

## About DLC

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## About GBC

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Whether you live in Battle Mountain, Elko, Ely, Pahrump, Winnemucca or in any one of a couple of dozen other communities across the school's 63,000 square mile service area, GBC offers a first rate education, delivered in the classroom, via interactive video or online. For more information about Great Basin College visit their web site at [www.gbcnv.edu](http://www.gbcnv.edu).



## About SSP

Celebrating their 77th anniversary, the Silver Stage Players is dedicated to providing the finest theater, community service, and educational opportunities to its members and the residents of northeastern Nevada. Its nearly eighty year history is one of creativity and thought provoking theater. The company has challenged audiences, pushed the envelope of live theater, and attracted the area's most talented actors, designers, and directors since the 1930s. Offerings have included *Bard in the Yard I*, *CLUE*, *Godspell*, *Nonsense*, *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*, *A Christmas Carol*, *War of the Worlds*, *Scrooge Makes Up*, *Lysistrata*, *Greater Tuna*, *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *The Man of La Mancha*, *The Last U.S. Mail Stage Robbery*, and *Much Ado About Nothing* among many others.

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WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE'S  
**BARD IN THE YARD II**



"No one will ever win the battle of the sexes...  
There's too much fraternizing with the enemy." -- Henry Kissinger

**BATTLE of the SEXES**  
DUNCAN LITTLECREEK GALLERY BACKYARD  
DIRECTED BY:  
FRANK L. SAWYER

7 PM SEPTEMBER  
11, 12, 13, 18, 20, 21  
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# BARD IN THE YARD II

By William Shakespeare and John Wright

September 11-13, 18, 20, 21 2013  
Duncan LittleCreek Gallery Backyard

## Production Staff

Director/BITY Concept: **FRANK L. SAWYER<sup>#</sup><sup>^</sup>**  
Assistant Directors: **DEREK BURWELL<sup>^</sup>, ERIKA PATRICK<sup>^</sup>**  
Producers: **JACQUES ERRECART, JENNIFER AND  
JOAN ANDERSON, GBC, SSP**  
Executive Writer: **JOHN WRIGHT**  
Additional Text: **DEREK BURWELL**  
House Manager: **JENNIFER ANDERSON**  
Costume Design/Crew: **SAVANNA HALL<sup>^</sup>, ERIKA PATRICK,  
CHRISTY HARPER<sup>^\*</sup>, ASHLEY  
CHANCELLOR, COMPANY**  
Set Design/Crew: **DON JONES<sup>^\*</sup>, COMPANY**  
Lighting Design/Crew: **DON JONES, JOHN WELLS, FRANK L.  
SAWYER, COMPANY**  
Sound Design/Crew: **JOHN WELLS, FRANK L. SAWYER**

## Cast

**DEREK BURWELL** - Puck (BITY II, AMND, MAC, HAM), Prince (RAJ)  
**HEIDI DUSOLEIL<sup>^\*</sup>** - Titania (AMND), Ophelia (HAM), Hermia (AMND), Katherine (LLL)  
**SANDY BEELER<sup>^</sup>** - Katherina (TOTS), Princess (LLL)  
**CHRISTY HARPER** - Gentlewoman (MAC), Rosaline (LLL), Juliet (RAJ)  
**RUSS SMITH<sup>\*</sup>** - Friar Laurence (RAJ)  
**ERIKA PATRICK** - Lady Macbeth (MAC), Queen Gertrude (HAM), Boyet (LLL)  
**TONY PIPER** - Macbeth (MAC), Petruchio (TOTS)  
**MEGHAN CAMPBELL<sup>^</sup>** - Helena (AMND), Fairy (AMND), Maria (LLL)  
**JOHN WELLS** - The Doctor (MAC)  
**MICHAEL BAIL<sup>^</sup>** - Demetrius (AMND), Fairy (AMND), Romeo (RAJ)  
**CALEB TAPIA<sup>^</sup>** - Demetrius (AMND), Hamlet (HAM)  
**DON JONES** - Duncan (MAC), Apothecary (RAJ)  
**FRANK L. SAWYER** - Oberon (AMND)

