Chapter 868 Mockery

Behind Lori and Doyle, a group of workers carefully dragged a big porcelain vase into the venue.

Lori shot a disdainful look at Julie and said, "Do you even realize how many prominent figures from Salem will grace us with their presence tonight? What brings you to such an event?"

She thought for a moment, then continued with a sneer. "I get it now. You guys are also trying to cozy up to that big shot, right? How amusing. Did you even bring any decent gifts?"

After saying that, Lori pointed toward the massive porcelain vase being dragged behind her and added, "Look at this. Our family spent tens of millions to acquire this porcelain vase. What could you possibly offer in comparison, you poor wretches?"

Lori's words left Yesenia and Julie utterly speechless. In truth, they didn't know why Liam had brought them here.

At that moment, Liam stepped forward with Asher in his arms. He sneered and retorted, "Don't jump to conclusions. Who said we came here to bring gifts?"

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conclusions. Who said we came here to bring gifts?"

Hearing this, Doyle responded with disdain, "You are not here to bring gifts to the big shot? Are you planning to host your son's birthday party at the gates of the Dragon Manor, trying to capitalize on the presence of celebrities here? Don't tell me you think that, this way, it would make your son's birthday party a hundred times more extravagant than Rosa's."

Unruffled, Liam revealed the truth. "I have actually reserved the entire Dragon Manor for my son's birthday celebration today!"

After hearing Liam's words, Doyle and Lori paused, then burst into laughter.

After that, they taunted, "Liam, can't you think before boasting? With your status, you wouldn't even be allowed into the Dragon Manor. And even if you somehow managed it, the Manor has been reserved by that big shot. How could you possibly secure a booking?"

Confronted with such ridicule, even the usually composed Newell struggled to maintain his composure. He grasped Yesenia's hand and said coldly, "Let's head home. We can't make matters worse. Otherwise, I'll become the laughingstock of the entire family."

Embarrassment painted Yesenia's face red as she lashed out at Liam, shouting, "You have brought shame upon our family, you fool!"

Julie also wore a disappointed expression. Though she didn't voice her thoughts, she silently shook her head. Suddenly, a loud honk was heard. At the turn leading up the mountain, a bus approached and came to a stop at the Dragon Manor's gate.

Patty, accompanied by her brother and several of Julie's friends, disembarked from the bus. There were more than ten people in total.

Julie's face paled upon seeing them. She was at a loss for words, unsure how to explain the situation to them.

As soon as Patty and the others saw the Dragon Manor plaque, realization dawned on them. Patty swiftly approached Julie and asked, "What's going on? Why did you tell us to come here? I heard the Dragon Manor had been booked by someone influential today."

Julie was left speechless. Seeing this, the friends she had invited began to murmur.

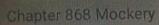
"It must be a mistake. This is the Dragon Manor. How could Julie hold a birthday party here?"

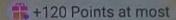
"Lower your voice. There are lots of influential people here tonight. It won't look good if we displease them. We should leave before we draw too much attention and make matters worse!"

"If they can't afford it, they shouldn't have tried. It's a shame things had to go this way."

Julie's face was red with embarrassment when she heard these words. Seeing her reaction, Lenny was delighted. He knew that this mess Liam had made presented a golden opportunity.

Pretending to be considerate, Lenny reassured Julie, saying, "Don't worry. I'll book a four-star hotel





immediately. We are all friends here. No one will make fun of you. Moreover, I have invited the general manager. Who would dare look down on us?"

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