

Summer 2016:

Weight 130 lbs

# 1 Discount Drug Mart- 8.15

Discount Drug Mart is unique.

They options health insurance and a 401K

Fluorescent lights, 1950s swing music, and 10% off for Seniors on Wednesday.

You drank the worst coffee during this time.

Black- day old coffee that sat in the fridge overnight.

An ill informed experiment in cheap cold brew.

Black- can't spare 50 calories for creamer.

It is not your nature to enjoy things.

This is your first full-time gig.

8 hours a day, five days a week at register one, the help of the ship, the largest and most open register.

Need a key?

Balloons?

Cigarettes?

Passport photo?

Baby Formula?... Baby formula.

Ask the 18 year old behind register one.

She will check your ID.

The same music is played at Discount Drug Mart everyday.

Incessant repetitive oldies...

Ba ba ba ba beram.

Only interrupted by the store's jingle.

"DISCOUNT DRUG MART SAVES YOU THE RUNAROUND".

### 2 Kevin - 16.30

Kevin is one of the store managers.

Kevin gives a shit about the store.

Kevin is 34 years old.

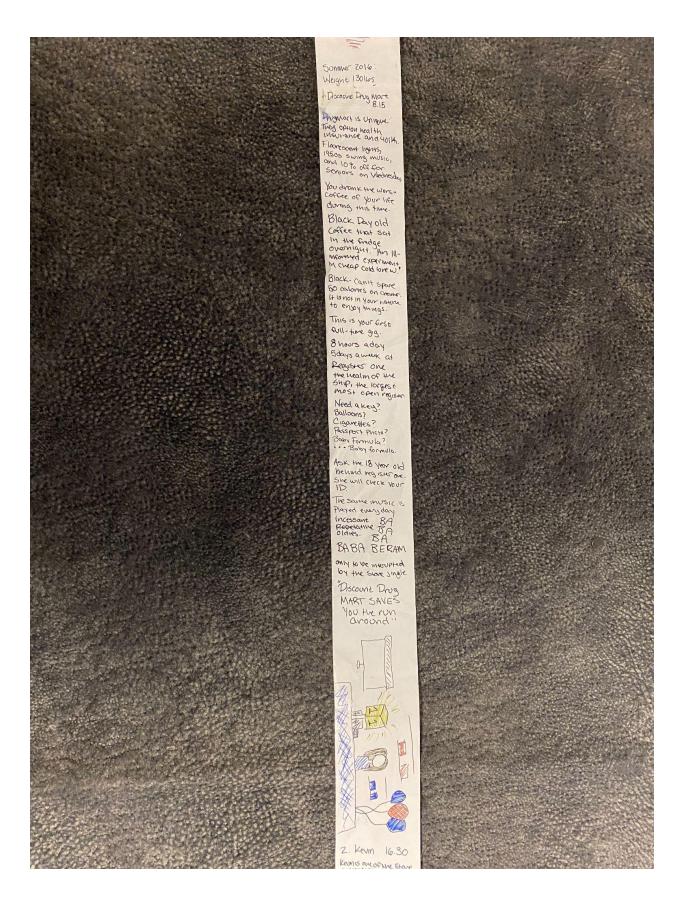
He has worked at a drug mart since he was 15.

Why go to college when you get benefits here? A valid point.

Kevin makes you dye my hair a natural color.

Kevin has a no phone policy, even if your Mom is in the hospital.

Kevin wants everyone to like him.



Kevin met his wife at Drug Mart. The scandal.

When she guit she yelled, "see you in hell" on her way out.

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He is madly in love with her.

I don't think she likes him very much.

Everyday Kevin asks you what drive thru he should visit on his way home from work.

Sometimes he complains to you about Chuck.

Sometimes he talks about being transferred to another store.

If we didn't have Kevin, everything would fall into disarray.

## 3 Chuck- 24.45

Chuck is also a Drug Mart manager.

Chuck has perfect teeth, and the most luxurious mustache you've ever seen.

Chuck hates customers.

Chuck likes to work in nonperishables because there you don't have to rotate products.

Chuck is often tailed by a gaggle of teenage male employees.

They do this because Chuck doesn't make them work, and he entertains them by stringing yarns about his pre drug mart days.

Chuck likes to tell two stories.

One where he and his highschool buddies drank a case of beer and went joyriding

The other is about the night that his wife told him he wanted a divorce.

