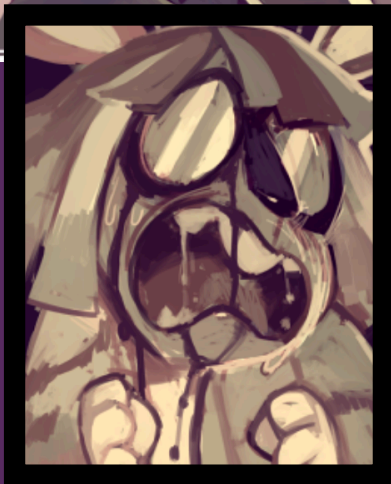
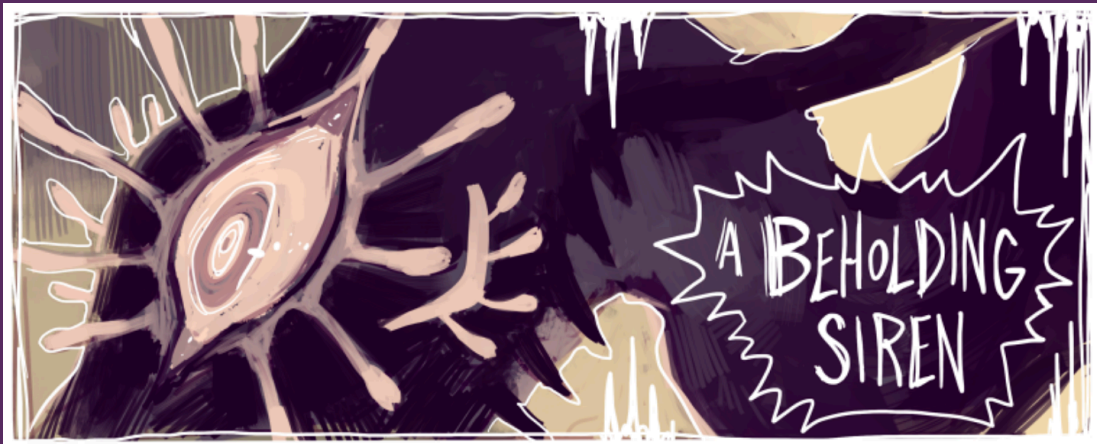


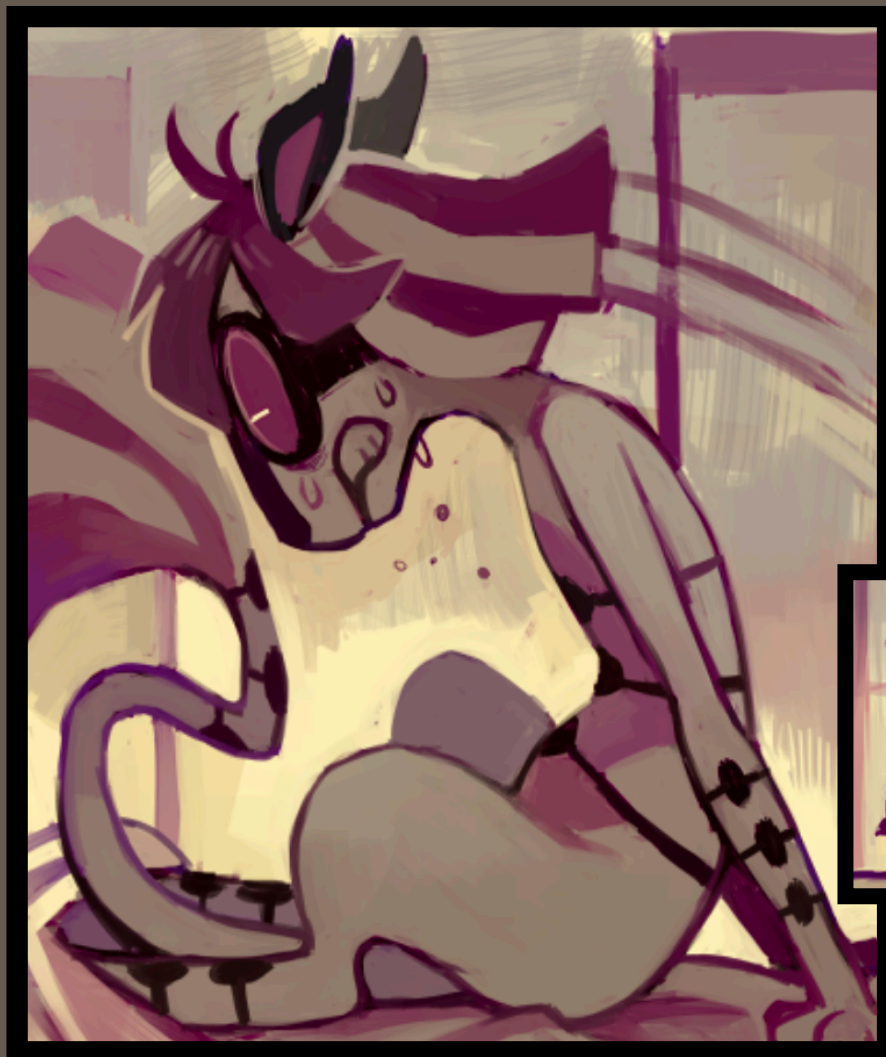
NEON: Lily...



