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Bloodstone Castle by Mirella Patzer

Bloodstone Castle stands sentinel on the shores of the Ligurian Sea. Secreted somewhere in its dungeons is an ancient Roman treasure of immense value. Contessa Morena of Bloodstone Castle possesses a mysterious bloodstone pendant, the only proof the treasure exists.

Since childhood, she has been promised in marriage to Duke Ernesto of Savona. Ernesto is a desperate man, a gambler who has lost his family's fortune, a man who resorts to murder to not only hide his dirty secret, but for the sake of money. Marriage to the lovely Morena will make the treasure his and restore his power and desperate circumstances. After the brutal murder of his father, Duke Amoro of Genoa swears two oaths.

The first is to avenge his father's death. The second is to honour his father's dying wish and wed Morena of Bloodstone Castle, to end the violent feud with between their two families. Her life thrown into chaos, Morena must choose between obligation and honour, truth and lies, good and evil.

In medieval Italy, two men face each other with ruthlessness and intensity. Enter their world of splendour and depravity, of passion and wickedness. It is Italy's most dazzling and dangerous age, and as Duke Amoro of Genoa and Duke Ernesto of Savona match wits and cunning, it is a dance the death to decide which one of them will win the hand of the beautiful Countess Morena and the hidden treasure of Bloodstone Castle.

"Danger, betrayal, seduction, and adventure mark this extraordinary medieval romance. Beautifully set in Italy, the prose is lyrical and rich. The story sweeps you into a time and era of long ago..." R. Babbore

"Ms. Patzer has written a fast paced historical intrigue about matters of the heart and overcoming the outside forces to prove once and for all that love truly does conquer all. Bloodstone Castle is a good read for lovers of both historical romance and romantic suspense novels..." A Romance Review

"BLOODSTONE CASTLE" is an adrenaline pumping, often dark, gritty, skin-scraping story. Mirella Patzer takes a time in history and brings it alive with descriptions of pain, grief, and bleak hope..." Romance Reviews Today

"BLOODSTONE CASTLE is full of daring deeds, dastardly behavior and drugging kisses. Patzer gives us brilliant descriptions of jewelry, clothing and feasts that will have your senses swimming. All her characters are bigger than life as they walk on the rich stage of Bloodstone Castle." Romance Reader at Heart

Visit Mirella at - <http://mirellapatzer.com>

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Bobby's Diner by Susan Wingate

E-book - \$5.50 (196 pg)

Print - \$16.95 (204 pg)

Print copy is planned for release in February 2009



Upon his death, Bobby leaves his diner to his widow *and* ex-wife to manage.

"Bobby's Diner" when I read the title, I had the idea this would be another one of those books describing the everyday details of small-town America. Truthfully, I thought I'd find the book rather boring. I was completely wrong!

Susan Wingate has created a unique situation with this novel, bringing together two unlikely women--an ex-wife and the woman who stole her husband--and placing them in a situation where they have to deal with each other on a daily basis. As the new co-owners of Bobby's Diner, these women must learn to work together or give up--and both are too stubborn to give up. Adding in a scalawa[g] bent on taking over the diner, and the situation gets even more intense.

Moments of humor mix with deep emotions in this book. Susan Wingate shows an understanding of human nature well beyond what is normally seen in a novel. She has a mastery of dialogue that I find refreshing--I felt as though I was right there, listening. It isn't often I find dialogue so true-to-life. Between her mastery of dialogue and understanding of human nature, Susan Wingate held me captive with this book.

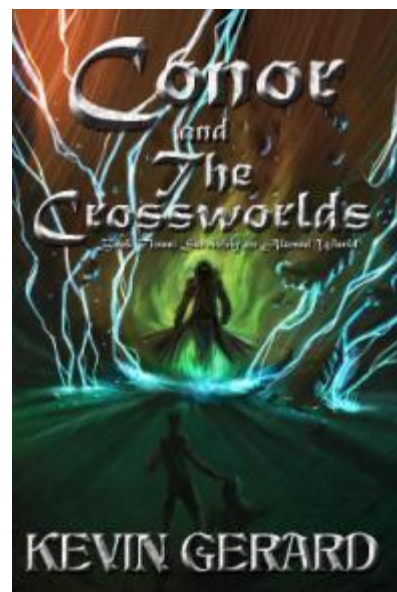
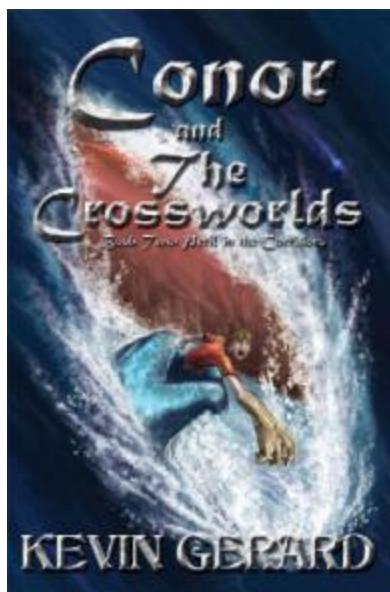
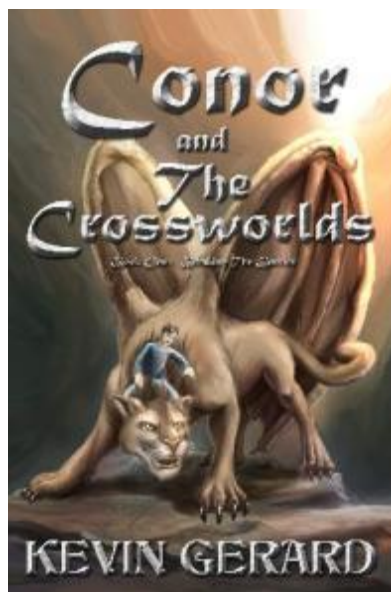
Can these women come to terms with past hurts? Can they work together to save Bobby's Diner from dying? Can these women understand there was a reason they both earned the love of the same man? You will have to read Bobby's Diner to find out.

Give yourself several hours to read this book. You will find yourself saying "Just one more chapter" over and over again. It is one of those rare books you won't want to put down. I look forward to reading more of Ms. Wingate's work." - Joyce Anthony (author of "Storm" and blog mistress of Books & Authors blog)

A Review by Coffee Times Romance gives "Bobby's Diner" a 4-cup review - An Outstanding Great Read!

Danielle with Coffee Times Romances has this to say about "Bobby's Diner": "A breathtaking story that will fill you with joy and laughter, Bobby's Diner is a great read for any book lover."

Susan Wingate's website address – www.susanwingate.com



Conor and the Crossworlds by Kevin Gerard

Epic Young Adult Fantasy Series

Conor and the Crossworlds is the story of a young boy's magical journey into another dimension, with gigantic creatures, terrifying battles, and tender moments between Conor and the immense Champions of the Crossworlds. Readers from middle school grades and up will thoroughly enjoy this amazing fantasy adventure series.

