



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

Welcome! to the director's cut of my newsletter. You know, or should know by now, I'm *dyslexic*. Relax. Put away your red pen. Sit a bit, let's chat and spend a few minutes together.

Kathryn's Beach and High Tide and Storm Surge are available **NOW**.
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couldn't believe it either when it arrived from the printer. It is no surprise Glyn Pope wondered why it wasn't indexed so the "donkey and marmite" comments could easily be found. Such fun!

The book is for sale on my website and blog, list price \$19.95 with a special introductory price at \$15.95. <http://nadelamanbooks.com/books.html>

Kathryn & Co. News: Do you have questions about Kathryn and friends? I'd love to hear them. (Yes, really.) NadineLaman@aol.com

Writing News Briefs:



Much to my surprise, all things Blog Party continue to be a hit. The latest item on the hit parade is the book: The First Draft Blog Party 09.

Most of the people I sent a copy of the book have written to say, "Thank You" and added comments.

"...a real labor of love. Thank you so much. I am proud to put it my library. A special shelf of books I have a special connection to." Carolyn Howard-Johnson, USA.

"I opened random pages and it warmed up my heart; I forgot so many things. Thank you for creating this wonderful reminder of a great time! Furthermore, it is a handbook of great writing advice; each of your guests has shared their wisdom and knowledge and I'm looking forward to reading all the comments again." Ivana Maric, Croatia.

"It was great to receive it, and I'm really impressed with the quality." Nick Daws, UK.

I think everyone mentioned surprise at how thick the book is (see pic in last month's newsletter) – I

Question: Why aren't your books on Amazon.com?

Answer: They are now. All three books, Kathryn's Beach, High Tide, and Storm Surge are on amazon ...well, sort of. All three books have been submitted to and approved by Amazon.com. For reasons only Amazon understands, only Storm Surge show up on their website when you search by my name. That may or may not change – I haven't a clue.

The old versions of Kathryn's Beach and High Tide are on Amazon. Kathryn's Beach (the old version has a full page sunset on the cover) has been out of print for almost a year. Used copies are available through one of Amazon's many programs. I think High Tide (the old version) has one more new copy.

The trilogy has matching cover art – look on my website or blog to see what to look for when purchasing the set. Then, if you don't find the correct book cover, search Amazon using the ISBN for each book – the ISBN is found for each book on my website on the ORDER BOOKS page.

Amazon.com has ordered copies of each of the trilogy. So if you don't like using PayPal on my website, order through Amazon.com. My books are eligible for the super saver thing on Amazon.com.

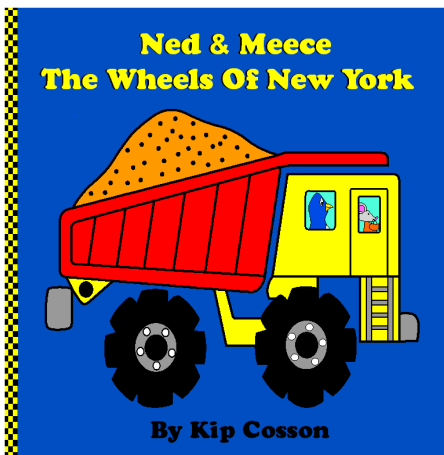
www (Wonderful Web Wizard):

My web designer: [Joyce\[at\]designbyjoyce\[dot\]com](mailto:Joyce[at]designbyjoyce[dot]com) has been working on the website for Cactus Rain Publishing. The logo is in design stages in Italy. Things are moving forward at a pleasant pace.

What's Next? With me, one never knows – do they? (You have no idea how true this is!)

If you have been around for the following, you know it is never a dull moment with me: The Biz Card, Write Your Own Review, Publish my own books, Cactus Rain, and some other stuff too much in the intellectual proprietary world to share in a newsletter.

In the **"this is really cool" department:**



My friend, **Kip Cosson** has another toddler book coming this month.

This is Kip's second book that goes with his kids' clothes.

Ned & Meece: Wheels Of New York is a

picture book with the words in six languages: English, Spanish, German, French, Japanese, and Italian. What better way for a child to learn their favorite things in other languages!! Visit Kip's website and order his two books and his really cool kid's clothes. www.KipKids.com

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

If you have purchased my trilogy since I started self publishing it last February, you know that the printing quality is as good as any, anywhere.

Several people asked me if I could do the same for them, and I have. I have spent the last year recruiting the best providers I could find. With that comes the creation of Cactus Rain Publishing.

Cactus Rain Publishing will publish high quality works from writers world wide who want to introduce their works to the American market.

Unlike POD companies, Cactus Rain books will be only one quality – top drawer! The books will be vetted on story merit, writing strength, and author personality fit with the company mission.

Unlike most traditional publishing companies, the author will have more responsibility in the end product.

It is both exciting and a bit daunting to launch a business of any kind in this economic climate, especially in the book industry which has been hit particularly hard.

Yet I believe a culture is defined by its art. It is in difficult times that some of the world's best art has been introduced. And I plan to do exactly that.

I ♥ my blog: First Draft

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