

Appendix 1. Excerpts from an Interview with Marianne Cahalan (wife) by Dr. Talmage Egan, June 7, 2019.

Dr. Egan: Tell us about how you and Mike met.

Marianne Cahalan: We met in an elevator at UCSF. Mike was getting on at a parking level and I thought “Hm, he is a pretty good-looking guy.” “He said “hello” and I said “hello” and he asked “Did you do anything fun this weekend?”. . . So, we just chatted a little bit. The very next day they asked me to go into an operating room and help one of the nurses because the bleeding was getting out of control and she needed help. . . Low and behold, Mike was giving anesthesia in there.

Dr. Egan: You didn’t know who he was until then.

Marianne Cahalan: No, I had no idea. I didn’t know him at all. . . I just saw him and thought he was cute. I wasn’t dating anyone seriously. . . So, I went up to the top of the table and said “hello” and he said “hello” and he asked me out.

Dr. Egan: Right then?

Marianne Cahalan: Yes, right then and there. The surgeons. . . were leaning over the drapes trying to hear what he was saying and he asked me out.

Dr. Egan: So obviously you had caught his eye.

Marianne Cahalan: I think so.

Dr. Egan: He was waiting to run into you and he didn’t want to waste the moment!

Marianne: Yes. We went out on that first date;. . . we dated exclusively from then on.

Dr. Egan: You had each other at hello.

Marianne Cahalan: Yes, we did.