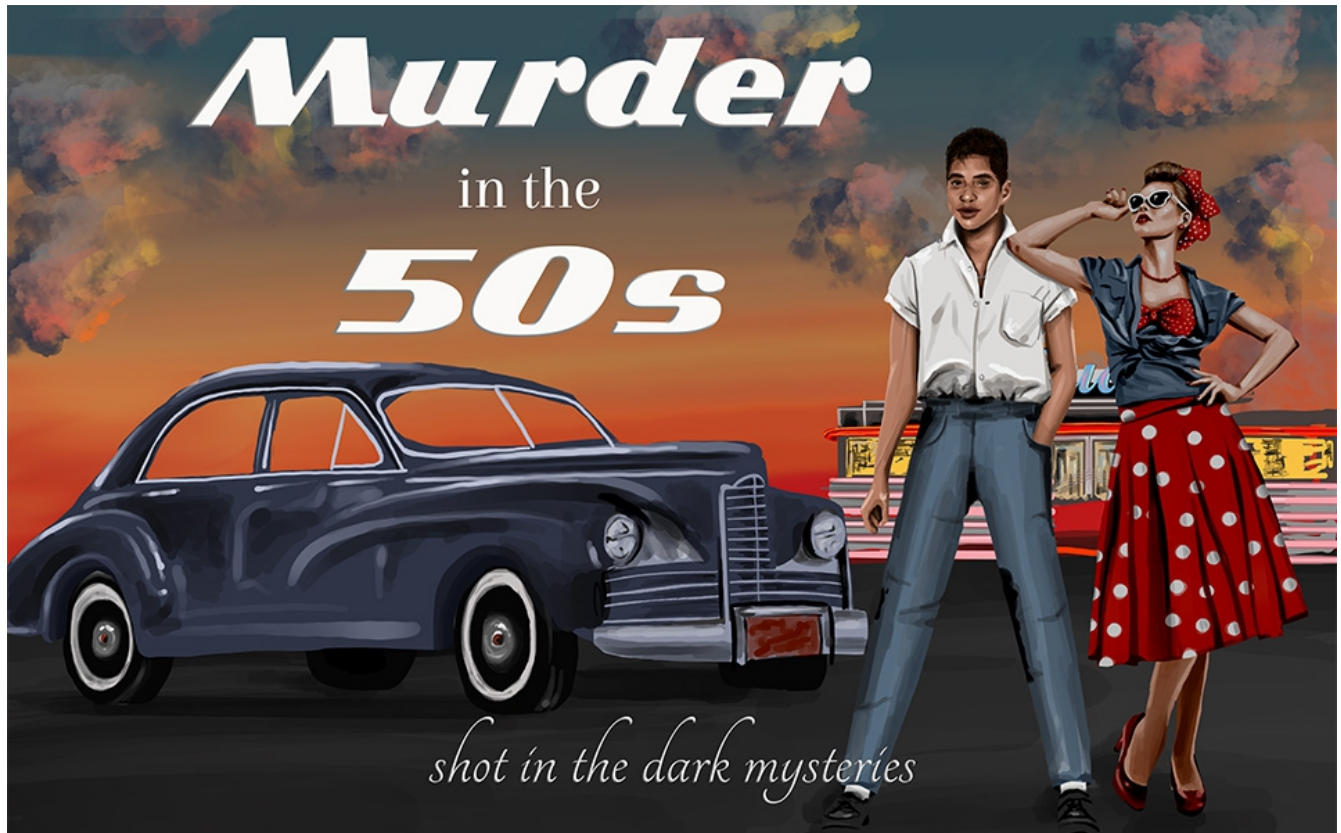




THE SUSPECTS

Helena Glass

The new girl in town, Helena is an exciting addition to high. Having only recently moved from the "Big City" to Winter Springs, Helena is fancy and glamorous – completely different than most of the small town kids at Winter Springs High. Helena has recently been named as the newest addition to the Ice Queens – Winter Springs High's cheerleading squad - and has a good chance of eventually taking over the squad. Helena is confident and unconcerned with what others think of her, and because of this, she has quickly become one of the most popular people at Winter Springs High.

CHARACTER COMPLEXITY RATING: 4



Ivy Burks

The second-most intelligent female at Winter Springs High, Ivy is competitive when it comes to academics. Driven and ambitious, Ivy is dedicated to her school work, and only has time for cheerleading after school before going home to study for the evening. Ivy spends any spare time she has tutoring other students in the school, and when she is not doing that, she is volunteering in the community, giving back to those who are less fortunate. When she does have time to hang out, Ivy runs with Andy Germaine, Sid Corby, Blanche Wiggs, although she tends to get along with everyone, and quickly befriended Helena Glass upon her arrival at Winter Springs High.

