The Clocktower Romances are stand-alone stories that don't require the reader to follow publication order. Included in the series is the Murphy Family Saga. Murphy family fans may prefer to read family specific stories in the following order:

# THE MURPHY FAMILY SAGA

- HOME TO STAY The beginning of the Murphy family. Widowed Ava Robey and her four children Kyle, Whit, Nate and Hope meet Ryan Murphy.
- MURPHY'S SECRET Whit Murphy's romance. Whit Murphy is the middle teenaged son of the heroine in HOME TO STAY.
- MURPHY'S CINDERELLA Kyle Murphy's romance. Kyle is the oldest teen-aged son of the heroine in HOME TO STAY.
- MURPHY'S CHOICE Nate Murphy's romance. Nate is the youngest teen-aged son of the heroine in HOME TO STAY.
- MURPHY'S STANDOFF Midlife crisis novella between Ava and Ryan Murphy with a glimpse into what's in store for Hope Murphy.
- MURPHY'S RESCUE Hope Murphy's romance. Hope is the youngest sibling and only daughter of the heroine in HOME TO STAY.

Clocktower Romances without the signature Murphy name in the title are friends and neighbors of the Murphy family. Nestled in these stories, readers may enjoy cameo appearances and secondary roles featuring their favorite Murphy characters.

**LOVING TROUBLE** follows the romance between Dave and Marion, the parents of the romantic couple Lil and Cody in CAROLINA COWBOY.

Do you have a favorite character? The cast created in Clocktower Romances are usually friends and often lovers. Many have grown up together and will make guest appearances in various stories. Since readers often have inquiring minds, this map outlines who the reader can expect to walk on stage during a specific story. The stories are listed in publication order.

### 1- Home to Stay -

- a. Heroine: Ava Robey
- b. Hero: Ryan Murphy
- c. Secondary/Support Characters
  - i. Kyle Murphy
  - ii. Whit Murphy

- iii. Nate Murphy
- iv. Hope Murphy
- v. Talley Frost Murphy
- vi. Stella Murphy
- vii. Gracie Butler, friend
- viii. Art Butler, friend
- ix. Marvin Schmidt, colleague
- x. Lana Schmidt, colleague's wife
- xi. Derrick Schmidt, colleague's son
- xii. Bryce Frost, colleague
- xiii. Michelle Frost, colleague
- d. Furry Characters
  - i. Toby

#### 2- Carolina Cowboy

- a. Heroine: Lil McGovern
- b. Hero: Cody Barnfield
- c. Secondary/Support Characters
  - i. David McGovern, father
  - ii. Jessie Ackerman Murphy
  - iii. Justin Barnfield (deceased father)
  - iv. Marion Barnfield McGovern
  - v. Savannah McGovern, mother (deceased)
  - vi. Talley Frost Murphy
- d. Furry Characters
  - i. Buck, horse
  - ii. Buddy, horse
  - iii. Call, horse
  - iv. Jet, horse
  - v. Slider, horse

#### 3- Loving Trouble (novella)

- a. Heroine: Marion Barnfield (widow)
- b. Hero: David McGovern (widower)
- c. Secondary/Support Characters
  - i. Cody Barnfield
  - ii. Jessie Ackerman Grant
  - iii. Kyle Murphy
  - iv. Lil McGovern Barnfield
  - v. Talley Frost Murphy
- d. Furry Characters
  - i. Buck, horse
  - ii. Buddy, horse
  - iii. Call, horse
  - iv. Jet, horse

- v. Slider, horse
- vi. Trouble, puppy

#### 4- Murphy's Secret

- a. Heroine: Talley Frost Murphy
- b. Hero: Whit Murphy
- c. Secondary/Support Characters
  - i. Art Butler, friend
  - ii. Bryce Frost, father
  - iii. Gracie Butler, friend
  - iv. Michelle Frost, mother
- d. Murphy Family
  - i. Hope Murphy
  - ii. Kyle Murphy
  - iii. Nate Murphy
  - iv. Stella Murphy

### 5- The Puppy Barter

- a. Heroine: Jessie Ackerman
- b. Hero: Luke Grant
- c. Secondary/Support Characters:
  - i. Alicia, CAAS helper
  - ii. Beverly Lovelace, benefactor's daughter
  - iii. Buddy Grant: nephew/son
  - iv. Captain Russel Jamison, service dog recipient
  - v. Ethan Hollister, HVAC repair and friend
  - vi. Gracie Butler, friend
  - vii. JoAnn Martinez, mother of friend
  - viii. Joey Martinez, friend's son
  - ix. Nathan Usher, banker and friend
  - x. Olive Fisher, receptionist
  - xi. Rosalyn Lovelace, benefactor
  - xii. Sue Martinez, friend
- d. Furry Characters
  - i. Skye
  - ii. Icon
  - iii. Bernie
  - iv. Sasha
  - v. Angel
  - vi. Poppet
  - vii. Molly
  - viii. Sadie
  - ix. Maggie
- e. Murphy Family
  - i. Stella Murphy

