out and getting coffee are once again date options.

But not everyone has been looking forward to February 14th. For Michael O'Connor, the day is a source of dread. O'Connor, a third-year Anthropology specialist, has been in a no-labels relationship with fellow Anthropology student Belle MacColl since first semester. The two had avoided discussing Valentine's Day and hoped it would pass by without incident.

O'Connor went to Goldstruck after class to get his usual half-sweet, non-fat, no-whip latte (the baristas knew his order). As he shuffled down the line to pick up his order, he recognized her. Standing next to him, waiting to pick up her cold brew coffee was Belle MacColl. The two nervously glanced at each other, hoping that the barista would call out one of their names and put this hellish encounter out of its misery. The tension was palpable—no one else was in the cafe.

"Oh God, what do I say?" thought O'Connor. The two simply do not hang out in public, nor do they even acknowledge each other outside of a three-hour time slot on Friday evenings. Before he could say anything, though, she grabbed her coffee and darted out of the cafe. Despite the traumatizing encounter, sources confirm that they are still on tap to meet up this weekend.

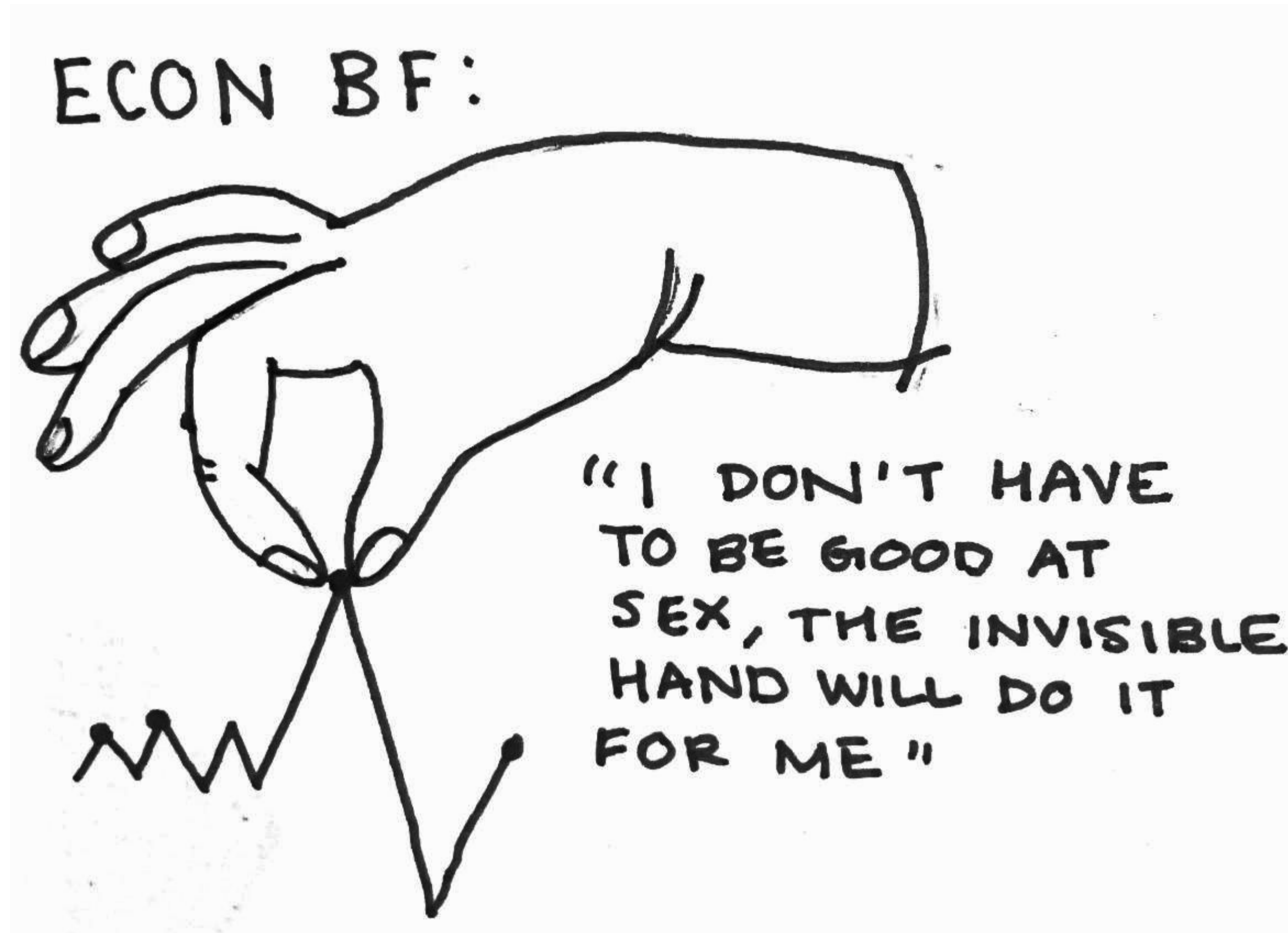


Illustration by: Kéah Sharma

Aphrodite Project Matches Lucky Student with Northrop Frye Statue

Kéah Sharma (Feb. 14, 2021)

Emily Vendler, a cat-loving English major who claimed to be "single by choice," recently matched with the man of her dreams using the Aphrodite Project. The lucky gal and her new love match—the Northrop Frye Statue—have since been inseparable.

"Ever since my first day on campus, I knew he was the one. The whole suffering in silence thing just really gets me going. Also, have you seen that body? God, the man is chiseled," swooned Vendler. "Sometimes I see him staring creepily at other girls, but I know what we have is real, so I'm not worried."

Other English majors across UofT have expressed their disappointment after being paired with regular, living people. The creators of the Aphrodite Project warned that the situation might escalate:

"Having a bunch of people fighting over Frye by asserting their intellectual superiority over one another is a dangerous situation. We recommend non-English majors stay inside unless they want to be pummeled by incomprehensible word vomit."

Vendler plans to fight hard to keep her man and threatens that anyone who might approach him will be forced to listen to her in-depth analysis of *The Great Gatsby*.



Allies to Lovers

Kéah Sharma