

## Murder Mystery Party in January



The theme for the BSNM January 2020 party is "Homicide at the Harrison House," which takes place at "a family's 100-year-old historic bed and breakfast." This is an exciting large-group murder mystery party game set in a traditional old mansion for 20-75 guests.

**Characters:** The current list of characters in our murder mystery is provided in the following table.

| BSNM Member          | Character Name and Occupation                   |
|----------------------|---|
| Elizabeth Reisinger  | Kelly Kingsley, B movie star                    |
| Joyce Wolfe          | Sammy Apples, marathon runner                   |
| Jan Kenny            | Alex Bronson, baker                             |
| Berna Woods          | Jordon Jones, realtor                           |
| Barbara Rosen        | Dakota Franco, entrepreneur                     |
| Sally Moore          | Casey Rowlett, world traveler and boat captain  |
| Claudia Ross         | Sasha Yaplan, astronaut                         |
| Jan McComas          | Devon Forums, travel agent                      |
| Mary Ann Cordova     | Cameron Bance, lumberjack                       |
| Jamie Welles         | Taylor Thames, chemist                          |
| Deb Cole             | Drew Beasley, CFO of Harrison House             |
| Pat Verrelle         | Harper Vance, hired gun                         |
| Claire Sweeney       | Frankie Harrison, physician                     |
| Amy Nahirny          | Morgan Williams, canine police officer          |
| Helen Yackel         | Echo Rockman, careflight pilot                  |
| Twyla Caudill        | Dylan McBreezen, event videographer             |
| Julie Fear           | Terry Cane, comedian                            |
| Patti Farley         | Tracy Howe, roller skating rink owner           |
| Judi Burkhalter      | Bronte Vance, teacher                           |
| Lou Schuyler         | Holly Prince, fabric shop owner                 |
| Jill Bartel          | Jett Kyan, tabloid reporter                     |
| Collette Chamberlain | Haven Iceman, heiress                           |
| Diana Kirkpatrick    | Rita Bookman, librarian                         |
| Kate Keefe           | Erica Friedhelm, owner of the playhouse theatre |

**If your name isn't on the list, there are plenty of characters left for you to choose from.** Contact Patti Farley at 505-604-9674 or [pattifarleynm@msn.com](mailto:pattifarleynm@msn.com) to get a character.

**Character Costume Contest:** In addition to the murder mystery, there will be a contest to select the best character costume. Members will vote on the entries and prizes will be awarded.

**Family Jewels:** Keeping in the spirit of the murder mystery and in your character, please wear a "family jewel" to the party. This could be a necklace, earrings, or bracelet that you inherited from your mother or grandmother, or perhaps a watch inherited from your father or grandfather. Just have fun!

**Tables and Table Captains:** We have 8 themed tables with table captains – we still need one more table captain. Each table needs to be decorated with the theme of the room in the 100-year-old historic Harrison House Bed & Breakfast, so put on your thinking caps. **Please contact Patti Farley to be added to a table** (6 persons per table, including the captain). The following table provides the list of rooms with the table captains (in bold) and assigned members that we have so far.

| Table No. | Room Name              | Table Captain and Members   |
|-----------|------------------------|---|
| 1         | Imperial Ballroom      | <b>Kate Keefe</b><br>Elizabeth Reisinger  |
| 2         | Foyer                  | <b>Twyla Caudill</b><br>Marion Boggs  |
| 3         | Bathroom (Powder Room) | <b>Berna Woods</b><br>Claire Sweeney<br>Barbara Rosen<br>Jill Bartel  |
| 4         | Cypress Ballroom       |   |
| 5         | Kitchen                | <b>Julie Fear</b><br>Jamie Welles<br>Diana Kirkpatrick<br>Collette Chamberlain<br>Joyce Wolfe<br>Lou Schuyler |
| 6         | Crime Scene            | <b>Helen Yackel</b>   |
| 7         | Bedroom #1             | <b>Pat Verrelle</b><br>Claudia Ross<br>Judi Burkhalter<br>Mary Ann Cordova<br>Deb Cole                        |
| 8         | Bedroom #2             | <b>Patti Farley</b>   |

**Food:** This will be a potluck. There are even recipes for "themed food" available to accompany our murder mystery. Please contact Patti Farley to bring food for the party. The following table lists the food we have so far.

| Type of Food | Person Bringing   | Theme Name of Dish  |
|--------------|---|---|
| Appetizer    | Mary Ann Cordova<br>Elizabeth Reisinger                             | Something is Fishy  |
| Salad        | Lou Schuyler<br>Jan Kenney  | Watson Salad<br>Mystery Salad   |
| Main Dish    | Helen Yackel<br>Pat Verrelle<br>Kate Keefe<br><br>Diana Kirkpatrick | Chicken Little Wings<br>Killer Croissants<br>Poison Pizza (gluten free)<br>Surprise Rollups |
| Side Dish    | Collette Chamberlain<br><br>Patti Farley                            | Mac (& Cheese) the Knife<br>Devised Eggs  |
| Dessert      | Claire Sweeney<br>Patti Farley<br>Barbara Rosen                     | Death by Chocolate<br>Do You Dare Cupcakes<br>Blood Red Rum Cake                            |

If you would like to participate, please let us know what dish you would like to bring. It only needs to feed about 15 to 20 people. If you can't think of a name for your dish, we will give it an appropriate "murder mystery" name.

**Raffle Items: We are on the hunt for items to raffle off at the party.** If you know of a business or individual who might be willing to donate, please contact them (we have donation letters that you can give them) or contact Pat Verrelle (at [beadsocietynm@gmail.com](mailto:beadsocietynm@gmail.com)) and let her know. We are hoping for a good variety of items for the raffle (such as jewelry and accessories [such as scarves], gift certificates [for restaurants, massage, etc.], and home décor).

**Murder mystery synopsis:** 'Tis the season for Drew Beasley to host the annual bash at the Harrison House. Excitement is hanging thickly in the air, as the VIPs of Pandora City gear up to mingle with friends, colleagues, and, of course, unavoidable foes. Drew Beasley, the CFO of the Harrison House, firmly believes that building community spirit around the Harrison House is the only way to keep the historical bed & breakfast alive. However, it is becoming increasingly difficult for the townspeople of Pandora City to remain harmonious in the same place for too long a time. Drew and the staff of the Harrison House have taken extreme measures this year to divert the guests' attention away from each other and toward the party's festivities. They have planned a delectable menu, fun party games and, of course, spirited music for the guests to enjoy. This might be their last shot at hosting a successful shindig, as the heir to the Harrison estate is growing tired of the way the Harrison House is being managed. Hopefully, the staff can prove that the annual bash is a necessity for the Harrison House's ultimate success. Without the yearly buzz as a reminder, the townspeople could forget about the Harrison House even though it has been in Pandora City for over 100 years.