#### 6- Murphy's Cinderella

- a. Heroine: Dana Graham
- b. Hero: Kyle Murphy
- c. Secondary/Support Characters
  - i. Bandit, Sam's pet
  - ii. Ben Harris, patient
  - iii. Carly Harris, patient's granddaughter
  - iv. Catherine Anderson, aunt
  - v. George Graham, father
  - vi. Lynne, oncology unit admin.
  - vii. Mark Harris, patient's father
  - viii. Paula, BFF, and oncology unit manager
  - ix. Samantha (Sam) Graham, daughter
- d. Murphy Family
  - i. Ava Murphy,
  - ii. Hope Murphy
  - iii. Nate Murphy
  - iv. Talley Frost Murphy
  - v. Whit Murphy

#### 7- Murphy's Choice

- a. Heroine: Chastity (Chaz) Gaetti
- b. Hero: Nate Murphy
- c. Secondary/Support Characters
  - i. Bill Cline,
  - ii. Buddy Grant, Jessie and Luke's son
  - iii. Carly
  - iv. Delmer Ash, friend
  - v. Elmer Ash, friend
  - vi. Frank Barrett, restaurant buyer
  - vii. Gracie Butler, friend
  - viii. Guido Gaetti, Chaz's uncle
  - ix. Halice Larson, horse trainer
  - x. Hank Lott, sheriff
  - xi. Iris Yellen, widow
  - xii. Jessie Ackerman Graham
  - xiii. Kevin, employee
  - xiv. Laura, employee
  - xv. Luke Grant, friend
  - xvi. Otis Warner, chef
  - xvii. Penny Roberts, dining room supervisor
  - xviii. Russ Carver, lawyer
    - xix. Sallyanne, employee
- d. Murphy Family

- i. Ava Robey Murphy
- ii. Baby Ellie Murphy
- iii. Dana Graham Murphy
- iv. Hope Murphy
- v. Kyle Murphy
- vi. Ryan Murphy
- vii. Samantha (Sam) Graham Murphy
- viii. Stella Murphy
- ix. Talley Frost Murphy
- x. Whit Murphy
- e. Furry Characters
  - i. Amy, dog
  - ii. Bandit, ferret
  - iii. Goody, dog
  - iv. Handsome, dog

#### 8- A Sunberry Christmas

- a. Heroine: Pam Dunbar
- b. Hero: Halice (Hal) Larson (secondary character in Murphy's Choice)
- c. Secondary/Support Characters
  - i. Angel Stevens, Hal's daughter
  - ii. Art & Gracie Butler
  - iii. Ava Murphy
  - iv. Buddy Grant
  - v. Chaz Gaetti Murphy
  - vi. Cletus Hullings, horse trader
  - vii. Cody Barnfield
  - viii. Dana Graham Murphy
  - ix. Dave McGovern
  - x. Elena, stable hand
  - xi. Ellie Murphy, Talley and Whit's daughter
  - xii. Fay Stevens, Hal's granddaughter
  - xiii. Hope Murphy
  - xiv. Ian Stevens, Hal's son-in-law
  - xv. Jessie Ackerman Grant
  - xvi. Kyle Murphy
  - xvii. Lil McGovern Barnfield
  - xviii. Lizzy Dunbar, Pam's daughter
  - xix. Luke Grant
  - xx. Marion Barnfield
  - xxi. Ms. Carson, first grade teacher
  - xxii. Ollie Fallon, Pam's grandson
  - xxiii. Ryan Murphy
  - xxiv. Samantha (Sam) Murphy

- xxv. Talley Frost Murphy
- xxvi. Wayne & Brenda Stevens, Angel's mother and father-in-law
- xxvii. Whit Murphy
- d. Furry Characters
  - i. Cricket, Hal's miniature horse
  - ii. Goober, Ollie's horse
  - iii. Rascal, horse
  - iv. Rowdy, horse Dancer, horse
  - v. Smidgen, Hal's miniature horse #2
  - vi. Sugar, horse
  - vii. Uno, Hal's pet yorkie
  - viii. Nubbin, Pam's pet poodle

