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Cut off from the outside world by a blanket of snow, the holidays are usually a time for peace and quiet in tiny Eureka, Colorado. But this year the mountain town is in trouble. Thanks to a corrupt investor, the treasury is bankrupt, leaving residents to struggle through an especially harsh winter. Then there are those with more personal problems, like Maggie Stevens, pregnant and torn between single motherhood or drawing the father-to-be into a life he's not cut out for. And Olivia Theriot, the mayor's prodigal daughter, is harboring a secret so painful she may never be able to settle down. But mother nature is about to put things in perspective...

When a blizzard blows through just days before Christmas, some are left stranded--and others missing. Now there's only one thing on Eureka's wish list: to live up to its name, and its reputation for coming together, and find a way to bring everyone back home--where they belong.

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Janet says

What a lovely story. A beautifully set story with a quirky small town. The characters were so multi-faceted as to seem like old friends. Times are tough but the people are tougher! I so enjoyed this glimpse of American resilience. It was a gentle read, but a heart-warming one, evenly paced and beautifully written.

*I received my copy from NetGalley.com in exchange for an honest review.

Diane Moore says

Actually a pretty sweet little book. I was drawn to this book because I love this part of Colorado. Even though I usually don't care very much for romantic novels, I enjoyed the time I spent in Eureka, Colorado at Christmas via this book.

Tiffany says

I received an advance copy of this title from Netgalley.com in exchange for an honest review

This was a very warm-hearted, small-town, holiday story. Welcome to Eureka, Colorado, an old mining town, where there is this fantastic group of characters, each struggling with their own life paths. We meet Olivia, who is young mother and a son, afraid of being hurt again by her ex-boyfriend who has come to town to win her back. Maggie, who finds herself entering a new stage in life in her new hometown. A charming, swindler, who could've walked right out of the current news stories and a cranky librarian, with secrets of her own. This is a story of the strength of friendship, family and small-town living. It reminds you that when times get hard, that's exactly when you learn the true nature and character of those around you, and quite often, they surprise you. I truly enjoyed this book. It was a nice contrast to the stories I normally read, where everyone has a great job, fancy houses, trust funds and they never seem to work. This book captures the heart of America and I for one, am glad I read it. This book really puts you in the holiday spirit.

Merceda says

Had trouble keeping up with the characters. Or maybe it didn't keep my interest. Was getting the two guys and their girlfriends confused. And I could not imagine being that cold on Christmas Eve. That would be brutal.

Diana says

I really enjoyed the first book of the series, so I was excited & anxious to read this second book of the series.

I do not take any pleasure in this, but out of 178 books that I have read this year, this book may be at the bottom of the barrel.

My first thought after finishing the book, is that the author must really hate women after portraying so many of them as man-hating psychopaths. And not one, but two of the female characters main reason for living was to hold a grudge against a manfor NOT reading her mind. We are not talking about a couple of tweens who may be excused for being a little emotionally immature, but grown up women who were acting like tweens.

And it went downhill from there, with ghosts appearing & bad dialogue flowing. This book was just awful.

Ellen says

The author does a great job of bringing to life the tiny town of Eureka and the individuality of the lifestyle there. Life in small western towns lends itself to a deeper sense of community and resourcefulness that reminds us of days gone by and Cindy Myers captures this in the pages of this sequel. The characters are believable and she manages to weave them together with a little humor, a little suspense, a little romance and a lot of real life.

Amy says

I gave this book 3 chapters. It was well-reviewed in a couple journals, so I checked it out as a fun holiday read. Unfortunately, I couldn't identify with any of the leading ladies as they were all 20+ years older than me. Clearly I wasn't the intended audience for this book, and without a tie to the characters I couldn't justify spending any more time on it - so I quit after 3 chapters. If you're a 40 year old divorcee and/or single mom who likes contemporary romance - you might like it.

