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"Chapter Seventy-Three: The Locked Room"

Betty continues her Stonewall Prep takedown – with the help of two unique allies. Meanwhile, a tense confrontation leads to a tender reunion.

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EPISODE CAST

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Cole Sprouse	...	Jughead Jones
Marisol Nichols	...	Hermione Lodge
Madelaine Petsch	...	Cheryl Blossom
Mark Consuelos	...	Hiram Lodge
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Skeet Ulrich	...	FP Jones
Charles Melton	...	Reggie Mantle
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Sean Depner	...	Bret Weston Wallis
Sarah Desjardins	...	Donna Sweett
Doralynn Mui	...	Joan Berkeley
Malcolm Stewart	...	Francis Dupont

1

00:00:09,300 --> 00:00:11,094
[Jughead] The weirdest thing
about pretending to be dead is

2

00:00:11,177 --> 00:00:14,431
that after a while, you actually start
feeling like you're dead.

3

00:00:14,889 --> 00:00:17,308
As in "dead as a doornail" dead.

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00:00:19,019 --> 00:00:20,020
[beeps]

5

00:00:21,187 --> 00:00:23,940
For starters, I was underground,
as if in a tomb.

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00:00:24,357 --> 00:00:27,110
Granted, I was hiding out
in Dilton's doomsday bunker

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00:00:27,193 --> 00:00:29,029
and not in a coffin, but still.

8

00:00:30,405 --> 00:00:32,615
Two weeks, no sunlight,

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00:00:32,699 --> 00:00:35,035
with no sense of time or its passing.

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00:00:35,744 --> 00:00:37,912
It's gotta be what Limbo
feels like, right?

11

00:00:39,330 --> 00:00:40,874
Other similarities to being dead:

12

00:00:42,000 --> 00:00:45,462
Not one, but two obituaries about me ran.

13

00:00:46,129 --> 00:00:48,882
A rather perfunctory one
in The Riverdale Register.

14

00:00:49,632 --> 00:00:52,510
A second, more irreverent one
in The Blue and Gold.

15

00:00:53,470 --> 00:00:54,345
I liked that one.

16

00:00:56,765 --> 00:00:57,724
And a funeral.

17

00:00:57,807 --> 00:00:59,142
Well, a wake.

18

00:01:00,727 --> 00:01:02,145
I watched it on my laptop.

19

00:01:03,146 --> 00:01:06,357
Live-streamed from a camera
Betty had set up in the living room.

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00:01:11,696 --> 00:01:14,115
Betty and I suspected
the Stonies would show up.

21

00:01:14,199 --> 00:01:16,242
And sure enough, they did.

22

00:01:17,368 --> 00:01:18,912
We wanted to study them,

23

00:01:18,995 --> 00:01:21,164
to see if anything they did
was suspicious.

24

00:01:21,998 --> 00:01:24,250
Not that there was any doubt
in our mind about their guilt.

25

00:01:24,334 --> 00:01:28,171
The preppies had stone-cold murdered me
and were trying to pin it on Betty.

26
00:01:28,963 --> 00:01:30,298
We just couldn't prove it.

27
00:01:31,174 --> 00:01:32,008
Not yet.

28
00:01:33,176 --> 00:01:35,929
Meanwhile, the hardest part
of playing dead

29
00:01:36,012 --> 00:01:39,808
was letting everyone believe
I was in the semisweet hereafter.

30
00:01:40,725 --> 00:01:42,310
Our family, our friends.

31
00:01:43,603 --> 00:01:44,938
The lies we had to tell,

32
00:01:45,563 --> 00:01:47,941
the things we had to do
to sell that illusion.

33
00:01:48,358 --> 00:01:50,860
Like pretending that my bereft girlfriend
had found comfort

34
00:01:50,944 --> 00:01:53,404
in the strong, steely arms of my best bud.

35
00:01:54,656 --> 00:01:57,534
Which turned out to be
the greatest misdirect of them all.

36
00:01:58,118 --> 00:02:00,870
Of course, we needed
to let some people know the truth.

37

00:02:01,788 --> 00:02:02,872
Except in one case.

38

00:02:03,706 --> 00:02:05,083
My kid sister, Jellybean?

39

00:02:05,917 --> 00:02:07,085
Didn't have to be told.

40

00:02:07,168 --> 00:02:09,796
Oh, you found the fake blood.
Thanks, Jellybean.

41

00:02:10,380 --> 00:02:11,965
Do you need it for Jughead?

42

00:02:13,299 --> 00:02:15,343
What? What do you--? What do you mean?

43

00:02:15,426 --> 00:02:16,845
Do you need it to help my brother?

44

00:02:19,931 --> 00:02:22,767
Jellybean, do you know where Jughead is?

45

00:02:22,851 --> 00:02:25,395
I heard you whispering on the phone
to Charles last night.

46

00:02:25,478 --> 00:02:26,813
The walls are super thin.

47

00:02:27,313 --> 00:02:30,233
You don't have to tell me where he is,
just that he's okay.

48

00:02:31,276 --> 00:02:33,111
Is he... okay?

49

00:02:35,572 --> 00:02:37,824
-Can you keep a secret?

-[knocking on door]

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00:02:38,199 --> 00:02:39,868
[Jughead] We brought my dad into it
pretty quick, too.

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00:02:39,951 --> 00:02:40,785
Hey, Betty.

52

00:02:41,870 --> 00:02:42,787
I, uh...

53

00:02:43,788 --> 00:02:45,540
I gave that bloody rock to Charles.

54

00:02:45,623 --> 00:02:47,750
He said the FBI was gonna have it tested.

55

00:02:47,834 --> 00:02:50,920
When they do, they'll tell you
that it's covered in fake blood

56

00:02:51,004 --> 00:02:52,839
that you can buy at a drugstore.

57

00:02:53,172 --> 00:02:56,801
-What the hell are you talking about?
-I don't want you to worry anymore.

58

00:02:56,885 --> 00:02:58,761
I'm really sorry
that you've been worrying.

59

00:02:59,470 --> 00:03:00,638
Jughead's fine.

60

00:03:02,056 --> 00:03:03,892
He's-- Okay, he's not fine, but he's okay.

61

00:03:03,975 --> 00:03:04,851
Hold on.

62

00:03:05,184 --> 00:03:07,186

-You know where Jughead is?

-Yes.

63

00:03:11,190 --> 00:03:12,859

I will tell you everything, okay?

64

00:03:12,942 --> 00:03:15,653

But we really, really need your help,
please?

65

00:03:15,737 --> 00:03:17,322

I'm afraid to ask, but what kind of help?

66

00:03:19,073 --> 00:03:20,241

For starters...

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00:03:21,784 --> 00:03:22,827

a search party.

68

00:03:24,162 --> 00:03:26,205

[Jughead] Archie went rogue
and told his mom, too.

69

00:03:35,840 --> 00:03:37,884

Mom, I have to confess something to you.

70

00:03:39,302 --> 00:03:42,013

[Jughead] And then there was
Veronica's sister, Hermosa,

71

00:03:42,096 --> 00:03:43,765

who was sniffing around,
looking for bones.

72

00:03:43,848 --> 00:03:46,309

All right. What do you want to know?

73

00:03:46,392 --> 00:03:49,896

Let me ask you straight up, hermanita.

74

00:03:51,981 --> 00:03:54,192
Did you help Betty kill her boyfriend?

75
00:03:54,609 --> 00:03:55,443
What?

76
00:03:55,902 --> 00:03:57,362
No, why would I do that?

77
00:03:57,445 --> 00:04:00,240
Because that's the kind of thing
secret girlfriends do.

78
00:04:00,323 --> 00:04:02,784
They kill each other's boyfriends
so they can be together.

79
00:04:02,867 --> 00:04:03,743
Okay.

80
00:04:04,160 --> 00:04:08,289
I don't know what kind of crypto-lesbian
pulp fiction you're conjuring, Hermosa,

81
00:04:08,373 --> 00:04:09,666
but Betty and I are just friends.

82
00:04:09,749 --> 00:04:12,460
Well, then what did happen
to that dead Torombolo?

83
00:04:13,878 --> 00:04:15,880
Either you can tell me,
or I'll just keep digging.

84
00:04:15,964 --> 00:04:19,008
-Don't forget, I'm a licensed private--
-Private investigator. Right.

85
00:04:21,928 --> 00:04:24,430
I'm not sure why I didn't think
of this before...

86

00:04:25,848 --> 00:04:28,559
but maybe you could help us
with something.

87

00:04:28,643 --> 00:04:29,769
Me, Betty and Archie.

88

00:04:32,939 --> 00:04:34,565
How much do you charge, Hermosa?

89

00:04:35,775 --> 00:04:37,902
And is there a discount
for family members?

