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Tracy says

----- I received this book from Netgalley and the publisher for my honest review-----

I found this to be a very delightful story. I find the fact that Sarah is trying to find a wife for Levi to be quite touching. Sarah is trying to help out her friend Grace, because Grace doesn't want to get married and leave her brothers to fend for themselves. Grace wants her eldest brother to have a wife to take care of him and her other brothers. Who need a stern hand themselves to help them grow up. Sarah and Levi are both hurting emotionally and while Levi has always had a crush on Sarah, Sarah just sees him as her late husband's best friend and her friend's brother. The path that these two take is not necessarily easy but it is fun to see the ups and downs as they start to really fall for each other. If you like romance stories with good characters who really are good people, who fall in love with one another without falling into bed with one another then this is a great story for you.

Livia says

Amish romances are always sweet and inspiring and this one is no exception. Levi and Sarah love each other and it's clear very early on in the story but Sarah's lost one husband and feels that everyone she loves leaves her mostly through death. Levi is shy and has no confidence when it comes to his love for Sarah. Something has to take hold for them both and it is interesting reading how they come to terms with each other. A lovely holiday story.

Lily (Night Owl Book Cafe) says

Courtesy of Harlequin through Netgalley in exchange of an honest review.

Honestly, I have not read much Christian Romance, but I am always open to something new and that was how I approached this book and I was glad I did. It was a perfect clean romance for the holidays.

Sarah Wyse dreads Christmas, as she has lost everyone that she loves during the season through the years including her husband. After the shop that she works at closes for the season, Sarah is stuck at home trying to keep her thoughts occupied and away from the dreaded memories. When Grace her next door neighbor is unable to make up her mind about marriage due to her unmarried brother Levi, Sarah comes up with a plan. After sending her friend away for a couple of days to Grace's grandmother, she spends time helping out Grace's brother Levi Beachy find a wife. Of course Levi was her own late husband's best friend, and a boy that she had embarrassed years ago at school. He doesn't talk much, and has no idea what Sarah is brewing behind his back. After she comes up with a short list of eligible ladies, she finds ways to send them to his buggy shop. When Levi finds out about her doings, he sends the Hope Springs eligible man to Sarah's house.

This book was wonderful and surprising so. I loved Levi and there were times that I felt my heart aching for him. He fancied Sarah for a few years, but she married his best friend instead. He doesn't really know how to talk to women, or other people for that matter and has Sarah help him run the business while Grace is away.

Levi also has his own dreams, dreams of leaving Hope Springs and go to the Rocky Mountains. He was absolutely adorable and probably my most favorite character of the story. Poor Levi did not know what was going on, and on top of that he had to deal with the prankster brother's of his. Though I had to admit, one of the pranks that they pulled had me giggling.

Of course Sarah doesn't believe that love and happiness is part of her future, but can Levi mend her broken heart?

A sweet story, beautiful writing, and a wonderful romance. I liked the chemistry between these two, they are friends who came a long way. It was great to be a part of their adventure. I have not read the other books of the series, sadly, but I hope to someday revisit the others that I have missed.

Lorie says

I always enjoy the Brides of Amish County series books. This time, A Hope Springs Christmas, introduces us to Sarah Wyse. She is a widow who has lost her job during the Christmas Season. She seems to always have losses during the holiday season. She lost her husband, parents and sister. Sarah believes because she loved them they were taken from her and she refuses to marry again for that reason. Levi lives close to her and has ran her husband's carriage shop since his death. Levi promises her husband he would look after Sarah until she found a husband. Levi's daughter, Grace is Sarah's best friend. She runs to Sarah when she wants to marry her beau but she feels she can't leave Levi (her brother) and their twin brothers who they have cared for since the death of their parents. Sarah tells Grace to go to her grandmother's house for a visit and she would take care of her brother's while she was gone. Grace asked Sarah to play matchmaker for Levi while she is gone so when she gets back she will be able to leave Levi and the twins so she can get married. Will spending more time help Levi and Sarah to overcome their fears and realize that they love each other? You'll have to read A Hope Springs Christmas to find out.

