

MULLIGAN

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Logline: As retired Pastor Jack Williams nears the end of his life at 87, he tells his son that if he had another life to live he would have been a touring golf pro and a better husband. Lessons are learned when Jack takes a mulligan with another life.

1985 - AFTON ALPS GOLF COURSE - HASTINGS, MN

JACK WILLIAMS, RETIRED PASTOR, 87
YEARS OLD, CAUCASIAN, AVID GOLFER

JASON WILLIAMS, 60 YEAR-OLD SON OF
JACK WILLIAMS, RECENTLY RETIRED PASTOR

Jack and his son, Jason, play the final hole on the front nine of a beautiful course set in the hills along the St. Croix River. Jack hits a driver to a par three green. His shot crosses over a pond to a green lying in front of a stand of white pines, lands on the front of the green and rolls to within three feet of the pin.

JASON

Nice shot, Dad! I thought it was
goin' in!

JACK

Me too! Your turn, Sonny!

Jason hits a long iron that slices away from the green and almost hits players on an adjacent hole. He yells,

Fore!

The players on the other hole cover their heads and duck. He misses them by several feet. Jason calls out,

Sorry!

They wave and laugh at his errant shot.

The other players move away as Jason drives the cart to his ball. Jason gets out and hits his approach shot onto the green. Both get out of the cart and putt out with two putts each. They drive to the clubhouse, order food and drinks and then sit on the patio overlooking the hilly golf course with views of the distant St. Croix River. A large buck, a doe and her fawn graze in the field below. Five wild turkeys walk into the woods after flashing their tail feathers when startled by a golf cart. An eagle soars overhead. They enjoy the view and cold drinks while they talk.

Jason sees an opportunity for real communication and dives right in with a heavy question,

Dad, do you ever regret the course that your life took?

JACK

Do you mean would I have done things differently?

JASON

I mean, if you could live your life over again and change things, would you want to do it?

JACK

I made commitments with my life - to follow the call into ministry and to stick with it. However, I always wondered what my life would have been like if I had followed my passion to be a golf pro playing on the tour.

JASON

So, would you do that - follow that passion - if you could live your life over again?

JACK

No, I wouldn't turn my back on the call to ministry. However, if I could live two lives - if I could keep the first life and have another to live - I would love to be a touring golf pro with the second go round. I imagine arrivin' at the pearly gates and St. Peter says, 'Well done! I'm gonna give you a mulligan. We're gonna let you be a touring golf pro this time around.' There were days when the burdens of the ministry were almost overwhelming. I watched players on the Tour and thought, that would have been a good life for me - the glamor, the money to give my family whatever things they needed, the excitement. There were days when I would have traded my lot with guys on the Tour in a minute.

JASON

Wouldn't that be awesome!?

JACK

Well, nice fantasy, but I think you have to do the best you can with what you got and not look back with regrets. I have no regrets about things that happened to me, only regrets that I did not love others well enough.

JASON

What do you mean by that, 'not love others well enough'?

JACK

I guess I'm thinking specifically of your mother. Now that I am nearing the end of my life I will tell you that there was a wall between us that I should have tried to take down. I regret that a lot.

JASON

Do I want to hear this?

JACK

Probably not, but maybe it will help you someday. So, here goes. Before your mother died from that aneurysm twenty-five years ago, I had been meaning to try to fix a rift between us. It just hung there separating us for years - my nagging guilt and her quiet pain. I had been unfaithful to her with a friend of hers. It broke her heart and dampened her trust, but she stayed with me after she found out. She never told me that she knew. I never found a way to apologize or confess my transgression before she died. My silence just made it worse for both of us. After Mom died, that friend told me that your Mom had known about it for years because her friend confessed it and apologized profusely soon afterward. I never did that - never confessed, never said I was sorry. It haunts me now. I just wish I had never cheated on her. If only I could have lived that moment over again, I would have been faithful to her. I didn't think it was a big deal when it happened, but it

turned out to be a very big deal that had repercussions for the rest of our lives. I guess you can take that as my warning about such things - just don't do it!

Jason puts his hand on his dad's arm and looks empathetic, then draws it away to look toward a young man who interrupts the tender moment as he delivers their lunch to the patio. The plates are heaped high with French Fries and Brats.

JASON

How did you get to be 87 on this diet?

JACK

I don't always eat like this. I am into salads too. Besides. See those steep hills over there? When everybody else was ridin' a golf cart, I walked those hills five days a week. When guys my age were sittin' in their rocker in front of the fireplace, I was out their skiin'. I took my anti-cholesterol pills too!

JASON

Good for you!

Other golfers arrive and sit near them. The noise level rises and turns the quiet and private patio into a loud crowd. A few friends of Jack sit at a table near them. One says very loudly,

My God, Jack! You're still playin'? You must be a hundred years old!

JACK

Jim, I'll play you for fifty bucks and we'll see who's over the hill!

JIM, AN ELDERLY WHITE MALE DRESSED IN

GOLFER GARB

Jim challenges Jack,

Whatcha gonna' shoot today?

Jack says loudly,

I'm gonna shoot my age - 87.

Jim jokes back,

I'm not bitin' on that bet, you
old sandbagger!

Jack ribs him back,

OK, how about if I just drive the
cart and you play my son here?
He'll kick your butt, too!

Jim softens his tone,

You're still drivin'? Good for
you! I can barely hear, see or
walk and I'm ten years younger
than you.

Chatter continues as Jason and Jack finish their Brats. After enjoying the beautiful view and the atmosphere, they finish their drinks. Walking slowly toward the tenth tee, they climb into the cart and drive up to the tee. Jason hits a long drive and exchanges high fives with Jack. After a long and slow setup on the tee, Jack hits a nice straight drive down the middle but far short of Jason. They drive across the scenic bridge, admiring the views of deep woods and blue skies. Arriving at his ball, Jack gets out and takes a hard swing. He collapses at the end of the swing. Jason jumps out of the cart and rushes to kneel beside him. He checks Jack's pulse. After finding no pulse, he pulls a cell phone out of his pocket and calls 911 for an ambulance,

I need an ambulance at the Afton
Alps Golf Course. My 87-year old
dad has collapsed and has no
pulse. Hurry!

After a few seconds of listening, Jason says,

Thank you!

EXT - PEBBLE BEACH GOLF COURSE - EIGHTEENTH GREEN -
MOMENTS LATER

BOBBY JONES, WEARING KNICKERS, A DRESS
SHIRT AND TIE AND LOOKING LIKE HE DID
IN HIS VIDEOS: 'HOW TO PLAY GOLF'

Jack is sitting on the wall at Pebble Beach near the eighteenth green watching the waves crash below. He dangles his golf shoes over the edge. It is a magnificent scene with gulls and seals. He sits there alone quietly for a long time enjoying the view. Bobby Jones suddenly appears beside him.

BOBBY

Hey, Jack, you once said you
wanted to die on a golf course.

JACK

Is this Heaven?

BOBBY

After your first trip here, you
said this was Heaven. You picked
it. I hope you like it.

JACK

Yep, this is Heaven!

BOBBY

I overheard you telling your son
that you'd like to take a
mulligan - be a touring pro and
have another chance at loving
well.

JACK

I could do that?

BOBBY

Well, you listened when God
called. You followed where God
led. You get into Heaven by God's

grace. That's free. But you earned a mulligan. You will get another chance, but you have to do it without the help of your memory of the first time around. When I think it's time for you to remember your first time, I'll visit you again and give you the memories back.

JACK

Sweet! When do I begin?

BOBBY

You're on the tee now.

INT - WHEELING HOSPITAL - WEST VIRGINIA

KAYLIN WILLIAMS, WHITE FEMALE IN HER TWENTIES. MARRIED TO ...

JON WILLIAMS, WHITE MALE IN HIS TWENTIES, GREAT GRANDSON OF JACK WILLIAMS

JACK, II, BORN TO KAYLIN AND JON, AT THE MOMENT THAT HIS GREAT GREAT GRANDFATHER, JACK DIES

A baby cries as the nurse hands a blue-blanketed bundle to his mother, Kaylin. He grabs her finger with two hands. She says,

What a grip!

His dad, Jon, replies,

Jack II, born with a perfect Vardon grip! Jack the first would have been so proud to have his great great grandson named after him! The moment I heard that Jack had died, the name just hit me. We didn't have it on our list, but it is so fitting.

KAYLIN

Yea, it's so right to name him

after Jack. He was so kind to us. I'm just glad Jack was born today instead of later so that we can attend your great grandfather's funeral. The doctor said it would be a week or two before our boy arrived and then the pains started and here he is an hour later.

JON

So much sadness mixed with joy. We'll see the whole family together at the funeral in a few days. They can see our new baby. That will be fun to show him off.

EXT - DRIVING RANGE - WHEELING, WV - FIVE YEARS LATER

Jon watches Jack hitting balls at the family driving range. He turns to his wife, Kaylin,

Jack's a natural, Kaylin! Just like his great great grandfather.

KAYLIN

Just don't put too much pressure on him, Jon. He may be Jack the second, but he doesn't have to fill your great grandpa's shoes. He can just be himself.

JON

I know what you mean. If he wants to be a golfer, I will be there to help. But I don't want to push him to fulfill my dreams. However, if golfing is his dream, I'll help to make it happen.

KAYLIN

Fair enough. I'll help too if that IS his dream.

EXT - GOLF COURSE GREEN - 8 YEARS LATER

Jack, now 13, hits chip shots to a distant pin. Jon rolls

balls back to him.

JON

Nice! Keep your hands ahead of the ball. Keep your wrists firm. Hit down on the ball and let the club face pop it up in the air.

Jack hits some more balls that roll close to the hole.

JON

You're doin' great, Jack! How was your first night of Caddie Camp?

JACK

It was great! Four of us played 27 holes last night in two hours after finishing our chores and carrying for a foursome earlier in the day. We made up our own holes out of the back nine. It was like cross-country golf - hit the ball and run.

JON

Will you play any competitive golf at camp?

JACK

Yes, before camp is over in six weeks, there is a tournament for each age group.

JON

What do you want to do on your day off from caddie camp?

JACK

Could you take me golfing and give me some more tips? I wanna learn as much as I can.

JON

I was hoping you'd say that. I'd love to!

EXT - PARK SWIMMING POOL

TINA, THIRTEEN, WHITE FEMALE, BLOND, CUTE

Jack is swimming with another thirteen year old, Tina. They are laughing and splashing, diving and sneaking up on each other from under the water. Kaylin watches them from her beach towel with interest. She sees her son growing up and becoming interested in girls, especially Tina.

Jack runs up to Kaylin and splashes some water on her. She flips a towel at him to keep him away. After some horseplay, Jack sits down. Tina asks,

Who's your friend?

JACK

Tina. She's in my homeroom.

KAYLIN

You look like you are GOOD friends.

JACK

Back off, Mom. That's all you get.

EXT - GOLF COURSE - SAME DAY

Jon and Jack walk down a fairway on a sunny day. They are enjoying each other and the golf. Jack hits a beauty that lands softly on the green and rolls up to the cup. Jon gives him a high five.

JON

Technique is really a small part of the game. You need technique, but much more important is loving the beauty of a good shot, a scenic course and competing. Most of the great players love the

game, even when they don't play as well as they would like. Being a great player is all about desire - about loving the game. Do you love the game, Jack?

JACK

Dad, I dream about golf. I would rather be on a course than anywhere else in the world. I feel like I am in Paradise when I am playing. Even if I am losing a match, I still feel the excitement of the competition. I do love the game.

As they walk off the green, the club pro, Jeff, approaches.

JEFF

I saw some good swings out there, Jack. You ARE planning to play in the junior event this year, aren't you?

JACK

Do you think I am good enough?

JEFF

With some work, I think you could win it all. You have the moves. If you come by every Saturday morning from 8 until 9, I will coach you - no charge - just you and me. In return, you help me with the First Tee clinic from 9 until 10. The under-13 kids need a role model their age to inspire them. You're my pick for the job. Are you in?

JACK

Sure, I'm in. Thanks!

JEFF

OK, see you Saturday! How you doin', Jon. I'm sorry, I should have asked if that was ok with you first.

JON

I'm good and no problem. Sounds like a great opportunity for Jack. Thanks for asking.

Jon and Jack walk off toward the clubhouse with Jon's arm around Jack's shoulder. Then he playfully pushes Jack.

JON

Hey, Player! You're on your way!

EXT - JUNIOR GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP - TWO MONTHS LATER

Jack is playing in the junior championship against another thirteen-year-old golfer. Jack stands over a putt. He backs away. He asks his dad, who is standing near the green,

If I make this, it ends the match at 3 and 2, right? I win the junior championship for thirteen year olds.

Jon nods and smiles, saying,

No pressure. Just knock it home. If you miss, you can win the next hole. Even if you miss, you still have a guaranteed tie.

Jack smiles and walks up to the putt and drains it. Jack takes off his hat and shakes his opponent's hand. Jon and Kaylin rush over to hug Jack.

JON

I'm so proud of you, Jack! You showed poise, good sportsmanship and courage. You never lost your temper, even when a few got away from you. You didn't let bad breaks upset your determination to do your best. Did you enjoy

it?

