

I don't blog: I brag, celebrate, and shamelessly advertise!!!

Welcome! to the director's cut version of my newsletter. TA-DA You know, or should know by now, I'm *dyslexic!* No need to expect this to be letter perfect.

Since this is a **monthly** newsletter there is a **month's worth** of links and other stuff in each issue. It's all there with you in mind. Don't ya feel special? You ARE special!

Writing News Briefs:

This was an odd summer. The writers I know either wrote like a maniac or their muse hibernated. Sadly, my muse fell into a Snow White snooze. (I've never really believed in a muse, so maybe that's part of my problem.)

The title "Atonement" is taken by a very popular UK book that is in production for a movie which will release soon. My Atonement needs a new title, something I've known for over a year now. Nothing comes to mind. No one else has come up with any ideas either. Makes me wonder if KB and HT will have a little sister.

Okay, that was a bit of a shock, even for me. Of course, a "trilogy" requires the third book to be done. I really like the premise of Atonement. Kathryn is incredible in this book. The secondary characters are priceless.

My problem, as best as I can understand stems from the publishing process. It is such a hassle. (Does anyone use that word now days?) I'd really like to do something different from what I did with Kathryn's Beach and High Tide. I do spend a great deal of time looking for an alternative. Not to mention working a real job has consumed its share of my time and energy.

I'll leave this topic with no resolution since, I have none at this time. If you have thoughts on the subject, by all means, share them with me.

Kathryn & Co. News: Do you have questions about Kathryn and friends or the books? I'd love to hear them. (Yes, really.)

The insights the readers have are remarkable. They delight me as much as if Kathryn was one of my children. She had become real in the same sense as the children's book, The Velveteen Rabbit. (If you haven't read this one, get it.)

Kathryn has an amazing ability to touch people. She brought a great deal of intrigue to me as she developed upon the computer monitor. I know she has brought more than the basic delight of a good read to some of her readers.

I can't take full credit for her. Kathryn seemed to co-write her stories. Often, the story went elsewhere from where I expected. Readers have mentioned the unexpected direction in the stories are part of their enjoyment of the reads.

There is nothing better than email conversations with a fan who is reading my books. I love the comments and the questions (I'm careful not to give away the secrets within the story).

If Kathryn meant something special to you, I'd love to hear about it. I do post comments on my website, on the home page and here, <http://nadelamanbooks.com/reviews.html>

However, if you send something personal, rest assured, I will not post that portion of your comments for all the world to see.

Send comments to NadineLaman@aol.com
Please don't hesitate to email me, if you'd like. I promise, I'd like it too.

Reviews & Interviews:

Kathryn's Beach interview:

www.readerviews.com/InterviewLaman.html

High Tide interview: **Spoiler warning!**

www.readerviews.com/InterviewLamanHT.html

Kathryn's Beach & High Tide reviews are on my home page. www.nadinelamanbooks.com

In the this is really cool department:

Ever wonder what book trade show is like? Here is an interesting article about the Frankfort Book Fair. www.booktrade.info/i.php/12177

This is just plain amazing:

<http://centripetalnotion.com/2007/09/13/13:26:26/>

What's Next? With me, one never knows, do they? (You have no idea how true this is!) I like to take things beyond the trends. If you expect me to do things in the traditional way, then you really don't know me at all.

My friends Cathy and Carrie, and I have a saying, Truth Between Sisters or TBS.

The TBS is that I am looking for an alternate publishing situation for Atonement. I haven't had luck finding it. Which makes it very likely that actual publishing will be delayed further due to this decision.

Maybe it won't get published at all and I'll have to make some arrangement to get a copy of the manuscript for those who really want it. Or maybe an eBook.

It is a bit daring to change direction at this point. I'm not going into the details of the decision yet!

I have ideas of how I want the trilogy presented and I might as well live my dreams after the investment of time involved in this project.

I know this decision is inconvenient for some of my readers. I am sorry to do this to you. Perhaps one day I'll explain. Most likely Atonement will come out in digital form prior to printed form. Contracts, lawyers, decisions are pending as I put the newsletter to bed.

In the that's enough about me department...let's celebrate each other!!!

Great News! The Ghost Sniffer and Other Stories, by my dear friend **Carrie Sheppard**, is in a proof edition. I have a copy and I have to say right off—I love the stories. They are more magical when told by the author in her lovely British voice. I'll let everyone know when the CD is available for purchase. She has enough stories to do a second audio book. **I can't wait!** Well done, my friend.

