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If someone asks single mother Frankie Castor to clear a room, she'll smile and find a vacuum cleaner. Ryan Harper, on the other hand, uses a gun. Is it possible they can work together when their lives depend on it?

Frankie's returned to her childhood home in Montana to help care for her mother. Her biggest worries are balancing the budget and the upkeep of an aging home. When she offers a man a ride home from the hospital, she never imagines she'll end up having to choose between her daughter's life and matters of national security that could cost the lives of millions.

Ryan returns to his family home to find a way to prove he didn't leak vital information on a covert ops mission gone south. As he searches for the meaning of a file he's kept hidden from the mission, he has no idea that international mercenaries have been searching for it—and him. When the mercenaries come after Ryan, he's torn. Fighting for his country wars with fighting to rescue people he loves.

Set against a Montana mountain backdrop, *When Danger Calls* is a story filled with action, adventure, and romance, where the stakes keep getting higher and higher.

Excerpt:

Frankie took his elbow. "You're still shaky. I think you should stick around here, where someone can keep an eye on you."

His mouth narrowed. "No, I need to get away. It's complicated, but I don't want anyone to know I'm here." He stared over her shoulder for a moment, as if it took a long time for the words to line up before he spoke. "Can I impose on you for a lift to a motel? I'd like to be nearby."

He lifted his arms shoulder height, palms upward, then did a slow pivot. "I'm not armed. And I don't bite. Promise. In a few minutes I'll be out of your hair."

Logic said to give him cab fare. She checked her wallet, and didn't think three dollars would get him anywhere. She remembered his gentle touch on the dance floor. At the moment, he was in no condition to do anything to hurt her. She'd have him at a motel in a few minutes. Instinct trumped logic. "My car's outside. Can you walk?"

The Buzz for *WHEN DANGER CALLS*

"...an action-packed adventure tale with agreeable results." Jay Boyar, *Orlando Magazine*

"Odell has written a story with nonstop action. There are plenty of surprises, especially when the line that separates the good guys from the bad guys becomes blurred ... Odell's writing will keep readers on their toes." - Barb Anderson, *Romantic Times BOOKreviews*.

"Terry Odell creates adventures that will keep you turning the pages. A perfect, getaway read from a very talented author." – USA Today best-selling author Rhonda Pollero

Terry Odell puts a fresh spin on romantic suspense with WHEN DANGER CALLS. The story teems with passion, action and characters as real as your best friend. The book intrigued me from beginning to end. I'll definitely be looking for her next installment! ... Linda Castillo, bestselling author of OVERKILL

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When Danger Calls Details

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From Reader Review When Danger Calls for online ebook

Kelly says

Couldn't put it down...

Ryan and Frankie... oh my! What an edge-of-your-seat read! Ryan-- brooding, mysterious, fierce, handsome-- can be my Warrior Jack anytime! Frankie-- Pollyanna-positive yet a bit of a worrier, mom, and a bit humorous-- needed the Warrior she found in Ryan, but also the strength and heat she found in him. A great read leaving me wanting for more of Blackthorne, Inc.! I highly recommend!

Jerry Walch says

This book has something to offer every reader. It's a fast paced, action packed thriller with a romantic twist. The story begins in medias res. For those of you who might be a little rusty with your Latin, in medias res means in the middle of things and in this case it begins in the middle of a gun battle that sets the background for the story to follow. There's plenty of romance and hot sex in this story but unlike the sex in most James Bond movies and books, it's not gratuitous sex, it plays an integral role in the story and helps define the characters. Terry Odell has crafted characters that are easy to like and root for because they are so lifelike with their human foibles. This is a book that I will be keeping in my Kindle library and will read again and again as time passes.

Jan Locke says

Real life

The very real excitement begins as the story opens & continues throughout the book. I enjoyed getting to know the characters, & that's how it felt, as real people emerged with the unfolding of the story of Frankie, Molly & Ryan (aka Mr Man). Beautiful settings, bad guys, tension, danger & romance fill this well-written adventure.

Sheila says

Frankie's trying to hold it together, caring for her delightful daughter, watching over her mother's romance, and struggling to keep her jobs well separated, because who wants a school-teacher to work at a bar. But the bar is where Frankie meets Ryan, and fate seems determined to throw them together until romance starts to bloom.

Of course, this is an uneasy romance. Frankie's babbling meets Ryan's taciturn stillness. Frankie's ordinary world meets danger and terror. And Frankie's delightful daughter worms her way into everyone's hearts.

The dialog is fun and natural, especially when a little girl steals the scenes. Love scenes are sensually

detailed. And danger involves the usual chapter of accidents, guesses and missteps. When Mom's finances come into question, who knows whether terrorists or thieves will win the day?

When Danger Calls is a fun tale with a beautiful Colorado setting, pleasing characters, good humor, detailed sensuality, and just enough excitement and mystery to keep the pages turning.

