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DONNA

~~She just came to visit.~~ Why are you so late?

BRIAN

Coach called me into his office after I got dressed -- Gives me the game ball! Can you believe it?! Some of the guys took me out to celebrate.

DONNA

That's amazing! Your first game!

BRIAN

Stay right there. I got you a present!

Brian runs back out to the hallway.

DONNA

You don't have to get me presents!

Nicole mouths to her, "Yes he does!" Brian runs back in carrying a large wrapped gift box. Donna excitedly opens it and pulls out... a full length mink coat.

DONNA (CONT'D)

A fur?

BRIAN

Not just a fur -- that's Alaskan sheared Mink. The guys on the team gave me the name of their furrier -- Jason's wife has this exact same coat!

NICOLE

Jason Austin? Brian, you've got to introduce me to him. He is so smokin' hot --

DONNA

Down, Nicole! He has a wife. And I met this woman, she probably clubbed the minks herself.

BRIAN

(to Donna)

You can wear it to the team dinner at Blue Bar on Wednesday!

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NICOLE

OhmiGod, Blue-Bar?! I saw that club on Entertainment Tonight -- Lindsay Lohan threw up there, like, twice last month.

~~(off their looks)~~

~~I'm gonna go find the guys~~

Nicole beats a hasty retreat out through the patio doors.

DONNA

Honey, it's a really sweet gesture... but I've just never wanted to wear dead things on my body...

BRIAN

That's because you could never afford to wear dead things on your body! But that's all over! I want to give you everything the other guys give their wives.

DONNA

Don't say that.

BRIAN

Why not?

DONNA

Because I'm not like those women. They're all so... "Stepford-y."

(robot voice)

"We have to be at every game for our husbands. We dress the same, our hair looks the same."

(back to normal)

By the second quarter I knew about their drug addictions, their eating disorders. One of them told me about the threesome she and her husband just had -- and get that smile off your face, it's never gonna happen.

BRIAN

They sound... colorful.

(then, hugging her)

Come on, Babe, try to enjoy it. This is the world we're living in now.

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