

TEAM SNOWY

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FADE IN:

INT. A LOG HOME - CHRISTMAS DAY

ADAM, a 10-year old boy, unwraps presents given him by his 30-something parents, SAM and ANNIE.

Wrapping paper and toys lie all around. He unwraps his last present. He holds up a video game. Adam speaks with a stutter.

ADAM

"I-dit-a-rod."

SAM

"Iditarod," Adam. The greatest sled dog race in the world, over 1,000 miles. Hair-raising adventures every day. Or in this case, on every level.

ADAM

(Disappointed)

Thanks. This has been a...good... Christmas.

ANNIE

(Aside, to SAM)

See, I told you electronic dogs weren't the same...

Adam's eyes widen with anticipation.

SAM

Wait a minute, it's not over...We have one more present for you that was too big to fit under the tree.

ANNIE

Go look in the family room.

Adam runs into the family room, followed by Sam & Annie.

A big rectangular PACKAGE sits in the middle of the room. It's wrapped in a bow and wrapping paper. Adam tears the wrapping paper off eagerly.

A DOG CRATE. Inside the crate sits a white, fluffy, ball-of-fur SAMOYED PUPPY.

ADAM

A puppy! A puppy! Thanks, you guys!

He takes the puppy out and rocks it in his arms.

ADAM

He's so cute! What kind is he?

SAM

It's a she, and she's a Samoyed, Adam. They're sled dogs and rescue dogs when they grow up. They're also great snow dogs.

ANNIE

They're known for their smiling faces. You're right, he's cute as a bunny waggle.

The parents gather around and everyone pets the puppy. The puppy licks Adam's face as he laughs with glee.

ADAM

What's her name?

SAM

Whatever you want it to be.

ANNIE

That's right, she's yours...You get to name her.

ADAM

Since they're great snow dogs, I'm going to name her, Snowy.

SAM

Snowy, I like it. Welcome to the Johnson household, Snowy.

ADAM

You guys are the best!

The Johnson's hug and also pet Snowy.

They break. Adam puts Snowy down.

ADAM

C'mon Snowy, let me show you your new home!

Adam runs out, Snowy following.

Sam & Annie look at each other warmly. They hug. Tears form in Annie's eyes.

ANNIE

He's so happy...

SAM

How are you doing?

ANNIE

Oh...I'm fine...Since Adam couldn't have a brother or sister, I'm glad he's got someone to play with. Adam was becoming so withdrawn, being so lonely.

Sam brushes back Annie's hair and wipes a tear from her cheeks.

SAM

We tried everything.

ANNIE

I know. It just wasn't meant to be.

SAM

I think we did pretty well with
Snowy.

ANNIE

He is cute...

SAM

Come on, let's catch up with them.

Sam and Annie walk arm-in-arm out of the room.

A MONTAGE:

Snowy chewing Adam's slippers.

Snowy & Adam zip down a hill in a snow-tube while the
parents watch.

Adam snow-tubes while Snowy runs alongside.

The whole family zips down a hill in a snow-tube
together.

Adam falls out of the tube and Snowy licks his face.

Snowy swims in a creek. Adam gets soaked while Snowy
shakes off the water.

An adolescent Snowy carries a pack on a fall hike
through golden aspens. Adam, Sam & Annie hike along
behind.

END OF MONTAGE

<<FADE OUT>>

FADE IN:

INT. ADAM'S ROOM - A FALL EVENING.

Adam sleeps. The adolescent Snowy sleeps on the side of
Adam's bed.

AN OPEN WINDOW. Outside, the aspens leaves quake in the wind.

The leaves quake a little more. Snowy awakens, alert.

A luminescent human-like figure, an ANGEL, glows outside the window. Snowy snurfs as it enters Adam's bedroom.

The angel reaches out and touches Snowy. Snowy glows while the angel touches him.

The angel reaches its hand back. It disappears.

INT. ADAM'S BEDROOM - EARLY MORNING, THE NEXT DAY.

Adam awakens. He's sleepy and cold.

ADAM

Brrr, it got cold last night.
Close that window, would you,
Snowy?

SNOWY

OK.

Snowy pushes the window shut with his paw.

SNOWY

There you go, Adam.

ADAM

(Sleepy)

Thanks...

Adam rolls over on his pillow. Suddenly he realizes what he just heard. He bolts upright in his bed.

ADAM

What?! What did you say?

SNOWY

I said, "There you go, Adam." But

no need to thank me, closing the window is my job.

Adam jumps out of bed.

ADAM

Holy cow!

He kneels next to Snowy and puts a hand on his neck.

ADAM

Say something else.

SNOWY

What would you like me to say?

ADAM

Holy cow! Holy cow!

SNOWY

I'm a dog, actually.

ADAM

Holy cow! Holy cow! I mean, what a dog, what a dog!

SNOWY

Thank you.

FOOTSTEPS on the stairway.

ANNIE

Adam, time to get up.

Annie peeks her head into Adam's bedroom.

ADAM

I'm up, Mom. And guess what, Snowy can talk!

ANNIE

You mean, "speak," don't you, Adam? Yes, I know, you taught her how.

ADAM

No, I mean talk, mom! Watch this!
Snowy, talk!

Snowy barks.

ADAM

No, Snowy, talk, like you just did
to me! Say, "I'm a dog,
actually."

Snowy barks.

ANNIE

Nice try, champ, but no biscuit.
Now get ready for school.

Annie leaves and closes the door behind her.

ADAM

Oh, thanks a lot, Snowy, you made
me look like an idiot!

SNOWY

I didn't mean to...champ. Heh,
heh, heh, champ.

ADAM

Snowy! I'm not an idiot, I wasn't
dreaming, you can talk!

SNOWY

But not to your mom, it seems.

ADAM

Just to me. What happened?

SNOWY

I don't know. Something came into
your room last night. Then
everything changed.

ADAM

(Excited)
Wow, I could put you in the
circus! I could make a fortune!

Oh, wait a minute, nobody else can
hear you. Darn! What good are
you?

SNOWY
Hey! How many kids have a talking
dog?

ADAM
Oh, sorry Snowy. OK, it's just
you and me, then. Our little
secret.

Adam hugs Snowy.

<<FADE OUT>>

FADE IN:

INT. THE JOHNSON'S HOME - THE NEXT CHRISTMAS.

Snow falls outside.

The JOHNSON'S open presents in their living room.
Ribbons and packaging from already-opened packages lie
around. A grown Snowy chews up some, evoking laughter
and "No's!" from the Johnson's.

ADAM
Wow, dad, I think Snowy got almost
as many presents as me.

SAM
And she gets one more. Open that
one in the back.

Adam unwraps a barrel-shaped package.

ADAM

Wow, dad, what is it?

SAM

It's a rescue barrel. Rescue dogs wear these around their necks.

Adam figures out the collar. He puts it on Snowy.

ADAM

Oh yeah, I've heard of these. They carry brandy, right?

ANNIE

(Laughs)

I think we'll just have Snowy carry hot chocolate, Adam.

ADAM

Awww... How do you like it, Snowy?

Snowy barks approval. She looks at herself in a mirror and barks.

Snowy runs into Adam's bedroom. Adam runs behind.

ANNIE

Nice to have his stutter gone, eh?

SAM

Snowy's been really good for him. He's more confident in school, too. I think I'll text his doctor and tell him...

ANNIE

Sam! Put that thing away! Come on...

She leads Sam by the hand down the hallway. In Adam's bedroom, Snowy admires herself in Adam's closet mirror.

SNOWY

No brandy? What a bummer.

The Johnson's come around the corner and peek in. Adam laughs and hugs Snowy.

<<FADE OUT>>

FADE IN:

EXT. A MOUNTAIN TRAIL - LATER THAT WINTER.

Sam & Annie cross-country ski through trees in the high country. Snowy walks along with them. She's carrying her barrel and her pack. She high-steps in pink booties.

They stop at the edge of the trees. A field of snow glistens ahead of them on the side of the mountain.

ANNIE

(Winded)

Whew! Nice day, though.

SAM

Yep, it's nice to get off during the week once in a while.

ANNIE

You said it. Especially on a fresh powder day.

SAM

And with Snowy to carry a few pounds for us.

Annie pets Snowy.

ANNIE

She's got champion bloodlines. The breeder says her puppies will be worth a fortune.

SAM

What about Adam? Don't you think we should tell him?

ANNIE

Happiness is a lapful of puppies.
He'll be fine.

SAM

One dog was good for him. More
should be great.

ANNIE

The shelter's just on the other
side of this clearing. Say, with
fresh powder, what do you think of
the avalanche danger today?

SAM

I'm prepared. I've got the latest
"Team Techno" technology in my
pack.

He pats her pack.

ANNIE

You and your damned technology.
You should be named, "Professor
Gadget."

SAM

I represent that statement. What
do you say, old gal, race to the
shelter?

ANNIE

Old gal? Just because I'm sucking
a little wind? Tell you what,
last one there's a rotten egg!

She skis out across the clearing.

SAM

You're on!

He skis across the clearing. Snowy stays behind and
barks.

The snow rumbles on the mountain above them. The snow crumples and an avalanche forms. The avalanche gains size and momentum.

Snowy barks, faster and louder. Sam and Annie hear her and turn to look back. They hear the avalanche and see it bearing down on them.

Panicked, they ski back towards Snowy. They only make it part of the way back when the avalanche sweeps them away.

Snowy races downhill through the trees. When the avalanche is over, she cuts diagonally to the clearing. She sniffs the air. She takes off across the snow field.

She reaches a spot where she sniffs the snow. She digs feverishly. Annie's head appears. She gasps for breath. Snowy next digs out Sam, and he too, gasps for breath.

ANNIE

(Breathless)

Good boy, Snowy! Now dig us out of here!

SAM

(Breathless)

Dig you out...My back is broken.

ANNIE

Ohmigawd! Sam, sit still, don't move, you could paralyze yourself.

Snowy, stop digging.

Snowy obeys and sits.

ANNIE

Snowy, go get help. Go get Adam, Snowy.

Snowy barks and runs off.

ANNIE

Hang in there, old boy...Stay with me.

Snowy races through the trees. She runs through the trailhead and the parking area and down the access road.

A SIGN: "NEDERLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL." Snowy rushes in. She sniffs out Adam's classroom and scratches at the door.

A female TEACHER, MISS CRABTREE, opens the door and Snowy rushes in.

CRABTREE

Eek! You dog, you go on, you get out of here!

ADAM

Snowy! What's wrong, girl? Where are mom & dad?

Snowy barks. Adam hears her in English.

SNOWY

It's your folks. They're caught in an avalanche.

ADAM

Really, girl? Miss Crabtree, I've got to go...My mom and dad are in trouble!

He and Snowy rush out. Miss Crabtree bustles behind. The students run out as well.