He got a fifth of whiskey and burned shit in his backyard.

His wife asked what he was doing, he replied, "I guess that's none of your business now".

Chuck has a new girlfriend.

He tries to get you to buy leggings from her MLM.

## 4 Regulars 32.60

Man in Flip Flops with 17 packages of Drug Mart brand cough medicine.

They keep those behind the pharmacy now.

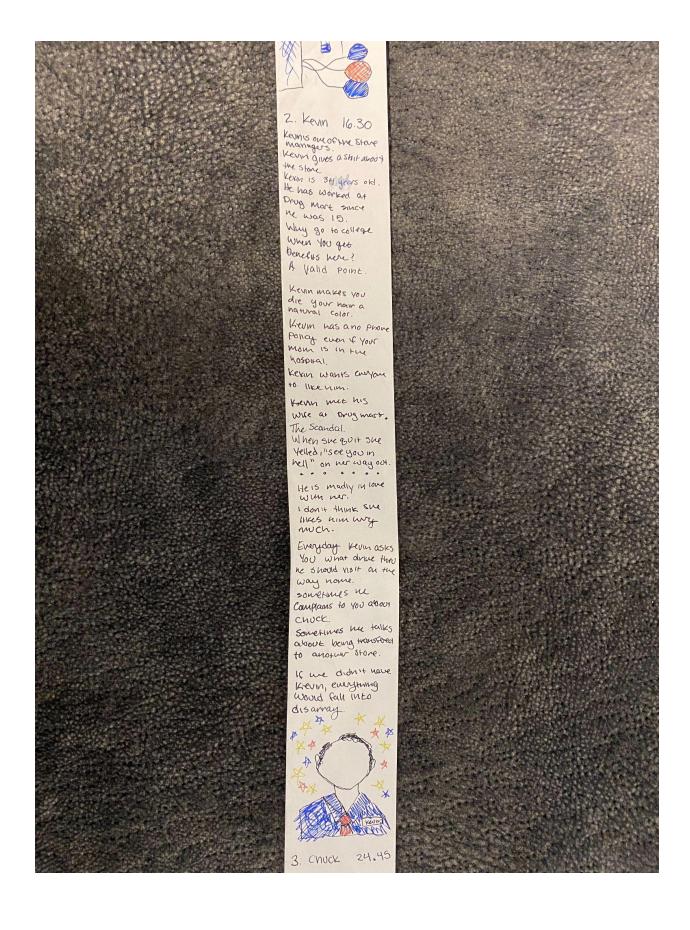
Terracotta suburb mom and two bottles of yellowtail.

She never says hello to you.

Gold chain-Two packs of Marlboro lights- Everyday.

Exchanging words has become futile. Your interaction is as automatic as brushing one's teeth.

Code White- the white haired woman who comes in at 9:30.







She is in no particular hurry.

She fills her cart to the brim and demands everything to be double bagged.

Everyone hates her.

She purchases Depends and tells you about her sick mother.

You are always polite because we are all going through something.

Muscled up tribal tattoo guy with seven or eight dog bones.

He has a Rottweiler and a Husky.

They are his babies.

Long Hair Long Skirt hippie Grandma- anywhere from 100 to 600 photos developed. Lots of church events.

### 5 Work 40.75

You are the best employee.

Everyone says so, but the bar is low.

You simply do things.

You'd much rather stock 20 pallets for 8 hours over receipt scribbling.

Alas, you are hardly scheduled for stocking.

That's reserved for the "strong" teenage boys to hide in the back and play on their phones.

You've got tits and a nice smile so you belong front and center.

You pace the 8 foot block of space behind register one.

How many calories can I burn by doing this?

However, you will stock on truck days.

Determined to get pop tarts on shelves despite anything in your personal life.

The failing health of your live-in grandmother.

Your mother is in the ER due to a heart episode.

Brought on by stress due to the aforementioned issue above.

