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Lois says

I'm still reading this series mostly because I want to find out what happens with Coop and Jack, as in, which one what's-er-face will pick.

Anything to do with Wes, her brother, usually involves crass language or descriptions.

I'm picking all sorts of holes in the plot. The writing is barely OK. I don't really trust Bond to come wup with an end that's going to be satisfying, but I want to see what she does come up with.

If this series goes on longer than No. 6 I am going to be so annoyed. Thank goodness No. 6 comes out at the end of the month.

Stef says

This series keeps on getting better. Must read them in order for sure. . . Very complex, still unknown who the charmed killer is. Charlotta and Wesley have great adventures through out the books. Read this book in a matter of hours on my day off.

Fast read, keeps you right in the story. Suspense, romance, action packed. Would recommend.

Update 6-3-2016: If you are looking for other great suspense/action/Comedy/Laugh Out Loud / Romance books check out my other reviews. I Recommend this series and the following:

- > Rose Gardner Mystery Series by Denise Grover Swank
- > Body Movers Series by Stephanie Bond
- > Rock Chick Series by Kristen Ashley
- > Bobbie Faye's Series by Toni McGee Causey
- > Stephanie Plum Series by Janet Evanovich

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Lizz says

I think I'm team Jack. I could be Team Coop. I am NOT Team Peter. Not sure why....

TJ says

I have absolutely loved reading this series but by this time I am getting really frustrated with everybody's inability to just tell the stinkin' truth! Hannah's not honest with Carlotta not honest with Jack, Peter or Coop and Wes is not honest with anyone, Of them all, Carlotta is the most infuriating. Rather than just being open and honest, she always uses avoidance or just runs away. It is most frustrating with Coop. She claims to be such a good friend to him but many times she knows he needs her to open up and instead she consistantly disregards it and walks away. I guess this trait can be expected with Wes, as he is completely immature

Xenos says

Finally, the "Body Movers" series is hitting its stride. Though I still can't claim to love this series, I'm not disliking it as much...even though I'm still frustrated and hate the direction it's going. Sounds weird, I know. Maybe I'm becoming a masochist. At any rate, I'll be going to the library for book six.

A number of things need to happen in order for me to not kick myself for wasting my time. (The bad thing is I have no idea if or when this will happen...Stephanie Bond sounds like a politician when asked how many books will be in this series. All she'll say is that book seven will be released in late 2012. This leads me to believe that she doesn't have a plan...and that makes me nervous.)

- 1) First and foremost, Coop must be acquitted of being the Charmed Killer. I absolutely hate that he's been arrested. (And if it turns out he really is the killer, I'll go back and give all these books one star. Aargh!!!) Minus ten points.
- 2) Randolph must man-up and face not only Carlotta and Wesley but also the police. Though in my opinion he could never make amends, he must beg and grovel for me to have one ounce of respect for him.
- 3) Carlotta must woman-up and kick Peter to the curb. There's just something very namby-pamby about him that grates on me. Maybe because he didn't stand by Carlotta when she needed him the most. Maybe because he married another woman not out of love but because it was socially correct. Maybe because he continues to live in the huge, sterile, lonely house that his wife was murdered in. Maybe because he continues to associate with shallow people who shun Carlotta.
- 4) Wesley must kick his drug and gambling habits, complete his community service and go to college.
- 5) Michael Lane must be caught and put behind bars.
- 6) Jack must conquer his commitment phobia OR Carlotta must realize that Coop is the one for her. Either outcome will satisfy me...Though if Carlotta ends up with Jack, Coop must find a good woman to love. (At this point -- despite the fact that it looks like Coop is a mass murderer, which I don't believe for a second -- wishy-washy Carlotta isn't good enough for Coop and must get her act together.)

So, I'll keep reading and pulling my hair out...But there'd better be a payoff!!!

Barb says

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danger is dogging her seemingly cursed family--and that the serial killer's exploits are starting to get personal. . . .

The story continues. I only have one book left, (that i know of) and i'm sorry to see it end. A great story with many many twists and turns. Wonderfully told, intriguing story. 5 stars.

Kara Peterson says

I listen to this series on IPOD and the voices are great! Oh the ending of this one is horrible! Of the three men in Carlotta's life Cooper is my favorite so this book was harder for me because Coop all but disappeared. Carlotta is her normal busybody self and solves a few crimes/questions in crimes, keeps every male around her at high alert, and manages to wreck a few motor vehicles. Wesley is still causing trouble. The charmed killer never gets caught (I guess that is what 6 is for) however Peter is making some major moves and may catch Carlotta!