CRABTREE

Now Adam, how can you know that? Adam, you come back here...!

Adam runs by the school's middle-aged Native American

security guard, MISTER NIGHTHORSE.

ADAM

Mister Nighthorse, call 9-1-1! My
mom and dad are caught in an
avalanche!

NIGHTHORSE

They are? Where?!

Snowy barks.

ADAM

The Fourth of July Trailhead.

Miss Crabtree and the class catch up with them.

CRABTREE

He just ran out of the classroom
with his dog, Mister Nighthorse,
concocting this big story.

NIGHTHORSE

I don't know, Miss Crabtree, he's
pretty specific about it...

I can't take a chance. OK, son,
let's go in my jeep. I'll call
mountain rescue. Come on!

Nighthorse, Adam and Snowy dash off to Nighthorse's
jeep. They get in and careen off. Nighthorse starts
the siren and lights. The schoolkids cheer and jump up
and down.

EXT. THE 4TH OF JULY TRAILHEAD, Minutes later.

Nighthorse, Adam and Snowy speed up in Nighthorse's jeep
to the trailhead. They get out.

Nighthorse speaks into his radio.

NIGHTHORSE

OK, we're heading out, follow us
when you get here. We'll mark our
trail with red surveyor's tape.

Snowy barks.

ADAM

OK, Snowy, lead us to them.

Snowy dashes off down the trail. Nighthorse and Adam
follow Snowy.

They leave the trail and race through the trees.
Nighthorse ties red surveyor's tape to a branch. As he
walks on, he ties another, then another. He lags behind
the others but he continues to follow Snowy's barking.

Nighthorse gains the clearing. Snowy and Adam stand
near Sam & Annie's heads and shoulders. Snowy barks.

NIGHTHORSE

(Incredulous)

Well, I'll be a reservation hag...

Nighthorse tromps out through the snow. He takes out
his radio and speaks into it.

NIGHTHORSE

We've found them! Follow the red
tape!

(To the others)

They'll be here in a few minutes.
Are you two OK?

ANNIE

(Weakly)

I'm cold, but OK. Sam's got a
broken back.

NIGHTHORSE

Hang in there, Sam. Mountain
Rescue's coming with splints and
stretchers.

Adam unloosens the cask from around Snowy's neck.

ADAM

Here, have some hot chocolate.

Adam holds the cask for Annie, then for Sam. They drink.

SAM

(Weakly)

Adam, how did you know?

ADAM

Snowy told me. She came to school and told me.

ANNIE

Now Adam, you know Lassie and Mister Ed were just TV shows, right?

ADAM

Who? Never seen them. But Snowy must have, 'cause she came and got me.

A helicopter chuffs over the ridge just as the Mountain Rescue Team bursts through the clearing. They start digging, feverishly. The helicopter lands.

SAM

See, I told you technology would save us...My avalanche beacon called in that chopper.

Snowy barks at Sam and then slurps him on the face. The others laugh.

<<FADE OUT>>

FADE IN:

INT. THE JOHNSON'S FAMILY ROOM, AFTERNOON A WEEK LATER.

Sam rests in bed in a torso cast. He has a side table with the TV remote and telephone on it.

Snowy barks (O.S.). Adam, with Snowy following, enters the family room and throws his school backpack on a chair.

ADAM

Hi, dad. How are you feeling?

SAM

Hey, there's the young hero. A lot better, Adam. How was school?

ADAM

Pretty cool. Kids still ask me for autographs.

SAM

Hey, that's an idea. How about signing my cast?

ADAM

OK.

Adam gets a sharpie out of his backpack. He signs Sam's cast. Sam looks at it.

SAM

"Adam and Snowy." Thanks, I got signed by two heroes.

Snowy barks approval.

SAM

Adam, come here.

Adam sits on Sam's bed.

SAM

I've been talking to Mister Nighthorse, and he told me what a

remarkable rescue that was. Snowy not only found us and dug us out, she found you and led you and the Mountain Rescue Team to us. That's pretty remarkable.

ADAM

Snowy's the smartest and best dog in the whole world.

Adam hugs Snowy.

SAM

You know, Adam, I've been thinking...You and Snowy have such a close bond, I think you could be an avalanche rescue team.

ADAM

(Excited)

Really? That'd be cool! I liked rescuing you and mom.

SAM

There are dozens of avalanche rescues in these mountains every winter. You and Snowy could be a big help.

ADAM

(To Snowy)

What do you think, Snowy?

Snowy barks her approval.

Annie enters. She nods approval.

SAM

Then it's unanimous. I've already talked to Mountain Rescue. They say they'd love to have you.

Adam hugs Sam's neck.

ADAM

(To Snowy)

Thanks, dad...This'll be awesome!

SAM

You'll have to have adults with you...Your mom and me, when I'm up and around, or the Mountain Rescue Team. We both have the latest technology. "Team Techno" keeps coming up with new stuff.

Snowy growls.

ADAM

Snowy's nose is all the technology I need, dad. She's awesome.

SAM

Her nose plus technology, that's the deal, sport. Take it or leave it.

ADAM

I'll take it. I think us Johnsons should be, "Team Snowy."

SAM

Team Snowy? I like it...To Team Snowy!

They all put their hands in the middle and Snowy adds a paw.

ALL

To Team Snowy!

Snowy barks approval.

EXT. A TWO-LANE BLACKTOP MOUNTAIN ROAD - A SUMMER DAY

The Johnson's cabin. The snowcapped Indian Peaks shimmer on the horizon.

Adam walks out with Snowy. Snowy heels to the left of Adam. Snowy wears a skijor harness, Adam a skijor belt, a helmet, and knee and elbow pads. Adam carries the bungee to tether him to Snowy. He also carries rollerblades.

They walk to the paved road in front of their house.

ADAM

Ready to start training, girl?

SNOWY

You betcha, Adam.

ADAM

It's going to be tough.

SNOWY

No pain, no gain, Master.

ADAM

We're going to summit Mount Thorodin today, girl.

SNOWY

Bring it on.

Adam pets Snowy.

ADAM

Atta girl. OK, sit.

Snowy sits. Adam gets out of his shoes and into the rollerblades. He hooks the bungee to Snowy.

ADAM

Snowy, hike!

Snowy runs up the road, towing Adam.

ADAM

Woohoo!

The mountain road is curvy. Snowy & Adam scream around curves. Neighbors wave and Adam waves back.

ADAM

Woohoo!

A SIGN: "MOUNT THORODIN ROAD." Snowy & Adam start the climb up the steep grade. Snowy's tongue hangs out.

ADAM

You OK, girl?

SNOWY

Still good to go, Adam. They don't call us working dogs for nothing.

Snowy labors as she pulls Adam up the steep grade.

A SIGN: "MOUNT THORODIN SUMMIT, ½ MILE."

Snowy leans into her harness.

ADAM

Come on, girl, you can make it.

A SIGN: "MOUNT THORODIN, ELEVATION 10,643'"

Snowy pulls Adam down a paved trail.

A SIGN: "SCENIC OVERLOOK"

ADAM

Whoa!

Snowy stops. Adam unhooks himself from her.

Snowy pants hard, but smiles from ear to ear. Adam hugs her.

ADAM

You did it, girl, you made it!

SNOWY

(Panting)
Was there ever any doubt? Piece
o' cake.

Adam leans on the rock wall of the scenic overlook.
Snowy gets up on her front paws next to him. The
snowcapped Rocky Mountains stretch the entire length of
the horizon.

ADAM
That's it, girl, that's where
you're going to make history this
winter.

SNOWY
To a Sammie, that's a playground.
I'll own those mountains.

ADAM
Right now, we'd better get home.
Mom will be putting supper on
soon.

SNOWY
Now you're talking! Last one down
is a polecat!

Snowy takes off running. Adam rollerblades right behind
her.

INT. THE LAIR OF "TEAM TECHNO" - NIGHT

A laboratory/surgery room/assembly line. Experiments
bubble in test tubes, dials and gauges spin, and
products move along an assembly line conveyor belt and
out of sight.

FRANZ works at an experiment. KLAUS bends over a small
form under a blanket on a surgery table. Both are
heavy-set, pasty-faced middle-aged scientists,
reminiscent of "Tweedledum & Tweedledee."

FRANZ walks over to KLAUS' surgery table.

FRANZ

So Klaus, how did ze surgery go?

KLAUS

Excellent, Franz. I haf implanted your chip into ze brain of ziss doberman. All vital signs look good.

FRANZ

Excellent indeed, Klaus. Viss any luck, our breed of techno super-dogs will be on ze market soon.

KLAUS

Ja, ze international terror market.

BOTH

(Evil laughs)

Ha ha ha ha ha!

FRANZ

Homeland Security will never suspect dogs, Klaus.

KLAUS

Ja, I know. Und not just any dogs, a superior breed of dogs. Strong!

FRANZ

Ja, und capable of carrying poison gas bombs...

KLAUS

...Und opening zem on command...

FRANZ

...All ze vile funded by our sale of techno gadgets for ze hunds.

KLAUS

Ja, sales are excellent, mein
freund. All over ze world, our
avalanche recovery units are sold
out.

FRANZ

Soon, zeir dogs will be outdated.
Und our technology will replace
zem...

KLAUS

...All ze vile funding our super
terror dogs!

BOTH

(Evil laughs)

Ha ha ha ha ha!

They walk away from the operating table. They belly
bump into each other.

FRANZ

Klaus! You fool!

KLAUS

Sorry, *mein kapitan*.

They belly bump into each other again.

BOTH

(Evil laughs)

Ha ha ha ha ha!

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Adam. Snowy wears a skijor harness, Adam a skijor belt,

a helmet, and knee and elbow pads. Adam carries the bungee to tether him to Snowy. He also carries rollerblades.

Sam & Annie walk out behind them. They're also carrying bungees, helmets, and knee and elbow pads.

They walk to the paved road in front of their house.

ADAM

She can do it, dad, mom...I tell you, she can do it.

ANNIE

All three of us? Are you sure?

ADAM

We've been training hard all summer. She can do it. I want to show you.

Snowy barks.

ADAM

See? She says she can do it.

SAM

Well, we'll never know 'til we try. Let's do it.

Adam pets Snowy.

ADAM

OK, girl, sit.

Snowy sits. Adam gets out of his shoes and into the rollerblades. He hooks the bungee to Snowy. Sam and Annie do likewise. They're three across, with Adam in the middle.

ADAM

Snowy, hike!

Snowy runs up the road, towing all three of them.

ALL

Woohoo!

They scream around curves. Neighbors wave and they wave back. Neighbors stop raking autumn leaves and point and gather at fences.

ALL

Woohoo!

A SIGN: "MOUNT THORODIN ROAD." Snowy starts the climb up the steep grade. Snowy's tongue hangs out.

