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The Value of a Friend

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"You just call out my name, and you know where I am, I'll come running, to be with you. Winter, spring, summer or fall, all you have to do is call, and I'll be there, yes I will, you've got a friend!" - Carole King

There are a lot of aspects of residence life that are fun. On the other hand, there are lots of aspects of residence

life that are not so fun. A student living in residence is forced to deal with both the good and bad experiences.

Residence life is quite a bit different than life at home. A student may have more freedom, but loneliness from the comforts of home is sure to set in. Televisions, portable fridges and microwaves are all wonderful, but students don't have a parent to talk to when they are in a jam, or a brother or sister to confide

in when they need some helpful advice.

I've lived in residence for almost six months now and I have had some positive experiences as well as some negative. I often miss my parents and wish I had someone to talk to about personal issues and problems that I believe only they can solve. Times like these are when I seek out my friends, my peers, those I feel I can trust. Friends are more than just someone to hang out with, or eat with. True friends are those who express their feelings, even if it means being honest from time to time. A true friend will always stand by you, whatever battle you are fighting or whatever challenge you are facing. A true friend is someone you can always count on. I know I sound like a daily aspirations book, however, friendship is a topic which I think everyone can relate to.

We go through our lives having many friends. Some we lose to other cities or other people, others we lose to disease or death. A best friend is hard to come by. Not often do we find someone we can be totally honest with and trust with even the deepest of secrets.

As students living in residence with so many other students, it is very easy for us to think we have lots of friends, but what exactly is the meaning of the word friend? The Funk & Wagnall's Canadian Collegiate Dictionary defines a friend as "One who is personally known by oneself and for whom one has warm regard or affection; intimate." Is this an accurate definition of what a friend really is? Each human being has his/her own expectations of what a friend really is. Different people have different expectations, understandably, this is all a part of life. Nonetheless, students need to focus on the value of friendship, to ensure success throughout the university experience.

Everyone complains about the friend that drives them crazy, bonkers, batty, or around-the-bend. We all need to sit back and realize that our actions may engender the same emotions in them. If everyone can learn to value friends and treat them with the utmost confidence and encourage - rather than discourage - them, life will seem a lot less hectic. Friends are wonderful for helping to release tension and lower stress. So, the next conversation you have with one of your friends, try to say something that will make them smile. Show them in some way how much they really mean to you.

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Pisces (February 18-March 19): Counting down the days until school's out? Well there are twenty four class days left... the same number as there are beer in two cases (or one, if you're from Ontario), coincidence? I don't think so. Just remember: Procrastination is like masturbation - you only end up screwing yourself.



Aries (March 20-April 19): This week might be a good one to try opening your text books instead of using them as doorstops - it is called "reading week" for a reason - not "reading week" as some of you might believe. Though who am I to stop your naturalistic attempts at arts and crafts?



Taurus (April 20-May 19): The person of your dreams is well within your grasp this week, unfortunately s/he is taken, not interested or just plain dumb. You can chase down that dream, spending hours upon hours pining and deliberating, or you can take my advice and buy a new cd and dance your sorrows away in your room, alone.



Gemini (May 20-June 20): You are logical this week and can't stand the disorder in your life. This nit-picking will be sickening to your friends but just tidy up their rooms for them and they'll shut up. If you have to pick a career this week try being a bus driver or a pimp. Also, my roommate would like me to add here that Gemini's have well endowed chests (though she phrased it somewhat differently!).



Cancer (June 21-July 21): Festoon your lair with pussy willows and buy yourself seven new toothbrushes - use a different one every day and curse that it just isn't good enough as you use it. This will confuse your roommate and you

can live alone next term. **Leo** (July 22-August 22): The winter blahs have probably got you down by now, but don't despair because Sarah Lee makes a frozen dessert for every occasion! Grab a spoon and curl up in front of a stupid movie - it'll make you feel smarter.



Virgo (August 23-September 21): A friend once told me: "There's no 'I' in team, but there is a 'm' and an 'e'." This week would be a good time to use this to your advantage step on as many heads as need be. You are important and you can go places, as long as you're willing to crush a few toes. Don't worry about losing friends, you can always buy more when you get to the top!



Libra (September 22-October 22): supposedly Libras make good lawyers - have you heard the one about a thousand dead lawyers at the bottom of the ocean? It's a good start. Says something about Libras, doesn't it? I think what I'm trying to say is: stop judging people and ask a Capricorn to share his/her pudding pops.



Scorpio (October 23-November 21): Kisses aren't contracts and presents aren't promises. If s/he cared they would not have run over your dog or made out with your best friend. Wake up and smell the toast burning - the sex might be good, but think about your poor dog!



