

Tennessee Pirate Fest 2019 Scenario

(Theatrical combination of *Pirates of the Caribbean* movie and Errol Flynn's movie, *Captain Blood*)

Welcome to the bustling fictional Caribbean town of Port Royale in the Tortugas-- home of plantations, shipping, and a base for the British Royal Navy. The year is 1685.

The Governor of this busy port town is the befuddled but affable honorable Chester Drawers.

His daughter, the dutiful and beautiful, Lacey Drawers, serves as assistant in government affairs. Some would venture to say she's the actual governor. With subtle grace she keeps a lid on a brew of pirates, smugglers, red coats, sailors, and ladies of diminished virtue.

Today, however, the Governor has magnanimously proclaimed amnesty for all-- *including pirates*--in honor of his birthday!

While of great concern to Miss Drawers, this news has enraged the notorious Colonel Bishop. Besides overseeing the regional squadron of British naval ships, the good Colonel also happens to own the largest plantation on Tortuga. The disruption to his affairs with this amnesty is enough; but it opens the front door to his arch nemesis, Captain Peter Blood. "Dr." Peter Blood was one of his former plantation slaves who was incarcerated for sedition against good King James; a charge which he vehemently denies.

Captain Blood escaped with 10 others. They commandeered a Spanish ship, and now ply these waters, seeking a sort of pirate justice from His Majesty.

Added to the good Colonel's distress is his rivalry with Captain Blood for the affections of Miss Drawers. Before his escape, Blood's tenure as physician to the governor and dignified manner, even as a slave, intrigued the lady.

Sure that Blood will take advantage of the amnesty and return to bedevil the good Colonel at every turn, Bishop must take measures. In order to thwart Captain Blood's adventurous intentions, Colonel Bishop has enlisted a Lieutenant in the royal navy, a certain Lieutenant Mad Jack McMadd. The most ill-tempered, violent, psychopath in the British navy. If anyone can goad the good Captain into drawing steel, thus breaking rules of amnesty, it is he... And the penalty for breaking amnesty is the gallows!