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With all the hype surrounding books such as Dan Brown's *The Da Vinci Code*, or *The Romanov Prophecy* by Steve Berry, it was only a matter of time before we got an American-based thrill ride like *Cincinnatus*. There have been a few tries, but none that have tied non-stop action together with engaging characters, solid writing, and historical mysteries that go back to the very founding of the United States itself.

Rusty McClure and David Stern spin the tale of golf caddy Matt Thurman and host of government investigators, from the Department of Justice to the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Stretching across the country from Florida to California to Ohio, *Cincinnatus* is an intriguing foray into the lengths people will go to fulfill an ideal, and how differently that ideal can be interpreted. The characters rarely break from the action and the tension this builds makes the book hard to put down.

Occasionally the amount of players in this game seems almost unmanageable, but McClure and Stern keep a fine grip on them all the way to the end. With two non-fiction books previously published on topics referenced in this, their debut novel, it is clear these two have done their research. *Cincinnatus* is a gem and it is nice to have a historical thriller that hits deep in America's roots.

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