Conor and the Crossworlds: Book One - Breaking the Barrier

<http://www.amazon.com/Conor-Crossworlds-Breaking-Kevin-Gerard/dp/1425991831>

Conor and the Crossworlds: Book Two - Peril in the Corridors

<http://www.amazon.com/Conor-Crossworlds-Book-Two-Corridors/dp/1583852387>

Conor and the Crossworlds: Book Three - Surviving an Altered World

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The Hunt for the Five Keys of the Creators Begins in January!

For more details – www.conorandthecrossworlds.com

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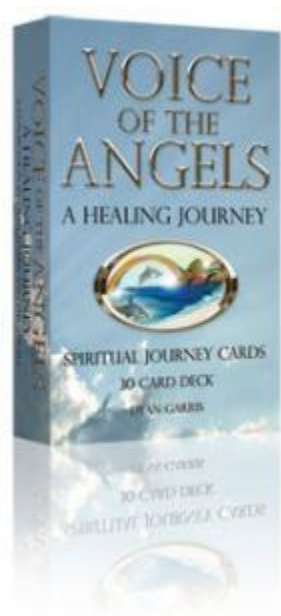
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Dyan Garris – www.voiceoftheangels.com

(All items can be ordered on Dyan Garris' website – www.voiceoftheangels.com)

NEW SERVICE - Manifesting Therapy by Clairvoyant Dyan Garris - Things not quite happening with the Law of Attraction? Wondering why? We do not create with only the power of our minds. The Law of Attraction is a universal law for attracting, not manifesting. Manifesting Therapy is part psychic reading and part "therapy session" focusing on what is in your way of effective manifesting. This is a great gift for yourself or for anyone who is having trouble co-creating their life the way they desire it to be. Find out what's in your way and move forward on the path.

<http://www.voiceoftheangels.com/manifestingtherapy.html>



"Voice of the Angels - A Healing Journey Spiritual Cards" by Dyan Garris - On sale at \$14.99 and special "Healing Journey Packages" available. These angel cards are the foundation of the Spiritual Toolbox(TM). The thirty cards are scenes from the guided fantasy "A Healing Journey." There are seven Archangels who deliver their angelic messages in memorable quatrain verse, in addition to twenty-three "journey" cards. These cards were originally made in 3D using crystals and other gemstones making their core energy quite different from other divination cards. From the first moment you feel them in your hands, you will feel their aliveness. They "speak." Together with the "Journal" and "A Healing Journey CD," they form the trinity of the base of the Spiritual Toolbox(TM), which is designed as a microcosm model for connection with your angels, co-creating, multi-dimensional living, and vibrational attunement of mind, body, and spirit. Free Angel Card Readings online in three languages:

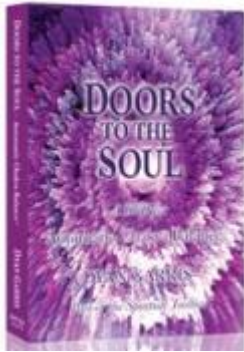
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Meditation and Relaxation Baskets – A fantastic value, these baskets contains an assortment of CDs, clean burning, heavenly smelling Reiki charged candles, 100% Dead Sea salts, incense, Tibetan meditation crystal, angelic scroll of healing affirmations. Freebies in with your baskets too, just because we like to do so. <http://www.voiceoftheangels.com/home.html>

Meet Your Angel – Who does not want to know what their guardian angel looks like? Order this beautiful and affordable channeled portrait of your angel channeled by artist Lynda Mangoro. It's a unique gift that will be cherished forever. Comes with freebies: "What is Ascension" booklet and "The Magic of Manifesting Meditation>" In this very special meditation by Dyan Garris learn the name of your angel while they teach you exactly how to co-create.

<http://voiceoftheangels.com/meetyourangel.html#>

About Automatic Chakra Balance™ DVD (Balance your chakras in 10 minutes) Part of the Spiritual Toolbox™ for relaxation, spiritual transformation, Automatic Chakra Balance™ help in sleeping and vibrational attunement of mind, body, and spirit by Dyan Garris. *Doors to the Soul* DVD is completely mesmerizing and relaxing! It features a special version of the very soothing song "The Journey." The DVD is designed to automatically balance your energy field in ten minutes! Order now to receive your FREE CD! To see a sample of this DVD, visit <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zyOKZpaU9Z8>.



CD Series by Dyan Garris - #1 charting New Age musician Dyan Garris created 8 CDs for relaxation, stress release, Automatic Chakra Balance(TM), help in sleeping, and vibrational attunement of mind, body, and spirit. Each CD in the series of music and meditation vibrates to a particular chakra, while at the same time vibrating to, clearing, and balancing all chakras at the same time. All you do is listen. The first six CDs are six tracks of music with a guided meditation for a particular purpose on track seven. CDs include: "A Healing Journey-The Voice of the Angels," "Moment by Moment-Music for the Soul," "Reflection," "Patterns," "Illusions," and "Connections." "Release" CD is the seventh in the series and is all music vibrating to the seventh chakra. "Eight" CD is number eight and vibrates to the chakras eight and beyond. The soothing music works on your etheric bodies to bring about harmony and balance. The series earned the "National Health & Wellness Stamp of Approval" and several were nominated for multiple awards. All CDs sold separately. www.voiceoftheangels.com/home.html

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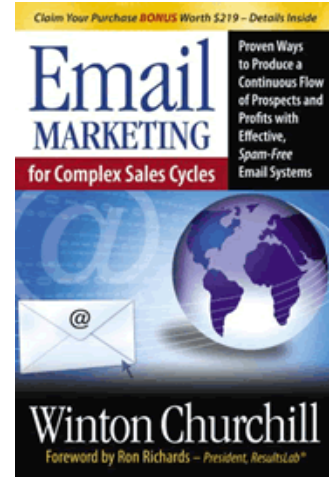
All accessible from the home page. <http://www.voiceoftheangels.com/home.html> - all items are on sale on Dyan Garris' website – <http://www.voiceoftheangels.com/home.html>

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Email Marketing for Complex Sales Cycles

By Winton Churchill



About Email Marketing for Complex Sales Cycles

The principles in this book have helped thousands of business people and entrepreneurs increase sales and reduce stress and aggravation...Will you be the next one to benefit? You Will Discover:

- 3 keys to improving the quality of your leads
- 5 techniques to increase the number of leads you get
- 3 little-known conversion tactics that turn leads into revenue
- 1 mistake that dooms most lead generation to anemic results
- 2 unconventional ways to shorten your sales cycle
- 3 ways you've been brainwashed when it comes to email
- 6 special needs shared by all complex sales cycles
- 3 critical stages of success (and what to do at each one)
- 18 essential components you need to get going
- 8 indispensable "fast track" strategies to get you on the road to success
- Level the playing field! Compete with your strengths.

