SMITH KEITH
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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SMITH KEITH

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3883 HOWARD HUGHES PARKWAY, NINTH FLOOR

(Street)

LAS VEGAS, NV 89169

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
BOYD GAMING CORP [BYD]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/03/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

__X__ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
President and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(*e.g.*, puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. De Sec

(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						(In
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Career Restricted Stock Units	(1)	01/03/2012	A		21,456		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	21,456

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SMITH KEITH 3883 HOWARD HUGHES PARKWAY NINTH FLOOR LAS VEGAS, NV 89169	X		President and CEO	

Signatures

Brian A. Larson, Attorney-in-Fact for Keith Smith	01/05/2012
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

***** If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

****** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) The Career Restricted Stock Units were granted to the Reporting Person for no consideration pursuant to the Issuer's Career Shares Program under its 2002 Stock Incentive Plan. Each Career Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Issuer common stock.

(2) The Career Restricted Stock Units will be paid out in shares of Issuer common stock at the time of retirement based upon the Reporting Person's/grantee's attained age and years of continuous service at the time of retirement. To receive any payout under the Career Shares Program, grantees must be at least years 55 years old and must have been continually employed by the Issuer for a minimum of 10 years. Retirement after 10 years of service will entitle a grantee to 50 percent of his or her Career Restricted Stock Units. This increases to 75 percent after 15 years and 100 percent following 20 years of employment. In the event of grantee's death or permanent disability, or following a change in control of Issuer, the grantee will be deemed to have attained age 55 and the Career Restricted Stock Units will immediately vest and convert into shares of Issuer common stock based on the grantee's years of continuous service through the date of death, termination resulting from permanent disability or the change in control, as applicable.

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