


SAW presents
Autobio comics
with **heart** 
with Nidhi Chanani



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AUTOBIO COMICS WITH HEART

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Drawing is good
for my head



but not so good
for my body



I want to draw
every day



I never thought I
had a choice



Now I cherish every
moment even it's
short lived



So when I think
my drawings stink...



I should give myself
a hug



stretch and
draw some more!



I MADE A NUMBER OF NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS FOR 2026. (WELL, OKAY, A LOT OF THEM WERE TECHNICALLY CARRIED OVER FROM 2025.)

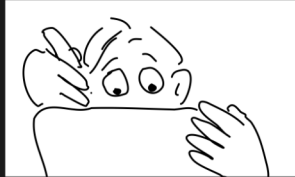


HONESTLY, I FELT A LITTLE SILLY DOING THAT BECAUSE... DO NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS ACTUALLY WORK? I DON'T KNOW; THEY'RE SOMETHING OF A CLICHÉ.



BUT SO FAR, I'VE BEEN PRETTY GOOD ABOUT KEEPING MY DAILY OR NEAR-DAILY RESOLUTIONS.

FOR INSTANCE, I RESOLVED TO DRAW SOMETHING EVERY DAY, AND SO FAR I HAVE!



THEY'RE MOSTLY QUICK SKETCHES, AND THEY'RE NOT GREAT, BUT THEY'RE... WELL, THEY'RE PRACTICE.



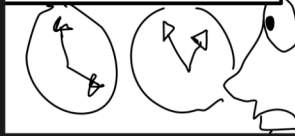
I RESOLVED TO EXERCISE REGULARLY—AND I HAVE BEEN!



I'VE STILL GOT A GUT I'D RATHER NOT HAVE, AND HONESTLY I DON'T REALLY EXPECT IT TO GO AWAY, BUT AT LEAST I'M GETTING IN BETTER SHAPE... MAYBE?



THE THING IS, THOUGH, THAT ALL THESE DAILY ACTIVITIES TAKE TIME, AND THERE ARE OTHER THINGS I WANT TO GET DONE THAT I HAVEN'T MANAGED TO MAKE ANY TIME FOR THIS YEAR.



ARE THESE RESOLUTIONS TAKING AWAY FROM OTHER THINGS THAT MIGHT BE MORE IMPORTANT AND PRODUCTIVE? WOULD I BE BETTER OFF IN THE LONG RUN **NOT** KEEPING THESE RESOLUTIONS?

I DON'T KNOW! MAYBE! BUT THE YEAR IS STILL YOUNG. WE'LL SEE HOW IT GOES.



(HIM, MAYBE I SHOULD HAVE MADE A RESOLUTION TO MAKE LESS WORDY COMICS...)

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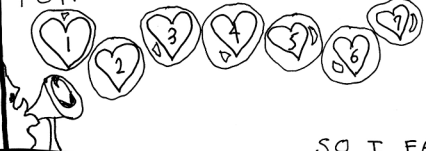
Sharing Heart- Being Vulnerable. Pg 1

MY HEART HURTS



OW!
SQUISH...
SLAM
HARM

FOR SO MANY REASONS



SO I FEEL...

SADNESS



TEARS



HEART BROKEN



SEND OFF THE ALARM



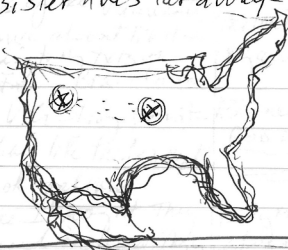
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SUZIE-Q

My sister lives far away -



We used to talk on the phone or ~~text~~ or email...



But gradually, she stopped responding -



No Answer

Left message



No response

text delivered

No response

Unless something major happened -

"D had surgery"

"M died"

"D died"

"How are you doing?"

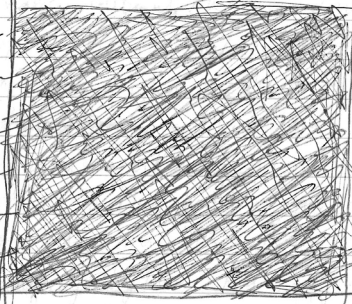


there isn't a rift -

we "get along" when we do talk...

