## Jens Haven Memorial School Nain presents

"We Don't Live In Igloos"

## **Cast**

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**SCENE I** (Outside igloo getting ready to go hunting. Pictures of land in the background, with drum beating)

Semigak: Hurry up Nochasak! We got to go, we'll be left behind. Can you check the dogs

and make sure they don't get tangled.

Nochasak: Hold on. I'm going to see my anansiak first. I'm going to tell her that we are

going to be gone for a few nights. I don't want her to get worried. (Dogs start to

bark. Nochasak goes to see his anansiak who is outside cleaning a skin)

Anansiak, I'm going to be gone for a few nights so don't worry. I'm going to get

you the biggest partridges and the fattest caribou, I promise.

Anansiak: Oh ingutak, you always keep your promises. Just make sure you are safe and

don't forget to check the ice. I love you. Make sure you keep your friends safe.

Nochasak: I love you too. Don't worry, you'll be alright.

(Semigak and Nochasak take off looking for their friends Okkuatsiak and Merkuratsuk have left a few minutes earlier. Lights fade. Semigak and Nochasak meet Okkuatsiak and Merkuratsuk by Tikkuatikkak)

Merkuratsuk: The sun is almost setting, we should set up camp for the night. We could

go hunting bright and early in the morning.

Okkuatsiak: Yeah, good idea. Let's set up on the north side, more partridges over there. (They

are now outside an igloo that they made. They are having a nice conversation

and chowing down on kuak.)

Nochasak: Gee, I'm tired of taking care of my anansiak. I wish my father could help me.

He's always out hunting for other people. He should try to help anansiak.

Merkuratsuk: He's a busy man Noch,. He is helping a lot of people. You shouldn't be

mad at him. Your grandma loves you and she knows you love her because

of all the things you have done for her. She respects that.

Nochasak: Yeah, maybe you're right. Let's go to sleep. (All four young men lay down and

doze off to sleep. Nochasak dreams. In his dream appears an old man) Where am

I? Wh.. Who are you?

Old man: I'm your spirit. I'm with you wherever you go. Tonight I'm going to help you

make things right.

Nochasak:

Make what right?

Old man:

You and one of your friends were having a serious conversation about your father and your grandmother. Your friend is right, your father is a good man. He is helping a lot of people who cannot get themselves food because that have no family. He is counting on you, his oldest, to help your anansiak. Not only is your

anansiak proud of you but your father is proud too.

Nochasak:

Thank you, you made me see why I shouldn't be mad at my father. He is a good man and he not only cares for his mother but he cares for everyone too.

(Nochasak wakes up from his dream feeling better than he was that night. Sunrise scene in the background. Next day)

Merkuratsuk:

How are you feeling today?

Nochasak:

I feel a lot better. I think what I was saying about my father and my anansiak was

very wrong.

Semigak:

Come on lazy birds. Me and Okkuatsiak going fishing soon. Care to join us?

N & M:

Sure!

(Lights fade and the curtain closes)

**SCENE II** (present)

Edward:

Congratulations. What place did youse come from?

**Eugene:** 

We came first place overall.

Edward:

Who had the most medals?

Eugene:

Jim, he had 9 medals. 4 gold, 3 silver and 2 bronze.

Edward:

Holy Mac! Lot eh?

**Eugene:** 

See you. I'm going to the gym. (Goes into gym for after school activities.

Volleyball) Harry, go get the ball a bit. Let's rally and warm up.

Harry:

I spose, go pallak that brand new ball I guess.

Eugene:

Hurry, hurry before Wayne gets it.

Harry:

Gee, oh Wayne pushed me down and took it from me.

**Eugene:** 

Wayne, give it to me before I beats the crap out of you.

Wayne:

Nah! Get your own ball.

Eugene:

You want it, you get it. (Eugene and Wayne begin to fight. Eugene bangs his

head on the floor and is knocked unconscious. While unconscious he has a

dream)

## **DREAM SCENE**

Old man:

You na loud be like dah!

Eugene:

I know, Wayne just made me mad dasall.

Old Man:

You got to say sorry to Wayne. Youse was good oh friends too.

Eugene:

I am. I know we was good friends, but he got sookie first.

Old man:

No, you got sookie first. You wanted to fight Wayne over lilow ball. That's crazy.

**Eugene:** 

Ah, you're getting me mad. Go away. You always got to say something to me eh?