ANNIE

Are you sure about this, Adam?
I'm afraid her heart will explode.

Snowy barks and pulls harder.

ADAM

She's all heart, mom. Heart &
muscle.

Snowy labors but continues the pull.

The neighbors pile into their cars and follow Team Snowy up the road. A dozen cars in a line watch their ascent.

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ADAM

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Snowy pulls them down the paved trail to the "SCENIC
OVERLOOK"

ADAM

Whoa!

Snowy stops. She's exhausted. The Johnsons unhook themselves from her.

Snowy pants hard, but smiles from ear to ear. The Johnsons hug her.

ADAM

See, mom? See, dad? I told you she could make it!

Dozens of neighbors run down the trail and catch up with the Johnsons. They break into applause. Snowy barks in appreciation.

SAM

That's some top-notch skijoring, Snowy. You're all ready for those mountains.

Snowy barks in appreciation. Snowy takes off running. The Johnsons rollerblade right behind her. The neighbors cheer and applaud as they skate through.

INT. THE JOHNSON'S FAMILY ROOM, DAY.

Sam works on the back of a shortwave radio set. Annie, Adam, and Snowy watch.

Sam hands an electric plug to Adam.

SAM

President's Day weekend, this ought to be a big one for backcountry rescues...

OK, that ought to do it with the shortwave radio. Plug this in over behind the couch, Adam.

Adam complies. The shortwave radio crackles to life. Sam turns the dials and the radio squawks.

ADAM

It's working, cool!

SAM

Now to dial in the Mountain Rescue frequency...There, done.

OK, GPS, go. Shortwave radio, go.
New tires on the SUV, go.

Adam pets Snowy.

ADAM

Rescue dog fed, go.

Snowy barks approval.

ANNIE

Are you sure you're up to it, Sam?
You've only been out of that cast
for a week.

SAM

I'm fine. It was just a hairline
crack.

A VOICE crackles over the radio. It's the voice of the Chief of Mountain Rescue, Chief GREENE. Chief Greene is a grizzled, middle-aged veteran of mountain rescue.

GREENE (O.S.)

Team Snowy, are you there? Sam,
come in.

Sam, Adam and Snowy gather around the radio. Annie speaks into the mic.

ANNIE

Team Snowy, here. Chief Greene,
this is Annie. I've got Adam, Sam
and Snowy with me.

GREENE

Annie, we've got missing
snowmobilers in the Indian Peaks.

We've got to do a search.

SAM

You can count on Team Snowy,
Chief. Where should we meet you?

GREENE

It's clear enough for helicopters,
Sam. One's coming for you.

Snowy barks approval.

ANNIE

We'll be ready when the chopper
gets here, Chief. Team Snowy,
out.

Come on, team, let's saddle up.

A MONTAGE:

Annie fills Snowy's keg with hot chocolate.

Adam puts the keg around Snowy's neck.

Sam loads up gadgets in her backpack.

Adam secures Snowy's panniers (side-packs).

Sam checks his GPS.

Adam tightens Snowy's booties on her feet.

END OF MONTAGE

A CHOPPER lands in a clearing near the Johnson's cabin.
Sam, Adam and Snowy get in.

Annie yells into the chopper door.

ANNIE

You guys be careful out there!
Keep me tuned in on the radio!
Come back in one piece!

Snowy barks approval. Adam & Sam give her a "thumb's up."

Annie backs up and the chopper takes off.

EXT. A MOUNTAIN WILDERNESS, AFTERNOON.

Team Snowy's chopper circles a clearing. It lands. The PILOT yells to Sam.

PILOT

They were last seen in this area
and there was an avalanche just to
the west. I'll wait right here.
Good luck!

Sam, Adam and Snowy disembark. Sam and Adam put on cross-country skis. Sam zeroes in a GPS.

Adam holds a ski cap beneath Snowy's nose.

ADAM

OK, boy, there's the scent, find
them!

Snowy barks and then races off towards the west. Sam and Adam ski behind her into a treed area.

Adam takes the lead, leaving some gap between he and Adam. Snowy circles around and finds Adam.

SNOWY

How are you doing, Adam?

ADAM

I'm OK. Pick up any scent?

SNOWY

Not only that, I've found them.

ADAM

(Excited)

Alive? How?

SNOWY

They swam out of the avalanche and made a shelter. Not too far ahead.

ADAM

Come on, let's go!

Snowy barks and sprints on ahead of Sam. She barks at a bend in the trail.

SNOWY

Over here, Adam!

Sam and Adam catch up with Snowy. They look ahead and see two MEN, two WOMEN and two KIDS standing outside a shelter and waving.

SAM

Hey! Hey, we're coming!

Snowy runs up to the snowmobilers. They pet her and she licks their faces. Sam and Adam join them. Everyone hugs and slaps everyone else on the back.

A NEWSPAPER, the "Mountain-Ear." The HEADLINE reads, "TEAM SNOWY SAVES SIX."

A MONTAGE:

Annie on the radio.

Sam skis while he checks his GPS.

The chopper flies over mountain ridges.

Snowy digs people out of avalanches.

Survivors hug Snowy.

Survivors are loaded into choppers.

Choppers land on helicopter pads on the roofs of hospitals.

A MONTAGE of The Nederland "Mountain-Ear" newspaper headlines:

RESCUE DOG AMAZES!!!

RECORD NUMBER OF RESCUES!!!

MIRACLES IN THE MOUNTAINS!!!

END OF MONTAGE

EXT. A MOUNTAIN SNOWFIELD, DAY

A dozen SNOWBOARDERS shred through waist-deep powder. They cross track in perfect spirals as they descend.

They stop upon a snow cornice. The snow field below them sports jagged ROCK OUTCROPPINGS.

They take off their helmets. The half-dozen girls shake out their hair. They all wear packs.

Below them, at the bottom of the slope, a FILM CREW consisting of a DIRECTOR, a CAMERAMAN, and a sound woman. They all wear packs, too.

The DIRECTOR takes out a bullhorn. He calls out through it towards the snowboarders.

DIRECTOR

OK, kids, the upper crew got the
shred through the snowfield! Now
board down towards me, dodging the
rock outcroppings!

As he speaks, the snowfield below the snowboarders cracks, unseen to any of the boarders or film crew.

The snowboarders put their goggles and helmets back on. They jump off the cornice in a free fall for the

snowfield below. The snowfield rumbles and cracks some more.

The film crew's camera rolls.

The snowboarders shred through snow canyons. They jump off the tops of the rock outcroppings. Each time they hit, little avalanches form that they board at the front of.

SOUND GIRL

I don't know, chief. I'm picking up some weird sounds.

DIRECTOR

Don't be ridiculous, this is great stuff!

SOUND GIRL

It sounds like an avalanche.

DIRECTOR

Of course it does, that's exactly what we're going for...We told the kids to form those mini-avalanches when they land. Edgy stuff!

SOUND GIRL

Maybe too edgy chief? I don't like it.

DIRECTOR

Hey, you want to hunt with the big dogs, you've got to get off the porch, right?

A huge RUMBLE sounds from the mountain. It echoes from the mountain wall on the other side.

The Director and the Sound Girl look at each other.

The snow rumbles some more. Finally, a full-blown avalanche rumbles down the mountain.

DIRECTOR & SOUND GIRL

Oh, shiiiiii...!

They scramble for the shelter of a boulder.

On the mountain, the snowboarders race along at the face of the avalanche. The avalanche finally overtakes them. They're all propelled in the air and over rock outcroppings.

A GIRL SNOWBOARDER propels along in the crest of the avalanche. She puts a tube from her backpack in her mouth before she's covered over.

The Director, the Cameraman and the Sound Girl brace themselves for the impact. They take tubes out from their pack and put them in their mouths.

The avalanche roars over them.

EXT. THE MOUNTAIN SNOWFIELD, DAY

The mountain side has collapsed into cracks and crevasses. Trees jut out from the edge and the bottom of the avalanche field at crazy angles.

A CHOPPER chuffs over the cornice. FOUR MORE CHOPPERS follow in a V-formation.

Three choppers alight at one side of the avalanche field, two more at the other side.

Snowy jumps out of one chopper before it touches down. She tears across the avalanche field at full gallop.

Sam & Adam ski behind Snowy on cross-country skis. They carry bamboo poles. Other rescuers pile out of the other choppers. They begin probing the avalanche field with probes.

Snowy barks.

SNOWY

Adam! Over here!

Adam skis up to Snowy. Snowy paws the snow. Adam pushes a bamboo pole into the snow where Snowy pawed.

Snowy moves on to the next location. She barks. Sam skis up to her and plants a bamboo pole. Two RESCUERS dig frantically at each pole site, while another probes the snow.

POLE PLANTER RESCUER

She found one! Dig!

The rescuers dig more frantically. A ski cap appears.

They dig around the wearer of the ski cap. It's the female snowboarder. She has the tube in her mouth, but as she's dug out, she gasps.

POLE PLANTER RESCUER

We found one! We've got her,
she's alive!

There are now 13 digging sites and 13 teams of diggers. The other rescuers cheer and redouble their digging.

One by one, the rescuers cry,

RESCUER #2

I've got one!

RESCUER #3

I've got one!

RESCUER #4

Still alive here!

The rescuers help the snowboarders out, one by one.

Adam, Sam & Snowy dig at the face of the rock outcropping the film crew hid behind. The three members of the film crew gasp for air. They climb out, holding on to Snowy's harness.

ADAM
We've got three!

The film crew hug Snowy, Adam, and Sam. Snowy licks their faces.

The Director reaches down. He secures the film canister.

<<FADE OUT>>

FADE IN:

INT. A DENVER BAR.

Patrons mill about, oblivious to the TV news on the TV.

A REPORTER comes on. A TV SUBTITLE: "AMAZING RESCUE"

A male PATRON shouts out.

PATRON
Hey everybody! Hush up! You've
gotta see this!

The BAR PATRONS gather around.

REPORTER
This just in: There was an
amazing avalanche rescue in the
Indian Peaks today. An entire
film crew, fifteen people in all,
including twelve of the world's
top snowboarders, were all
rescued, alive, from a huge
avalanche on Paiute Mountain.

PATRONS
Whoa! Sssh, sshh, listen!

REPORTER
This amazing footage was
recovered...

The footage and sound of the avalanche from the film crew

plays. We see the avalanche form and roar down the mountain. The snowboarders are tossed in the air. Finally, the image shakes and we see the snow as the film crew races for the boulder. The sound roars and then the sound and picture go black.

PATRONS

Whoa!

REPORTER

This now from Porter Hospital in Denver, where the fifteen survivors were airlifted and are now recovering. This is Warren Miller, Junior, the director of the production.

Warren Miller, Junior, a fit 30-something, appears on the screen in his hospital room.

WARREN

I tell you, we owe a debt of gratitude to Team Snowy.