NEON: WATCH OUT!
NEON: IT'S-

-A BEHOLDING SIREN







CHIP: GOOD MORNING, NEON.
 NEON: mm.
 CHIP: SHOULD YOU BE GETTING UP?
 IT IS STILL VERY EARLY.
 NEON: heh.



NEON: It's never too early for
 the cybernet.
 CHIP: BZZT...
 NEON: Strap yourself in, Chip.
 NEON: It's about to get wild.



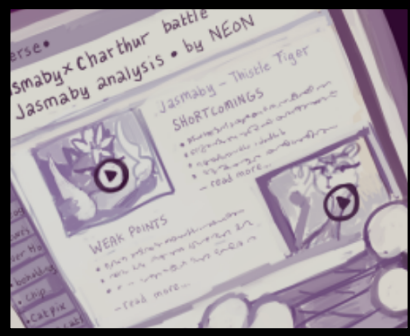
CHIP: HOW SO?
 NEON: Oh, Chip.

NEON: The cybernet is a world most mortals could never even dream of. A world of endless possibilities, filled with otherworldly delights and experiences.

NEON: It allows anyone from anywhere on the planet to meet up and exchange thoughts and ideas. It is an invention that changes lives.



CHIP: TRULY INCREDIBLE. I
 CAN ALREADY SEE IT CHANGING
 YOURS AS WE SPEAK.



NEON: This cannot stand, Chip. Justice will be had.

CHIP: YOU COULD SIMPLY IGNORE IT.

CHIP: BETTER YET, THERE ARE HUNDREDS OF OTHER THREADS ON YOUR FORUM, EACH ONE PROMISING A GOOD TIME.

NEON: I'm not interested in any of those.

CHIP: THEN, HOW ABOUT LOOKING AT SOMETHING YOU LIKE, INSTEAD?

CHIP: HERE, I'VE-

♪ *Bad post hunt* ♪
 ♪ *I'm on a bad.*
Post. Hunt. ♪
 ♪ *And I know right.*
Where. To start. ♪

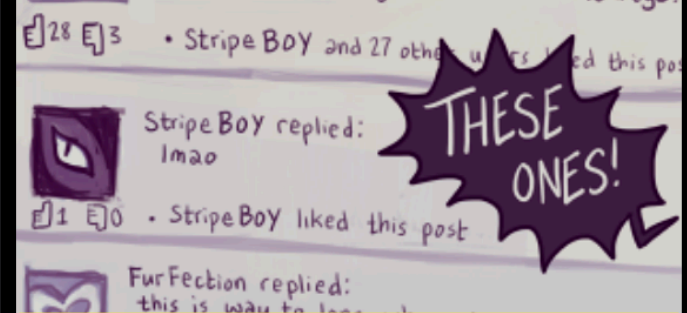


NEON: This! THIS is a good post.