I really enjoyed this book. Two people getting over their fears to trust God enough to find true love. I also loved the twins in this story. They are quit a mischievous bunch of kids. There was a little bit of a mention of Christmas in the book, but I really did not feel Christmas when reading this book. It could have been anytime during the winter season, except for the fact that we know Sarah has lots of losses during the Christmas season. I also enjoyed briefly meeting old characters in the story. At the end of the book, Patricia Davids gives hints as to who she might write about next in the series. I will be waiting for that next book as her reads always uplift me.

I recieved a copy of this Galley through Net Galley and Harlequin and was not required to give a positive review.

Scarlet Fanning says

A wonderful tender story with great moments of humor.

Levi Beachy lost his parents at age 17, leaving his to raise his six year-old sister and 2 year-old twin boys. He dropped out of school, and took a job at the buggy shop. Levi stuttered as a child and was teased by other children, causing him to become quiet and shy. One of the last school pranks was setting him up to kiss Sarah Wyse. She did not expect the kiss, and surprised, she pushed him in the creek. As the children across

the creek laughed, he assumed that Sarah was in on the joke.

Sarah Wyse has been a widow for five years. Having lost her parents and husband at Christmas, she has decided that God does not want her to have loved ones in her life. She and her husband were also childless. Sarah's husband owned the buggy shop, and was Levi's best friend. He made Levi promise to watch over Sarah until she remarries.

As Christmas approaches, the fabric shop where Sarah works has closed for the season and may not reopen. Sarah has the rent from the buggy shop to support her, but she needs something to do so Christmas depression doesn't claim her. Levi's sister Grace goes to visit her grandmother for several weeks to give her beau a cooling off period. That made it possible for Sarah to take over Grace's duties at the buggy shop. Also, Grace asked her to do some matchmaking for Levi, because Grace couldn't marry till Levi had a new woman to care for her brothers.

A sweet love story follows as the love awakens between Levi and Sarah, plus the comedy as each tries to match the other to a mate in the community.

Anne says

I love Patricia Davis Amish books. This story told so much about Amish ways and how most are there for each other during any crisis. Very heart warming love story.

Lorraine says

SUMMARY: Amish widow Sarah Wyse does not see wedding bells in her future. Still, she can't think of a better way to spend the Christmas season than helping her handsome, shy neighbor Levi Beachy find a wife. But once the single ladies of Hope Springs start visiting his buggy shop, Levi sends the town's eligible men Sarah's way. Neither expects to find love—but with help from the close-knit community, they just might mend each other's broken heart.

REVIEW: An enjoyable Amish book with a bit of a twist as Sarah and Levi both play matchmaker for the other without knowing that the other is strongly interested in someone but too shy or hesitant to approach. I have read many Amish books and read them heavily when I first discovered Christian fiction, but I have found that most of them follow the same story line which tends to make them less interesting to me. I did like the focus on second chances and that some times good friends can make the best marriage partner.

FAVORITE QUOTES: " i understand fear. I understand regret. It understand that it is hard to trust that God knows best...but to think God wants you to spend your life without love is to say that He doesn't love you."

"Papa why can't we have pretty trees like the Englisch?"... He said that when our Lord and Savior was born, no one decorated a tree for him. No one put fancy lights on the roof of the lowly stable. Jesus came to us quietly, in a plain and simple way. We have no need of glowing lights to remind us of His coming, for His light is bright and strong in each of our hearts. And when Jesus looks down from heaven to see how we are celebrating His birth, He looks for the simple light that shines from inside us, where it counts. All those of us who keep His light in our hearts make a more beautiful display to His eyes than any English tree. " (Thought this was a very interesting explanation of why the Amish focus on plain and simple.)

Tina "IRead2Escape" says

Christian Romance is not my normal genre of choice. So, I began reading this book with an open mind, but not overly optimistic mindset. Boy was I pleasantly surprised. A Hope Springs Christmas is the 7th book in the Brides of Amish County series by Patricia Davids. I can say with absolute surety that it doesn't have to be read within the series as I have never read any of the others and didn't feel at anytime out of the loop.

Sarah Wyse dreads the Christmas season. She has lost everyone that she loves, including her young husband, this time of the year. In an attempt to keep her mind off of things, get through the holidays and help out a friend she has decided to play matchmaker to her best friend's brother. It doesn't matter that Levi hasn't asked Sarah to do this. She thinks he's just too shy to have never found a bride and she can help him get past it. If she feels more for Levi than she should when she's around him she ignores it. After all, she had her love and it was only a short time. She doesn't believe its god's will to give her a second chance at love and a family of her own. Plus, it's too much of a risk. If she professes her love and feelings she is risking his life. Everyone she cares about suffers and she can't let that happen to Levi.