#### 9- Flight Without Wings

- a. Heroine: Lacy Yarborough
- b. Hero: Conor McGinnis
- c. Secondary/Support Characters
  - i. Aaron Ussery, Dreamweaver trainer
  - ii. Alice Swanson, horse owner
  - iii. Bunny, Texas horse owner
  - iv. Catherine Holt, Ian's wife & Suzie's biological mother
  - v. Dan Simmons, Conor's uncle
  - vi. Debbie Riley, Assistant trainer & Aaron's girlfriend
  - vii. Elouise Yarborough
  - viii. Fred Johnston, breeder of Sinny
  - ix. Gretchen & Mark Holland
  - x. Gwen Hold McGinnis
  - xi. Helen Walton, Lacy's aunt
  - xii. Ian Holt, Conor's deceased stepbrother
  - xiii. Joan Simmons, Conor's aunt
  - xiv. Kurt Peters, Dreamweaver grounds keeper
  - xv. Marcy, Conor's administrative assistant
  - xvi. Michael Jacobsen, Armitage owner
  - xvii. Nancy Ellis, Dreamweaver assistant trainer & Lacy's friend
  - xviii. Rachel, Lacy's student
  - xix. Rory & Frannie Quinland
  - xx. Suzie Holt, Conor's niece
  - xxi. Thekla Peters, Dreamweaver groundskeeper's wife
  - xxii. Zoey Yarborough, Lacy's daughter
- d. Furry Characters
  - i. Boss, deceased Dreamweaver stallion
  - ii. Dargin, gelding
  - iii. Huck, present Dreamweaver stallion
  - iv. Isa, Colorado mare

- v. Sinny, Lacy's show mare
- vi. Star, Dreamweaver show filly
- vii. Tazz, Dreamweaver show colt
- viii. Charley, gray senior gelding
- ix. Max, purchased gelding
- x. Beamer, purchased gelding for Suzie
- xi. Belle, purchased mare
- xii. Eri, traumatized gelding

#### **10-** Murphy's Standoff (novella)

- a. Heroine: Ava Murphy
- b. Hero: Ryan Murphy
- c. Secondary/Support Characters
  - i. Kyle Murphy
  - ii. Whit Murphy
  - iii. Nate Murphy
  - iv. Hope Murphy
  - v. Talley Frost Murphy
  - vi. Ellie Murphy
  - vii. Stella Murphy
  - viii. Dana Graham Murphy
  - ix. Samantha (Sam) Murphy
  - x. Chaz Gaetti Murphy
  - xi. Art & Gracie Baker
  - xii. Cody & Lil Barnfield
  - xiii. Otis Warner, chef
  - xiv. Marsha, Ava's assistant
- d. Furry characters
  - i. Irish, large shelter dog

### 11- Murphy's Rescue

- a. Heroine: Hope Murphy
- b. Hero: Jack Cline
- c. Secondary/Support Characters
  - i. Ava Murphy
  - ii. Ryan Murphy
  - iii. Kyle Murphy
  - iv. Whit Murphy
  - v. Nate Murphy
  - vi. Hope Murphy
  - *vii.* Talley Frost Murphy
  - viii. Ellie Murphy, Whit & Talley's daughter
  - ix. Stella Murphy, (Grandma Stella)
  - x. Dana Graham Murphy
  - xi. Samantha (Sam) Murphy, Dana's daughter

- xii. Chaz Gaetti Murphy
- xiii. Otis Warner, chef
- xiv. Penny, restaurant manager
- xv. Sarina Lott, waitress
- xvi. Benji Lott, son
- xvii. Val Reeser, waitress
- xviii. Libby Reeser, Val's newborn daughter
- xix. Levi, Val's unresolved love interest
- xx. Zeke, Val's cousin
- xxi. Sleaze Bag (Bain Vill), payday lender (villain)
- xxii. Cody Barnfield
- xxiii. Bill Cline, Jack's father
- xxiv. Ralph, waiter
- xxv. Miss Gracie (Gracie Baker), homeowner
- xxvi. Elmer and Delmer Ash, twin brothers
- xxvii. Gabby, Val's best friend
- xxviii. Art Baker
  - xxix. Hannah, Val's sister
- d. Furry characters
  - i. Turbo, rescue kitten
  - ii. Irish, rescue dog

#### 12- Murphy Family

- a. Stella Murphy Ryan's mother
  - i. Ryan Murphy married Ava Robey Murphy
    - 1. Children: Kyle, Whit, Nate, Hope
      - a. Kyle Murphy married Dana Graham Murphy
        - i. Children: Samantha (Sam) Graham Murphy
      - b. Whit Murphy married Talley Frost Murphy
        - i. Children-Ellie Murphy
      - c. Nate Murphy married Chastity (Chaz) Gaetti
      - d. Hope Murphy

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