JACK

Well, there were a few painful moments when things didn't go my way. But I tried to remain calm when bad things happened. I knew that good things would happen too if I kept trying to do my best on each shot.

Jon interrupts,

How about fun?

JACK

Yes, I'd say it was fun to put somethin' on the table to play for. My heart was poundin' a few times, but when I felt myself overcomin' the fear it really WAS fun.

EXT - KENNYWOOD AMUSEMENT PARK IN PITTSBURGH - TWO YEARS LATER

Tina and Jack ride the Corkscrew, laughing and screaming. After the ride ends, they stagger to a bench nearby.

JACK

Whoa, that was awesome! I was scared at first, but then I just let go and enjoyed the ride!

TINA

I was too scared to enjoy it. It felt like we were headed for disaster. I thought we were gonna fly off into space.

JACK

Is that what all that sputtering noise was all about? It sounded like you were speaking in tongues.

TINA

I thought that if I kept talking,
I could keep better control of my
fear and my stomach. It didn't
work.

JACK

I guess not!

INT - IMAX THEATER AT KENNYWOOD PARK

The lights dim. Tina reaches over and holds Jack's hand. He looks nervous, but smiles while looking straight ahead. Tina whispers,

Hey, you! Over here!

Jack turns toward her and smiles. Tina leans in to kiss Jack. He responds to her lead and leans in to kiss Tina. They kiss affectionately for ten seconds. Suddenly a wad of paper flies through the air and hits Jack in the back of the head. Jack and Tina pull apart.

TINA

What happened?

JACK

I saw Josh a few rows back. He
threw some paper and hit me in
the head. Jealousy, I guess.

The movie begins. During a dark moment on the screen, Tina kisses Jack on the cheek and squeezes his hand. Jack looks over his shoulder to see if he is being watched. Then he moves away from Tina a little to avoid the embarrassment in front of his friends.

EXT - DRIVING RANGE - A YEAR LATER

Jon is watching from the balcony above as Jack hits balls on the range. A growing crowd of people gathers to watch him from the balcony. The range overlooks a steep valley and two golf courses. The scenery of pines and maples is bathed in fall color and sunlight and shadows. Jack hits some long drives and those watching turn and exchange nonverbal signs of appreciation of his skills.

JON

Stay down and through the shot.
You are starting to fall backward
a little and coming out of the
plane a little. Hit another and
stay down and through this time.

Jack does as Jon suggests on the next shot, hitting down
and through the shot while maintaining good balance.

JON

Yes, that's it. Nice hit!

EXT - FIRST TEE - PALMER COURSE - WHEELING, WV - HIGH
SCHOOL CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

Crowds gather at the first tee as the announcer
introduces Jack,

On the tee, playing for Wheeling
Park High School, winner of the
Regional Medalist Trophy last
week as a freshman, Jack
Williams, II.

The crowd applauds and Jack steps to the tee markers. He
rips a long drive down the middle. Applause resumes. Tina
walks down the fairway with Kaylin and Jon and a couple
hundred fans.

BILL DAVIS, SPORTS REPORTER, WHITE
MALE IN HIS FORTIES, WEARING GOLF
ATTIRE AND CARRYING A CAMERA WITH A
TELEPHOTO LENS

A sports reporter, Bill Davis, from the local paper walks
up to Jon on the way to the first green.

BILL

You must be so proud, Mr.
Williams. Jack is a phenom. I
have been researching his junior
record. He has an amazing string
of wins. Are you his coach?

JON

I recognized you, Bill, from your

column in the paper. Jack has had several coaches. I can't take credit for his skills. I coached him early on but he found others from whom he learned a lot more.

BILL

To what do you attribute his amazing success?

JON

His desire for golf is probably the secret to his success. He loves the game, its history, the scenery and trappings of places and people. A family driving range gave him strong feelings of belonging in golf. He discovered family there - people cared for him there. Golf is his home.

BILL

Really! That is interesting. Golf does that to people like no other sport. You can watch many sports after you get older, but golf is one of the few sports that you can play for a lifetime. I assume that you play.

JON

Yes, my wife, Kaylin, and Jack and I play together a couple times a week. We enjoy the scenery and good shots together - admiring each other's game.

BILL

Thanks for talking with me. Good luck to Jack. He's a great young man and an amazing golfer.

JON

Thanks, Bill.

As the crowd watches from a hill above the green, Jack drops a fifteen footer for birdie. Applause erupts and Jack lifts his putter to acknowledge the crowd. Other players shake his hand. Jon throws him a bottle of water. Kaylin blows him a kiss. Tina waves. Jack walks toward the crowd at the clubhouse that is gathered for the trophy presentation.

EXT - CLUBHOUSE ENTRANCE OF THE PALMER COURSE

Jack lifts the trophy to the applause of the crowd and other players. He poses for pictures. Jon and Kaylin stand nearby, clapping and then hugging each other. Jack walks over to them with the trophy. Jon takes it and Jack hugs Tina.

INT - WILLIAMS HOME - WHEELING, WV

Jack, Jon and Kaylin are sitting at the kitchen table over breakfast.

JON

Michelle Wie tried the tour a little too early and then changed direction. She went to college. I think it was a good decision. There are some young guns on the tour now, but they are twenty. I think you need college, some time to mature and have some fun with friends. It doesn't mean you have to finish college, but you should get in a couple years of playing experience and growing up, at least.

JACK

But look at the money I could be making!

JON

You know, that sounds really good to me too. However, no amount of money can compensate for taking away your youth and freedom. You will be a big success eventually. The money will come. The fame will be there. Right now, you

need to have some fun, to feel free to discover who you want to be instead of what everyone else wants to pay you to become. Giving away your amateur status at this point would mean that you couldn't play in high school or college. That shouldn't be for sale - not yet.

JACK

That sounds really wise, but the money's hard to turn down. On the other hand, high school and college could bring opportunities to raise my stock even more before cashin' in as a pro.

EXT - NCAA GOLF TOURNAMENT - HAZELTINE GOLF CLUB, MN
-THREE YEARS LATER

Jack hits a drive to the center of the fairway on the sixteenth hole in the final round. An eagle flies over Lake Hazeltine. Two egrets walk along the picturesque shore. Crowds line the hillside of one of the most famous holes in golf. Jack hits a wedge to ten feet from the pin. Kaylin is just arriving to join Jon at the sixteenth.

JON

Kaylin, he's putting for birdie and to take the lead by one.

KAYLIN

He must be playin' great! I got hung up in traffic.

Jack looks up to acknowledge that he sees that his mother has arrived. Kaylin smiles but is quiet and tries not to distract him. Jack concentrates on the line again. He drops the putt for a birdie. He takes the lead by one. Jack walks quickly up the hill to the seventeenth tee, carrying his own bag. Jon hands him a banana. Jack eats as he walks and stops on the tee.

JON

Kaylin, this is the hole where

Y.E. Yang and Tiger dueled in the 2009 PGA Championship. A trailing wind picked up at the last second as Tiger hit his tee shot. It flew over the back of the green and Tiger took a bogey. Jack has talked about it many times. He will be careful not to fly the green.

KAYLIN

That was a turning point where Tiger had a chance to charge and put a scare into Yang, right?

JON

Yes, but Jack has the lead to preserve here. He will go for the center of the green below the hole in the back. Yang did that, but he left it too short and three putted. Jack knows the history and will be determined not to repeat it.

Jack waits for the wind to settle. When it does, he wastes no time in getting the ball in the air. His shot flies high and lands and settles within three feet. Applause breaks out. Jack raises a hand to acknowledge the applause. He glances at his parents and breaks into a big grin. Calmly poised over his putt, Jack suddenly steps away. He looks at it one more time from all sides of the hole. Then he hits it a little hard to be sure it gets there. It hits the back of the cup and drops in. Applause is louder. Players walk off the green. Jack does not look around but stomps toward the next tee with a look of determination to get it done.

JON

That's another birdie and a two-shot lead!

TINA

I'm dyin' here. How can he look so calm!

KAYLIN

Don't let outward appearances fool you. He's dyin' too, but he has a way of takin' a deep breath and lettin' his muscles and nerves relax just before hittin' a shot. I don't know how he does it, but he's good at it.

JON

He focuses on one shot at a time and tries to avoid thinking about the past or the future, the consequences of winning or losing. He stays in the moment. Y.E. Yang had nerves of steel going into this hole and Jack is playin' a role - he's YE Yang takin' it home to beat Tiger on this hole.

TINA

So, you're not worried?

KAYLIN

Are you kiddin'. I can barely watch, I am so nervous. My heart is poundin' for my kid so hard that I feel like I'm gonna have a heart attack right here and now.

TINA

So I'm not alone here?

JON

Not at all, dear!

Tina reaches down and takes Kaylin's hand and holds it.

TINA

Do you mind?

KAYLIN

Not at all.

Kaylin smiles at Tina and leans into her.

Jack hits the left center of the fairway with his drive, just to the right of the left bunker. Jon whispers to Kaylin and Tina,

That is the bunker where Tiger hit the shot of the century in the 2002 PGA, but Jack has the same lie as Y.E. Yang did when he hit a shot just as amazing to clinch the win over Tiger in the 2009 PGA.

KAYLIN

It's like havin' your own personal announcer, Jon. Thanks for that color commentary.

Kaylin and Tina laugh. Kaylin gives Jon a little friendly tap on the arm.

Jack stands over the shot, looking over the left trees where Y.E. Yang and Tiger hit their shots high and straight.

Jack steps away and looks at Jon, forming a left to right arch with a motion of his hands. Jon smiles.

JON

We have played this shot a hundred times on this hole. The green is shaped well for a left to right shot. He takes the left trap out of play by coming into the green from the right with a draw. That is a much easier shot than Tiger's or Yang's and less likely to leave him in a bad spot if he doesn't hit it perfectly.

Jack swings smoothly with a long arch and executes it perfectly. The ball bounces in front of the green, kicks onto the green and takes the break, rolling to the left.

JON

Nice shot, Jack!

Applause breaks out and Jack raises a hand to acknowledge the crowd.

JON

He has two putts for another birdie. He could probably three-putt and still win, but that shot puts the individual title away for Jack and the team title for Florida.

The stands around the eighteenth green are packed with players and fans to watch the last group and the conclusion of the NCAA Tournament. Two other players putt out and then Jack taps in from a foot to applause and shouts from Jack's teammates. Minutes later Jack hoists the NCAA individual trophy and then his teammates join him to hoist the team trophy.

INT - RESTAURANT - GOLF TEAM MEMBERS DRINKING AROUND A TABLE - NEXT EVENING

They are laughing and drinking, celebrating their victory. One older player lifts a glass of beer and proposes a toast, while a couple younger players obviously have pop instead.

PLAYER ONE

Here's to the best in the nation
and to Jack, the best of the
best! Hooooorah!

All shout,

Hooooorah!

They clink glasses together and drink until they are empty. One player motions for them to lean in close. They lean in close to each other as they tell tales about their experiences with women in college.

PLAYER TWO

My uncle lives a few miles from campus. He is out of town a lot and his beach house is empty. He gave me the key to use it when he is gone. I scored ten times there this year. If you play your cards

right, I could get you a place in
the sun for an overnight with
your 'hun'.

Faces light up at the prospect.

PLAYER TWO

I've been hopin' for a place to
take this chick who says she's
ready and willin' - somewhere my
fiance' wouldn't find us.

Laughter erupts.

JACK

You Dog!

PLAYER TWO

Right! Tell me you never wanted a
little variety in your life.
You've been playin' the same
course for years.

JACK

Got me there!

PLAYER TWO

It doesn't hurt anybody if nobody
knows. Just keep it to yourself.

JACK

You sure about that? You're
talkin' big, but a good woman is
like a delicate short game. It
doesn't take much to mess with
your head and ruin it.

PLAYER TWO

Give it a rest, Boy Scout!

PLAYER THREE

I got it out of my system before
I married Connie. The night
before the wedding, me and that

hottie Mary Sue went down to a motel on the bayou ... and ... what would you do?

JACK

OK, I'm no Boy Scout. I admit to playin' in the rough when I was far from Tina early in college. But I called a violation on myself. It's the honorable thing to do. She called one on herself. But after that, we agreed to play by the rules.

PLAYER TWO

That's for golf, Jack! There's no rules when you're so hot and young!

PLAYER THREE

When you've lost your game, you stop playin' - but until then, use it or lose it.

JACK

OK, I see where this is goin' - it's not time for bein' serious. It's braggin' time. I'm in. Tell me some tales.

PLAYER FOUR

Last week I hit on this waitress when my woman was at the bathroom. I slipped her my number and she called me later to come over. What a night!

Laughter erupts and high fives make the rounds.

EXT - MERION GOLF CLUB - ARDMORE, PA - WALKER CUP

Jack plays his final match with an opportunity to win and seal the victory for his Walker Cup team. The TV announcer says,

Jack Williams is just 20 years old, but he has a resume' of accomplishments of a much older player. If he makes this ten-foot putt in his all-square match, he wins one up and gives the US Walker Cup Team a victory at Merion.

The putt rolls toward the hole. Jack starts walking toward the cup like it is going in, and he wants to put his cap over the hole before it bounces out. Crowds cheer as the putt drops into the cup. Teammates jump and bump each other in celebration.