Snowy's nose appears on the screen. The camera pans to take in Snowy, Adam, Sam and Annie. A REPORTER holds a microphone to his lips.

WARREN

We had our Team Techno air packs, but they only last 45 minutes. In less than an hour, you would have had fifteen corpses up there.

That's fifteen rescues in less than an hour. We owe our lives to the Mountain Rescue Team and in particular, Team Snowy.

The bar patrons cheer. Snowy licks Warren and everyone laughs.

A MONTAGE. The broadcast of Snowy's epic rescue appears on TV screens worldwide. We see bar patrons cheer:

A SIGN: "DENALI SKI LODGE."

In German lederhosen.

In Russian hats.

In Japanese head scarves.

In a Mongolian tent.

A SIGN: "ANTARCTICA SCIENTIFIC STATION."

A SIGN: "BRANDON, MANITOBA." HOCKEY PLAYERS skate off the ice. They gather around a TV set in a warming area.

In the Abu Dhabi "ski run."

END OF MONTAGE

INT. "TEAM TECHNO'S" MOUNTAIN LAIR, NIGHT

Klaus & Franz read "The Mountain-Ear" headline, "MIRACLES IN THE MOUNTAINS!!!"

Klaus throws the paper on a table in disgust.

KLAUS

So! Zis super-mutt hass beat us
to ze punch!

FRANZ

Ja. Team Techno's sales iss vay
down.

KLAUS

Sere iss only vun sing to do...

FRANZ

Ja. Beat zem at zeir own game...

KLAUS

...Und I know yoost how to do
it...

EXT. A MOUNTAIN SNOWSTORM, DAY

A SIGN: RESCUE STAGING AREA. The Mountain Rescue Team's tents bend in a blizzard's winds.

Sam, Adam and Snowy drive up in their SUV. They jump out. They shield themselves from the wind and find Chief Greene's HQ tent. They step inside.

GREENE

Sam, am I glad to see you! This blizzard has us snowbound until it lets up.

ADAM

This snowstorm won't stop Snowy...She's good to 65 below!

Snowy barks approval.

SAM

That's true, Snowy is good to go in any weather. But I can't let you go with her, Adam. I can't take that chance.

ADAM

Dad, you could skijor her.

SAM

Yes, I could. It'd slow her up, but we'd be together. And I'll transmit our position on our GPS radio.

GREENE

Skijor?

SAM

She pulls me on cross-country skis. They're working dogs, they love to pull.

Snowy barks approval.

GREENE

It's worth a try. We haven't had a signal from the survivors in almost an hour. They may not survive this blizzard.

SAM

OK, let's do it.

Adam puts Snowy in her skijor harness. Sam puts on a skijor belt. He hooks up to Snowy.

He starts his GPS radio and places it in his coat's breast pocket.

Sam gives Adam and Chief Greene the thumb's up.

SAM

Good to go!

GREENE

Good luck!

Snowy gives Adam a wink. Adam winks back.

SAM

Just keep track of us on the GPS locator. We should be fine.

Let's go, Snowy...Hike!

Snowy barks and begins pulling Sam down the trail. They disappear into the blizzard.

Chief Greene shows the GPS tracker to Adam.

GREENE

There they are, right there. As long as we get a good signal, they'll be fine.

<<MOVE TO>>

EXT. A FOREST CLEARING, MINUTES LATER

The blizzard continues to blow. Klaus & Franz rest on two super-snowmobiles.

KLAUS

You haff zeir location?

FRANZ

Ja, from zeir last cellphone signal. Ve are close, very close.

KLAUS

Güt.

FRANZ

Time to jam ze Mountain Rescue GPS.

KLAUS

Javöhl...

Franz takes an electronic gadget from a side pocket of the snowmobile. He punches some buttons.

KLAUS

Ja, iss güt. Ze signal iss blocked.

FRANZ

Güt. Let's go.

Franz & Klaus zoom off in different directions.

FRANZ

Klaus! You fool! Zis vay!

Klaus corrects his course, up on one skid.

He and Franz criss-cross wildly back and forth each others' tracks.

FRANZ

Ach du lieber!

<<MOVE TO>>

EXT. A FOREST, MINUTES LATER

Sam & Snowy skijor through the trees. Sam checks his GPS radio.

SAM

Whoa, Snowy, whoa!

Snowy stops and sits.

SAM

What the heck? This thing has stopped working.

Sam shakes it.

SAM

No way they can track us now...

Well Snowy, your sniffer doesn't require any batteries. What do you say, girl, shall we continue?

Snowy barks approval. She stands.

SAM

OK, girl...Hike!

Snowy pulls Sam through the trees.

<<MOVE TO>>

EXT. THE MOUNTAIN RESCUE STAGING AREA, THE SAME TIME

The HQ tent. Chief Greene looks at his GPS tracker with alarm. He shakes it.

GREENE

What the...?

ADAM

What is it, Chief?

GREENE

Your dad's signal...It's gone
dead.

ADAM

What?! How?!

GREENE

I don't know...

ADAM

We put brand new batteries in that
thing before we left. And dad's
got an extra set with him.
There's no way.

GREENE

It happened. Without GPS, they'll
get lost in this blizzard in no
time.

ADAM

Dad...Snowy...

<<MOVE TO>>

EXT. A FOREST, MINUTES LATER

Snowy and Sam skijor through the blizzard. Snowy sniffs
the air and barks Sam forward.

Snowy stops. Sam & Snowy hear snowmobile engines in the
distance. The sound gets closer.

Klaus and Franz appear on their super-snowmobiles.
Snowy barks at them. They have two riders with them.

They stop and idle upon seeing Snowy and Sam.

KLAUS

Vas is los? Iss you alright?

SAM

Yes, we're alright. Lost, but OK.

KLAUS

Lost? Zese are ze lost skiers, by ze vay. Ve haff found zem. You haff GPS?

SAM

Yes, but it stopped working.

KLAUS

Let me see.

Sam hands him his unit.

KLAUS

Ah, here iss your problem. It iss not Team Techno.

SAM

What difference does it make?

KLAUS

See zese snowmobiles? Team Techno. Zey haff all ze, how you say it? Bells und vistles.

Vell, ve haff room for two more riders. Get on.

Sam gets on the snowmobile behind Klaus' rider. Snowy climbs on in front of Franz.

<<MOVE TO>>

EXT. THE MOUNTAIN RESCUE STAGING AREA, MINUTES LATER.

The HQ tent. Chief Greene calls frantically on the radio. Adam watches, concerned.

GREENE

Sam, come in. Sam, can you hear me?

(PAUSE)

Still nothing, Adam. Too much interference from this storm.

GREENE

They'll be OK, Adam. If nothing else, your father knows how to build a snow cave. And, he's got a nice warm sammie with him.

Chief Greene hugs Adam.

Snowmobiles sound O.S. The sound gets closer.

GREENE

Snowmobiles? Out in this weather?
But how?

The super-snowmobiles appear out of the trees.

GREENE

What the heck?

Adam sees Snowy, then Sam.

ADAM

Snowy! Dad! Snowy! Dad!

Snowy runs up to Adam and they hug enthusiastically. Sam joins the hug.

Chief Greene and other rescuers run up to the super-snowmobiles. They're joined by Adam, Sam and Snowy.

ADAM

Wow, look at these bad boys!

KLAUS

Team Techno zooper-snowmobiles, at your service. Zis is ze first time ve try zem.

SAM

Well, they did fine. And Chief, no more junk GPS'. Klaus here says go with Team Techno or not at all.

KLAUS

Ve are Team Techno, Chief. I am Klaus, zis iss Franz.

GREENE

Well, your stuff sure produced. We owe you a debt of gratitude.

(To the SURVIVORS)

Are you OK?

A FEMALE SURVIVOR speaks up.

FEMALE SURVIVOR

Thanks to Team Techno we are. I don't think we could have lasted much longer.

Adam, Sam and Snowy feel concern as they realize they've been trumped by Team Techno.

Adam walks Snowy away from the others. Adam gets down on one knee and talks to Snowy.

ADAM

I'm glad they rescued you, girl

SNOWY

Rescue? I didn't need no stinking rescue. Sammies are good to 65 below and we can sleep under the snow. I'd have been fine.

ADAM

Well, dad was sure relieved.

SNOWY

He'd have been fine, too. A snow cave, a warm sammie, what else could he ask for?

ADAM

The fact is, he didn't need a snow cave.

SNOWY

Who's side are you on? Just wait until one of those machines breaks down. Are they good to 65 below? Can they run under the snow?

Adam hugs Snowy.

ADAM

I'm on your side, girl, always and forever.

SNOWY

I don't trust those two, Adam. Those guys make the hair on the back of my neck stand up. Us dogs know these things.

ADAM

Well, we'll see. For now, we'd better join them.

Adam & Snowy join the others.

GREENE

We'll get you all warmed up. We've got a warming hut right over here. And some hot chocolate.

Chief Greene, the survivors, and Franz & Klaus walk towards the warming hut.

Adam kneels beside Snowy and hollers towards them.

ADAM

Hey, we've got hot chocolate!

The others just keep on walking.

A HEADLINE of "THE MOUNTAIN-EAR": "TEAM TECHNO TRUMPS TEAM SNOWY"

A SPINNING NEWSPAPER to show the PASSAGE OF TIME. When it stops, the HEADLINE of "THE DENVER POST": "SALES OF SUPER-SNOWMOBILES SKYROCKET." Sub-heading: "CITIES, COUNTIES IN LINE."

INT. TEAM TECHNO'S LAIR, NIGHT.

A CONFERENCE ROOM. A long conference room TABLE. Two dozen participants of all nations, men and women, file in from doors on all sides and sit along the sides.

The MAIN DOOR near the head of the table opens. The silhouettes of Klaus & Franz appear. They walk through the door and get stuck.

FRANZ

Klaus, you fool! *Ach du lieber!*

They manage to dislodge themselves from the door jam. They stand at the head of the conference room table.

KLAUS

So, sank you all for comink. No doubt you vonder vat our breakthrough iss.

FRANZ

Ladies und gentlemen of POWR, ze Politburo Of World Realignment, you haff made great strides in comnik togezzer viss your terrorist activities. Coordinated

attacks iss good idea.

KLAUS

Ja, if ze IRA takes out Britain,
iss gut for ze Middle East
Alliance.

An Irish-looking man and an Arab shake their heads "yes"
at each other.

Franz pounds the table with his hand.

FRANZ

Iss gut idea, *ja*, but your actions
haff been crude so far! You
cannot bring down ze U.S. or
Britain or Russia with a few
suicide bombers!

KLAUS

Airport security hass clamped down
too much for usink airliners.

FRANZ

You haf some veapons, but no means
to deliver zem.

KLAUS

So, ladies und gentlemen of POWR,
vass iss ze answer? How can Team
Techno make your dream of world
domination a reality?