CHARACTER COMPLEXITY RATING: 5



Blanche Wiggs

Another student at Winter Springs High, Blanche is a bit of a 'nerd'. Because of this, she has had trouble making friends at Winter Springs High, but typically hangs out with Ivy Burks, Andy Germaine and Sid Corby. Even still, finding friends in Winter Springs has not brought her out of her shell, and as a result, she is socially awkward, and can usually be found staring at the floor, even when she is speaking with someone. Blanche spends her spare time with her train collection, or listening to Science Fiction Radio Hour with her grandmother.

CHARACTER COMPLEXITY RATING: 3



Vicki Keats

Vicki Keats is relatively new to Winter Springs, having only just moved to the town last year from abroad. When she arrived, she had a hard time fitting in, but her new relationship with bad boy Johnny Rider has given her an 'in' with his gang. Since, she has swapped her poodle skirts and high ponytails for tight pants and a leather jacket, and has joined The Purple Femmes, a group of girls who hang out in school and around the town of Winter Springs.

CHARACTER COMPLEXITY RATING: 4



Didi Knox

One of the original girls in the gang The Purple Femmes, Didi is a dreamer, and spends most of her time in class looking out the window and imagining – well, pretty much anything except what the teacher is saying. Generally very friendly and fun-loving, Didi loves nothing more than cruising the town with the rest of The Purple Femmes on a Friday night, taking in a drive-in movie with a cute boy or drinking a milkshake at Ruby's Diner in the town centre.

CHARACTER COMPLEXITY RATING: 3



Trix Britt

Britt, as she demands to be called, is actually Trixie Britt, however those at Winter Springs High have learned that to call her Trixie results in getting socked in the gut. Leader of The Purple Femmes gang, she will accept "Trix" without inflicting bodily harm on the other person, but those who know her best, especially her fellow members of The Purple Femmes, call her Britt. Only her parents and the teachers at Winter Springs High call her Trixie, and even some of the teachers have grown fearful of calling Britt by her given name. Trix walks with attitude, has a razor sharp tongue and a short temper.

CHARACTER COMPLEXITY RATING: 4



Eleanor Story

Girlfriend of Jake Marfield, Eleanor is a student at Forestville High – the only high school in Forestville, the town next to Winter Springs. While the kids in each town are sworn enemies of one another, Eleanor has never engaged in the fights, and has flat-out refused to attend any races between the kids from Forestville and those of Winter Springs. She is here tonight with her steady boyfriend, Jake, but what would have made her even risk being in Winter Springs in the first place?

CHARACTER COMPLEXITY RATING: 5



Lonnie Burks

Another student at Forestville High in the next town over, Lonnie is the leader of the girls' gang in Forestville, The Forest Dames. While The Purple Femmes of Winter Springs tend to be misfits, Lonnie's Forest Dames are glamorous – their make-up perfect, their brows precise and their hair on-point. The Forest Dames look down on The Purple Femmes, although the one time the Purple Femmes tried to fight The Forest Dames, Lonnie quickly took down Purple Femmes leader Trix Britt, and the gangs have not clashed since. Lonnie is condescending and clearly horrified to be communing with the “riff raff” from the next town.

CHARACTER COMPLEXITY RATING: 4



Penny Day

Member of the female gang in Forestville, The Forest Dames, Penny is the best friend of Lonnie Burks and a devoted member of the gang. Penny is impeccably dressed, with flawless make up and hair, and an attitude to match. The Forest Dames have a handshake, and Lonnie and Penny use it often, especially after they insult the kids from Winter Springs. While their enemies, The Purple Dames, scoff when they do it, The Purple Dames wish they had thought of it first.

CHARACTER COMPLEXITY RATING: 3



Andy Germaine

All-around good-guy Andy Germaine is the school's MVP – he excels at every sport, is quick to lend a hand to his friends and is a great student. Always the one to take the moral high ground, Andy stands for all that is right and just, and is quick to give lectures on morality when his classmates make a misstep. Andy is full of school spirit, never misses a rally and can always be found wearing his Winter Springs High Ice Dogs football jacket, regardless of the occasion. Andy is best friends with Sid Corby, and runs with a group of friends that include Ivy Burks and, since she moved to town, Helena Glass.

