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Anita says

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Jenna says

Giulia Driscoll is admittedly skeptical about taking the "case of the haunted lighthouse." After all, in her line of work, the criminals are more often cheating spouses or embezzling accountants, not ghosts and specters. Still, the case intrigues Giulia - as does the open invitation to take up temporary residence at the Bed & Breakfast where these hauntings are supposedly taking place. Giulia quickly enlists her husband, Frank's, help, couching the request in the guise of a much-needed couple's get-away.

As soon as Giulia arrives, strange things do, indeed, start happening. But Giulia and Frank are absolutely convinced that logical, rational, and entirely human explanations exist for them all. Second to Nun has a great mix of excitement and suspense, and author Alice Loweecey knows how to end her chapters on the perfect note to make you want to keep reading the story. Giulia's crew keeps me in stitches; a little laughter is always a great touch in a book!

With Halloween right around the corner, Second to Nun is the perfect cozy-up-with-a-coffee read. You'll enjoy the story, the characters, and the "ghostly" mystery for sure!

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Betty says

Many strange things are occurring at Stone House Lighthouse B&B. Driscoll Investigation is hired to find an answer. Giulis and Frank go undercover as guests on a vacation. Rumors abound about ghosts and a hidden

pile of gold coins. The B&B has beach on a resort that popular. Is someone trying to scare the owner out of building so they can buy the resort at cut price? I recommend this series.

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Tess says

A cozy mystery written by an ex-nun, about an ex-nun who owns Driscoll Investigations. Former nun Giulia, her office administrator, Zane and office assistant, Sidney, have more cases than a cheating husband or two. When new client, Mac, hires Giulia to come to her B&B to investigate who or what is haunting it. Giulia and her husband Frank go to the B&B as honeymooners, trying to stay undercover all the time. From tarot cards to crystal balls. From palm readers to psychics. Whatever other worldly event is handed to Giulia and Frank it is handled with humor, understanding and perseverance.

I was given a copy of this book in exchange for a fair and honest review.

Susan says

It may seem crazy, but an ex-nun as a private detective makes for some good mystery writing. Admittedly, this book is better if you can remember the Stations of the Cross and how to complete a Rosary, but I think everyone can find some humor and enjoyment following the former sister as she continues to solve crimes while coming to terms with her own post-convent life. In this, the second full length offering in the series, Giulia has to solve the ghostly haunting of a bed and breakfast. Colorful characters populate the inn and make for a fun adventure. This would be a great vacation read or cozy weekend read (if we ever get a winter). I do caution readers that this continues a previous series (Falcone & Driscoll). So if you are like me and want to read things in order, read that series first! I will admit that I have added them to my wish list.

I received a preview copy from Netgalley in exchange for an objective review.

Ian says

ARC review for Henery Press via Netgalley.

“How much trouble can a snarky, no-nonsense ex-nun stir up while investigating a potentially haunted lighthouse? Plenty! Between a fireside arsonist, a murderous ghost, and a deadly family legend, Giulia Driscoll has her hands full. Alice Loweecey has once again crafted a delightful, sassy, smart tale that will send the hair on the back of your head skyward and keep your eyes glued to the page. I loved it!” – Jessie Chandler, Author of the Award-Winning Shay O’Hanlon Caper Series

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Books in the Giulia Driscoll Humorous Mystery Series:

CHANGING HABITS (prequel short story) NUN TOO SOON (#1) SECOND TO NUN (#2) NUN BUT THE BRAVE (#3) July 2016

Part of the Henery Press Mystery Series Collection, if you like one, you'll probably like them all...

I found this book to be well written, with a good mystery, and really likeable set of main characters.

Will be getting the previous books in this series...including the Falcone & Driscoll Investigation...Force of Habit, Back in the Habit & Veiled Threat.

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Susan Riley says

I received a copy of this book in return for an honest review.

Driscoll Investigations is hired to evict the family ghost haunting Stone's Throw Lighthouse Bed and Breakfast. But Giulia Driscoll and her husband Frank soon find out that there are more suspects than the otherworldly kind. And the legend of hidden gold adds more than enough motive for attempted murder. Things get nasty when the owner almost falls to her death from the Widow's Walk, and Giulia is pushed down a flight of stairs by a flying clown doll. Could it be the owner herself? The psychic who channels the spirit of the family ghost? One of the guests staying at the B&B who wants to open their own Inn?

The ex-nun and her husband and Driscoll Investigations are great. I've never read any of the Giulia Driscoll series (Second to Nun is the second in the series, except for a short prequel), but it won't be my last. I intend to seek out the first book, Changing Habits, to find out how Giulia became Mrs. Driscoll and became a private investigator. This is "Mystery Lite", and is a refreshing read. I highly recommend.

