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"Give it a whirl," Arabella whipped out a massager and put it on Grace's shoulders.

In no time, Grace closed her eyes in comfort, "This thing is amazing! Where did you get it? Bet it cost pretty penny."

She'd bought a few massagers through her friends before, expensive but not too effective. However, this one felt great, so it must've cost a bomb. She always felt guilty making Arabella spend money.

"Not that pricey," Arabella set it to a hand massage mode, watching her tenderly.

Grace relaxed and said, "My neck has been killing me for the past few days. I had trouble sleeping. Your gift couldn't have come at a better time!" Arabella frowned at this, and she addressed her concern, "Why didn't you tell me you weren't feeling well?"

"I can't bother you with every little thing," Grace started, but Arabella's slender fingers were already on her arm.

Thankfully, it wasn't a pathological sleep disorder.

Grace grinned, "I'm getting older, my body is going downhill, a bit of pain here and there is very normal at this age. You're so sweet, I'm touched. Now I can get a good night's sleep."

"From now on, let me know if you're not feeling well. Don't worry about bothering me," Arabella finished, she showed her how to operate the massager again, "This is the remote, there are different modes."

After explaining, she sent a video to her phone, "In case you forget, I made a video of how to use it. Just watch it if you forget the procedure."

"You're such a sweetheart!" Grace looked at her, moved.

"Also," Arabella pulled out a sachet from the gift bag, "Hang this by your bed, it'll help you sleep."

Grace took the sachet and admired it, "Your handiwork is getting better and better. The swan is so lifelike."

thanks to your teaching."

the sachet by the bed, there was a faint

be used for massage, let me give it

two packs to prepare a foot massage, Grace quickly refused, "No, no, no, I can't let

your granddaughter, who else should do

my

still your granddaughter?"

about to put it on

way, no way, I can let you do this,” Grace kept
try it, it’ll feel great!” Arabella put the aramis on old woman’s feet
blooming flower, “It tickles, really tickles.”
laugh, “See, didn’t I tell you, it feels great,
couldn’t
to check out,” Arabella

many gifts did you prepare, you little rascal!” Grace kept pulling gifts out of the box, including a whole
set of coffee brewing tools, high–end coffee beans, knee pads, steam eye masks, a blood glucose meter,
reading glasses,

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an odd scarf

who wasn’t very good at knitting, certainly not Arabella. With her skills, she

her confusion and calmly explained, “It’s a hot trend this year, designed by a very unique designer. It
may not be everyone’s cup of tea,

I see,” Grace didn’t question further and

“Also, there’s cake.”

room, “The one on the

was a knock on

the person who walked in and overlapped with the

was Alberto

and steadier, with less youthful

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At that moment, Arabella shot Alberto a glance, her expression practically shouting: Granny likes **it**, she t
hinks you’re really thoughtful.

Alberto grinned, clearly pleased.

“I’m going to go grab the cake, you guys chat,” Arabella washed her hands and took the cake out of the
box.

The cake was adorable, a smiling granny surrounded by a ring of peaches with various fruits as decoratio
ns, and the words ‘Longevity and Health’ were written **on** top.

Alberto had started making that before dawn, under the guidance of a few pastry chefs. Though he wast
ed quite a bit of ingredients, he finally managed to make a decent–looking cake.

Grace couldn't figure out who made it. She laughed and asked, "Bella, did you make this? It's so pretty!" She knew that her granddaughter was a whizz at baking.

However, Arabella gave a little smile, "I didn't make it this time."

She couldn't pull off something this professional. The cake was filled with Alberto's feelings for Grace. "Did you light the candles?"

Arabella placed a '70' candle on the cake, to which Alberto quickly replied, "Let me do it! I have a lighter." Seeing him pull out a lighter from his pocket, Grace looked surprised, "I didn't think you smoked?"

"Right."

Because Grace once mentioned she disliked the smell of smoke, Alberto hadn't touched a cigarette in decades. He lied calmly, "Bella asked me to get it from downstairs."

Grace glanced at the brand of the lighter. It wasn't something he could buy at a regular convenience store.

Catching her look, Alberto quickly added, "But I was afraid they wouldn't have it downstairs, so I borrowed one from one of my guys." That cleared up the air, Grace put her doubts aside.

