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*Sworn to Silence* Is Palmdale City Library's Mystery Book Group's October Selection

PALMDALE – The Palmdale City Library's Mystery Book Discussion Group "Mystery, Murder and Mayhem" will discuss the book *Sworn to Silence* by Linda Castillo on Wednesday, Oct. 15, at 7 pm, at the Larry Chimbole Cultural Center, 38350 Sierra Highway.

In Painters Mill, Ohio, the Amish and "English" residents have lived side by side for two centuries. But sixteen years ago, a series of brutal murders shattered the peaceful farming community. A young Amish girl named Kate Burkholder survived the terror of the "Slaughterhouse Killer" but ultimately decided to leave her community. With a wealth of experience later, Kate has been asked to return to Painters Mill as chief of police. Her Amish roots and big-city law enforcement background make her the perfect candidate. She's certain she's come to terms with her past, until the first body is discovered in a snowy field.

Author Linda Castillo lives in Texas with her husband and is currently at work on her next thriller set in Amish Country and featuring Chief of Police Kate Burkholder. *Sworn to Silence* is the first novel in the series.

The Mystery, Murder and Mayhem Mystery Book Discussion Group meets the third Wednesday of the month at 7 pm, at the Larry Chimbole Cultural Center. The group is open to anyone who enjoys a good mystery. The discussion also provides disabled access with 72 hours' notice. To request special aids for the disabled or for more information, please call the Palmdale City Library at 661/267-5600 or TDD 661267-5167.