An announcer asks Jack,

You've won the NCAA and clinched the Walker Cup for the USA. What's next for Jack Williams? Will you go pro? Or return to Florida to play another year of college golf?

JACK

I have financial advisors, coaches and parents. They have opinions about my future. I want to talk it over with them and make a good decision. Frankly, I don't know the answer yet.

ANNOUNCER

Whatever you decide, we'll look forward to big things from Jack Williams, II. Congratulations on your victory today and on the Walker Cup win, Jack!

JACK

Thanks!

INT - WILLIAMS HOME - WHEELING, WV

Jon, Kaylin, Tina and Jack sit at the table over lunch.

JACK

Ok, I have heard from parents that two more years of college would be in my best interest in the long run. Tina would like to finish college near home. I have this dream. I want to be one of the young guns on the tour. I want to see the world. I'm tired of living on a tight budget. It's time to go for it.

Jack looks around the table for confirmation or a veto.

JON

It's your decision, Jack! I'm behind you.

KAYLIN

Me too!

TINA

If you went back to college, I would probably see you less than if you were on the tour and could occasionally swing by here on breaks between events. I'm with you. Follow your dream.

JACK

OK, it's a go. Q School it is.

EXT - Q SCHOOL COMPETITION - FIRST STAGE - GOLF CLUB OF DALLAS

Jack talks with Jon on the phone,

I made it through the first stage of Q School. In the next few weeks I have a sponsor's exemption to play the Wyndham in Greensboro, North Carolina, and some commercials to shoot. I picked up some more sponsors through my agent's contacts.

JON

So, you are OK for money right now?

JACK

Yea, Dad. Maybe you should start looking for a new house. I owe you big time and I plan to deliver. I wouldn't make any commitments on that house yet, but start dreamin'.

JON

OK, Jon. We'll look. Should we look for one with space for you in case you need to move back home?

JACK

Funny, Dad. I mean I hope that's funny - like I don't have to do that.

INT - GOLF CHANNEL STUDIO

Brandel Chamblee speaks on camera as a photo of Jack appears on the screen,

We are closely following the career of Jack Williams. He made it through the second round of Q School, earned \$125,000 in his first professional tournament under a sponsor's exemption and will play tomorrow in the final qualifying stage of Q School in search of his PGA tour card for next year. Jack led the Walker Team to victory after winning the individual trophy at the NCAA Tournament. Still only twenty years old, he is being compared to young versions of Woods, Palmer and Nicklaus.

INT - HOTEL ROOM IN DALLAS

Jack is watching the Golf Channel commentary by Chamblee. He calls up Tina,

Hey, sweetie! I made the Golf Channel today. That adds a little pressure to have Brandel saying that I am being compared to young versions of Woods, Palmer and Nicklaus.

TINA

You deserve it. Are you getting enough rest to feel rested for tomorrow?

JACK

Rest? Yea. I'd call it bored!

TINA

Nothing to do in Dallas?

JACK

I suppose Dallas is nice. I just don't have the interest to do much but go back and forth between the course and my hotel. I have already seen enough of hotels. Is this the life I am about to enter?

TINA

Having second thoughts now?

JACK

It just seems ironic that I am on the doorstep to becoming a millionaire golf pro, but I won't get to spend much time at my expensive house with my trophy wife.

TINA

You have a house and a trophy wife? Do I know her?

JACK

I'm talking about you and my future house, Tina.

TINA

I get it. Yea, the hotel scene in your future must give you reason to wonder if it's all it's cracked up to be by the media.

JACK

If someone told me that I could spend every night with you in our home instead of alone in a hotel room, I would trade fame for family right now.

TINA

Once you get established, we can afford to fly me places, rent houses, travel the world. More money will make a lot of time together possible soon. You won't always be alone without me in a distant hotel room.

JACK

OK, you're right. This is temporary. I love you, Baby!

TINA

I love you too! It's past midnight here. I have to get up for an early class. Go get 'em tomorrow. Win the good life for us, Jack!

JACK

For us, Baby! For us!

EXT - DALLAS GOLF CLUB - FINAL STAGE Q SCHOOL QUALIFIER

Brandel Chamblee, Golf Channel Analyst, says onscreen,

Jack Williams has been sharp today in the final round of the Q School Qualifier. He has made birdie putts of 10, 12, 14, 33, and 35 feet to go with a tap-in eagle and 11 pars to be tied at 16 under for the event. He hit the eighteenth fairway and has 255 to the pin. He has a fairway metal in his hand.

Jack takes a long slow swing and finishes smoothly. The ball flies high and straight. Chamblee says,

Oh, this looks good! Right on line!

The ball hits on the front of the green and rolls to within fifteen feet of the pin. Chamblee continues,

If he makes this putt, Williams wins by two over Salomon, who is already on the board after shooting 66. Even if Williams two-putts, he wins by one.

Jack steps up to the putt, then backs away to soak in the crowd, the excitement and the TV coverage. He takes a deep breath to calm his nerves, then drops the putt for an eagle and the win. Chamblee adds,

That's it. Williams has fulfilled the hype! In a few weeks the PGA Tour begins for Jack Williams. He jumped from a couple years in college golf right up to the PGA Tour in his first try. Do not pass the Nationwide Tour, the European Tour, The Japanese Tour. Go directly to the head of the class on the PGA Tour, Jack!

INT - WILLIAMS HOME - WHEELING, WV

Jack is sitting on the couch with Tina, looking into the fireplace. Snow is falling outside. A Christmas tree lights the room.

TINA

So, do you think a hotel in

Hawaii for the Sony Open next month will be so boring?

JACK

I promise that I won't call you and whine about it. Maybe a year from now I will have earned enough for you to join me there for a vacation.

TINA

I'm countin' on it!

JACK

With millions in the purse, I should make a few bucks.

TINA

Buying your parents a new house is a good motivation to win. That's your first priority, right?

JACK

Yea, I owe them. However, I have some people who get their cut first. They took a financial risk on me. I want to prove to them that they didn't make a mistake. There are expenses too. But I'll get to that gift of a house real soon, I hope.

TINA

What is our future, Jack? At twenty, we sure don't have to rush anything - not marriage. I want you to know, however, that the distances only magnify my love for you. It's not quite as bad as having a boyfriend in prison for years, but there are some parallels.

JACK

Prison? Oh, it won't be that bad,
will it?

TINA

Just kidding. I'll visit you as
often as possible.

JACK

I'll get out from time to time
for bad behavior - like missing a
cut.

Tina leans in toward Jack and puts her head on his
shoulder,

I can't remember when I was not
in love with you. We were just
thirteen when we were swimming
together at the pool. I had such
a crush on you. When you're gone,
I want you to know that I'm yours
and you are mine.

JACK

Absolutely! I want to get married
to you when we can afford to do
the travel. I do love you!

TINA

When are your parents coming
back?

JACK

In a couple hours.

TINA

What are we waiting for?

Tina rolls off the couch and onto the floor in front of
the fireplace. She pulls Jack toward her on the floor.
They kiss. The fire blazes. The tree lights twinkle. The
snow falls and covers the pines outside.

EXT - HAWAII - SONY OPEN - WAIALAE COUNTRY CLUB

Players practice on the large putting green, where Jack stops to chat with famous players. He walks to the first tee and tees off. The trade winds are blowing hard and play is difficult. Jack plays a few shots from the rough. He appears to be struggling on the greens as well, missing a series of three short putts. The scenery is spectacular at and near Waialae with surfers and sailboats, whales and gulls, beaches and pools.

INT - HOTEL ROOM NEAR THE SONY OPEN - WAIALAE COUNTRY CLUB

Jack talks on the phone with Tina,

It was a rough day of golf. The wind howled. I missed some short putts. But I am in Hawaii, so no more whining. How was your day?

TINA

My car wouldn't start in the cold, so I had to get a jump. It took a half hour to shovel the driveway. I was late for class because of an accident on the icy road. Does your day sound better now?

JACK

Like I said, I'm done whinin'!

They talk more but out of reach of hearing. Snow falls in West Virginia while palms, moonlight and crashing waves make Hawaii seem like Heaven.

Jack walks into a bar at his hotel in Hawaii. Others around him are PGA Tour players and friends. They are drinking beer. Rich Beem says to Jack,

Rookie, buy you a beer?

JACK

Thanks for the offer, Rich, but I am under drinking age. They'd haul you off for contributing to the delinquency of a minor. But a Coke would be fine.

RICH

That's funny! You can win millions at golf, but you can't drink a beer in public. Anything else you can't do out here?

JACK

I just promised my girlfriend that I would be faithful to her.

RICH

Good for you, kid! I like it - showin' restraint and self-control. Maybe you could get a logo on your bag that says. 'Just DON'T do it!' Good luck with that!

Rich moves on to talk with some other golfers. A beautiful woman sits down alone near Jack. She says,

Hey, Rookie. How'd it go today?

JACK

It was a rough day in the wind. I have to hit 'em lower tomorrow. A couple days of four over won't make the cut. I can't do that again.

BEAUTIFUL WOMAN

Go get 'em, Rook! You got game!

She walks away but looks over her shoulder and smiles real friendly at Jack.

Rich Beem watches this little drama and comes back to sit down with Jack. He says,

Rook, I gotta warn ya. There are women who'll throw themselves at your feet on the Tour. Some women are really attracted to money and fame. You're not used to this, I'm guessin'. But look at it. You're young, good lookin' and on

the verge of becomin' a
millionaire. If you want it, it's
easy pickin's. If you don't, you
have a real challenge ahead. I
just thought someone should warn
ya before ya fall into a trap
without seein' it comin'.

Jack looks surprised,

You mean that was one of those
traps?

RICH

She had her room key in her hand
and was ready to give it to you
if you encouraged her. I saw her
try it last year right here, but
she aimed too high with a married
veteran and struck out.

JACK

Really?

RICH

Oh Yea!

JACK

The challenges on the Tour are
more complicated than I thought.

Jack gets up and high fives Rich as he walks away. While walking down the hall toward his room, he looks over his shoulder and sees the beautiful woman following him down the hall. He ignores her at first like he didn't see her, but she catches up to him as he arrives at his door. She says,

I didn't get a chance to
introduce myself. I'm Megan. I
work in the resort down the beach
as a concierge.

JACK

Nice to meet'ya, Megan.

MEGAN

Have anything to drink in your room? I could use a drink, but they carded me in the bar.

JACK

Hmmmm. I'm not old enough to drink publically in Hawaii either, but I will admit that I have a couple beers stashed in my fridge. Sure, come on in.

Jack opens the door and enters the room, holding the door for Megan.

MEGAN

Nice suite! Who pays for something like this?

JACK

I have sponsors who take good care of me as an investment. They are counting on me making big money for them some day.

MEGAN

Sweet!

They take two beers from a small fridge and sit on the balcony overlooking the beach. The scenery is spectacular with the sun setting, people walking the beach, waves crashing, a whale breaching, surfers riding the curl, hang gliders flying and sailboats racing.

JACK

This is the life! Does it get old for you, being here all the time?

MEGAN

You probably appreciate it even more than I do, but I grew up in northern Wisconsin with brutal winters. I came here for college, but I dropped out after a

semester when I got a taste of the good life. This Hawaiian paradise doesn't provide much incentive for working hard.

JACK

What does a concierge do, again?

MEGAN

I work with resort guests to find the tourist attractions, restaurants, entertainment - you know - I make their vacation plans with them while they are here.

JACK

That sounds like a fun job.

MEGAN

It doesn't pay much in salary, but I get room and board at the resort as well as some big tips from the rich folks who stay there.

JACK

So, uh ... do you know anything about me?

MEGAN

PGA bios are an open book, Jack. I know about the details of your golf career.

JACK

How about my personal life?

MEGAN

I know that you are not married.

JACK

I have a girlfriend. We met in

grade school.

MEGAN

I see. Does that mean that you are untouchable?

JACK

Hmmmm. We promised not to mess around.

MEGAN

Mess around ... that means not get involved so that the relationship is threatened by someone else, right?

JACK

I hadn't thought about it that way.

MEGAN

I have no plans to mess up your life, but a little fun would be nice, don't you think? I don't have to work until noon tomorrow.

The phone rings. Jack recognizes by the caller id that Tina is calling.

JACK

Excuse me. I have to take this.

Jack walks back into the suite and answers the phone,

Tina, hi!

TINA

Hi, Jack. I miss you. I am so needy.

JACK

Miss you too, Tina. Wish you were here to enjoy this awesome suite and the beaches.

TINA

You do well and I could be there
next year - take a vacation.

JACK

The trade winds are blowin' hard
and it's not easy out there.

TINA

No pressure, Jack. Do your best
and enjoy Hawaii.

JACK

Thanks, Tina. I appreciate your
support. Being away from you like
this reminds me of how much I
love you.

Megan is eavesdropping at the door. When she hears these
words, she looks disappointed and regretful. Megan walks
through the room and past Jack toward the door, saying
nothing. She smiles at him, motions like she is saying
that she will call him and waves goodbye

Jack goes back to his conversation with Tina.