About Winton Churchill - Winton Churchill is Founder and CEO of Churchill Method, Inc. , an international sales and marketing consulting firm that helps clients improve their sales and marketing processes. He is the author of "Email Marketing for Complex Sales Cycles." He has held senior positions in both F500 technology firms including Apple, Oracle, Spinnaker and Sun. He headed sales & marketing as VP at Contact Software, the developers of ACT!. He is Past President of the South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce. The SBACC serves 18 Chambers and more than 53,000 businesses in coastal Southern California.

Do you have a business that could benefit from effective email marketing? Contact Winton.

For more detail – www.churchillmethod.com

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Gurutej – Kundalini Yoga and The Energy Gurus

Gifts: Those wonderful things that allow us to know someone else is not only thinking kindly of us but also going the extra steps. The step of seeing what they think would make your life brighter and then putting some of their energy (we call money) down to send it your way.



I have some wonderfully uplifting products that will give love, hope and support for these days that seem to be offering very little of any of those attributes.

Check out my Chakra Pillows: *they are a wonderful combination of color and aromatherapy. They are designed to strengthen and balance your energy. Who does not need that now? They have luscious removable silk covers and each one has a different combination of herbs or spices to help balance that particular area of your being. There is a little questioner on the card that helps you determine which one is perfect for you or the person you are gifting. All recyclable materials in the pillow and packaging.*

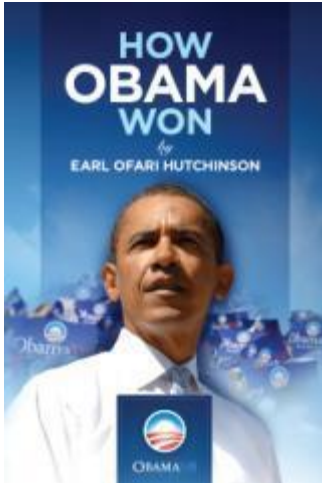
Yoga DVD's that will see you through these times: *Do you know anyone who needs more Mental Clarity? Or a healthier Immune System? Then I have the gift for you. Balanced Chakras to go along with the pillows and help everyone on your list have a more balanced uplifted life. The last but not least is Awakening the Intuition for Women. We all need this and the world needs our intuition. So ready set go. Give the gift that truly does keep on giving.*

Energy Flip Charts: *These are wonderful 5.5 x 4.5 charts that can sit on your desk, be carried around in your purse and give you things you can do in 1-3 minutes to totally release funky energy and recharge you. These are something no one can be without at this time.*

Businesses are using them, individuals are using, and groups are using them. Are you ready to use them? Really they are fun, wild, and best they work. They give you great energy in the moment. Check them all out and be the start this Holiday season.

www.gurutej.com and www.theenergyguru.com

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How Obama Won
Dissect Obama's White House Win

By Earl Ofari Hutchinson

Ebook and Print Available



Political Analyst Earl Ofari Hutchinson New Book *How Obama Won* Dissects Obama's White House Victory

Description: In his new book, *How Obama Won*, political analyst Earl Ofari Hutchinson gives a behind the scene political look at the forces, events, and players that shaped President-elect Barack Obama's historic White House victory. In *How Obama Won* Hutchinson captures the full political drama and impact the Obama campaign had on the American electorate and political establishment.

Political analyst and *Huffington Post* columnist Earl Ofari Hutchinson's new book *How Obama Won* is the first book out the box of the many books that will be forthcoming on the historic White House win of Barack Obama. Hutchinson presents a provocative, hard hitting critical assessment of the issues, events, forces, politics, pressures and controversy, and the key players that shaped and ensnared Obama during the political game changing 2008 presidential campaign.

Hutchinson examines the impact of race and gender, campaign strategy, the major political players, the nature of presidential politics, the changes in the Democratic and Republican parties, the importance of the black, Hispanic, youth, women, blue collar white worker and middle class vote, the role of corporation and special interests in the campaign as well as in American politics.

How Obama Won answers the one big question that dominated the political campaign. That is did Obama's win really show that America had turned the corner on race?

Hutchinson assesses how Obama's administration will deal with the crisis of the war and the economy, whether it can effectively fulfill the campaign promise of hope and change, and what world leaders can expect from his administration.

Finally, *How Obama Won* tells what the first African-American to win the White House means to America and the world.

Earl Ofari Hutchinson is an author and political analyst and a *Huffington Post* columnist. He is the author of *The Ethnic Presidency: How Race Decides the Race to the White House* (Middle Passage Press, February, 2008).

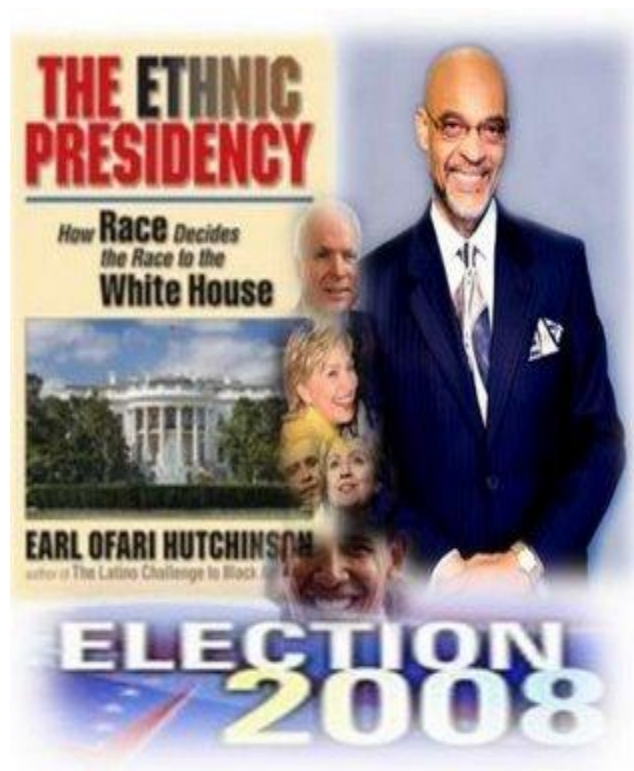
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Affiliate opportunities available for selling the ebook and print copies of *How Obama Won* - <http://learnhowobamawon.blogspot.com/2008/12/how-obama-own-affiliate-program.html>

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The Ethnic Presidency: How Race Decides the Race to the White House by Earl Ofari Hutchinson

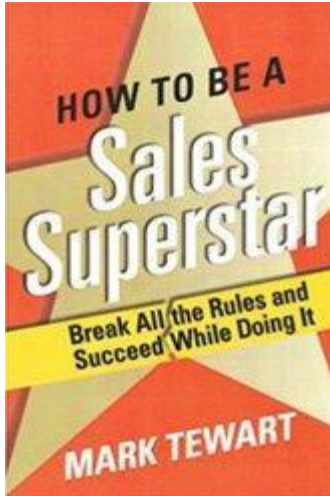


The *Ethnic Presidency: How Race Decides the Race to the White House* is an explosive look at how racial and ethnic conflict has openly and covertly played a crucial role the past three decades in influencing, shaping and ultimately deciding who bags the world's biggest political prize, the White House. It tells how racial politics will play an even bigger role in the 2008 presidential election and future elections.

