

SOS – Episode 16 – Ever think you’d see Superman and Hercules make out?

Happy birthday noah

INT. JONES MANOR – LIVING ROOM – MORNING

ALEX and BLAIR are lounging around the room watching the screen.

ALEX looks around thoughtfully and finally looks to BLAIR.

ALEX

Noah’s birthday is in a few weeks.

BLAIR (to the Screen)

Is it?

ALEX

I want to set up a party.

BLAIR (to the Screen)

Yeah?

ALEX

After last year...

ALEX Stops

BLAIR’s attention peaks.

BLAIR

You can say it.

ALEX

I want him to be happy.
And I really can’t give him anything.

BLAIR

Not anything I want to know about.

ALEX

I figure I can pull off a party.

BLAIR

What sort of party?

ALEX
No idea.

BLAIR
Surprise?

ALEX
Yeah, but not just cheesy surprise.

BLAIR
What do you mean?

ALEX
The party should be a surprise, but so should everyone.

BLAIR
How?

ALEX looks around for a second, he notices a DVD on the floor.

ALEX
I know.
Noah is going to kill me for letting this get out.

BLAIR
Noah doesn't have secrets

ALEX
Yeah he does.
He is a cartoon buff.

BLAIR
What, like comics?

ALEX
No way.
Disney.

BLAIR chuckles.

BLAIR
So how does that translate to a party?...
I am not dressing up.

ALEX
Disney Dress up party.

BLAIR
Noah will hate that.

ALEX
No he wont.
Trust me.
Noah has every Disney cartoon in existence hidden in the back of his wardrobe.
Whenever he is in a crappy mood he watches them.

BLAIR
You're shitting me.

ALEX
Nup.
I caught him the other day.
He had the goofiest grin on his face.

BLAIR
So what do we have to do?

ALEX
First things first.
We have to pick characters for people.

ALEX Stands

BLAIR
Make Hillary Mary Poppins.

ALEX smiles.
BLAIR Stands.

ALEX
Coda can be Pocahontas.

ALEX walks out of the room.

BLAIR
Ok, this day just got better.

CUT TO:

EXT. ARC UNIVERSITY – COFFEE SHOP – MID MORNING

ALEX, BLAIR, CODA, HILLARY, JEN and BEN are all sitting around a table.

ALEX

So the actors aren't a problem Jen?

JEN

They'll all be there.

HILLARY

When do we have to be ready?

ALEX

Tomorrow!

HILLARY

Alex, that's ridiculous.
His birthday isn't until next week.

ALEX

I won't be able to keep this a secret.
I can avoid him until tomorrow.

CODA

He's right.
Noah reads him like a book.
A hick picture book.

BLAIR

It's true.

ALEX

Shut up.
I know this, I have to be crafty.

HILLARY

Fine.
Where are we booking?

ALEX

Already done.

BLAIR

How is that possible?

ALEX

I booked the basketball hall on the way over.

JEN

What about getting the costumes to everyone?

ALEX

Just get them to the gym, people can get there a few hours before Noah arrives to get changed.

BLAIR

You'll have to put that on the invites.

CODA

Already done.

I need the costume choices.

BLAIR

Here is the list.

BLAIR and ALEX Chuckle.

JEN

What?

CODA

You have got to be joking!

JEN

What?

ALEX

Everyone has had a character chosen for them that suits them.

CODA

A Disney character!

JEN

What?

HILLARY

Oh god.

Where did you get the costumes from?

ALEX

Just a mate.

HILLARY

Who am I?

BLAIR Chuckles.

ALEX (smiles)
Check the list.

ALEX begins to laugh with BLAIR.

CODA
Pocahontas!

HILLARY
Mary Poppins!

ALEX Laughs harder.

BLAIR
It's for Noah.

CODA
So why are you Superman Alex!?

BLAIR
It's a spandex thing!
He has a fetish.

CODA
Quiet.
(looks at list)
Aladin!

BLAIR
What?

ALEX
I had to make some changes.

BLAIR
Well superman isn't Disney.

HILLARY
Very true.

JEN
And you look more like Hercules.

ALEX
No way.

CODA
Toga it is!

BEN
We are playing Disney biff.

HILLARY
What else?

ALEX
Food, Booze.

HILLARY
Food is easy.

BLAIR
Booze is easy.

JEN
How many people are we talking?

ALEX
I'm guessing 80.
That's all of the costumes I could get.

BEN
What about music?

ALEX
Noah's Ipod.
I just figured it's music he likes.

BEN
If you give it to me one of my mates is a DJ.
He could mix Noah's stuff in.

JEN
Dexter?

BEN
Yeah.

JEN
Do it, he's really good.

ALEX
Yeah, ok.
But he has to play Noah's stuff.

BEN
I'll make sure of it.

HILLARY
Everything just goes to the hall tomorrow?

ALEX
Yep, I have it the whole day.

HILLARY
All right.
I have to leave now, I have a lot to do.

ALEX
Yep.
Anything else you can think of...

HILLARY
I have a few ideas.
See you tonight Alex.
(to all)
Goodbye.

THE group all acknowledge HILLARY exiting.

ALEX Stands.

ALEX
Guys, I have to get going. I have a lot more to do.
(Beat)

BLAIR
See you at home?

ALEX
Yeah, I'll be there later.

ALEX
Bye Guys.

CODA
See you tomorrow.

JEN
Bye Al.

BEN
Bye bro.

ALEX Exits.

BEN Looks around at the group.

BEN
I gotta get going.

JEN
See ya Babe.

BLAIR & CODA
Bye.

BEN stands and trots after ALEX.

EXT. ARC UNIVERSITY – MAIN QUAD – MIDDAY

BEN Approaches ALEX from behind.

BEN
Al.

ALEX Turns.

ALEX
Yeah?

BEN
Um, can I walk with you?

ALEX
Sure.
I'm just heading over to the hall.

ALEX starts to walk, BEN joins.

BEN
Why are you doing this?

ALEX
It's Noah's birthday.

BEN
That's good. But why?
80 People, massive hall, it's just another birthday.

ALEX
Not for me it isn't.

BEN
What's that mean?

ALEX
This time last year, I had nothing.

BEN
You were normal man.
You were the envy of the whole uni.

ALEX
What people thought of me doesn't change the reality inside.

BEN
You can't tell me you weren't happy.

ALEX
Yes I can.
This year I actually feel like I should be the envy of the *whole uni*.

BEN
So why the party?

ALEX
I have someone that I want to celebrate existing.

BEN
Oh.

ALEX
Don't worry man, I get what you're saying.

BEN
Hu?

ALEX
Being Gay, it is very difficult to understand that other people aren't.
I don't get what you see in women.
At all.

BEN
You used to.

ALEX
I spent a lot of time looking for it.

BEN
So you never had fun with anyone.

ALEX
I really wanted to.

BEN
So that is a no.

ALEX
That's a no.

BEN
So why don't you ever touch Noah in public?

(beat)

ALEX
I'm working on it Ben.
You don't just come out and become totally comfortable with things you've grown up
thinking are wrong.

BEN
Oh.

ALEX
I have to get going Ben.
Did you want anything else?

BEN
No.
See ya Al.