Alberto, just so he could personally light the candles at pull the curtains."

flickering candlelight, Alberto sneakily glanced at Grace's radiant face, the face he'd been missing, disguise of business dealings, and if luck was on his side, he'd he hadn't seen

Grace's bone-deep elegance made her even

If it wasn't for Bella's invitation, he'd

a wish!" After singing the birthday song,

closed her eyes to make a wish, then blew out

Grace cut the cake

little bit," Arabella reminded her.

satisfied with just a taste!"

taste?" Alberto eagerly asked.

not cloying, it's just right."

bite, then asked with concern, "How have you been

is going to

surgeon, you'll blink, and the surgery will

sure

tomorrow, you'll be back to full health! Then you can

be great, I've been bedridden

feel tired,

three of them chatted and laughed until Grace started to feel tired, and Arabella and Alberto left together.

wasn't for you today, I wouldn't be able to attend this event, I'd regret it for the rest of my life," Alberto patted Arabella's shoulder, saying. "You're a good kid, thanks for your encouragement. With

nurses chased him away. Sometimes they don't notice him, but in the end, Granny always kicks him out of the room." "I knew that they couldn't keep still. The surgery's tomorrow, we can't have

surveillance in the room."

"I must go to Dawnstar to handle some things, then I'll fly back. I can only rest easy after

her granny through the surgery, so she nodded, "I also need to go back to

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"Bella, **get** your ass to the hospital! No time for chitchat, hurry!!!"

It was Caden on the line.

Caden was always a chill dude, so for him to be in such a *tizzy*, she didn't need to think twice, something bad must've happened to Granny!

In no time, a roaring sports car zoomed off from the other side of the villa.

Louisa, who had just gotten up for a drink, heard the noise and glanced out the window, catching sight of a red Ferrari disappearing into the distance

What the hell was Bella up to this late **at** night? Something must've gone down.

Arabella slammed down the pedal, drifting wildly on the empty streets at night.

A place that would normally take half an hour to reach, she managed to get there in just ten. The car screeched to a halt at the hospital entrance, giving the waiting nurse quite a fright.

Arabella's car had nearly mowed her down!

here! Dr. Caden had me wait for you, your granny's condition is critical, we've

for a second, then quickened her

the nurse couldn't

reached room 301,

Please quickly change into the surgical gown,”
sterile gown in a flash, and as she entered the operating room, all the monitors were screaming one thing: Granny was
a heart attack! Quick!” Caden’s voice snapped
heart attack was the most severe complication of
a short time. Many people died on the spot before they can
ward when it happened, and the nurse on duty noticed and rushed her to
and opened the pericardium, but bad news struck: there were large clots in
things took a turn for the
sudden ventricular fibrillation!” a
instantly,
sigh of relief, “Defibrillation successful, heart
with the clots!”

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“The wound is getting bigger.”

“Bleeding is increasing.”

“The extracorporeal circulation can’t be maintained.”

Doctors kept updating Arabella on her grandma’s latest condition.

Arabella had just sorted out all the problems when a new one popped up. A heart attack had caused the heart **to** rupture, making the surrounding myocardium very fragile. The hole in the heart was 3 cm, and only highly skilled suturing could possibly succeed.

“How about we call Dr. Caden?” one of the doctors who wasn’t familiar with Arabella suggested, genuinely believing that Caden was more skilled.

But Caden immediately shut him down, “No one is better suited than her!”

Arabella calmly carried out the suturing operation, ensuring the heart was repaired sturdily.

seriously top-notch. Likewise, those who had

never worked with Arabella before, but this time the teamwork was perfect, the operation went smoothly, and was done in just over four hours!

about to end, one of the doctors suddenly exclaimed, “We can’t remove the extracorporeal circulation, the

blood can’t return to the left atrium!”

failed to beat again; blood pressure
was puzzled, what was going
machine, and the whole operation would be perfectly complete! But now this
quickly recapped the whole operation, "There were no issues during the operation! Arabella's
separation and suturing were all handled very well! All the temporary issues were also addressed in
did the problem come from?" the other doctors asked one after
hours, their faces were all very
instead she ordered, "Continue assisting, bring
"Arabella."

