

SCOTT - Audition Side

[Meanwhile, Sam is sitting in a corner of the party, talking to a couple of guests, including Milton and an older man wearing glasses, tweed coat, and a bowtie—SCOTT.]

SCOTT: Mandy mentioned you were part of a birding club back in your college days, is that correct?

SAM: Yes. We had quite a good time on the weekends—birding.

SCOTT: Ah, the good ole days! I was also an avid birder in college—in fact, I was only in my 20's when I became the president and founder member of my college's birding club.

SAM: What's your favorite bird? Is it the Spoon Billed Sandpiper?

SCOTT, taken aback: Oh goodness no, wherever would you get that idea? Though they are indeed a fascinating example of a stint with a spatulate bill. Have you been to Russia?

SAM, suspiciously: Ye...s. I—um... took an exotic birds of the world tour.

[Scene. Sam has just disrupted the end of the White elephant game in order to expose the Russians]

SAM: Yes, I would like to say something! I'd like to say... those two are not who they say they are!

[She points accusatorily at Kate and Scott, who look shocked and offended.]

KATE: I'm sure I don't know what you're accusing me of!

SCOTT: I'm also very confused!

SAM: They're not Americans, they're Russian spies, deep cover, and there is something about that Santa that they want. This was all a ploy for them to get it!

SCOTT: Balderdash! Preposterous! Ridiculous!