Levi Beachy has had a crush on Sarah Wyse since they were children. Being too shy as a kid stood in the way and as an adult his respect and love for Sarah's husband shut it down completely. On his deathbed, Jonas asked Levi to watch over Sarah until she remarried and Levi would do anything for his friend and mentor. Levi has put his hopes and dreams on hold for 5 years, but Sarah shows no sign of ever finding someone else. Levi believes this to be a special kind of torture to watch the woman he has always loved everyday and never be able to tell her how he feels, yet never being able to get away to fulfill his other dreams.

This was such a simple, sweet love story. I thoroughly enjoyed the characters of this small town. Their unbending faith, readiness to help each other and the simple way of life that they shared intrigued and humbled me. I would definitely recommend this book and would love to read more about these wonderful people.

Thank you to NetGalley for the loan of this book in exchange for my honest review.

You can find this review at <http://tinar1121.blogspot.com>

Laura says

Title: A HOPE SPRINGS CHRISTMAS

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Sarah Wyse's husband has died five years ago. She is insistent she'll never marry again. She still is part owner of her husband's buggy shop, but she lets Jonas' business partner, Levi, handle the business while she works at a fabric shop. When her boss goes south for awhile and closes the shop, Sarah wonders what she'll

do for income, what she'll do to give herself a reason to keep living through another holiday alone.

Levi Beachy is shy. He admires Sarah, always has, even though he believes she was instrumental in getting other Amish kids to laugh at him. When his sister leaves to visit their grandmother and think about her relationship with Henry Zook, Sarah marches into the shop and takes over, turning his sanctuary into a place of torment. The good thing is, Sarah can handle the customers and doesn't turn into a stuttering idiot when they come in.

Unfortunately, Sarah is on a mission—to marry Levi off as soon as possible so that his sister can marry Henry. To retaliate, Levi starts sending eligible bachelors to see Sarah, equally determined to find her a husband. On their quest to find love for the other, will they mend each other's broken hearts?

A HOPE SPRINGS CHRISTMAS is the newest book in Ms. Davids' ongoing Brides of Amish Country series. This one features both hero and heroine as Amish, and both of them healing from tragic loss. It had some funny moments in it that made me laugh, but most of the book had a more sober feel.

Levi is quiet and shy, but he does have a quick temper when pushed too far. Sarah is a pushy little thing, wanting her way, and quick to step in and speak up to get what she wants. Completely Levi's opposite. Still, I couldn't help but care for Levi. Sarah took a bit more time for me, as like the hero I am quiet and shy, and I don't like it when people try to take over for me and run my life. The story got interesting when Levi and Sarah started trying to match each other up with others. Fun! If you like Amish stories, then you should consider A HOPE SPRINGS CHRISTMAS. Discussion questions are included at the end of the book. 3.5 stars \$5.75. 224 pages.

Diane U says

Amish widow Sarah Wyse does not see wedding bells in her future. Still, she can't think of a better way to spend the Christmas season than helping her handsome, shy neighbor Levi Beachy find a wife. But once the single ladies of Hope Springs start visiting his buggy shop, Levi sends the town's eligible men Sarah's way. Neither expects to find love—but with help from the close-knit community, they just might mend each other's broken heart.

Sarah Wyse has been a widow for 5 years. She has always had a difficult time with the holidays. Everyone she has loved has passed away around the holidays. This year is worse because the quilt shop she worked at closed for the season so she has nothing to help her stay busy. So she talks to her friend, Grace, who is having problems with the man who is courting her and talks her into visiting her grandmother. This will give them both some time to think over their relationship before getting married. Sarah offers to help Grace's brother Levi at his store in Grace's absence.

Levi Beachy has been raising his brothers and sisters since his parent's died when he was young. He is a shy man who has never thought of marrying since he has to care for his siblings. Sarah is determined to play match maker and find Levi a wife before Grace returns so that she can get married. Will Sarah find a wife for Levi? Will Sarah every be able to love again?