Arabella suddenly
as anyone, it's the old lady's physical condition that can't keep up with the
other words, Grandma's body simply couldn't withstand the stress of the
from the one they had planned for

This one was due to a heart attack that caused the heart to rupture! The mortality rate was extremely high!

Besides, Grandma had other illnesses which were not helping the cause.

It wasn't that Arabella's surgical skills were lacking, but that grandma's life might be nearing its end, perhaps even today.

"Did anyone not understand what I said?" Arabella's face showed a hint of anger.

Immediately, a doctor brought in an ultrasound machine from outside the operating room. Arabella observed that the ultrasound showed very little blood flow in the left atrium, but at least it wasn't totally empty!

She could do it; she could pull Grandma back from the brink of death once more.

The sun slowly rose, it was already completely bright outside.

Louisa had spent a restless night, but Arabella had still not returned, not answering calls or replying to her messages. By ten in the morning, she couldn't stand it anymore and had to call Romeo.

"Romeo, Bella left after two a.m. last night, she seemed in a hurry, and she hasn't come back yet. I'm worried she's in danger."

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She had people sent out looking for her, but there was still no sign of Arabella.

She checked the security footage, only to see her daughter speed out of **the** driveway like a bat out of hell. It was really dangerous!

The next section of the road had a busted CCTV, so she had no clue where her daughter had ended up.

Serena, standing to one side, couldn't help but feel a little giddy at the thought. Could Arabella have been in a car crash?

If that was the case, then the golden goose was hers for the taking!

Excited at the prospect, Serena could barely contain her hopes that Arabella would never return.

"She just up and left?" Romeo asked over the phone.

"Yeah, she was driving like a bat out of hell, faster than those racecar drivers on TV. Something must've happened!" Louisa was nearly in tears as she was still clueless as to what had happened to her.

have an idea where she might've

only one person who could make Arabella

while getting people to investigate, sure enough, he got a message just as he

come to the

got a cardiac

"She's not breathing!"

what do

everyone was fighting against the clock,

were red. For the first time, she realized that her medical skills

hours on end, couldn't help

this is

even

you want to hear Granny's last

"Bella?!"

that, "Granny won't leave us! She

Romeo, who had found out Arabella was in surgery, called Louisa and filled her in.

"Oh, I see. That's a relief! I'll go see Granny later, I'm not sure what to bring for my first visit."

Knowing how important Granny was to Arabella, Louisa began to ponder.

Romeo wanted to tell her that the nurses said Granny's condition was critical, and that Arabella had been working on her since the wee hours past 2 AM, but he didn't want Louisa to worry. So, he merely gave her some advice.

As time trickled by, Romeo waited outside the operating room. From ten to eleven, then from eleven to twelve, the door to the operating room remained closed.

Meanwhile.

At a restaurant owned by the Summerfield family, a newlywed couple stood at the entrance welcoming guests.

“Yoli, this is my uncle and aunt,” Zachary, dressed in a suit, whispered.

Yolanda, in a sweeping white wedding gown, immediately broke into a delighted smile and said politely, “Uncle, aunt, I’m so glad you could make it!”

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“So, you’re

Yolanda, huh? **You** look a bit different from the photos we’ve seen, your **face** seems quite plump. People usually say that’s a sign of good luck,” Auntie said with good intentions.

However, Yolanda immediately felt awkward upon hearing that.

She was beaten up by Ms. Archer’s men last night and her body was covered in bruises. She was dressed up in a trailing wedding gown and white gloves today, but the injuries on her face couldn’t be hidden, so she had to cover them with thick foundation.

It seemed that her face was much chubbier than before, and it looked way different from her previous photos.

But the elders liked girls who were plump.

“Over here, please,” Zachary tried to ease the awkward atmosphere.

Last night his arm was cut by his father, and he had to have surgery, but their engagement invitations had already been sent out and **it** would be awkward to cancel the event at the last minute.