NEON: Several hours went into lovingly crafting this post over the past week, Chip.

CHIP: YES, I REMEMBER.

NEON: But that's not what I came here for. I want the bad ones. I NEED the bad ones. Let's get a sniff of those stink-posts, Chip.



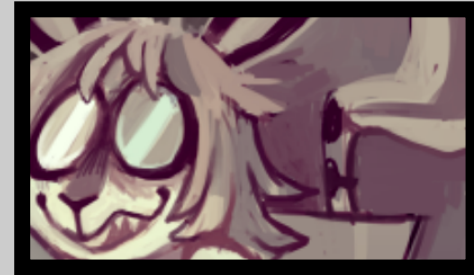
THESE ONES!
THESE ARE THEY!
THEY WHO ARE TO RECEIVE THE
FULL MEASURE OF MY JUDGMENT!

CHIP: YOU COULD PM THEM AND POLITELY URGE THEM TO MAKE BETTER POSTS IN THE FUTURE.

NEON: Ha...Hahahah.

NEON: After what they did? No. I've got a fitting punishment in mind, I think.

CHIP: NEON. WHY ARE YOU LOOKING UP THEIR CYBERNET ADDRESSES?



NEON: To find their REAL addresses, of course.

NEON: Idiots. They didn't even ATTEMPT to conceal their locations or identities.

NEON: Come on, Chip. We've got a trip around Owel ahead of us.

Well, here we are. We have their complete browsing histories. All that's left is mailing a copy to each of their friends and family members.



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CHIP: ARE YOU SURE ABOUT THIS? ONCE YOU SEND THOSE OFF, THERE IS NO UNDOING THE DAMAGE YOU'LL CAUSE.

NEON: Hah.

NEON: Oh, Chip... we've come too far to retreat.

NEON: There is no going back. Not for us. We will see to their total erasure. It will be nothing.

BZZT

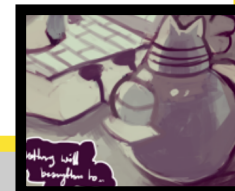
CHIP: BZZT! E-MAIL ALERT FROM INDIVIDUAL OF INTEREST.

NEON: (nothing will be...to...)

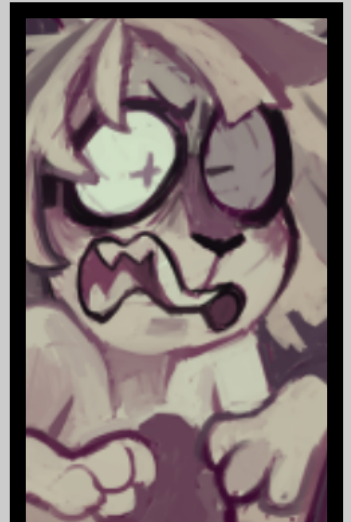
CHIP: BZZT.

NEON: (...wh-)

NEON: ...

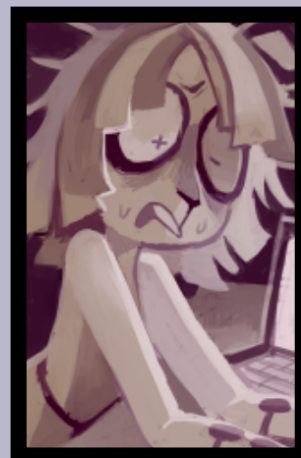


NEON: WHAT? I didn't do ANY of that? Seven WEEKS?!
CHIP: BZZT! E-MAIL ALERT.