I really enjoyed another Love Inspired book from Harlequin by Patricia Davids! I love how Ms. Davids builds such strong characters quickly in these books which are rather short, about 225 pages. In reading the letter to readers at the end, this is her 7th book in the series of Brides of Amish Country. I need to see which ones I have missed and get caught up!

Carrie says

A Hope Springs Christmas is the the seventh book in the *Brides of Amish County* series. But works very well as a stand alone. Which is what it was for me.

Sarah is a widow, and doesn't think she will ever find love again, in fact she doesn't want to. She's afraid to love again, afraid because to here it seems that everyone she loves is taken away from her too soon.

Levi, a bachelor, to some believe he is destined to be an 'old boy'. Lives and works across the way from Sarah, renting out the place for a buggy business. He's always dreamed of leaving Hope Springs to go Colorado, but because of his promise to Jonas, Sarah late husband and his best friend he stays to make sure she is well looked after until she remarries.

Sarah and Levi are tossed together more then normal as Grace, his sister, goes off to Pennsylvania to visit their Grandmother. While she is there helping out at the shop, Grace hopes that Sarah can find him a wife.

It is a wonderful story about over coming your fears, trusting and loving again.

Rhonda says

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A Hope Springs Christmas is a second chance at love for widow Sarah Wyse.

Sarah has faced a lot of losses in her life around the holidays. She has kept busy with her job at a fabric place. This year she does not have a job. Her boss is closing the store for winter to go and take care of family.

Sarah is busy making a list of things she can do so she does not dwell too much on the past. Her neighbor Grace comes over to talk after a fight with her boyfriend. Her boyfriend wants to marry her but Grace is worried about her brothers getting along without her.

Grace decides to go away and spend time at her grandparents the next morning. She tells her brother that Sarah will help out while she is gone. Grace also asked Sarah to help her big brother find a wife. If he marries she can get married.

Levi Beachy is very shy he hardly talks to people, He thinks people are always laughing at him. Is best friend was Sarah's husband Jonas. Levi made a promise to watch over his wife for him. Levi has waited years for her to remarry before leaving to move out west. He has raised his sister Grace and his twin brothers since they were little after his parents died. The twins are wild and get into trouble a lot.

Sarah tries to match make for Levi but it is hard when he won't talk to anyone. She keeps making excuses to bring women around his shop.

When Levi figures out she has been match making for him he decides that two can play that game and lets a lot of men know that Sarah is willing now to date.

Thier is a lot of laughter, some sad times and good times before things come to the end. Thier is some drama and practacal jokes that go too far. It is a nice Christmas story in all.

This is the seventh book in the *Brides of Amish Country* series by Patricia Davis. It is a clean read.

I was given this ebook to read in exchange for honest review from Netgalley.

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IrenesBookReviews says

What's not to like about this book! There is drama, humor and a bit of romance too! I am not a big fan of Amish fiction but do occasionally read one. This book was very good at drawing you into the story and keeping you interested. I gave this book 5/5 stars. I liked the characters and thought they were well developed and easy to enjoy! Sarah was likeable and you could not help but cheer for her. The main male character was Levi. He too was enjoyable and you root for him right from the start. I would recommend this book to anyone who enjoys Amish fiction, Christian fiction, and short easy to read romances.

I would like to thank the publisher for the copy of this book I enjoyed reading. I gave an honest review based on my opinion of what I read.

Sheri says

A sweet old-fashioned love story that reaffirms your belief in true love. It was refreshing to read about a friendship that slowly grows into love and it renewed my belief that love can happen anywhere and at any time. The characters were well-developed in this easy to read light romance with entertaining and humorous instances, and the details about the Amish were relevant and uncontrived. An inspiring read about letting go of your fears and doubts and putting your trust in God.

Rebecca "Rebeka" Lewis says

A Hope Spring's Christmas by Patricia Davis introduces us to Sarah Wyse. She is a widow who has also lost others that she love. Her job that kept her going through all of this loss is also taken away from her. Levi Beachy is raising his younger twin brothers. He also works at the shop that Sarah's husband owned. For many years he has been secretly been in love with Sarah.

Will Sarah realize before it is too late that there are people around her that love her and will accept her? This was a wonderful romance with so much chemistry between the main characters. I have not read any of the other in this series but I will go back and read them now. If you enjoy reading a light romance story this is the one for you.
