

A NIGHT AT BENNY'S

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EXT. BENNY'S BAR - NIGHT

TONY(19), MAC(18), LUKE(19), AND NICK(20) all stand in line outside of their local bar Benny's.

MAC

I'm nervous about my ID man, I'm not a big bar guy and like what if the bouncer takes it?

TONY

Dude chill, we come here all the time.

NICK

Yeah Mac, I have a shitty ass ID and I get in every time, here look at it.

Nick hands Mac his fake ID, which says Patrick O'Connor and is a picture of a bald bearded man. Nick is not Irish, bald, or bearded.

NICK (CONT'D)

If I get in with this, you're going to be fine dog.

MAC

Alright, fine I guess you guys are right.

Mac hands Nick his ID back. Then the four of them move up in line and get to the BOUNCER(28) with a Ravens shirt on.

BOUNCER

ID.

Nick walks up first and hands the bouncer his ID and smiles.

NICK

Ooo Ravens fan, I fuck with Lamar, but sorry about the playoffs brotha.

The bouncer hands Nick his ID back.

BOUNCER

Yeah man that shit sucked, but it's better then getting embarrassed in the Super Bowl like the Chiefs.

Mac hands his ID to the bouncer, the bouncer looks at it for a second and then hands it back to Mac.

Tony and Luke give the bouncer their ID's, he looks briefly at them and then he hands them back. They walk in the bar.

INT. BENNY'S BAR - CONTINUOUS

The bar is very active with lots of people and lots of drinking. Nick, Tony, Luke, and Mac walk up to the bar. Luke sways back and fourth very drunk. The Bar Tender GREG(25) comes over to the four of them and nods at them.

TONY  
Vodka red bull.

NICK  
Tequila soda with lime.

MAC  
Miller Lite and a shot of vodka.

LUKE  
(drunkenly)  
Beer.

The bar tender looks at Luke funny.

GREG  
How about a water?

Luke mouths breaths and looks around panicked.

TONY  
That would be great.

GREG  
All separate?

Tony nods.

TONY  
Luke, how we doing buddy?

Luke looks over at Tony and smiles. All the guys laugh a little. The bar tender comes back with their drinks. They all pay and then grab their drinks.

LUKE  
I gotta pee.

Nick, Tony, and Mac all look at each other. Nick rolls his eyes.

NICK  
 Alright, c'mon Luke I'll make sure  
 you make it to the bathroom.

TONY  
 We'll be outside.

NICK  
 Alright.

Tony and Luke walk to the outside section of the bar while  
 Luke and Nick walk towards the bathroom.

EXT. BENNY'S BAR OUTDOOR AREA - CONTINUOUS

Mac and Tony sit at a table. It's more calm outside but there  
 are a few tables filled with people.

TONY  
 How you doing man, I missed you, we  
 all did. Feel like I haven't seen  
 you in a month.

MAC  
 It's been two weeks dude, and I  
 missed you guys too but honestly I  
 haven't been enjoying myself, it  
 sucks here.

TONY  
 Really?

MAC  
 Yeah it does dog. I got projects  
 and quizzes left right and center,  
 shitty dining hall food, and RA's  
 always trying to snitch on my ass,  
 and I got two weirdos for  
 roommates.

They both swig their drinks.

TONY  
 Mac can I be honest with you?

MAC  
 Yeah man.

TONY  
 You gotta wake the fuck up. We are  
 in paradise.

(MORE)

TONY (CONT'D)

Everyday you wake up and you got no parents breathing down your neck, unlimited access to single women who are ready to mingle, as much food as you want-

MAC

It's shitty food.

TONY

Dude some kid in Africa is fucking starving! Suck it up, if your chicken is a little dry it is what it is. You know what my Poppop said to me the other day?

MAC

I don't.

TONY

He said to me, Tony, people always say your golden years are the best, well they're lying Tony, your golden years suck, the years you're in right now are the best years of your life. And that's from someone who's lived a full life.

MAC

Alright I get it.

TONY

No dude seriously, you gotta wake up and realize this is heaven. Our biggest concern is if we are going to pass a class or not. You gotta realize we are in our 20's in college, how much better can life get?

