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# From The Editor's Desk



Dear Friends,

Fall is on the way and the leaves will soon be changing as the cool air comes our way. Hopefully the summer wildfires will soon be gone and everyone will be able to enjoy the year end holiday activities.

This issue of **BDW** spotlights our Summer 2018 Pinnacle Book Achievement Award Winners, honoring many of our great members and their fine books. Check out pages 22-25 for a list of the award winning books. This recent contest has the most award winners ever in our 38 year old history. Check out some of our wonderful entries and authors today.

In this issue of BDW, Jake Olvido unveils "Recession Proof Book Marketing Strategies," Harriet Hodgson tells us, "When You Speak to Community Groups, You Sell Books," Simon Colin Lovell reveals "Book Marketing Tips: 6 Golden Tactics You Can't Ignore," Trish Collins tells us about "Video Book Marketing," and Hae Debenham teaches us about "Five Book Marketing Ideas That Will Sell Your Book." Plus there's lots more.

If you have not joined **NABE** yet, you can sign up on page 17 and check out the many money saving benefits, including Pinnacle Book Award eligibility. Don't forget to display your book in our 2018-2019 NABE Book Showcase Exhibits and take a look at our popular **New Super Book Marketing Deal**, which saves you over a thousand dollars on some of our best marketing vehicles.

Hope the Fall brings you good tidings and enjoy a healthy, happy holiday season, full of good friends and family, interesting activities and of course, plenty of good books.

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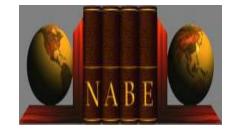
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Linda Matthies
Author of
"Slaying a Harpy:
Tales of Curtis Hall"

Linda Matthies began her writing career in an unconventional way. Though she enjoyed a successful career as Hairstylist/Color Specialist, her personal life had suffered. Linda's passion to write came from her strong will to reconnect with her teenage children who were growing in other directions as teenagers often do. Linda's older daughter was an avid reader and became her most powerful inspiration.

As her words and story line unfolded, many conversations sprang forth and her relationship with her daughter grew closer, deeper and more fulfilling.

At first, Linda doubted her abilities, fearing her lack of formal training would keep her from being taken seriously as an author. However, thanks to her newfound encouragement from her teens and her brother, she got the confidence she needed to find a publishing house and editing team to bring her writing dream into fruition. Sometimes not knowing any better is a great impetus. She learned from the editors and her first book became a success.



Linda Matthies

In "Surviving Curtis Hall: the Lure of Blood," her first novel, she looks into teen minds as they navigate changing schools, new loves, and special secrets. The book won a 2013 Pinnacle Book Achievement Award.

Her follow up novel, "Slaying a Harpy: Tales of Curtis Hall" has just been released and has just won a 2018 Pinnacle Book Achievement Award in the category of Young Adult.

The story features magic, vampires and a harpy, an ancient and terrible mythological creature who worms her way into the psyches of Curtis Hall students, bringing her own threat. You will learn about human and vampire love and Greek Mythology as well.

The interaction of the characters is very interesting and makes for a great read. Young adults who enjoy this genre will definitely find this new book one they will recommend to their friends. It is refreshing vampire fiction and continues the Curtis Hall saga.

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"Continuing the previous saga of her first book, the fantasy world of Curtis Hall continues. The vivid imagery and intricate details transfer the reader to a world where they can relate and picture themselves within. A solid read for the science fiction and fantasy fan. I would highly recommend it." JM

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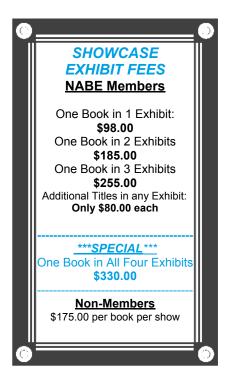
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#### **Recession-Proof Book** Marketing Strategies By Jake Olvido

The succeeding article is about Cost efficient book marketing, Book Marketing Strategies, Inexpensive marketing techniques, Economical book marketing and many other useful tips about book marketing.

A recession-proof marketing strategy is characterized by the sustainability of the book marketing plan through these uncertain recession times and well into economic growth and betterment in the near future. The marketing strategy is not so much affected with the cumulative displacements of the predominantly difficult economic situation. as much as it adapts efficiently and functionally through it.

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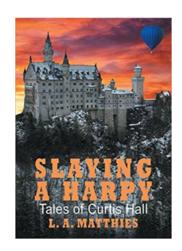
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#### Slaying A Harpy **Tales of Curtis Hall**

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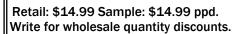


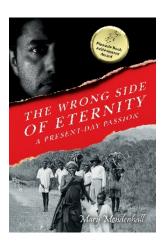
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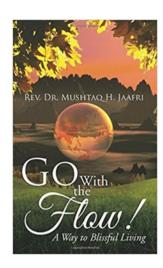