90

00:04:37,986 --> 00:04:40,780
[Jughead] In the months that followed,
people will ask us,

91

00:04:40,863 --> 00:04:42,031
did we need to do it?

92

00:04:42,782 --> 00:04:44,659
Go to such extreme lengths?

93

00:04:45,410 --> 00:04:46,995
Maybe. Maybe not.

94

00:04:48,121 --> 00:04:49,330
But this I did know:

95

00:04:52,375 --> 00:04:55,837
If I was going to recover without
the preppies trying to kill me again

96

00:04:55,920 --> 00:04:58,047
and figure out how to solve my own murder,

97

00:04:58,131 --> 00:05:01,467
I needed the illusion to be perfect
to buy myself time.

98

00:05:02,885 --> 00:05:04,762
[woman] Please make sure
you're following along.

99

00:05:05,805 --> 00:05:08,182
[Jughead] And so while above me,
a world without Jughead

100

00:05:08,266 --> 00:05:09,934
continued spinning forward...

101

00:05:11,060 --> 00:05:14,439
I pored over every scrap
of evidence we'd gathered.

102

00:05:14,522 --> 00:05:17,650
Went over every detail of my time
at Stonewall Prep,

103

00:05:17,734 --> 00:05:20,028
looking for hidden patterns,
hints and clues.

104

00:05:21,362 --> 00:05:24,240
But this was a different kind of mystery
than the ones we'd tackled before.

105

00:05:24,324 --> 00:05:25,700
This wasn't a whodunit.

106

00:05:26,326 --> 00:05:29,787
This was a whydunit. More psychological.

107

00:05:30,413 --> 00:05:33,916
I needed to get under my suspects' skin,
inside their heads.

108

00:05:35,126 --> 00:05:38,880
I had to let my intuition take over,
to draw these strands together.

109

00:05:39,505 --> 00:05:40,715
The missing Stonewall Four,

110
00:05:40,798 --> 00:05:42,759
the accidental deaths
of DuPont's classmates,

111
00:05:42,842 --> 00:05:43,885
my attempted murder.

112
00:05:43,968 --> 00:05:45,511
How were they all connected?

113
00:05:46,929 --> 00:05:49,182
A key piece of information
came from Hermosa.

114
00:05:50,391 --> 00:05:51,642
Which was that Donna--

115
00:05:53,227 --> 00:05:54,062
Jug?

116
00:05:56,606 --> 00:05:57,648
Jug?

117
00:05:58,941 --> 00:06:00,151
Are you okay?

118
00:06:00,943 --> 00:06:03,237
Yeah, sorry. I was just going
over everything one more time.

119
00:06:04,072 --> 00:06:07,116
-What's up? Did they find him?
-Yeah. Yes. We did.

120
00:06:07,200 --> 00:06:09,702
-Well, I mean, Charles and FP did.
-Did he agree?

121
00:06:10,578 --> 00:06:11,871
Completely.

122
00:06:11,954 --> 00:06:13,831
He's showering as we speak.

123
00:06:15,792 --> 00:06:18,628
-So, are we gonna do this or what?
-Oh, yeah.

124
00:06:19,462 --> 00:06:22,006
We are gonna blow Stonewall Prep
out of the water.

125
00:06:34,393 --> 00:06:35,937
Crime and Punishment,

126
00:06:36,479 --> 00:06:39,899
a novel of murder
and its psychological toll.

127
00:06:41,025 --> 00:06:41,943
Floor is open.

128
00:06:43,194 --> 00:06:46,280
Any thoughts regarding
Dostoyevsky's take on morality?

129
00:06:50,868 --> 00:06:52,203
Hey, guys.

130
00:06:54,831 --> 00:06:56,207
What? Did you even miss me?

131
00:06:56,582 --> 00:06:58,751
-You gotta be kidding me.
-Mr. Jones.

132
00:06:59,252 --> 00:07:02,004
I, uh-- I don't understand.
We all thought--

133
00:07:02,088 --> 00:07:03,297
That I was dead? Well...

134
00:07:03,965 --> 00:07:06,384
-actually for a minute there, I did, too.
-Yeah.

135
00:07:06,467 --> 00:07:09,470
Hey, what's that, um,
oft-used Mark Twain quote?

136
00:07:10,638 --> 00:07:12,682
"Rumors of my death
have been greatly exaggerated."

137
00:07:12,765 --> 00:07:14,642
What is happening right now?

138
00:07:15,476 --> 00:07:18,354
It is called getting
your comeuppance, Joan.

139
00:07:19,689 --> 00:07:21,816
You guys are reading
Crime and Punishment, huh?

140
00:07:23,985 --> 00:07:26,612
How... apropos.

141
00:07:29,699 --> 00:07:33,202
You know, the one kind of crime story
that we never touched upon in this seminar

142
00:07:33,286 --> 00:07:37,123
is the time-tested genre
of a locked-room mystery.

143
00:07:38,291 --> 00:07:40,293
Where all the suspects
are sequestered in a room,

144
00:07:40,376 --> 00:07:41,919
one or more of them could be the killer,

145
00:07:42,003 --> 00:07:44,964

but the door is not unlocked
until the identity is revealed.

146

00:07:45,548 --> 00:07:46,841
Betty, could you do the honor?

147

00:07:55,391 --> 00:07:57,560
The next bell doesn't ring
for half an hour,

148

00:07:57,643 --> 00:08:00,938
so for the next 30 minutes,
your asses belong to us.

149

00:08:01,022 --> 00:08:03,149
I knew you weren't really dead.

150

00:08:03,232 --> 00:08:05,318
Good job, Donna.

151

00:08:05,943 --> 00:08:08,404
Yet, since you failed to prove it
or find Jughead,

152

00:08:08,488 --> 00:08:11,949
we had time to figure out all the twists
and turns of this murder mystery

153

00:08:12,033 --> 00:08:14,035
that we've all been living
for the past few months.

154

00:08:14,410 --> 00:08:15,995
I have no idea what you're talking about.

155

00:08:16,078 --> 00:08:18,789
Oh, look, don't worry.
I'll take you through it step by step.

156

00:08:18,873 --> 00:08:20,958
This is ridiculous.
Mr. DuPont, I'm calling security.

157

00:08:21,375 --> 00:08:25,046
Shut the hell up, Bret. Like I said,
for the next 30 minutes, we're in charge,

158

00:08:25,129 --> 00:08:26,339
so give me your phones.

159

00:08:26,422 --> 00:08:28,966
-Why the hell--?
-Joan, just do what she says.

160

00:08:30,927 --> 00:08:32,178
We have nothing to hide.

161

00:08:32,678 --> 00:08:34,388
I'd get comfortable if I were you.

162

00:08:35,223 --> 00:08:37,725
'Cause I'm going to take you through it
from the very beginning.

163

00:08:37,808 --> 00:08:41,229
Starting with that very curious fact
that both Moose Mason and myself

164

00:08:41,312 --> 00:08:43,731
were invited to Stonewall Prep
during our senior year.

165

00:08:46,734 --> 00:08:47,860
Jughead?

166

00:08:48,402 --> 00:08:49,278
Moose.

167

00:08:50,530 --> 00:08:53,324
What the hell? It's good to see you.

168

00:08:54,158 --> 00:08:57,161
Was it like that when you met
my grandfather, Forsythe the First?

169

00:08:57,245 --> 00:08:58,829
He was asked to study at Stonewall, too.

170

00:08:59,288 --> 00:09:01,958
You were roommates with him,
weren't you, Mr. DuPont?

171

00:09:02,458 --> 00:09:03,334
Yes.

172

00:09:03,834 --> 00:09:06,212
And you're very much like him, Mr. Jones.

173

00:09:06,295 --> 00:09:09,423
Your grandfather was
an arrogant fool, too.

174

00:09:10,049 --> 00:09:11,050
Why do you say that?

175

00:09:12,134 --> 00:09:12,969
Huh?

176

00:09:13,636 --> 00:09:17,223
Because he had the gall to consider
himself worthy of your inner circle?

177

00:09:17,306 --> 00:09:20,059
The first iteration
of Stonewall's Literary Society.

178

00:09:20,434 --> 00:09:22,270
What exactly is this proving?

179

00:09:22,353 --> 00:09:24,814
That this is not a story about a murder.

180

00:09:25,606 --> 00:09:28,985
This is a story about grandparents
and their grandchildren.

181

00:09:30,861 --> 00:09:34,490
Of the sins from one generation
being passed down to the next.

182
00:09:36,158 --> 00:09:37,660
Cycles of violence.

183
00:09:38,619 --> 00:09:40,329
Which brings me to my next point:

184
00:09:40,871 --> 00:09:44,333
Halloween, when I was drugged
by you psychos.

185
00:09:44,625 --> 00:09:45,543
I think I...

186
00:09:46,752 --> 00:09:48,004
I think I need some air.