But what continues is the

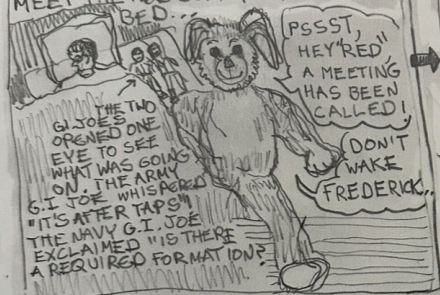
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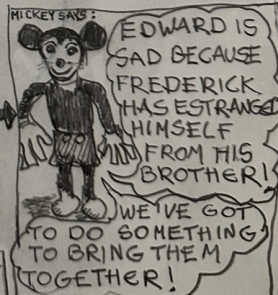
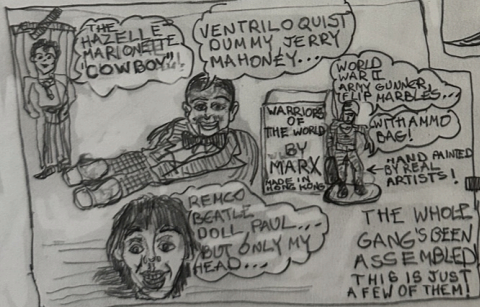
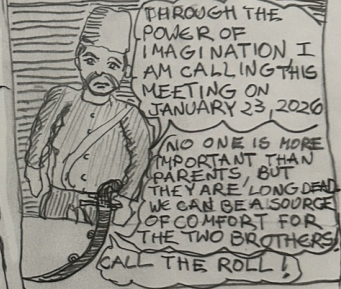
CONCERN LAST MEETING OF THE STUFFED ANIMAL GANG 99

IT'S MIDNIGHT, IT'S BEEN MANY DECADES SINCE THE STUFFED ANIMAL GANG HAD MET IN THE UPSTAIRS BACK PORCH BED ROOM OF EDWARD AND FREDERICK BURLEITH. THE BIG BLUE BUNNY GOT OUT OF EDWARD'S BED. HE WAS CAREFUL NOT TO AWAKEN EDWARD. HE HEADED OVER TO MEET THE RED BUNNY IN FREDERICK'S BED...

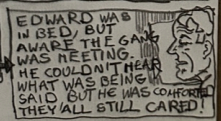


THE TWO G.I. JOES OPENED ONE EYE TO SEE WHAT WAS GOING ON. THE ARMY G.I. JOE WHISPERED "IT'S AFTER TAPS!" THE NAVY G.I. JOE EXCLAIMED "IS THERE A REQUIRED FORMATION?"

BUT THIS WAS 65 YEARS LATER AND EDWARD NO LONGER SLEPT WITH HIS BIG BLUE BUNNY OR HIS G.I. JOES. HE DIDN'T HAVE THE OLD CARVED WOODEN SHIP'S CAPTAIN OR HIS FATHER'S ORIGINAL 1932 MICKEY MOUSE DOLL OR EVEN COLONEL ABDUL THE TURKISH ARMY RAG DOLL WITH FEZ AND SCIMITAR THAT HIS MOTHER HAD MADE FOR ED, JR.



THE MEETING WENT FAR INTO THE NIGHT WITH THE STUFFED ANIMALS, ACTION FIGURES, TOYS AND OTHER BELOVED COMPANIONS OF LONG AGO DISCUSSING AND ARGUING ABOUT THE RIGHT APPROACH TO RECONCILE THE TWO OF THEM!



My doctor says my heart murmur is getting worse.



I have to be examined twice a year.



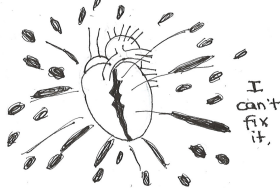
Why is this happening?



The world is falling apart. There is so much suffering.



My heart is breaking...



I guess I'm a bleeding heart after all.



Kathy Shimpock 2026

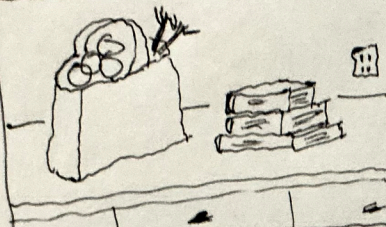
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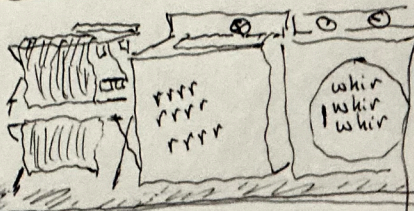
The experts say we should be ready to be without power for up to a week.



Yesterday, we stocked up on food and books.



Today was laundry and being grateful for electricity and heat. And a roof.

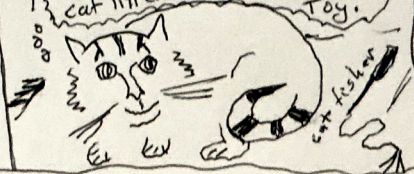


The dread amps up my sorrow about the people in Ukraine and Gaza without homes ~~much~~



Even without power, I'll have a soft bed, hot water, my eyedrops, Night-guard, vitamins,

And cat food and cat litter and the One True Toy.





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