MUD LAKE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, MUD LAKE

presents

AFTER FIVE YEARS ...

CAST

Bob	Amy Rose
Nancy	Sandi Best
Jane	
Boat Driver	Bud Broomfield
Nurse	Janice Hope
Doctor	Jamie Rose
Baby 1	Carl Rumbolt
Baby 2	Cortland Best

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(Bob and Jane's house in Mud Lake, Bob walks in the house from work, Jane is sitting on chesterfield)

- JANE How was your day at work dear?
- BOB Oh, not too bad. The road was real muddy today, so I had to take my time.
- JANE Yes, that's all that rain and sloppy snow that we are getting.
- BOB Did you have, a nice day?
- JANE It was O.K.
- BOB I hope you didn't do too much housework, with you being eight months pregnant. All I want you to do is rest and take it easy.
- JANE Oh Bob, don't be so foolish. I know how to take care of myself.
- BOB I just want my son to arrive into the world safe and sound.
- JANE How do you know it's going to be a boy, it might be a girl.
- BOB Just call it father instinct. It's going to be a boy and he is going to grow up to be a famous doctor or a scientist.
- JANE Oh Bob, you're crazy but I love you.

(while talking, Jane is getting supper ready on the table)

- BOB Jane, when I was at work today the boss has a meeting with everyone and it seemed like the government is having more cutbacks, which means more layoffs, which means more people without jobs.
- JANE Oh, my Bob. Will you get laid off?
- BOB I don't know, I certainly hope not. Especially with a new baby in one month.
- Jane You know Bob, it is real expensive raising a baby. There are pampers to buy and special milk to buy and baby....
- BOB (interrupting Jane) What do you mean special milk to buy. Aren't you going to breast feed our baby?

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- JANE No way! If I breast feed then it will be me always up in the middle of the night feeding the baby.
- BOB I get up and watch because I can't breast feed.
- JANE Oh Bob be quiet and come and eat your supper.
- BOB What have we got? Burnt porkchops again.
- JANE Oh be good Bob.
- BOB (while eating) Jane, this don't taste too bad, actually it taste good, who cooked it?
- JANE Be serious Bob. Does it really look bad at work for you? Do you honestly think you will lose your job?
- BOB I think I will escape this layoff but the way things are going I might not get past the next one.
- JANE Bob, do you think we are crazy to bring a baby into the world with all the poverty and unemployment.
- BOB Well I think we should have thought about that 8 monts ago. But, I don know one, hospitals are taking a lot of cutbacks. If things keep on going like it is, I might have to deliver the baby my own self.
- JANE Now Bob, I don't think the situation is that bad.
- BOB All I know, the nurses are overworked, sure, they are working sometimes 2 or 3 shifts in a roll. The poor things are like sombles. Suppose 2 or 3 women went in labour the same time, I don't know what they would do.
- JANE Now, I am sure they are fully equiped to handle a big emergency like that.
- BOB Talking to anyone today to get any gossip.
- JANE Yes, I was talking to Aunt Doris and got a bit of gossip.
- BOB Well if Aunt Doris didn't have any gossip, nobody would. She is like a local newspaper. If anyone knows anything it's Aunt Doris. Jane, don't ever tell her anything you don't want made public and if there is anything you want spread around just tell Aunt Doris.
- JANE Bob would you be quiet! Do you want to hear the gossip or not?
- BOB Is it juicy gossip?
- JANE It's pretty good.

- BOB Well tell me.
- JANE You know Amy Tulk?
- BOB She had a daughter named Nancy. What ever happened to her, you and Nancy used to be friends.
- JANE Yes, but she moved to Toronto about 5 years ago and the last I heard about her was that she was living with a man from Toronto and he was real hard to her.
- BOB Did she marry him?
- JANE No, she left him and is moving back to Mud Lake.
- BOB Why is she moving back to Mud Lake?
- JANE Well, Aunt Doris told me that she lost her job and couldn't afford to stay up there, so she is moving back home.
- BOB Looks like lay offs and unemploymnet is just as bad up there as it is here.
- JANE She is coming back to live with her mother.
- BOB Well, she won't have any rent to pay with her mother.
- JANE She will have a roof over her head and be with people who love her.
- BOB When is she supposed to be moving back to Mud Lake?
- JANE In about 3 weeks, I can't wait to see her and tell her about our baby .

LIGHTS

(Three weeks later. Bob and Jane's house, Jane is on the phone)

JANE - Nancy how are you? Why don't you come down later so we will talk about old times. O.K. See you later.

(Jane hangs up phone) Bob walks in the door and is home from work.

