



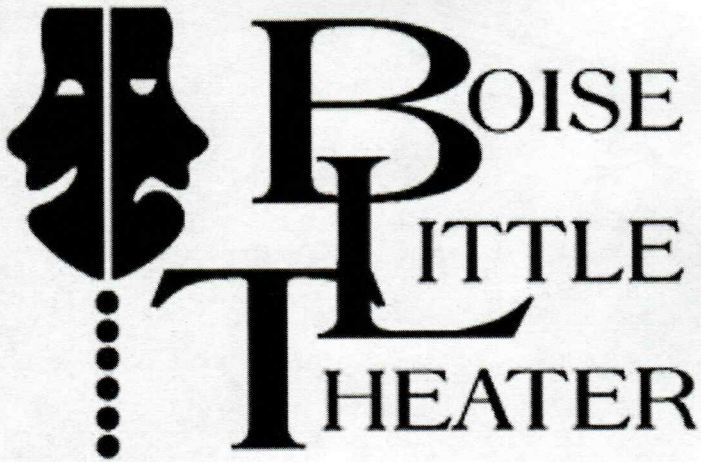
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# STALWART: A BROTHERS' STORY

Writer and Director - Kimberli Reynolds  
Music Director - Nick Cravens    Band Director - Jim Steele  
Choreographer - Joel Hunter

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# STALWART A BROTHERS' STORY

Written by: Kimberli Reynolds

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This work is dedicated to the millions of lives lost in World War II,  
and to those who came home. To the millions of stories that have  
already been silenced; to the millions of daily heroes that never  
intended to be a hero.

To the millions of heartbeats that accepted the sacrifice that would  
mean freedom for the following generations.

To the generations that followed and stood tall, fighting to keep  
the freedom.

To all of those who suffered in the Holocaust of World War 2.

To the children of Leon, Milton, and Robert:

John, Richard, Diann, Cindy, Greg, Ann Marie, Cecilia,  
and Beverly-

Your fathers' legacies live on through you.

Joyce Lind, thank you for sharing your Milton with us.

Robert Lind, the surviving Lind brother,  
thank you for sharing your stories.

Your memories helped create this rich story.

## Directors:

**Kimberli Reynolds (Writer, Director):** Kimberli Reynolds is overjoyed to bring this story of valor, hardship, war, and love to Boise Little Theater's stage. The story is near and dear, as it is a retelling of her grandfather, her great grandparents, and three great uncles during World War 2. Her love of writing has been intensified by the enchantment of Theater where her flare for imagination has unleashed a new level of possibilities. Kimberli has worked with Boise Little Theater over the past few years in costumes, in lights, as stage manager, and as an actor. She deals most with youth involved show such as, Tom Sawyer, Pollyanna, and Miracle of 34th Street. Kimberli has worked with Treasure Valley Children's Theater for five years in both the youth performances and the adult acting company. Watching the youth reach within and pull out an entirely new character is empowering to all. Thank you to my family and especially Brett. I love you all!

**Andrew Yoder (Assistant Director / Paul):** Andrew Yoder is a second year theatre major at the University of Idaho and this is his second show at Boise Little Theatre. This is his directorial debut and has loved every second of it. He would like to give thanks to his parents who have influenced and supported his pursuit of the arts.

**Nick Cravens (Musical Director):** I will be starting my third year this fall at Idaho State University, where I am working towards a Bachelor of Music degree in vocal performance. After graduation my goals are to attend a master's program and then pursue performing in opera for my career. I most recently was in the ISU opera production of Our Town cast as Frank and the understudy for the Stage Manager. I have had opportunities to participate in productions with Boise Music Week, Treasure Valley Youth Theater, Opera Idaho and Opera Idaho Children's Chorus. I have participated as an actor and stage crew for White Christmas, High School Musical Jr., The Adventures of Tom Sawyer, Alice in Wonderland Jr. and Pollyanna at Boise Little Theater. I would like to thank Boise Little Theater and Boise Parks and Recreation for giving me my first opportunity to be a music director. I appreciate all the hard work and time the cast and band has put into this show and the challenges they met to work together to be expressive with their music, contributing this element to such a wonderful show. It has been a great experience getting to work with all of you. Thanks to my mom for her continued support in all my endeavors.



