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**Book 3 in the Prairie State Friends trilogy!**

*Jealousy in Amish Country Has Terrible Consequences*

Dive into an Amish country love triangle in this third book of the Prairie State Friends series. Priscilla Herschberger finds herself pursued by Elam, a childhood friend from her community, and David, an outsider raised in the modern world. Elam would do almost anything to convince Priscilla that David would never fit into the Amish way. Will flames of jealousy rage out of control and ruin lives? Can forgiveness allow love and trust to grow?

Don't Skip Book 1 and 2!

Book 1- *The Decision*

Book 2- *The Gift*

## The Restoration Details

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### Rhonda says

Don't you love when reading a book feels like coming home? That's how this book made me feel. I kept remembering portions of the previous books in the Prairie State Friends' series and it just felt like they were all family to me. Priscilla has two young eligible bachelors vying for her attentions and her heart. But jealousy gets in the way and causes great pain for all of them. Can love ever be restored through forgiveness? Priscilla's friends, Elaine and Leah both have many exciting changes and challenges occurring in their lives as well. Priscilla helps Elaine serve Amish dinners in her home to tourists and both Priscilla and Elaine would love to have a husband and family like their friend Leah. Leah continues practicing reflexology in her home and caring for her husband and his three nieces whom they are raising after the death of Adam's sister and brother-in-law. Adam's mother, Cora, wants desperately to repair the past and make amends with him and be a true grandmother to the three nieces but Adam's heart is hardened and forgiveness seems hard to attain. Readers will thrill at seeing how these and other issues are resolving for the Prairie State Friends. I couldn't wait to get back to my reading of this book tonight after caring for my elderly mom for the day. I also want to share the joy of this book by offering a giveaway of the print copy I received from the publisher.

I rate this book 5 stars and highly recommend it to readers.

I received a print version of this book from the publisher and a pdf version of it from netgalley in exchange for my honest review.

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### Kristi says

Opening up a Wanda Brunstetter book is like pulling on an old comfy sweater. You can sink down into the coziness of the story and surround yourself with a thoroughly good read. The Restoration was just such a read that I found myself reading the entire book in a day.

I found myself being pulled into the story from the first page. It was nice returning to Arthur, Illinois and catching up on the lives of characters I had begun to think of as friends and neighbors. New characters are introduced and we are able to get to know existing characters better. Wanda has brought the characters to life and made them completely believable and relatable.

There are several storylines going on in this book with the main story being a love triangle including an Amish couple and their *Englisher* friend. I enjoyed this storyline and the others as it brought to light the fact that the Amish are not really all that different from the rest of the world. They have problems and dilemmas just like everyone else.

Fans of Amish fiction are sure to love this book. New readers of the genre will enjoy the book as well. Even though it is the third book in the series it can be read as a standalone. I would recommend reading the two previous books first then this one so you will be more familiar with all the characters and their stories. However, if you can't wait to read this one then go ahead. You won't be lost as there is enough backstory provided.

I received a free copy of this book from the author and her publisher in exchange for my honest opinion which I have given.

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### **Crissy says**

Seemed to start off in the middle but I missed that I wasn't starting with book 1. I wanted to reach into my book and smack a few characters for just talking to themselves and making things more difficult instead of talking it over with those involved.

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### **Larisha says**

A good story, just not the great one I've come to expect from Brunstetter. This 3rd book in her series was slower moving than some of her others.

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### **Susan says**

THE RESTORATION has many twists and turns that kept me glued to the pages, Each twist kept me wondering what might happen next. There were a few story lines going on within the story and Wanda Brunstetter blends them together perfectly, providing a wonderful story that certainly leaves this reader satisfied with the ending of The Prairie State Friends series.

Fans of Amish fiction will devour THE RESTORATION. I am sad that this series is ending but I'm very happy Wanda wrapped up all of the characters stories. Wanda Brunstetter has always been one of my favorite authors in the Amish genre because her work always provides inspirational messages while also providing real life issues that happen to take place in an Amish setting.

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### **Maureen Timerman says**

The Restoration is the final book in the Prairie State Friends series and I am sad to leave these dear friends behind, but I love getting to the end of stories, even if it isn't the way I wanted it to end.

Our three friends are back, Priscilla, Leah, and Elaine, and yes they always seem to be there for each other. Leah is now married to Adam and you will love their relationship with the girls, but there is now a new person in their lives, and we don't know how this is going to end with so much bitterness.

Elaine is in a new relationship with Ben, and he has proposed, will she accept and fulfill her dreams of having a family of her own. The same with Priscilla will Elam ever ask her to marry him? Or will the new guy in town fulfill his dreams and win Priscilla, this is going to be a rock road, and you wonder who will get hurt, and you are surly going to be surprised in the end.

Such a good and fast read, almost too fast, but I had to find out, but then the final page was turned and of course, I wanted more. Enjoy!

I received this book through Net Galley and the Publisher Shiloh Run Press and was not required to give a positive review

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## **Janice says**

I read this on the Kindle

This was the 3rd & final book in the series I enjoyed this book & series

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## **Nancee says**

The third in the Prairie State Friends series, The Restoration is the culmination of the relationships and activities from the previous books in this series. Complications arise from all sides in this unpredictable novel. Things aren't always as they seem, and deception is no basis for a relationship. Friendships are a very strong element in this novel.

