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#### **OVERVIEW**

PRIMARY LOCATIONS: Retirement Home, Guys' House

#### CHARACTERS:

**PRIMARY CHARACTERS-** Our group of 5 friends knows each other from college, but they are currently taking a year off.

NATHAN- our main boy, golden retriever lover boy and reliable friend; white-Hispanic, muscular, with brown hair. Loves sports and is an athletic trainer

LEO- best friends with NATHAN; ladies' man and doesn't take much serious except his friendships, especially with NATHAN. A rough childhood, but very intelligent going to school for bio-med.

CAMERON- he's the "cool" guy and has fun with all of the guys. He's the most mysterious probably because he was bullied growing up. Women love him.

SIMI- He is a big old softie and knows the guys from being Nathan's roommate in college, who adopted him into the group.

HOODIE- The goof of the group and most eccentric, but the most

down-to-earth.

**SAMANTHA-** NATHAN's current love interest, a really sweet girl who works at the retirement home and takes care of her grandma who lives there. She lives with 3 roommates. A native Florida girl who went to school for nursing.

#### **SECONDARY**

**ELAINE**- one of the retired ladies at the home, she likes to stir up trouble with the boys and is always yelling at them. Her grandson put her in the retirement home and has a sad backstory.

CHRISTA- one of the retired ladies at the home, she is just cruising along and enjoying life. Always happy, without a care

in the world; she loves the boys, especially Simi. They are best friends.

## ACT ONE

### SCENE ONE

### OPEN TO INT. RETIREMENT HOME OFFICE - DAYTIME

NATHAN is flirting with Samantha, whom he brought lunch for in hopes of eating with her. She's trying to play it cool but she is secretly head over heels for him, and of course, Nathan is a simp.

NATHAN

(SMILING) Come on Sammy, have lunch with me.

Samantha

(SMILING BACK) Are you aware of how annoying you are?

ENTER LEO. He pops his head into the frame out of nowhere.

LEO

Grooossssss. Get a room you guys, seriously. You're making me AND the elderly upset.

ELAINE VO from across the room:

ELAINE

You watch your mouth boy!

CHRISTA

(DREAMILY) Ahh ... young love.

SAMANTHA turns away, embarrassed.

SAMANTHA

W-what are you two doing over here? (GETTING UP FROM CHAIR) Let's get you back!

NATHAN

Sammy wait! Nooooo!

NATHAN falls to his knees dramatically and slumps on the floor.

NATHAN

(to LEO) I can't go on, you'll have to
continue without me.

LEO looks disgustedly at the floor, picking his feet up as NATHAN paws at him.

LEO

What-is-with-you?

## SFX. INTRO MUSIC PLAYS QUICKLY

CUE SPECIAL NAME TITLE: THE BINGO TOURNAMENT PART ONE

## END OF SCENE 1

## SCENE 2

### OPEN TO GUYS' HOUSE INT. - DAYTIME

THE GUYS ARE SITTING AROUND, EATING, AND DOING THEIR OWN THING

NATHAN enters the house through the garage door.

NATHAN

Guys, guys, guys...!

They all look up in mild annoyance, some with their mouth full, and they groan.

NATHAN

I've made a breakthrough. Sammy really needs help with the Bingo Tournament coming at the retirement home today...they don't have enough volunteers so I-

LEO

No, no. Absolutely not.

NATHAN

Oh, come on guys! Guys!

Everyone moans in disapproval.

NATHAN

This is the perfect opportunity for us to make friendly with the older folk. You know...after all the things...that have happened...

TAKE FLASHBACKS TO A NUMBER OF INCIDENTS CUT TOGETHER

SIMI

Don't you dare bring up Cher! I still haven't recovered from that.

SIMI is distraught and puts his face into his empty bowl, Hoodie pats him on the back

CAMERON

I'm with LEO on this one, sorry dude.

CAMERON gets up, pats NATHAN on the back and starts to move away.

HOODIE

Yeah bro, we're not going to do that just so you can nail Sammy.

NATHAN

That's only a minor benefit. Guys, we have to get good with the retirement home! Sammy said, if we do a good job...her boss would be willing to waive some of the damage costs we owe!

Now they stop to consider the proposal.

CAMERON

Hmmm...that would be very helpful actually.

LEO

Uhhh okay fine! But if we do this you gotta throw in something extra too.

