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EUREKA SPRINGS, ARK – Regional publisher, Scorpius Carta Press will release the next book in the Cardboard Cottage Mystery series by Jane Elzey, April 20 (4-20). “Killer Croquet on the Emerald Isle” is a murder mystery adventure to Ireland with a charismatic group of women readers call the Arkansas 4.

As one reviewer said, “think Evanovich with a southern flair, Jane Elzey could be the next Big Thing in Cozy.”

“Killer Croquet on the Emerald Isle” is book four in the cozy mystery series by Jane Elzey. A retired journalist, Elzey now writes fiction under her pen name from her home in the Ozark Mountains, where she claims to eavesdrop on tourists for plausible, and highly entertaining plots where the (crappy) husband always dies. The hash tagline has stuck. “It’s a murder mystery,” Elzey says, “someone’s gotta go. Might as well be a bad husband.”

Tongue in cheek, Elzey says some of the best ideas for victims come from her Killer Club. For a nominal fee, Elzey will write a husband, boss, or ex into the script, retaining full literary license for what she does with them. “No one will recognize them except you and I and our sense of satisfaction,” she says.

True to the cozy mystery genre, the series excludes foul language, sex, and violence.

Focused on the games people play — games like dominoes and dice — The Cardboard Cottage Mystery titles and colorful covers jump out at readers with a promise made good. While each book in the series is a standalone story, they follow four “mature” strong, southern women in their pursuit of fun and whodunnit. While based in Arkansas, the four friends take a bucket travel destination every other year.

“We’ve had a misadventure in the back roads down near Hot Springs, hopped islands in the Galapagos of Ecuador, stomped grapes in the wine country, and now we’ve experienced the shenanigans of Ireland.” What’s next for book 5? “A cold case,” Elzey claims. “Something from the 1920s, I think.”

To book Jane Elzey for a signing or other event, contact the author directly through her website: JaneElzey.com

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