This morning, Attlee, Olga Murphy, and Yolanda went to visit him, and the Murphy family even promised to give them land worth \$600 million.

now suddenly she was all smiles. After all, she had

not tired.”

to change

excitedly said,

originally hated the Murphy family to the core, but he thought a \$600 million deal for an

out the way he wanted them to be, he could always find an excuse to kick the Murphy family out,

your arm still hurt? Do you need a

thought about

to go in and

people who came today were from Zachary's side, only about seven or eight from the bride's side, but that

brother and my cousin are here!" Zachary softly reminded Yolanda.

wanted to

saw Yolanda, "I didn't

you flatter me," Zachary saw new guests arriving and went to greet them.

at Yolanda, who blushed

chuckled and continued, "I'll add you on WhatsApp later, and we can

"Sure, big bro, Yolanda's voice was sweet and coy.

The cousin didn't expect Zachary, a strait-laced guy to have such a fiancée, which made him laugh even more, "Interesting."

"Cousin, what's so interesting? Tell me!"

"No, I just thought you're really lucky," The cousin patted his shoulder and was about to walk away, when he suddenly realized that Yolanda's face looked familiar. He stepped back and took a closer look at Yolanda.

Zachary, thinking his cousin was interested in his fiancée, quickly pulled Yolanda into his arms, "Cousin, with that look in your eyes, people might think you're interested in my fiancée."

"Hahaha, I just thought she looked familiar, like I've seen her somewhere before."

If Yolanda hadn't gained some weight, her face might have been recognized by the cousin.

But because her face was swollen, the cousin looked at her for a while and still couldn't remember who she was, so he had to give up on that.

Half an hour later.

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All the guests had arrived, the host was hyping up the crowd on stage, then invited Mr. and Mrs. Panter to give a speech.

The moment Mr. Panter finished his speech, the whole place went bonkers with applause.

He was a far cry from the pitiful figure he was last night, begging for sympathy from Ms. Archer. He was all pepped up now, as if nothing had happened the night before.

"As the father of the groom, I want to take this opportunity to wish my son and his bride all the happiness in the world. I hope you two stick together through thick and thin, always love each other, and live happily ever after!"

A thunderous applause broke out again, everyone's faces were filled with smiles and blessings.

Zachary and Yolanda exchanged a look, their eyes brimming with affection.

"I'd also like to thank the Murphy family for raising a smart and beautiful daughter. I'm proud that my son is marrying such a wonderful woman and I sincerely hope that our two families can get along like a house on fire!"

mic to Mrs. Panter,

joyous occasion and to thank all of you for taking time out of your busy schedule to attend our engagement party, we've prepared some food

her speech, the grand hall was filled

tables, ten people per table,

Panter, please

take

all family here, no need to be so formal."

courteously offered each other seats and raised

the

other

frail hand reached out slowly towards Arabella, gently tugged at her dress, managed a weak smile, and softly

tears

than Arabella the state of the old lady's health. It was a

like a broken string of pearls, unstoppable. Grace, lying on the operation table, managed to muster a weak but kind smile, "I just dreamed of your grandpa. He said it's time, he has come to take me."

Arabella shook her head, her teary eyes were clear but were filled with sorrow, unable to accept the reality.

"Look, your grandpa is standing there, smiling at me."

Even in her weakened state, Grace tried her best to comfort Arabella.

"My dear, it's not your fault. It's my body that's failing me. You're an excellent doctor, you've pulled me back from the brink of death several times. This time, my body just can't take it anymore."

She was supposed to have died years ago, but thanks to Arabella's medical skills, she managed to live longer.

And for that, she was content.

Wiping away her tears, Arabella stayed by the old lady's side, her voice choked up but gentle, "Grandma, don't speak for now. I'll try something else."

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"I know my own body. To have a granddaughter like you in my life, I'm already more than content. I didn't live this life in vain."

Grace was huffing and puffing as she spoke, struggling to supplement, "My only regret is that I won't be able to see you in your wedding dress, stepping into the world of matrimony."

Bella would surely look stunning in a wedding dress! But it was a shame that she wouldn't be able to see it in this lifetime.

Just then, the operating room door was flung open by Caden, "Bellal Romeo has been waiting outside!"

"Let him in!" After Arabella finished speaking, she carefully wiped the tears off the old lady's face, pleading softly, "Granny, please hang in there for a bit longer. Romeo is on his way. I haven't even introduced you two yet."