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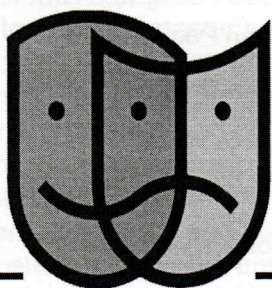
Paul	Andrew Yoder
Grace	Sarah Williams
Leon	Nathan Franz
Wayne	Bren Trotter
Milton	Dylan Reynolds
Robert	Ruben Ward
Ruby, Ensemble	Bryn McDaniel
Mud Pie	Karter Spoklie
Greg, Ensemble	Eliot DeHaven
Richard, Ensemble	Jake Pentzer
Millie, Ensemble	Holland Stull
Alison, Band, Ensemble	Isabella Furioso
Nurse, Ensemble	Shayna Ryan
Band	Alex Burt
Band	Blake Bailus
Band	Sean Pogue
Band, Ensemble	Zeke Griffin
Band, Ensemble	Grace Ward
Band, Ensemble	Julene Elias
Band, Ensemble	Zoe Kenney
Ensemble	Bobby Lee
Ensemble	Alea Faddis
Ensemble	Amelia Ware
Ensemble	Katie Rodeghiero

## Directors continued:

**Jim Steele (Band Director):** After serving as corps bugler at Fork Union Military Academy, Jim went on to study music at Shenandoah University's Conservatory of Music. Later, as a sailor he put a band together on board the missile cruiser USS Halsey. The band, 'High Seas', earned a Letter of Commendation from the Navy for its role in entertaining the diplomatic delegation to Hong Kong when they visited the ship at sea. Jim has played in multiple concert and swing bands during his adult life, and was a member of the Boise Philharmonic Master Chorale in the 90's.

**Joel Hunter (Choreographer):** Joel Hunter has been spreading his knowledge and love for dancing here in the Treasure Valley for over 15 years. Owner of Heirloom Dance Studio and organizer of Boise City Swing (Boise's largest Vintage Jazz and Dance Festival), Joel's primary mission is to create a dance culture that crosses generations. In 'Stalwart - A Brother's Story' Joel taught the cast a vintage style of Swing called Lindy Hop. This dance was not only named after Charles Lindbergh and his 'Hop' over the Atlantic, it was also the authentic style of Swing that the brothers would have encountered at the USO.

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# Crew

Director	Kimberli Reynolds
Musical Director	Nick Cravens
Band Director	Jim Steele
Assistant Director	Andrew Yoder
Choreographer	Joel Hunter
Assistant Choreographer	Grace Ward
Stage Manager	Kate Carter-Cram
Assistant Stage Manager	Annie Eismann
Assistant Stage Manager / Props Master / Set Dresser	Sam Hiedleberg
Stagehands / Dressers	Jaxon Holmes, Remi Stull, Elke Myers
Master Carpenter	Jim Anderson
Set Builders	
Jim Anderson, Frank White, Andrew Yoder, Nick Cravens, Sam Heidleberg, Annie Eismann, Sean Magnusson, Savi Dopkins	
Set Paint Design / Mentor	Kim Sherman-Labrum
Set Painters	Cast and Crew
Sound Design	Jim Steele
Sound Operator	Timothy Reichel
Technical Director / Light Design	Sean Magnusson
Assistant Technical Director / Light Design and Operator / Make-up	Shirley Blauer
Hair Design	Danielle O'Connor
Costume Design / Wardrobe	Linda Snodgrass, Cheryl Blauer, Amy Reichel, Chanel Johnson
T-shirt Design / Poster Design / Program Cover	Heather Carlson
Prompters	Annalese Harrold Elke Myers
Boise City Parks and Rec	Clay Lee
The Tribute - Musical Number	Nick Cravens



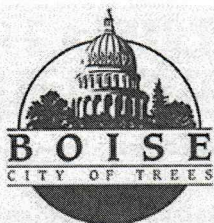
# Biographies

**Alex Burt (Band, Ensemble):** Alex Burt attends Centennial High School and is going into his Sophomore year. He has been participating in band for 5 years and has played in the saxophone family for 3 years. Alex has participated in jazz band and traditional concert band, and plans on continuing to participate in Centennial's marching band and symphonic band in the future. Alex has a passion in music and he also enjoys studying physical science. Enjoy the show!

**Eliot DeHaven (Greg):** Eliot DeHaven recently completed his Freshman year at the Idaho Fine Arts Academy as a vocal Major. He is looking forward to his sophomore year at Centennial High School where he will be a member of the CHS Camerata Singers. Eliot's recent roles include the Pirate King in Pirates of Penzance, Augustus Gloop in Willy Wonka Jr., Mufasa in Lion King Jr., and Sir Luce in Once Upon A Matress.