It examines Obamamania, the Hillary and Bill factor, the soaring Latino vote, the silent but potent Asian-American vote, the immigration wars, the GOP's love-hate relationship with black and Latino America, and Bush's effort to recast the GOP from a clubby, ole white guys party to a party of racial diversity. The first primary is January 29.

For more information, visit this link

www.amazon.com/Ethnic-Presidency-Decides-White-House/dp/1881032256



**How to Be A Sales
Superstar - Break All the
Rules and Succeed
While Doing It**

**by
Mark Tewart**



A handy guide that every sales professional or business person can use to become a sales superstar. This is a “must have guide” to produce success in your life not only sales. This book contains cutting edge information on sales skills, people skills, life skills and marketing skills that breaks through the old style selling techniques.

These days, making the sale is tougher than ever. That's why sales professionals and business owners need more than just smooth talk to make it in the business. Selling is a job that requires an updated toolkit for real, lasting success. *How to Be a Sales Superstar* teaches salespeople all the specialized skills they need to be a superstar and shows them how to implement those skills immediately. Readers will master the people skills necessary to relate to prospects and read their meaning; the life skills needed to be successful at any endeavor; the marketing skills to draw in new customers and keep the old ones; and the sales skills to eliminate objections and close the deal. You can become a sales superstar—and get rich doing it.

Most salespeople are frustrated from underachieving or failing in their sales career. Because traditional sales training is outdated, it contributes to that frustration. In *How to Be a Sales Superstar*, Mark Tewart defines a new course that you can use to join the elite ranks of sales superstars.

Tewart teaches you how to develop the skills to succeed in this challenging and rewarding profession. But this book isn't about how to be simply good or better at the art of sales. Instead, it reveals the myths of selling that keep the majority of salespeople broke, frustrated, and unhappy. It's about how to succeed wildly and become a sales superstar.

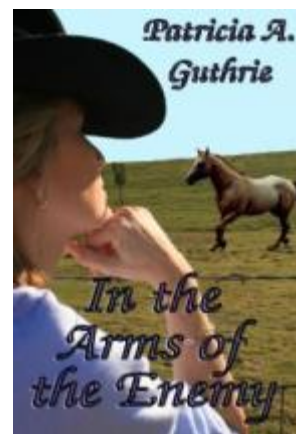
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www.amazon.com/How-Be-Sales-Superstar-Succeed/dp/0470300965



In the Arms of the Enemy

By Patricia A. Guthrie



When the death of a racing stable's prize horse and his trainer is blamed on the stable's owner; his son, Adam, goes undercover convinced the trainer's partner, Maggie McGregor is the killer.

Determined to leave the tumultuous world of horse racing, Maggie returns home to try and find peace. When a handsome horse owner moves his horse into her father's boarding stable and asks Maggie to train his horse, finances dictate Maggie accept-- that's when the accidents begin.

Drowning in deception and lies, Maggie and Adam search for a killer and uncover an insurance scam so insidious, it threatens to rock a horse racing empire and bring the murderer to their doorstep. They need to learn to: Keep your friends close; but your enemies closer.

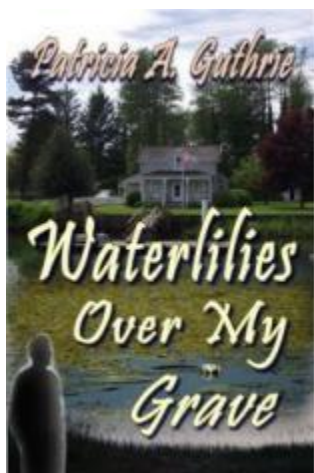
This story is dedicated to all those horses lost to man's inhumanity and greed and to those humanitarians who make it their mission to save and protect them.

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www.lightswordpublishing.com \$9.95 (discount) ISBN 9780979203083

For more information www.patriciaanneguthrie.com and www.paguthrie.blogspot.com

You can run, but you can't hide in this new romantic suspense from Patricia Guthrie.



In a spiraling fall into obsessive madness, psychiatrist Duncan Byrne vows revenge against his ex-wife for divorcing him. When she leaves New York, he reflects, "You can run, but you can't hide."

Psychologist, Annabelle O'Brien begins a new life in the popular resort town of Lake Nager, hoping to find peace and normality. But anonymous threats follow, and Annie finds herself terrorized by a stalker.

Burned-out Detective Mark Driscoll, detests the new psychologist who recommends he take time-off. How dare she? But when somebody slashes her tires, ransacks her apartment and kills her cat, Mark spends his mandated furlough playing body guard.

They don't count on falling in love; something neither wants, but both need. Nor do they count on women resembling Annie being murdered.

Fear becomes the summer slogan for Lake Nager.

The Kindness Cure with C J Scarlet



The Kindness Cure Campaign How One Act of Kindness A Week on the Web Can Transform Our World into a Happier Place

Are you depressed about the economy, gas prices, and the condition of the planet?

Are you tired of feeling anxious and worried all the time?

Do you feel like your life is not on track and that you can't win?

The problem is negativity. Kindness is the cure.

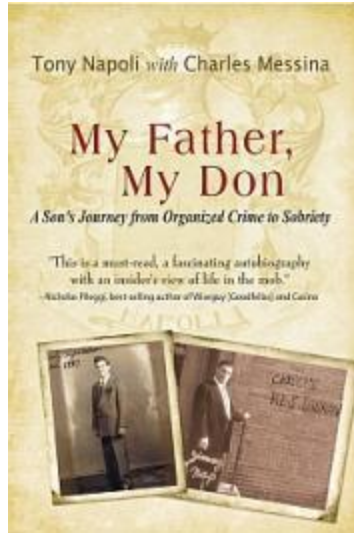
Happiness expert and author CJ Scarlet is starting a kindness revolution and she wants YOU to join her! Over the next year, CJ will personally perform 365 acts of kindness and recruit a legion of everyday people like YOU to perform similar acts in their own communities, such as babysitting for a busy mom so she can take a break, taking neighbors' trash cans off the street and leaving them an anonymous note, personally thanking our teachers and police officers, and buying a bus ticket for a stranded homeless person to return to their family. CJ's actions will be digitally recorded and made available on YouTube (www.youtube.com/thekissrevolution) as well as her own online social network site (<http://www.thekindnesscure.org>).

CJ learned about the power of kindness the hard way. At the age of 12 she was sexually assaulted. Then as an adult she was diagnosed with Lupus and Scleroderma. When she was told her long-term disability had become life threatening, her world fell apart. Then a Tibetan lama commanded her to "stop feeling sorry for herself and focus on the happiness of others" and her life was transformed. The lama next ordered CJ to teach others the secrets to happiness that she had learned and the idea for the Kindness Cure Campaign was born.

We invite you to visit and join the Kindness Cure social networking site.

