

Tru Calling

~~BILLY
(shrugs, "modest")
You said it, I didn't.~~

Seeing Luc motion her over, Tru heads for the PUNCH BOWL.

INT. HIGH SCHOOL (PUNCH BOWL AREA) - DAY

Tru joins Luc at the punch bowl.

LUC
(handing her punch)
So how you holding up so far? Glad
you came, or ...

Luc's interrupted as they hear:

JUDY

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Scene #1

Start ->

JUDY
Tru! Oh my God, it's you!

JUDY ROGERS, the high school gossip, HUGS Tru, hard.

JUDY (cont'd) *
Judy. Judy Rogers.

TRU
How could I forget? Judy, this is
my boyfriend ...

JUDY
(interrupting)
Can you believe it? Everyone here
in one room? It's like we never
left! You see Larry Cutler yet?
Married. Divorced. Addicted to
prescription painkillers. *

Tru tries to get a word in edgewise.

TRU
Judy was ...

JUDY
And Kenny Lewitas? Gay. Did you
hear Steve Savitsky went into his
father's carpet business - and
fired his own Dad? It was in the
papers.

TRU
Judy was ...

JUDY

And Gillian Kaye, have you noticed?
Less nose, more boobs, all bought
and paid for.

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TRU

(blurts it out fast)
Judy was Captain of the swim team!

Judy notices Luc - for the first time.

JUDY

Oh, he's adorable. Husband?

TRU

Boyfriend.

LUC

(shaking her hand)
Luc.

JUDY

Oh, honey, you traded up. That
Ronnie Clifton - well you heard
about him and Candace, didn't you?
(to Luc)
She thinks she's everything, just
because they made her Prom Queen.
I didn't even want to be Prom
Queen, I had the team. Candace
couldn't even swim, can you believe
that?

TRU

(interrupting)
Judy - I see someone I have to talk
to. But this has been great.

STOP

She gives Judy a hug and moves on - fast.

LUC

She always talk that fast?

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TRU

Believe it or not, she's slowed
down - you should have seen her in
high school.

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As TRU PULLS LUC away, A CLASSMATE passes by, carrying a big
decorated cardboard box. It's a BILLY BOY.

Tru watches, turns her attention back to Candace. Candace, oblivious to her impending murder, has a great time on the dance floor (dancing, flirting with various young men, making the most of her recent "tragedy"). Judy steps in.

JUDY

You know, I have my own opinion about Candace.

TRU

(not listening)
Oh, yeah?

JUDY

You could have let her drown.

TRU

You're kidding, right?

Beat. And slowly, everything changes for Tru. She slowly turns to Judy, who's demeanor has subtly changed. For the first time, she's not smiling. Her voice drops an octave.

JUDY

(shrugs)
You know it isn't fair. Everyone says Candace "has" things. She "has" boyfriends, and money, and looks and popularity. Candace doesn't "have" those things. They didn't come from her. No ...

(beat)

She took them.

TRU

(testing)
What's that?

JUDY

(nods)
She took them from people like me. I could have been Prom Queen, but Candace took it. Now? You ask me? Candace deserves whatever she gets.

Tru slowly realizes that Judy might have killed Candace. Keeping her eyes on Candace, Tru puts a hand on Judy's arm.

TRU

Judy, let's get some air. I think we need to get you out of here.

JUDY

(hostile)
Why?

Judy pulls away from Tru. Tru follows her.

Scene #2

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