Grace seemed to not hear her, using her last bit of strength to smile, "I'm no longer a burden to you, look after yourself, be happy." "Granny!"

Romeo ran in just to see Grace stop breathing in front of Arabella, her eyes weakly closing and her frail hand slipping down.

what was happening right in front of her, holding onto Grace,

long after, the whole operating room was filled with the girl's heartbreaking cries. Romeo's feet froze in place, never expecting to be a second too

knelt on the cold floor, cradling the old lady's body and

was the first time Romeo saw her cry.

she had never shown her vulnerability, like there was nothing in the world she couldn't handle.

was always so proud, so strong, but now she

didn't even get to take you abroad, didn't get to introduce Romeo to you, why did you have

her heartache evident.

come back, we have so many things left to

said you'd live to a hundred."

it's all my fault."

her blaming herself, Romeo walked over, bending down to gently hold

did your

of the morning till the afternoon, she had done everything she could to save her granny's

she wouldn't

Arabella sobbed sorrowfully and guiltily, "I'm a doctor but I couldn't save her, why? Why couldn't I save her? Why was there no other way?"

Romeo held her tightly, his eyes reddening. He knew how important Grace was to Arabella, and he understood her feelings at that moment more deeply. "It's not your fault, you did everything you could. If you're sad, cry it out. I'm here for you."

"I couldn't save her, Romeo," Arabella lowered her head as if defeated by reality, and held onto the old lady's body, crying bitterly.

When she was studying medicine, she had promised her granny that she would protect her health and ensure her longevity!

She had even promised her granny that she would live to a hundred, because there was no surgery she couldn't handle in this world.

But now, her granny had passed away in front of her due to a heart rupture!

People knew that Dr. Bell was incredible, with superb medical skills, but they didn't know that there were people in this world that even Dr. Bell couldn't

save!

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Kenneth and Louisa, loaded with gifts, arrived at the hospital, only to learn that the old lady was being resuscitated in **the** operating room. Just as they reached the door of **the** operating room, they could hear a girl's painful crying.

That voice was unmistakably Bella's.

They both froze, their **minds** in a whirl. They looked at Caden, who stood silent at the door, and finally couldn't help but ask, "Dr. Caden, how's the old lady?"

"She just passed away," Caden stood at the door, watching Bella crying her heart out inside, and Romeo just holding her, letting her sob in his arms.

If he could, he would want to comfort her too, but his position only allowed him to stand by, watching her in pain, unable to even approach and comfort her.

Caden's eyes

were also somewhat red, his voice filled with heartache as he exclaimed the situation to them, "Bella tried to save her for eleven hours, she really did her best."

Eleven hours, if there was a glimmer of hope, she would not let the old lady leave; but the old lady's body really had no room to turn around.

Louisa was struck hard, dropping the things in her hands. Kenneth quickly dropped what he had to support her, "Honey, are you okay?"

Louisa felt a pang in her heart, filled with grief. She had not expected that the old lady would pass away before they could at least see her for once.

They were too late!

At this moment, Bella must be devastated!

“Grace, Grace!”

Just then, an old figure ran out of the elevator, stumbling towards the operating room.

He was trying his best, pushing through the crowd all the way, and forcefully opening the door of the operating room, only to be met with a cold corpse.

He was about to lose his balance, but luckily, Caden at the door was quick to support him, or else he would have collapsed on the ground!

“Grace!”

filled with the old man’s

felt discomfort in his heart in the morning, and

he could only send someone to the hospital to inquire, and he found

thought it to be the surgery that was originally planned, so he waited

the hospital. Just as he reached the hospital entrance, he received the bad news. He learned that this surgery wasn’t the one originally planned, but that Grace had a sudden illness last night. Bella had been resuscitating her all night for

walk to Grace’s side, looking at her, looking at her over and

while, he trembled

suddenly burst into

leave just like that! Why didn’t she wait for him to come, not giving him a chance to see

one who loved Bella the most? Why did she

happened? What happened

“Grace!”

that in all these years the only time he would hold her would be in this situation.

cry was filled with pain and despair.

the door, all had

this so

old lady the best medicine, and she could have had successful surgery this morning. Why did this

side. She thought her grandma and Grandpa Alberto might have a good future. At least her grandma could live for another ten or so years.

night that changed

grandma during this period, she couldn't have suddenly

a three-centimeter-long rupture, Arabella's heart felt as if it was being torn apart, so painful that she

the surveillance

camera in her

work, she accompanied Romeo for dinner, a walk, and when she got home, she checked the surveillance. At that time, her grandma had already fallen asleep!

sleep until dawn as usual, so after taking a shower, she began to deal with her personal

surgery the next day, so she went to

she didn't

pushed Romeo

"Bella!"