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## Biographies

**JOHN WRIGHT** - Executive Writer

John Wright is a local theater technician and writer. Mr. Wright made his SSP debut in 2000's *War of the Worlds* also directed by Frank. Since then he has tech'ed such SSP shows as *Nonsense*, and *Much Ado About Nothing* among others. For *BITY I* he composed all of Puck's lines and reprises that role in *Bard in the Yard II*. As the senior writer for tonight's Silver Stage production, John worked with Derek and Frank, and has created all of Puck's dialogue keeping in the spirit of the Bard's original text in some cases writing in metered verse. John makes his home in Elko with his 8 year old daughter Angela.

**FRANK L. SAWYER<sup>^\*</sup><sup>#</sup>** - Director, Oberon (AMND)

A 30-year resident of Elko and 1984 Elko High School graduate, Frank L. Sawyer received his BFA degree in Theater from the University of Nevada, Reno in 1989. He has performed with such groups as GBC, Area 52 Productions, Nevada Repertory Company, SSP, Pioneer Lab Theater, Nevada Children's Theater, and Ruby Mountain Symphony among others. Frank has appeared in *Antigone*, *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*, *Escape from Tonopah*, *Macbeth*, *Twelfth Night*, *The Reluctant Doctor*, *Ash*, *I Am Legend*, *The Trial of Ebenezer Scrooge*, *Sarcophagus*, and *The Vagina Monologues*, among others. Frank's favorite roles include Sir Toby, Renfield twice, Scrooge twice, Physicist, Cane, and Jeronte. Mr. Sawyer has directed such shows as *Glengarry Glen Ross*, *War of the Worlds*, *Talk Radio*, *Bringing It All Back Home*, *Seascape with Sharks and Dancer*, *I Do! I Do!*, *Much Ado About Nothing*, *Lysistrata*, and *BITY I* among others. Frank is a past four term SSP Chairman, SSP Life-Member honoree, served on the Elko City Arts and Cultural Advisory Board, and will serve this Fall on the GBC Arts and Cultural Enrichment (ACE) committee. Frank is a long time community volunteer, is currently employed at GBC as the school's web designer, and makes his home in Elko with family and puppies Puck and Izzie.

## About BITY

This unique production featuring excerpts from a number of William Shakespeare's comedies and tragedies performed in an intimate outdoor setting, was conceived by director Frank L. Sawyer in 2011. The *Bard in the Yard* project explores themes common throughout Shakespeare's works.

*BITY I* concentrated on the romantic comedies and the trappings of love. 2013's version of BITY focuses on the battle of the sexes. Life, love, death, and happiness shall all hang in the balance as we explore the machinations of all things male and female and attempt to answer the age old question; who will win the battle of the sexes? The show includes passages from *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, *Taming of the Shrew*, *Love's Labours Lost*, *Romeo and Juliet*, *Hamlet*, and *Macbeth*. We welcome you and hope you enjoy our show!

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**CHRISTY HARPER<sup>^\*</sup>** - Gentlewoman (MAC), Rosaline (LLL), Juliet (RAJ)

Christy Harper has been a resident of Elko for seven years with her husband and two children. She enjoys reading, puzzles, and rock-hounding. She is a student at GBC studying to become a psychiatric nurse practitioner. Before going back to school, Christy worked at Elko Veterinary Clinic until allergies forced her to find another line of work. She currently plays with crafts at JoAnn's. Christy made her theatrical debut in December 2010. A new passion unfolded as she discovered a hidden talent for transforming into different people. Christy's love for theatre has increased with each new production. Previous endeavors include *Scrooge Makes Up*, *BITY I*, and *Clue*.

**MICHAEL BAIL<sup>^</sup>** - Demetrius (AMND), Fairy (AMND), Romeo (RAJ)

Michael Bail has been performing with local theatre groups for the past five years, including Silver Stage Players, Elko Overland Stage Theatre Company, and the Great Basin College Theatre/Music program. He has also performed with the dance companies Studio 425, Repertory Dance Theatre, and Reno Dance Company. Amongst his favorite roles: **Seymour** in *Little Shop of Horrors*, **Bobby Strong** in *Urinetown*, and **Dr. Halifax** in *The Forgotten Carols*.