Kathy says

This is the second Myers boo I've read set in the Colorado mountain town of Eureka. I love the secondary characters. Anyone who's ever lived in a small town will recognize many of them

The town has lost money to a smooth conman investor, winter is approaching, and Maggie is pregnant and planning to spend her first winter in the snowy mountains. Whether Jameso (the father to be) is as excited about the pregnancy as Maggie is, is an open question.

The town come up with ay to raise money, and maybe get their lost investment back.

A comfortable read.

Benita Anderson says

A good Christmas novel

Book was wellwritten, but need a couple paragraph put into place to make the bookkeeper to follow. Plot is excellent.

SOS Aloha says

The mountains are calling and I must go. - John Muir.

I became a fan of Cindy Myers when I read THE VIEW FROM HERE, the book preceding THE MOUNTAIN BETWEEN US. In fact, I remember reading THE VIEW FROM HERE during the Scouts' overnight encampment aboard the USS Missouri. I stayed up all night, in my sailor bunk, reading it with a flashlight. Myers drew me into Eureka, Colorado and I didn't want to leave. I was happy to rejoin the gang in Eureka with THE MOUNTAIN BETWEEN US. No sooner does Maggie settle into her new home, job, and even romance in Eureka that she finds out she is pregnant. She is unsure how Jameso - Iraq veteran turned ski instructor - will feel about pending fatherhood. Can he strap a baby seat onto the back of his vintage motorcycle? Meanwhile, the other residents face challenges with their families as the impending winter season approaches.

Myers delivers another engrossing story of a small town with quirky characters. It is a quiet story whose action mosey alongs, enabling the reader to reflect upon the families who are as different as they are the same. Recommended for those readers who appreciate contemporary fiction layered with subtle conflict and light romance.

I received an ARC from Kensington for an honest review.

Paula says

I received this book from Netgalley.com in exchange for my honest review. Thank you to netgalley.com, to Kensington Books, and to Cindy Myers.

3.5 Stars

This was a very sweet, romantic story with a Christmastime setting. I enjoyed the story but it wasn't exactly what I was expecting. The summary spoke of missing and stranded townspeople so I was expecting a little bit more adventure and danger surrounding the blizzard that blew into town. The characters lacked development in my opinion. Their emotions seemed only surface deep. Additionally, when reading the dialog of the men, I could tell the story was written by a woman. The conversations between the men about expecting and caring for babies seemed a bit off - I found myself thinking that there is no way a few men hanging out in a bar would be discussing nursery decorations, expectations for when the baby arrives, and pregnancy.

Overall, this was an okay read for me. I would recommend it to someone looking for a light, romantic read.

Windi says

A fun light read on a snowy weekend...but too predictable and a lot of "reminder" filler to refresh readers of the first book for my liking. Nothing really to sink your teeth into. I will read the third one but only because i

already have it and doubtful i will continue the series. If you need something light hearted and fun but predictable go for it. This wont be one i keep in my literal shelves or reread. I will however pass it on to others who may enjoy it.

Leea says

3.5 stars...

Every once in awhile I get a book from Netgalley and i'm expecting one kind of read but I get another. I was expecting your tradition Contemporary Romance. Not a lot of depth, a singular couple that the book is focused on and cheesy moment. Don't think i'm bashing CR, no no no... It's a genre that I come back to time and time again. I was just pleasantly surprised by The Mountain Between Us.

The Mountain Between Us is not a story about one couple, but a small town in Colorado. It's not unlike my favorite small town series, Virgin River by Robyn Carr. Minus one very important thing, i'll touch on that in a bit. This story starts with two couples: Olivia and D.J, separated by war and miscommunication. Also, Maggie and Jameso separated by age and this idea of who you should be with. Then the other relationship is a little out of the box, the beautiful town of Eureka, Colorado. It's a one light town filled with local stores a community that sticks together and has always taken care of it's own.

I also loved the "real" feeling you get while reading The Mountain Between Us. The people are real, they have real problems and make mistakes. Big mistakes but the town rallies around them in support. I enjoyed the funny lighthearted moments too. I had this same conversation with my good friend... Haha! One of my favorite quotes.