Feel free to join in the conversation –

www.thekindnesscure.org



**My Father, My Don:
A Son's Journey from
Organized Crime to
Sobriety**
By Tony "Nap" Napoli



Author Tony "Tony Nap" Napoli is the son of one of the most powerful and respected organized crime leaders of the modern era. His father was a mob kingpin who ruled over the largest gambling empire in America for almost 40 years.

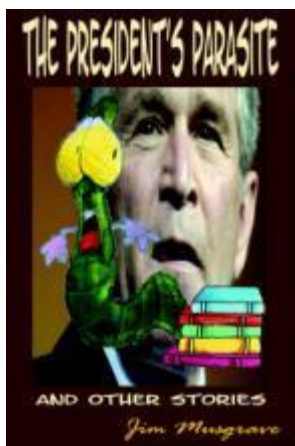
Tony grew up in Brooklyn and has had a checkered life as a soldier, a boxer, an enforcer, a casino boss, a fugitive, and a hustler. Finally, after a brutal attack against a young man who sexually abused his daughter, Tony was sentenced to a period at a VA hospital. During these years, Tony cleaned himself up, successfully completing a sobriety program, becoming pivotal in the rights-for-veterans movement, and helping former boxers get counseling and other services.

Tony's autobiography, **My Father My Don**, is a bold recounting of the confidential world that he and his father inhabited. In candid, no-holds-barred language, Tony describes his life as boxer, army soldier, enforcer, casino boss, fugitive, hustler, and offspring to one of the most powerful mobsters of the century.

His story is not only about the spellbinding dealings of the Napoli empire, but also—and equally important—the singularly cherished relationship he had with his father, his don. Tony Napoli's rollercoaster account of family legend and organized crime followed by his turnaround focus on sobriety and civic contribution is a narrative of our time.

Visit Tony's website for a Napoli photo gallery - <http://www.napoli.beckhamhouse.com>

Book for sale here: <http://www.napoli.beckhamhouse.com/#>



***The President's Parasite
and Other Stories***

by Jim Musgrave

300 pages
Price - \$12.95

In *The President's Parasite*, Jim Musgrave resurrects all that has gone missing in today's literature: originality. The title story is a Kafkaesque piece from the point-of-view of an intellectual tapeworm trapped inside a moronic president, and the satirical impact is worthy of Swift. The other stories range from a widower trapped inside the Clock Tower in Baghdad that he constructed, to a baseball pitcher who becomes a living vegetable after a batted ball strikes his head. All in all, there is something for everyone in this collection of 30 eye-popping stories from a truly gifted author.

"Stephen King commented in one of his books--sorry I don't remember which one--that the popularity of short story compilations has lost favor with contemporary readers, and I guess he should know. If that is indeed the case, I would ask that you make an exception and consider reading Jim Musgrave's *The President's Parasite and Other Stories* as this is an exceptional book--contemporary, insightful, poignantly honest--a glimpse into the down--or back-side of life."
--[Kaye Trout's Books Reviews](#).

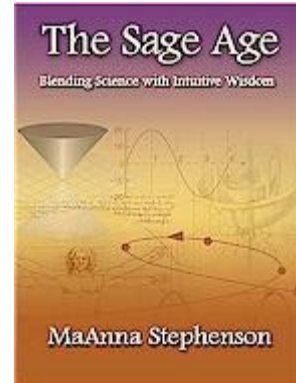
Jim Musgrave has a unique style unlike anything I have ever read. His short stories pack a great deal of meaning in a few words. I found myself stopping, re-reading and questioning my ideas. This book of stories includes something for everyone--they vary so greatly. The one constant is their ability to take conventional "norms" and make the the reader think about them. As a writer, Jim Musgrave has the ability to bring both his scenes and his characters right into your living room. You know these people--you are these people. For readers looking for an escape from reality, this may be what you are looking for--then again, you will also question what reality is--what you know, or what you are reading. I look forward to reading more of Jim's work. Thursday, 10 July 2008, *The President's Parasite and Other Stories* by Jim Musgrave--
Book Review by [Joyce Anthony](#)

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The Sage Age: Blending Science with Intuitive Wisdom

By MaAnna Stephenson



Combining the knowledge of physics with intuitive practice is no small task. The two disciplines often use the same words to mean entirely different things. Written for the seeker with more than a casual interest, *The Sage Age – Blending Science with Intuitive Wisdom* demystifies complex ideas with intelligent analogies and examples designed to appeal to both the scientist and the natural intuitive.

Four years in the writing, this expansive new work combines knowledge from the physical sciences and the intuitive arts to present a visionary perspective that harmonizes these diverse disciplines into one body of knowledge.

With a well-researched approach to its subjects, *The Sage Age* covers a broad range of material from ancient to modern thought, frontier science and current intuitive practice to deliver a depth and breadth of understanding that culminates in a holistic perspective for our time.

Living up to its mantra of "new models for new thought," *The Sage Age* is certain to be a catalyst for dialogue and is destined to be a major work in its field.

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To learn more about MaAnna Stephenson and *The Sage Age*, visit www.sageage.net and you can subscribe to *The Sage Age* Newsletter while you are there. You can order your own copy of *The Sage Age* at <http://www.amazon.com/Sage-Age-MaAnna-Stephenson/dp/1933449632>



Transforming Power By Hugh Ballou



Leaders who have lead a transformation share the story of their experience. This information is invaluable for leaders who are undertaking a transformation of an organization. The information in this book can be advantageous for anyone who is in a situation where they need to make a transformation - no matter what the mission the organization or the type of transformation.

The key to transformation is different for each individual, group, or congregation. Hugh Ballou has brought together a collection of over 25 articles and stories from individuals who have experienced real-life transformations of themselves or their institution. The inspiration offered from the words will enlist a sense of hope and perseverance during difficult times of change. Discover inspiration and transformation through the struggles of other leaders ranging from children's ministry to being in prison, from making Hollywood movies to winning football games, to being leaders who truly lead.

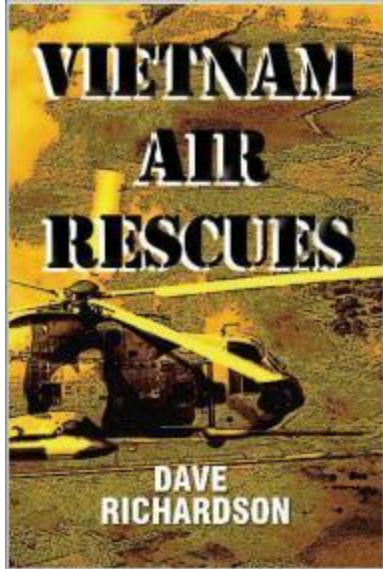
Creating Harmony with Your Team - How does a conductor of orchestras and choirs teach leadership – enthusiastically! Hugh Ballou teaches leaders around the globe how to build synergy with teams and how to build effective processes that bring success to any organization – no matter how small or how big. “I travel around the country and around the world and find that you can change the name of the organization, the location and the type of structure and you will still have the same issues – leaders not leading effectively! Ballou brings 40 years of experience as a conductor to his leadership training. “I call the training *Building High Performance Teams*, but no one can produce effective teams without fine-tuned leadership skills. I teach business executives how an orchestra conductor brings out the best skill of the players that have been hired. The conductor is a dictator, however, if the conductor hires a good oboe player, then it's best to let that oboe player use his or her skill rather than tell then how to play!” It sounds silly, however, leaders who micro-manage the people they lead only receive a fraction of the performance that is ultimately possible. Let the team perform!