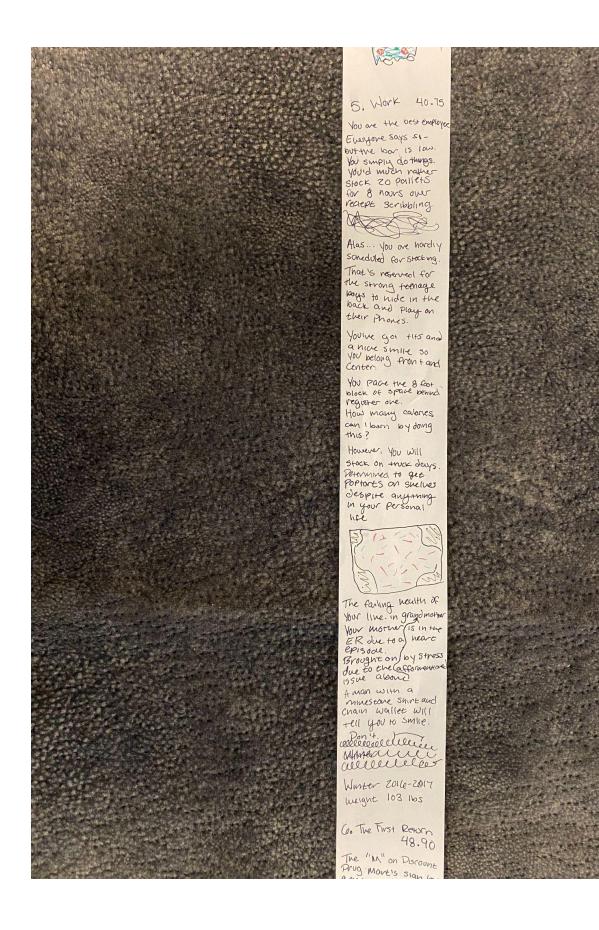
A man with a rhinestone shirt and a chain wallet will tell you to smile.

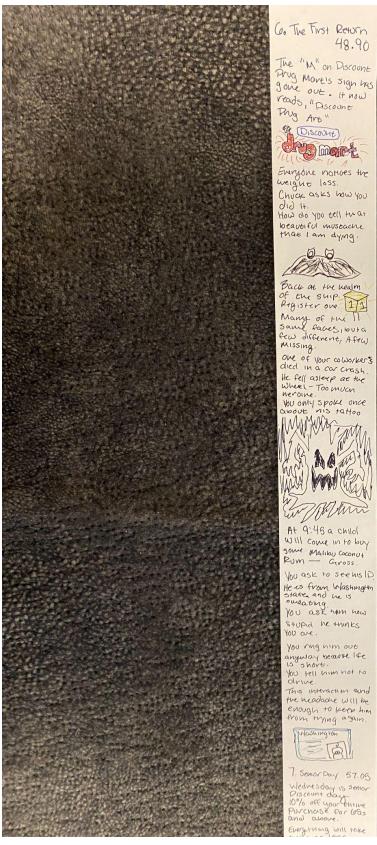
Don't.

Winter 2016-2017 Weight: 103 pounds

## 6 The First Return 48.90

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This interaction and the headache will be enough to keep him from trying again.



7. Semor Day 57.05

Wednesday is senior Discount day 10% off your Entire Purchase for 105s and above.

Everything will take



Chuck asks how you did it.

How do you tell that beautiful mustache that I am dying?

Back at the helm of the ship. Register one.

Many of the same faces, but a few different, a few missing.

One of your coworkers died in a car crash.

He fell asleep at the wheel-too much heroin.

You only spoke once about his tattoo.

At 9:45 a child will come in to buy some Malibu Coconut Rum.

Gross.

You ask to see his ID.

He's from Washington state and he is sweating.

You ask him how stupid he thinks you are.

You ring him out anyway because life is short.

You tell him not to drive.

This interaction and the headache will be enough to keep him from trying again.

# 7 Senior Day 57.05

Wednesday is senior discount day.

10 % Off your entire purchase for 65s and above.

Everything will take twice as long.

You will count a lot of change and process a lot of checks.

You will be asked several times if the discount worked.

Elder abuse goes both ways.

Some seniors hate you for existing.

They will explode at you for doing things incorrectly, but you are the one who works here?

They will leave you pamphlets about Christ because Lord you need him.

Some are absolutely lovely.

They're going to want to chat with you and you better oblige.

They will tell you about their pets, their kids who never visit, and recent medical malodies.

As a cashier, it is your job to take this for them and hold it in your till.