187
00:09:50,047 --> 00:09:50,881
No.

188
00:09:52,174 --> 00:09:53,259
You need to lie down.

189
00:09:53,843 --> 00:09:55,845
[heart beating]

190
00:09:56,387 --> 00:09:58,389
Say hello to the Stonewall Four for us.

191
00:09:58,848 --> 00:10:02,560
[Jughead] Only to wake up in a coffin
and be let out a day later...

192
00:10:05,813 --> 00:10:07,231
to return to my dorm.

193
00:10:08,024 --> 00:10:10,443
Moose, you are not going
to believe what Bret--

194

00:10:11,027 --> 00:10:12,737
And find that Moose had vanished.

195

00:10:14,947 --> 00:10:18,701
So, naturally, I assumed he went out
the same way as the Stonewall Four,

196

00:10:19,910 --> 00:10:22,705
that group of students
that mysteriously vanished

197

00:10:22,788 --> 00:10:25,249
while attending Stonewall Prep
over a few decades.

198

00:10:25,333 --> 00:10:26,542
Oh, here we go again.

199

00:10:26,626 --> 00:10:29,670
Now, Moose's fate was more banal.
He joined the Army.

200

00:10:29,754 --> 00:10:31,589
But there's a twist.

201

00:10:31,672 --> 00:10:34,550
Mr. Chipping was the one
who encouraged Moose to enlist.

202

00:10:34,967 --> 00:10:37,261
But it was more like force him to.

203

00:10:37,595 --> 00:10:40,348
He was encouraging me to leave.
Until Halloween night,

204

00:10:40,431 --> 00:10:43,601
when it became more than a suggestion.
He practically shoved me out the door.

205

00:10:43,893 --> 00:10:45,936

So, what was the connection
between Moose and Chipping

206

00:10:46,020 --> 00:10:47,688
that would make him take his advice?

207

00:10:47,772 --> 00:10:49,523
He recruited me to play football.

208

00:10:51,108 --> 00:10:53,611
Wait, Mr. Chipping's the reason
why you went to Stonewall Prep?

209

00:10:54,236 --> 00:10:57,740
Chipping had recruited Moose
the same way he had Jughead,

210

00:10:57,823 --> 00:11:00,284
and then ran him out of Stonewall Prep.

211

00:11:00,826 --> 00:11:02,036
Meaning what, exactly?

212

00:11:02,119 --> 00:11:04,955
Meaning, Chipping knew
Moose was going to get murdered

213

00:11:05,039 --> 00:11:06,957
and was trying to save his life.

214

00:11:07,333 --> 00:11:09,835
And I would remember that next point.
It's gonna be on the quiz.

215

00:11:09,919 --> 00:11:11,170
-Oh, Mr. Jon--
-Shut up!

216

00:11:13,047 --> 00:11:16,008
Mr. DuPont,
as they say in Lord of the Flies:

217

00:11:17,259 --> 00:11:18,344
"I have the conch."

218
00:11:21,680 --> 00:11:25,101
Now, after Halloween is
when things got really interesting.

219
00:11:26,185 --> 00:11:28,646
See, that's when you announced
the writing competition.

220
00:11:28,729 --> 00:11:32,441
Chipping has written
the last four Baxter Brothers books.

221
00:11:32,525 --> 00:11:33,943
It's time he pass on the torch.

222
00:11:34,360 --> 00:11:38,197
And someone in this very room was going
to be anointed the next ghostwriter.

223
00:11:39,323 --> 00:11:41,325
You had already taken
a shine to me, Mr. DuPont.

224
00:11:41,409 --> 00:11:43,911
You were asking about my father
and my grandfather.

225
00:11:43,994 --> 00:11:46,455
Your grandfather was an excellent writer.

226
00:11:47,623 --> 00:11:49,834
Tell me, how's he doing?
Does he still write?

227
00:11:49,917 --> 00:11:51,961
So, imagine my surprise...

228
00:11:52,837 --> 00:11:56,257
when I found out my good-for-nothing,
dropout grandfather

229

00:11:56,882 --> 00:12:00,386
had actually written
the original Baxter Brothers novel.

230

00:12:01,011 --> 00:12:03,472
Which a young Francis DuPont
would steal from him.

231

00:12:03,556 --> 00:12:06,392
It was a 100 percent legal transaction,
a sale--

232

00:12:06,475 --> 00:12:07,435
It was highway robbery.

233

00:12:07,810 --> 00:12:11,439
A measly 5 grand for an idea
that generated millions of dollars?

234

00:12:11,856 --> 00:12:14,191
You exploited Forsythe, Mr. DuPont.

235

00:12:15,234 --> 00:12:18,320
You took advantage of a kid
from the wrong side of the tracks.

236

00:12:18,404 --> 00:12:20,781
And if that secret ever came out,

237

00:12:20,865 --> 00:12:23,701
can you imagine the damage that would do

238

00:12:23,784 --> 00:12:26,412
to the very valuable
Baxter Brothers brand?

239

00:12:26,871 --> 00:12:28,330
[exhales] Hell...

240

00:12:29,290 --> 00:12:31,333
someone might kill to keep that secret.

241

00:12:32,668 --> 00:12:35,838
Which is exactly what we thought
happened with Mr. Chipping.

242

00:12:35,921 --> 00:12:37,548
I told Chipping about my gramps.

243

00:12:38,215 --> 00:12:39,925
Then he talked to you, Mr. DuPont.

244

00:12:40,009 --> 00:12:42,052
And the very next day, well...

245

00:12:45,806 --> 00:12:48,184
I think we all remember
his dive out the window.

246

00:12:49,894 --> 00:12:52,897
I thought you had urged him to do it,
that you had some leverage over Chipping.

247

00:12:52,980 --> 00:12:56,108
You guys were part of the same
secret society, Quill and Skull.

248

00:12:57,026 --> 00:12:58,152
But it was actually you guys.

249

00:12:59,528 --> 00:13:03,741
It was your... blank expressions
as you watched him jump.

250

00:13:04,158 --> 00:13:05,284
Call an ambulance!

251

00:13:09,121 --> 00:13:10,372
I just couldn't shake it.

252

00:13:12,708 --> 00:13:15,127
That's when I knew
there was a deeper game afoot.

253

00:13:15,419 --> 00:13:18,547
No, Chipping suicided because
he was messing around with Donna.

254

00:13:18,631 --> 00:13:21,050
-She ended it and he short-circuited.
-Except...

255

00:13:21,967 --> 00:13:25,513
they never really had
a physical relationship.

256

00:13:25,930 --> 00:13:27,264
Isn't that right, Donna?

257

00:13:28,098 --> 00:13:30,935
-We had an affair, and it got out of hand.
-Mm-hm.

258

00:13:31,352 --> 00:13:34,146
Yes, an affair that went down exactly

259

00:13:34,230 --> 00:13:37,900
like the affair that you had with...
Mr. Kotter.

260

00:13:38,859 --> 00:13:40,819
Except, I looked into it and...

261

00:13:42,029 --> 00:13:44,573
turns out there is no Mr. Kotter.

262

00:13:44,657 --> 00:13:47,159
-Rupert-- Rupert had demons.
-Oh, he did.

263

00:13:47,785 --> 00:13:50,538
Mrs. Chipping filled us in
on all of those.

264

00:13:52,122 --> 00:13:57,378

Yeah, she said that he had been drinking more and having trouble sleeping.

265

00:13:57,795 --> 00:14:00,130
Complaining about
the Baxter Brothers books.

266

00:14:00,214 --> 00:14:02,633
Wishing he'd never gotten the contract.

267

00:14:03,384 --> 00:14:04,843
So, then we started to ask ourselves,

268

00:14:04,927 --> 00:14:07,763
what would turn
the opportunity of a lifetime,

269

00:14:07,846 --> 00:14:11,767
winning the Baxter Brothers contract,
into a burden? An albatross?

270

00:14:12,268 --> 00:14:13,102
Any ideas?

271

00:14:15,312 --> 00:14:18,774
The ghostwriter challenge was
to devise the perfect murder.

272

00:14:19,525 --> 00:14:23,654
What if the real challenge,
the real price that someone had to pay,

273

00:14:23,737 --> 00:14:25,406
was to commit the perfect murder?

274

00:14:26,365 --> 00:14:28,909
In order to prove that you could write it,
first you had to do it.

275

00:14:30,286 --> 00:14:33,956
I mean, it kind of makes
a twisted pathological sense, no?

276

00:14:34,290 --> 00:14:36,458
And that's what was tormenting
Mr. Chipping.

277

00:14:37,459 --> 00:14:38,961
The guilt of what he had done,

278

00:14:39,044 --> 00:14:42,464
the blood that he had shed
in order to win the contract.