Transforming Power: <http://www.transforming-power.com>

Hugh Ballou: <http://www.hughballou.com>

Book information is available at <http://www.amazon.com/Transforming-Power-Transformational-Encouragement-Inspiration/dp/0881775312>

<http://currenteventsinbooks.blogspot.com/2008/08/tough-economic-times-call-for-strong.html>



**Vietnam Air
Rescues by Dave
Richardson**

210 Pages
Packed with Pictures



Eavesdrop—as a father recounts to his adult children his exploits as an Air Force "Jolly Green" combat rescue helicopter pilot in Vietnam...

Be There—to see what it was really like...

Ride Along—and determine what you would have done when another man's life was literally hanging in the balance...

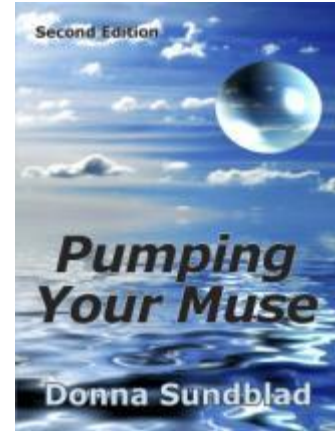
Feel—what it meant to save a life...

Experience—heart pounding action

Holy Cow...The Jolly Green pilots were even more heroic than I thought. Read this book to get a true feeling of what it was like day by day for a Jolly Green pilot---in the cockpit on harrowing rescue missions, and on the ground with lots of obstacles. As a Navy combat pilot who flew over the same area as described in this book, and also one who was rescued by the Jolly Greens, I still never fully realized how really dangerous the average Jolly mission was till reading this book. And, the author has done a superb job of describing the Jolly pilot's interesting but harsh, dangerous living conditions up north when not flying. Written with an evident heart felt emotion, it's a quick read.

Dave's website address www.vnrescues.com – you can order from Dave or from Amazon http://www.amazon.com/Vietnam-Air-Rescues-Dave-Richardson/dp/1434891348/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&s=books&qid=1210355110&sr=1-1

To read excerpts and see pictures from the book, download the free ebooks – www.nikkileigh.com/var.htm and get information about two interviews with Dave.



Donna Sundblad – Author and Promo 101 Virtual Tour Coordinator

Author and full-time freelance writer, Donna Sundblad, resides in Georgia with her husband, Rick, and a flock of pets including five cockatiels and her Blue-front Amazon named Neelix. Her books *Pumping Your Muse* (2005) and *Windwalker* (2006) and her most recent fantasy novel *Beyond the Fifth Gate* are available in paper and ebook formats through Amazon and Fictionwise.

Donna enjoys life as a wife, mother, and grandmother. She's the eldest of seven and the great-great granddaughter of a Native American named Little Beetle. Little Beetle's people were a blend of Chippewa and Mingo and lived in West Virginia. She decided to leave her culture and took on the name Ida M. Biddle. When she married a white fur trader named Marshall Prickett, their joining was not accepted by either culture, but they forged a new life together.

Donna's love of family, belief in God, interest in her Native American heritage and her love of fantasy and science fiction all influence her writing. In 2006, Donna left her day job as a vacation rental reservationist on a small island in Florida to pursue writing full time. Her freelancing credits span fiction and non-fiction short stories as well as good old days, inspirational, and how-tos for writers. For more information visit her website at www.theinkslinger.net.

Pumping Your Muse (non-fiction self-help)

Available at Amazon for \$10.49 or as an ebook at Fictionwise for \$5.99.

Each chapter of *Pumping Your Muse* extracts elements from the real world to construct believable fictional realms. Fresh scenes are turned upside down and propelled into un-chartered territories where they meld into a complete storyline. Whether you suffer from writer's block or are a fledgling writer looking for guidance, this book is for you.

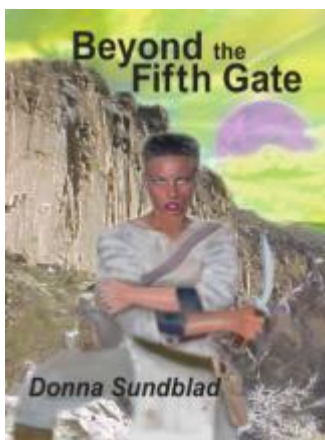
- Attention to Detail: Real World details flood our senses on a subconscious level. Attention to Detail exercises hone the writer's skill to furnish detailed information without falling prey to overly descriptive terms.

- Flip Side: No matter how bizarre or mundane the story, a writer's thoughts follow a sequence--a thread of logic. Flip Side exercises force the writer from that path of logic to wander in another direction to explore new concepts.
- Reconstitute Your World: These exercises take aspects of 'real world' places and happenings, blend them with fictional ingredients and transform them into believable realms and scenarios complete with flora and fauna.
- Mapping and Tracking: Applying these principles teaches organizational skills from the genesis to the last detail of your world, including characters and their belongings. Mapping and Tracking develops logistical smoothness and provides a way to track objects for continuity.



Windwalker (Fantasy)

Print at [Amazon](#) for \$14.99 or ebook at [Fictionwise](#) for \$5.99. Hundreds of years ago, the Stygian race welcomed diseased riddled Jonnick to their shores despite prophetic warnings. Concealed powers of darkness disembark with the refugees. Subsequent generations of conflict draw lines of division between the two cultures unaware that the spirit of the Mage lives within the queen. Paranoia and fear prompt the issuance of royal decrees designed to thwart the coming of the Stygian savior-the Arich. Midwives ordered to report the birth of any child born on a moonless night know it means death to the child. Effects of the law trickle to the present where Manelin, a social outcast, and Jalil, a lame Jonnick girl find themselves thrust into the midst of unfolding ancient prophecies and a world on the verge of annihilation.



Beyond the Fifth Gate (fantasy)

Print [Amazon](#) - \$13.49 or ebook at [Fictionwise](#) for \$5.99. Elita awakens from a nightmare in which she struggles as a 12-year-old against an insectoid race that carries her into captivity. Now twelve years later, her reality is one of forced labor. She lives in a hive complex where humans are forbidden to speak, write or read. The promise of freedom swells when the prophetic conjunction of five planets marks the long-awaited Kamali's Cycle. But first, as the Chosen, she must travel through five mystical gates during the planets' conjunction and return to Haldis with items key to that freedom. Elita follows Kamali's light into a cave in the eastern foothills. The portal closes behind her, and the first gate opens to a one way quest into strange worlds and a race to collect what she needs from beyond each gate to free her people before time runs out. The journey challenges her faith as Kamali leads her into strange lands where what she holds to be true is put into question and unlikely allies become close friends. Beyond the Fifth Gate is a journey of transformation that, if successful, will free not only Elita's world but those living in the lands beyond the mystical gates.

