

## 2. JEAN/NARRATOR ~~ MEN'S ENSEMBLE

Jean is reminiscing, but also giving us information about his "Old Man". Don't be afraid to play with this language...it's juicy!

JEAN: My old man was one of the most feared furnace fighters in northern Indiana. He had lots of practice. And the blue streak coming out of his mouth was equal to the blue smoke pouring out of the furnace grate.

Profanity, for us kids, was strictly verboten. But my old man? That day my father wove a tapestry of obscenity that, as far as we know, is still hanging in space over Lake Michigan. And Mother always tried to divert our attention from it.