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Happy May Day!  
There is SNOW on the ground. With all the tragic tornadoes lately, we'll take the snow!

**Get ready, everyone: We will have a NEW WEBSITE up and running by the time this newsletter is printed! Thanks to a reader who notified her sister who owns a company in Bemidji—who contacted me and started the same day and kept at it—we truly are back on line. If you need help, contact INNOVATIVE Business Solutions, Inc., phone 1-218-444-2354. They're GREAT!**  
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Aaand we hope everyone is noticing that we have **NATHAN JORGENSON'S LATEST BOOK** in our store – one month before it hits the “big-box” bookstores! Jorgenson has offered this Limited First Edition of “*A Crooked Number*” to Independent Bookstores such as ours. (The Jorgensons have done this with his previous books, “Waiting for White Horses” and “the mulligan”.) This new novel is a prequel to “Waiting for White Horses” and, as promised, is a wonderful read—I know, I've already read it and give it a big four stars!

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**William Kent Krueger:** Winner of fifteen book awards, **Krueger's** (Cork O'Connor) 2010 “*Vermillion Drift*” was a New York Times Bestseller; the 11<sup>th</sup> in the series “*Northwest Angle*” will be released on August 30, 2011; with contracts already signed for two more O'Connor books. Oh, and Krueger has a

standalone hardcover “*Ordinary Grace*” coming out sometime in 2012.

On this cold May Day, the Minneapolis Star Tribune announced “the “*Land of Painted Caves*” by **Jean Auel** and “*Fifth Witness*” by **Michael Connelly** were #2 and #3, respectively, on the Local Hardcover Bestseller List. At #1 was **David Foster's** “*Pale King*”, of which I know nothing. (!) However, a critique by Laurie Hertzell pointed me to an Iowa author, Jean Thompson (*The Year We Left Home*), whose sixth novel intrigued her so much it seems she has more reading to do! Me, too.

Got an **e-book** you want autographed? Good luck. But, it's kinda figured for the future in five to seven steps, if your author has the three to five minutes. That is if your pictures turn out and you're not blinking or your hair isn't sticking out in front of the author's face—and the author has a lot of patience. And time.

So, we're still waiting for prices to even out, for publisher's to decide if paper and electronic can work together, oh, and the Sales Tax thing too: Amazon told the Gov't it WAS collecting Sales Tax. So, when are they going to pay the \$269 million that Texas says they owe?

Karen, one of the ladies behind the counter, and our resident writer, is now enrolled in a Legacy Program offering instructions on Memoir Writing. Since she is one of our Walker Writers, we should hear (for three weeks) just how it's going!

Think you're Computer/Reader illiterate? There's the Kindle 3, the Sony Readers, the iPad 2, NookColor, RIM Blackberry Playbook, Motorola Koom, HP Touchpad, and many more.

**Tom Clancy's "Ghost Recon – Combat Ops"**  
**Written by David Michaels:** Publishers Weekly (PW) tells us Michaels is an "all-purpose pseudonym," used by other authors, including **Raymond Benson**. Excuse me?

Saw the word "snark" several times in reviews. I think you say it like snorking through your stuffed nose, but I'm not sure. So, I've been looking for a conversation that I could sneak the word in! Like, "Boy, what a snark." Or, "She sure looks snarky today."

**Silhouette is Kaput** – all gone – there ain't no more! Actually they still exist, EXCEPT they are called Harlequins now. Strange, but I had a lot of favorite Silhouette authors (Nora Roberts, Maggie Shayne, Linda Howard...) and Silhouettes were more popular in the store than Harlequins. Because Harlequin is a Canada/British label, maybe they never got the US connection—and yet look at all those Silhouette authors who are now famous for their mainstream mysteries. Does not make sense.

**Leigh Greenwood:** For those of you reading his *Night Riders* series, which was published by Dorchester, who announced last year they were changing to an e-book first releases: Greenwood has now found another publisher: Sourcebooks. Watch for #6 in his series, tentatively titled "Texas Noble".

You are reminded that if you cannot find a continuing book in a series to check the publisher, as there are a number of others doing the same thing as Dorchester.

**Fern Michaels:** Ad in Romantic Times: "After 7 years and 10 amazing adventures, it is time to bid the courageous femmes farewell in this 20<sup>th</sup> and final novel of the immensely popular *Sisterhood* series." It's the April, 2011 magazine, page 49, with a "Win a Sisterhood Bag!"

Magazines usually write about some over-the-top, award winning author no one has ever heard of. But, the February 2011 "the Writer" has an entertaining interview with **Elmore Leonard**. Not selling anything, but after the article I'm ready to buy every one of his novels.

In fact the next "the Writer" headlined an article on how to sell your first novel by an 8-time author—that I've never heard of.

By the way, it's proper (ok) now to end a sentence with "of". Probably because so many writers do it!

April RomanticTimes Mag. had a very detailed "Time Travelers" article on Medieval England, Tudor England, Regency England, Victorian England, Colonial America and Western America. It's all about the clothing, duties, words of the day, rights and names and every bit of the article held my interest enough to read it twice. Liz French should get an award for the thorough research.

Even her newsletter didn't have this: **J.D. Robb (Nora Roberts)** (#32) "*Treachery in Death*" was #1 its first week out on March 7. AND the review showed a **J.D. Robb** (#33) that is due out in September: "*New York to Dallas*"... No "In Death" in the title, which gives it a mystery, that's for sure! (Oughtta sell lotsa books!)

Touted as "the finest tales of modern horror," **Peter Straub's** "*A Dark Matter*" reached the PW Paperback Bestseller List its first week out.

**Eric Van Lustbader** (once called **Von Lustbader**) has been busy authoring his 25 international bestsellers, and struggling with his dyslexia, while finishing **Robert Ludlum's** "*Bourne*" series. And, according to PW, the next book is HIS again with "*Blood Trust*" while "*Last Snow*" is still showing on bestseller lists.

Hey, Prof Bill, Mr. P was wondering if you are in need of some raspberry jelly. With or without seeds?

Have a wonderful summer. It's beautiful out right now!

Gotta go...keep reading...



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