

My Dreamy Old Husband

Chapter 317

Sophia had been waiting and looking forward to her menstruation. It finally arrived, so Michael took the chance to allow his manhood to have some rest. Finally, she returned to classes in the university as planned.

She had basically taught herself through books from her course up until her sophomore year during her self-study period. Lately, she learned things associated with game development and design. Therefore, she would follow Stanley to his class upon arriving on campus.

She worked hard to try to catch up to their level. After noon, when the rest of them had headed off, she would stay back in the library. She studied liberal arts in senior high, but since Richard was in the science stream, she did some self-study to help him with some questions. She had already passed the C programming and other basic tests last term. Therefore, it was not especially difficult for her to learn about computers from its basics.

Different groups of people arrived and departed the library's self-study room, but Sophia, who was seated in the corner, remained motionless. She wore a pair of large glasses and had a notebook in front of her with a big pile of specialized course books beside her, making her look extremely serious while she studied. She had no idea when, but as someone placed a book opposite her, a voice suddenly broke the silence. "Sophia."

She looked up from her pile of books with surprise when she saw Quinton's face. "Professor, you're here too!"

Quinton seemed even more astonished than she was. “I heard that you sustained severe burns and you were sent abroad for treatment. Why are you here?”

“Huh? Severe burns?!” Sophia was confused, pushing her glasses slightly upward.

He sat across her and told her about the news he received. After the Edwards’ ancestral home had caught fire, Joe mentioned that Sophia had been in the room and did not manage to escape. The counselor had called her home to check what happened, but someone had explained that she was recuperating at home and she needed some time before returning to the university.

When Joe’s story was combined with the news announced by the counselor, it sounded as if she had sustained severe burns from the fire. Thus, news spread that Sophia was severely disabled from the fire and as a result, she was forced to discontinue her studies to recuperate at home. After listening to Professor Clark’s explanation, she was rendered speechless.

When I was at home, I heard Maria mentioning that someone from the school had phoned the landline, asking why I wasn’t attending classes in university. Due to the incident with Phantom Wolf, Michael had applied for a long sick leave on my behalf.

That was why I told Maria to play along with the story about my sick leave. I never expected that things would take such an unexpected turn. I’ve been back in the university for about four to five days now; it’s just that I’ve been attending classes at the School of Computer Science. How on earth did news about my severe burns and me requiring treatment abroad come about?

Sophia chuckled while explaining, “Thank you for your concern, Professor. I’ve applied for my second major. I will be in the School of Computer Science during this time.” In reality, I’m not sure how many majors I’ve taken on.

Quinton seemed relieved and accompanied her for a while with his book before leaving alone. Although she was back in university, she had adopted a low profile. She arrived at school early in the morning to study in the library and she wouldn't leave until late at night.

That was because Bayside University had an abundance of book collection, especially in subjects and academic courses.

Half a month had passed since the fire in Huffs Technology and Xyla was finally back in university. The fire had caused a huge impact for Huffs Technology. Apart from the office building, the biggest loss was the facilities within. The Huff Family was involved in electronics, so the most important and valuable aspect they had were their equipment and facilities.

All the facilities, production line, and paper materials were destroyed overnight. The warehouse was reduced to ashes, so all the semi-manufactured goods and finished products inside were ruined! There was no way for them to fulfill their order since they couldn't deliver the goods. Therefore, their clients all came forward to request for a refund.

Huffs Technology was badly affected overnight. They were heavily in debt and their stock market crashed. Unable to take the blow, Mrs. Huff collapsed and was admitted to the hospital. Huffs Technology was in deep trouble this time!

After the accident, Xyla hid at home since she didn't dare to head out. Now that the Huffs are in trouble, those people who used to be jealous of me might be gloating over my misfortune!

To her dismay, when she was feeling the most helpless in her life, the love of her life hadn't even bothered to give her a phone call. It was only Mrs. Harper who phoned to check on her for a short while from the beginning to the end. However, before Mr. Huff could ask for a loan, she had already hung up on them.

I know that Richard is busy because he has to handle the issues of the Harpers Family. Nevertheless, doesn't he have the time to make a phone call, no matter

how busy he is? How could he possibly not have the time for a phone call if he has the time to post on stories on Instagram?

More than ten days had passed before Xyla gained the courage to return to university. She didn't know how to face Richard because she was afraid of being rejected by him. However, she needed his help and the Huffs also needed the Harper Family's help. Judging by the current situation, it was all down to her efforts as to whether the Harper Family would be willing to lend the Huff Family a helping hand. She recalled withdrawing tens of millions from Huffs Technology to help Richard during an emergency. Therefore, it only made sense for him to return the favor when she was in need!

She knew that he would be in the university today, so she had waited for a long time at a spot where she knew he would show up. Finally, he made an appearance.

He was wearing the university's uniform, taking away the sense of maturity and experience he had from the business world. He looked just like any other university student. After handling the awful mess, he was temporarily relieved of his administrative powers in the company.

Therefore, he was back on campus to continue with studies. If he refused to improve his results and studies, he would end up as the first director in Harper Group's history to have an educational background in senior high.

"Richard!" She approached him timidly upon seeing him.

He was shocked when he saw her. Feeling guilty within, he had the urge to escape. After the horrible incident at Huffs Technology, the Harper Group seemed to behave in a manner that suggested that they wanted to call off the marriage.

However, if the Harpers were to do that immediately after the Huffs were in trouble, it would definitely tarnish the Harper Family's reputation. Nevertheless, Mrs. Harper had other plans in mind. She heard that Sophia was married to an

extremely wealthy old man, so they planned to have Richard take over the old man's assets once the latter had kicked the bucket. He would dump Sophia once he had received the large inheritance.

Initially, he was hesitant about the plan. After all, Sophia had been ruthless and decisive in her decisions. However, Mrs. Harper reminded him as an experienced woman, "That's because she loves you, which is why she's doing so many things to hurt you! If you give up everything here to return to her, she would naturally forget about the grudge she had against you. Women are all the same!"

However, he heard that Sophia sustained some severe injuries, so she was sent abroad for treatment and her wounds might have ruined her beauty. Therefore, he was in a dilemma at that point. However, he did not know how to explain the situation to Xyla. He felt even guiltier upon seeing her, but approached her anyway and spoke, "Xyla, are you back now? How is your family?"

When she saw that the love of her life was still concerned about her, she felt so sorry for herself that tears started to stream down her cheeks. She then threw herself into his arms. "Thank you, Richard! I am good."

He explained with regret, "Please don't blame my parents for their unwillingness to lend you money. We can hardly stay afloat." Subsequently, Richard tried to give excuses. "Previously, I had messed up Glory Entertainment, resulting in the company losing a large sum of money.

The company's Board of Directors, Board of Supervisors and shareholders had a lot to say about it. I've been stripped of my administrative powers within the company. Therefore, we don't even dare to use the money within the company."

"I know. I'm aware of all of that..." Xyla sobbed. The accident that befell Huffs Technology is merely a small bump along the journey. The hardship will pass soon enough. Richard and my wedding will go on as planned!

All the obstacles in our way are gone now. The fire might not have killed Sophia, but it is severe enough to ruin her beauty. Hence, she can no longer dream of coming in between me and Richard!

Upon recalling Sophia, Xyla wiped her tears away while deliberately suggesting, "I heard that Sophia has sustained severe burns. Let's visit her in the hospital!" I am sure Sophia looks as ugly as a scarecrow now. Once Richard sees her without her former good looks, I'm sure she can't seduce him anymore! I want Richard to see her ruined face!