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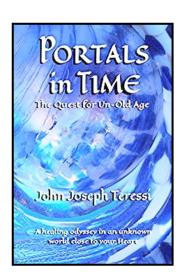
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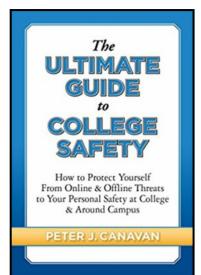
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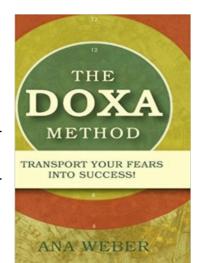
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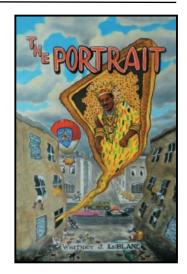


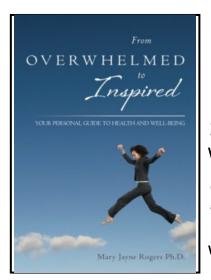
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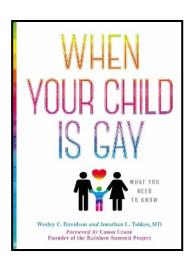
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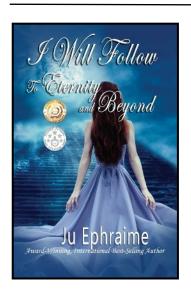
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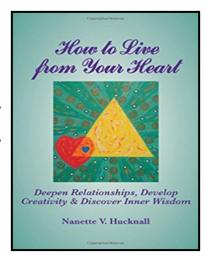
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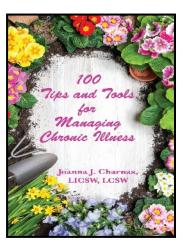


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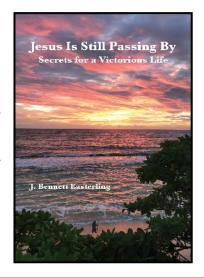
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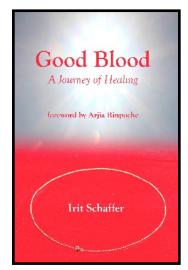


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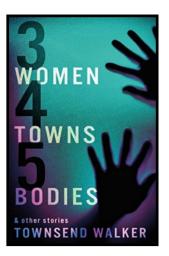


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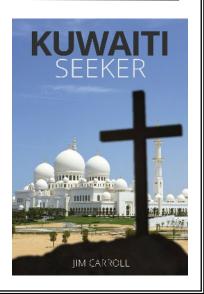


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ter, father-in-law, brother, and for- Harriet Hodgson has been an independent journalist for decades. and former son-in-law died in sepa- She is a member of the American rate car crashes. Their deaths Society of Journalists and Authors, made my twin grandchildren or- Association of Health Care Journalphans and my husband and me ists, and Association for Death Ed-GRGs, grandparents raising grand- ucation and Counseling. Her 24th "Smiling Through Your book. Tears: Anticipating Grief," written

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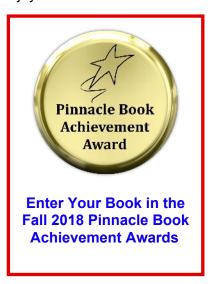
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#### Book Marketing Tips - 6 Golden Tactics You Can't Ignore

By Simon Colin Lovell

In this post I wanted to touch on what I feel are 6 vital elements of book marketing that you really must implement in order to maximise your book sales. It's easy to sit back and wait for sales of your book to come in via traditional channels. Maybe you're expecting for your book publisher to sell your book for you or your self published book has been submitted to online directories. Chances are you're not going to see a great deal of sales that way. By implementing just one of these tactics you should see a significant increase in sales - combine all of them and I you'll be certain to increase your chances of selling more books.

#### 1. Public Relations - Getting Into The Media

You don't have to hire an expensive public relations firm to get yourself into the media and sell more books. In fact it's a lot easier than you think when you know how. Public relations is about creating a story that a newspaper, magazine, radio or TV journalist will see as news worthy. Let's say you've written a book about health. Do you have an example of how your book has helped someone overcome a condition and helped them with their lives? This would be a great case study for the media - they love 'real life' stories. Maybe you've written a book about helping babies overcome sleep problems. Do vou have some interesting statistics that a newspaper would find interesting, or is there something in the news that would directly relate to your book. Always be on the lookout for ways to get your book out there, but position yourself as an expert on your topic rather than simply be out

to get sales. The media will simply ignore you if they think you're out to promote your book, you have to have some information of value.

Offer your local or national news '7 Top Tips on' your subject and send them across. Talk to the editors, get to know the local news and become someone who they go to. It's then a case of 'dropping in' your web site address and promoting your book after the story.

#### 2. A Good Web Site, That Converts

It's very easy to get a mate to put up a web site for you, or to buy a freebie package online and expect to sell your book. But I'm afraid I'm going to have to be honest with you here - it's not going to happen. There are a few reasons for this and it's based on years of experience. Number one, most web designers don't know how to market, they don't know how to bring visitors into your web site and most of all, they don't know how to 'convert' a visitor once they get there, this means - when someone arrives at your web site, does it say, look and feel right for the person to buy it.

