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The Fairy Ring and Other Stories by Richard Rouse

A long awaited new volume of short stories by local author and eccentric character Richard Rouse is now available in book and eBook form. Find it at your favorite online store, on the shelves local book stores. *The Fairy Ring and Other Stories* continues the adventures from *The Welcome Home Door, (Tales of Appalachia and Beyond)*, his popular first book of short stories, published in 2018.

The Fairy Ring and Other Stories includes such diverse and engaging story settings as an intergalactic love story, a gunfighter tale from the old west, the curse on a family heirloom, and a charming fairy tale told by a crusty old grandpa to get the granddaughters to sleep. Readers of his earlier book noted they often enjoyed reading one of Rouse's stories at the breakfast table to family. Rouse as a writer is devoted to happy and surprise endings.

The title story was inspired by an actual local, reoccurring fairy ring in a Grayson County, Virginia pasture, which evolved into a tale of magic for the whimsical characters.

Rouse's books are available at Chapters Bookshop in Galax, VA, The Painted Mane hair salon in Independence, VA, and Oracle Used and Rare Books in Wytheville, VA. It is also available as an eBook at online book giants. The author supports small independent bookstores and local retail, and is happy to sign and personalize his book for you or for your gifts.

Rouse has been delighting audiences of book clubs, book stores and Arts Council events, and he will be signing books at Chapters Bookshop on Saturday, December 9 from 1 to 3 pm. More information about the author at www.RichardRouseAuthor.com

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