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## **INVITED GUESTS**

### **BELLA STARRY**

#### ***Waitress at the Gravestone Saloon***

A recent widow, Bella Starry grew up on a Pug Valley farm in West Virginia. She was a member of the infamous Hatplain family who was in a deadly feud over property lines with their Kentucky neighbors, the McToys. On one hand, Bella is an educated lady and an accomplished piano player.

On the other hand, she's a notorious outlaw who has served time in federal prison for horse thievery and stagecoach robberies. After doing her time, Bella married a Native American man and lived with their tribe in Oklahoma. However, she was widowed soon afterward. She moved to Gravestone six months ago to get a fresh start.

### **WYLIE ARP**

#### ***Co-Owner of the Gravestone Saloon***

An ex-lawman from Duck City, Wylie Arp recently moved to Gravestone with his brothers and long-time flame, Josephine Marco. Wylie is a Civil War veteran who desperately needs a change of pace and more relaxing way of life. He recently gave up his twenty-year career as sheriff of Duck County to become the co-owner of the Gravestone Saloon. Wylie has made it clear that he doesn't intend on being a lawman again.

### **JOSEPHINE MARCO**

#### ***California Gold Rush Entrepreneur & Girlfriend of Wylie Arp***

Josephine Marco made a fortune as an entrepreneur in the California Gold Rush when she was only fifteen. She later traveled in her stagecoach through the Wild West in search of the next booming town. She eventually met her true love, Wylie Arp. Ever since these two met, they've been inseparable. She's the main reason Wylie left his career as the Duck City Sheriff. They moved to Gravestone to settle down, get married, and raise a family.

### **ABBY OAKLEY**

#### ***Exhibition Sharpshooter***

Abby Oakley is a feisty exhibition sharpshooter in Bronco Bill's Traveling Wild Western Show. Known by the fans of her show as Abby Sure Shot, she is rumored to be able to shoot the ashes off a cigar from across the room! However, Abby has recently become quite intolerable with her egocentricities.

### **DOC GALADAY**

#### ***Doctor & Co-Owner of the Gravestone Saloon***

Doc Galaday is Wylie Arp's right-hand man. Doc rides the fence on both sides of the law. His reputation has made him a terror in the hearts of the lawless. Doc is a physician by trade, but his tuberculosis has drastically reduced his number of patients. He often supplements his income with gambling.

### **KATIE FISHMAN**

#### ***Waitress at the Gravestone Saloon***

Katie Fishman helped put the wild in the phrase the Wild West! As Doc Galaday's longtime girlfriend, she's also struggled to stay on the right side of the law. Doc's solid friendship with the ex-lawman Wylie Arp has proven to be a positive force with this pair. However, Katie has a rather shady past. She was originally from Gravestone and used to date Wavy Will Bronchus when she was a teenager. After breaking up with him, she moved in with her aunt and uncle in Duck City. That's when she met Doc Galaday. She refuses to talk about her former flame with her boyfriend and is worried about what Doc will do when he finds out the truth!



**WAVY WILL BRONCHUS**  
*Leader of The Ranchers*

Wavy Will Bronchus is the leader of the loosely organized criminal faction called The Ranchers. A sorted group of cattle rustlers, thieves, and even murderers, this group has invaded the now lawless town of Gravestone. The townsfolk have high hopes that Wylie Arp can reinstate law and order on the streets, but Wavy Will has vowed never to let that happen.

**JAMES JESSE**  
*American Outlaw*

The poetic James Jesse has always veered on the wrong side of the law since he could walk! He's a member of the Jesse-Young gang made up of a band of brothers. During the Civil War, he engaged in guerilla warfare. Today, there's a huge reward out for his capture by the U.S. government for his many crimes of bank robbing, horse thievery, and even murder.

**CALAMITY JANIE**  
*U.S. Army Scout*

The tall-tale telling Calamity Janie is a force to be reckoned with! Former Great Plains cattle herder turned U.S. Scout; this rugged lady used to be a trick shooter in Bronco Bill's traveling Wild Western Show. This is a gal you should never double cross, as she's not called Calamity Janie for nothing.

**BRONCO BILL**  
*Traveling Entertainer*

Bronco Bill always had a knack for the arts. He's a cool, self-contained individual with a great sense of humor. He's assembled a nomadic brigade of entertainers called Bronco Bill's Traveling Wild Western Show. His troupe travels around the U.S. to perform their eclectic show of bronco riding, roping, trick shooting, and even Civil War reenactments.

**POSEY BASSETT**  
*Girlfriend of Hutch Cassaday*

Posey Bassett is the girlfriend of Hutch Cassaday. She grew up on a large ranch in Utah and attended a prominent boarding school for a few years before dropping out to return to her father's ranch. Her father does business with the outlaws of the Wild West by supplying them with beef and fresh horses. Posey was destined to end up on the wrong side of the law.

**HUTCH CASSADAY**  
*Leader of the Rowdy Bunch*

Hutch Cassaday would rather engage in a gunfight than have a civil conversation. He's an unstable outlaw of the Wild West, and the leader of a newly-formed gang of outlaws called The Rowdy Bunch. Hutch has recently been released from the Wyoming State Prison where he served time for horse thievery and running a protection racket among the local ranchers in Wyoming.