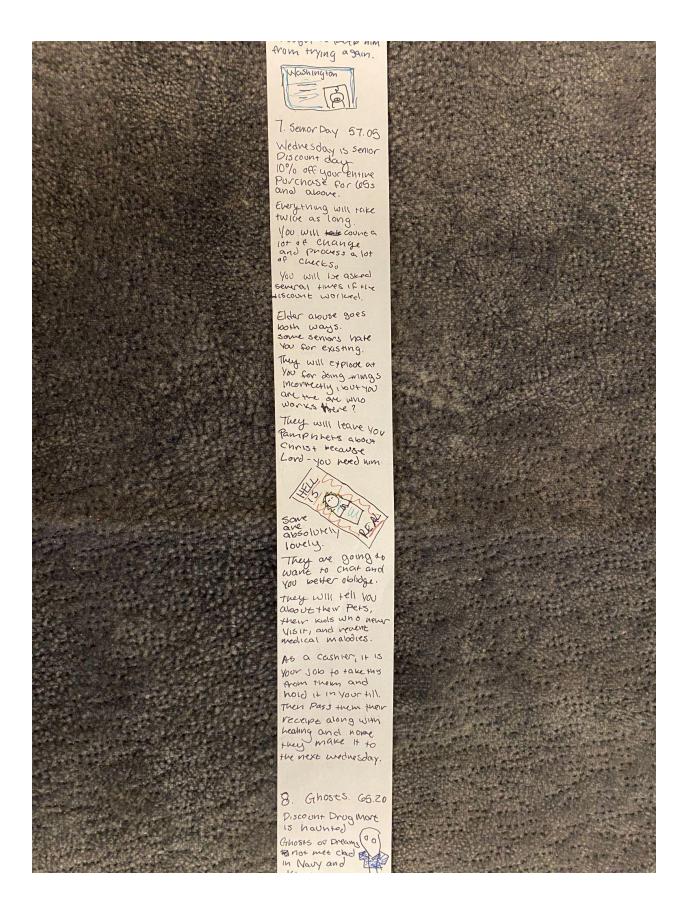
Then pass them their receipt along with healing and hope they make it to the next Wednesday.

## 8 Ghosts 65.20

Discount Drug Mart is haunted.

Ghosts of dreams not met clad in navy and khaki.

Consumerist apparitions picking up a few things.



Occasional ghosts from the past.

You may have to check out the boy who assaulted you in highschool.

Do not practice good customer service.

Check him out without a word as he blathers on.

Asking how you are- the audacity.

Hand him the receipt, Turn around and cross your arms.

As the shortest, naturally you clean the tops of the aisles.

In walks your first love. Your first heartbreak. Your first everything

The only boy you loved with your whole heart who left you absolutely crushed.

Your face grows hot.

He informs you he is looking for a VERY SPECIFIC anti itch ointment.

Wow.

You descend your grime pedestal.

How's life? Besides the need for ointment.

Fear not. His girlfriend found it and you part ways forever again.

# 9 Gary (American Hero) 73.35

Gary is a seasonal employee.

He does landscaping in summer and Drugmart in the winter.

Gary works on register four, the most secluded register.

Gary is a behemoth who always has white stuff crusted around his lips.

Gary asks if you are a cheerleader?

Were you a cheerleader?

Apparently you look like a cheerleader.

Gary was the star of his high school football team.

He broke his ankle at the state championships.

His foot was dangling off of his leg as the paramedics took him out of the arena.

Everyday Gary buys a two liter of coke and a family sized bag of Lays.

A girl in a cheerleading uniform came in to buy tampons and ice cream..

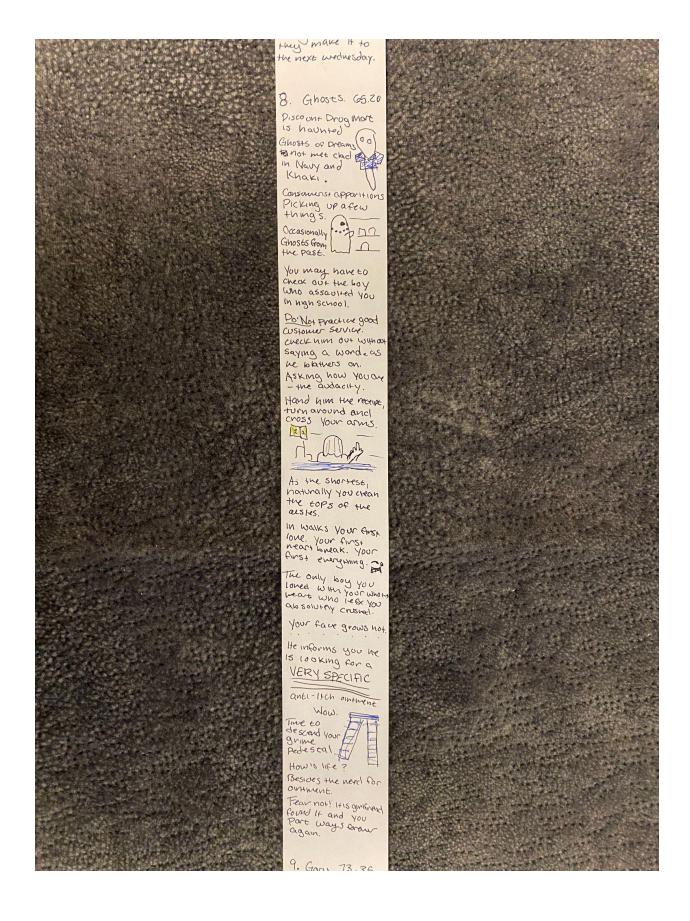
Gary Bellows, "Are you a cheerleader?"