Mac smiles and sips his drink.

MAC

I'm not in my 20's, and neither are you.

TONY

On that ID in your wallet you are.

Tony notices a table of girls that look over at them.

TONY (CONT'D)

Now stop being a Debby downer, that table of girls behind you is looking at us, and we're going to talk to them.

Tony gets up and puts his arm around Mac and they walk towards the table of girls.

INT. BENNY'S BAR - CONTINUOUS

Luke and Nick wait in line for the bar. Nick checks his watch and then taps the guy HANK(21) in front of him.

NICK

Yo dude, how long have you been waiting?

HANK

Like 20 minutes.

NICK

Fuck that. Luke lets go.

Nick and Luke walk up to the bar.

LUKE

I have to pee why are we at the bar?

Nick finishes his drink and then throws the ice from the cup behind him.

NICK

Luke you're gonna pee in this cup, the bar is crowded no ones going to notice. Lean against the bar, hold the cup, and pee into it, it's that simple.

LUKE

(drunkenly)  
Okay.

Nick hands Luke the cup and Luke unzips his pants and pee's into the cup. Luke starts to make a face as he pee's.

NICK

Stop making that face.

Luke starts to turn and face Nick almost peeing on him.

LUKE  
What face?

Nick grabs Lukes shoulder and stops him from turning.

NICK  
Just keep a straight face and look  
forward.

Greg the bar tender walks by them Nick smiles and nods at him. Greg keeps walking. Nick looks around to make sure no one looks at Luke. Luke finishes peeing.

LUKE  
Alright, I'm done.

Luke zips up his pants and hands Nick the cup, Nick puts it on the bar and the two of them walk outside. Hank notices the cup get put on the bar.

EXT. BENNY'S BAR OUTDOOR AREA - CONTINUOUS

Mac and Tony walk up to the group of girls, STEPHANIE(19), CHRISSY(19), CIARA(20) and REAGAN(20).

TONY  
Hi I'm Tony, I was sitting over  
there with my friend Mac here-

MAC  
Hi I'm Mac.

TONY  
And I don't know you guys seem cool  
and like you are here for a good  
time, what are your names?

Luke and Nick walk outside.

LUKE  
Tony!

All the girls, Mac, and Tony look over.

TONY  
What's up man, that's my buddy  
Luke.

Reagan gets up from the table and points at Nick.

REAGAN  
HIM.

Reagan gets up from the table and walks over to Nick and grabs him by the hand and walks inside with him. As Nick is being pulled away by Reagan he looks back at his boys shocked. Everyone at the table including the girls all look very confused.

INT. BENNY'S BAR - CONTINUOUS

Reagan leads Nick into the bar. A bunch of girls come out of the bathroom.

HANK

Hey man is that your buddy's beer on the bar?

NICK

Na he's cut off, it's all yours man.

Reagan leads Nick into the bathroom and she closes the door. Hank goes over the cup full of piss. Thinking it's beer he takes a swig of it.

EXT. BENNY'S BAR OUTDOOR AREA - CONTINUOUS

Mac sits down in Reagan's seat and smiles at Stephanie.

MAC

Hi I'm Mac.

STEPHANIE

I know, your friend already said that.

MAC

You're right. I'm not always the smoothest at this part.

STEPHANIE

What's THIS part?

MAC

Well no I didn't mean it like that.

The other girls get up from the table and start to walk to the upstairs section of the bar. Tony leans over to Mac.

TONY

Me, Luke, and the other girls are heading upstairs, you two coming with or staying down here?

STEPHANIE

We're going to stay here.

TONY

Well alright, let me know if you two need anything.

Tony, Luke, and the other girls head upstairs to another part of the bar.

MAC

You don't want to go upstairs with everyone else?

STEPHANIE

Maybe but I'm more intrigued on what THIS part of the night is.

MAC

See I didn't mean it like that, it's just the part of the night where my buddies go talk to pretty girls and most of the time I don't.

STEPHANIE

I don't know if I'm buying that.

MAC

What makes you say that?

STEPHANIE

Because you're cute, and I've been enjoying messing with you.

Mac laughs a bit and smiles.