FRANZ

Ladies und gentlemen, ve gif you,
WRECKS!

A huge MASTIFF strides in from a hallway. He has a
metal canister strapped around his neck.

The POWR participants giggle. The Arab participant,
ABDUL, speaks up.

ABDUL

A dog? You brought us here to see
a dog?

The IRA member, PADDY, speaks up.

PADDY
(Laughing)
Aye, maybe we should call Team
Techno, Team TT...

Klaus nods towards Paddy. Wrecks jumps up on the
conference table, knocks Paddy over, and opens his jaws
on Paddy's neck.

Paddy wears a look of panic.

Klaus whistles. Wrecks sits. Paddy nervously gets back
in his chair.

KLAUS
Perhaps you should haf better
manners around your poison gas
delivery system, Paddy. He iss
"Wrecks," as in "Wrecks a
country", not "Rex."

(To Wrecks)
Wrecks, shake.

Wrecks shakes his torso. It causes the metal canister
under his chin to dispense a white gas into the air.

The participants gasp, cough, and grab their throats.

FRANZ
Ladies und gentlement, you haf
just been infected viss poison
gas. You vill die horrible deaths
vissen just a few minutes unless
you take zis...

He holds up a vial.

KLAUS

Ze world's first poison gas
antidote. Ve haf already taken
ours, of course. Ziss vill go to
ze highest bidder.

The participants gasp and thrash around.

ABDUL
One billion dollars!

FRANZ
Ach du lieber, Abdul, und you, so
oil-rich? Please, do not insult.

An Asian WOMAN screams out.

WOMAN
Two billion dollars!

KLAUS
Please, please, you quibble. But
since you haff only sree minutes
to liff, let me make ziss
short...POWR vill deliver 10
billion dollars to Team Techno in
advance. And since you vill
control trillions once ve vipe out
ze vest, 100 billion dollars upon
completion of our mission.

Agreed?

The participants thrash around. They can only nod,
"Yes."

KLAUS
I sought you might listen to
reason. Franz, ze antidote.

Franz hands out vials of antidote to the desperate
participants. They drink quickly. They return to
normal.

KLAUS

Wrecks iss a super-dog. Zat
delivery canister under his neck
veighs one hundred pounds. Paddy,
would you werify for me?

Too afraid to say no, Paddy nervously places his hands
under the canister. He lifts it with effort,
demonstrating its weight. He shakes his head, "Yes."

FRANZ

Vestern security focuses on
airports und subvays.

KLAUS

Zey vill never suspect dogs.

FRANZ

Ve vill deliver for you dogs und
poison gas sufficient for all ze
major cities in your sectors.

KLAUS

Ven ze dogs are upvind of ze
cities, zey are programmed to
shake, releasing ze deadly poison
gas.

FRANZ

Millions vill die.

KLAUS

Hundreds of millions. Und you,
vis ze antidote, vill rule ze
world!

The participants applaud.

<<FADE OUT>>

FADE IN:

INT. THE JOHNSON'S LIVING ROOM, EVENING

Sam and Adam play, "Iditarod." Snowy lies down, bored.

Annie brings in some popcorn.

ANNIE
Popcorn, guys.

ADAM
Thanks, mom.

Annie places the popcorn on a side table. Adam gets some. Then he puts it down.

He's bored and disgusted.

ADAM
(Quietly)
I'm not hungry...

SAM
Another game of "Iditarod," son?

ADAM
No thanks, dad...I'm bored. They never call us for mountain rescue anymore.

ANNIE
I know this is tough for you to hear, but that's probably a good thing. That means they're doing a good job.

Snowy sinks into a gloomier pose.

SAM
I told you technology would replace flesh-and-blood someday, Adam. It happened to John Henry with the nail-driving machine, now it's happened with mountain rescue.

Snowy groans.

ANNIE

Look at it this way: There's less chance of humans and dogs being hurt.

ADAM

I know. And I know you're a big believer in technology, dad. But just wait 'til those machines gum up. Or wait 'til conditions are too fierce, then we'll see who's boss.

Snowy barks assent.

FADE FORWARD:

The 6 O'Clock News weather report comes on the Johnson's TV. The Johnsons watch while having supper.

A female METEOROLOGIST stands in front of a weather map.

METEOROLOGIST

This is Kathy Zeppelin, Channel 8 meteorologist, with a weather warning. A major storm system is headed our way from the Gulf of Mexico. It's the landfall of Hurricane Juan, and it's a big one.

Snowy sits up. She gets nearer to the TV, as does Adam.

SAM

Ha ha, it's almost as if Snowy can understand what's going on.

ANNIE

Ssshh, Sam, listen...

A male NEWS ANCHOR appears on the TV screen.

NEWS ANCHOR

Kathy, what are the chances of this hitting the Rockies? And if it does, of bringing snow?

METEOROLOGIST

As close as we can get to 100%, Bob. And as far as snowfall, it's not a matter of if, but how much. With the moisture Juan was packing, an upslope condition means snow measured in yards, not feet, in the high country.

And one more thing, Bob, this is a fast-moving system. Snow will start tomorrow, and there's no telling how long it will last.

This is Kathy Zeppelin, Channel 8 News.

ADAM

(Excited)

Snow in yards! Let's see those super-snowmobiles handle that! Come on, Snowy, let's go check our gear!

Adam & Snowy run into Adam's room. They get out Snowy's pack.

Snowy places a paw on Adam's wrist.

SNOWY

(Grinning)

It's showtime!

EXT. A MOUNTAIN TOWN, NIGHT

The blizzard of the remnant of Hurricane Juan rages. Visibility is virtually nil.

Through the snow, two headlights appear. RUMBLING. A

tracked SnowCat roars through.

INSIDE, Adam, Snowy, Sam, Chief Greene and a DRIVER peer into the abyss.

DRIVER

It's not fit for man or beast out there!

ADAM

And we've got both...

He hugs Snowy.

A SIGN: "ROLLINSVILLE, ELEVATION 9200'"

The SnowCat passes the sign.

CHIEF

I wouldn't have ventured bringing you out in this, Sam, but part of Rollinsville has already been buried in an avalanche.

SAM

How much have they gotten so far, Chief?

CHIEF

8 feet. If it weren't for this SnowCat, they'd be shit out of luck.

SAM

How many people are buried?

CHIEF

We won't know until we get there. Phone and power lines have been knocked out.

The SnowCat roars down a street and past some homes whose upper-level windows show lights.

The SnowCat stops. Up ahead is the slope of the avalanche. The slope of snow goes up out of sight.

A corner of a roof peaks out of the slope.

DRIVER

This is as far as we go.

CHIEF

All right. Snowy time.

ADAM

Snowy, find people. Bring them to me.

Snowy barks approval. She bounds out as Sam opens the door. She starts digging at the corner of the exposed roof.

The SnowCat uses its blade to push away at the corners of the slope of snow.

Snowy digs down to a window. She clears most of the window.

A MAN'S face appears, then a WOMAN'S. Behind them are five CHILDREN who jump up and down.

The man opens the window. He helps the woman out first. She accepts the five children from the man as he lifts them out, one by one.

The visibility is almost zero. The blizzard howls all around them.

WOMAN

(Shouting)

Are you sure this is a good idea?!

MAN

You heard the house creaking...It could go any minute!

The woman grabs Snowy's harness. She offers her other

hand to the first child.

WOMAN

Hold one another's hands, kids!

MAN

I'll bring up the rear, so we
don't lose anyone!

WOMAN

Everybody ready? OK, boy, let's
go!

Snowy barks and leads them out.

Behind them, the house creaks. It collapses and sends
dust billowing out of the hole where the window was.

The kids shriek, but they keep on going. Finally, they
see the lights of the SnowCat.

Snowy barks. The family screams, "Hey!"

INSIDE the SnowCat, Sam sees the family and Snowy.

SAM

Hey look, there's Snowy! And he's
got some people with him!

The driver stops the SnowCat. Sam and the Chief jump
out and make their way to the family. They guide them
to the SnowCat. It's a tight fit, but everybody makes
it in.

MAN

I've never been so glad to see
anyone in my life!

The kids and Adam hug Snowy.

SAM

Any more homes in there?

MAN

No, thankfully. We're the last house on that road.

CHIEF

Thankfully is right. OK, driver, let's get these folks to the clinic down in Nederland.

MAN

Wait, there are some people up the road to the north. A row of condos. They could be in trouble.

SAM

Well, we've got no more room in here, so we've got to get these people to shelter. Adam, have Snowy stay here and search those people out.

ADAM

Snowy, that way, up the road. Find the people. We'll be back.

Snowy barks her approval and then bounds out into the storm in the direction in which Adam pointed.

SAM

OK, driver, let's go.

The driver gives a thumb's up and the SnowCat backs out.

Snowy forces her way through the blizzard in whiteout conditions. She sniffs the air and forges ahead.

FORWARD TO:

The SnowCat once again tracks through the blizzard. It's empty now of the family. The original search team is back, looking for Snowy.

There are five other SnowCats with the original one. They reach the fork in the road where they let Snowy

out. The road to the north is impassible.

DRIVER

I'm sorry, but this is as far as we go.

He turns the SnowCat to go, but his headlights illuminate a form.

ADAM

It's Snowy!

Snowy walks out of the snow. Behind him, she pulls a person. Then we see another, then another. Finally, we see two dozen people.

ADAM

Snowy, wow! Look at all the people!

DRIVER

Wow is right! That's some dog you've got there!

Sam, Adam and the Chief bound down from the SnowCat. Adam and Sam greet Snowy while the Chief directs the people to the SnowCats.

A HEADLINE from "THE DENVER POST": "ROLLINSVILLE BURIED - DOZENS SAVED BY TEAM SNOWY" Subheadline: "GOVERNOR AWARDS MEDAL TO HERO DOG"

A PICTURE of TEAM SNOWY, the RESCUED PEOPLE and THE GOVERNOR. Snowy has a medal around her neck and the governor shakes her paw.

INT. TEAM TECHNO'S MOUNTAIN LAIR, THE NEXT NIGHT.

Franz & Klaus in the lab. Klaus reads "The Denver Post." His fingers follow along the page as he reads aloud.

KLAUS

"Und so, ve see zat technology iss not ze answer to all rescue scenarios. Ve urge mountain rescue teams to reinstate rescue dogs to zeir teams viss all due haste."

Ach du lieber!

FRANZ

Ach du lieber, indeed, Klaus. Again zis Snowy vill eat into our profits.

KLAUS

Und ve need zose profits to finish our poison gas production.

FRANZ

POWR vill not wait. Zey are on a timetable. Zey haff assassins...

KLAUS

Zen ve cannot wait, Franz. Ve must take matters into our own hands...

<<FADE IN>>

FADE IN:

EXT. THE 4TH OF JULY TRAILHEAD, DAY.