HENERY PRESS PUBLISHING says

“Giulia is a sympathetic, well-drawn character who has built a full life for herself after she leaving the convent, but appealing touches of the former nun remain.” – *Booklist*

“Driscoll’s second solo turn as a sleuth (after *Nun Too Soon*) offers a fun and fast read with a lot of appeal.” – *Library Journal*

Edel says

This is book two in the Giulia Driscoll mystery series featuring ex nun and private investigator Giulia. Office life is busy when you are trying to catch cheating husbands and other dishonest people , so when Giulia gets an unusual work offer to come stay at a scenic bed and breakfast at a lighthouse she jumps at the chance especially when she can bring along her lovely husband Frank. Something spooky is happening at the bed and breakfast and its owner believes there is a ghost trying to cause great harm that could be potentially fatal , it's up to Giulia and Frank to find out what exactly is going on before someone is found dead! This was the first time I read a book in this series and I truly loved it's setting and characters. Giulia makes a great main character and if the last page is anything to go by we are in for an exciting book 3 in this series !

I received a review copy from the lovely people over at Netgalley .

Melissa says

This is a great series! I mean how can you go wrong with a Nun turned Investigator?? The author has a great way of capturing the audiences attention and holding it. Though this is the second book in the series it can be read as a stand alone. However, once you read this one you will want the entire series to read!

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Rosemary Standeven says

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“Second to Nun” is a good old-fashioned crime novel – no murders or depraved villains, but plenty of skulduggery, family skeletons-in-the-closet, the odd dose of psychic mischief and a dogged private detective in ex-nun Giulia Driscoll. There are no horrors here for the more sensitive readers, and you could happily buy this book for your maiden aunt – or give it to children to read.

The story runs along nicely, and the whodunnit is not resolved until right near the end. As usual, there are many likely suspects for Giulia to work through – including the woman who hired her to solve the mystery of the poltergeist at the Stone’s Throw Bed and Breakfast.

The book is very easy to read, while still maintaining interest throughout with a twisting plot. I could see this being a successful pre-watershed TV series.

Not a book for those who like their crime novels dark, but a very relaxing, enjoyable read for readers who

yearn for a less wicked world.

Andrea Stoeckel says

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Giulia Falcone- Driscoll, owner and lead investigator of Driscoll Investigations, has a case, or two, that could end up being the end of her company. She and her motley crew are up to their eyeballs in alligators with a divorce case and then a woman who runs a B+B grabs Giulia and drags her out of the office to begin a case that's way out on left field: her Inn is haunted and her psychic friend says only DI can "save her".

Reluctantly, Giulia takes the case, going undercover with husband Frank to try to get at the bottom of this. What unwinds is a legend, that frequently is embellished by Mac the owner, and may or may not have some truth to it. Is there a ghost? Is there buried treasure? Can Mac keep her B+B afloat? And how many ways can "The Scoop" tell the same story....

This is my first Alice Loweecey cosy mystery and I really liked it. It felt stiff in spots, but it was overall quite entertaining, keeping you guessing as it unfolded. It's a page turner for sure!

Kim says

This is the second book in the Giulia Driscoll series and another nice easy read. Giulia is asked to investigate at a haunted B&B and to evict the resident ghost who is causing problems. Just who or what is responsible? It keeps your interest throughout whilst the mystery is being solved. Throw in some hidden gold to the mystery.

Giulia and her husband are interesting characters and I would be keen to read more in this series. I see that there is a short prequel released aswell- which I must try to read.

With many thanks to Net Galley for the chance to read the second book.

Anita says

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Toni says

My Take...

Our Nun turned PI has taken on a new case and this time she takes her Detective hubby along with her to solve the mystery of the haunted lighthouse turned bed & breakfast. Due to a tarot reading the owner received, she was prompted to hire the PI and her agency to help bring down the ghost that has been haunting her establishment. Of course, Giulia does not believe in ghosts and so she believes this haunting is of the very much alive person variety. So she and detective hubby sign into the Lighthouse B&B as a couple just wanting a bit of a vacay.

Hubby has to take a day or two to get his current cases under wraps before he can join Giulia at the B&B so she starts out the book on her own. Which is fine with her because she is good on her own when in investigation mode.

She visits the home office a couple of times in order to find a better wifi signal but later they discover a great hot spot on the beach between a few businesses. She checks out the background of all the guests.

This is when all the good stuff starts to happen, the real haunting juicy things that try to convince Giulia that a real ghost presides there. But she is not deterred. There are many twists and turns that will keep a reader interested all the way to the end of the novel. I really appreciate when the author doesn't take the easy way out. I totally enjoyed reading this book and would recommend it to anyone. Definitely check this one out, folks. This is book two in a series. Nun too Soon is the title of book one.

4 Stars.

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