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Camel Press Announces the September Release of Passport to Murder, by Mary Angela: A Parisian Idyll is Preempted by Murder

Seattle, WA—Death never takes a holiday, but it certainly can take away one. Adieu, Paris!

On Sept. 15, 2017, Camel Press will release *Passport to Murder* ($15.95, 272 pages, ISBN: 978-1-60381-653-3), the second cozy mystery by Mary Angela in a series featuring amateur sleuth and English professor Emmeline Prather. The murder of a professor cuts short a spring break getaway to Paris, and the remaining twelve travelers are all suspects, including Emmeline and her friend André.
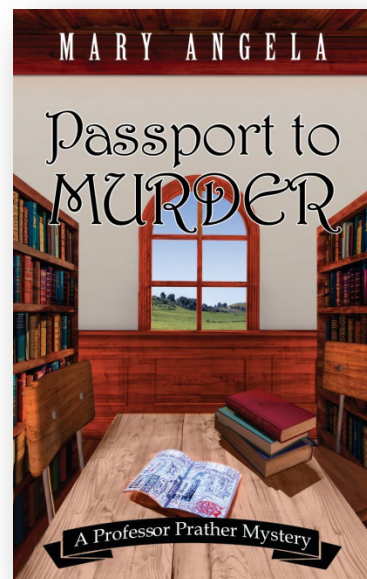
Book 1 in the series was warmly received by critics and voted Book of the Month by Long and Short Review readers.

"Debut author Angela introduces a charming amateur sleuth, fun and well read. She so lovingly describes the town of Copper Bluff that readers can feel the breeze and smell the autumn leaves. Cozy enthusiasts who like Joanne Dobson and Sarah R. Shaber will dive into this new series." —Library Journal

4 Stars: "Em is a force all her own and bodes well for this new series." —RT Reviews

"[A] delightfully quirky, fiercely intelligent and immensely *likable* protagonist." —Lee Ann Roripaugh, SD State Poet Laureate

Start with an unlucky number. Throw in a romantic location. Include a dashing Frenchman and an uncompromising professor. And you have all the ingredients for a passport to murder.

This semester, it seems that Professor Prather's dreams are about to come true. Ever since she was a young girl, she's imagined going to France, and her French colleague, André Duman, has finally made that trip possible. Over spring break, she and André are to lead a group of students and faculty to Paris to explore the City of Light. But before she can utter her first bonjour, a professor dies, and they are stuck in Minneapolis. She returns to Copper Bluff with an unstamped passport and a mystery to solve.

When André becomes the prime suspect, Emmeline puts her research skills to good use, determined to find out who really killed the professor and spoiled their spring break plans. With thirteen travelers assembled, the possibilities are varied and villainous. Luckily, her dear friend and sidekick, Lenny Jenkins, is close by. Together, they will sort through the conflicting clues even if it costs them time, trouble, or tenure.

Says the author, "I've always been intrigued by superstition and myths, and I thought it would be thrilling to plot a book around a group of thirteen travelers. Plots are very important to me, and I'm disappointed when mysteries give me one or two suspects. So *Passport to Murder* was a way for me to entertain and challenge my readers (and myself!) while sorting through myriad possibilities."

Mary Angela teaches English for the University of South Dakota and enjoys reading, traveling, and spending time with her family. She lives in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, with her husband and two young daughters. An avid mystery fan, Mary is a member of Mystery Writers of America and Sisters in Crime. For more information, go to www.maryangelabooks.com.

Passport to Murder is currently available for presale on Amazon.com. After Sept. 15, it will also be available in both eBook and 5x8 trade paperback editions on BN.com, the European Amazons, Amazon Japan and select independent bookstores. Bookstores and libraries can order wholesale through Ingram, Baker & Taylor or by contacting info@camelpress.com. Libraries can also order from Brodart Company. Other eBook formats are available through Kobo and iBooks.

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