

My Dreamy Old Husband

Chapter 23

During the Harper Family's utmost attempt on their public relations, they also didn't forget to conduct a private investigation on Sophia.

They wanted to know the person who stood behind Sophia to go against them.

However, after investigating for a while, nothing was found because her cell phone was completely encrypted and there was no way to hack into it. Her academic files were also encrypted and the Harper Family did not have the authority to directly check a student's file in Bayside University.

They even sent someone to follow her multiple times, but she was able to throw them off swiftly each time.

They had even sent someone to look into Sophia's life after she left Riverdale High School. For a while, she was always under the supervision of the Harper Family because they didn't want to give her any chance of a comeback.

The Harpers were a strong force in Riverdale, so they notified the stores near Riverdale High School not to provide Sophia with any opportunities for survival. They only gave her two options—leave Riverdale or die.

In the end, she left Riverdale, but once she left, the Harper Family was unable to track her down.

No one knew where she went or how she suddenly showed up in South Bayside High School.

Therefore, they started their investigation again from South Bayside High School, but it still led to a dead end. They only discovered that she was a transfer student who was suddenly transferred there from nowhere.

She seemed to disappear and show up at places from time to time, so no one knew where she went after leaving Riverdale. Thus, no one knew who the mastermind behind her was.

The Harper Family was busy with listing their shares on the stock market, so they temporarily placed the matter on the backburner, but they wouldn't let it go with ease.

At least in Kayla's mind, the matter had already become a permanent thorn in her heart, causing her continuous distress if she didn't remove it.

After we list all of our shares on the market, the Harper Family's influence will become stronger. At that time, the mastermind behind Sophia will not dare to help her and I'll finally have the chance to give her a piece of my mind!

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Sophia was really frightened by Michael to the point where she fell ill this time around. Her menstruation had continued for ten days, but in the end, it finally left her.

However, it was hard for her to overcome the trauma inside her, especially when she saw the two eels in the fish tank.

She discovered that Michael had a habit—keeping eels in his bedroom. Not only was the sight of two eels swimming in a tank hideous, she was tired of staring at them everyday.

Everyday, Maria would diligently change the water and feed the eels. After rearing them for a few days, she would cook them in the kitchen before replacing them with new eels. She would repeat this cycle every time.

That was Michael's little hobby. He liked to eat eels as well as keeping them at places where he could see them. He would stare at the eels for a few days before turning them into a delicious dish. If I observe the eels long enough to the point where there's affection, it would be more delicious and emotional for me when I eat them.

However, in Sophia's eyes, she felt that the two eels definitely had other functions, even though in his eyes, it was merely for him to eat.

He seemed to be very busy with his job. He was usually outside during the day and would rush home at night. Sometimes, he wouldn't return home for a few days.

In the meantime, Sophia's menstruation was over, so she couldn't use it as an excuse any more. She was in immediate danger because Michael would want to have sex with her anytime, which made her so anxious that she began to talk about living in school repeatedly.

Then, she heard that in early October, when the weather was slightly cold, the school would send all its freshmen to a military training base dedicated to Bayside University for a month to have closed military training. If it's closed, this means I can hide from Michael for another month.

However, there were still a few days before the military training and Michael could return home anytime during this period. Therefore, she decided to come home as late as possible every day by filling up her timetable.

She had various elective courses along with three clubs to attend and she even signed up for a fitness course—it was held twice a week—that she was particularly excited about.

Today was a weekend and Michael wasn't at home. Sophia ate her breakfast in a hurry before she rode away on her Yamaha bike that he finally returned to her.

She went straight to the most famous gym in Bayside City—Audistin.

Many wealthy people in Bayside City were keen on fitness and Audistin was their favourite place to go to.

Audistin's fitness card was especially hard to obtain and it was even harder to make an appointment with their personal trainer. However, Audistin deserved to earn the reputation as the best gym in Bayside City since the gym had famous personal trainers as well as being a huge franchise brand with bars and health clubs under their company. On the outskirts of the city, they even had specialized shooting ranges, hunting grounds, horse courses, and golf courses—the kind of places where celebrities and the rich would usually go to.

Sophia was a platinum member here and even had her own personal trainer. She had been consistently training here for a year and the effects were really good.

She only managed to make a three hour appointment solely due to Michael's dashing face. It was already considered good for most people to schedule an appointment for an hour because the personal trainers here charged a fee of ten thousand every hour.

She was prepared to spend her whole day in the gym because she didn't want to face Michael and his three eels when she returned. I'll try not to head home as much as possible.

When she arrived at the gym, it had just opened for the day and there weren't many people inside. Most of them were students who came to work part-time cleaning the barbells.

As the gym was not far from Bayside University, many students came to work here.

Other ordinary stores wouldn't dare to accept a Bayside University student as a part-timer—unless it was a high-end place like Audistin.

In addition, Audistin also provided free opportunities for students of Bayside University working here to exercise, so that resulted in more students coming here for a job.

When Sophia arrived, she happened to see her classmate, Juliette Sanders, rubbing some barbells.

Juliette was an ordinary citizen from a middle class background. She also came here to work and maintain her fitness. She always thought that Sophia was a fellow part-timer, seeing that the latter was an ordinary citizen like herself. Sophia didn't want to stand out, so she pretended to work here and even explained to Juliette that they had different working hours.

“Juliette! You're early today!”

“Sophia, so are you. After I'm done cleaning the yoga room, I can finally exercise.”

After they greeted each other briefly, Sophia went into the changing room to change her clothes.

By the time she changed clothes and exited the room, there were already lots of people in the gym.

It was arduous to secure an appointment for a private lesson here. If a person came late, there would be no refund and another member would automatically fill in the empty slot. Audistin also had a strong backing, so no one dared to create a fuss here. That was why the place was crowded so early in the morning.

Sophia wore a short fitness suit that perfectly outlined her beautiful curves and flawless ab crack, which made her look fit and attractive.

She changed her clothes and jogged on the treadmill for half an hour. After relaxing, she wiped her sweat while chatting with Juliette, who was still wiping the barbells.

Juliette was a high-achieving scholar with excellent grades, so she was also a top student like Sophia, which was why both of them had common topics to talk about.

Just as they were happily chatting with each other, two uninvited guests entered the gym.

Kayla, who had an appointment for a yoga class, immediately saw Sophia after entering the gym. Both her eyes immediately reddened as she couldn't wait to tear off Sophia's hypocritical face!