279

00:14:43,007 --> 00:14:46,010
Mr. Chipping invited Moose
to Stonewall Prep to be the next victim,

280

00:14:46,093 --> 00:14:49,138
to be killed by the next ghostwriter,
one of you.

281

00:14:49,221 --> 00:14:51,765
And Moose was the perfect candidate.

282

00:14:52,516 --> 00:14:54,602
He was a messed-up kid, he had no family.

283

00:14:54,685 --> 00:14:56,395
He couldn't handle the stresses of life.

284

00:14:56,812 --> 00:15:00,399
After my dad was arrested
for impersonating the Gargoyle King,

285

00:15:01,150 --> 00:15:05,446
it, uh... kind of blew up my life,
my family, everything.

286

00:15:06,113 --> 00:15:08,032
I even ended up in a facility
for a couple months.

287

00:15:08,657 --> 00:15:10,701
Chipping ran Moose out of town.

288

00:15:11,577 --> 00:15:12,703
You said it yourself.

289

00:15:13,537 --> 00:15:15,247
Good. You remembered. Okay.

290

00:15:15,331 --> 00:15:17,041
We think Chipping couldn't go
through with it

291

00:15:17,124 --> 00:15:20,461
and/or maybe he just wanted to atone
for what he had done.

292

00:15:21,170 --> 00:15:24,882
Whatever the reason, he ran Moose
the hell away from Stonewall Prep

293

00:15:24,965 --> 00:15:27,468
and then killed himself.
It was his only escape.

294

00:15:28,469 --> 00:15:31,221
Pure demented conjecture.

295

00:15:31,305 --> 00:15:32,514
Well, yes and no.

296

00:15:32,598 --> 00:15:35,392
Chipping's behavior is hypothesis,
but if proven,

297

00:15:35,476 --> 00:15:39,313
it shows a pattern of how the previous
ghostwriters won their contracts.

298

00:15:39,396 --> 00:15:42,858
The same year, the same month
as Chipping was awarded his contract,

299

00:15:42,942 --> 00:15:44,193

a Stonewall student disappeared.

300

00:15:44,610 --> 00:15:46,445
One of the so-called Stonewall Four.

301

00:15:49,573 --> 00:15:52,660
We believe this student was murdered
by Mr. Chipping.

302

00:15:58,123 --> 00:16:01,543
Ryan Allan, the previous ghostwriter
who took up the mantle

303

00:16:01,627 --> 00:16:04,213
the same month another one
of the Stonewall Four disappeared.

304

00:16:05,839 --> 00:16:09,176
The sequence holds true
for every ghostwriter who preceded them.

305

00:16:09,635 --> 00:16:11,303
It's actually incredibly simple.

306

00:16:11,387 --> 00:16:15,474
Which brings us to a couple months ago
when I was awarded the contract.

307

00:16:16,058 --> 00:16:16,892
But why?

308

00:16:18,102 --> 00:16:19,561
To put a target on my back.

309

00:16:20,354 --> 00:16:24,483
Probably because I was circling the truth,
so he gave you guys a new challenge:

310

00:16:25,567 --> 00:16:28,112
To commit the perfect murder against me...

311

00:16:29,154 --> 00:16:30,656

and be awarded the contract.

312

00:16:32,324 --> 00:16:35,160

[Betty]

So, the million-dollar question is...

313

00:16:36,328 --> 00:16:40,124

who was going to kill Jughead, and how?

314

00:16:45,629 --> 00:16:48,382

So, which one of you
heartless bastards killed me?

315

00:16:51,969 --> 00:16:54,179

It was actually Mr. DuPont
that gave me a clue.

316

00:16:54,763 --> 00:16:57,057

When I asked who had rewritten
my Baxter Brothers novel,

317

00:16:57,141 --> 00:16:58,684

you told me they all had a crack at it.

318

00:16:59,685 --> 00:17:04,732

Well, actually, all of your classmates
collaborated on it.

319

00:17:04,815 --> 00:17:07,693

And that suggested to me that
each one of you had a hand in my murder.

320

00:17:07,776 --> 00:17:08,861

This should be good.

321

00:17:09,194 --> 00:17:10,612

Donna, you kept Betty busy.

322

00:17:14,074 --> 00:17:15,451

Oh, good, you made it.

323

00:17:15,534 --> 00:17:17,703

[Jughead] Bret, you led me deeper
into the woods,

324

00:17:17,786 --> 00:17:21,123
where I took off the bunny mask
I was wearing and put on my beanie.

325

00:17:23,542 --> 00:17:27,296
And was it that beanie that kept my head
from being completely cracked open

326

00:17:27,379 --> 00:17:28,839
when Joan crept up behind me

327

00:17:29,590 --> 00:17:31,842
and hit me with a baseball-sized rock?

328

00:17:31,925 --> 00:17:34,678
What? How do you know it was me?
Why couldn't it have been Jonathan?

329

00:17:34,762 --> 00:17:37,473
Well, I don't recall
Jonathan wearing your perfume.

330

00:17:38,015 --> 00:17:39,349
Yeah, where--?

331

00:17:39,433 --> 00:17:40,642
Where is Jonathan again?

332

00:17:40,726 --> 00:17:43,353
Or did you kill him because he started
to develop a conscience?

333

00:17:43,437 --> 00:17:44,688
He had food poisoning.

334

00:17:45,147 --> 00:17:47,274
-He still has food poisoning.
-Okay.

335

00:17:47,357 --> 00:17:52,071
Jonathan aside, you had a foolproof plan,
airtight alibis.

336
00:17:52,154 --> 00:17:54,114
It all should have worked so perfectly,

337
00:17:54,198 --> 00:17:55,240
but it didn't.

338
00:17:57,367 --> 00:17:59,244
-Why?
-Because in all your plotting,

339
00:17:59,328 --> 00:18:02,831
all of your lurid conspiring
and your brilliance, you didn't kill me.

340
00:18:03,415 --> 00:18:05,167
Whose job was it to check my pulse?

341
00:18:05,250 --> 00:18:06,335
Jonathan!

342
00:18:11,590 --> 00:18:14,760
Oh, you Einsteins, all you had to do
was hit me in the back of the head

343
00:18:14,843 --> 00:18:16,178
hard enough with the rock.

344
00:18:16,929 --> 00:18:18,597
You failed, spectacularly.

345
00:18:18,680 --> 00:18:21,058
Yeah, meanwhile, Donna was blowing
Devil's Breath in my face

346
00:18:21,141 --> 00:18:23,435
to set me up as the ultimate fall girl.

347
00:18:26,396 --> 00:18:28,023

Devil's Breath? Really?

348

00:18:28,107 --> 00:18:30,234

Yeah, the technical term
being scopolamine,

349

00:18:30,317 --> 00:18:33,028

which leaves a person highly suggestive
and in a drunken state,

350

00:18:33,112 --> 00:18:36,406

which is why I don't remember
when Donna led me into the clearing

351

00:18:36,490 --> 00:18:39,743

where Jughead's body was
and placed the bloody rock in my hand,

352

00:18:39,827 --> 00:18:43,038

leaving me literally red-handed
with the murder weapon.

353

00:18:43,914 --> 00:18:46,875

After which, the four of you returned
to the party,

354

00:18:47,334 --> 00:18:49,044

and ran into Archie and Veronica.

355

00:18:50,212 --> 00:18:51,046

Hey.

356

00:18:51,380 --> 00:18:53,340

Have you guys seen Betty and Jughead?

357

00:18:54,258 --> 00:18:57,761

I think they went that way,
into the clearing behind those trees.

358

00:19:01,932 --> 00:19:02,766

Thanks.

359

00:19:08,564 --> 00:19:10,816
[Betty] And pointed them
to where you knew they would find me...

360
00:19:12,234 --> 00:19:13,902
standing over Jughead's corpse.

361
00:19:14,278 --> 00:19:16,405
-Oh, my God. Betty, what happened?
-Jug!

362
00:19:17,239 --> 00:19:18,157
Is he breathing?

363
00:19:23,745 --> 00:19:24,621
He's dead.

364
00:19:26,540 --> 00:19:30,377
At which point, one of two scenarios
could have played out.

365
00:19:30,460 --> 00:19:31,295
One...

366
00:19:32,212 --> 00:19:34,673
Archie and Veronica could turn me in.

367
00:19:36,175 --> 00:19:37,009
Two...

368
00:19:38,093 --> 00:19:41,680
they could help me cover up the murder
that I had just committed.

369
00:19:42,764 --> 00:19:45,184
Either way, I'm damned if I do
and damned if I don't,

370
00:19:45,267 --> 00:19:48,103
but honestly, you guys could have
gotten away with it, too.

371

00:19:48,187 --> 00:19:50,564
Yeah, except, uh, again...

372

00:19:51,481 --> 00:19:52,816
you guys didn't kill me.

