

The Pedestrian 3

Diana began cleaning up after the dinner party. Only Jenn and her friend Barry remained. Diana told them they didn't have to inhale their drinks while she cleaned the apartment.

Diana was beginning to get a sense that Jenn and Barry were dating. She felt they would soon finish their drinks and then go home to have sex .

The party had been fine and relatively without incidents. There had been a moment when Mercedes seriously had to pee and Beth and Joanna were monopolizing the bathroom. The couple had of course been doing cocaine, which had never been her favourite drug.

Diana checked her phone for missed messages. There was one from her mother which she would return the next morning as it didn't seem to be urgent.

While checking her phone for messages she peeked at the news.

There had been a hit and run incident at a downtown west intersection. The victim had been rushed to hospital where he had been declared dead on arrival.

"Jesus Christ!". Her reaction interrupted Jenn's and Barry's conversation.

"What is it, Di"?, Joanna asked her.

"Ray Townshend had been killed by a car...at Queen and Augusta."

"No!", Barry hoped it wasn't true.

But it was. Raymond Townshend has been walking home with his takeout curry when he was struck down. No other pedestrians had come forward. Nobody had described the car or its driver. Nobody had noted the licence plate.

Just like that. Slam. Ray was dead.

The three of them decided that at least one more drink was in order.