Meet the Promo 101 Roving Reporter – Terry L White



Author, Songwriter, Jewelry Maker, dollmaker, and all around multi-talented lady. She also has experience as a reporter

Terry has performed all up and down the East Coast. Her original ballads are rooted in folk music and, like her novels, appeal to women from all walks of life. Here she sings at a writer's conference in Saratoga Springs.

Terry lives in a house near the river and she enjoys her huge, multi-windowed kitchen where she can spend time working on her favorite crafts or cooking for her friends. Inspired by the water, she began to make soft sculptured mermaids that have become a popular favorite in local shops as well as on line.

Terry has all kinds of books – here are some of those books...

Ancient Memories - When Nancy Hunter meets Peter Allen, sparks don't exactly fly, but there is definitely something worth exploring between them. Imagine their surprise when they discover they have loved each other for centuries, through life after life after life.

The Picker - Some people march to a different drummer and Paul Bowen heard his calling from an early age. The world just wanted him to do the right thing, but Paul had to follow his country music rainbow. It wasn't about being a star, really... just ask any picker.

Hell Or High Water - Cheryl Mae has the power to stop the blood and to heal, but she can't stop the rural electrification project that will flood the Sacandaga valley, and she can't find love to stay. Forced to leave her home at last, Cheryl Mae is dogged by a stalker as she enters nursing school and fights to find a new life in a strange world.

Hang Your Head Over - When Caroline Potter visits Barclay Mountain to work on her new book she brings a suitcase full of heartaches and more questions than she knows how to answer about her own life. Her vacation suddenly becomes a quest for truth when she hears about an old mystery and uncovers shocking secrets hidden years before.

Mystick Moon - Travel with Rebecca as she starts her new life in Puritanical New England. How will having the gift of "second sight" affect her in the New Land?

Mustard Seed - What happens when a vital, modern-day woman becomes connected to the Internet? Certainly, much more than she had ever expected!

The Last Priestess - Centered on the Nazca Plain at the foot of the mighty Andes, this is the compelling story of Qwana, last priestess to The Mother for the Temple of the Moon. A visit from a space wanderer plunges her world into war and opens Qwana to the possibilities of eternal love.

Crazy Quilt - A collection of country stories that are sure to touch your heart.

Chesapeake Harvest - Book One of the Chesapeake Series

Mary Charles is sentenced to transportation and indentured servitude, little knowing what the New World will bring. Chesapeake Harvest visits Maryland's Eastern Shore with the earliest colonists where they battle harsh weather, fever and swarms of mosquitoes to forge a new land. Voyage across the sea with Mary Charles and share her life on a frontier farm as little more than a slave. Learn the ways of country life with a woman who holds love as an ideal to guide her life. Come to Chesapeake country!

Chesapeake Legacy - Book Two of the Chesapeake Series

The family saga continues, as Hannah tries to find her place between two worlds. Raised by the English colonists, she is forced from her home and sent off to fend for herself, because of her Indian heritage. At last, she finds a place among the Native American people. But where will she find love?

Runaway Hearts - Stories of Maryland's Eastern Shore, all told in rhyme. Tales of love and derring-do, of those who lived and loved in a place time almost forgot. Tales of the pirate, Jonathan Bright, and the changeling child he adopted. Of Jack Tilghman, who came home from the war in 1864, and his wife, Nicey, who waited, not always patiently. And of Harriet Tubman, the woman called Moses, who truly had a Runaway Heart, if anyone every did.

Imagine - Officer Sharon Scott is fresh out of the Academy. Her partner, Detective Harry Yates resents her intrusion into his chauvanist male world almost as much as he hates computers. When a serial killer's activities are linked to Internet use, his world is plunged into confusion as they race with time to save the killer's final victim.

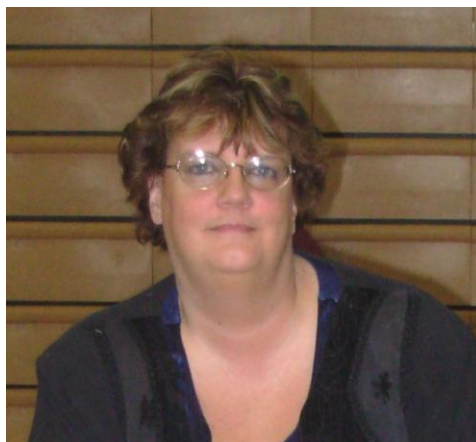
Kissing Ball - While his wife, Anirra, waits and worries Julian Hayes is lost in the storm. Is the woman he meets on the road another lost pilgrim, as she seems, or is she really the dreaded ban sidhe come to steal his soul and visit him with the worst of luck.

Last Priestess - Bride of the Condor Series, Vol 1-Join Qwana on the Nazca Plain where she is the last priestess to the Temple of the Moon. Follow the last priestess through her initiation, then onto the plain where visitors from another world wait to catapult her into another world.

Nazca Star Bride of the Condor Series, Vol 2 - Follow Qwana as she leads the old priestess A'ruz, Lalan, Mouse, and the starman Rowlland, when they flee the High Priest Xilpu's malice and search for a place of safety high in the Andes. Nazca Star is the second in the popular Bride of the Condor series.

Bride of the Condor - Bride of the Condor Series, Vol. 3 - Join the last priestess, Qwana, on her journey as she leads a group of refugees away from the bloody city of sun worshippers to a place of safety high in the Andes. Will she escape the high priest's wrath and be accepted in a place where she can live out her days in peace?

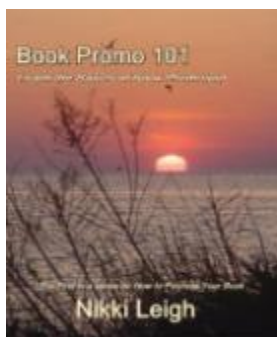
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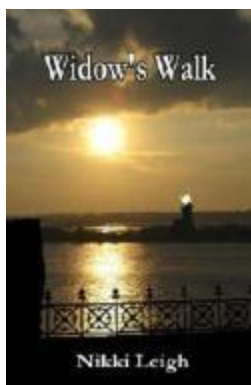
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Book Promo 101: Learn the Basics of Book Promotion

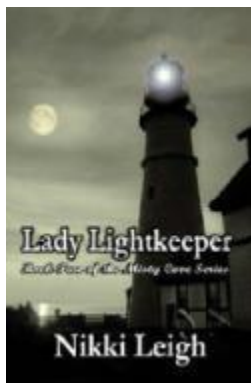
This is the first in a series to help authors learn how to promote their published work. The author speaks from long experience in promotional work. She also offers quotes from many of the best people in the business. The book explores the mentality and process behind promotional work and a wide variety of ways to promote books - many free or low cost techniques. Book Promo 101 helps you lay a solid foundation for your promotional work and allows you to build your skills. This book was written in a teaching format and has review questions at the end of each chapter. There are many easy ways to promote and easy questions within the pages of this book.