**Julene Elias (Band, Ensemble):** Julene Elias is an avid actor, writer, and artist, and she is very excited to be taking part in Stalwart as a part of the band. This is her second year with the summer youth production at BLT, and previously, she has played a part in three Missoula Children's Theater plays. Julene hopes to stay involved in the theatrical community here in the Treasure Valley after this production ends, and even after high school, the end of which is fast approaching.

**Alea Faddis (Ensemble):** After participating in her first play at nine years old, Alea fell in love with theater. She has been involved in numerous productions, and has most recently performed as the Cat in the Hat in Seussical Kids. This is her first production at BLT and she is incredibly excited to be a part of it. She would like to thank her lovely directors and tech crew for making this show possible.



Boise Parks and Recreation

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## Biographies Continued:

**Nathan Franz (Leon):** Nathan is going into his freshman year of college at the University of Idaho, where he plans to major in Business and minor in theater. Nathan just recently graduated from Boise High School, and was a part of every show in the Washington Street Players since the spring of his Sophomore year. Nathan has also done work at BCT. This is Nathan's first BLT show. Nathan's favorite play he has had a part in is Inherit The Wind, where he played the part of Henry Drummond, and was also lucky enough to be featured in the Idaho Statesman for the performance he put on.

**Isabella Furioso (Band, Alison, Ensemble):** My name is Izzy Furioso. I have been singing my entire life mainly because I could not stop talking and that was a way to make my words worthwhile. I participate in multiple bands including jazz band, marching band, symphonic Band, I even do parade group. All of those are dedication to my love of music on the drums. I have been playing drums for 4 years now and once I started, I could not stop. I love to be in theater for the music, I will try to separate instruments inside a piece I listen to just to figure out how they all slip into place. I am very grateful for every opportunity given to me in the theater and cannot wait to continue this passion of mine in the future.

**Zeke Griffin (Minnie the Moocher, Band, Ensemble):** I have two moms named Amy and Karen, two cats named Cupcake and Muffin, and a wonderful dog named Nolan. I love to be social, cook and act. I was interested in shows since I was very young. My first show was in first grade. It was not that great. Then I proceeded to play Baloo in the Jungle Book with TVCT at our very own BLT. Then my biggest show was the Music Man at the Morrison Center. I was asked if I was interested in auditioning for a production of World War 2 and I graciously accepted a role. I love to hang out with friends and family. My grandparents are amazing. My grandpa has built countless thing such as treehouses, go-carts, a underground bunker, and the newest addition a water slide, and my grandma is always there to cheer me on at every show. I have amazing friends, to many to count and they are so fun and funny. I have made so many different friends in this production and I am so thankful that they are all as supportive.

## Biographies Continued:

**Zoe Kenney (Band, Ensemble):** This is Zoe's second show with Boise Little Theater. She has never played trumpet before, but was happy to take it up to complete the jazz ensemble. After the show, she will begin her senior year at Renaissance High School and pursue an International Baccalaureate degree.

**Bobby Lee (Ensemble):** My first experience with singing was in 2014 with the Boys Kiwanis Choir and have been a part of my school choir since. I began dancing at the age of three starting with tap and hip-hop and I am very excited to have learned Swing-style with this show! I was most recently cast as a boys' band member in Boise Music Week's *Music Man*, 2018. A very special thank you to all of our Vets and your service to our country!!

**Bryn McDaniel (Ruby, Ensemble):** Bryn is thrilled to play Ruby Lind and dance in the USO ensemble for the premiere of *Stalwart*. Prior to *Stalwart*, Bryn performed in *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof* (Trixie Pollitt), *The Crucible* (Betty Parris), and "Pollyanna" (Nancy). Outside of theater, she enjoys student council, honor society, cheerleading at Timberline, technical drafting and videography. Enjoy the show!

**Jake Pentzer (Richard):** Jake has been doing Theatre for eight years, and Musical Theatre for five. *Stalwart* will be marking the 25<sup>th</sup> show he has ever been a part of! His favorite roles he has portrayed are, "Charlie Bucket" in "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory", "Thomas O' Malley" in "Aristocats", "The Mayor" in "The Adventures of Harlequin", "Josh Newstead" in "9 to 5", "Ralph Herdman" in "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever", and "Nine" in "12 Angry Jurors". Jake is extremely passionate about Theatre and is excited to see what show will come his way next!

**Sean Pogue (Band, Ensemble):** My name is Sean Pogue, and I have been playing saxophone for almost a year now. Before that I played French Horn for 4 years and I go to Rocky Mountain High School. I have been in three shows, "Romeo and Juliet," "The Sneeze," and "A Midnight Summer's Dream." I also enjoy picking up new instruments whenever I have the time.



