

Jane's always up for a themed gathering with friends. Here are a few of her favorite ideas for Hosting, Games, Nibbles and Nosh guaranteed to add a little fun to your mystery meet up. Be sure to share pictures and tag @JaneElzeyMystery on social media with #TheHusbandAlwaysDies so Jane can repost her favorites.

#### **GAMES**

### **Last Husband Standing**

Provide each member with a notecard to write down their most "fictional" bad ex. Include his occupation, worst habit, motive and opportunity to bump him off. Club members vote on whose fake spouse deserved it. Jane has a list of five (working on six)!

#### **Gossip Night Confidential**

A Bluff Springs twist on Truth or Dare. Members write one harmless, fictional secret or funny rumor about themselves on a slip of paper. Toss them in a bowl and draw to guess who wrote what. Earn extra points when you spin it into a crime and motive. The Cardboard Cottage Sleuths would definitely approve!

## **Book Club Bingo**

Everybody loves a game of Cozy Bingo! Download Jane's free printable Bingo Card.

## **Cozy-but-Cranky Confessions**

Cozies are cute. Southern mysteries have a bite. When too much cookie-cutter sweet has you cranky for a change, this game does the trick. Have everyone share one "cozy" habit that hides a "cranky" edge. You'll be ROTFL with a new understanding of your best buds.

# **NIBBLES AND NOSH**

#### Clue Me In Snack Table

Potlucks make a great snack table. Label each dish with mini "evidence tags" you can download free! Here are some killer snack ideas:

- Motive Meatballs Mini sweet-glazed meatballs with "evidence flag" toothpicks. "Last seen on the buffet before disappearing."
- Red-Handed Dip Roasted red pepper hummus or pimento cheese served with veggie sticks. "Caught with the goods."
- Guilty Pleasures Brownies dusted with powdered sugar fingerprints. "One bite and you'll confess everything."
- The Smoking Bun BBQ pulled pork of chicken sandwiches. "Hot, sticky, and suspiciously good."
- Killer Cobbler Southern peach cobbler that's deadly on calories. "A weapon of delicious destruction."
- Alibi Appetizers "So good that now you see them, now you don't."

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