**DONALD JONES<sup>^\*</sup>** - Duncan (MAC), Apothecary (RAJ)

Donald has been in the Elko area since 1995. His first show with Silver Stage Players was in 1998, when he played *Neville Landless* in *The Mystery of Edwin Drood*. In 2005, Donald who had already been cast as *Conrade*, stepped up and created the set design for *Much Ado About Nothing* as well. He has been involved, as an actor or as a technician, in almost all of the SSP productions that have been put up since. Among others, he acted as stage manager for the Children's Theatre Workshop production of *Land of the Dragon*, played the **Priest** in *Man of La Mancha*, did set design for *Glengarry Glen Ross*, and directed *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*, as well as, *The Princess and the Enchanted Swans*. Don is the current SSP company Chairman.

**SAVANNA HALL<sup>^</sup>** - Production Staff

It started my junior year in an Elko High School drama class. I wanted to try something new but it quickly turned into something I loved. My first show was *Murder in the Knife Room*. The following year I was in *The Brothers Grimm Spectacularthon!* After graduation, I auditioned for productions at Great Basin College including *The Good Doctor*, and *The Trial of Ebenezer Scrooge*, was a follow spot operator for *Little Shop of Horrors*, and was in the college's Comedy Improv group. I was also involved in SSP's production of *CLUE*. My favorite roles are **Chef Headly** and **Mrs. Cracthet**. I am currently working towards a degree in Technical Theatre and Acting because I can't be away from the stage and that magic actors bring to every show. This passion for theatre wouldn't be possible without the encouragement of my parents and grandparents from whom I inherited the love of acting.

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## Show Excerpts

A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM (AMND)

HAMLET (HAM)

MACBETH (MAC)

TAMING OF THE SHREW (TOTS)

ROMEO AND JULIET (RAJ)

LOVE'S LABOURS LOST (LLL)

## Announcements

There will be one 15 minute intermission.

Out of courtesy for our performers, technicians, and fellow audience members, please turn off all electronic devices including cellular phones, computing devices, and other noise making items during the show and refrain from using flash photography. It is distracting and potentially dangerous. Your cooperation is appreciated. Have fun and please enjoy our show!

## Thank You's

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Bard in the Yard Project

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Puck, Izzie, want a treat?

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**DEREK BURWELL**<sup>^</sup> - Puck (BITY II, AMND, MAC, HAM), Prince (RAJ)

Derek Burwell has had the pleasure of working with the GBC theater, and SSP community theater for the last 13 years. Highlighted roles have been **Mercutio** in *Romeo and Juliet*, **Leslie** in *Love, Sex, and the IRS*, **Puck** in *BITY I*, and **Roma** in *Glengarry Glen Ross*. He appreciates theater for the opportunity to examine this great experiment of life from different angles, and best of all gets to share what he finds with others. When not enjoying a romp through the lands of make believe, Derek tortures dirt for a living at a local mine.

**HEIDI DUSOLEIL**<sup>^\*</sup> - Titania (AMND), Ophelia (HAM), Hermia (AMND), Katherine (LLL)

Heidi DuSoleil has been in love with Shakespeare's comedies since she was fourteen and made the amazing discovery that Shakespeare could be funny when *Much Ado About Nothing* left her with a side-ache from laughing so hard. Since then, she has added that work to her own theater repertoire, as well as other plays such as *Annie*, *Damn Yankees*, *Godspell*, *Love, Sex and the IRS*, *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, *Lysistrata*, *Death of a Doornail*, *Murder on the Oriental Rug*, *Legend of Sleepy Hollow*, *Scrooge Makes Up*, *Bard in the Yard 1*, *CLUE*, *The Trial of Ebenezer Scrooge*, and *Little Shop of Horrors*. Heidi received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Great Basin College and is a twenty-four year Elko resident.