## Biographies Continued:

**Dylan Reynolds (Milton):** Dylan is ecstatic to be performing in his 13th production, and 4th Boise Little Theater production, since he began theater nearly 6 years ago. Recent productions in the Treasure Valley I have been in are: Treasure Valley Children's Theater's productions of "Willy Wonka, Jr." and "Honk! Jr.", a school production of "Much Ado About Nothing", and Boise Little Theater's "Pollyanna". Dylan attends Centennial High School and is going into his sophomore year. He is enrolled in the Advanced Acting and Musical Theater classes at Centennial through audition, and, this past year, was in a pantomime piece that became a qualifier at the Idaho State Drama Competition. Dylan loves being involved in theater and is excited to see what comes next down the line.

**Katie Rodeghiero (Ensemble):** This is my first full show and I'm so excited to be a part of Stalwart! I have been dancing since I was three and competing since I was in fifth grade, but I have recently fallen in love with other aspects of performing. I will be a senior at Bishop Kelly in the fall and want to thank my family and friends for their continued support of all the new things I want to try.

**Shayna Ryan (Nurse, Ensemble):** I have been doing theatre since 2012 and Stalwart is my 6th production. I enjoy singing, Speech and Debate, and riding my unicycle. I will be attending Rocky Mountain High School as a sophomore this fall.

**Karter Spoklie (Mud Pie):** My name is Karter Spoklie, my theatre experience started last year in a town called Canby in the state of Oregon. I had heard of a play that was going on through my school, I decided to join it as I have always had a love for theatre and ended up getting a supporting role. After that experience, I decided to look for more acting experiences in my town, but sadly, I could not participate due to my family moving to Idaho very soon. When our family finally moved that summer I was unable to do anything acting wise but was relieved to find out that my school had an acting teacher that taught both newcomers and experienced users in drama and for me I took both out of curiosity and for the experience and was very glad I did. After the classes that I took during the school year. I decided to try to look for a play during the summer and thanks to my cousin Wyatt I was led to Stalwart. While this is my first play through the Boise Little Theatre my experience does not fall short, and I intend to prove this on the stage.

## Biographies Continued:

**Holland Stull (Millie, Ensemble):** Holland is so excited to be back on the BLT stage with some amazing people. She loves to sing and play the piano, but most importantly she loves to be on the stage. Holland doesn't just enjoy being on the stage, she also loves water sports and spending time with her family. She would like to thank Kimberli, Cheryl, Yoder, and Nick for giving her the extraordinary opportunity to help tell this amazing story! Above all, she would like to thank all her friends in the cast for helping her to learn her lines and have a blast!

**Bren Trotter (Wayne):** Bren has been involved in theatre and choir for his whole life. These experiences helped Bren win the District IV Baritone Solo Competition in his junior year of high school. He will be attending Central Washington University next fall studying Musical Theatre. Bren would like to thanks his dogs, parents, mentors, and friends. Bren also does not like writing bios :)

**Amelia Ware (Ensemble):** Amelia is excited to be in her first Boise Little Theater production. Her previous shows include: Treasure Valley Youth Theater's "Annie" and "Aladdin", Boise Music Week's "Mary Poppins" and "Music Man", as well as a homeschool production of "Midsummers Night's Dream". When she is not singing or acting, she enjoys soccer, volleyball, piano and gymnastics. She would like to thank everyone who has made this production possible!

**Grace Ward (Asst. Choreographer, Band, Ensemble):** Grace is absolutely thrilled to be exercising her passions for new work, dance, and community theatre through Stalwart. She is currently studying for her BFA in Narrative Arts (fancy words for dramatic writing) at Boise State University, and working on many local projects including *A Guide To Crying In Public* at BCT and Jump, a web series, and a YA novel. She would like to thank her mentors (Katie, Clay, Joel & Courtney) and her family (Mom, Dad, Ruben, Fro, Nana, Gramps, & Em) for making her work possible; as well as her high school orchestra teacher, Laurel Talley, for teaching her how to groove on the bass.



# Boise Little Theater Student Club

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## Join Us

The Boise Little Theater Student Club – a theater service club for youth ages 12 to 20 years old. Volunteer opportunities provided by Boise Little Theater as well as other community organizations. Workshops / clinics provided to develop their knowledge, leadership and skills for these opportunities.

## Membership Fees

Student Club membership fees consist of simply a Boise Little Theater Membership at \$5 a person or \$10 for your whole family. Membership payments renewed annually every July at the Membership Picnic.