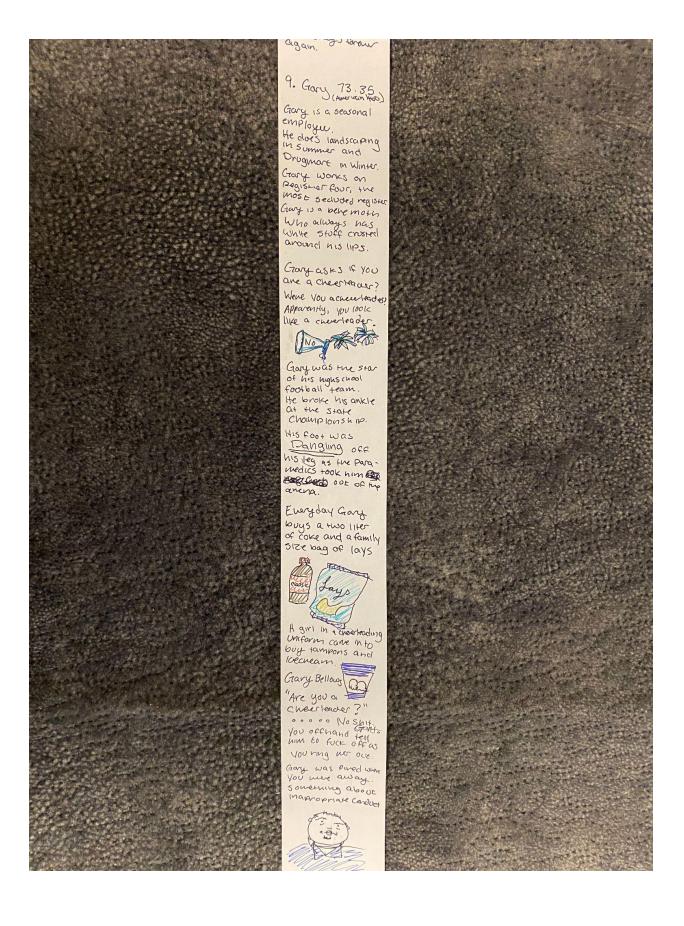
No Shit Gary.

You offhandedly tell him to fuck off as you ring her out.

Gary was fired when you were away.

Something about inappropriate conduct.





### 10 Taylor, Drew, and Sean 81.5

The main cast of Drug Mart's bromance movie.

The long term druggies, the fellow full timers.

Taylor is 24

He works at the video rental counter in cosmetics.

That's right. Drug Mart may be the last existing video rental store in the United States.

Unprompted, He tells you that you're a "low 8".

Wow

Pretty enough to achieve a higher number, but be careful. Don't get a big head. Your 8 status is low- wavering toward a seven.

He is most likely still in love with you some six years later.

Sean is 32. A quiet book keeper.

Sean has the most impressive beard at drug mart.

Sean still lives at home- no judgement.

His favorite thing in the world is craft beer.

He is learning German and my favorite.

Drew completes the trio.

He is my age. He goes to art school.

They play DND on Thursday nights.

## 11 Children and a Recipe for Lean 89.65

At least once per shift you will get a gaggle of children into the store.

They can ride their bikes here and buy candy.

It's a cool hangout spot in this suburban decay.

Two kids around 11- 13 will come in and buy Sprite and Jolly ranchers.

Innocent enough. They pay with crumpled bills no doubt earned from doing chores.