Hold the press, this is really **BIG**: Books Featured on YouTube

Kathryn's Beach, High Tide, Atonement:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fu6f_4ab0uk

Games Poor Kids Play:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=6C09HDXxeA

Men Bleed Too/She Taught Me To Laugh Again:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=qd68dijXjpk

Phil Harris interview:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=CEShQA3Bf38

Celise Downs interview:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=e6AsdXkLwhA

June Austin interview:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=F8vtVHIic1g

Sitting Swing:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=K2AmKrhdmh4

Welcome to Nothing Binding writers' community:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xlvd2lvb7I

Quark Soup:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=0wp0t0wo8sI

Sleep Before Evening:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=_QPVteM5iK4

Peeking over the Edge:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=pJsMgdb9_Q4

For music lover§

♪ Carrie Sheppard:

www.myspace.com/carolynsheppard

♪ Miranda Dickinson:

www.myspace.com/mirandadickinson

♪ Ann Zimmerman:

www.annzimmerman.com/records.html

♫ Bryan Causton:
www.myspace.com/bryancauston
His band, STRANGEWORLD, has a new CD out.
www.myspace.com/strangeworldmusic
www.strangeworldmusic.com/id5.html

I love this idea!

www.youtube.com/watch?v=PI3xHIsvF9o&NR=1

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Books, Books, Books! by genre
FICTION:

Action/Adventure

Frederiko Aguilar, US actor/author of



The Desert Has No King

Think gambling, mafia, corruption, beautiful women, and all things Las Vegas.

Celebrity book event in Nov 07.

www.TheDesertHasNoKing.com

Ray Derby, US author, new release Clouds of Deception. Also from Ray, Shadow Government and Bradley's Ghost. Great conspiracy, terrorist novels! I love 'em. www.RayDerby.com

Mainstream and Literary Fiction

Magdalena Ball, Australian, author, Sleep Before Evening, affirming coming-of-age story which follows the descent and redemption of a young woman. www.compulsivereader.com/html
www.bewrite.net/bookshop/excerpts/sleep_before_evening.htm

Joyce Faulkner, US author, For Shrieking Out Loud! Incredibly funny lady. I seem to remember that this one is available now...or very soon. AND Losing Patience, ponders the natural and supernatural aspects of mortality; reveals new perspectives of old realities, ethical conundrums—guilt, forgiveness, fidelity, and retribution. www.joycefaulkner.com

Kathe Gogolewski, US paranormal romance, Flight of the Gryphon The Book is available now! Hot hot hot off the press! www.tri-studio.com

Ray Grant, US writer, Don't Be Impatient...Read a Short Story! Just released! A collection of short stories. www.tri-studio.com

Philip Harris, US author, A Maine Christmas Carol. It's a new twist to a well known classic. TJ is visited by his father who was killed in the Iraq war. Will the three spirits penetrate TJ's drug clouded life? www.christmascarol.bravehost.com
<http://dickens111.tripod.com/theliteraryworksofphilipharris/id15.html>

Carolyn Howard-Johnson, US author of This is the Place. If you're half Mormon and half Protestant, how do you fit in? Fitting in, that is always a big question. Prejudice is complicated, isn't it? www.carolynhoward-johnson.com
www.sharingwithwriters.blogspot.com

Asmaa Kadry, United Arab Emirates author, Holm Attofoola (means: "A childish dream.") An Arabic language novel. AND The short story collection Ressalet Hob (means: "A message of love.") www.bannoota.com

Irving Karchmar, US author, Master of the Jinn: A Sufi Novel. This English language book was translated into Russian, Bahasa (Indonesia), and Turkish! www.MasteroftheJinn.com
www.insanyayinlari.com.tr/catalog/book.aspx?ID=468
A spiritually and artistically beautiful website!

My Book List:

Kathryn's Beach 05 & 06
High Tide (Kathryn #2) 06
Atonement (Kathryn #3) coming in 08 ???

Nolan C. Lewis, US Author, Clouds Are Always White on Top, WW2 Air War; WWII history buffs will love this veteran aviator's believable fiction. Includes historical photos.
www.pendoreillepress.com

Mystery/Thriller

Nolan C. Lewis, US, mystery author, Mauled. A victim is found with a nine-pound splitting maul protruding from his head and the only prints on the handle is his! Ewww! Messy! Oh my gosh, Nolan! www.pendoreillepress.com

Philip Harris and Brian Doe, US authors who started a NEW GENRE **Spiritual Thriller** with their book Waking God. Philip and Brian have a second book in the works. This book is a huge hit. Their website and newsletter has tons of research info for their readers. Weird things are going on with the second book. Are you okay, Brian? When is visiting day? You guys are too funny. www.WakingGod.com