INT - JACK 'S ROOM - LATER THAT NIGHT

Jack's phone rings. He answers.

JACK

Megan, you left so quickly. What
happened?

MEGAN

I thought I could spend the night
with you and it would do no harm,
but I heard the intensity of your
love for Tina. I just couldn't
wreck it. I really wanted you,
but I couldn't do that to you and
Tina.

JACK

I was ready to do whatever you

wanted and to follow my passions. When Tina called, I felt so much guilt about my thoughts and Tina's painful feelings of betrayal if she only knew. I didn't want to hurt you either by turning you down. Your leaving saved me from making a big mistake by cheating on Tina. Thanks, Megan.

MEGAN

You're a better man than I expected, Jack. Most guys would have jumped at the chance and thought nothing about it as long as they could get away with it. Tina is a lucky woman.

JACK

That's real nice of you to say, Megan. My thoughts and intentions were not so praiseworthy, but the result is good. Our abstinence was a group project. You deserve most of the credit.

MEGAN

Jack, I hope you will consider me a friend and let me know if you and Tina need any help when she comes with you next time. I can set you up with whatever you need to make it fun for her and you.

JACK

Thanks, Megan. I will take you up on that offer when she comes next year. I have to get some sleep to be ready for an early tee time.

MEGAN

Yea, get some rest, Jack. G'night.

JACK

G'night, Megan.

EXT - HAWAII - SONY OPEN - WAIALAE COUNTRY CLUB

Wind continues on the second day of the Sony Open. Flags are whipped by the wind. However, Jack hits a few knock-downs into the wind and some high draws that ride with the wind.

Frank Nobile comments on the Golf Channel,

New Tour member Jack Williams was almost a no-show on day one as the wind took him out of his game. However, on day two he brought his wind A-game. He shot a 66 and easily made the cut. He stood at even par then in 35th place.

Chamblee adds,

On moving day, the wind was calm and scores dropped. Jack Williams leaped ahead twenty spots with a 64. Now he is in 15th place and on schedule for approximately \$90,000 in his pro debut.

INT - NEXT DAY - HAWAII - SONY OPEN - WAIALAE COUNTRY CLUB

From the clubhouse, Jack calls Tina on his cell phone,

Diddya catch the final round,
Tina?

TINA

Way to go, Rookie! Ninth place and \$125,00. Nice earnings for a weekend vacation in Hawaii!

JACK

What a country!

TINA

You're livin' your dream!

JACK

It wasn't as good without YOU. I hope you can take a vacation next year if I get into the tournament. Hawaii is Paradise.

TINA

I'll work on that, Jack. Sounds so much better than the cold and snow.

A MONTH LATER - PEBBLE BEACH - AT&T PRO-AM TOURNAMENT

Gary Koch comments for the Golf Channel,

Jack Williams won \$125,000 in his pro debut at the SONY Open. But he has missed three cuts since then. On day one here at the AT&T, he came out firing on the front nine at Spyglass Hill with a 30 and followed up with 34 on the back. That put him in third place. Then he backed it up with a 67 at the Monterey Peninsula Country Club's Shore Course to take a share of the lead. Today he shot 65 on Pebble Beach to lead by 2. This kid has game and guts. We're gonna hear a lot from Jack Williams. Remember that name!

Jack walks off the eighteenth on the final day to some wild applause as he pars the hole. Frank Nobile comments on the Golf Channel,

Jack Williams didn't make a crucial putt today on Pebble Beach. He led before teeing off but watched the field run away from him before finishing the ninth hole. Five players shot between 63 and 65 while Jack dropped back to 70 and sixth

place. It was still a nice chunk of change for a rookie at \$200,000. At the beginning of the day it was looking like the story of the year as a rookie wins a million dollars, but you can't fault him for playing mediocre golf under all that pressure on a rookie. He'll be back and he has the game to win. Jack Williams will have his day.

INT - WILLIAMS HOME - WHEELING, WV

Jack, Jon, Kaylin and Tina sit in front of the fireplace, eating popcorn.

JACK

It's good to have a few days off at home to process my new life.

KAYLIN

We love watchin' you on TV, Jack. But havin' you home this week is so great!

JACK

Yea, it's good to be home, Mom! Here's the check I promised for the down payment on your new house. My accountant will send you a monthly check to cover the mortgage. I'll use the guest room when I am in town.

Kaylin jumps up and hugs Jack,

I know that it gives you great pleasure to do this, but it isn't really necessary.

JACK

You helped to make me the person that can win on the Tour. You deserve something in return besides my gratitude. Enjoy it!

They talk around the fire as snow falls outside. Kaylin and Jon excuse themselves as they realize that Jack and Tina need some time alone.

Jack and Tina sit closer on the couch near the fire. After a few quiet and romantic moments snuggling,

JACK

I am thinking of buying a condo near Orlando - a condo for us - if you will marry me.

Tina looks a little surprised,

When do you think this would happen?

JACK

This summer?

Tina hesitates and then says,

I'm just not ready yet. I love you. There's no doubt about that. I do want to marry you sometime. I am just not sure about marrying the Tour yet.

JACK looks disappointed,

OK, I'm not so sure what I am doing yet either. The adjustments to this life are messing with my head. I think I'll buy the condo as an investment and stay in it when I need to practice and prepare for tournaments.

TINA

Don't make too much of my reluctance, Jack. It's not about you. It's about the lifestyle of being on the road so much. I need a life and some stability. Maybe I can find that with you being on the Tour. I just need more time before committing my life to it. Let's wait and see how things are

going to work out before
committing to being on the road
together.

JACK

OK, I have a lot on my plate.
Maybe getting married is too much
to add to it now anyway. Maybe
your being there would be too
complicated for me to handle. I
thought that my success would
make our relationship easier but
it seems to have made it more
complicated for both of us.

TINA

Yea, but it will work out
eventually. We will make it work.

They stare into the fire and fall deep into thought
without talking.

EXT - MAYAKOBA GOLF CLASSIC AT RIVIERA MAYA - CANCÚN

SARINA WESTBY, WHITE FEMALE, REDHEAD,
LATE TWENTIES, VERY ATTRACTIVE

Jack walks on the white sandy beach of Cancun in front of
his hotel after a practice round. A bikini-clad beautiful
redhead woman in her late twenties says,

Jack, how's it going? How was
your practice round?

JACK

Have we met?

REDHEAD WOMAN

Not yet. My name is Sarina
Westby. I'm an avid fan of yours.
I'm on vacation from work with
Barclay's Bank in New York City.
I came here for the beaches and
the tournament. I'm by myself and
looking for some company. Want to
sit with me?

Jack sits down on a chair near Sarina,

Sure. I haven't figured out how to make friends much on the Tour. Everybody seems to have family or friends with them, while I'm traveling alone.

SARINA

That must get old quick, being alone in faraway hotels?

JACK

I always thought hotels were glamorous when I went there once a year. The glamor is wearing off real fast on the Tour. More established players rent a whole house for their family or stay in the home of friends. Not everybody does the hotel scene.

SARINA

You have a girlfriend back home?

Jack hesitates,

She put me off when I suggested marriage. I guess that will have to wait a while - maybe until I can afford to take her on tour with me. She is reluctant to be a Tour widow. How about you - a guy in your life?

SARINA

There's a guy, I guess. But he's married to his work on Wall Street. I asked him to take a vacation with me, but he said it was just a bad time of the year for leavin' work and declined.

JACK

Are you stayin' at this hotel?

SARINA

Yes, are you?

Jack hesitates,

Yes. Do you have dinner plans? I could use some conversation that doesn't have to do with yardages and club selection.

SARINA

The hotel restaurant serves good food. Are you adventurous?

JACK

Adventure it is! Six?

SARINA

See you there at six.

JACK

I need to run this beach for my workout. See you there, OK?

SARINA

Yea, informal dress, golf shirts, that kind of stuff.

JACK

OK, informal.

Jack runs down the beach and Sarina goes back to sunbathing.

EXT - LE MERIDIEN HOTEL, CANCUN - RESTAURANT DECK OUTSIDE OVERLOOKING THE BEACH

The scenery of the hotel and restaurant overlooking the beach are spectacular. The setting sun is brilliant red with an orange sky. Waves lap the beach.

Jack emerges from the hotel and meets Sarina by the hostess, who seats them.

SARINA

How was the run?

JACK

Invigorating ... I need the aerobics to give me a second wind after the thirteenth hole at Riviera Maya. I assume that you are a player?

SARINA

Yes, I am a player. My dad has a place near Bethpage Black on Long Island. I take the train to his house and play once a week with him during the warmer months.

JACK

Do you see any Tour events around New York?

SARINA

Yes, I'm an investment specialist with Barclay's. Their annual tournament is a big event for me. I get the week off to socialize with the players, see them at work, make friends for the Bank and add some clients to my portfolio. Some of my clients are on the Tour. You need a good investment manager?

Jack looks at her in astonishment,

Actually, I'm lookin' for an investment manager. Are you available to take on a new client?

SARINA

Absolutely, I could help you to hold onto your money and put it to work.

JACK

I don't make such decisions on my own. My financial manager would do the background work and contact you if he's satisfied.

SARINA

Fair enough. You're already makin' good financial decisions, puttin' things in the hands of an expert. Just make sure you have a few people keepin' an eye on each other. You can't be too careful these days.

A waitress takes their order. Sarina says to Jack,

I know your Tour bio and that you turned 21 yesterday. Ready for your first legal wine with dinner?

Jack chuckles,

No fair. You know all that about me and I know very little about you. Sure, wine it is. You order it.

Sarina says to the waitress,

Your best Chardonnay and Fettucini Alfredo with shrimp for two.

Turning to Jack, Sarina says,

So, what do you want to know besides the Bank stuff that I told you?

Jack hesitates and then asks,

I know a guy is not supposed to ask a woman her age, but I want to be sure that you are old enough, experienced enough to handle my investments. So, how experienced are you? At finances?

SARINA

At nineteen I graduated from
Columbia. For the last ten years
I have been working for
Barclay's. You do the math.

JACK

That sounds like a lot of
experience and a good school. Is
that guy going to marry you?

Sarina pauses and smiles,

You get right to it, Jack. He
might if I said I wanted to, but
he is just a current annoyance. I
don't think that he's capable of
fun, commitment to marriage or
passion.

JACK

So, why do you keep him on the
line?

SARINA

Is that what it sounds like? I am
"keepin' him on the line?"

JACK

Yea, like you are talkin' to him
on the phone - keepin' him on the
line - until somebody else better
calls.

Sarina laughs,

OK, you're right. That is what
I'm doin' - keepin' him on the
line - for now.

Both enjoy their dinner and the conversation. The
atmosphere is romantic and electrified by the obvious
attraction they have for each other, evidenced in smiles
and intense eye contact.

SARINA

It's becoming clear to me that this could end up in your room with both of us doing something that would mess with your head and your game this week. I'm gonna save us both a lot of money by telling you that I would love to do what we are both lettin' ourselves think, but we are not gonna do it because - instead - we're gonna make lots of money together on your investments. You're also gonna make a bundle on the Tour without the shadow of somethin' quick and nasty tonight hangin' over you.

Jack laughs as he gets up from the table,

That's just what I need! Somebody to do the thinkin' for both of us! Thanks, I needed that! Now, I have to hit the rack to rest up for an early tee time.

SARINA

I put this meal on my tab as a business expense. I look forward to workin' for you, Jack. Good luck tomorrow!

Jack waves over his shoulder as he shakes his head and walks away,

Good night!

EXT - MAYAKOBA GOLF CLASSIC AT RIVIERA MAYA - CANCÚN

Emotionally charged by having found a friend, an investments manager and an attractive woman with whom he did not plan to get too familiar, Jack was on top of his game on day one.

Roger Maltbie comments for the Golf Channel,

Jack Williams was on fire this morning. He set the mark with a 63 before the big names hit the first tee. No one could match him so he takes a two-stroke lead

into the second day.

Standing at a bar in the clubhouse, Jack drinks a beer with Rich Beem. Sarina enters the room. Jack's eyes dart to her. Rich watches him watching Sarina cross the room toward them. Rich whispers,

Down Boy!

JACK

It's OK. She's my mother.

Rich laughs. When Sarina reaches them, she hugs Rich and then Jack. She says,

Hi, Rich. What's so funny?

RICH

Rookie here was givin' you the once over and I said 'down boy.' He said, 'It's ok, she's my mother.'

SARINA

OH, I see. Well, he's my new client and I promised to take care of him like I were his mother.

RICH

You mean 'hot mamma!'

SARINA

Easy on the Rook, Rich. We have to take care of the guy. He's new here and needs some friends.

RICH

Rook shot 63 and made me look like his grandfather out there. Is that nice enough for you?

SARINA

After that PGA win, you're set for life, Richie Rich! Give

somebody else a turn.

RICH

Anything for you, Sarina.

Frank Nobile reports,

On day two, Jack Williams tees off a little later in the morning, shoots 68 and drops into third place. He makes the cut and comes back with 69 to fall further down the field. Playing on Sunday in the next to last pairing, JACK suffers putting woes and missed fairways. He drops out of the top ten with a 73. Still, it is a good payday for the rookie with \$98,000 to take home.

