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Welcome

I am so excited to welcome you to my first newsletter!

I have been wanting to put together a newsletter for a long time now, but I wasn't sure if I was capable or patient enough to pull it off.

I think a newsletter is a great idea because it will allow me to connect with readers once a month. I am not the best at posting updates or writing blog posts on a daily basis. I wish I could be like other hard working writers who hustle and promote like crazy, but sadly your humble writer is not that organized.

This newsletter is going to show you behind the curtain, so to speak, and I want to invite you to be a part of my life. I have many interests and this newsletter will give me a platform to showcase all of those wide range of topics that I enjoy.

I'm happy to welcome you and I hope this newsletter becomes a part of your monthly routine!



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*She slept with wolves without fear, for the wolves
knew there was a lion among them – F.B. Drake*

Upcoming Books

I am beyond happy to announce that the sixth and final book in *The Hidden Realm Series*, *Surrendered Moon* is finished!

I also wanted to share with you that it will be released on August 24, 2016!

If you haven't read *The Hidden Realm Series*, you can go [here](#) and download the first five novels!

I do have another book already in the works and next month I will be speaking more about my exciting upcoming trilogy.

I will give you a hint though. It's not paranormal. It is considered fantasy, but very contemporary.

Hmmm...



Something old, Something new...

I'm a writer and an avid reader. I'm not sure if there is a writer alive isn't one as well and I, like you, love to lose myself in a good story. This month I have read two vastly different tales and I thought I would share them with you.

Something Old...



I have a confession. At least once a year I like to sit down and reread Harry Potter. I love this magical story and I was pleased as punch when I saw that I could download the entire collection for free as an [Amazon Prime Member!](#)

Something New...



[The Cursed Child](#), of course! This screenplay will be released July 31, 2016!

Recipe of the Month



As many of my loyal readers know, I love to cook and bake! It was no coincidence that the first character I created (Willa) was a bakery owner. This is one of my favorite summer salad recipes.

Roasted Potato Salad

3 pounds small red potatoes, cut into 1-inch chunks

1 TBLS. olive oil

2 tsp. ground pepper

1 tsp. kosher salt

2 bacon slices (uncooked) chopped

2 cups green onions, chopped

2 garlic cloves, minced

3 TBLS. Dijon mustard

2 TBLS. reduced fat mayonnaise

1 1/2 TBLS. honey

1 1/2 TBLS. balsamic vinegar

1/4 cup fresh parsley

1) Preheat oven to 400 degrees

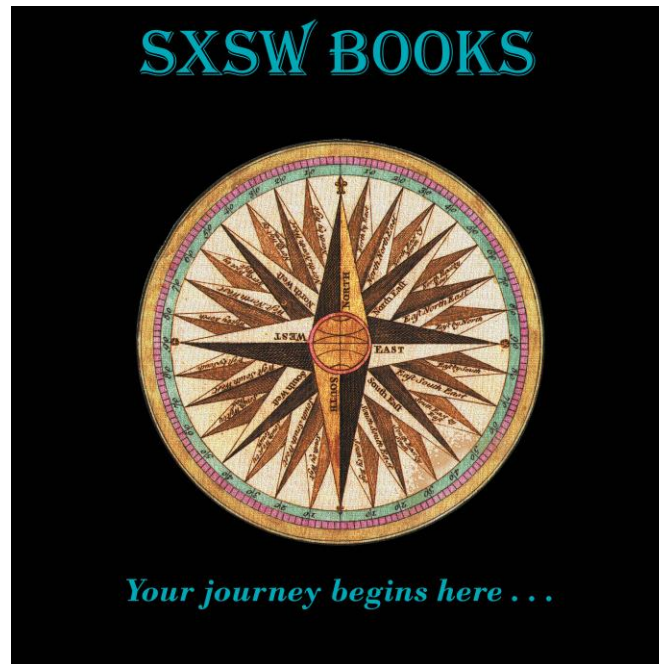
2) Combine first 4 ingredients in a large bowl; toss to coat. Arrange potatoes on a large baking sheet in a single layer. Bake for 45-50 minutes or until tender. Transfer potatoes to a large bowl.

3) Cook bacon in a large nonstick skillet over medium heat until crisp, add green onions and cook 2 more minutes. Add garlic and cook about 30 seconds. Remove from pan and place on top of a paper lined plate to drain excess fat.

4) In a small bowl combine mustard, mayo, honey, and vinegar. Pour over potatoes and mix well. Sprinkle bacon and parsley to finish.

New Venture!

I received an email recently from fellow writer and insomniac Val Day-Sanchez. You may know her from our SXSW Articles that we team up to do together from time to time. She had an idea to create a joint venture with the two of us and we have hit the ground running!



[SXSW Books](http://www.sxswbooks.com) is a new website that will feature our journey as we navigate the world of self-publishing, but it will also be a great place for readers to come and discover new authors. We are going to offer promotional services and eventually we would like to offer other helpful avenues for aspiring writers.

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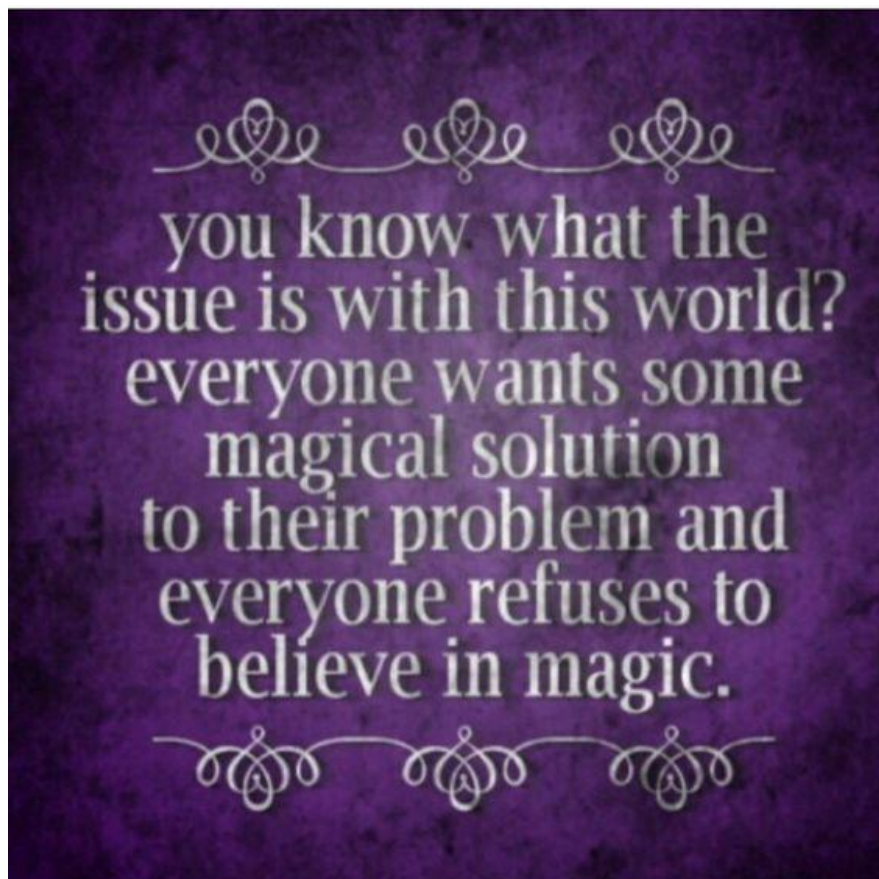
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Thanks for reading my first newsletter!

I will leave you with one of my favorite quotes from one of my favorite books. It seems appropriate in this crazy world we live in right now.



~The Mad Hatter