- JANE How was your day, Bob?
- BOB Oh, the usual, Boy I'm some tired. What's for supper. Burn't pork chops again. (Jane looks at him) I'm only joking.
- JANE I was talking to Nancy Tulk, today. I asked her to drop down later.

BOB - Oh, that's nice, what do you think she will say when she sees that you are pregnant.

JANE - Oh I don't know. I guess we will find out later.

(They sit down and eat their dinner. Lights fade. Lights come up, Jane and Bob are finished supper. Jane is lying on the couch and Bob is cleaning off the table.)

- JANE Bob you're a wonderfoul man.
- BOB You just stay there and rest, I don't want anything to happen to you.

(A knock at the door)

BOB - I'll get that.

(Jane sits up having difficulty. Bob and Nancy enter the room. Nancy is also pregnant)

- JANE Nancy?
- NANCY Jane? We are both pregnant.
- JANE When are you due?
- NANCY Sometime this week. How about you?
- JANE Sometime this week. Boy I can't believe this.
- BOB Sit down. Boy am I ever lucky. There are two pregnant women sitting on my chesterfield. Which one will I deliver first? (Ha, Ha)
- JANE Very funny Bob.
- BOB Oh I was only joking, Jane.
- NANCY What's Bob talking about?
- JANE Oh, it's nothing. It's only a little joke we were talking about last month.
- NANCY (putting her hand on her stomach) OHHHH! that felt funny.
- BOB Nancy, do you want me to boil some water to deliver your baby. (Ha, Ha)
- JANE Bob, that's not funny. Are you alright Nancy?
- NANCY Yes, I think it is passing off.

(At that moment Jane puts her hands on her stomach)

JANE - OHHHH! Oh my, I think it's going to happen.

BOB - (very upset) WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN?

NANCY - OHH, it's starting again.

- BOB No stop it. Both of you make it stop. NO not tonight! Not both of you! How am I supposed to take you across the river tonight? (A bad thought enters Bob's head)
- BOB I CAN'T TAKE YOU BECAUSE MY ENGINE WAS GIVING ME TROUBLE TODAY!
- NANCY Bob, call Dad and tell Mom to put my suitcase aboard. He will take all of us.
- JANE Nancy I didn't think we would meet like this after five years.
- JANE Bob stay calm. Take my suitcase in the bedroom. It is already packed.

(Bob gets the suitcase, gets the girls ready and is going to the wharf.)

BOB - Come on let's get in the boat. Please don't have the babies in the boat.

(They leave and enter the stage where there is a man in a boat)

- BOB Come on, let's get aboard the boat.
- JANE Nancy, I hope you don't get sea sick.
- NANCY I'm in too much pain to get sea sick.
- JANE Me too.
- BOB Jane breathe, Nancy breathe. Aren't you supposed to breathe.
- JANE Bob, why don't you try to breath.
- BOB We are almost there. Don't have the babies until we get to the hospital.

(Lights fade)

(Bob, Jane and Nancy enter the hospital and are met by a nurse and a student doctor.)

BOB - Quick! Quick! Help us!

- NURSE Hi, my name is Nurse Thomspon and this is Dr. Ralph, he is our student doctor.
- DOCTOR Well what seems to be the trouble here?
- BOB Well, I think my wife is going to have a baby and Nancy is also having a baby.
- DOCTOR Nurse write this down. We have two girlies having babies. Nurse, where do we put women having babies?
- NURSE Follow me.

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BOB - Don't you have any wheel chairs here for them to sit in?

NURSE - No, I am sorry sir, but they are all in use right now.

(Both girls are lying on tables)

- NANCY (letting out a moan)
- DOCTOR Who wants to go first?
- NURSE Here comes one baby.
- DOCTOR Nurse can you come here, this women looks as if she is in pain.
- NURSE She is having a baby stupid.
- DOCTOR Are they supposed to look like that?

(Nancy and Jane have their babies)

NURSE - Nancy you have a healthy baby boy. (Baby stand up and is walking around)

DOCTOR - Jane and Bob you are the proud parents of a baby, a baby, ahh boy!

(Jane and Bob sit up and their baby is walking around)

- DOCTOR _ My, the babies in Labrador are very well developed. Your child can walk already.
- BOB Of course. He is like his father.

(Nurse and Doctor leave)

BOB - I think we should take our babies home.

JANE - I agree with you Bob.

Nancy - Yes, the Doctor didn't even know what was wrong with me. JANE - Let's go home and take care of our babies. (Bob, Jane and Nancy take their babies and leave.)