Disclosure: I found a free ecopy and I enjoyed it.

Cameron says

I liked the storyline a lot. The suspense of terrorists coming after Ryan for the intel he has in his possession putting his love and her daughter in danger felt real, as did the accuracy in the author's description of his pain from the injuries he got in combat. But that's about the extent of the authenticity. Being married myself to a former Navy special operator made this book a little hard to take seriously. Terry Odell did her research and came close... but too many things were just a bit off, or unbelievable, or overly emotional, or inaccurate to a soldier's training, etc. I was also put off by the amount of cursing (lots of F-bombs, sh*t, and taking the lord's name in vain) and the graphic (yet tasteful) nature of the sex scenes, because there are several. The dynamic between the characters was pleasant to read and felt pretty realistic. Overall, I might read it again down the road; 3 stars.

Kim says

I obtained this free e-book from Amazon and I am voluntarily writing a review. Frankie is a single mother to a five year daughter Molly. She has just moved back home from Boston to a small Montana town called Broken Bow to help take care of her mother. To make ends meet she substitutes at an elementary school as an art teacher and 3 night a week she is secretly a cocktail waitress at a bar. Ryan, an ex Navy Seal who now works for Blackthorn Security is home recovering from a injury and two failed ops with heavy fatalities. He is sure he had been set up from inside the agency but unable to see a link to prove his innocence. From the first night Frankie waits on Ryan at the bar fate keeps weaving their paths together even as danger calls.

SANDYE says

Fast moving, edge of your seat, nailbiter!

A tough espionage special agent, a struggling single mom, an endearing little blue eyes angel....can these three become friends if the adults keep their titanium walls forever in place? This story made me want to keep reading to find out what was going to happen next! There's romance, suspense, fear, love, action, and even a couple steamy sex scenes. Definitely something for everyone. I will absolutely be reading the rest of this series!

Pamela(AllHoney) says

The first book in the *Blackthorne, Inc.* series by Terry Odell. Ryan Harper is back home in Montana after quitting his job at Blackthorne, Inc. His last op didn't end well and he believes there is a leak there. He meets Gladys (aka Frankie) at a bar and he is attracted but he can't let himself get distracted from his personal mission. Frankie is a substitute teacher and works at the bar three nights a week as Gladys. When her mom ends up in the hospital after falling, Frankie runs into Ryan, or Jack as she called him, there. Ryan's father had an accident while driving his car and Ryan worries that it wasn't an accident.

I've read Terry Odell before and I remembered that I liked what I read so when I saw this series I decided to give it a go. I liked it. It wasn't perfect but it kept a good steady pace throughout. I did have a few minor questions at the end but no real cliffhangers. I think I will definitely continue the series.

Rose Boniello says

3 1/2*

It doesn't usually take me 3 days to finish a book — this one was a bit drawn out which took away from its appeal. I liked Frankie and Ryan together but the relationship didn't feel perfect - that they were meant to be together. Some good suspense and surprises, some disjointed scenes.

Glenda Bettin says

Enjoying this series

Margaret Jensen says

When Danger Calls is such a great read.

I read When Danger Calls in less than a day. The story seems to take on a life of it's own and wouldn't let me stop reading. It was one of the few books I've read in the last month that hasn't let me take a breath or a break from it. Thanks Terry! I love the way you write.

Lori Fitzgerald says

Excellent

I can only hope the additional books in the series continue to follow Frankie, Molly, and Ryan! Great story line that holds the readers attention from beginning to end. Very realistic and heartfelt theme. Suitable for mature readers and young adults. Looking forward to the next in the series which I'll start later today. Terry you better write faster or I'll have them all read before the weekend!

Jo-Anne says

I enjoyed this suspenseful romance. When a mission went sideways for Black Ops specialist, Ryan, and he was injured, he was put on leave. His boss suspected he had something to do with leaked information that caused the mission to fail. Ryan went to his hometown to recuperate determined to clear his name. When he met Frankie, he never expected to fall for her. But he did.

Ryan's life was filled with danger and when that danger appeared in his small town and put everyone he loved at risk, he found himself in the fight of his life. I liked the characters. They weren't perfect but that just made them feel more real. I didn't like the explicit sex. It wasn't necessary for the storyline to have such detail.

This book will hold your attention all the way through. Romantic suspense fans will like it.

Barbara says

Romance and suspense

Page turning suspense, passionate romance, sweet Little girl who steals your heart! Macho ex-Navy seal, turned undercover operative, who is burned out and disheartened from failed missions and distrusting team members. Sassy, sweet, smart substitute teacher and single mother working three jobs to make ends meet, while trying to take care of everyone but herself. When danger comes at them, they work together to thwart the bad guys, falling in love in the process. Riveting plot line holds your attention from beginning to end. Would have given it more stars except for explicit sex and foul language, neither of which were necessary to make it a good read.