Louisa saw her coming out of the operating **room**, worried that she might do something stupid.

"Auntie, don't worry, I'll handle it," Romeo comforted Louisa and followed Arabella's steps.

Only Alberto was left in the operating room, holding Grace and crying in grief.

In the banquet hall of the hotel.

All the guests had almost finished eating, and seven or eight programs had been carried out. The host excitedly picked up the microphone on stage.

"Now, let's invite the parents from both sides and our stars of the day, Zachary and Yolanda, to the stage. Let's welcome them with applause!"

All the guests clapped enthusiastically. They didn't expect the Panter family to be so extravagant this time. Not only was the venue decorated dreamily and beautifully, but each dish was also outrageously expensive, and the programs were all well-known artists and comedy groups. Even the host was famous!

"Let's witness the couple exchange engagement rings with the warmest applause and the sincerest blessings!!"

As soon as the

host's voice fell, the whole venue erupted with thunderous applause. Zachary smiled and took out a ring box from his expensive suit.

Opening it, the diamond was almost as big as a pigeon's egg.

Yolanda didn't expect him to really be serious about marrying her, and suddenly became shy.

“The bride looks quite shy!” The host joked, “On behalf of all the guests, I’m going to ask the bride a question, are you satisfied with this ring?”

“Of course, I am,” Yolanda showed a shy and sweet expression, “But what I’m most satisfied with is the man in front of me.”

The host led the whole venue in cheering.

“Now, let’s have the groom put the ring on the bride. Let’s encourage them with applause.”

Amid the applause of the whole venue, Zachary took out the ring and put it on Yolanda’s ring finger.

“Yoli, it’s truly an honor to be engaged to you.”

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Yolanda’s eyes **glistened with tears, deeply moved**. “Me too. I consider **myself incredibly** lucky **to have you in my life**.”

“Next **up**, let’s have **our** beautiful **bride put the** ring on the groom!”

Yolanda took the ring **box** handed over by the staff, and upon opening **it**, a shiny diamond ring was revealed.

“Wow!” The host once again stirred up the crowd’s enthusiasm. “I have to tell all our guests that neither of the newlyweds has **seen the rings the other prepared**. This is the big reveal!”

The crowd erupted into thunderous applause.

“**From** their choice of diamond rings, you can see that these two are in sync. They’re peas in a pod, which just goes to show they’re a match made **in** heaven.”

The diamond ring was specially ordered from a well-known overseas brand by the Murphy family to maintain their image, costing around fifty grand. Meanwhile, Zachary’s ring, also from a renowned brand, was in a similar price range.

indeed well-matched

the daughter of the wealthiest

more perfect, well-matched

by the

stunning bride put the ring on the dashing groom’s finger! Let’s give them a round of applause to

seemed to go

ring onto Zachary’s finger when suddenly, the big screen on stage

video: a disheveled bed in a dimly lit room, a man and a woman

not expecting such a shocking turn of events during

parents from both sides stood frozen on stage,

in the video was none other than her!

her where this

The woman in the video lifted her hazy eyes, murmuring, "Wilson, stop

unmistakably Yolanda's

And the face of the man? Zachary was stunned to recognize him as Wilson, a male classmate from their recent gathering.

At that gathering, Wilson was the last to arrive, barging **in** with a few friends with reckless abandon.

Rumor had it that he was the class troublemaker, a cocky dude who dropped out in his sophomore year and became a thug leader, commanding a small

gang.

When he stepped in, he downed a bottle of X.O. and announced his intention to buy out the whole place.

However, someone informed him that Yolanda's fiancé had already booked the venue. So he **just** let his gang have their **fill**, ordering the **most** expensive stuff since Zachary was footing the bill.