The woman behind them will inform you that they stole a bottle of Nyquil.

You crack up. They're obviously trying to launch their rap careers.

You kindly explain to this woman what "lean" is and why it's not going to work.

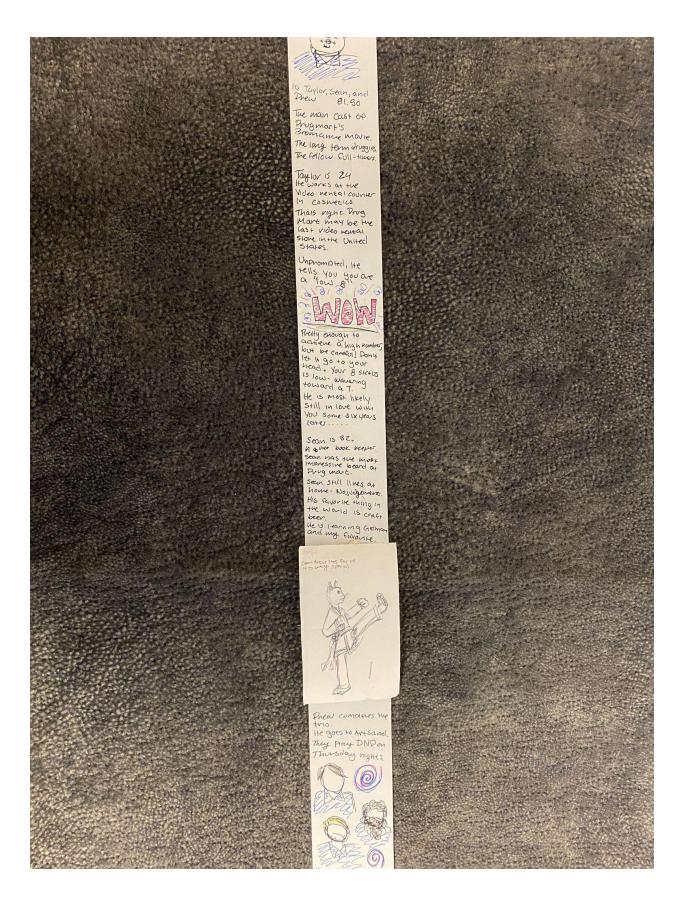
Lean is codeine sprite and jolly ranchers.

Nyquil doesn't contain codeine. You need a prescription for that.

These kids either throw up a lot or sleep very soundly tonight.

Apparently this woman was not interested in the mechanics of making purple drink.

She places her items on the counter.





Summer 2017

Weight: 114 pounds

### 12 Pat 97.80

Pat is 80 years old, though seems younger.

She works here because she lived longer than she thought.

Also so she can live alone with her dog.

Pat is too old to give her dog proper exercise.

You offer to run with her dog. You exercise 6 days a week anyway.

Her dog is an asshole.

You break your foot. Weak bones and not the first time.

You offer to ride your bike with the dog.

Each day Pat sits on the back porch.

The dog sees a squirrel and yanks you off your bike. You skin your knees.

Mom and Pat get into an argument on the back porch.

Pat thinks that the fall of civilization is due to women not staying at home.

Mom says she thinks her mother would have been happier if she had had a career.

That is the last time you exercise pat's dog.

### 13 Ron 105.95

Ron is the new manager.

Ron wears Timberlands and has a Steelers Thermos.

Ron is good at Banter.

He is always in a good mood.

Ron is too good for us.

He used to have a fancy job at general motors before they fucked the United States.

Ron works here to stay busy in retirement.