Chief Greene and the Mountain Rescue Team have set up a rescue staging area.

Sam drives up in his SUV. With him are Adam and Snowy. They get out of the SUV & walk towards Chief Greene, who meets them halfway.

GREENE

Thanks for getting here so fast,
guys. Here's the situation...

He rolls out a map on a table.

GREENE

We got a call from a couple of men
stranded up on the Arapahoe
Glacier...here. Seems they went
in on two of those super-
snowmobiles when the ice gave way.
Too heavy. They're stranded on
the lip of the glacier.

ADAM

Whoa!

GREENE

We obviously can't send in our own
snowmobiles...

SAM

Obviously. Too heavy.

GREENE

Right. We need as light a rescue
team as possible

ADAM

You need Team Snowy.

GREENE

Right again, Adam.

Snowy barks approval.

GREENE

You've got all the gear for
glacier rescue, don't you, Sam?

SAM

Yup. Ropes, crampons, ascenders.
We'll need a couple of sleds to
bring them out with, in case

they're injured.

GREENE

We've got them right here. Let's get you saddled up.

Team Snowy puts on their rescue gear. In addition to the usual, Sam connects two rescue sleds, stacked one on top of the other, behind him. Adam skijors Snowy.

Sam kneels down to Adam.

SAM

OK, with Snowy, you're going to be the faster of us. Locate the men, but no heroics! Wait for me and the sleds. Got it?

ADAM

Got it, dad.

SAM

By no means venture out on that glacier by yourself.

ADAM

Got it, dad, don't worry. I'll wait for you and the gear.

Sam tousles his hair.

SAM

OK, let's go.

Snowy pulls Adam into the trees and down the trail. Sam skis behind them, pulling the sleds.

When Sam is far enough behind, Snowy speaks to Adam.

SNOWY

Super-snowmobiles, eh? Super-stupid-mobiles, it seems to me.

ADAM

(Laughing)
A little jealous, are you?

SNOWY
Those two snowmobilers found out
about those clunkers...Too heavy.
They need a nice, sleek snow dog.

Snowy sniffs the air.

ADAM
Got their scent?

SNOWY
Yes, I do. And these aren't just
any two snowmobilers...They're
that Team Techno mob.

ADAM
Franz and Klaus? You're kidding!

SNOWY
Nope, it's them, all right.

ADAM
Well, turnabout is fair play.
They rescued you, now you get to
return the favor.

SNOWY
The pickings couldn't be bigger!

ADAM
This could be the end of Team
Techno. Come on boy, hike!

SNOWY
In overdrive!

Snowy sprints forward at top speed.

ADAM
Woohoo! Now this is traveling!

They near the edge of the forest. The glacier looms beyond.

ADAM

There's the glacier. Whoa, girl,
whoa!

They stop. On the glacier sits a super-snowmobile, upright.

ADAM

Hey, wait a minute...Those
snowmobiles were supposed to have
crashed through the ice...

SNOWY

I don't like this...

Franz & Klaus jump out of the trees. They grab Adam and Snowy, who fight valiantly. Franz & Klaus hold cloths over their mouths. Snowy and Adam pass out.

Franz & Klaus put Snowy & Adam on a super-snowmobile. They motor out to the other one. Klaus gets on it, securing Adam behind him. They motor out of sight.

<<MOVE TO>>

EXT. THE FOREST, THE SAME TIME

Sam hears the sound of snowmobiles in the distance. He sprints on his skis. He gains the edge of the forest in time to see the back snowmobile disappear over a ridge.

SAM

Hey! Hey!

<<FADE OUT>>

FADE IN:

INT. TEAM TECO'S MOUNTAIN LAIR, NIGHT

Adam lies asleep in a locked room.

<<MOVE TO>>

INT. TEAM TECHO'S MOUNTAIN LAIR, THE SAME TIME

Snowy lies on a surgery table in the surgery room.
Franz & Klaus prepare to experiment on him.

KLAUS

You haf turned on ze scramblers?

FRANZ

Jawohl. Ve are dead air space
now...No vay zey can track us.

KLAUS

Güt. OK, *Frau* Superdog Snowy,
let's see vat makes you tick...

Klaus & Franz bend over Snowy.

<<MOVE TO>>

INT. TEAM TECHO'S MOUNTAIN LAIR, THE SAME TIME

Adam awakens. He takes in the bare room. It's equipped
with only the cot he's on and a bucket of water.

He shakes off his grogginess. He looks for Snowy.

ADAM

Snowy? Snowy?

Adam finds that the room door is locked. He tries to
reach through a slot in the door that's there for food
passage, but to no avail. Adam bangs on the room door.

ADAM

Hey! Hey, you Austrian apes!
Hey, let me out of here!

(PAUSE)

Just wait 'til my dad finds this
place! You guys will be toast!

<<MOVE TO>>

EXT. THE FOREST, THE SAME TIME

Sam cross-country skis across the glacier. He gains the
ridge where he last saw the snowmobiles.

The blowing snow has covered their tracks.

SAM

(Breathless)

No tracks, they're gone. Snowy,
if ever I needed you, I need you
now...

Sam speaks into his radio.

SAM

Chief, we've got a problem.
Mayday, mayday!...

<<MOVE TO>>

INT. TEAM TECHNO'S MOUNTAIN LAIR, THE SAME TIME

Team Techno's operating room. Franz & Klaus stand over
Snowy.

KLAUS

Vell, zas ist alles. No different
from a normal dog.

FRANZ

Nein. Nein bionics, *nein* effects
of drugs.

KLAUS

Vell, zas ist alles for tonight.
Ve can resume in ze morningk. Go

check on ze boy. I finish up
here.

FRANZ

Jawohl, ist güt.

Klaus bends back over Snowy to sew him up.

KLAUS

Tomorrow, *Frau* Snowy, ve see vat
zey hass planted in your brain.
Und, if nothing, ve plant
something for you....

Franz takes off his surgical gown and mask and walks
down a hallway.

He reaches the door of Adam's room. He unlocks it and
peeks inside. He doesn't see Adam.

Adam is behind the door with the bucket of water. He
rushes Franz and bonks him on the head with the bucket.
The water splashes out everywhere.

Franz is dazed, but only crumples to his knees. He's
lucid enough to grab Adam.

FRANZ

Vy, you little hellcat! I teach
you to mess vith Franz!

Franz tosses Adam against the far wall. Dazed, Adam
slumps to the ground. Franz locks up the room as he
leaves.

EXT. THE EDGE OF THE GLACIER, EVENING.

Sam, Chief Greene and the Mountain Rescue Team zoom in
on Team Techno super-snowmobiles. A helicopter chops
above.

They stop at the edge of the glacier and check their
instruments.

GREENE

Is this the spot, Sam?

SAM

This is it, Chief, the last place I saw that snowmobile buzzing out of here. They were headed north.

GREENE

No tracks, they're covered over. And no reading, even on this Team Techno gear.

SAM

These super-snowmobiles have tracking beacons, Chief. We're supposed to get a signal.

GREENE

I know, Sam, I know. But nothing.

(PAUSE)

It's getting dark, Sam, we'd better get back to the staging area. We'll have the chopper scan north of here, just in case...

Sam?

Sam tears up.

SAM

Sorry, Chief. This is just so hard...I feel so helpless.

Chief Green pats him on the shoulder.

GREENE

You'd better call Annie...

Sam takes out his hand-held radio. He hesitates, then makes the call.

SAM

Annie, honey? No, no sign of them yet. Yes, we've tried everything, there are no tracks and no signals. It's nightfall, we've got to turn back, but we're keeping the chopper on it. You just stay there and mind the radio. What's that? No, no, don't come out here....

It went dead. Wild horses couldn't keep her at home now, she's on her way out here.

I've always had Snowy to rely on. Where are you boy? Find Adam, Snowy, find Adam...

INT. THE TEAM SNOWY OPERATING ROOM, LATER THAT NIGHT

Snowy lies asleep on the operating table. The room is dim, illuminated only by emergency lights.

Snowy is alone in the room. She has a large, stitched scar all the way up her abdomen. Her breathing is labored.

An ethereal light glows in the room. It takes human form. It's the ANGEL.

The angel reaches her hand towards Snowy. She runs it over her abdomen and the stitches heal up. Snowy bolts upright, alert. The angel disappears.

Snowy sniffs the air. She walks briskly down a hall to Franz & Klaus' room.

Franz & Klaus are asleep. The keys are on a night table. Snowy slips them off, quietly.

Snowy pads down the hallway towards Adam's room. She

scratches at the door.

Adam kneels by the door and looks out the food slot. He sees Snowy.

He speaks to him in a whisper.

ADAM

Snowy! Good boy! I knew you'd make it!

Snowy holds the keys up to the slot. Adam takes them and opens the door. They hug, enthusiastically.

ADAM

Snowy, Snowy, Snowy! You're the best!

SNOWY

Yes, I am. This way, quietly now...

Adam grabs his coat and hat. He & Snowy sneak down a hallway, looking for an exit. They come to a door marked, "KENNEL."

Snowy scratches the door.

SNOWY

I smell something...something canine.

ADAM

Kennel? What's this all about, Snowy? Come on, let's check it out.

The door CREAKS as they open it. They walk cautiously inside.

When they reach the first door, a super-dog CRASHES against the door. Startled, Adam falls back against the opposite kennel door and another super-dog SNARLS at him from that door.

Snowy snarls at them both. The rest of the kennel awakens, however, and all the super-dogs bark fiercely.

SNOWY

Look at the size of these things!

The alarmed Adam rallies.

ADAM

Let's get out of here!

They run down a hallway and out an exit door into the cold winter night.

INSIDE, Franz & Klaus arrive at the kennel. They turn on the lights.

Franz clenches his fists.

FRANZ

Ach du lieber! Zat dog, zat dog,
he'll be ze death uff me yet!

<<FADE OUT>>

FADE IN:

EXT. THE MOUNTAIN RESCUE STAGING AREA, DAWN

Annie and Sam sleep in a tent. Annie tosses and turns. She bolts upright, out of breath.

The noise wakens Sam. He sits up and holds the tearful Annie.

ANNIE

My God, Sam, what were we
thinking?

SAM

Ssshh, Ssshh, it's OK. We were
thinking this would be good for

him, build his confidence.

ANNIE

He's a boy, he's just a 10-year old boy!

SAM

With a very special dog. They saved us, remember?

ANNIE

It was just a matter of time, Sam. It's dangerous out there, it was just a matter of time. I tell you something, Sam, if anything happens to him, I don't think I could live with myself...

SAM

Ssshh, Ssshh, it'll be OK...

ANNIE

Sam, could we pray? Could we pray for Adam?

SAM

Annie, you know I don't believe in prayer. I'm not a spiritual guy.

