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BOOK ANNOUNCEMENT

Murder and Intrigue Descend on a Small Village in the Italian Alps

High in the Cottian Alps between Italy and France an ancient religious sect, known as the Waldensians, have existed since the dawn of the Christian age. Some say these courageous precursors of the Reformation banded together in 1170 A.D. under Peter Waldo who took a vow of poverty and defied the Roman Church. Others believe these great men and women hail from the first century church and carried on the traditions of their ancestors through valor and enduring faith.

Through extensive research and a visit to the valleys of their origins, Fort Collins, Colorado Author, Donna Wichelman, has brought to life the rich heritage of these Valley Dwellers in her new romantic suspense novel.

A prestigious art exhibition turns into a horrific spectacle when a murder sends an art curator and a professor on a hunt for a highly sought after stolen painting.

Jamie Holbrooke's painful past follows her to Italy when an assailant, who looks like her dead brother, presses a mysterious riddle into her hand. Soon she discovers that long-time paragon Dr. Alessandro Marianni may be linked to the enigmatic riddle. Intrigued by her questions, Alessandro's response must wait when their colleague is murdered. Convinced the riddle and murder are connected to the coveted stolen painting, Jamie and Alessandro set out to discover who's responsible. At stake is a two-thousand-year-old drama, unfolding in the contemporary world of the Italian Alps and a woman's wounded heart.

Light Out of Darkness is a compelling story that will captivate you long after the final chapter.

A well-written story. It really held my attention Wichelman's lively descriptions of the Italian countryside and Alpine village life bring an exquisite richness to the narrative.

—Dave Fessenden, Editorial Consultant, Author and Literary Agent

"Our town, settled in 1893 by "Valdesi" pioneers, is humbly honored and gratefully blessed by Donna Wichelman's delightful literary voyage into Waldensian chronicles as she pays worthy homage to the rich history and unfailing faith of our founding fathers."

—Barbara Hefner, Valdese Dept. of Community Affairs & Tourism

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Donna Wichelman holds a masters degree in mass communication and worked in community and employee relations for ten years. She has authored short stories, essays and articles in various inspirational publications. She now writes novels and screenplays. She and her husband live in Fort Collins, Colorado.

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