NATHAN

(SMILE FALTERS, WHINES) Like whaaat?

SIMI

A new turtle would be nice!! Cher, I miss you. (CRIES BACK INTO BOWL, HUGGING IT)

HOODIE

Dude, its been two months... HOODIE begins to pat his back more aggressively, non-comforting now.

NATHAN

Oh Simi... (PITIFULLY)

CAMERON

How many times do I need to say: I'M SORRY?!

SIMI

About a hundred more!

CAMERON

(ROLLS HIS EYES, YELLING) I'M SORRY, I'M SORRY, I'M-

NATHAN

You guys are seriously-

LEO

Bro, it was literally just a turtle.

HOODIE

Can't you see he needs time?!

SIMI continues to sob dramatically

NATHAN

OKAY!! No, no turtle, Cher will be remembered. But what do you guys want?

CAMERON

LEO

(PERKS UP) YES. Just bros, Enzo's delicious seafood, and a nice wine pairing.

HOODIE

Actually, that does sound kinda nice, not gonna lie.

SIMI

(SNIFFLES) It would be nice to be wined and dined...

NATHAN looks at them, eyebrows up in disbelief. He takes a moment to look at every one of them individually, contemplating.

NATHAN

UGH, fine! It's the least I can do I guess.

The boys rejoice.

LEO

Alright, what do we have to do?

Take NATHAN smirking, the boys look at each other in fear.

JUMP CUT TO THE RECREATIONAL HALL IN THE RETIRMENT HOME

The group is standing around with mixed moods of dread and confusion. There's work to be done.

SIMI

(MUTTERS) A turtle would've been better.

CUT TO COMMERCIAL BREAK

## END OF ACT 1

### ACT 2

## SCENE 1

## INT. OF REC HALL - DAYTIME

ENTERS SAMANTHA

SAMANTHA

(EXCITED) Oh, you guys made it! I didn't think you'd come.

CAMERON

That's what she said.

She goes around giving each of the guys a hug, taking a bit longer with NATHAN; he turns red.

LEO

Yes, this is exactly how I envisioned my Friday going.

NATHAN elbows LEO discreetly who yells out dramatically in pain.

NATHAN

Of course! Wouldn't miss it for the world.

SAMANTHA

I really appreciate it guys.

SIMI

So, what do we have to do?

SAMANTHA

Oh yeah-uhh, so I did forget to mention just one little thing.

LEO

Oh wonderful.

NATHAN

(CONCERNED) What is it?

SAMANTHA

The Bingo Tournament we're running... (RUSHING) well it's going to be broadcasted on TV.

The boys dramatically gasp.

SAMANTHA

And the station will be here in exactly (LOOKS AT PHONE) two hours.

HOODIE

Sammy... (SMACKS FOREHEAD)

LEO

(WITH NEW EXCITEMENT) Wait seriously?

SAMANTHA NODS

LEO

Well, then I have to host.

SIMI

Ooh! Ooh! Can I call out the numbers then?

SAMANTHA

I'm sorry Leo, Channel 6 already has anchors that will be hosting and talking about the event.

LEO

Mmm, we'll see about that.

LEO swiftly moves to exit the room.

NATHAN

Dude?! Where are you going?

(YELLS OUT AS HE WALKS AWAY) Don't worry! I'll be back...!

SAMANTHA

Uhhh-but yes Hood, you can be the caller. And Nathan, I want you to be the referree.

NATHAN

(SURPRISED) Me?

SAMANTHA

Yes, I think you're the most equipped for this role. And I trust you. (TOUCHES NATHAN'S ARM)

The two seem to have a brief moment. Then Sammy breaks it as if nothing happened.

SAMANTHA

-Plus it's like your actual JOB, so you should be good enough at it. You know since sports are your thing.

NATHAN TURNS RED, SIMI CHOKES, AND HOODIE IS TURNED AROUND FACING THE WALL, ARMS AKIMBO, CAMERON STARES IN SHOCK TRYING NOT TO LAUGH.

NATHAN

Uh (CHOKES) Yeah of course! Makes total sense. Yes.

SAMANTHA

(BEAMING) Then it's all settled.

TAKE MONTAGE OF THE GROUP CLEANING, AND SETTING UP.

Some of the elderly start to file in as time passes by.

END- LEO finally returns, in a suit and dolled up. CHANNEL 6 NEWS also enters in.