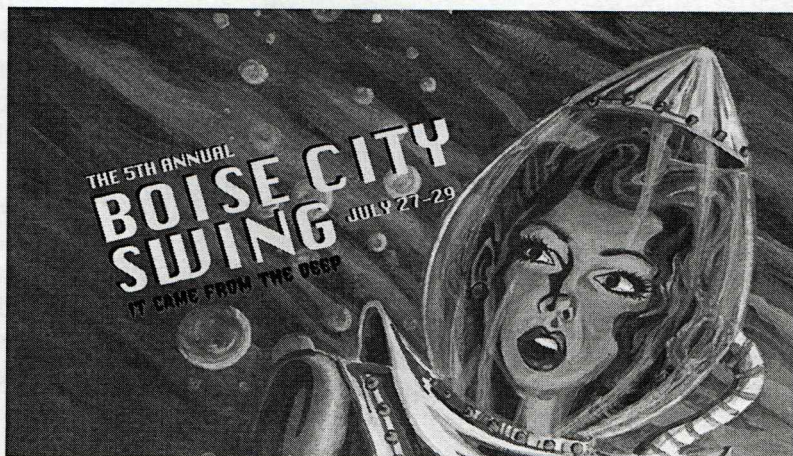
## Meetings

Meetings are held on the third Monday of the month (September –May) - 6:30 pm at the Boise Little Theater followed by the BLT General Membership Meeting at 7:00 pm.. Parents are welcome at monthly meetings!

## More information??

Email [bltstudentclub@gmail.com](mailto:bltstudentclub@gmail.com)

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## Biographies Continued:

**Ruben Ward (Robert):** Imagine a relatively small 14-year-old boy wearing a striped shirt and converse and you likely picture me.

Ruben Ward. Having done four shows before this one, I'm starting to settle in with the crowd, but as always there still tons that I have to learn. I'm seriously so honored to have landed the role that I did in this show. Before this show I've been in Christmas story, Mary Poppins, Pollyanna, and Alice in Wonderland, but mostly as background roles, so this show has been amazing for me, and I'm sure I'm not the only one.

**Sarah Williams (Grace):** My name is Sarah! In the fall, I'm attending WWU and planning on majoring in English and minoring in Theatre. I've been involved many theatre projects all over, this being the 19<sup>th</sup> production I've been involved in, and the 13<sup>th</sup> major production I've acted in. In my free time, which is almost never, I love to sing along to Broadway music, watch The Office, Pinterest binge travel content, or dream about all the things I could do if I wasn't working a job and running an Etsy store. I want to thank my parents and grandpa for always supporting my dreams, my brother and sister for always keeping me a little goofy, my friends for being by my side, and the entire cast and crew for helping me be the best I can be on stage. These past weeks have been a roller coaster of craziness, but working with these people makes it worth it. Enjoy the show!





## Biographies Continued:

**Kate Carter-Cram (Stage Manager):** Kate Carter-Cram is excited to be working as the stage manager on *Stalwart: A Brothers' Story*. Past technical credits at BLT include *Dracula* (2016) and *Alice in Wonderland, Jr.* (2016). A junior at Boise State University, she is majoring in global studies with an emphasis in international relations and a minor in political science. Kate hopes to work with international law and foreign policy in the future. She would like to thank her parents and sister for their continual guidance and support, and Cheryl and Shirley Blauer for bringing her into the theater family.

**Annie Eismann (Asst. Stage Manager, Ensemble):** This is Annie's third year at Boise Little Theater, and she's thrilled to be working alongside such a wonderful cast and crew. She is a theater major with a performance emphasis at Southern Oregon University, and she is grateful for the many opportunities BLT has provided her during her time in Boise.

**Remi Stull (Stagehand, Wardrobe, Ensemble):** Remi is a part of her second BLT summer production, but this time instead of acting, she's helping backstage with a little bit of everything. Remi has performed in five productions, improv shows, concerts, and multiple film projects across the valley. Remi loves to see the different perspectives found in plays and books and has enjoyed writing her own stories.

**Jaxon Holmes (Stagehand, Ensemble):** Jaxon's favorite place to be is at the theatre. She found her love for acting as Charlotte in *Charlotte's Web* when she was 7 and has been in multiple productions since. This is her first time on a stage crew and is excited to be learning the art of keeping a show running smoothly.

**Elke Myers (Stagehand):** Elke Myers is 18 years old and is a rising freshman at Nebraska Wesleyan University where she is pursuing a BFA in Musical Theater. She loves being on stage and anything that has to do with theater. This summer she is an apprentice at the Idaho Shakespeare Festival where she takes theater classes all day and worked backstage on *Macbeth*.



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