373

00:19:53,275 --> 00:19:54,526
-Archie.
-Oh, my God.

374

00:19:55,485 --> 00:19:57,779
-Oh, my God.
-Betty, what happened?

375

00:20:03,911 --> 00:20:06,872
Arch, start pounding on his chest.
Right now, okay?

376

00:20:06,955 --> 00:20:09,291
Vee, use the beanie
to stop the bleeding, go.

377

00:20:09,374 --> 00:20:12,085
One, two, three, four, five.

378

00:20:14,755 --> 00:20:17,674
-[Archie] One... Four, five.
-Come on, Jug.

379

00:20:17,758 --> 00:20:19,968
-Wake up, wake up, Jug. Come on!
-[Veronica] He's dead.

380

00:20:20,052 --> 00:20:21,386
Four...

381

00:20:21,470 --> 00:20:23,472
-Betty, he's dead.
-Come back to me, Jug.

382

00:20:27,392 --> 00:20:29,019
Jug! Hey, hey, hey.

383
00:20:29,102 --> 00:20:31,104
Hey, we'll get you to a hospital, okay?

384
00:20:31,188 --> 00:20:32,898
No. No hospital.

385
00:20:33,774 --> 00:20:34,608
Jug...

386
00:20:34,691 --> 00:20:36,902
Hey, stay awake. Stay with me please, Jug.

387
00:20:36,985 --> 00:20:38,570
Hey, stay awake, okay?

388
00:20:40,155 --> 00:20:43,283
Though I didn't regain consciousness
for another 36 hours.

389
00:20:43,784 --> 00:20:45,869
The worst 36 hours of my life.

390
00:20:49,581 --> 00:20:51,416
Why would you say that, Jones?

391
00:20:51,500 --> 00:20:55,337
"No hospital." Why would a man
on death's door say that?

392
00:20:56,630 --> 00:20:57,923
I honestly don't know.

393
00:20:59,800 --> 00:21:02,844
Maybe I had some small feeling that
you were going to try and frame Betty,

394
00:21:03,637 --> 00:21:05,764
and I wanted her to have
a fighting chance.

395
00:21:09,768 --> 00:21:12,604

Um, I'm calling Charles.
I'm calling Charles.

396
00:21:12,688 --> 00:21:14,231
-What? Why?
-We can trust him.

397
00:21:14,606 --> 00:21:15,607
He'll help us, okay?

398
00:21:15,941 --> 00:21:16,775
Hey, Jug.

399
00:21:20,153 --> 00:21:24,157
Charles! I'm in the woods
with Archie and Veronica. Jughead,

400
00:21:24,241 --> 00:21:26,743
he's hurt really badly.
We need-- We need help.

401
00:21:26,827 --> 00:21:28,203
We need your help, please.

402
00:21:29,329 --> 00:21:32,749
We carried Jug through the woods
to the old postal road

403
00:21:32,833 --> 00:21:37,087
where my brother Charles was waiting
for us with an FBI med van.

404
00:21:41,049 --> 00:21:43,844
-What happened to him, Betty?
-A head wound.

405
00:21:43,927 --> 00:21:46,888
We slowed the bleeding.
We did chest compressions and CPR.

406
00:21:46,972 --> 00:21:49,099
-You think he'll make it?
-We'll do everything we can.

407
00:21:49,182 --> 00:21:50,392
[Veronica] And us? What do we do?

408
00:21:50,475 --> 00:21:52,519
Go back to where you found him,
clean the scene.

409
00:21:52,602 --> 00:21:55,355
Make absolutely certain that you don't
leave anything behind, all right?

410
00:21:55,439 --> 00:21:59,401
Also, your clothes are covered with blood.
Get rid of those and get washed up, okay?

411
00:21:59,484 --> 00:22:00,402
[all] Okay.

412
00:22:00,485 --> 00:22:01,320
Come on.

413
00:22:08,160 --> 00:22:09,953
[Betty] And then we did
what Charles asked.

414
00:22:10,329 --> 00:22:11,913
We went back to the clearing...

415
00:22:12,539 --> 00:22:15,334
threw the bloody rock
in the swimming hole...

416
00:22:16,460 --> 00:22:18,628
took off our clothes,
and started a bonfire.

417
00:22:19,296 --> 00:22:22,007
-What happens if he doesn't make it?
-He'll make it.

418
00:22:23,383 --> 00:22:24,551

But what if he doesn't?

419

00:22:25,761 --> 00:22:26,678
He will.

420

00:22:29,848 --> 00:22:31,224
But if he doesn't...

421

00:22:32,142 --> 00:22:33,018
then we...

422

00:22:34,770 --> 00:22:35,604
Archie.

423

00:22:37,397 --> 00:22:38,231
Archie.

424

00:22:39,566 --> 00:22:41,234
-Archie!
-Yeah, yeah.

425

00:22:41,318 --> 00:22:42,652
-Are you listening to me?
-Yeah.

426

00:22:45,197 --> 00:22:49,493
We have to burn all of our clothes,
including Jughead's beanie.

427

00:22:51,369 --> 00:22:53,288
We'll rinse off the blood
in the swimming hole.

428

00:22:56,041 --> 00:22:58,502
After tonight,
we never speak of this, ever.

429

00:22:58,585 --> 00:23:01,755
Not to each other, not to our parents.
No one.

430

00:23:02,672 --> 00:23:07,260

We'll finish our senior year, graduate,
and we'll go our separate ways.

431

00:23:07,344 --> 00:23:10,138
That is the only way
that we won't get caught.

432

00:23:13,975 --> 00:23:14,893
Do it.

433

00:23:22,150 --> 00:23:25,112
That is how it'll have to be
if Jug doesn't make it.

434

00:23:25,695 --> 00:23:28,156
But it won't come to that.
He will pull through.

435

00:23:28,573 --> 00:23:29,449
He has to.

436

00:23:30,784 --> 00:23:31,618
And then...

437

00:23:32,452 --> 00:23:33,453
we went home.

438

00:23:36,164 --> 00:23:39,084
And what happened next
was a waking nightmare.

439

00:23:39,584 --> 00:23:42,379
Not knowing if or when Jughead
was going to wake up.

440

00:23:43,421 --> 00:23:46,842
And wondering if I had actually
been responsible.

441

00:23:46,925 --> 00:23:49,594
Wait, but we saw Jughead's corpse
at the coroner's office.

442

00:23:49,678 --> 00:23:52,681

-Was he in on it?

-Who? Dr. Curdle Jr.?

443

00:23:53,682 --> 00:23:57,102

Yeah. Mm-hm. Yeah. We go way back.

444

00:23:58,186 --> 00:24:01,064

[Jughead] You see, Bret,
in a town like Riverdale,

445

00:24:01,648 --> 00:24:03,024

everybody's got a price.

446

00:24:04,109 --> 00:24:06,820

And that includes our friendly
neighborhood doctor of death.

447

00:24:09,739 --> 00:24:13,368

And while Betty was keeping you guys busy
with a game of cat and mouse,

448

00:24:13,451 --> 00:24:16,997

I was in the underground bunker
untangling this Gordian knot of a year.

449

00:24:17,455 --> 00:24:21,209

And it is crazy how much untangling
you can get done

450

00:24:21,293 --> 00:24:25,130

-when everyone thinks you're dead.
-Which brings us basically to today.

451

00:24:25,589 --> 00:24:27,716

So, Mr. DuPont...

452

00:24:29,176 --> 00:24:31,636

floor's open. What do you think?

453

00:24:33,263 --> 00:24:34,973

Oh, Mr. Jones...

454

00:24:37,267 --> 00:24:38,435

A for effort.

455

00:24:39,019 --> 00:24:42,731

If nothing else, this fiction
is significantly more entertaining

456

00:24:42,814 --> 00:24:45,025

than anything you ever produced
for my class.

457

00:24:45,442 --> 00:24:48,486

Oh, did I forget to mention
that Betty and I went and saw

458

00:24:48,570 --> 00:24:50,238

the Baxter Brothers ghostwriters?

459

00:24:50,322 --> 00:24:54,117

And when we told them our theory,
they all asked for their lawyers.

460

00:24:54,910 --> 00:24:56,286

What if you did track them down?

461

00:24:57,329 --> 00:25:00,373

And even if you found one
who corroborated your wild theories

462

00:25:00,457 --> 00:25:03,919

in some vague way,
then you will know that I never

463

00:25:04,002 --> 00:25:08,548

explicitly directed my students
or mentees to do anything criminal.

464

00:25:08,632 --> 00:25:09,633

Oh.

465

00:25:10,383 --> 00:25:13,845

What a canny serial killer you are,
Mr. DuPont.

466

00:25:13,929 --> 00:25:16,097
But we haven't even gotten
to the best part.

467

00:25:16,181 --> 00:25:20,894
Specifically, the three members
of your original Literary Society

468

00:25:21,478 --> 00:25:22,771
who you murdered.