CHILDREN'S BOOKS: by age group

Young Children

Kip Cossom, US artist/author, Ned Visits New York. WOW! In second printing now! Book and children's wear available at www.KipKids.com

Asmaa Kadry, UAE, The children's book "Alnemr almalek" means: "Tiger King" this one is published in both Arabic and English. www.bannoota.com

Betty Landon, US children's author, Feather From the Sky. A back yard adventure for every kid to enjoy. Set in Arizona! www.featherfromtheskybook.com

Andy Kemp, France, artist/author new CD ROM children's book, Whimsical Will Learns to Fly. This is an adorable book. Fun interactive features. Heartwarming story. Marvelous photos and animation. www.beauxreflets.com

Young Adult

Celise Downs, US YA author of Dance Jam Productions and Secrets and Kisses. Being a teen is never simple, is it? Two great books for young adult readers. www.celisedowns.com

Jeannine Garsee, US author of BEFORE, AFTER and Somebody in BETWEEN, Bloomsbury USA. This book is getting phenomenal reviews! Way to go, girlfriend! I'm so proud of you! Jen is "a BORDERS ORIGINAL VOICE!!!!" Jen can really write! www.jeanninegarsee.com
www.onegrapeshy.livejournal.com

Asmaa Kadry, UAE, The book series for teen girls "Bannoota" means: "Little girl" or something like that, it's an Arabic pet name for a "girl" and there are three books published from this series, and the fourth is in the way. www.bannoota.com

NONFICTION: by category

Alternate History; Spirituality

June Austin, UK author of Genesis of Man. A book of alternate history, mystic places, ancient spirituality & wisdom. On shelves at English bookstores and libraries. On Amazon in USA. This book is rocking the MBS charts! It is a very readable [scholarly work](#). Visit her re-envisioned website! www.JuneAustin.co.uk

Philip Harris' third book, Jesus Taught It, Too: the Early Roots of the Law of Attraction released in the U.S. and Canada mid-summer 07. The Law of Attraction (The Secret) can be easily traced to the teachings of the Master. This is a very hot topic! Timely! Phil's blog: <http://philipharris.blogspot.com> www.avatarpublication.com

Historical

Rusty Clark, US, historian/artist/author of Stories Carved in Stone. Graveyard Series: Agawam, ME; Holyoke, ME; and Enfield CT. This is history and folk art. Click below for photos. <http://storiescarvedinstone.com/coppermine/> for book orders. www.dogpondpress.net/stone.html

Joyce Faulkner, US author, In the Shadow of Suribachi, Award winning WWII novel about the battle on Iwo Jima. www.joycefaulkner.com

Gene K. Garrison, US, Author, There's Something About CAVE CREEK; It's The People. Glimpses of the (interesting bunch of) characters who lived in Cave Creek, Arizona. Includes photos. www.lulu.com/ggarrison

Nolan C. Lewis, US, Author, IONE, Circa 1930 Memories of a small town in Washington (state). Cool photos! www.pendoreillepress.com

Memoir

Thomas Brown, US author, Men Bleed Too, and She Taught Me To Laugh Again. Tom writes about breast cancer from the husband's perspective, and about a second life after the death of a spouse. Great books. She Taught Me

To Laugh Again is a beautiful real life love story. Tom is available for speaking engagements (and golf games). www.ThomasBrownBooks.com

Carolyn Howard-Johnson, US author, Harkening: A Collection of Stories Remembered. Every family has little white lies they tell. What are your family's secrets? I promise not to tell anyone... www.carolynhoward-johnson.com

Andrew Revels, US author of Games Poor Kids Play. (Language warning.) A collection of short stories, slices of Americana, & hilarious childhood antics. If you can read this book and not laugh, there's something seriously wrong! Better read it again! Cracked me up! **New website. Way cool Flash intro!** www.planetreveals.com.

Irene Watson, US memoir The Sitting Swing. This therapist faced her own past; her fearfully abusive, highly sheltered years growing up as an only child to Ukrainian immigrants in 1940s Alberta, Canada. Incredible story of the resilience of the human spirit and the journey to resolution & happiness. www.irenewatson.com

Publishing and **Marketing**

Carolyn Howard-Johnson, US author, The Frugal Book Promoter: How to Do What Your Publisher Won't. She teaches at UCLA!