ANNIE

(Upset)

Oh Sam, what could it hurt? What else do we have? Those damned gadgets of yours have really done us a lot of good!

(PAUSE)

Get out, Sam, you cold fish! Get out of here! I could kill you, and I don't want to feel this upset when I pray!

SAM

OK, OK...

Sam leaves the tent. He finds Chief Green in the HQ Tent.

SAM

Good morning, Chief Greene.
Anything?

GREENE

Well, it's morning, Sam, but I'm not sure how good. Nothing, all night long.

SAM

Damn.

GREENE

Looks like a clear day. Bet we find them today. Coffee?

SAM

Thanks. Think I'll take some to Annie, too. If she'll let me.

GREENE

Eh?

SAM

I think she blames me for this whole thing.

GREENE

Oh. Well, try some coffee, maybe that'll work.

Sam pours two cups of coffee from the coffee pot. He secures lids.

He walks towards his & Annie's tent. He stops. He sees an ethereal light that shines through the tent. He shakes his head.

He walks on again towards the tent. As he nears the flap of the tent, he hears a COMMOTION over his

shoulder. He looks towards the commotion.

Annie, Chief Greene, and the rest of the Mountain Rescue Team as well, peek out of their tents towards the commotion.

At the edge of the forest, members of the Mountain Rescue Team cheer and jump around. As the group nears, Snowy busts out of the pack and runs for Sam.

Sam sees Adam running behind Snowy. Snowy knocks Sam down and licks his face. Adam jumps on top of them both in a tearful reunion.

Annie runs out of her tent in tears. She joins the melee of the united family rolling around on the ground. Chief Greene pats Snowy on the head. The Mountain Rescue Team applauds.

Breathless, they all sit up. Annie holds Adam's face in her hands.

ANNIE

I am so glad to see you!

SAM

What happened, what happened out there, son? Was it the snowmobiles?

ADAM

It was, dad. It was those two Austrians, Franz and Klaus.

SAM

Team Techno? I don't get it. What did they have to gain?

ADAM

There's more, dad. They have a laboratory, and a kennel. There are some kind of super dogs in there.

Snowy barks and growls.

SAM

Super dogs? Are you sure? What do you mean?

ADAM

Giant, dad, twice the size of Snowy, bigger than mastiffs. Huge dogs.

ANNIE

Then why kidnap you and Snowy? If Snowy was a mastiff or a Great Pyrenees, I could get it. But why Snowy?

ADAM

There's something you guys need to know...Snowy can talk.

(PAUSE)

GREENE

It's been a long night...

ADAM

No! It's true! I can understand Snowy in English!

SAM

Now Adam, I know Snowy is smart...real smart. But talk to you? Come on...

ADAM

(Discouraged)

I knew you wouldn't believe me, dad...

(PAUSE)

GREENE

I suggest we get some breakfast.

Then we'd better track down those bad guys. Do you think Snowy could lead us back to them?

Snowy barks.

GREENE

(Laughs)

Maybe she can talk. Come on, let's eat.

They walk towards the mess tent. Sam, Adam and Annie hold one another.

INT. TEAM TECHNO'S LAIR, MORNING

Klaus & Franz frantically stuff money into satchels.

FRANZ

Ten billion dollars. In cash, you said. In different currency, you said. Ve haff dollars, ve haff euros, ve haff yen...

KLAUS

Would you shut up, you idiot? Ve haf our ten billion dollars, don't ve? Ve not vorried about getting it our of some bank account, are ve? Now shut up and keep stuffink.

They finish stuffing the cash into four large, bulging satchels.

KLAUS

Ze timetable iss moved up to get ze poison gas to POWR. Haf you called ze delegates?

FRANZ

Ja, zey are on zeir vay. Zey vas quite pleased ve beat our

timetable.

KLAUS

Güt. Come, ve must secure ze
canisters.

They exit into a sealed room labeled, "CHEMICALS -
DANGER."

EXT. THE FOREST, DAY.

Snowy leads the Mountain Rescue Team. They backtrack
down last night's trail.

Team Snowy leads the way, the others follow. The
helicopter chops overhead.

EXT. TEAM TECHNO'S MOUNTAIN LAIR, SUNDOWN.

Limos disgorge passengers, including Paddy, Abdul and
the Asian Woman.

Snowy, Team Snowy, and the Mountain Rescue Team duck
down behind an exterior wall, Snowy in the lead. She's
down on her belly, looking around the corner. She
growls. Chief Greene, Annie, and Sam peer around the
corner with him.

The chopper whuffs overhead. The DELEGATES who are
outside see it and panic. They point at the helicopter
and rush inside.

GREENE

Damn! They suspect something.
OK, let's go.

They sneak up to the entrance gate. It's a wrought-iron
vehicle gate about a foot off the ground.

GREENE

There's no way they'll let us in
now.

ADAM

When we escaped, Snowy and I fit under that gate. We can make it.

ANNIE

Hold on, young man...There's no way I'm going to let you go in there again!

SAM

She's right, Adam. That makes two of us.

ADAM

Awww...Well, Snowy can make it, right, girl?

Snowy barks approval.

ADAM

She says, yes.

SAM

Oh, that's right, Snowy can talk...

ADAM

Dad! Yes, she can!

Snowy, go in there. Get the bad guys.

Snowy woofs assent. She crawls on her belly under the gate and up to an opened garden-level window. She slips inside.

INT. THE TEAM TECHNO CONFERENCE ROOM, MINUTES LATER.

The delegates take their positions around the conference room table. Snacks and drinks sit at each delegate's place. They munch as they wait for Klaus & Franz.

Klaus & Franz' silhouettes appear in the end doorway.
They get jammed in the door frame.

When they get unstuck, Klaus & Franz stand at the head
of the table.

FRANZ

I am so pleased you could all make
it on such short notice.

ABDUL

It's good to have private jets.
And I am so pleased you are ahead
of schedule.

PADDY

Aye.

ASIAN WOMAN

They sooner we are rid of the
West, the better.

FRANZ

I, no doubt don't have to ask, if
you all took the antidote ve
shipped you?

The delegates laugh and nod, "Yes."

<<MOVE TO>>

INT. THE TEAM TECHNO LAIR, MINUTES LATER.

Snowy crawls on her belly down a hallway.

She spies the KENNEL. She pushes open the entrance
button and the swinging doors open.

The super-dogs bark and howl loudly.

<<MOVE TO>>

INT. THE TEAM TECHNO CONFERENCE ROOM, SAME TIME

Muffled BARKING down the hall.

FRANZ

Ahem. It seems your delivery
systems are ready to deliver.

The delegates applaud.

<<MOVE TO>>

INT. THE TEAM TECHNO KENNEL, SAME TIME.

Snowy sneaks behind one swinging door and locates a
button labeled, "GATES." She pushes it.

The kennel doors slide up. The super-dogs run out in a
lather, oblivious to Snowy behind the swinging door.

<<MOVE TO>>

INT. THE TEAM TECHNO CONFERENCE ROOM, SAME TIME

The BARKING gets louder.

FRANZ

Ahem. Zese dogs iss quite fierce,
ve haf bred zis into zem.

The BARKING gets louder yet.

FRANZ

Klaus, go see vas is ze matter.

Klaus complies. He walks to the panic button on the
Kennel hallway. He pushes it and the swinging doors
open.

The super-dogs burst in the room. Klaus tries to push
the doors shut, but to no avail.

The delegates panic.

ABDUL

Beelzebub!

PADDY

Begorrah!

ASIAN WOMAN

AIEEE!

The super-dogs chase the delegates. One rips the robe off of Abdul. Another rips the skirt off of the Asian woman. Another devours Paddy's leather cap.

The dogs chase the delegates back and forth across open doors leading to the conference room. The delegates jump the table. The dogs eat the delegates' snacks while the delegates escape.

<<MOVE TO>>

EXT. THE TEAM TECHNO LAIR, OUTSIDE THE WALL, SAME TIME.

A SWAT team arrives in armored cars. SWAT team members rush out and secure positions around the wall.

The commander, 40-something MAJOR CASEY, runs up to Chief Greene.

CASEY

SWAT Team commander, Major Casey here. Are you Chief Greene?

Chief Greene shakes Major Casey's hand.

GREENE

Yes, I am. Glad you made it so quickly.

CASEY

That's our job. So you've got two kidnapers inside?

GREENE

At least. They kidnapped Adam,
here, and his dog yesterday.

CASEY

And you and the dog escaped, I
hear? That's a brave boy!

ADAM

And a brave dog.

CASEY

(To GREENE)

You said, "For starters." What
else are we dealing with here?

GREENE

See those limos? They were
discharging passengers when we
arrived. Lots of them, all
nationalities.

CASEY

Meeting with kidnappers,
hmmm...Hey, where's the dog?

GREENE

Inside.

CASEY

Inside? You let the dog run away
and go inside?

GREENE

Not exactly. Adam here told him
to go in and get the bad guys.

(PAUSE)

CASEY

OK, you'd better not be setting up
a police officer. That's a major
offense, you'll go to jail if
you're messing with me...

<<MOVE TO>>

INT. THE MOUNTAIN LAIR, KENNEL, SAME TIME.

The four last super-dogs run out of the kennel.

Snowy sneaks out into the hallway. The last super-dog sniffs the air and sees Snowy. The four super-dogs chase him down the hallway.

<<MOVE TO>>

INT. THE MOUNTAIN LAIR, HALLWAY, SAME TIME.

The delegates race around the halls and adjoining rooms in chaos, the super-dogs chasing. The dogs rip their clothes to shreds.

Klaus & Franz race to the Laboratory. They secure the four satchels and race out down a hallway. Ten super-dogs spy them and give chase.

<<MOVE TO>>

EXT. THE MOUNTAIN LAIR, BEHIND THE WALL, SAME TIME.

Chief Greene, Major Casey, Sam, Annie and Adam watch through the wrought-iron fence. The rest of the Mountain Rescue Team and the SWAT team are stationed along the walls. The helicopter chops overhead.

Snowy pops out of the garden-level window. The four super-dogs bark and gnash their teeth below.

Snowy races for the gate.

ALL

Snowy! Come on, boy, come on!

The doors to the Lair swing open, and the delegates sprint out in their tattered clothing. The super-dogs

are in hot pursuit.

Franz & Klaus burst out of the Lair, pursued by the ten super-dogs. They belly-bump each other before they run off, criss-crossing paths.

The delegates reach the walls and climb over the ivy. Some lose their pants to the super-dogs. They clamber over and are captured by the SWAT Team and the Mountain Rescue Team.

Snowy reaches the gate ahead of everyone and scoots underneath into Adam's arms. The Johnsons hug him enthusiastically.

Franz & Klaus, weighed down by the money, are chased down by the super dogs. The dogs rip the satchels from their hands. They shake the satchels and money flies up into the air.