Widow's Walk – Misty Cove Chronicles Book One

First in a series of three. Days before her wedding, in October 1841, Lizbeth climbs to the widows walk atop her home, with her fiancé. They search the dark and stormy horizon for her father's fishing boat and Lizbeth notices the darkened lighthouse on the point.

In such a violent storm, her father and the other men from Misty Cove need the lighthouse to guide their boats safely into harbor. In the morning and the lighthouse lamps shine out, but it's too late. Death had come in the stormy night and the community is devastated by loss. Is love enough for Lizbeth to overcome the needless death of her father? Mourning and an investigation into the light's failure delay the wedding. When, Lizbeth and William pledge their love, will they find happiness?



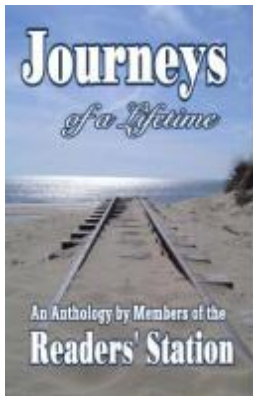
Lady Lightkeeper – Misty Cove Chronicles Book Two

Lizbeth is a woman of uncommon strength and determination and that's one of the things that her husband William, loves about her. When an unexpected turn of events cuts Lizbeth's happiness short, that strength is tested in ways she never imagined. Her children are growing up in a time and place where death and loss are a common part of life. While she struggles with her own fears, she must help her children find their way through an uncertain future. Lizbeth keeps an almost obsessive vigil from the lighthouse catwalk. This makes her the ideal choice for the new lightkeeper for the Stormy View lighthouse. She must decide if she's ready to move forward. What long-buried secrets will challenge Lizbeth as she makes the journey.



Lilah and the Locket – Cape Hatteras Series 1954

The first morning of Kristie’s vacation she jogs along the beach with her German shepherd, Lilah. At the base of the Cape Hatteras lighthouse, Lilah finds a human bone below the sand dune. Kristie’s plans for a quiet week are forgotten as she joins in the investigation. Ocean breezes blow across the Outer Banks of North Carolina and Kristie uncovers a personal connection to the murder victim and her locket. She meets a handsome government worker named Nathan who is working to complete the National Seashore project. Do his co-workers know something about the crime? Will Kristie and the Deputy find the guilty party? Join Kristie on the rugged shores of Hatteras in the search for a murderer.



Journeys of a Lifetime – Anthology by the Readers Station

Contributions by Elena Dorothy Bowman, Bryn Colvin, Nikki Leigh, Dorice Nelson, Nora Peterson, Ginger Simpson, Donna Sundblad, Angela Verdenius, and Anne Whitfield

There is an interesting combination of fiction in many genres and unusual non fiction titles. There's a little bit of something for everyone.

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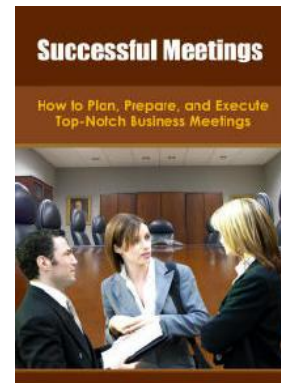
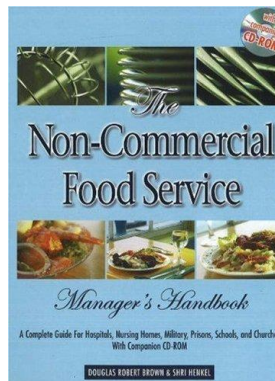
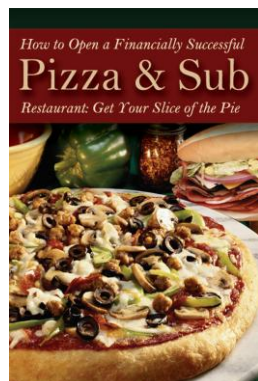
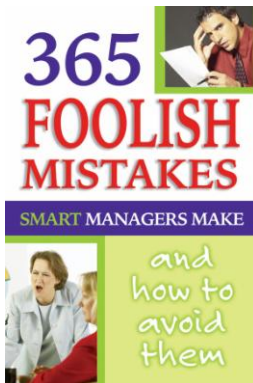


Book Promo 201: Promote On The Internet With Web 2.0

Coming Soon - Topics discussed in this book include:

- Identify Your Target Audience – Brand Yourself and Your Books
 - What is Web 2.0 --- Viral Marketing – Benefits to Online Promotion
 - Social Networks – Social Bookmarking – Create a Blog to Promote
 - Social Networks for Authors – Virtual Blog Tours
 - Podcasting – Book Trailers – and much more
- This book is also packed with useful resources.

Business Books Released as Shri Henkel



Promo 101 Virtual Blog Tours

We hope you enjoyed our walk back through the books, products and services we promoted in 2008. Wait until you see the books, products and services that are coming in 2009 – it is shaping up great and there is much more to come. If you would like more information about Promo 101 Virtual Blog Tours and Promotional Services, feel free to contact Nikki – nikki@nikkileigh.com. (Promotional Services – www.nikkileigh.com/promo.htm)

Definition of a Virtual Blog Tour

Simply, a virtual blog tour is a cyber “tour” which includes various blogs, websites, radio shows, newsletters etc. These sites usually have themes that are included in the book and are promoted on the tour. This “tour” gives authors the chance to reach many people as they travel the blog-o-sphere.

A tour contains a set of blog, website interviews, reviews or guest posts etc that are posted on a series of sites during a set amount of time. Various blog owners host you and many ask you interview questions about your book or they may request that you write a piece about a specific part or element of your book.

Virtual blog tours are a wonderful alternative to a “live” bookstore tour. A bookstore tour can be very expensive, consume a lot of your time, take you away from your family and job and there is no guarantee that it will be successful. A blog tour can be done from home and in your pajamas if that’s what you prefer.

What is an author to do if they want to do a book tour to promote their book? The environmentally conscious answer is - a virtual book tour. There are many benefits to a virtual book tour over a brick and mortar store tour. These benefits include:

- Conserve Gas
- Save Money
- Stay Home With Family
- No Need to Leave Your Job to Promote

Benefits of a Blog

1. Build credibility and increase visibility
2. One of the key things people want to do with a blog tour is to generate sales
3. Generate a buzz about your book
4. Reach your target audience
5. Get information about you and your books to many people in a short period of time
6. Create additional links to your site
7. Let readers and potential readers to learn more about you and your books
8. Help blog readers get to know the person behind the book or other product
9. Search engines love blogs and your information gets to search engines immediately
10. Give people the opportunity to communicate with you
11. Comments can give you the chance to see what your blog readers are thinking

Much More Information is Available at www.virtualblogtour.blogspot.com

Tour Packages and Prices - <http://virtualblogtour.blogspot.com/2008/04/virtual-blog-tour-options.html>