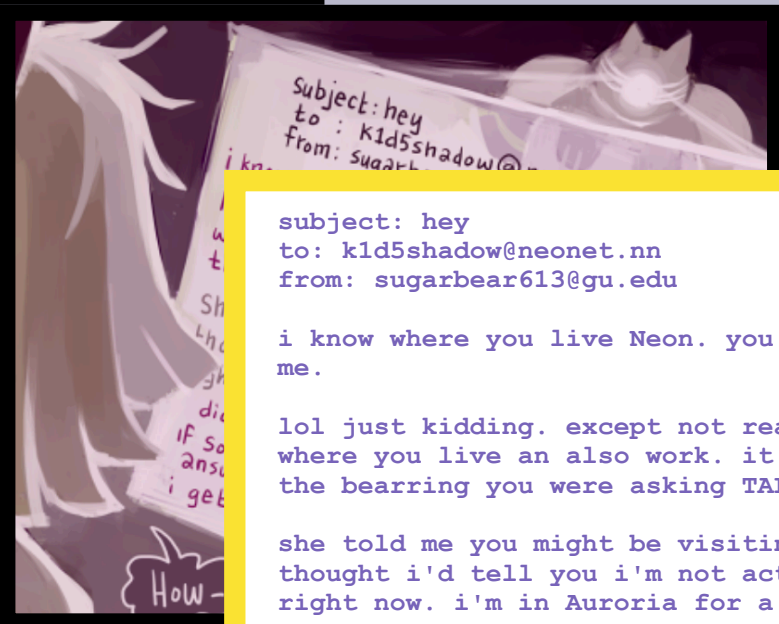




NEON: Chip.
 NEON: Don't wake me up over
 spam that makes its way past
 my filter.
 CHIP: BZZT. DO NOT INSULT ME.



NEON: How-
 NEON: How in the WORLD did he
 find this e-mail? I know I
 didn't give TAL permission to
 distribute it, but...
 NEON: No. She wouldn't do
 that. This doesn't make
 sense. He couldn't have
 gotten it-
 NEON:
 NEON: *unless...*
 NEON: ah.
 NEON: this guy's good.
 NEON: real good.



Subject: hey
 to: k1d5shadow@neonet.nn
 from: sugarbear613@gu.edu

i know where you live Neon. you cant hide from
 me.

lol just kidding. except not really i do know
 where you live an also work. it's me, Cozmo,
 the bearing you were asking TAL about.

she told me you might be visiting so i
 thought i'd tell you i'm not actually in TY
 right now. i'm in Auroria for a couple weeks.

did you have a question or something. if so
 lmk (let me know) and i'll see if i can
 answer it. or if you want to talk when i get
 back that's cool too.

ttyl - Cozmo



NEON: I can't
 believe I fell
 for that ruse!

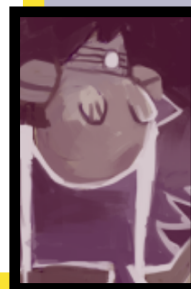
NEON: Using poor typing as a
 façade to hide your cybernet
 skills... Ha...haha! It's the
 oldest trick in the book.

NEON: Chip.


NEON: It seems we have a new
 friend.

CHIP: I AM GLAD.

CHIP: IT IS NOT OFTEN
 YOU MAKE NEW FRIENDS.

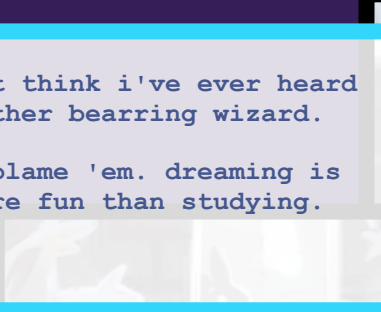


I am COZMO, Oweel's GREATEST BEARRING WIZARD.



haha. that'd be cool if
it were true.


actually wait.
hmm. it probably is true.



i don't think i've ever heard
of another bearring wizard.

can't blame 'em. dreaming is
way more fun than studying.

but-




-i'd definitely do it all over
again if i had to.

man. yeah. being a wizard
rules, actually.

i couldn't go back to being a
normal bearring.



that'd be so boring.



i mean, my entire life would be
different.

if i hadn't studied so hard,
there's no way i could've explored
teslic yard like i did.