469

00:25:24,522 --> 00:25:28,818
Jane Dallas Brown, Charles W. Chickens,
Theodore Weisel.

470

00:25:31,446 --> 00:25:32,364
There it is.

471

00:25:32,781 --> 00:25:34,741
Let's loop back to the original sin,
shall we?

472

00:25:34,824 --> 00:25:37,410
When Mr. DuPont stole,
and I do mean "stole,"

473

00:25:37,494 --> 00:25:39,329
my grandfather's original
Baxter Brothers novel.

474

00:25:39,663 --> 00:25:42,540
A fact known to you, Mr. DuPont,
and of course Jughead's grandfather,

475

00:25:42,624 --> 00:25:46,628
but also to your inner circle,
your classmates.

476

00:25:48,129 --> 00:25:50,674
The corrupt secret

at the heart of an empire.

477

00:25:51,049 --> 00:25:52,801
[Jughead] Well, there wasn't
an empire just yet.

478

00:25:52,884 --> 00:25:55,804
It was a house of cards that you built
over many decades.

479

00:25:56,179 --> 00:25:57,305
And the bigger it got,

480

00:25:57,806 --> 00:26:00,475
the more worried you became
that one little slip of the tongue

481

00:26:00,558 --> 00:26:02,686
would send the whole thing tumbling down.

482

00:26:02,769 --> 00:26:05,480
Your life's work would be revealed
as a lie

483

00:26:05,563 --> 00:26:09,067
and you as a fraud and a thief,

484

00:26:09,776 --> 00:26:10,694
a man of dishonor.

485

00:26:11,069 --> 00:26:14,030
So, you started going after people
who knew the truth

486

00:26:14,114 --> 00:26:18,034
and started staging
their accidental deaths.

487

00:26:18,493 --> 00:26:22,455
You cut brakes.
You tampered with fuselages.

488

00:26:23,373 --> 00:26:25,792
You compromised oxygen tanks.

489

00:26:25,875 --> 00:26:29,462
Until there was only one living member
of your Literary Society left.

490

00:26:30,588 --> 00:26:31,423
Betty...

491

00:26:32,507 --> 00:26:34,092
I think it's time we let in our guest.

492

00:26:34,801 --> 00:26:35,677
With pleasure.

493

00:26:37,929 --> 00:26:39,848
[lock clicking]

494

00:26:55,697 --> 00:26:56,740
Forsythe?

495

00:26:57,073 --> 00:26:58,325
Live and in the flesh.

496

00:26:59,743 --> 00:27:00,952
Hello, Francis.

497

00:27:01,536 --> 00:27:03,538
Why don't you tell him
what you told us, Grandpa?

498

00:27:03,913 --> 00:27:06,833
Weisel came to see me before he died.

499

00:27:08,251 --> 00:27:09,794
He hadn't slept for days.

500

00:27:11,338 --> 00:27:16,009
He told me
that you killed Charles and Jane

501

00:27:16,718 --> 00:27:21,222
'cause they were gonna spill the truth
about the damn Baxter Brothers.

502

00:27:23,141 --> 00:27:26,311
He said we knew too much,
and you were gonna off us, too.

503

00:27:26,394 --> 00:27:29,689
You and I both know
Theodore was a paranoid drunk.

504

00:27:29,773 --> 00:27:31,816
But two days later,

505

00:27:32,567 --> 00:27:36,863
the expert diver drowned in shallow water.

506

00:27:38,573 --> 00:27:39,657
So, he was right.

507

00:27:40,742 --> 00:27:41,868
And I was next.

508

00:27:44,412 --> 00:27:46,873
So, I went out for a pack of cigarettes...

509

00:27:49,417 --> 00:27:50,668
and I never came back.

510

00:27:51,586 --> 00:27:54,172
What were you doing off-grid
since 2002 exactly?

511

00:27:54,756 --> 00:27:58,009
Collecting evidence
that linked Francis here

512

00:27:58,093 --> 00:28:01,721
with the murders of Charles
and Jane and Theodore.

513

00:28:01,805 --> 00:28:06,810
I started by calling hotels and motels
near the accident sites.

514

00:28:06,893 --> 00:28:09,854
You know what the one thing I couldn't
figure out at first was, Mr. DuPont?

515

00:28:10,522 --> 00:28:13,775
That if Moose was invited
to Stonewall Prep to be the next victim,

516

00:28:13,858 --> 00:28:15,193
then why was I also invited?

517

00:28:17,278 --> 00:28:18,238
I was bait.

518

00:28:19,406 --> 00:28:21,282
To lure my grandfather out of hiding,

519

00:28:21,366 --> 00:28:23,201
so you could finish the job
that you started.

520

00:28:23,576 --> 00:28:26,955
Took off like a coward
after Jughead found me.

521

00:28:27,038 --> 00:28:30,625
But to my old man's credit, when Charles
and I found him the second time

522

00:28:30,708 --> 00:28:32,919
and he heard what happened
to his grandson...

523

00:28:33,002 --> 00:28:35,797
he figured it was finally time
to take your ass down.

524

00:28:35,880 --> 00:28:38,091

[Charles] While you were in here
playing Agatha Christie,

525

00:28:38,174 --> 00:28:40,885
my team was combing through DuPont's house
for the last hour.

526

00:28:40,969 --> 00:28:44,556
Given the trophies of your victims
that we found in your hollowed-out OED

527

00:28:44,639 --> 00:28:46,599
and your ghostwriters lawyering up...

528

00:28:47,726 --> 00:28:50,812
not to mention Forsythe's detective work,
well...

529

00:28:52,439 --> 00:28:53,356
Why don't you tell him?

530

00:28:55,525 --> 00:28:56,651
It's over, Francis.

531

00:29:01,197 --> 00:29:02,031
You...

532

00:29:03,032 --> 00:29:05,952
call me a thief and a coward?

533

00:29:07,287 --> 00:29:08,288
Well, I'm not.

534

00:29:09,247 --> 00:29:10,248
I'm a builder.

535

00:29:10,999 --> 00:29:12,917
I built the Baxter Brothers franchise,

536

00:29:13,001 --> 00:29:15,378
and with that money,
I helped build this school.

537

00:29:16,087 --> 00:29:18,214
Without me, neither would exist.

538

00:29:18,298 --> 00:29:20,300
Francis DuPont,
you have the right to remain silent.

539

00:29:20,383 --> 00:29:22,761
Anything you say can and will be used
against you in court.

540

00:29:22,844 --> 00:29:23,720
Never.

541

00:29:24,429 --> 00:29:26,514
A writer's power is in his words.

542

00:29:27,474 --> 00:29:30,435
Only the meek and the timid
choose silence.

543

00:29:31,269 --> 00:29:33,855
I am... a man of honor.

544

00:29:38,651 --> 00:29:39,569
To the end.

545

00:29:58,630 --> 00:30:02,801
[Jughead] After that, it was a matter
of dotting I's and crossing T's.

546

00:30:03,510 --> 00:30:06,221
We obtained these text exchanges
between you and Donna.

547

00:30:08,014 --> 00:30:09,808
Donna was manipulating you, Joan.

548

00:30:10,683 --> 00:30:13,812
She tricked you into doing her dirty work
so her hands would remain clean.

549

00:30:15,104 --> 00:30:18,191
Don't protect her. I'll see to it
that you get a reduced sentence--

550

00:30:18,274 --> 00:30:21,319
Agent Smith, you have nothing to offer me.

551

00:30:25,490 --> 00:30:29,911
Reminder, my father is an ambassador,
and I have diplomatic immunity.

552

00:30:30,411 --> 00:30:33,540
If you leave the country now,
you won't ever be able to return.

553

00:30:33,623 --> 00:30:35,834
And your friends,
they'll take all the heat.

554

00:30:37,001 --> 00:30:38,211
They're not my friends.

555

00:30:47,470 --> 00:30:49,848
Hey. Why did you lie to Jughead?

556

00:30:50,431 --> 00:30:53,393
You told him Bret had diplomatic immunity,
but it was Joan.

557

00:30:54,352 --> 00:30:56,104
I-- I lied to Jughead

558

00:30:56,187 --> 00:30:59,774
because I was trying to keep him
from antagonizing Bret.

559

00:31:01,484 --> 00:31:03,862
You know it was Bret's idea
to kill Jughead.

560

00:31:04,362 --> 00:31:06,865

Uh-huh. How did you get
Mr. Chipping's tiepin?

561

00:31:07,365 --> 00:31:09,868
And don't tell me
that you were having an affair.

562

00:31:10,368 --> 00:31:11,744
No one's buying that story anymore.

563

00:31:13,079 --> 00:31:14,747
Mr. DuPont gave it to me.

