

**FAKE NEWS UPDATE**

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**AD BREAK****PERENNIAL**

The Fake News Update is brought to you in part by rekindling relationships. Maybe you've held ire against a certain member of your immediate family for as long as you remember - maybe they deserved it - but we're not here to keep score. I'm here to tell you that rekindling relationships can lower your blood pressure and even prevent death. So get out there, reach your hand across a radio news desk, and just grab on to the delicate wrist of your formerly-estranged brother. This is FNU.

**DAILY HEADLINES**

*MUSIC IN. F.N.U. Theme*

**ANNUAL**

He's not heavy, he's my brother. The story of two brothers, both alike in dignity, in fair Verona where we lay our scene.

*MUSIC OUT.*

**PERENNIAL**

From the KLMNOP studios in Verona, Wisconsin. With all the news you never knew you needed and all the news you needed to know, I'm Perennial Eschner, joined by my well-intentioned brother Annual Eschner...

**ANNUAL**

Filling in for Anahita Ardashir who, whether she knew it or not, has given me one of the greatest gifts of my life: and that's the reconciliation of a house divided, in fair Verona, where we lay our scene.

**PERENNIAL**

This is F.N.U. The Fake News Update.

**ANNUAL**

And now, today's headlines. Friendship.

**PERENNIAL**

And understanding!

**ANNUAL**

Of course. Friendship *and* understanding, between two brothers who finally buried the easy bake oven.

**PERENNIAL**

Speaking of ages 5 and up, let's take a look at the Friendship Meter.

**SFX.** \_\_\_\_.

Well that looks like it's just about all the way up there at the top.

**ANNUAL**

It sure does. It sure does. And now - my favorite part of the show, our FNU Reviews segment - Eschner Assesses.

**PERENNIAL**

That's very kind of you, Annual.

**ANNUAL**

That's kind of you, I'm excited to hear what you're going to assess for the listeners, and for me, who is also a listener.

**PERENNIAL**

This week I'm reviewing our relationship. Boy howdy, we have had some rough years but you know, we spat, we fought, we got a lil rowdy--

**ANNUAL**

Yes, we did. Yes, we did.

**PERENNIAL**

--but look how far we've come. I give this relationship 4 stars.

**ANNUAL**

Well that just touches my heart. I - uh - I actually I'm gonna go ahead and give this relationship *five* stars.

**PERENNIAL**

Well, you know you are not the reviewer, but that is your *right*. I would like to retroactively give this relationship 6 and one half stars.

**ANNUAL**

And I guess for me, actually, if we're following the metric system - which you know I do - I'm gonna go ahead and beef up this lil star-giver, and lock in 10 stars even.

**PERENNIAL**

Oh wow. That's fairly generous for where we're at, I think, but uh I'm gonna go ahead and come up the rear here and plop down a solid twelve.

**ANNUAL**

Oh, well that's interesting, I actually wanted to upgrade mine to fifteen gold ones.

**PERENNIAL**

Oh, you know, FNU actually covered the Hollywood premiere of "Blades of Fury 2," and there were more stars there than I think the human brain is capable of processing. So I'm gonna go ahead and write down "infinity stars" on this little piece of paper, and I'm gonna slid it across the desk to ya.

**ANNUAL**

You know what, I'm just gonna take that little piece of paper, and I'm just gonna put a "plus one" after that. So infinity plus one stars, can't get much bigger than that.

**PERENNIAL**

You rat bastard.

**ANNUAL**

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**PERENNIAL**

From KLMNOP Thank you for listening to the Fake News Update, and until next time...

**BOTH [out of sync]**

We'll be FNU. (PERENNIAL: My brother is a hack.)

(ANNUAL: What?)

(PERENNIAL: What?)

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**ANNUAL**

This... is F.N.U. Pretty good, right? I've been listening to Anahita, some old tapes--

**PERENNIAL**

I don't wanna hear it.

**ANNUAL**

This... is FNU. THIS is FNU.