

Ordinary Lives, Extraordinary Times: Four-Leaf Clover Unfolds a Tender Coming-of-Age Story in Postwar America

SALT LAKE CITY, UT, UNITED STATES, April 25, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- In the 80th anniversary year of the end of World War II, author and distinguished educator Jerilyn McIntyre presents *Four-Leaf Clover*, a heartfelt and deeply moving novel set against the backdrop of the American Midwest. This powerful story captures the joy, sorrow, and quiet strength of everyday people as they navigate the sweeping changes of history, beginning with the euphoric close of WWII through the uncertain terrain of the Korean War, the Cold War, and the Vietnam War.

With much of the action taking place in a small Nebraska town between 1944 and 1965, *Four-Leaf Clover* follows the intertwined lives of seven-year-old Josie Henderson, her best friend Eddie, and their families and close friends. In the shadow of global unrest and societal shifts, their stories tell of love, friendship, and perseverance. McIntyre intricately weaves moments of personal triumph, heartbreak, and resilience to offer a rich and poignant exploration of the human experience during a transformative era in American life.

For McIntyre, there are lessons to be learned from the war and the years that followed. "I am a child of World War II. I remember the way people came together in our responses to the challenges we were facing. In a way, those may have been simpler times. Things are different now."

Four-Leaf Clover is a compelling read for fans of historical fiction, especially those drawn to emotional, character-driven storytelling. It will resonate with readers who have an interest in mid-20th-century American history, postwar experiences, and the complex layers of smalltown life. With its evocative narrative and authentic voice, the novel brings to life an unforgettable era shaped by change, hope, and the strength of ordinary people.

Four-Leaf Clover will be available starting Spring, 2025] through Bristlecone Peak Books, and can be purchased on Amazon [FOUR-LEAF CLOVER https://a.co/d/0GTzSDI](https://a.co/d/0GTzSDI) and through The King's English Bookshop <https://www.kingsenglish.com/item/oyhyDk1HnPydKrcRKCO4BA>

About the Author

Jerilyn McIntyre, the first woman to serve as president of Central Washington University and a former professor and senior academic administrator at the University of Utah, is a

respected educator, historian, and author. She earned a B.A. in history and an M.A. in journalism from Stanford, along with a Ph.D. in communication and history from the University of Washington. Following a distinguished academic career that also included service as professor at the University of Iowa, McIntyre transitioned into non-academic writing, drawing from her extensive background in history and communication to craft essays, memoirs, and fiction. Her work is further shaped by her experience as a former correspondent for McGraw-Hill Publishing Company and her lifelong engagement with American history and storytelling.

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