She glanced at the plus sign on the little plastic strip in her hand again. "Maybe the test is defective," she said into the phone. "Maybe that's why it was for sale at the dollar store." "You bought a pregnancy test at the dollar store?" On the other end of the line her best friend, Barb Stanowski, sounded very far away.

Although, i've dreamt of running away to a small town like this. There are not all rosy moments. When winter hits, it hits hard and there are times when the town is closed off from civilization for days on end. No phone or cell service. It sounds good but Maggie did make a good point.

"Is this another one of those quaint Eureka customs that's supposed to make up for the fact that you don't have a Starbucks or a Taco Bell in the entire county?" she asked.

In the end this book was only missing one small thing. I almost miss it till the last few pages when I realized there was one small sex scene. Now I don't need that in all my books, I've just come to expect it with CR. This book was not lacking in any way and even though it was limited on the steam it was high on community, connections and lessons of love and family. I really enjoyed The Mountain Between Us.

She gazed out the window at scenery that still took her breath away, despite its familiarity.

Mountains like jagged, broken teeth jutted against a sky as blue and translucent as the finest turquoise dug from the French Mistress. Aspen glowed yellow against the darker green of conifers on the flanks of the mountains, the road a red-brown ribbon wound between the peaks.

Julie Barrett says

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I was excited to be picked to read this book because I have read the other two related stories and love the locale and the characters.

This is the continuing story about Maggie and she was only going to stay a week to settle her father's possessions after he died but she ended up staying. Now she is in love with Jameco Clark who's back from the war and runs the local saloon/ski instructor in season and rides a motorcycle.

Maggie Stevens is terrified to tell him about the baby she is carrying, it is his but she's almost 40 and feels it's too late to start a family.

The story also follows Bob and Olivia both think the upcoming winter will be a bad one...

The book also follows Lucas, Olivia's son likes to do things with DJ and Olivia likes DJ but doesn't want him to know.

Another character is Cassie who runs the library and the annual Founder's Day pageant the telling of the town's history and she wants shelves for the library.

And a section also for Lucille the mayor who also runs the local antique shop says they may not even have money for snow plowing...

And Gerald is new in town and talks the town council into investing their money... All these things will make the story complete once things work out...

Love all the Halloween things going around in town. Love hearing of the mine and all the other secrets that come out over time and how the community comes together...

Christmas events are just awesome, so caring and warm the feels leaves me with. Love that this book is happening at the same time as The Room at the Inn by the same author.

I received this book from Net Galley via The Kennington Books in exchange for my honest review

Angela says

A snowy Christmas romance! The Mountain Between Us is set in Colorado, in a tiny town where everyone leans on each other. The dynamics among the residents of Eureka remind me of those in Robyn Carr's Virgin River -- a focus on family, with woodsy, macho men who protect strong and emotional women.

Cindy Meyers gives us DJ and Olivia, a former couple who may or may not get back together; and Maggie and Jameso, a newish couple who have some real obstacles to overcome. Throw in a few spinsters, a con artist, a teenager and a local diner, and you have yourself a town.

I liked how Meyers gave the characters strength and integrity. They were likable and sweet. They held each other up during snowstorms and swindles. They lent each other an ear and a shoulder to cry on. I also liked the dual romance... and the inclusion of extended family. I felt like I could depend on these people. I trusted them.

The only thing that disappointed me about this book was the rambling writing. Some chapters took way too long to say what they needed to say. A good 10% of the verbiage should have been cut to tighten up the writing. Because of the long-windedness (especially in the first half), I found myself skipping over entire paragraphs, itching to get to the action! Nevertheless, the writing is excellent and the dialogue flowed naturally.

The Mountain Between Us is a warm Christmas romance, replete with snowstorms, love, and a strong sense of family. Read it beside your Christmas tree with a cup of hot cocoa, and you might even hear the jingle bells.

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