Sagittarius (November 22-December 20): Keep in mind: if at first you don't succeed, skydiving is not for you. Remember all those other horoscopes that told you to get out there and try something new this month? Well you can stop trying now - the month is over.



Capricorn (December 21-January 19): Stop being so friggin' reserved and condescending. You might think that the goat people are God's gift to the world but you're wrong: it's really Jell-O pudding pops. If you shut up and listen for once you might actually learn something and you would have known about the pudding pops much, much sooner.

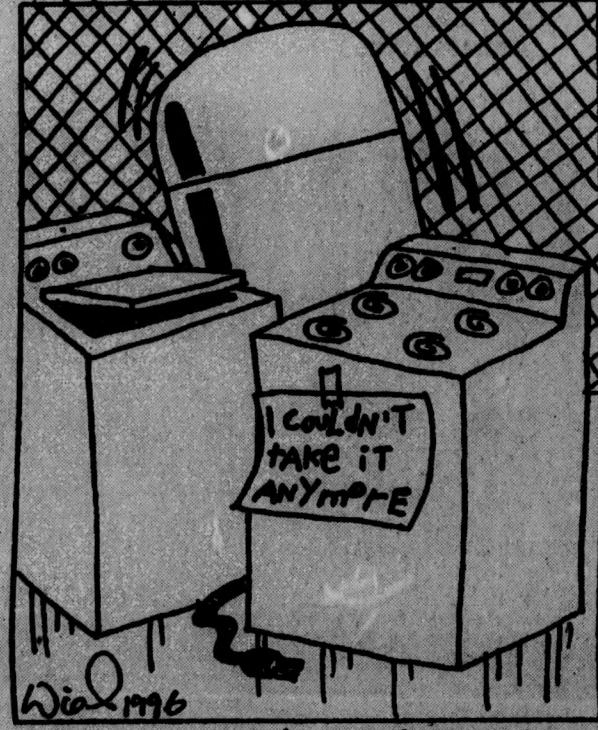


Aquarius (January 20-February 17): Happy belated Birthday! As air signs you must be enjoying all this windy weather, but unfortunately for you, you'll find a big gust of hot air coming your way as you lock horns with a friend who's full of it. Don't despair, just blow them off!

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"OH, MY GOSH!... IT'S PERCY - HE'S UNPLUGGED HIMSELF!"

Flashback

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Bird of Paradise, But...

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I have, through several years of acute observation, postulated a hypothesis concerning women. This hypothesis states that women, by their very nature, are paradoxical. Let me tell you about an amazing woman I met at a party the other night who illustrates this hypothesis.

As I entered, squinting through the almost palpable haze of smoke, blatant jazz and strident laughter, I saw her. A bird. A veritable chickadee amongst the ravens. She seemed perched on her chair, frightened, ready to fly for the door. Not wishing to alarm this bird by the usual cloddish approach, I thought I would casually slide over and look at her closely, then subtly try to strike up a conversation. I managed to squeeze into a corner which afforded me a profile view and observed. Very nice. I mean it.

She had one of those petit turned up noses you read about. The kind that looks as though someone had pushed it in with the palm of their hand. The much revered Greek and Roman noses are too long for my taste. Great big eyes, brown ones. They made her look demure and modest, particularly when she lowered her lashes. Most women look kind of sexy when they do that, but not her. She looked modest, shy. She had small ears, visible under short, ruffled hair. Hair that had painstakingly been set so it looked as though she'd just come in from a tornado. Hair like that is indicative of character.

In her ears were diminutive gold rings, not the chandelier type that are affected by our bumptious women of today. Her mouth was full and round, vaguely reminding one of the parting lips of the flapper era.

I couldn't be sure of her height, because, as I said, she was perched on

an overstuffed chair. I could, however, readily observe that she had a full, round bosom, quite unlike the typical lashed

down type favored by our tubercular fashion models.

She was wearing open-toed high-heeled shoes. And I mean really high-heeled. The heel points were almost fragile looking. A nicely turned ankle graduated from the shoe, graduating to a well formed calf topped by a froth of petticoats. I thought I perceived a bruise on her left leg, but was inclined to disbelieve, having found perfection.

Perceiving her glass to be empty, I attempted to gain familiarity by asking her if she would care for another. She turned to me open-mouthed, revealing the loss of an upper canine, a bruise above her left eye, and a hideous over-application of make-up which vainly

attempted to cover an unsightly wart. My bird belched and in a screeching voice that filled the room, replied, "Alla time you guys bodda me! Can't ya leave me alone for God's sake?"



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