CHARACTER COMPLEXITY RATING: 4



Sid Corby

Best friend of Andy Germaine, Sid couldn't be more different than his popular counterpart. He is terrible at sports, poor academically and a bit of a loner, which makes many at Winter Springs High, including the teachers, confused as to why he and Andy are such good friends. Regardless, Andy is an avid photographer, he takes pictures for the school newspaper, The Winter Springs Sentinel, and worked closely with the victim, Jessie Ashford.

CHARACTER COMPLEXITY RATING: 5



Eddie Vanel

Rival of Andy Germaine, Eddie is athletic and always seems to be competing for top spot at Winter Springs High. While he can't match Andy academically, he tries to make up for that by joining every sports team Andy is on and trying, and often failing, to beat him. While Andy looks on this rivalry with amusement, Eddie takes it very seriously and is always searching for new ways to prove himself better than his arch rival, Andy. Often referred to as a "wise guy", Eddie likes to make jokes at the expense of others, and most students at Winter Springs High try to avoid Eddie if they can.

CHARACTER COMPLEXITY RATING: 3



Johnny Rider

Bad boy and “greaser”, Johnny only seems to care about three things: his car (which he has named Red Thunder), his gang (The P-Hawks), and his girl (Vicki Keats). When he's not cracking jokes in the back of class or finding creative ways of getting out of school, Johnny is racing his car down the strip, and lives for the nights when his rivals from the next town over, Forestville, meet up to race. While many times these races come to blows, all the kids from Winter Springs come to cheer on Johnny against their sworn enemies from Forestville.

CHARACTER COMPLEXITY RATING: 4



Max Novacks

Second leader of the P-Hawks gang (behind Johnny Rider), Max Novacks is a “greaser”, and is rumoured to spend over an hour each morning perfecting his “elephant trunk” hairstyle before going to school. Max loves racing his own car against the guys from the rival town, Forestville. Last night, he raced down the main strip in Forestville and ended up losing to his nemesis, Robbie. Max has never lost a race, and his surly and snappy whenever anyone brings it up. Vowing revenge, Max has set up another race for this coming weekend, when he plans to get revenge on the gang's rivals, whether in a race or with his fists.

CHARACTER COMPLEXITY RATING: 4



Tab Barski

The youngest member of the P-Hawks gang, Tab is actually Johnny Rider's cousin, and Johnny is very protective of him. Despite Johnny's nomination for membership, Tab is having a hard time fitting in with the P-Hawks. He is clumsy and quite dense. Considering the collective IQ of the rest of the gang, that's saying something! Most of the other members of the P-Hawks have been injured at the hands of Tab, but Johnny insists he remain a member of the gang, and none of the other guys are willing to challenge Johnny on the matter.

CHARACTER COMPLEXITY RATING: 3



Jake Marfield

Level-headed and polite, Jake Marfield lives in the next town over, Forestville, and usually stays within the town limits. The kids from Forestville and those from Winter Springs are sworn enemies, and simply crossing the town line is enough for any of them to get a black eye. However, when things get tense, Jake is always the first one in the thick of it, breaking up fights and pointing out how futile and pointless the rivalry is. Regardless, he does tend to stick to Forestville, which begs the question – what could have brought him to Winter Springs? Jake is going steady with Eleanor Story, and she is in attendance with him tonight.

CHARACTER COMPLEXITY RATING: 5



Robbie Royce

A student from Forestville, the town next to Winter springs, Robbie is the leader of their local “greaser gang”, Lightening Dawn. Robbie is the sworn enemy of P-Hawks leader Johnny Rider, and the two have often had to be pulled off one another the instant they meet. Last night, Robbie beat P-Hawks member Max Novacks in a race down the main strip between the towns – the first time Max has ever been beaten in a race. Robbie is self-assured and cocky, but his confidence is well-earned; his car is the fastest, his strut has the most swagger and even his “elephant trunk” coif is taller and greasier than all the other guys in either town.

CHARACTER COMPLEXITY RATING: 4



Billy Barr

Forestville resident Billy Barr is the side-kick of Lightening Dawn gang leader Robbie Royce. Billy and Robbie often challenge the “greasers” of Winter Springs to races up and down the 'main strip' that connects the two towns, and if Robbie is unable to race, Billy steps in for him. Billy is taking shop, and is fantastic with cars, which has allowed him to supe up the gangs' cars to make them virtually unbeatable in a race. Billy is always the first to throw a punch when the members of Lightening Dawn come across the P-Hawks, and both gangs know that crossing the town lines into enemy territory is a dangerous move indeed.

CHARACTER COMPLEXITY RATING: 3

