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Gabe Lasley has left his ranch in Wyoming because of his strong feelings for a married woman. He finds Shannon Dysart stranded in a mountaintop cave and saves her. She is on a quest to prove her father's research isn't the work of a madman, that he really did find a treasure in the wild west.

With trouble on their back trail from the villains who still want Shannon's map, the dream of gold coloring every decision Shannon makes, and Gabe's surprising need to protect her, they sets out to find a city of gold. Along the way they find that true treasure is rooted in love. And that was within their reach all along.

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Bree says

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I received this book as an ARC from Barbour Publishing. It's being released May 1, 2011.

Haha. I don't know what it was about this book, but it was kinda cheesy! LOL I think the point of it is to be kinda silly, so I guess that's okay. It was quirky for sure.

You've got Shannon who has gone out in search for a city of gold to show the world that her father wasn't crazy, although I think she might be.

You've got Gabe who is on his way to his brother's house, who I think might just be the dorkiest male lead ever.

You've got Lurene who is just freakin' crazy psycho.

You've got Tyra who is out to snag her a husband, which would be Gabe.

You've got Buck who is out to snag Shannon, his intended.

We get the pleasure of following ALL of them along as their stories intersect and they all come together one way or another.

The book overall was decent. Like I mentioned, it was quirky...but I also found it kind of annoying. There's a big to do over propriety in the book. I get it's like historical, so it goes along with the times. A female isn't supposed to be alone with a male, blah blah blah. But I could hardly get through the bits in the book about this. The parson and others got on my last nerve. That was the only truly annoying part for me.

None of the characters were all exceptionally likeable in my opinion. I don't know, this one just didn't hit the spot. BUT, I imagine that loads of people would like it. It's got some action, slight cheese ball romance, and interesting humor. I say, go for it! :)

Carolyn Tye says

Fun read.

Tori says

This book frustrated me. I guess because I never really got into it. I ended up skimming most of it...

Shawn says

While I love Mary Connealy's books....this one was my least favorite. Just didn't connect with the characters and the story line.

Amy says

[the thief discovering the cross of Coronado, and Lurene/Ilsa falling to her death tryi

Lorraine says

A determined Shannon Dysart is on a quest to prove her father's research isn't the word of a madman and that he really did find treasure in the Wild West. Then she finds herself stranded, with an aimless wanderer her only way out. When a band of villains threaten to steal Shannon's map, will she be able to see past the gold that colors her ever decision, and will Gabe Lasley, a Wyoming rancher, on his way to visit his brother, accept his surprising need to protect a woman who doesn't seem to have a lick of common sense? Or will they discover that a true treasure rooted in love and faith has been within their reach all along.

I absolutely loved the setting for this book - the depths of the Grand Canyon. Connealy obviously did her research as her descriptions of the canyon and how it looks during the various times of the day were incredibly well written. Filled with a touch of humor, a spunky heroine, a never ceasing caring hero, and a wild bunch of villains, this was definitely an enjoyable historical read. A strong faith thread that helped Shannon learn that all that glitters is not gold and faith in people is more important than the things in life rounded out this delightful read.

FAVORITE QUOTES: "No parent can do better for a child than to let her know she is loved."

"Well, I'm very certain the good Lord doesn't have a different set of rules for men and women."

"What happens after death is between a man and God. And the choices a man makes about faith come before he dies."

Lisa says

A classic Mary Conneally, which means humor, romance, and faith all with a western backdrop--this time the Grand Canyon.

Brandi says

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(*SPOILER ALERT!!!*)

Poor Shannon. I don't know if any of y'all noticed, but there was one moment where she was in the clutches of loony Lurene and all the others didn't seem to notice. They were all too busy thinking about how the person they liked would sadly go along great with someone other than themselves. It was kind of irritating. Here poor Shannon was in the hands of a mad (in both ways) woman and that's what they were thinking about. The book was great. I really liked the part with Lurene in the end. (And, no, I am not talking about how she fell, crushed her skull, tumbled into a dark, watery cave, and evidently died. I'm not that heartless.) I'm talking about Shannon's speech towards the end of chapter twenty-three. It's good.

Shannon was a good character. She was spunky, and determined, and passionate. Her mother sounds very scary. Can't say I blame her for leaving. I wish she'd just agreed to marry Gabe in the first place. But that wouldn't have worked, would it? Well... then again... it could've worked. They'd get married and go off to find the treasure together and then by the time Bucky got there, Gabe would be, like, "Who in the world is this?" when he mentions something about Shannon marrying him. And then Shannon will have to explain about Bucky and... Well, I guess I shouldn't get so carried away. The book's already written after all.

Gabe was a totally awesome cowboy. He was cute (But what in the world was up with the mustache?! I don't know about you, but I do not like mustaches on the good guys. Mustaches are reserved for ruthless villains or slick flatterers, in my opinion. Not good guys like Gabe.) He was romantic too. And he did a fair amount of kissing, which was perfectly fine with Shannon... and me too. :)

Bucky... er, Buck was pretty cool too. Sure, he's not a hunky, rugged cowboy ready to conquer the world, or at least the bad guys. But he is romantic. And loyal. And pretty adventurous. And he's in love with Tyra, which is cute as well. And he's brave. Brave enough to marry Tyra despite her father. But then again, I'm not sure if that's bravery or stupidity.

Tyra sure has the cowgirl role down. She's got the grit, the sass, the determination, the knowledge, and the spunk. She sure was set on marrying Gabe. Then again, from the sound of it, she hadn't seen another unattached man since then. No wonder she went after him. I mean, if he's young, handsome, and God-fearing (not in that order), why not?