**SANDY BEELER**<sup>^</sup> - Katherina (TOTS), Princess (LLL)

After fighting crime as a masked superhero and helping to start the punk movement in the late 70's, Sandy retired and was reborn in the 80's. Growing up on the streets as a stray dog she morphed into her human form as we know today to move on to such projects as the "Where's the Beef" grandma we knew and loved in the 90's. After the beef was nowhere to be found, she decided to wander the desert in search to new endeavors. After a brief stint as a test subject at Area 51 (don't ask her about her tail) she wagged her way into Elko. She set up camp and decided to make her way to the stage. After having a small part in *The Trial of Ebenezer Scrooge* and playing "Audrey" in *Little Shop of Horrors*, she wanted to try her hand at the classics. And her adventures continue. We welcome Sandy in her Silver Stage Players debut.

**MEGHAN CAMPBELL**<sup>^</sup> - Helena (AMND), Fairy (AMND), Maria (LLL)

Meghan Campbell makes her Silver Stage Players' debut as **Helena**, **Maria** and **Cobweb**. The homegrown Texas native has been on a stage since the tender age of 6, playing in various roles from a British, tea-drinking dragon to a mother during the Spanish Inquisition. Some favored previous roles of our new fledgling include **Adelaide** from *Guys and Dolls*, **Marty** from *Grease* and **Richard Harding Bush** from *The Rocooco Coco Bean*. When she's not playing on a stage she can be found imbibing in copious amounts of coffee while reading books she never got around to while attending school at Texas Tech University.

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**ERIKA PATRICK**<sup>^</sup> - Lady Macbeth (MAC), Queen Gertrude (HAM), Boyet (LLL)

Erika grew up in Henderson, Nevada and moved to Elko in 1998. After enrolling at GBC, she made her stage debut in the 1998 GBC production of *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. She has been in other GBC productions, including *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*, *The Trial of Ebenezer Scrooge*, *Urinetown*, and *The Good Doctor*. In 2004, she joined the Silver Stage Players in the production of William Shakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing*. Other productions that Erika has been involved with include *Lysistrata*, *Sister Mary Ignatius Explains it All for You*, *Bringing it All Back Home*, and *A Cowhand's Christmas Carol*. Erika is a past SSP Chairman and longtime Elko volunteer.

**TONY PIPER** - Macbeth (MAC), Petruccio (TOTS)

I was born on October 1, 1984 in Salinas, California and moved to Spring Creek in 1998. I graduated from Spring Creek High School and during my time there I took 3 years of French, 4 years of art, and 2 years of drama. I participated in three plays while at SCHS including *Squad Room*, *The Silver Lady*, and *Annie*. In 2004, I was in the GBC production of *West Side Story*. *Much Ado About Nothing* was my first Silver Stage Players' production. Since then, I have been in over a dozen plays, have directed three, and am a past SSP Board of Directors Chairman. In my spare time, I like to draw (cartoons mostly), paint, read, cook, write poetry, and hang out with my family.

**RUSS SMITH**<sup>\*</sup> - Friar Laurence (RAJ)

Russ Smith started his acting career in junior high school and has loved it ever since. He has been very active in theatre in Elko. He started with Silver Stage Players in 2004 and has had many experiences to better himself and gain more confidence due to the amazing people he has been involved with. It has only charged his desire to be on the stage in any capacity whether it be working behind the scenes or in front of the curtain. He has worked with SSP in such productions as *Much Ado About Nothing*, *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, *Clue*, and others. He has also worked with Overland Stage theatre group in their production of *Cinderella* and with Great Basin College in their productions of *The Trial of Ebenezer Scrooge* and *Little Shop of Horrors*.

**JOHN WELLS** - The Doctor (MAC)

Mr. Wells marks his acting debut with SSP in tonight's *Bard in the Yard II*. John has been behind the scenes of several plays in sound and lighting. He loves working with anything mechanical and has long had a love of the arts. He is a longtime Elko resident where he and his wife are raising their four daughters.

**CALEB TAPIA**<sup>^</sup> - Demetrius (AMND), Hamlet (HAM)

Caleb Tapia marks his second Silver Stage Players production in tonight's *Bard in the Yard II*. Caleb starred in *BITY I* as **Duke Orsino** in *Twelfth Night*.

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