

NEWS: New Rim Country Mystery Novel Released

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New Mystery Novel Features Rim Country

Intrigue, Twists and Action with a Dash of Romance

Payson, AZ (Jan. 20, 2017)—*Deadly Inheritance*, Volume 2 of the Arizona-based Rim Country Mystery series by Payson resident [Karen Randau](#), has been released by Arizona publisher [Short on Time Books](#).

It is the story of Rim Country newlyweds, Rita and Cliff Avery, during their honeymoon in Scotland. While checking into a luxurious hotel in the Scottish Highlands, the desk clerk dies as he hands Cliff a note left by a mysterious woman the previous night. The action shifts into high gear for a one-of-a-kind tour of the Scottish highlands. Cliff discovers the truth about the grandfather he never met, Rita puts her life on the line to prove their innocence, and what's buried under Cliff's inheritance puts this small-town Arizona couple and everyone around them in extreme danger. Murder and an inheritance that brings massive trouble — this wasn't how Rita planned her honeymoon!

"I've enjoyed telling stories my entire life," Randau said. "I never imagined my penchant for making up stuff would turn into a series of fast-paced novels with the kinds of intricate plots and lots of action that I love to read myself. I've written *Deadly Inheritance* so readers can experience the culture and history of one of the world's most beautiful countries through the eyes of protagonist Rita Avery while at the same time comparing that to life in Rita's fictional mountain town in Arizona's Rim Country."

Randau holds a degree in journalism from the University of Texas at Austin, lives in Payson, and works in marketing for the international non-profit Food for the Hungry. Her debut novel, *Deadly Deceit*, was published in June 2016. It introduced Rita and Cliff after Rita's husband was one of 14 people killed in a Rim Country movie-theater shooting that blew the lid off a Pandora's Box of deceit going back to her husband's service in the first Gulf War. It wasn't exactly how Rita pictured her thirtieth anniversary!

Both novels are available in paperback and Kindle versions on [Randau's author page on Amazon](#).

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