Loony Lurene - Poor gal. I almost feel sorry for her. Though there's no way to justify her sins (and I'm not about to start tryin'), I definitely don't blame her for never wanting to go back. That would be one terrible life. I wish she'd just listened to Shannon.

Abe seemed pretty nice. Bossy and annoying, but he just wants to make sure everyone's safe and under control.

The setting in this novel was different from the other books by Mary. I was prepared for hills, and forests, and rivers, not a vicious desert and the Grand Canyon in all its rugged beauty. While the Grand Canyon backdrop was nice, I think I like the Texas setting better than Arizona's.

But the book was great. I was satisfied with the ending. The characters were wonderful. I just wish I'd known it was book two in a series. The book gave no indication that it was in a series. Not on the cover. Not on the "Other books by this author" page. Nowhere. I just assumed it was a stand-alone novel. Oh, wait a minute, I take that back. It apparently does say that Cowboy Christmas is the prequel to Deep Trouble on the "Other books by this author" page. Guess I overlooked it. Oh well.

I just hope I didn't ruin the first book for myself.

Patricia says

The story idea was great and the author often threw out some pretty witty one liners. However, this story never topped three stars for me. I have pondered why that might be and here are my thoughts. The first reason is the pacing of the story seemed a bit slow, although it did pick up near the end. As a part of the pacing issue, reason two rears its head--there were at times extraneous bits (observations, recollections, musings, etc.), put in for comic value or mmaayyabee character development but bits that did not actually

advance the plot, bits that slowed down the pace of the story. Usually, this causes me to scan-read or skim-read and I realize now that I did read quite causally (rapid, inattentive reading, just shy of scanning the book) probably for this "extraneous bits" reason.

(view spoiler)

Jan Drexler says

If you're looking for a fast-paced romantic cowboy story that will have you laughing one moment and tearing up the next, you have to read a Mary Connealy book.

Deep Trouble follows Shannon Dysart's quest for the treasure her father claims he found in the southwest. She leaves her upper-crust St. Louis life in 1881 with some hired guides and the cryptic map left by her father. What follows is an adventure that takes the reader deep into the history of Grand Canyon and Shannon Dysart's trouble.

If you've ever read one of Mary Connealy's books, you know that so far I've only scratched the surface. In Mary's books, none of the characters are ever what they appear to be at first glance. Shannon's hired guides should be honorable, her long time society beau should be a helpless greenhorn, and the cowboy who comes to her rescue, Gabe Lasley, should leave her in a safe spot and go back to his own life. But of course, none of that happens.

And just what is the treasure that Shannon's father found in the depths of this mysterious and beautiful canyon? Shannon and Gabe discover it, and you might also when you read this book.

Mary's books are perfect reading for any time. My favorite time to read one of her stories, though, is on a weekend. That's when I have chunks of time available to devote to one of my favorite authors.

Deep Trouble is available in paperback from Barbour Press or as an e-book from Amazon.

I received a copy of this book as a free download from Netgalley for my review.

Caitlyn Santi says

This was a great read! I really enjoyed it! It was a cool storyline!

The characters were fun, I liked that there were two romance stories and that each of the four characters ended up falling for the person that many people would say was the least suitable for them- but it all worked out as God had planned!

I actually thought the villain was really interesting, the motive behind her longing for gold was a very unique one that you don't see very often in stories. This book reminded me of the National Treasure movies, except in a historical setting which I loved!

But one thing I didn't like about this book was the physical affection between Gabe and Shannon. Yes this book is clean, but the amount of kissing and cuddling annoyed me, especially because by the end of the book they

have only known each other about a week!

This was a great read and I highly recommend it!

Katrina says

SO glad to be done with this book. It had potential but I fell asleep every time I picked it up.

Yury says

Romance, outlaws, and betrayal. A perfect novel of the Wild West. I enjoy reading this novel, especially the quest to find the city of gold. Shannon's map rooted in love and villains.

Courtney says

Mary Connealy is turning in to one of my favorite authors with every book I read. Although, because I know how great some of her books are I was a bit disappointed with Deep Trouble but I still loved it even though! This is about a young wealthy woman Shannon Dysart who decides to follow her dad's maps to treasure after he passes away. She wants to find out why her dad was so obsessed with his quest and she also wants to prove that he did find treasure among the Grand Canyon and that he wasn't crazy like most people thought. When trouble finds Shannon, rancher Gabe Lasley finds her and rescues her and then decides to follow along with her on her quest to treasure which turns in to one dangerous event after another.

One of my favorite things about Mary Connealy's writing is the adventure that goes on while the romance is brewing and of course the humor. Deep Trouble has a lot of adventure, some sweet romance but really lacks in the humor aspect.

I didn't find myself truly invested in this story as much as the other books I've read by Connealy. I think most of the reason I didn't fully connect was due to the multiple story lines/angles going on at the same time. I didn't like how she switched over to the other stories when I was really interested in the current setting.

The characters were all well-developed and I wanted to see Shannon succeed right from the get-go but I never really loved her all that much. At times I was frustrated with her with anyone else that liked her.

She always has a spiritual message going on throughout her books and this one was no different. It reminded me of looking at my life to see what I rely on more than God and to get my focus back on Him!

Even though this wasn't one of the good Mary Connealy books, this will not sway me from reading any of her others and I do think others might enjoy this book more than I did.

Haley says

I would actually rate this 3.75 stars. I love this author and love her writing style. However, I didn't really like the storyline all that much and the story seemed to drag a little for me. Not my favorite of this author.