INT - WILLIAMS NEW HOME - WHEELING, WV - SIX MONTHS LATER

Jack and Tina sit on a swing in front of Jack's parents new house overlooking the Palmer course. The sun is setting as golfers finish the eighteenth hole in front of the clubhouse. Shadows and sunlight move to reveal the beauty of the course and the finishing hole that goes uphill toward the clubhouse that sits at the top of the hill.

TINA

After six months on the tour and you've earned a million dollars, do you feel ready for me to move closer, to move to your Florida condo where you spend time practicing?

JACK

Yes, are you ready to make the move? Does that mean that you wanna get married?

TINA

Yes, I wanna get married. I miss

you so much that I'm willing to try to cope with the life of the Tour and being married to a Tour player.

JACK

Do you think that you'll ever want to travel to Tour locations with me?

TINA

I want a life, some work, a place to call home. Teaching English is a part of who I am. Maybe I could go with you for a vacation from work in the winter and travel when I'm on summer break.

JACK

That works for me. How about a wedding in August right here in the yard, overlooking the eighteenth?

TINA

Great! I could start applying for a job in Florida to start in September. If I don't get a job by then, it's OK. I'll find one eventually.

Jack says excitedly,

I'm thinkin' that my Windermere condo would be a good income producer. We could rent it out on time shares to tourists visiting Disney World and the sites. I have a dream house plan unfolding for us near West Palm Beach. It's easy access to the airport, good schools where you could teach and has practice and playing opportunities for me.

TINA

How long have you been dreamin'
about West Palm?

JACK

Only a week. I saw some great
open property when I was playin'
at PGA National last week. It
overlooks PGA National and has a
channel out to the ocean. Maybe a
sailboat in the back yard would
be nice someday.

TINA

We can afford that?

JACK

We can afford the mortgage,
anyway. It would be a good
investment even if hard times
come later. We could probably
cash in and make a big profit off
of the sale later.

EXT - AUGUST - WILLIAMS HOUSE - WHEELING, WV

Jack and Tina stand under an arch decorated with flowers.
It is dusk on a magnificent night with the sound of
locusts buzzing and crickets chirping. The course in the
background is bathed in oranges and reds of setting
sunbeams and shadows. The yard is filled with a hundred
guests from the PGA and family and local friends as the
wedding concludes. The minister in a black robe and white
stole says,

And now, the moment we have all
been waiting for, you may kiss
the bride!

Jack and Tina kiss, the guests clap, they walk down the
aisle and out into the yard past the guests. Hugs and
kisses of congratulations are exchanged.

Several Tour players are present. They receive champagne
from a host. Formal wear and glamorous dresses are .

Sergio Garcia says to John Daly,

This place is beautiful! Arnie

did a nice job on this one! I wonder why Jack needs a place in West Palm when he has this one.

DALY

He gave this one to his parents. Besides it is 60 miles to the nearest airport. It's just too hard to get in and out of here compared to West Palm.

INT - NEXT DAY - WILSON LODGE - NEAR THE WILLIAMS HOUSE

Jack and Tina are eating breakfast in their room at the Honeymoon Suite. Their room overlooks another golf course with pines and maples around the green.

JACK

Tina, that was the best day of my life! I've had many dreams but you've always been in them with me.

TINA

Thanks for bringin' me along for the ride in your limo life!

JACK

What good is havin' a limo if you don't have the time to share it with the love of your life!

They kiss and hold hands as they sit side by side and sip Mimosa's from champagne glasses and look out over the course bathed in the rising sunlight. Deer graze on the fairway.

INT - TWO YEARS LATER - SBS CHAMPIONSHIP - MAUI - THE PLANTATION COURSE AT KAPALUA - KAPALUA RESORT

Jack walks along the beach in front of the Kapalua Resort. Waves crash, dolphins jump and beautiful people walk the beach. A beautiful woman in her twenties passes and then stops. She asks,

Are you Jack Williams?

JACK

That's me. Do I know you?

WOMAN

Not yet. I'm Amber. Now you know me.

JACK

What brings you to this beach?

AMBER SLOCUM IS A BEAUTIFUL BRUNETTE
ABOUT JACK'S HEIGHT

AMBER

I'm staying at the resort on vacation with my parents. They are avid golf fans. I live on my own in LA, but I usually come here with them for this annual vacation. My dad is CEO of a tech firm in the Silicon Valley. I work in management there as well.

JACK

I live on a budget here, if that is possible at this resort. I imagine you have some nice digs?

AMBER

A four-room suite on the beach with a pool and Jacuzzi.

JACK

Nice!

AMBER

You're probably on your own, right? Why don't you join us for dinner tonight. Mom and Dad would love to meet one of the players up close.

JACK

Uhhhh. I wouldn't want to give any wrong impressions here. Do you know that I am happily married?

AMBER

I'm flattered to think that you thought I might be coming on to you ... and I might have ... but I am just trying to be friendly. I have a steady guy back in the Valley.

JACK

In that case, I would love to have dinner with you. Where and when?

AMBER

I'll meet you in the lobby at 6. That work for you?

JACK

Sure, 6 is good. I have some things to do before then, so I better go. See you then!

AMBER

Great! See you then, Jack! My dad will be so thrilled!

Jack walks down the beach, smiling at strangers. The beach scene is glamorous with beautiful people and stunning tropical scenery.

INT - 6 PM - LOBBY OF THE KAPALUA RESORT

Jack walks through the lobby and sees Amber standing with her parents. They all walk toward each other. Amber waves to Jack.

AMBER

Over here, Jack.

Jack waves back and continues toward them. Amber is

dressed formally in a gown, looking radiant. Her mother, Jan, is also gorgeous. Her father, Bill, is dressed in an expensive-looking suit. Jack has golf slacks and a golf shirt.

JACK

Hi, I'm Jack Williams.

BILL

It is a great pleasure to meet you, Jack! I'm Bill Slocum and this is my wife, Jan.

Jack shakes Bill's hand and smiles toward Jan.

JACK

Thank you for inviting me to dinner. I hope they have a coat for me at the door. I didn't think that it might be more formal than I am used to.

JAN

No problem, they do have coats. You look just fine.

They walk together into the restaurant. The surroundings are luxurious. Guests appear to be very rich and dressed formally. Bill talks with the Maitre D', who shows them to a table with a beautiful view of the ocean.

JACK

This is beautiful! Is this your usual table?

BILL

Yes, we love this spot at night and we often come here for breakfast.

JAN

Jack, we have been following your career a bit, but we checked for details on the Net this

afternoon. You were one of the hottest young players on the Tour last year.

JACK

It was a good year, but it could always be better. Just when you think you have it all together, you start pushin' that good move too far until it's too much. I thought I had my putting game in the groove and then I started missin' putts and my confidence went south. I'm tryin' to get back in the groove.

Conversation continues more quietly. The meal progresses. Guests at other tables look at Jack, recognizing who he is. Time passes.

BILL

We are going out for a moonlight cruise tonight on our sailboat. Would you like to join us?

JACK

You don't have to ask twice. I have a late tee time tomorrow. I have been watchin' boats out in the ocean and wishin' I had the time and a boat to go out there myself.

EXT - MOONLIGHT SAILBOAT CRUISE

Jack, Amber, Bill and Jan enjoy a moonlit sailboat cruise. The water sparkles in the moonlight. Stars shine. A gentle wind fills the sails. It is a spectacle of tropical beauty.

As they soak up the beauty of it all, Bill's cell phone rings. He talks to someone and then puts the phone away.

BILL

We were expecting some friends to arrive tomorrow, but they just showed up at our place. Jan and I

have to greet them. We'll take the dingy back and you two can continue cruising.

JAN

Thanks, Dad. We won't stay out past 10.

Bill and Jan climb into the dingy and drive away. Amber is at the wheel. Jack sits near but not too close.

JACK

You look like you know what you're doin'.

AMBER

I started sailing as early as I can remember. Look at the horizon! There's a whale breaching!

They look together to see a whale breaching in the moonlight.

JACK

Wow! That's better than I have ever seen on TV!

After a few minutes of watching the beauty of the ocean, Amber stands up and with one hand on the wheel, she reaches out and grabs Jack's arm,

Here, you take the wheel.

Jack does not hesitate and rushes to take the wheel.

JACK

I didn't want to beg, but I hoped I would get a chance.

Jack is thrilled to be at the wheel of such a beautiful sailboat on this perfect evening. Amber goes below and brings out lobster tails and wine. They sail a little longer and then Amber takes the wheel again.

AMBER

There is a quiet cove nearby. I'm gonna anchor there and we can have some wine and lobster tails. It's a little messy to manage while we are under way.

JACK

Sounds great!

Amber maneuvers the boat into the cove and drops the automatic anchor and backs down to secure it. She sets an elegant table on the deck and opens the lobster and wine. They eat and drink, talk and laugh, point to flying fish, jumping dolphins and whales. After some quiet moments, Amber gets up, takes off everything but panties and a bra and jumps into the water without saying anything. Jack follows her with one hand on his boxer shorts so that he doesn't lose them when he dives in. They swim around the cove, not getting very close to each other.

JACK

The water is so warm! Feels great!

Amber climbs up the ladder and Jack follows. She goes below and finds a couple towels for them. They have the wet t-shirt look with somewhat transparent wet clothes. Both of them seem to be feeling out the situation to figure out if they are going to have a romantic encounter or not. Amber looks into Jack's eyes as she hands him a towel, edging closer to him. Jack looks into Amber's eyes intently soaking in her beauty. They inch closer together. Amber looks at Jack's lips like they are the target that she is aiming for. Jack watches her eyes for a signal to kiss her. He leans a little closer. She leans a little closer. Finally, their lips meet in a passionate kiss. A distant cell phone rings from up on the deck. Jack recognizes the unique ring of Tina. He pulls away,

JACK

I'm sorry. I have to take this.

Jack runs up on the deck and answers his cell phone.

JACK

Tina, what's up?

TINA

Jack, I have been so sick today. I was worried, so I went to the doctor. He shocked me with the news. Jack, I'm pregnant! We're gonna have a baby!

JACK

Tina, that's so great!

Jack listens with a mixture of joy and sadness on his face. He puts his cell phone away. He walks back down below and holds his clothes to cover himself. He looks at Amber for a moment with longing and then shakes his head.

JACK

Amber, that was my wife. I am kissing you and she is callin' me to tell me that she is pregnant. You are so beautiful. I forgot who I am for a moment. I can't ... you know what I mean.

AMBER

No worries, Jack. I shouldn't either.

Amber puts her hand tenderly on Jack's cheek. Jack lets it rest there and then gently pulls her hand down and then lets go.

AMBER

Let's get back to land, Mate!

JACK

Yea, and real life!

EXT - THE WEST PALM BEACH HOUSE - FIVE YEARS LATER

Their two boys - Josh and Jon, ages 3 and 4, and their daughter - Kayla, age 2, play in a shallow pool next to the larger pool. Jack is sitting in the water with Kayla between his legs, while playing catch with the boys who

sit a little further away. Tina is lying on a nearby lounge chair soaking up the sunshine and adoring her family.

Jack has a cast on his left wrist.

JACK

The last three weeks since my surgery have been some of the best days of my life. I wouldn't have asked to break my wrist to get a vacation, but the skiing accident in Utah has given me precious time to spend with you and the kids here at home.

TINA

It must be hard to think that you could have been makin' so much money on the Tour instead of playin' catch and splashin' in the pool.

JACK

There comes a point when you have enough money and the money doesn't matter so much. However, I've become addicted to the limelight and the competition. As a kid I got a kick out of showin' off at the driving range. I got a rush from the admiration of people watchin' me from the balcony. Not bein' in the game is what is gettin' to me, not the money.

EXT - AUGUSTA NATIONAL - MASTERS GOLF TOURNAMENT - TWO MONTHS LATER

David Feherty comments for the Golf Channel,

It is unclear whether Jack Williams is ready to contend here or not. He told me yesterday that he still feels pain in the wrist that he broke skiing on a family vacation in Utah. He's a good

skiier, mind you, but he was blindsided on a whiteout day by a young lad who fell into Jack and knocked him off his feet.

ROGER MALTBIE

Jack is here, but he has not made the cut in any event since breaking his wrist - that's four missed cuts in a row. Perhaps he tried to come back too soon. He did say that he might have to take some more time away from the Tour for rehab, but he didn't want to miss the Masters.

Feherty adds with his characteristic wit and candor,

The pain is not keeping Jack from putting well. However long irons are getting him into bunkers and the rough too often. That is hurting his scoring. Jack was five over today. Another day like this and he will spend the weekend with his wife and young kids around the pool at home - not a bad consolation, but he might not be much fun to be around.

EXT - THE WEST PALM BEACH HOUSE

Jack is obviously unhappy about missing the cut at Augusta. The kids are playing by themselves in the shallow pool. Jack says to Tina,

It was rough goin' out there. I thought I could play through the pain, but it hurt my concentration to have the anxiety about it in the back of my mind. Except for those shots where I had to bear down and hit through thick grass, I didn't feel sharp pain at impact. However, there were three or four times that the pain was intense. That made me expect it even when it didn't

happen.

TINA

What are you gonna do about the Tour?

