

Love is in the Air

Last week I had the pleasure of witnessing a lovely little slice of life. It happened while I was in line for coffee at a bookstore, waiting for a meeting with a colleague to begin..

A very nice young gentleman came up behind me and announced to the woman standing there, "I think you're lovely and I'd like to take you out." At first she was speechless. She then turned crimson, said "I'm married" and showed him her wedding band.

Now, while this may sound a bit like a pick up line, I assure you that I have not witnessed anything so sweet, genuine and real in a long time. It was like something one would expect to see on an episode of Oprah. An act of gallantry and self assurance. And he was right. The young woman was indeed lovely. Slim, blonde haired, blue eyed, with straight white teeth, she looked like she could have walked right out of a J. Crew catalogue. But what impressed me most was the courage the young man displayed. He not only told her she was pretty and asked her out, he did so in front of a small audience..

Wouldn't life be fulfilling if more people acted on their impulses (within reason, of course). This young man made that woman's day, I'm sure. And he made mine as well. So nice to see a bit of holiday romance. You know that guy is going to live a good life. Because next time I bet you, the woman will say yes.