Barbara ★ says

Not to enamored of this one. It's a continuation of the storyline from 4 Bodies And A Funeral with a lot of the story retold. I'm beginning to be bored with Carlotta's misadventures and Wesley's drug and gambling problems. It seems as if the author could continue dragging the story out forever. There's no closure on the father's situation yet he is constantly a suspect in everything that happens in town even though he's been gone for 10 years. Wesley just keeps getting deeper and deeper into trouble with no end in sight. And I just don't understand the whole thing with Peter. He dumped her when she needed him most and ten years later he's repenting, give me a break. She's supposed to be an intelligent woman so why does she keep falling for his charm? And Jack seems like a nice guy regardless of the fact that he's a cop and trying to catch her father. And Coop seems like the best of the three but it seems like she missed her opportunity there too.

I do know that I own book six but that will probably be my last in this series unless something dramatic happens.

Julie says

This book would be a definite four stars if it did not have that cliff hanger for an ending. Ugg. I can't get my hands on the next book right now. This is a fun read just make sure you have all the books available at one time.

Jennifer says

good - but getting frustrated with the fact that Carlotta can't realize that she's better off not hanging with the country club crowd and that she doesn't want the wealthy lifestyle she had as a child. And that Wesley just keeps getting in deeper & deeper - when is he going to grow up & get over all his addictions? I think he's basically good hearted, but completely unable to make a good decision...It would be nice to see them solve a few of their problems.

Lori says

I am starting to get bored with this series. The library has #6 and then I will decide, at this point I wouldn't spend money on #7. Carlotta is too conflicted with her men including her worthless father. Honestly, I don't know what any of them see in her. Wes is such a loser, he is getting tiresome, grow this character up already!

Donna Meland says

Still interested in the charmed killer. Can't wait to read book six.

Liz says

I want to like this series so much. She has decent characters and a story line that could actually work if the author could write well enough to actually make both work. I feel like the author is trying so hard to stretch this out or make it Stephanie Plum like that she is failing. So far I feel like we have read the same thing wrote differently in each book; which is probably why her hair dresser remarks are on the front of the book instead of a peer or critic. I said this before on the prior book, but I feel that she did no research what so ever to actually write this book and she just sat down and started typing. Good authors research for months before they actually write a book. I agree with someone else, Carlotta is nothing but a spoiled rotten brat who is trying so hard to be what she couldn't be because of her parents and truthfully I'm tired of her. In real life if anyone was to meddle as much as she did, they'd be arrested. Wes is a smart guy who is doing ALOT of stupid stuff, Hannah is interesting, but really what's up with the secrets? You can tell already that she is probably some rich girl who doesn't want to brag in front of Carlotta. Jack and Coop are the only interesting ones. I really want to like this book and I really want to be into it, but it's got to get better and like someone else said, I just don't think this author has the skills to make the ending good.

Sally says

Coop is no killer!!! No no no! Now I'm pissed! I'm starting to hate every character in this series! And what happened to the parents?!!!

I donno why.. but I've always suspected that the parents are the gay couple next door in disguise .. it's just a feeling

Robin says

This book needed some serious editing down. I wanted to like this book, and in parts I did. I realize I came into this series in the middle, having started with #5. But if I liked it enough, I would have tracked down 1 - 4. A good author will fill in enough details so that the reader doesn't feel totally out of the loop, and for the

most part Ms Bond did do that. What I wasn't happy with was the fact that nothing really happened in the book.

The female lead, Carly was apparently struggling with having feelings for 3 men (hookups with each apparently happened in previous books.) There is a serial killer on the loose. There was mention of a former co-worker who was a prime suspect (apparently that action happened in a previous book). She even made the creepy discovery that said prime suspect was secretly living in her house (but that happened in a previous book.) She's a social outcast due to possible wrong-doing by her father, who's on the run but she's recently been in contact with (in a previous book.) In this book, she hangs out with a former fiance who still travels in those social circles, but she reconnected with him....wait for it... in a previous book. By the time "something" happens, it's literally the 2nd to last page. A very unsatisfactory read.

I've got nothing against series. In fact, I love them. Once I find a good 'world' I like to stay in it for a while. My problem with this book is that it doesn't seem to advance the series very far. The small amount of character development and action in this book could easily have been edited down and be about a 1/3 of a book. I have no desire to read 1-4, or even 6 which is already out.