Characters are diverse, some very dear and a few who typically cause trouble that can be costly to others. Family plays an important role, and support is an important aspect throughout this book. Events from the past are revealed through challenges where the truth could affect a number of individuals. This author weaves a strong story together using relationships and situations that could lead in any direction.

I enjoyed this series as much as I've enjoyed other series written by Wanda E. Brunstetter. She has a strong history and knowledge of the Amish, and her wisdom is evidenced by the traditions she represents in her novels. If you love Amish fiction, this is a wonderful and sensitive series that I highly recommend. Happy Reading!

Disclaimer: I received a copy of this book from the author and Barbour Publishing in exchange for my honest review. All expressed opinions are my own, and no monetary compensation was received for this review.

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## **Gail says**

### **Good Ending**

This is another book by Wanda E. Brunstetter that I really enjoyed reading. She brought a wonderful ending to this series. If you enjoy Amish books, this is a great series to read.

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## **jodigamblehotmail.com says**

### **Good read**

Always enjoy Wanda's books. Great storyteller and allows the message come through. Always refreshing to read good clean Godly love stories.

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## **Arlena says**

My Thoughts...

This was another Amish series of the 'Prairie State of Friends #3' that continues on from this author's last novel... 'The Gift.' To really get the full understanding of what all has gone on in earlier series, I would suggest you read the other two series. Now with this series we find this author deals with Priscilla, Elam and David as the main characters. Then you will have a lots of secondary characters Cora, Jared, Adam, Elaine, Ben, Jonah to many others from the earlier series that will blend in as questions will be answered in this story. I found these characters well defined, developed, portrayed and oh so believable giving the readers a good read that will keep your attention. It seems that there are two young men wanting Priscilla's attention. How will she handle all of this? "Will flames of jealousy rage out of control and ruin lives? Can forgiveness allow love and trust to grow? " To get these answers and so much more the reader will have to pick up "The Restoration" to find out!

I thought this author gives the readers one interesting Amish read that will bring in many other characters [from earlier series] that will make this story very intriguing and well written. Be ready for some inspirational verses that will be presented that will speak to your heart and also such details [in the story] that makes the story flow so very well as one reads chapter to chapter. I did feel that toward the end the story seemed somewhat rushed a little but I know all good reads must come to a end. I did like as always this author adding at the end of the story a recipe that was talked about during the read [Priscilla's Friendship Salad] along with some good discussion questions that will give the readers something to think about long after the read.

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## **Patricia Bond says**

THE RESTORATION ( PRAIRIE STATE FRIENDS , #3) WANDA BRUNSTETTER

The Restoration is the final book in Wanda Brunstetter's Prairie State Friends series. The first and second books are The Decision and The Gift.

In The Restoration we find Priscilla Herschberger in a love triangle between her longtime beau, Elam Gingerich and David Morgan, an Englisher.

Priscilla has been waiting forever, it seems, for Elam to propose marriage to her. When David comes to Arthur to visit his grandparents, Priscilla finds herself attracted to David, and David likewise to Priscilla. David decides he wants to become Amish, instead of returning to college to study to become a vet, so that he can court Priscilla.

What will it take for Elam to finally propose to Priscilla. Will it take a near tragedy and who will Priscilla finally choose - Elam or David.

Also in The Restoration, the author, Wanda Brunstetter, has brought us up to date on the lives of some of the other characters in The Decision and The Gift.

At the end of the book there is a recipe for Priscilla's Friendship Salad.

I highly recommend Prairie State Friends to a good read about friendship, love, and forgiveness. I enjoyed how Wanda Brunstetter has kept the reader up to date on the lives of the other characters in this series of books.

### **Cheryl Baranski says**

THE RESTORATION IS BOOK THREE IN THE PRAIRIE STATE FRIENDS SERIES BY WANDA E. BRUNSTETTER. THIS IS A STORY THAT IS FILLED WITH LOVE, FAITH, DEVOTION, HEARTACHE AND HOPE. THERE IS ALWAYS SOMETHING HAPPENING IN THE STORY. THE THINGS THAT PEOPLE WILL DO IN THE NAME OF LOVE ARE SURPRISING. I HAVE ENJOYED THIS SERIES.

4 stars. Be sure to order your copy of The Restoration by Wanda E. Brunstetter today.

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### **Christine Hayes says**

Great ending. Really good books

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### **Rosemarie says**

In the final book of the series, Adam Beachy, now married to Leah Mast and expecting a child of their own (in addition to raising his three nieces), is still struggling with reconciling with his mother (now living an English life with a son from her second marriage). Meanwhile, Leah's friends Priscilla and Elaine are courting two young men, but are unsure if they will marry. Priscilla's beau has yet to propose, and Elaine can't seem to accept a marriage proposal from her beau because she's still in love with Jonah Miller (who married someone else, then became a widower).

This third novel in the series wraps up all the loose ends in everyone's lives. Although things didn't work out the way some planned, things worked out for the best.

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