JACK

I'm just gonna take a couple weeks off now to reassess where I'm at in recovery. I won't go back until I can play without so much pain and distraction.

TINA

We'll enjoy your bein' with us. Maybe we should take a vacation. We seldom get a chance to do that with the Tour being year-round now.

JACK

I think you're right. You have two weeks for spring break. I can work on my rehab wherever we go. Where do you want to go?

TINA

Skiing is out! How about somewhere warmer? Somewhere exotic to get away from all the press asking you about your wrist. How about Bora Bora? That sounds exotic.

JACK

That sounds great! I never go near there on the Tour. The beaches are awesome! I can run on the beach and work out without putting any stress on my wrist.

EXT - BORA BORA - BEACH HUT

Jack runs on the beach, reaches the Beach Hut where they are staying, scoops up Kayla and twirls her around

joyfully. His left wrist is bandaged to provide support and avoid further injury. Tina kisses him and the three hug together. Jack is so happy with his family. The boys are sitting on the sand, building a sand castle.

TINA

It has been like gettin' to know you all over again the last couple months. We have always been runnin' in opposite directions. The Tour keeps us apart a lot. Even when you HAVE been home, it seems like your mind or heart has been away. Sometimes I've felt like you didn't want to be with us because we weren't so adoring as your fans.

JACK

I'm sure there is some truth to that, but I don't mean to be distant emotionally. It is hard for family to fully appreciate their own family members the way strangers do.

TINA

Tell me more about that.

JACK

This all sounds like a dialog my grandmother told me about. Grandpa was a minister to hundreds of people. She said that he was so used to being adored - even worshiped - by his parishioners, that he was depressed around the family that didn't give him the same adoration and attention. He became so addicted to bein' the hero that family life was a long emotional fall from the high he felt as the Pastor.

TINA

I see what you mean. Maybe family should all be like that for each other - givin' more attention and adoration.

JACK

Yea, that's what I want to do for you and the kids. Maybe I should focus more on that and less on my own needs for the high that fame gives me.

TINA

Yea, but don't be too hard on yourself. Withdrawal from the spotlight can't be easy.

JACK

Just knowin' what is goin' on for me emotionally helps. It helps me to realize that I've become pretty selfish and need to get over myself.

TINA

Playin' good golf requires bravado and self-confidence. You're makin' a great livin' out of showin' off.

JACK

Sure, but I want to be a better father and husband who doesn't need so much adoration and attention. I want to be a giver and not just a taker in the family.

TINA

Sounds like a good goal for all of us. Maybe we can be each other's best fans. Is it a deal?

JACK

It's a deal!

Tina and Jack hug and kiss. The boys look up from their sand castle. They look at each other. The boys say to each other,

Ick!

Then they go back to playing in the sand with trucks.

EXT - BARCLAY'S GOLF TOURNAMENT - RIDGEWOOD COUNTRY CLUB,
RIDGEWOOD, NJ - SIX MONTHS LATER

Jack sits at a table on a balcony overlooking the golf course. Rich Beem sits with him over a beer. He sees Sarina approaching and calls to her,

Sarina, come and sit with us.
Jack needs advice.

Sarina waves and walks toward them. She hugs both of them and sits down,

Drinks on me, boys!

Sarina orders another round for them.

RICH

Jaws tells me that you have made
him a rich man.

SARINA

That's what I do, make mountains
out of mole hills! Who's Jaws?

RICH

Jaws is the nickname I gave Jack
here when he started chomping on
the veterans right out of the
gate his rookie year. It wasn't
safe to go in the water when Jaws
was there. Nobody else called him
that but me, so it's our private
thing.

SARINA

I see. Good nickname. So, Jaws,
how's the wrist. I hear that it

stopped hurting finally?

JACK

No pain at all, except my putter seems to be broken now.

SARINA

That's no way to talk. How about Vijay's mantra: 'I am the greatest putter in the world!'

JACK

Good idea! I must try that! Switchin' putters doesn't seem to help much.

SARINA

I do have some investment business to discuss with you.

RICH

That's my cue to butt out of your private business. OK, I can take a hint. See you tomorrow, Jaws.

Rich gets up, hugs Sarina, kisses her on the cheek and leaves.

Sarina waits for Rich to leave. She turns to Jack in a hushed tone,

I don't have any business to discuss, I just wanted to be alone with you - well as alone as we can be in this crowd.

JACK

I'm flattered. I heard you finally dumped the banker.

SARINA

Word travels fast. That was just a couple weeks ago. I guess my own press release to friends made its way along the grapevine. I

can tell you the truth that I didn't tell anyone else, he dumped me.

Jack looks surprised,

He must be an idiot!

SARINA

It turns out that he hasn't been working all those times I thought he was buried in work. He was keeping another woman in a Manhattan apartment. No wonder it was so hard to get his attention. It was divided three ways - work, her and a little for me.

JACK

Did you know anything about her?

SARINA

She is a twenty-something ballerina. That's more than I wanted to know - young, attractive and thin. My account with him has been closed. She drained it. I never got much love from him even while my account with him was open.

JACK

Sarina, I am so sorry. Nobody should be treated like that - deceived and discarded. You deserve so much better.

SARINA

I just feel so stupid for not seein' what was happenin' all along. I suppose I knew and just ignored it so that I could hold onto a secure financial future. I got what I deserved for chasin' the money instead of listenin' to my heart.

JACK

Nobody deserves being two-timed.

SARINA

You're right. I shouldn't turn it on myself. Being angry at him is a lot healthier.

JACK

Are you gettin' your life back together?

SARINA

Do you mean 'Am I movin' on and datin' someone new?'

JACK

Well, ARE you?

SARINA

No. Including the two months that he held me at a distance, it has been way too long since my last ... romantic encounter.

JACK

Can I fix you up with my single friends on the tour? They aren't much to invest in for the long run but they could be fun while the Tour is in town.

SARINA

No thanks. I could use a friend for a night on Broadway. I have two tickets for Phantom tonight. Can you come with me?

JACK

Sounds innocent. I'm tired of this hotel. I love Phantom.

SARINA

Let's go. I'll have you back by
midnight for your rest before
tomorrow's round.

They get up and walk to a valet who gets Sarina's Lexus.

INT - ONEALS' RESTAURANT BY LINCOLN CENTER

Jack and Sarina are eating a light meal after watching
Phantom on Broadway.

SARINA

I loved Phantom tonight. It's so
mysterious. She's stalked by a
guy that scares her but for whom
she has some feelings. He falls
for a woman that he can't have.
Raoul's madly in love. There is
so much passion.

JACK

Yea, passion. We all want that
and so few have it.

SARINA

Jack, do you have passion in your
life with Tina?

JACK

Yea, sometimes.

SARINA

Is it enough?

JACK

Enough? Hmmm. I think 'enough'
has more to do with our own
mindset and perception than the
circumstances.

SARINA

Specifically with you and Tina?

JACK

Occasionally we take it up to passionate. But sustaining passion almost ruins it. The fact that it happens every once in a while and blows you away is what makes it so special and good. If it were always passionate that would dissolve into boring and commonplace.

SARINA

So, you have enough passion?

JACK

Yea, I would say that it is enough.

Sarina did not hear his answer, so she leans over very close to him and asks again,

Sorry, I didn't hear that. Do you have enough passion with Tina?

At that moment there is a flash from outside the window. A woman walks away quickly with a large camera and telephoto lens.

SARINA

What was that?

JACK

I don't know. I don't think she was taking our picture, do you?

SARINA

No, I don't think so.

JACK

Well, back to your question. Tina and I have enough passion. Even if we don't have a lot of passion, we have so much that is precious and worth just as much. We have a life together with wonderful kids. It is like a

family portrait painted on glass,
one that could shatter with
carelessness. So we want to be
careful with it and make sure
that nothing shatters that
portrait.

SARINA

I envy that. Good for you. You
are a rare bird. It makes me sad
not to have found you first.

JACK

Thanks. I accept the compliment.

INT - HOME OF TINA'S CHILDREN'S PEDIATRICIAN - DR. SAMS

DR. BRAD SAMS, A FORTY-SOMETHING
PEDIATRICIAN, DIVORCED, HAS BEEN THE
FAMILY PEDIATRICIAN SINCE THE KIDS
WERE BORN, HAS A LOVE INTEREST IN TINA

Tina walks around the side of a mansion and into a
spectacular garden. Dr. Sam's is sitting at a table with
an iced tea in front of him. He sees Tina coming and gets
up to hug her in a cordial but not extremely sexual way.

TINA

Brad, I'm just so overwhelmed
with the needs of my kids
sometimes. They've been sick, out
of school. I have had to take
time off from teaching to nurse
them back to health. Finally, I
asked their nanny to take care of
it and I went back to work. Jack
is gone so much, I just can't
count on him for much help. They
need his presence, his love and
acceptance, but he is absent so
much. Even when he is home, he is
so distracted by the pressures of
his golf career that they get
nothing from him.

DR. SAMS

Have you asked him to take some time off, to skip some events? The best players skip some events for their family. They also take their family with them to see the world and to be together wherever they may be playing.

TINA

Maybe that's partly my fault. I seldom want to travel and take the kids, because I need the identity of my career in teaching here in West Palm Beach.

DR. SAMS

I understand. It must be hard being an extension of his identity and not having enough of your own. That issue contributed to my divorce. After leaving a meaningful career in social work, my ex sat around the pool for a couple years and felt worthless. It finally got to her and she asked for a divorce. She is happy again and has her identity back as a caring, compassionate social worker.

TINA

You have such incredible insight into my issues of identity.

DR. SAMS

I see your issues clearly, My vision is not so clear when it comes to my own life.

TINA

Thanks for your friendship and understanding. I know that you are hoping for more. Maybe there will be more from me someday. I am just not ready to go there right now.

DR. SAMS

I don't want to push you into a place where you don't want to go, but if you want me ... you should know that I am available and willing.

Tina gazes for a few seconds into his eyes with some longing,

That sounds so good. I just can't. Not now.

INT - NYC - SPORTS BAR

Jack is talking with his caddie, Jerry.

JERRY O'NEILL, RUGGED LOOKING
SCOTSMAN, CADDIES FOR JACK.

JACK

Jerry, I turned down a night with Sarina. I'm not goin' there. It's just too complicated. Even though I really wanted to, I just can't do that to my marriage, to my kids.

Jerry nods and comments in a thick Scottish accent,

Good play, Jack! The risk-reward is just too edgy. Better to play the odds. There is just too much to lose, tryin' to score from the rough with Sarina when you have such a good play lyin' in the fairway with Tina.

They both laugh heartily and lift their mugs in a toast to that.

INT - WILLIAMS PALM BEACH HOUSE - A MONTH LATER

Tina sits at her computer looking at a tabloid magazine. She sees a picture of her husband with Sarina in Oneals' Restaurant in New York. Sarina's face is so close to Jack's that she appears to be kissing him. Below the photo is a story about how Sarina and Jack Williams were seen together at 'Phantom' arm in arm and then kissing at

Oneals'. Tina drops her head and starts crying.

After a long flood of tears, Tina says to the nanny,

I'll be back in an hour.

Tina drives away quickly. After several minutes of driving, she pulls into a long driveway at Dr. Sams' estate. A doorman comes out and helps her out of her car. He says,

Good afternoon, Madame. Dr. Sams
is expecting you.

WILSON, DR. SAMS' DOORMAN AND HOUSE
MANAGER, ELDERLY, WHITE MALE

TINA

Good afternoon, Wilson. Thank
you.

Wilson opens the door for her and shows her into a study. He says,

Dr. Sams will be here shortly.

Tina paces around the room until Dr. Sams walks in. He closes the door behind himself. She runs over to him and hugs him and bursts into tears. He asks,

Tina, what's wrong?

After a long pause to regain her composure she says,

A tabloid has accusations that
Jack is having an affair with
Sarina, his investment adviser
from Barclay's.

DR. SAMS

Do you think so?

SARINA

I don't know. He seemed so happy
with me and his family. But he
was also really depressed during
his rehab after the skiing

accident. He might have been looking for someone who gave him the attention and adoration that he needs.

DR. SAMS

Are you going to confront him with it? You know how the tabloids try to make the news by twisting innocent situations.

SARINA

Yes, I want to hear it from him. He may not tell me the truth, but I should give him a chance.

DR. SAMS

What if he is involved with her and wants his freedom? Will you give me a chance to make you happy then?

SARINA

Come on, Brad. Give me a break. I need your understanding and support here. Don't ask me to give away my life with Jack if I haven't already lost it.

DR. SAMS

I'm sorry. You're right.

They hug and Tina walks away quickly. She gets in her car and drives away fast. As she drives, she calls a friend on her cell phone. She says,

Kay, I need to talk. Can you meet me in ten at the pier?

KAY, A WHITE FEMALE FRIEND AND
CONFIDANT OF TINA'S, ABOUT HER AGE

TINA

Thanks. Bye.

EXT - A PIER OVERLOOKING A CAUSEWAY BY WEST PALM BEACH

Tina greets Kay on the pier. They hug and sit down on a bench.

KAY

What are you so upset about?