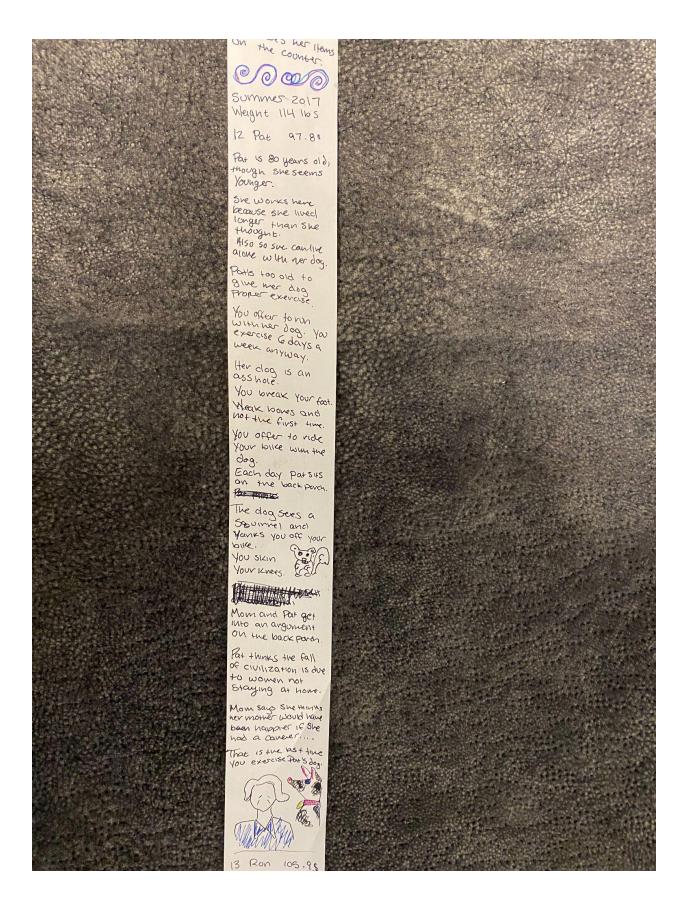
He loves you because of your fantastic work ethic.

As mentioned above, you simply do things.

One day you spend 5 hours spinning bottles of medicine to face the front.

He talks absentmindedly with another coworker about all the mistakes he made as a father.

She- her as a mother.





You tell them that as you got older you realized that it was your parent's first time being parents.

They are human and deserve forgiveness.

This really seems to resonate.

Glad to see all the therapy wasn't for nothing.

You will miss Ron the most.

### 14 DND 114.10

You get invited to DND.

You don't get it.

You get way too drunk.

Drew and Taylor fight over who takes you home.

Drew wins.

He needs therapy but would rather a woman do it for free.

You spend time with him, newly single and he is hopeful.

You accidentally do fake drugs together.

You shave half your head.

Things get real existential.

The next day you call in sick to work for the first time ever.

You say you don't feel well, which is the truth.

You spend the summer reminding each other that the other person matters.

The world is a better place with you in it.

Drew gets upset that you do not want to commit.

He suddenly cuts contact when you go to school.

You will probably never see him again.

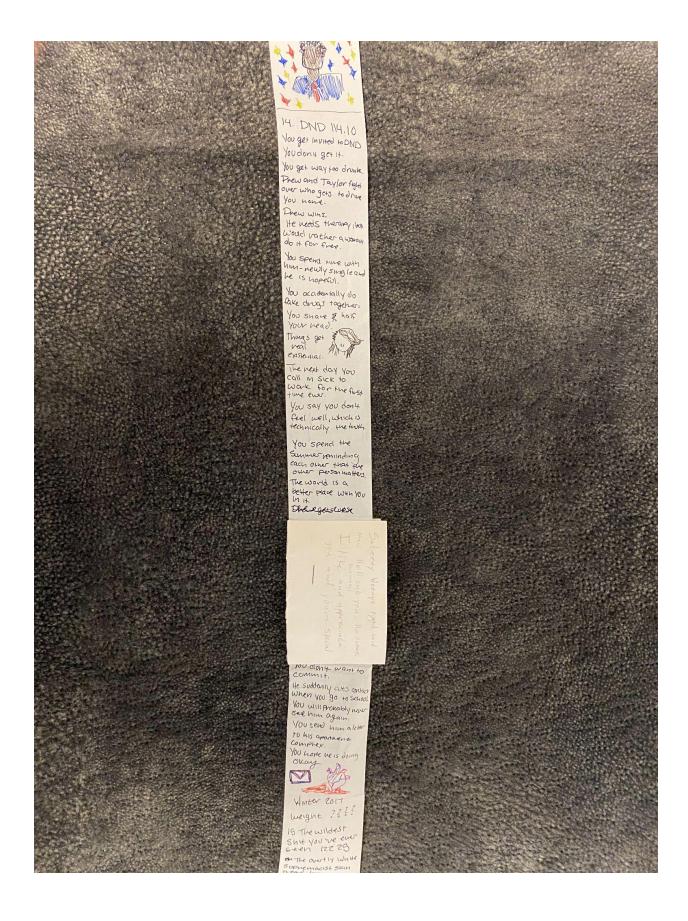
You send him a letter to his apartment complex.

You hope he is doing okay.

