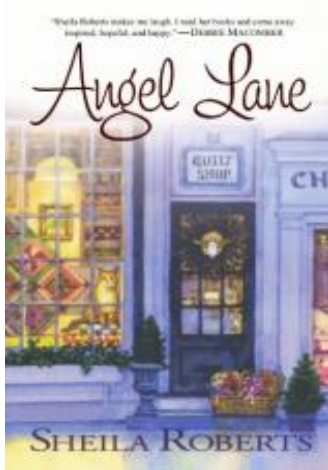


Angel Lane

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About the Book

Have you ever wanted to change the world for the better?

In this heartwarming novel, three small-town shop owners and best friends set their sites on doing just that. But their aspiration to "keep the heart in Heart Lake" by asking their neighbors to commit one random act of kindness every day leads them to some pretty wild situations, and shows one woman that love can grow from the most unexpected places.

Ripe with irresistible humor, friendship, and delicious recipes inspired by the story, **Angel Lane** teaches the important of kindness, friendship, and taking a chance on love.

Discussion Guide

1. At the beginning of the book, Jamie likens Heart Lake to Mayberry, the fictional North Carolina town made popular by the Andy Griffith TV show in the sixties. What do you think is the upside to small town life? Is there a down side?
2. Emma is an old movie buff and an idealist. Do you think what we read and watch on TV and the big screen affects our attitudes and outlook on life or do we choose to watch what confirms what we already believe?
3. Sarah Goodwin was able to get past her empty nest syndrome by opening her home and heart to new people. Have you experienced empty nest syndrome? If so, how did you cope?
4. Emma's small quilt shop struggles to compete against a larger chain store. How do you feel about shopping with local merchants versus shopping at a larger store to save money? Does the state of the economy affect where you shop?

5. Have you ever owned a shop or toyed with the idea of opening one? If so, what kind of shop was it?
6. If you owned a bakery or a chocolate shop, would you eat all of your inventory?
7. Could you identify with Jamie's fear of falling for Josh the cop and repeating history? If so, how?
8. The importance of keeping a sense of community is a favorite theme in this book. How do you think that feeling connected benefits members of a community?
9. Do you feel a connection with your neighbors? If not, do you think you need one? Can you think of any way you could build one?
10. What is the most memorable good deed you ever did?

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USA Today and *Publishers Weekly* bestselling author and fan favorite Sheila Roberts has almost 50 books to her credit. Under different names she's written Regency romance novels, as well as devotionals and personal development books. She did lots of things before settling in to her writing career, including owning a singing telegram company and playing in a band. Her band days are over, but she still enjoys writing songs. Her novel *ON STRIKE FOR CHRISTMAS* was a Lifetime Network movie, and her novel *THE NINE LIVES OF CHRISTMAS* was made into a movie for the Hallmark Channel. When she's not speaking to women's groups or hanging out with her husband or her girlfriends, she can be found writing about those things near and dear to women's hearts: family, friends and chocolate. Sheila divides her time between Washington State and California.

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