Sybil's Story Storm

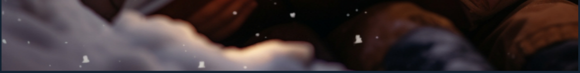
Hi, <<First Name>>

Happy New Year!

It’s a new year. Like a VERY new year. Only minutes old as this newsletter goes out on the final stroke of midnight. Maybe it’s even too soon for you to consider what the new year might bring. I’m not sure I even know where to look to begin my CHANGE WISH LIST, so I won’t make one. At least not yet. Let’s talk about *what is* instead of *what could/should/might* be. We’ll let the rest come as we’re ready. So…

THE NEW YEAR’S EDITION FORECAST

It Just Might Be Snowing Stories!



THE SNOWFLAKES

The PDF format, as a regular edition, is no more!

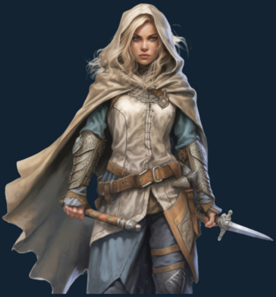
To make the newsletter easier to read, most of its content will be in the email format. The PDF version will pop up here and there as a special edition, and when it does, it will still be available in the VAULT. The rest of the format is still under review, as is reader access to the VAULT for back issues and artifacts. This month will tell, and I always appreciate your input. Just drop me an email and let me know what you think.

THE FLURRIES

Website Updates for the Sybil site and Crystal Orb

Updates are on the horizon for my named site, *sybilward.com*, and the Crystal Orb Publishing site, *crystalorbpublishing.com*. Not major as far as design, but impactful as far as function. A new mini-blog will be open on the named site soon, and the FRIENDS OF THE ORB directory will make its debut at the Crystal Orb site. I'm really excited to launch the directory. It will share links to the sites and social media locations of some truly talented writers, artists, and friends. A MIZZLE (a media drizzle) will broadcast as updates occur.

And Introducing…



ALICE

This is Alice all grown up and fighting not only for Wonderland, but for the complete story world. And ours! She is joined by the wonderful Tom Sawyer, his creator Mark Twain, and an array of valiant characters from across the story realms to defeat the villain who would put all of creation under his control. An excerpt from her adventures is in THE VAULT this month.

THE SNOW STORM

I published two books in 2023!

Stories from the August Grove Herald
Holidays
in August Grove
as told to
Sybil Ward
An August Grove Holiday Adventure

Sybil Ward
The Coffin Chronicles Book 1
HOLE CARDS

I finally did it! Two books published in 2023—*Holidays in August Grove* and *HOLE Cards.*

The book *Holidays* is a collection of short stories with holiday settings, but definitely not holiday themes. Good creepy fun anytime of the year. Available online in ebook and paperback at Amazon.

HOLE Cards is Book 1 of The Coffin Chronicles and it is also available in ebook and paperback at Amazon.

Hardcover editions and signed bookplates are coming soon!

BLIZZARD

New books coming in 2024!

The odd and strange, and all the fun and games continue in August Grove early in the new year. Book 1 of **The Painted Trunk Mysteries** will debut in January, with Book 1 of the **FOG3 Investigations** series, *Even Bones Lie* on the schedule for mid March. Check The Crystal Orb for updates.

SNEAK PEEK!

Get an early look at the cover for *The Painted Trunk* in the VAULT.

The PUDDLE

There are new items in the VAULT this month, including an excerpt, an exclusive peek at a bookcover, and two new trading cards.

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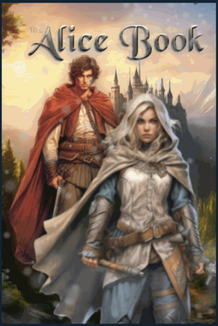
And don’t forget to check the Book & Stories shelf for an excerpt from *The **Alice Book :: Book 2 - Alice’s Journey Through Storyland***



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