MAC

Messing with me? I don't know about all that, but I think you are very cute too.

Stephanie smiles.

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Reagan walks out of the bathroom and then heads outside, Nick trails out behind her disheveled and a bit dazed. He fixes his clothes a bit and then starts to walk towards the outside area. Hank shoves Nick hard.

HANK

There was piss in that cup you fucking dick!

NICK

What?

Nick looks at Hank confused and then puts his hands up. Nick looks over at the cup on the bar half full and then realizes that Hank drank Lukes piss cup.

NICK (CONT'D)

Oh shit.

Hank swings on Nick. Nick ducks and pushes Hank and they start to fight. The bouncer see's this and breaks it up.

BOUNCER

C'mon now, cut that shit out!

Bouncer grabs them, Nick points to the other side of the bar.

NICK

Holy shit is that Lamar Jackson?

The bouncer turns his head away from the two of them. Nick slips out of his grasp and heads outside.

EXT. BENNY'S BAR OUTDOOR AREA - CONTINUOUS

Mac and Stephanie are still flirting.

MAC

Wow really?

STEPHANIE

Yeah, I like some things, but I'm very particular.

MAC

I get that, I'm like that with certain things.

Mac's phone buzzes. He checks it.

A text from Nick to a group chat reads: Just got in a fight I'm outside the bar.

Tony and Luke come down the steps and walk up to Mac.

TONY

Yo Nick just got in a fight. He's outside.

Mac looks at Stephanie and then back at Tony.

MAC  
Alright, let's go.

Luke, and Tony walk out of the bar.

MAC (CONT'D)  
I'll be back in a little.

STEPHANIE  
I've heard that before.

MAC  
No really, I will, I really like  
talking to you.

STEPHANIE  
Go help your friend, but I'm not  
going to hold my breath.

Mac nods and then exits the bar.

EXT. BENNY'S BAR - CONTINUOUS

Tony, Luke, and Mac walk out of the bar and see Nick 30 feet  
down the sidewalk. They walk up to him.

TONY  
Yo Nick, you alright?

Nick has some bloody marks and his shirt is stretched out.

NICK  
Yeah, I'm fine, I just need a  
drink.

LUKE  
Chevron?

NICK  
Good call.

TONY  
Hold on.

Tony checks his watch.

TONY (CONT'D)  
We're fucked it's past midnight.

NICK  
FUCK!

MAC  
I'm confused why can't we buy beer?

NICK  
Unless it's a bar you aren't  
allowed to sell alcohol past  
midnight on a Saturday.

MAC  
Shit.

TONY  
Here look, it's gonna be fine, I  
got a fifth in my dorm under my bed  
we'll head back, polish that off  
and chill.

NICK  
Alright.

Mac looks back at the bar and then at his guys.

MAC  
Guys, I want to go back to the bar.

Tony and Nick look at Mac shocked and Luke looks off into the  
distance drunkenly.

NICK  
Oh shit Mac.

TONY  
Damn Mac!

Mac smiles a little.

MAC  
I just really liked talking to that  
girl she was cool as fuck.

NICK  
Mac my friend, you go enjoy it, I'm  
not going to join you. One because  
they aren't going to let me back  
in, two because I need to sit down  
and relax.

Nick and Mac dap up.

MAC  
Sounds good man.

TONY  
You good if I head back in with  
Mac?

NICK  
You better. Make sure he closes.

TONY  
Will do.

Tony and Nick dap up, then Mac and Nick dap up.

NICK  
You two be safe. Alright Luke let's  
go.

Nick puts his arms on Luke's shoulders and they turn the corner. Tony and Mac head back towards the bar.

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Benny's is still packed, Tony and Mac walk into the bar.

TONY  
You see her?

MAC  
No.

Mac and Tony look discouraged.

MAC (CONT'D)  
Let me check outside.

EXT. BENNY'S BAR OUTDOOR AREA - CONTINUOUS

Mac walks to the outside area of the bar and looks around for a moment and he doesn't see Stephanie. He takes a few more steps outside and looks around and then he see's Stephanie sitting alone at the table they where talking at before. They both lock eyes and smile.

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