564

00:31:16,249 --> 00:31:19,127
Said I had to lie to the headmaster

565

00:31:19,210 --> 00:31:21,546
so that Mr. Chipping's death
would be ruled a suicide

566

00:31:21,629 --> 00:31:23,464
and people would stop asking questions.

567

00:31:25,466 --> 00:31:29,888
But I'm just glad
that the real monster behind all of this,

568

00:31:29,971 --> 00:31:32,098
Mr. DuPont, has paid for his crimes.

569

00:31:35,560 --> 00:31:37,854
[Charles] You have a known history
of antagonizing Jughead.

570

00:31:37,937 --> 00:31:41,024
Witnesses saw you walking with him
into the woods the night he was attacked.

571

00:31:41,357 --> 00:31:43,568
Have I actually been charged with a crime?

572

00:31:44,736 --> 00:31:47,238

You're facing hard time
for both attempted murder

573

00:31:47,322 --> 00:31:50,199
and the creation and possession
of illegally recorded sex tapes

574

00:31:50,283 --> 00:31:52,535
featuring your fellow students,

575

00:31:52,619 --> 00:31:54,037
including Jughead and Betty.

576

00:31:55,121 --> 00:31:55,955
Now...

577

00:31:56,664 --> 00:31:59,626
I'm willing to reduce your charge
to only attempted murder

578

00:32:00,251 --> 00:32:02,754
if you turn over your collection
of videotapes.

579

00:32:02,837 --> 00:32:04,047
Here's my counteroffer:

580

00:32:04,839 --> 00:32:07,467
Reduce my charge to conspiracy
after the fact,

581

00:32:07,550 --> 00:32:10,219
which my lawyer will plead down
to community service,

582

00:32:10,637 --> 00:32:15,016
or Betty and Jughead's puerile sex tape
will be released to the World Wide Web.

583

00:32:16,225 --> 00:32:18,561
Hm. Let me think it over.

584

00:32:25,818 --> 00:32:26,986
[door closes]

585
00:32:29,280 --> 00:32:30,949
-[door opens]
-That was quick.

586
00:32:33,451 --> 00:32:34,285
[door closes]

587
00:32:39,540 --> 00:32:40,750
What the hell is this?

588
00:32:41,918 --> 00:32:44,128
-The counter to your counter.
-Wait--

589
00:32:44,212 --> 00:32:45,380
[blow lands]

590
00:32:49,133 --> 00:32:52,595
I understand that you've decided
to cooperate with our investigation

591
00:32:52,971 --> 00:32:55,098
and reveal the location
of your illicit videotapes.

592
00:32:56,057 --> 00:32:57,058
Is that correct?

593
00:32:59,852 --> 00:33:03,481
[Alice] Hidden in a secret compartment
behind Stonewall's crest

594
00:33:03,564 --> 00:33:06,859
was a treasure trove of dark secrets.

595
00:33:06,943 --> 00:33:09,195
Illegally recorded videotapes.

596
00:33:09,278 --> 00:33:13,116

More fuel to add to the firestorm
of controversy that is consuming

597

00:33:13,199 --> 00:33:16,369
one of the country's oldest
and more prestigious prep schools.

598

00:33:16,452 --> 00:33:18,871
For now,
Stonewall Prep's doors remain open,

599

00:33:18,955 --> 00:33:22,500
but its secret society, Quill and Skull,
has been disbanded.

600

00:33:22,583 --> 00:33:26,004
For RIVW news, this is Alice Smith.

601

00:33:26,838 --> 00:33:28,548
It's good to be back, Riverdale.

602

00:33:31,259 --> 00:33:32,719
Thank you. Thank you very much.

603

00:33:32,802 --> 00:33:34,637
Your report came out really good, Mom.

604

00:33:34,721 --> 00:33:37,223
Oh, thanks, honey.
I had a lot of help from an inside source.

605

00:33:37,306 --> 00:33:38,391
[both] Mm-hm.

606

00:33:38,933 --> 00:33:40,018
[FP and Alice laugh]

607

00:33:40,101 --> 00:33:42,103
-Okay, I'm gonna head out.
-Yeah.

608

00:33:42,729 --> 00:33:45,023

Wait, where are you going?
We're about to have cake.

609

00:33:47,025 --> 00:33:49,110
Um, I will be back soon, okay?

610

00:33:49,193 --> 00:33:52,530
I just have one last T to cross.

611

00:33:59,037 --> 00:34:00,163
Hello, Donna.

612

00:34:01,247 --> 00:34:02,123
Going somewhere?

613

00:34:02,206 --> 00:34:05,710
If you must know,
I'm transferring to a new school.

614

00:34:05,793 --> 00:34:09,505
Well, I'm glad I caught you, then.
I wanted to congratulate you personally.

615

00:34:09,839 --> 00:34:12,341
Jughead and I heard that you're
taking over the Baxter Brothers.

616

00:34:12,759 --> 00:34:14,302
The brand is relaunching.

617

00:34:15,344 --> 00:34:16,721
As Tracy True.

618

00:34:18,848 --> 00:34:19,724
Jealous?

619

00:34:21,184 --> 00:34:22,477
Your plan worked, Donna.

620

00:34:22,852 --> 00:34:26,606
You managed to get everyone else
to do the actual dirty work.

621

00:34:26,939 --> 00:34:28,441
Hell, even DuPont's dead.

622

00:34:28,524 --> 00:34:32,904
You covered your tracks extremely well.

623

00:34:33,613 --> 00:34:34,447
Betty...

624

00:34:36,532 --> 00:34:39,577
are you really so delusional,

625

00:34:39,952 --> 00:34:44,290
you would believe I would mastermind
some elaborate conspiracy

626

00:34:44,373 --> 00:34:46,584
that caused the deaths of multiple people

627

00:34:46,876 --> 00:34:49,587
just to win a YA book contract?

628

00:34:52,256 --> 00:34:53,091
No.

629

00:34:54,383 --> 00:34:56,344
But you would do it for revenge.

630

00:34:56,719 --> 00:34:57,970
Oh, really?

631

00:34:59,180 --> 00:35:01,682
-Revenge for what?
-The murder of your grandmother.

632

00:35:03,643 --> 00:35:05,103
Jane Dallas Brown.

633

00:35:05,561 --> 00:35:08,356
One of the classmates DuPont killed

to cover up the ugly truth

634

00:35:08,439 --> 00:35:10,650
that he didn't create the Baxter Brothers.

635

00:35:11,567 --> 00:35:12,652
She was your grandmother.

636

00:35:13,111 --> 00:35:16,322
-How could you possibly know that?
-A friend of a friend told me.

637

00:35:16,656 --> 00:35:19,117
You dedicated yourself
to getting into Stonewall Prep

638

00:35:19,200 --> 00:35:20,535
and getting into Chipping's class,

639

00:35:20,618 --> 00:35:24,914
and each step brought you ever-closer
to your grandmother's killer.

640

00:35:25,915 --> 00:35:28,292
You wanted... revenge.

641

00:35:28,376 --> 00:35:31,254
So, what was the original plan, Donna?

642

00:35:31,337 --> 00:35:34,799
Win the contract,
no matter how many people had to die?

643

00:35:34,882 --> 00:35:37,844
And then stage an accident
that would take care of DuPont

644

00:35:37,927 --> 00:35:40,763
so you could tear down
the house that he built?

645

00:35:41,472 --> 00:35:43,015

Fascinating theory, Betty.

646

00:35:44,225 --> 00:35:46,227
You left out one minor detail.

647

00:35:46,310 --> 00:35:48,980
DuPont didn't merely kill my grandmother.

648

00:35:49,897 --> 00:35:51,232
He stole from her,

649

00:35:51,774 --> 00:35:53,526
the same way he did from Forsythe.

650

00:35:55,945 --> 00:35:57,196
Tracy True,

651

00:35:57,697 --> 00:35:59,866
the female teen detective
who was introduced

652

00:35:59,949 --> 00:36:01,409
in the Baxter Brothers books.

653

00:36:02,743 --> 00:36:04,287
She was your grandmother's invention.

654

00:36:05,746 --> 00:36:09,876
Now I've taken Tracy back
and DuPont is rotting in a grave.

655

00:36:09,959 --> 00:36:11,252
Oh.

656

00:36:11,794 --> 00:36:13,838
How did you really find out
about my grandmother?

657

00:36:14,547 --> 00:36:15,548
A private investigator...

658

00:36:15,923 --> 00:36:19,343
At my behest, Hermosa put
her private-eye skills to good use

659
00:36:19,427 --> 00:36:22,054
and did some digging
on those Stonewall wasps.

660
00:36:22,138 --> 00:36:25,433
And your gal-pal Donna is not so sweet.