Tina starts to cry and explains,

An online tabloid has pictures of Jack and Sarina appearin' to be kissin' in a restaurant in Manhattan. I fear that he is havin' an affair with her and that he will leave me.

KAY

Have you suspected their relationship before?

TINA

Yes, they seem to be a lot more friendly than investment adviser and client. His face lights up a bit when she calls. He walks into the other room with the phone. She is glamorous, smart and rich. I can't compete with that. I won't. If he wants out, I will take my half and let him go. He can see his kids but they have to live with me. I get the house. He gets his condo in Orlando.

KAY

Hold on, Tina. Aren't you gettin' a little ahead of yourself? Have you been thinkin' about leavin' him before this?

TINA

Frankly, my pediatrician is the man that I wish Jack would have been. Dr. Sams has been there for me emotionally so many times when

Jack has been away on the Tour. He has done what I had hoped Jack would do for me - be someone who listens to my problems, who cares about how I feel, who shows great interest in me romantically.

KAY

Are you sayin' that you have had - are havin' - an affair with your pediatrician?

TINA

Only in my dreams. I have hugged him and kissed him once, but I have held him off so far - so far.

KAY

Are you playin' with fire? Are you prepared to get burned?

TINA

No, I'll be careful.

INT - WILLIAMS PALM BEACH HOUSE - NEXT MORNING

Jack walks in the door. Tina does not greet him. She is crying and her head is buried in a pillow on the couch.

JACK

You saw the tabloid?

Tina screams,

How could you?!

JACK

Tina, I didn't. That story was totally untrue. I believe the words on my lips at the time of that photo were 'I love my wife.' Sarina leaned forward and asked me to repeat what I said. I repeated it louder so she could

hear me and I said, 'I love my wife.' Sarina's boyfriend - now her ex - kept another woman for a couple years while professin' faithfulness to Sarina. She was shattered. She asked me to go to 'Phantom' with her and dinner afterward as a friend and client. Somewhere during dinner I sensed that she was fishing for whether there was an opportunity for an affair with me. I closed down her fishing expedition by tellin' her that you and I had the kind of passion and family that I would never risk losing with an infidelity.

Tina pauses as she considers his explanation and then says,

I want to believe that. I want it to be true.

JACK

I called my attorney to start the process of filing slander charges against the tabloid.

TINA

Really? You are not in love with Sarina?

JACK

You know that I am fond of her, but I know how to draw the boundaries between adviser and client, between friends. I have never and will never be involved with her in that way. You are the love of my life. I would not want to do anything to ruin what we have.

Tina starts crying and eventually blurts out,

Dr. Sams is waiting in the wings. I have held him off, but he has a

thing for me that is flattering.
Perhaps my distrust of you is
partly my distrust of myself with
him.

Jack looks shocked,

Really? But you have not acted on
this?

TINA

No, I have not been intimate with
him.

JACK

My absence must be really hard on
you at times. It can't be easy
takin' care of three little ones
without my bein' there. It is
more amazing that you have not
taken a lover in my absence than
if you had.

TINA

No, it is not amazing. It is just
the right thing to do for myself,
for you, for the kids. I am sorry
that I let Dr. Sams go anywhere
with his feelings for me. I will
let him know that you and I are
solid again and slam that door
shut.

JACK

I promise to be the husband that
you need if you will give me a
second chance.

TINA

Yes, please give me a second
chance to be the wife that you
need. I want to be there for you
with attention, encouragement and
appreciation.

Jack hugs Tina. They hold on to each other for a long time like they are in danger of losing their hold on each other.

Their nanny arrives in a car with the three children. She gets them out of the car slowly. Tina and Jack stand at the window hugging and watching their three darling children walk into the house. The children run into the room and hug their parents. Kayla cries in delight,

Da - dah! Ma - mah!

Tina and Jack get down on the floor. A celebration of love unfolds in a pileup of kids and parents, hugs and kisses and giggles and tears.

EXT - MAYAKOBA GOLF CLASSIC AT RIVIERA MAYA - CANCÚN - 6 MONTHS LATER

Tina, Jack and their three children play on the beach where Jack first met Sarina. Jack sees Sarina further down the beach and wonders what will happen next. Sarina sees Jack with his family, gets up from her lounge chair and walks toward them. Tina looks up and sees Sarina coming. Tina does not seem upset. Tina pushes the kids off to play so the adults can talk.

Sarina greets Jack and Tina,

Tina, Jack, I have been meaning to call you and tell you that I was planning to be here for my annual trip. Every time I picked up the phone to call you, Tina, I thought maybe you should have some more time to process what happened and to realize that the article was so untrue.

Tina interrupts,

It's OK, Sarina. Jack told me that it was not anything for me to be worried about. I believed him. You and I are fine as far as I am concerned. In fact, I have been really grateful for the way that you have helped our portfolio. Partly because of the article, Jack and I confronted some issues between us that were

driving us apart. We grew closer and more determined to hold onto the precious relationship that we have together.

SARINA

That is so gracious of you, Tina. Jack made a great choice. I heard that you dropped the suit against the tabloid after they agreed to a settlement out of court.

JACK

It was gracious of you to decline any part of the financial settlement in advance.

SARINA

I felt that it was the least I could do after I created the problem by asking you to come to 'Phantom' and dinner. I forgot that paparazzi might try to make something out of nothing.

TINA

How is life going for you?

SARINA

After the Wall Street hustler two-timed me, I landed on my feet. A couple months later I met the man of my dreams and we have been together ever since. He's arriving tomorrow for the weekend. I'll introduce him when he gets here.

TINA

I'm happy for you.

SARINA

Thanks. Well, I want to let you all enjoy the beach together.

Have a great tournament, Jack!

JACK

Thanks, Sarina.

Sarina hesitates a little and then she moves to hug Tina. Tina hugs her for a longer than usual expression of reconciliation. Sarina high-fives Jack and turns to walk away.

TINA

That was a healing moment. I was hoping for some closure on that episode at some point.

JACK

Me too. That was amazing. You were amazing. I don't deserve you!

TINA

You may be right about that, so let's consider it a gift - my incredible love for you.

They laugh and put an arm around each other and walk back toward the kids, who are playing on the beach not far away. As they reach the children, Josh throws a tennis ball to Jack. He catches it and all five become engaged in a game of catch with the ball in the shallow surf and white sand.

INT - HOTEL ROOM - CANCUN

Jack and Tina walk into the living area of their spacious suite, leaving the kids behind in the bedroom asleep. They fix drinks and take them out onto the balcony overlooking the surf crashing on the beach. They sit quietly gazing at a full moon over the ocean.

TINA

What did you see in Sarina that made her so fascinating?

Jack sits quietly for a minute, wondering if the question is the start of a fight or if it is leading to a good

opportunity for positive communication. Then he says,

Ok, I will answer that as long as you know that I am not romantically involved with her nor do I plan to be. I will answer in the interest of improving our marriage. Sarina showed interest in me as a person. I didn't feel like she was just using me to make money. She asked me about my feelings and listened intently to my answers. Our lives get so busy sometimes that we don't really listen to each other. We don't take the time and energy to show interest in each other's lives. I want to do that - give each other the time and attention.

Tina pauses as she thinks about that,

I could do that. You deserve it. I want to be that person for you who cares about how you feel and what you think, who appreciates what you do and say.

JACK

How about Brad? What did he do for you that I could do?

TINA

Ditto on the 'not involved nor ever will be.' Brad tried hard to understand me and my thoughts. I felt that he valued my mind, my commitments to care for people, my career.

JACK

I have always admired your commitments to caring, even though I have acted like they inconvenience me sometimes. However, I should let you know more often that I appreciate your

work and what you do. I can do that.

TINA

We have been lukewarm with each other - maybe because of the anxieties over these other people, but I want to put that behind us. I do trust you. I want us to be the passionate lovers we used to be.

JACK

I have worried that I was not the man you wanted. So, I have held back on my emotions, preparing myself for your rejection.

Tina holds Jack's hands in hers as she looks into his eyes,

You ARE the man I want!

Jack gets teary-eyed and hugs her close and tight,

I love you, too, Tina! You are the woman I want.

EXT - PINEHURST - US OPEN GOLF TOURNAMENT - EIGHTEEN MONTHS LATER

Nick Faldo commenting for USA Network,

Two years ago, the stock of Jack Williams had bottomed out. A wrist injury derailed his career. He missed six cuts in a row after a meteoric climb to fame and fortune as a rookie. That year he plummeted from 20th on the money list to 186th. This year Jack is back in the groove. He credits his family support for the turnaround. His wife Tina and three charming children - two boys and a girl - all under ten - have been his inspiration as they have joined him on the Tour. Here's my interview with him this

morning before the first round of
the US Open.

Jack steps away from the practice tee for an interview.
Nick Faldo says,

Jack, you have regained the form
of your rookie season. You have
said that your family has
inspired your play lately. Tell
us about that.

JACK

My wife, Tina, and my three
children have been travelin' with
me since January. Tina took a
leave from her job as a teacher
so that she could spend more time
with the kids and with me.
They've been my greatest fans.
We've been homeschooling the kids
with a tutor who travels with us.
We tried to make our brief times
together the best in quality
time, but that just wasn't enough
after a while. We needed more
quantity of time together. This
is our plan for more quantity and
quality time. We are all so much
happier lately. Emotionally, I
have been free to play as well as
enjoy my family. You see the
results, Nick.

NICK

Indeed we do, Jack. In a sport
where families have been
shattered by being on the road
for too long, you have found a
way to have it all for them and
for yourself. Hats off to you,
Jack. Good luck today in your
round.

JACK

Thanks, Nick!

THREE DAYS LATER - EXT - PINEHURST - US OPEN GOLF

TOURNAMENT

Gary McCord reports,

Some new young guns on the Tour dominated here and we loved what they did down the stretch to put away all challengers, but you have to give some due credit to Jack Williams for shooting 63 in the final round and coming up one stroke short of a miracle. This guy was counted down and out two years ago, breaking his left wrist while skiing. He came back to life this year, given new life by the company and support of his wife and three children on the Tour. Jack Williams - came back from the dead two years ago to rise to the top with the elites in the game today in the US Open. Jack takes home a million dollars for his deserving supportive family today. He also takes home the pride of putting on one of the greatest charges in US Open history - a charge that almost caught the leaders from 8 strokes back on the final day. Jack succeeded in leaving a mark on history and in our hearts. Jack took a mulligan in his young career and used it well.

EXT -WILLIAMS WEST PALM BEACH HOME - AFTERNOON NEXT DAY

Jack and his family are all swimming in the pool together. Friends have gathered to celebrate with them. It is a big party at the Williams house. Parents and friends lift toasts. The crowd is loud and happy. Jack and Tina are having a great time.

Jack raises a glass,

I want to thank everyone who has supported us, especially with child care and carpools. This was a team effort. Way to go, team!

INT -WILLIAMS WEST PALM BEACH HOME - HOURS LATER AND
AFTER DARK

Tina and Jack are lying in bed, watching network reporting of the US Open and recounting the story of Jack's charge. Tina leans in to Jack and pats him on the chest. She says,

I am so proud of you!

JACK

Thanks, Hun! I couldn't have done anything without you this year.

TINA

I hope this isn't a bad time to bring this up, but I want to go back to teachin' and put the kids in school in the fall. It was so wonderful to be with you on Tour this year, but I am road-weary. I need my career back for my own identity. The kids need a social life and friends. Would you mind if we didn't stay on the Tour after the PGA?

Jack pauses for a while,

What you did for me on Tour this year so far has been remarkable. I will never forget it, but I could not expect you to keep up that intensity, the rootlessness and the hotel routine. It's the part I don't like, so I totally understand your wanting to get off this train. I have to do it, but you don't. I know that you want to feel like you are contributing to the improvement of the world, not just through raising kids but through your work with other kids as well. Do what you need to do for your happiness and for the kids' wellbeing.

TINA

Thanks, Jack! I knew that you'd understand. During my school vacations I still want to be there on Tour occasionally - for the BIG ones - to support you and be your biggest fan.

TINA'S KITCHEN - TWO MONTHS LATER

Tina and Kay are talking in Tina's kitchen while their children are playing in the yard outside. After a time of watching the fun and frolicking of the kids, the conversation in the kitchen grows serious.

KAY

When Tom was away for six weeks on the European Tour recently, he called one day and told me that he had spent a night with another woman. While he said that it was a one-night stand, he wanted to prepare me for a media expose' in a European tabloid.

TINA

No! I hadn't heard anything about it yet. What did you do!

KAY

I went to pieces. I threatened him. I screamed! I threw a set of his golf clubs into the pool!

TINA

Did you feel better after that?

KAY

No, I cried for hours. My mother came over for a couple days and helped me with the kids.

TINA

Are you gonna stay with him or leave?

KAY

We're gonna work on it, but he agreed to let us buy a condo for me and the kids - or him - as an escape route if we need it - if we decide to separate.

TINA

When the Tiger-Elin volcano erupted, I was more paranoid than ever that Jack might be cheating on me. He has so much time on his hands when he is away on the Tour. There are just so many women out there looking to take advantage of his money. Now it is even closer to where I live with your news. I don't think I could stay if Jack strayed.

