

SANDRA'S PHONE

Texts to Lucas

SANDRA
I feel like I'm on to something here, if I could just get one interview, off the record...

LUCAS
I'm sorry babe, I can't break the NDA.

SANDRA
You couldn't give me just a little info? I doubt they meant for you to take it this seriously!

LUCAS
They really do. I would lose my job.

SANDRA
How about just a private conversation? They wouldn't know! What, are they spying on your texts?

LUCAS
Of course not. But I'm serious. The answer is no. I have to go, I'll talk to you tonight.

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SANDRA
That Mr. Alden from your company came by again today. He's trying to steal the diner right out from under my mom, and she just keeps talking about how nice he is.

LUCAS
I'm sorry Sandra, that's not right.

SANDRA
It's the worst time given her health - she's lucid enough for a contract to be legal, but getting forgetful enough that I just know he's going to cheat her.

LUCAS
Has he done anything shady?

SANDRA
Nothing specific yet. But I know
his type. He's a snake.

LUCAS
I'm sorry he's bothering you,
you've got enough to deal with
right now as it is.

SANDRA
And why do they want this land
anyway? Definitely not to sell
food.

LUCAS
You know I can't talk about that.

SANDRA
Maybe you can't tell me anything,
but can't you talk to someone and
get them to stop? Find some other
property to chase?

LUCAS
I'm in research, he's in property
acquisition or something, it's a
totally different department.

SANDRA
How can you even keep working for a
company like that?

LUCAS
I get to do good work, good science
that actually lets me use my mind
for a living. You can't condemn the
whole company because one guy is
bothering you.

SANDRA
I can't right now, we'll talk more
later.

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Text to Eleanor

SANDRA
Have you seen the shovel? Lucas wanted to borrow some tools for some yardwork but we can't find the shovel anywhere.

ELEANOR
Sorry, I haven't seen it recently! Maybe I lent it to someone? I could ask around.

SANDRA
It's alright, we can do without it!

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Texts to Lucas

LUCAS
Well hey, that's one problem out of the way for you, right?

SANDRA
What are you talking about?

LUCAS
You haven't heard about Mr. Alden?

SANDRA
That's sick. He's dead, and you're talking like that?

LUCAS
I'm sorry, I didn't mean it like that.

LUCAS (CONT'D)
Just making a bad joke.

LUCAS (CONT'D)
I'm sorry, I'll see you tonight.

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Texts to Eleanor - date unknown

ELEANOR
I can't believe my little girl is turning 27! What kind of cake would you like for next week?

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Texts to Church

SANDRA
Can I schedule a confession as soon
as possible?

FATHER SMITH
Sandra! It will be good to see you
at the church again. How is 5pm
tonight?

SANDRA
That works, thank you Father.

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Texts to Lucas

LUCAS
I'm really sorry to have to ask,
but I was an idiot and lost my work
ID. Maybe it fell into the couch
upstairs at the diner again? And of
course tonight I get called back in
for some late night overtime... If
it's there, please bring it by the
facility, I can grab it at break.
Joe let me in for now but I'll be
in big trouble if the boss finds
out. And for old time's sake, a
love note in Morse Code!

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Password protected notes

Hint: Checkmate