661
00:36:26,684 --> 00:36:28,769
...who supplied us with the medical files

662
00:36:28,853 --> 00:36:32,648
that confirmed that you are
the granddaughter of Jane Dallas Brown,

663
00:36:33,441 --> 00:36:35,443
which gives the police a motive

664
00:36:35,526 --> 00:36:39,697
and links this entire web of death...

665
00:36:40,656 --> 00:36:41,908
back to you.

666
00:36:42,533 --> 00:36:44,202
It's circumstantial, at best.

667
00:36:46,162 --> 00:36:47,496
But I'll play one last round.

668
00:36:48,998 --> 00:36:49,957
What do you want, Betty?

669
00:36:52,543 --> 00:36:55,421
I want you to walk away
from the Tracy True contract.

670
00:36:56,339 --> 00:36:58,549
Why in God's name would I do that?

671

00:36:58,633 --> 00:37:02,845
Fictional though she may be,
Tracy deserves better.

672

00:37:02,929 --> 00:37:04,972
As does the memory of your grandmother.

673

00:37:05,348 --> 00:37:10,603
And you certainly don't deserve to profit
off the near-death of my boyfriend.

674

00:37:12,855 --> 00:37:13,689
Or...

675

00:37:15,149 --> 00:37:16,108
don't walk away.

676

00:37:16,734 --> 00:37:17,610
That's fine.

677

00:37:18,736 --> 00:37:21,322
But I will make sure
every newspaper of every major city

678

00:37:21,405 --> 00:37:23,157
gets a copy of that medical file.

679

00:37:29,080 --> 00:37:31,374
You play nice from now on, Donna.

680

00:37:33,918 --> 00:37:35,503
I'll be keeping an eye on you.

681

00:37:54,981 --> 00:37:57,566
Months at Stonewall Prep,
away from you guys,

682

00:37:57,650 --> 00:38:00,695
-what a waste.
-Jug. Okay.

683

00:38:00,778 --> 00:38:04,532
We put a stop to DuPont,
we solved eight murders,

684

00:38:04,615 --> 00:38:07,535
and we gave closure to every family
of every missing child.

685

00:38:07,618 --> 00:38:09,412
I would not call that a waste of time.

686

00:38:09,495 --> 00:38:11,289
I know. It's just...

687

00:38:13,082 --> 00:38:14,000
I feel...

688

00:38:15,293 --> 00:38:16,210
Cheated?

689

00:38:17,461 --> 00:38:18,296
I know.

690

00:38:21,173 --> 00:38:24,093
I know. You'll find a meaning
to all of this...

691

00:38:25,177 --> 00:38:27,221
at some point, okay?

692

00:38:32,810 --> 00:38:35,104
So, Jughead Jones, back from the dead.

693

00:38:35,187 --> 00:38:36,605
Color me completely not surprised.

694

00:38:36,689 --> 00:38:38,024
[bell ringing]

695

00:38:38,107 --> 00:38:38,941
You're not?

696

00:38:39,567 --> 00:38:41,902
No one ever really dies in Riverdale,
do they?

697

00:38:43,070 --> 00:38:46,657
But... what about
you and Archie canoodling then?

698

00:38:47,408 --> 00:38:48,659
Yeah, that was just pretend.

699

00:38:50,077 --> 00:38:52,288
I don't know, cousin,
that looked pretty real to me.

700

00:38:52,371 --> 00:38:53,998
Well, yeah, that was the point.

701

00:38:56,834 --> 00:38:57,668
Right.

702

00:38:58,336 --> 00:39:01,714
All I'm saying is,
your secret's safe with me.

703

00:39:02,423 --> 00:39:03,466
Toodles!

704

00:39:08,512 --> 00:39:10,139
-What did Cheryl want?
-Nothing.

705

00:39:10,222 --> 00:39:11,557
What did Mr. Honey say?

706

00:39:11,640 --> 00:39:14,560
He isn't happy, but he legally has
to let me back to Riverdale High.

707

00:39:14,643 --> 00:39:17,897
-That's great.

-Yeah, I just hope my credits transfer.

708

00:39:18,689 --> 00:39:21,275
On the bright side, no one's going
to try to kill me while I'm here.

709

00:39:21,359 --> 00:39:22,443
Don't jinx yourself.

710

00:39:27,281 --> 00:39:28,115
[FP] Hey, boy.

711

00:39:28,574 --> 00:39:29,617
-Betty.
-[Betty] Hey.

712

00:39:31,535 --> 00:39:32,620
Um, I'll be right down.

713

00:39:32,953 --> 00:39:33,829
Grandpa.

714

00:39:34,747 --> 00:39:36,624
-I thought you left.
-No, no. Not yet.

715

00:39:37,750 --> 00:39:38,876
You joining us for dinner?

716

00:39:40,211 --> 00:39:43,756
Betty and I are actually going to meet
Archie and Veronica at Pop's, so...

717

00:39:43,839 --> 00:39:46,217
-Unless you want me to stay.
-No, go have fun.

718

00:39:46,300 --> 00:39:47,385
Yeah.

719

00:39:48,677 --> 00:39:50,888
Should I... say goodbye?

720

00:39:50,971 --> 00:39:52,264
Oh, no, no.

721

00:39:53,057 --> 00:39:57,228
I expect your father and I will
still be talking when you get back.

722

00:40:01,148 --> 00:40:02,358
Hey, hold on.

723

00:40:06,654 --> 00:40:08,864
I don't know what's gonna happen
with him and me,

724

00:40:09,407 --> 00:40:11,826
but we're talking, so that's something.

725

00:40:13,577 --> 00:40:15,454
So... thank you.

726

00:40:15,955 --> 00:40:17,289
You made all this happen.

727

00:40:20,376 --> 00:40:21,460
Have fun.

728

00:40:22,461 --> 00:40:23,546
-[Jughead] Ready?
-Mm-hm.

729

00:40:23,629 --> 00:40:26,465
[Jughead] Maybe something good did
come out of this whole Stonewall mess.

730

00:40:27,007 --> 00:40:30,553
My dad and my grandfather talking again
for the first time in 30 years.

731

00:40:31,178 --> 00:40:32,555
Who would've thought of that?

732

00:40:32,638 --> 00:40:34,890
-Do you think your dad will forgive him?
-Oh, I don't know.

733

00:40:34,974 --> 00:40:39,145
I mean, they have a lot of bad history
between each other, but... I hope so.

734

00:40:40,688 --> 00:40:41,522
All right, guys.

735

00:40:42,815 --> 00:40:44,191
-Let's make a vow.
-Ugh.

736

00:40:44,275 --> 00:40:46,026
-[Archie] I know.
-[Veronica] Mm.

737

00:40:46,110 --> 00:40:47,027
I know.

738

00:40:47,361 --> 00:40:49,572
The last time we made a vow
to have a normal senior year,

739

00:40:49,655 --> 00:40:51,282
everything went to hell pretty quick.

740

00:40:51,699 --> 00:40:55,161
But we only have two, three months left.

741

00:40:55,995 --> 00:40:57,121
Let's end it on a high note.

742

00:40:58,998 --> 00:41:00,833
Are we gonna ignore the fact
that Archie and I

743

00:41:00,916 --> 00:41:02,668
will probably not be graduating
with you guys?

744

00:41:02,751 --> 00:41:05,963
Jug, okay. Do you really think
Vee and I are going to sit idly by

745

00:41:06,046 --> 00:41:08,048
and not help our boyfriends graduate?

746

00:41:08,132 --> 00:41:12,303
Archie Andrews and Jughead Jones,
you will graduate.

747

00:41:13,053 --> 00:41:16,891
Even if it takes a thousand tutors,
you will set aside everything,

748

00:41:16,974 --> 00:41:18,309
no more mysteries,

749

00:41:18,809 --> 00:41:22,354
and make graduating
your sole purpose in life.

750

00:41:23,731 --> 00:41:26,317
-Why does that sound like a threat?
-[Veronica] Because it is.

751

00:41:27,860 --> 00:41:30,654
To going out on top. Together.

752

00:41:30,738 --> 00:41:32,781
-Cheers.
-Cheers to that.

753

00:41:34,492 --> 00:41:36,368
Guys, guys, just a reminder,

754

00:41:36,452 --> 00:41:39,079
I'm posting the sign-up sheet
for the variety show tomorrow.

755

00:41:39,163 --> 00:41:40,664

You all have to perform.

756

00:41:41,248 --> 00:41:42,958
Even you, Jughead.

757

00:41:43,417 --> 00:41:44,835
Count us in, Kev.

758

00:41:44,919 --> 00:41:46,086
Oh, no.

759

00:41:46,712 --> 00:41:47,963
Yes.

760

00:41:48,047 --> 00:41:51,675
Check out this list of local names.

761

00:41:51,759 --> 00:41:53,761
[inaudible dialogue]

762

00:41:56,555 --> 00:41:59,934
♪ You make it look way too good ♪