

FAKE NEWS UPDATE

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ANNUAL

Y'know Perennial, last time I was here I was dragging you out of the closet, and look at you now, coming into your own and into Tony. I never thought you would be BRAVE enough to live a life out loud! And heck look at us now, invitin' me in for the final two quarters of this bring your sibling to work week. We've got the whole Eschner family together! Minus mom, dad, and all our other relatives! Hi, Millennial.

MILLENNIAL

Hey.

PERENNIAL

Hey is for horses, and ads are for listeners! The Fake News Update is brought to you in part by *brotherly* love. SURE you thought Bring Your Sibling to Work Week might be a nice opportunity to show your kid sister to the world, but at the end of the day, a brother will never abandon you and change his name just because he thinks it's cool that your co-anchor ate her womb-mate!

ANAHITA

ABSORBED my womb-mate.

MILLENNIAL

I also like her phone case.

ANNUAL

Is that the Venus de Milo?

ANAHITA

SERENA De Milo!

PERENNIAL

But then where's OTIS?

ANAHITA

Dead.

ANAHITA

News studios: too crowded for my taste. With all the siblings you never knew you needed, and all the family you never wanted to know, I'm Anahita Ardashir-

PERENNIAL

And I'm Perennial Eschner.

MILLENNIAL

And I'm Millennial Ardashir

ANNUAL

And I'M Annual Eschner, from the award winning Annually Eschner with Annual Eschner, already in syndication.

PERENNIAL

How?!

ANAHITA

And now, today's headlines- Millennial.

MILLENNIAL

I actually... I actually feel like headlines are violence. Who are we to quantify what news get relayed to the public. All news should be treated equally, which means that no news should be treated at all. So... I respectfully refuse to engage in this capitalistic approach to information.

ANAHITA

Oh. Oh? OH! Then you can see your way out!

PERENNIAL

Bye, Millennial. SYNDICATION, ANNUAL?

ANNUAL

It's not me, it's the fans. And ALSO my new agent/ manager/ spiritual leader/ BROTHER, Brother Hank!

That's right, Brother Hank! Thanks to Brother Hank's Endtime Talent Agency, I'm up to my neck in cookbook deals, speaking engagements, ENGAGEMENT engagements, and uh... pamphlets.

That's right, ominous, aura filled pamphlets that carry the key to fame and success and favor in the eyes of Moroth.

That's right, Moroth! Who I assume is the head of this endtime talent agency. Brother Hank is always singing his praises, saying such things as "Praise Moroth" and "Give me your money." You wouldn't understand, Perennial.

ANAHITA

Annual. Describe Brother Hank.

ANNUAL

Oh, he's just a basic white guy.

[*HUGE gasp from Perennial and Anahita*]

PERENNIAL

Annual, bro, you gotta run!

ANNUAL

Oh I run every day! There's a gym at the talent agency! My sweat is the cream in Moroth's coffee! The salt in his stew! Which I assume is a metaphor!

PERENNIAL

They have a gym?

ANAHITA

PERENNIAL, NO. Annual, I can assure you that that is not a metaphor. Moroth drinks and eats body fluids. I'm noticing a striking similarity between the Moroth *your* Brother Hank speaks of AND the Moroth *Perennial's* Brother Hank spoke of. Could these brothers Hank and these Moroths be two in the same?

PERENNIAL

NOT THIS TIME.

ANAHITA

Perennial, describe for Annual what *your* brother Hank looked like.

PERENNIAL

Well... He's... just a basic white guy-

[*BOTH GASP*]

ANAHITA

Connect the f[bleep] dots, man.

ANNUAL

Well did YOUR brother hank wear a phony moustache?

PERENNIAL

Well... no.

ANNUAL

See? Different Brothers! Different Hanks! Wham slam HANK ya ma'am!

PERENNIAL

Well that is a relief. Satisfied, Anahita?

ANAHITA

Hardly ever.

ANNUAL

Well what if you could change that? I actually have some pamphlets here, that I think you two will find VERY interesting.

ANAHITA

The word "circus" has been crossed out and replaced with "Talent Agency".

ANNUAL

Well isn't Hollywood a circus!?

PERENNIAL

The Red Hot Chili Peppers would sure have me think so!

ANNUAL

Anahita, if you don't wanna follow Brother Hank's celebrity roadmap to success then I can't make ya. But I'm sure my *brother* would love to take a peep at these papas.

PERENNIAL

... My eyes are salivating!

ANAHITA

Those are just allergies.

ANNUAL

Let's get a coffee, bud, huh? Just you and me.

PERENNIAL

Oh sure. Uh, Heets you got this one?

ANAHITA

I guess I have no choice... from a bustling family of four... to a busy family of one and a half. This is not the first time we've been left alone in this studio, but with you, my dear absorbed twin, I guess I'm never truly alone. John?

I can't shake the feeling that this Brother Hank is the very same that swindled my boy anchor into joining a clown cult. Something about the way he also follows a deity named Moroth. Something about that just don't sit right with the crime puma. Listeners, if a basic white man approaches you with pamphlets... run.

This is FNU.