Winter 2017

Weight: ?????

15 The wildest shit you've seen. 122.25



The overtly white supremacist- skin head buying a thank you card.

The woman with a death grip on a loaf of bread.

Every piece in the middle is completely smashed.

The woman in such a hurry- running to the counter, but also buying placemats with all of the president's faces.

Printing out several photos of a macabre fetus funeral.

Physical copies of a miscarriage sliding from the photo printer.

The family holding, kissing ,and placing it before a wooden cross in their home.

A man fervently licking his lips with a single can of chilli.

A couple in the throws of addiction picking out an engagement ring at the jewelry counter. That's right, we have a jewelry counter in the video rental department.

A man banging on the door at 9:58 begging to be let in because he only needed one thing. Mayonnaise, lemon and lime. That's 3 things.

### 16 Emma 130.40

Emma is 17.

You are training her.

She is too young to ring up alcohol.

She tells you everything.

She got this job to try to be "good".

She's been expelled from school.

It's not important why.

She tells you about the time she spent in the ED unit.

Now 21 you can't help but see yourself in her.

Maybe drug mart will function as a place of growth for her too.

Later you find out that Emma was harassed by one of the workers at the pizza place next door.

He would come in often, even before she worked here.

He tried to touch her and smell her hair.

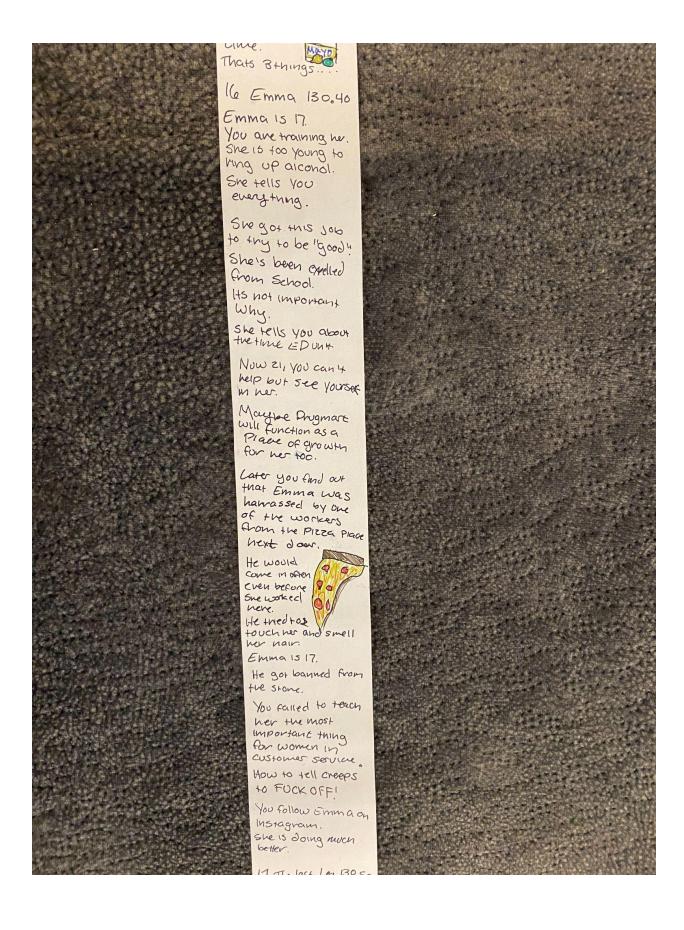
Emma is 17.

He got banned from the store.

You failed to teach her the most important thing for women in customer service.

How to tell creeps to fuck off.





You follow Emma on Instagram. She is doing much better.

# 17 The Last Leg 138.55

The last day of minimum wage jobs are always anticlimactic. Ron gives you a big hug and tells you you'll be missed. So does Chuck.

Kevin thanks you for your hard work.

Sean gives you a, "Until the next life" kind of head nod.

Drew and Taylor both got fired for drawing inappropriate doodles. Oops.

Pat's long gone. She got let go after giving away 400 dollars in incorrect change. You wonder if any of the regulars will notice you are gone.

Turmoil, recovery, and growth took place behind register one that nobody knew about. Hours of your youth documented, calculated and given back in minimum wage.

When the transaction is completed the dust will reform on the tops of those shelves. You are left with this.

And they are hopefully left with a few laughs and the memory of someone who helped the shift go by a bit faster.

Minus taxes- 111.6