**SUZANNE B. ANTHONY**  
*American Civil Rights Leader*

Suzanne B. Anthony is the determined American civil rights leader who is currently traveling across the Wild West to give speeches on women's rights. She has devoted her life to the cause for American women to have equal rights with men and to be allowed to vote. In 1869, she created the National Women's Suffrage Association which was the first organization formed in order to gain a woman's right to vote. Suzanne has tenacity!



## **VIRGO ARP**

### ***Deputy U.S. Marshal for the Arizona Territory***

Virgo Arp, the older brother of Wylie Arp, has spent his entire adult life as a part of American law enforcement. He served in the Union Army during the Civil War before he became a U.S. Marshal for the Arizona Territory. He is visiting Gravestone with his wife since his brother Wylie just moved there. Virgo is not known for tolerance of outlaws and always gets his man.

## **ELVIRA PACKINGTON ARP**

### ***Seamstress and Wife of Virgo Arp***

Elvira grew up in Colorado and as a young woman during her family's travels; she met, fell in love with, and married a Union Army officer named Virgo Arp. She is currently visiting Gravestone with her husband. By trade, she is a seamstress and loves to dress up in her best creations. She often hangs around saloons to show off her garments and enjoy the nightlife. This western diva is also a known compulsive gambler.

## **DOM HORN AND THE PINKERTOONS**

### ***Detective, Pinkertoon Agency***

Dom Horn is the top detective at the Pinkertoon Detective Agency. His motto is 'I Don't Sleep' and is often hired by the U.S. Army to retrieve elusive outlaws. The Pinkertoons are a private U.S. Security Guard and Detective Agency that provides security guards, military contract work, bounty hunting, and private investigation services. Currently, there are more agents in the Pinkertoon Agency than there are in the standing army of the US!

## **LORA ENGEL WILDER**

### ***Farmer and Aspiring Writer***

Laura Wilder moved from various rural communities in the Midwest finally settling down with her family in the peaceful town of Gravestone. Her past is sprinkled with crop failures, fires, and illnesses, but she claims these hardships have only made her stronger. She has recently started writing for a local farming magazine and plans on writing a series of books in the future.

## **VICTORIA MCMURTRY**

### ***Singer at the Gravestone Saloon***

Victoria McMurtry is a long-time performer at the Gravestone Saloon. Victoria was overcome with enjoyment upon hearing the news that Bronco Bill's Traveling Wild Western Show was making its way toward Gravestone! Victoria dreams of joining this infamous traveling show and leaving Gravestone's turmoil in her dust!

## **SIR NORMAN MCDERMOT AND THE FUR TRADERS**

### ***Owner, Red River Fur Traders***

With extensive knowledge of the northwest terrain and his ability to make relationships with the Native Americans, Sir Norman McDermot has grown his fur trading company to be an expansive operation in Northern America! Sir McDermot has a hardnosed team of loyal fur traders that travel with him across the land in search of new trapping grounds and Native American tribes to increase their fur trade markets.

## **WHITE DEER**

### ***Medicine Woman***

White Deer is a traditional Native American healer with the ability to summon the help of the spirit world when she needs to render aid to her community. White Deer left her tribe long ago and signed on as the hardworking healer for the traveling variety act, Bronco Bill's Traveling Wild Western Show.



**STANDING BULL**  
*Traveling Entertainer*

Standing Bull is a former tribal chief that gave up his reign of leadership to join the nomadic brigade of entertainers called the Bronco Bill's Traveling Wild Western Show. Standing Bull is a highly loyal man and humanitarian. That is, until you double cross him. That is when you'll see his wild side rise to the surface.

**LILLY SMITH**  
*Traveling Entertainer*

Lilly Smith is a performer with the nomadic brigade of entertainers called the Bronco Bill's Traveling Wild Western Show. Thus far, the fans haven't noticed her, as she can't seem to evade the huge shadow behind the star of the show - Abby Oakley. Lilly is known to be pretentious and flashy but lacks the skills to back up her personality.

**ACE 'SHOOTOUT' ANGUS**  
*Gunsmith, Ace's Trade House*

Ace Angus owns Ace's Trade House, a gun shop in the town of Gravestone. Ace knows everything there is to know about guns, and has undergone many gunfights with The Ranchers, a band of outlaws who've been taking over the town. Ace hasn't lost a fight yet, but his close friends know his day is coming unless Gravestone can get back to law and order.

**SEWARD FILMORE**  
*Traveling Gambler*

Seward Filmore is a true gentleman. He's a former U.S. Marshal and U.S. Army scout. He retired from his law career after an unfair gunfight with another lawman over a lady. He ended up with a career-ending injury to his leg, but soon found an unknown talent with gambling. Seward travels across the country winning huge pots from the biggest gaming tables.

**MABEL BLY**  
*Saloon Girl at the Gravestone Saloon*

Mabel Bly is a dedicated saloon girl at the Gravestone Saloon. Mabel keeps the peace between the cowboys and outlaws, or at least it is one of her duties to keep the patrons civil. Mabel has wanted to escape Gravestone since The Ranchers took over, but simply doesn't have the means to leave.

**POKER ELLY**  
*Poker Player*

Poker Elly is an infamous poker player in Gravestone. Originally hailing from England, she is the daughter of an inflexible and conservative schoolmaster. Her family moved to America when she was young, and she was raised in a proper boarding school. She rebelled against her family's beliefs on gambling and headed west to earn her fortune. Elly has dreams of opening her own gaming saloon one day and wishes to name it The Poker Palace.