AND The Frugal Editor: Put Your Best Book Forward to Avoid Humiliation and Ensure Success This book is out, Oct 07, I think. I have an advance copy! www.carolynhoward-johnson.com

Jerry Simmons, US author of INSIDE The Business of Publishing – What writers Need to Know. Second book coming, What Writers Need to Know About Publishing. Jerry worked 20+ years in NY at a BIG time, real-deal publishing house. www.WritersReaders.com

POETRY:

Krissy Brady, Canadian author's debut poetry collection Title Wave from a Canadian small press. Contact Krissy at www.krissybrady.com

Carolyn Howard-Johnson, US, & Magdalena Ball, Australian, poets, Cherished Pulse (featured in my Feb 07 newsletter!) I have a copy of this book. Great poetry. Love it. www.compulsivereader.com/html/images/cherishedpulse.htm

Carolyn Howard-Johnson, US author, Tracings, a chapbook of poetry. www.carolynhoward-johnson.com

Coming in 2007! in alphabetical order...

NOTE: Authors must stay in touch with me to remain in this newsletter.

Betty Landon, US YA Henrietta's Forty Years in a Dresser Drawer. Due out soon, summer 07. In production now. Targeted for 'tween readers.

Coming in 2008! Nothing like anticipation!

Karen Dionne, US thriller author, Freezing Point, from Berkley Oct 08. Cool website. Karen is the co-founder of Backspace writers' forum. www.karendionne.net www.bksp.org

Erin Collins, US author, debut end time thrillers. Book 1: Shadow Walk: The Gathering; Just went under CONTRACT! Aug 08. Book 2: Shadow Rising: The Dark Cometh. (new pen name!) www.freewebs.com/auroracollins/index.htm <http://authorofshadowwalkthegathering.blogspot.com>

In the lovely land of rewrite & edits:

These writers have works in progress. I've been lucky enough to preview many of these works. **We wish each of you God's speed...** (hurry up!)

Karin Carstens, US novels, Far From Forever and Beyond The Shadow. <http://2katworlds.blog.com>

Cathy Cole, North Ireland mystery writer, Where There's Smoke. New twist in crime. Cathy is an absolutely **incredible writer!**

Jeannine Garsee, US author, Say the Word. Her second YA novel. Finished revisions. Her agent has her ms NOW. Biting nails and sleepless night to begin! Good luck, Jen. She'll love the ms. **I read the entire ms this week. It is an incredible story. Lots of depth. Totally terrific writing. I love it, chica!** www.jeanninegarsee.com www.onegrapeshy.livejournal.com

Irving Karchmar, US author, working on his second novel, a sequel Tale of the Jinn Blog: www.darvish.wordpress.com Website: www.MasteroftheJinn.com

Andrew Revels, US (novel) Belly of the Beast; (short story collections) Games Poor Kids Play II; and writing a book with his grandfather! **Notice new website link.** www.PlanetRevels.com

Charlotte Saben (yep, she's my cousin), US mystery, Taylor's Point (she is also a poet)

Rebekah Vandergriff, US nonfiction, What Day Is It? This one is very close to finished!

Russell Waterman, US fiction, untitled novel, about VietNam War Dogs. Plus short stories.

AND ME! Red Planet Revolt (SciFi); Act Like You Mean It (action) AND a **collaborative work**...TBS I sooooo LOVE writing this book!

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KATHRYN'S BEACH & HIGH TIDE are still available through my website. Link at the bottom of every page. Contact me if you need a signed copy or just want to chat about Kathryn.

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Freely share this newsletter link. If quoted, follow the conventions of professional conduct and good manners with proper citations.

I get...the LAST WORD! (Naturally!)

You do know this stuff is only my opinion, however that doesn't mean I'm wrong. Does it?

A "Kathryn moment." A moment of connecting with someone on a real level, on an emotional level, on a human touching human level.

Tonight I "ran" into Bette McCulla at the local Staples office supply. She told me her husband, JT McCulla, author of Reversal of Fear, had died.
www.jtmccallabooks.com

I don't hang around with local writers, so I hadn't heard of James' death. Bette and I promise to get together for coffee sometime soon. A promise I'm going to keep.

The point is, we often lose track of people. We often don't say, "I love you," when we really do love someone.

As much as I'm teased for saying "I love you guys" in my newsletter or on My Writers Circle writing forum or at work & play, I still don't say it as often as I feel the affection/fondness for you.

It can be awkward to say and awkward to hear, but I'm going to be better about saying, "I love you."

As much as anything, this is a warning for the people I know. Brace yourself. I'm going to say "I love you" and I'm going to hug you because life is short and there are no guarantees for tomorrow.

I wish for you the best life has to bring to you. I know you can do this masterful thing. Write your best book.



Come walk with me upon the beach.
I love you guys!