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## SCENE OF THE CRIME:

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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!