KAY

If Tom had no money, I would leave in a minute. But Tom's given us a good life with his earnings on the Tour. On the other hand, a divorce would still leave us with plenty of money. But, then there's the kids. We wouldn't be the first troubled marriage to stay together for the kids. Oh, I'm so confused. I don't know what to do.

TINA

If there's fighting and unhappiness, the kids might be better off with a divorce, right?

KAY

Well, that's just the thing. We don't fight. Neither of us does anything to provoke the other when we are together. But we are both a bit overwhelmed with loneliness caused by the travel and distance of the Tour. Our

problem is that we just don't talk to each other even when he is home. He seems depressed not to be in the limelight, not to be with his buddies, not to be with - is it other women? I don't know. He just mopes at home.

TINA

Tell me about it. I'm there.

KAY

How do you handle the loneliness?

TINA

I used to run to my pediatrician friend, but that was just too loaded with danger. Instead, now I try to stay involved in my job, my kids, workin' out, doin' things that I enjoy.

KAY

You don't miss him and get all depressed about bein' alone and Jack bein' away?

TINA

Sure, sometimes.

INT - HOTEL ROOM - ST. ANDREWS, SCOTLAND - A MONTH LATER

Jack is talking on the phone with Tina. She is crying as she says,

I really miss you, Jack! I wish we could have come with you. Camp for the kids was the highlight of their summer. It's just too bad that it had to be the same week as the Open.

JACK

I miss you all. The weather has been miserable this year - rain,

wind, cold. You're not missing much here. I just sleep when I am not on the course or practice tee. The brutal weather takes a lot out of me. I'm gettin' a cold too from the dampness and that doesn't help my energy level. It would be great to sit around a cozy fire with you anywhere instead of being alone in my room. It's hard to whine in Hawaii, but it's easy in these conditions.

TINA

Kayla cried herself to sleep last night. A friend told her that her parents were getting divorced because her daddy was never home. She asked if we were getting divorced. I reassured her that we were not goin' there but she didn't seem to believe me.

JACK

That's so sad. It breaks my heart.

TINA

I'm sorry to lay this on you. I know you need all the support you can get to play your best.

JACK

It won't always be like this. I don't have to play every week. You all can join me for a couple events this summer - maybe the PGA and the first Hawaii event. We can all make a winter vacation of it.

TINA

That still leaves a lot of time apart when your kids are changing almost every day.

JACK

You're right. I need to be there more. I wanna be there.

INT - GOLF CHANNEL STUDIO

Brandel Chamblee is on the air doing a commentary,

There is indeed a crisis on the men's tour. The divorce rate has increased in the last few years. Scandal has rocked the golf world repeatedly. I think that times and values have changed and golf is suffering because of it. Here are some factors: the Tour season is longer, the events are further away than ever, more money means more potential for temptations and being downright spoiled, players are younger and less mature, values are changing for the worse, the media is more interested in following players into private places they never did before. Temptations have increased as moral values have been eroded in the society in general. Men are away from their families for longer periods of time with more time on their hands. That is no excuse for what we are seeing, but it does point out some of the new challenges facing players today. What is the solution to the crisis? Our expectations of players may have to be adjusted downward. In golf, there have been expectations that it is a moral gentleman's - lady's game. Football, basketball and baseball have not had such high moral standards as in golf. I certainly would like to see higher moral standards than we have been witnessing from some, but I also think the public, the fans need to keep their eye on the ball - on the field of play -

and stay out of the personal problems of the players. Sure, the players are role models and they should be good examples. The loss of advertising dollars will eventually keep the moral offenders in line. The loss of concentration while playing will eventually teach players that they cannot do anything they like in their personal lives and still have good focus on the course. We have to clean up the image of players. Players have to clean up their act for the good of the game, for themselves, for their families.

EXT - PEBBLE BEACH - US OPEN - NINE MONTHS LATER

Jack hits a drive on the eighteenth tee. It crosses the ocean, the sea wall, the sand and the rocks and lands a few feet onto the fairway. Crowds lining the fairway applaud. A seal barks and flaps a flipper. The waves crash.

Nick Faldo reporting,

That was a close one with the game on the line. Jack showed courage going for the best but bravest line to be in a position to reach the green in two. He barely made it, but he is sittin' pretty with a good chance to win. Birdie takes the prize and he has an easy shot at birdie from there.

Jack arrives at his ball, throws some grass into the air. The grass flies toward the green. Jack smiles. He puts a club back into his bag. His caddie hands him another club - a three iron.

Fans surround the fairway and the green. Jack asks his caddie,

Three?

His caddie shakes his head up and down slowly in affirmation.

Nick Faldo comments,

Jack is tied with Rich Beem, who finished with a 67 and who is on the practice tee staying warm in case there is a playoff. JACK and Rich are good friends. This must be hard for both of them. Let's check in with Rich.

Roger Maltbie interviews Rich Beem,

Rich, your buddy is on eighteen with a birdie to win or a par to tie. He found the fairway with his drive. You are stayin' ready in case of a playoff?

Rich Beem laughs,

Jack has the guts to pull off a birdie under the pressure. I'm puttin' my money on him to win. Just in case, I'm ready to play him if he pars instead.

ROGER MALTBIE

Rich, would it be hard to play against your friend for the money and title?

Beem laughs more heartily,

We play for chump change a lot. This is a lot more than we ever put on the table. I propose that we split first and second money and he can pick it up right now. Somebody give him my offer.

ROGER MALTBIE

There you have Rich's offer, Nick. Do you want to tell Jack ?

Nick Faldo laughs,

Bill Murray has volunteered to go out and tell Jack, but we have

called security to put the cuffs
on Murray until this one is over.
Let's just see how it plays out.

Jack hits the shot. After what seems like an endless flight, the ball lands on the front fringe and rolls to the middle of the green, about twenty feet from the pin that is tucked dangerously close to the back left corner of the green.

ROGER MALTBIE

Rich, we didn't get to Jack in time. Sorry. Looks like he has two putts to win.

RICH

That's my buddy. I taught him everything he knows. I want to be greenside to encourage him. Let me get my foghorn.

Rich walks quickly from the interview on the practice tee to a cart and then to the eighteenth to join the crowd there.

Crowds fill the stands. Faces watch intently.

Jack hits the putt. It stops two inches below the hole. He walks slowly to the ball, looks over at his wife, Tina, smiles for a few seconds and taps it in to win the US Open. He blows a kiss to Tina. She runs out to hug him as he comes off the green. His three children run out and grab him around the knees. Jack kneels down and hugs them all together.

NICK FALDO

Very touching. What a family man! Jack has won ten times on the Tour, but that is his first Major. What a gutty performance, seven under in some tough conditions! He trailed by four going into this final round, closed in on the leaders coming down the back nine and finished with a birdie on the famous eighteenth. This is the pinnacle

of his career so far.

INT - RESTAURANT AT THE LODGE AT PEBBLE BEACH - THREE HOURS LATER

Jack is having dinner with his family. Moonlight bathes the course and a spectacular view of the surf as the tide is at its highest. Waves crash against the sea wall by the eighteenth. A man is sitting on the sea wall and the waves appear to be hitting him occasionally. Jack comments,

Did you see that man sitting on the sea wall?

Tina looks out the window. There is no one there. She says,

Where?

Jack looks out again and sees the man. He says,

Right there. By the bunker, by the left side of the bunker.

Tina looks out again and she does not see any man there. She says,

You must be seein' things, Jack.

Jack shakes his head, looks out again and the man is gone.

JACK

Maybe, but I was sure there was a man sitting there a second ago.

INT - WILLIAMS ROOM AT THE LODGE AT PEBBLE BEACH

Jack tucks his kids into bed, kissing them goodnight. He walks out of the room and out onto the eighteenth fairway in the moonlight and toward the mysterious man who is now sitting on the sea wall again. He sits down next to the man,

I feel like I have seen you here before. Do I know you?

The man replies in the slow, emotionless Southern accent and voice of Bobby Jones,

Bobby Jones - you've seen my videos on YouTube - 'How to Play Golf.'

Jack asks with a wry smile,

Don't angels have wings?

BOBBY

Only in fairy tales.

JACK

Oh, so this is real life?

Bobby laughs,

Good one. Here's the deal. Your great great grandfather, Jack the first, sat here with me thirty years ago. I told him that he could have a second life to live as a Golf Tour pro since he had been so faithful as a minister in spite of his dream to be on the Tour. He wanted a second chance to be faithful to the love of his life, instead of betraying her with another woman. You are living out his second chance. I told him that he would get his memories back at some point when I thought that he/you were ready. The time has come because you are facing the biggest issue of his life - being a good husband and father rather than throwing it away with infidelity. What I didn't tell him then was that the length of his second chance time would be limited to when he became a star and his dream came true and he faced the challenges of temptation with other women and triumphed over them. Well, his dream came true today with his/your victory in the US Open. You did not make the same mistake of having an affair that would have undermined your marriage and

devastated your children. The plan was to take him back to Heaven when these things were fulfilled.

Jack looks at him in disbelief with his mouth open and finally interrupts,

Are you sayin' that I'm gonna die and go to Heaven now for good?

BOBBY

Well, that's the funny thing. If you walk away from the Tour and tell the world that you have done it for your family, your part of the deal is fulfilled. A decision now to put your family's wellbeing before your personal fame can change things. I got the job of working with you and your great great grandfather because I walked away from golf at the top of my game for my family. The boss didn't want to pull the plug on this project because you could become a role model for others and their family like I was. Now it's bigger than you. Now it's about teaching others about priorities and family - about really caring for those you love.

Jack looks pleased,

I'm NOT gonna die soon?

Bobby pats Jack on the back,

Not if you agree to this new plan. You get to keep on playin' - 'playin' the good dad and husband. You'll get another chance at being there for Tina and the kids. Or, you could have a sudden heart attack and go out a sports hero known for winning the US Open. You choose.

JACK

Is this like one of those deals
with the Devil?

Bobby acts indignant but still flat emotionally.

Please, I don't work for the
Devil. People bargain with God
all the time. It's just that
we're tryin' to be a little more
proactive these days and initiate
deals that work more in God's
favor to bring good things to
life. So, are you in?

JACK

Frankly, I have hit the top. The
rest would just be icing. I have
missed my family and they have
missed me. People may think that
I am crazy, but it will certainly
get their attention and make them
think about THEIR family. OK, I'm
in.

Bobby smiles and shakes Jack's hand,

It's a deal.

JACK

Before you go, one last question.
When did you decide to offer me
this deal? What was it that
pushed the issue over the edge
about my family?

BOBBY

It was a night when you were
playing in Shanghai. Your kids
saw you on TV. Your daughter,
Kayla, went up to the TV and
touched your image and started
crying because she missed you so
much. Then she kissed your image
on the TV. That just broke the
Boss' heart. She's kinda
sensitive like that.

A big rogue wave rolls in to spray Jack. When the water

subsides, Bobby is gone.

MONDAY AM - GOLF CHANNEL

Gary McCord reporting for the Golf Channel in his hyper-comedic style,

Jack Williams fans, sit down for this. After winning the US Open, Jack is goin' home - home to stay. Not since Bobby Jones retired from golf at a young age to please his wife has golf seen a player retire at the height of his career at such a young age to please his wife. Not since Annika Sorenstam retired to have a family has a major golf star hung it up at the top to be with their family. Not since Phil Mickelson passed up the British Open for his wife's health crisis has a player been so public about his affection for his wife and touched our hearts so deeply. Not since Tiger left the Tour indefinitely to try to right his wrongs, has anyone been so public about trying to be a better man. Here's Jack's announcement.

Jack stands before several microphones,

I called you here this morning at the eighteenth green at Pebble Beach to share some news with you. Golf has been very good to me. My fans have been tremendous. I hate to let anyone down. Most of all, I don't want to let my kids down or my wife, Tina. I have been on the road way too much for a father with three young children. The Tour has taken me away for too long and too often - too far away from Tina and my kids. I realized that this year at the Open at St. Andrews when I missed them and they missed me so much. In a

culture where divorce is as common as buying new cars, I don't want to lose what Tina and I have created together. My childhood dream was to climb to the top of competitive golf. The US Open was the very top of a long journey. My dream has been realized. Now I want to make some dreams come true for others through the First Tee program. I want to help my family realize some of their dreams - especially the dream to have a father and husband who loves them. Whatever I do in golf will allow me to be home when my kids get out of school every day. I am leaving the Tour - indefinitely. I hope my decision will inspire others. There comes a time when you don't need any more money, any more fame, any more attention to be happy. There comes a time when the needs of others become more important than your own exploits.

Jack pauses as he gets emotional and cannot continue. Tears appear and his voice cracks. He manages to finish with the words,

Thanks for the memories. I will miss you too.

Gary McCord concludes,

That's it for the Champion - the winner of this year's US Open! Wow! It takes a big man to walk away at the top, to walk away for his family!

EXT - WILLIAMS HOME - WEST PALM BEACH - A FEW MONTHS LATER

Jack is sitting on the grass by the pool in his backyard. He turns to see his kids and Tina running toward him with water balloons. Jack rolls back on the grass to take

several balloons that explode on him. They all fall together on the ground in a heap of loving arms and legs to smother Jack. Tina piles on.

THE END