The wind carries some through the gate. The Johnsons collect it up.

ADAM

Wow! Look at all this money!
I've never seen so much!

Five super-dogs each have Franz & Klaus clamped down with their teeth, one at their throats, one on each wrist, and one on each ankle.

CASEY

Well that was the easiest SWAT
Team raid I've ever made!

ADAM

You need a dog like Snowy! Open
the gate, girl.

Snowy scoots under the gate. She presses the "OPEN" button on the inside and the gate opens. Chief Greene and Major Casey enter, cautiously.

GREENE

You know, I could use some super-dogs on Mountain Rescue, if they can be trained.

CASEY

I could use some on my SWAT Team. I'd have to get bigger K-9 trucks, though.

Chief Greene laughs and points to the money.

GREENE

Money should be no problem...

The SWAT Team members come around the gate, guns drawn. Casey waves them forward. The SWAT Team members' eyes get huge when they see the super-dogs.

A SWAT CAPTAIN approaches Major Casey.

CASEY

Did you secure the others?

CAPTAIN

Yes, sir. Two dozen of them. What about these dogs?

CASEY

I think they're just guard dogs, for now, but let's see.

Major Casey approaches Franz & Klaus, who are still held down by five super-dogs each.

CASEY

Well, it seems like you two are in kind of a pickle, now, doesn't it?

Klaus & Franz' eyes are as big as saucers.

CASEY

Suppose I was to say the word, K-I-L-L?

Klaus & Franz' eyes get bigger yet with terror.

CASEY

Captain, get some duct tape.

The Captain signals another SWAT Team member. The member returns with duct tape. The Captain hands two pieces to Major Casey.

Major Casey duct tapes Franz' & Klaus' mouths.

CASEY

There, that should keep you quiet while you're near your dogs.

(To the dogs)

Sit!

All the dogs sit.

CASEY

Captain, secure these dogs. Get them back in the kennel.

(To Franz & Klaus)

OK, you two, on your feet. Let's go...

Casey handcuffs Klaus & Franz and pushes them towards the gate. He stops them by Adam.

CASEY

Are these the two kidnappers, kid?

Adam shakes his head, "Yes." Snowy barks.

CASEY

Thanks...You two.

(To Franz & Klaus)

OK, scumbags, let's go. You've got a lot of explaining to do.

Major Casey puts Klaus & Franz in the back of the Paddy

Wagon and secures the door.

CASEY

Hey kid, you're right, I do need a
dog like that on my SWAT Team!

Snowy barks approval. Team Snowy shares a group hug.

EXT. THE U.S. CAPITOL STEPS, DAY

An AWARDS CEREMONY. The PRESIDENT and the FIRST LADY are present, also the GOVERNOR, Chief Greene, Major Casey, Sam, Annie, Adam, and the Mountain Rescue Team. The Guest of Honor is Snowy.

A crowd of REPORTERS & PHOTOGRAPHERS is in the Press Section, also TV Cameras and REPORTERS.

A crowd of well-wishers fill the grounds, many of them with dogs. Many hold SIGNS saying:

TEAM SNOWY

DOG POWER

SNOWY, OUR HERO

Above a German shepherd, a woman holds a sign that says, "SNOWY - MARRY ME!"

The President approaches the podium.

PRESIDENT

My fellow Americans, it gives me great pleasure today to honor a great American. Not only a great American, but a great four-footed American.

The crowd cheers and applauds and waves their signs.

PRESIDENT

Our honoree sniffed out a plot by

terrorists to destroy tens of millions of people, possibly hundreds of millions.

The crowd cheers again.

PRESIDENT

Without further ado, I present to you...Snowy!

The crowd cheers wildly. The German shepherd swoons.

PRESIDENT

I'd also like to present Team Snowy, the Johnsons. This is the father, Samuel, the mother, Anne, and Snowy's caretaker, 10-year old Adam!

The crowd cheers.

PRESIDENT

Team Snowy, by the power vested in me as President of these United States, I now award to you all, our nation's highest civilian award for valor above and beyond the call of duty, the Medal of Freedom!

The crowd cheers wildly. The President places a medal around Annie's head, then Sam's, then Adam's. Finally, he leans down and places one around Snowy's neck.

The crowd cheers wildly again. Cameras click and video cameras crowd in for the best view.

The President addresses the Johnsons.

PRESIDENT

Team Snowy, you have anything you'd like to say?

Sam motions Annie towards the podium. She approaches

the microphones.

ANNIE

Hi, I'm Annie Johnson. I'd like to say, never underestimate the value of a dog.

The crowd cheers wildly. They shake their signs vigorously, especially the "DOG POWER" sign.

PRESIDENT

There's something else, isn't there, Annie?

ANNIE

Yes, there is, Mister President. With the money Snowy recovered we have established an International Fund for the Well-Being of Pets, dedicated to ending abuse of pets worldwide.

The crowd cheers wildly again. They shake their signs and the dogs bark.

ANNIE

Thank you.

Annie steps down and Sam steps up.

SAM

Before Snowy came into our lives, I thought technology had all the answers we need. But now I realize that the most important answers come with love attached.

The crowd cheers. Annie gives Sam a warm, teary look.

Sam steps down. The President steps back up.

PRESIDENT

What about you, Adam, do you have anything to say?

Adam looks down. He gets encouraging nods from Sam and Annie. Finally, he approaches the podium. The President holds a microphone in front of him.

ADAM

If you knew just how special Snowy is, it would amaze you. I learned I'm never alone.

The crowd cheers wildly.

Snowy barks. Adam goes to her side and bends down.

ADAM

(Whispering)

How about it, girl? Have anything you'd like to say?

SNOWY

I'm the lucky one...

Adam tears up. He wipes a tear from his eye.

SNOWY

Adam...I'm going to have puppies...

Adam stands bolt upright.

ADAM

(Excited)

Puppies?! Little Snowy's?! Holy cow, holy cow!

SNOWY

They'll be dogs, actually...

Adam looks towards his parents. They smile and nod.

PRESIDENT

What's Snowy got to say, Adam?

The President holds the mic down for Adam.

ADAM

She said she loves you all...

The crowd cheers.

ADAM

And she said...

(PAUSE)

ADAM

She's going to have puppies! I'm
going to be a father!

The crowd cheers wildly.

ADAM

Little Snowy's, everybody!

The crowd goes ballistic. Adam waves.

Annie pulls Adam and Sam close.

ANNIE

Snowy's not the only one, you
guys.

(PAUSE)

Sam pulls back. He looks at her, eyes wide.

ANNIE

That's right. You're going to be
a father again, too.

ADAM

And I'm going to be a brother?
Oh, boy!

The family hugs. They wave to the still-cheering crowd.

<<FADE OUT>>

FADE IN:

EXT. THE 4TH OF JULY TRAILHEAD, DAY.

It's a clear, blue-sky winter day.

Sam and Chief Greene put 12 Samoyeds in sleddog harnesses.

Annie pulls a baby out of the carseat in the back of her SUV. The baby has pink ribbons in her hair. She places the baby in a front pack and secures it to her chest.

Major Casey stands nearby with Wrecks. The super-dog has a 100-pound cask under its throat and wears a huge pack. A dozen deputies stand behind him, each with his own super-dog, cask and pack.

GREENE

This was a great idea, Annie...As fast as a super-snowmobile, can carry more weight, and weighs less itself.

SAM

And you can drop even more weight if you have to by just dropping off more dogs.

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CASEY

Any you've got a K-9 unit in case you encounter any bad guys. Brilliant!

GREENE

And you've got a super K-9 unit, Major...Bad guys, beware!

The adults finish up. Sam sits in the sled. Annie sits in front of him. She pulls down a flap over the baby's face.

Adam and Snowy walk forth to the head of the team.

Snowy looks back at her progeny. She barks out their names (To the parents), while Adam hears her in English. Each dog barks back when it hears its name.

SNOWY

Snowflake...

Snowcone...

Blizzard...

Frosty...

Snowman...

Thor...

Odin...

ADAM

Snowcat!

The parents hear Snowy bark vehemently.

SNOWY

Are you out of your mind?

Snowcat?

ADAM

(Laughing)

Just kidding, girl. No cats...

SNOWY

Snowbird...

Slushy...

Fuzzy...

Furry...

George. All present and accounted for, sir!

Snowy raises a paw in salute.

ADAM

Good job, lieutenant!

Adam salutes Snowy back. He puts Snowy in harness at the head of the team. He kneels down.

Adam takes out a red clown's nose. He puts it on Snowy.

ADAM

And Rudolph...

SNOWY

Very funny!

Adam takes the clown's nose off of Snowy.

ADAM

You ready, Snowy?

SNOWY

Ready? I stay ready. I'm a Samoyed, I was born for this. Let's go!

Adam looks down the line of the 12 Samoyed pups of Snowy's.

ADAM

Do you think they'll be able to talk, like you?

SNOWY

You'd better hope not until they get out of the house. The chatter would drive us both nuts.

Adam laughs. He ruffles Snowy's head. He stands up.

ANNIE

Is she ready, Adam?

ADAM

All ready, mom!

SAM

(Aside, to Annie)

I swear, sometimes I think he does
talk to that dog!

Chief Greene hooks up a skijor harness to a super-dog. Major Casey and the deputies do the same. They all click into cross-country skis.

Adam joins his parents by the sled. They get in, Adam in front, followed by Annie, followed by Sam.

ADAM

OK, team...Hike!

Led by Snowy, the team rockets down the trail. The super-dog skijorers streak on behind them, towing their skiers.

Team Snowy's sled zooms over a rise. It flies three feet in the air.

TEAM SNOWY

WOOHOO!

A MONTAGE. Samoyed dog sled teams worldwide.

A SIGN: "DENALI SKI LODGE."

In Germany, a team with drivers in lederhosen.

In Russia, a team with drivers in Russian hats.

In Japan, a team with drivers in head scarves.

In Mongolia, a team with drivers in Mongolian hats.

In the, "ANTARCTICA SCIENTIFIC STATION."

In "BRANDON, MANITOBA."

In the Abu Dhabi "ski run," the Arabs look at each other and shrug.

END OF MONTAGE

A DOG & HER BOY
Word & Music by
David Kotzebue

A dog & her boy, A dog & her boy,
Nothing brings you joy like a dog & her boy.
So I hope all you dog lovers, you will enjoy
The story about Adam and her dog, Snowy.

A dog will bring your paper,
A dog will bring you toys,
A dog will bring bring your slippers,
A dog will bring you joy.

Dogs search for survivors,
Dogs will pull your sled,
Dogs will chase bad guys,
And find you before you're dead.

Snowy & Adam were the best in the land;
Snowy wouldn't stop after Adam gave the command,
"Find!" and Snow'd search both high & low,
Until she found survivors deep under the snow.