Old man:

I'm just trying to keep you good not bad Ingutak. I loves you, you know!

**Eugene:** 

I know. I'm sorry.

(Lights fade. Harry is shaking Eugene. He wakes up)

Harry:

You OK?

Eugene:

Sorry about the fighting Wayne.

Wayne:

Me too man!

**Eugene:** 

We go be good old friends awha?

Wayne:

You bet!

(Lights fade)

SCENE III (Future. Girl comes home from school. Her mother is baking bread)

Mrs. Baikie: How was school?

**Eva:** Fine. I have begun my next assignment.

Mrs. Baikie: What is it about?

Eva: I have come up with a solution to the problem of global food distribution with

200 people my age in different regions of the world.

Mrs. Baikie: Do all 200 people speak the same language?

Eva: No, our computer translates, prints and speaks in their language.

Mrs. Baikie: Technology has advanced so quickly!

Eva: Tell me about it. Where's dad?

Mrs. Baikie: He is doing survey work at the new diamond mine.

**Eva:** Diamond mine? What diamond mine?

Mrs. Baikie: You know the one at Kiglapaits?

Eva: The one at Kiglapaits? There's no mine up Kiglapaits, or is there?

Mrs. Baikie: They found a big diamond deposit up there.

Eva: Poor old dad. He is always working. Sometimes I pity that old man.

Mrs. Baikie: He's not that old. Both of us are only in our mid forties. We still got at least 200

years to go yet. (Phone rings) Hello.

Mr. Barbour: Hello, Mrs. Baikie. I'm afraid your husband Don has had an accident.

Mrs. Baikie: Ahh! (Faints)

Mr. Barbour: Mrs. Baikie, are you still there?

Eva: Hello? What happened? What's wrong?

Mr. Barbour: Your ol daddy had an accident. He was at the mine site and he got ran

over by a dump truck and his legs have been cut off.

Eva:

Is he alive? Is he alright?

Mr. Barbour:

He's in the quick heal center. They sent him there a few minutes ago.

Mrs. Baikie: What happened?

Eva:

Daddy was in an accident and his legs got cut off.

Mrs. Baikie: Ahh! (Faints again)

(Lights fade)

Nurse:

Mr. Baikie I'm afraid we are going to have to send you to the limb attachment

center.

Mr. Baikie:

Are they going to allow my family to follow?

Nurse:

I guess we'll take your wife to meet you and I'll be coming too. So there won't be

any problems, I'll get the phone so you can talk to your wife.

(Mr. Baikie speaks into phone and Mrs. Baikie answers)

Mrs. Baikie: Hello.

Mr. Baikie:

I'm alright. I have to go to the limb attachment center for a couple of days or

weeks to put me in perfect condition. They're going to reattach my legs.

Mrs. Baikie: Oh, that's wonderful.

Mr. Baikie: I've got to go now. We are ready to leave.

Mrs. Baikie: See you tonight. I love you. (Hangs up phone)

Eva:

Mom, is Dad alright?

Mrs. Baikie: Yes, he is going to be fine.

Eva:

Mom, will you be able to help me with my assignment?

Mrs. Baikie: No, I'm going to be with your father.

Eva:

But I'm confused and need someone's help with this.

Mrs. Baikie: Your father needs me with him now, so you'll have to do it on your own. I'm

leaving now. Tom will stay with you tonight. I'll call later.

Eva: (Lies down on bed, speaks and falls asleep) Why does everything happen to me?

DREAM SCENE

Old man: Eva, don't be selfish. Your father is in great pain. He is in time of need and all

you can do is say that everything is bad for you.

Eva: But I need help with my school work. If not I'll fail the course.

Old Man: Your family is more important than your grades and if it wasn't for them you

wouldn't be here to get grades.

Eva: I know, it's just that sometimes I feel as if they don't even care about how I do.

Old man: Did your mother ask you what you did in school today?

Eva: I guess I got to try to be better and not be so selfish from now on. (Wakes up and

quickly calls her dad)

Mr. Baikie: Hello.

Eva: Dad, how are you feeling?

Mr. Baikie: A lot better. They say I should be home in a couple of weeks or so.

Eva: That's great. Can't wait to see you again.

Mr. Baikie: Alright, it's time for my surgery. I've gotta go.

(Lights fade. Lights turn on and everyone comes on stage)

Old man: We don't live in igloos anymore but our spirits are the same.