Don't worry, I've spent many years with online without testing variations of headlines etc and it's cost me money. By investing properly in your book with someone who knows not only how to give you a good web site, but who can also help you market your book, you'll sell far more diets and the free vs paid ratio becomes clear.

You want sales and this comes from this special three-pronged approach that's tried and tested. You've put the hard work into your book, you'd had it published, now you don't want to fall at the last hurdle and be frustrated with no sales.

3. Forums - Overlooked Book Marketing Tactic

This has been a bit of a gem for me over the past couple of years and you can get a great deal of interest from people who are already chatting in web site forums about the topic of your book, but you have to be careful. Spamming is a big problem for a lot of forum owners, including me for some of my web sites. You have to be genuine and go and provide good quality information to people who need it, but a lot of the time you'll be able to add vour details and web site address into the signature of your profile so that every time you post, a link will appear at the bottom. Not only will you be interacting with your target audience, you'll be generating confidence in them which is huge if you want to create a buyer who trusts you. So, my advice would be to go and find some forums on your topic, create some accounts and spend a few hours a day replying to people offering good quality information.

#### 4. Lead Generation. What's That?

Things have really changed over the years when it comes to marketing, especially online. These days you can't just expect the majority of people to just visit your site and buy, although this can happen with sites like mine that covert more visitors into customers. Lead generation is about grabbing an email address but not through the traditional 'newsletter' angle. By offering a unique document such as tips sheet or report that the visitor can get for free, you can start to generate a relationship with your audience. You can also offer a first chapter free or a mini online course that works guite well. Lead generation, when implemented correctly will transform your business. Why?

Because you'll have a list of poten- 6. Social Media - Facebook, tial clients or customer who may buy from you again. This now means not only have you written a book, but you have a potential business model to work from. What other products can you sell to your list of leads and customer. This is a very powerful marketing tactic that has transformed my business and will for you too.

#### 5. Seminars

If you're confident about talking about your subject then seminars can be a great way to promote your book. Who can you link up with locally to offer them a free or paid talk on your subject. Who would benefit from what you'd have to say. If you write fiction, who would be most interested in that kind of story?

Alternatively, non-fiction lends itself to so much potential, you just need to sit and brainstorm ideas. If you're not confident about talking in front of large groups then either learn or start off with smaller groups and build up gradually.

The secret here is to get going and overcome the fears you have. The more you do it, the easier it becomes. All positive change comes from being outside your comfort zone. What's more, the more confident you get in this area, the less likely you are to get nerves when it comes to media interviews.

Seminars are also a great way of generating 'leads' (see above). If your first seminar is free then maybe you could offer a paid upgrade to your second topic. The possibilities really are endless, so just get out there and get going, you won't regret it.

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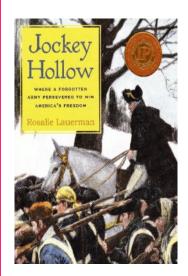
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So there you go. But listen, I've only touched on 6 areas of book marketing and there are hundreds of potential ways to build your book sales. The secret is, take action - invest some money and start making money with your book.

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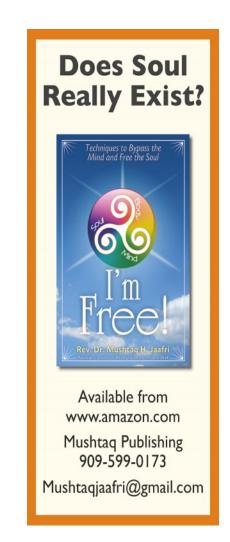
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#### **Google Alerts and Book Marketing**By Irene Watson

Google Alerts is a simple and free tool that is available to anyone for tracking topics on the Internet. For authors, it is a great advantage because you can have it provide you with results whenever a new mention appears on the Internet of your name, book title(s), or topics relevant to your book that you can capitalize upon for promoting your book. This information can be delivered to you via email in a timely matter-as it happens, daily, or weekly - so you are aware of the latest conversations and topics that may interest you.

It's easy to sign up for Google Alerts. Simply go to Google Alerts and fill out the simple form, which will ask you for the "Search Query," meaning the word you want to track. Here I would enter your full name. Next it will ask for the Result Type; "Everything" is probably the best choice here, but if you have reason to be specific, you can choose to receive only results in a specific category: News, Blogs, Videos, Discussions, or Books. Then you choose how often you want the results and how many results you want to receive, which is either All Results or Only the Best Results. If you are unsure what to put for any of these categories, to the right on the screen as you select them, Google automatically shows you the current results you would get based on that selection so you can determine whether "All Results" might be more than you want or precisely what you want.

As you select the categories, consider how likely your results will be to fit what you really want to know. For example, if your search guery is George Washington because you wrote a biography of Washington and you only want to find out when your book is mentioned online, you might want your Result type category to be only Books. However, if you want to see every mention of George Washington to see whether there's a discussion on a blog, or a conference about him being held that you can participate in, you might want to select "Everything." As for your actual Search Query term, if you use more than one word, Google will present results where both or all words appear, although they may not be consecutive. For example, if your name is Natasha Smith, you might get results that list everyone who ran in a marathon because in that marathon were Mark Smith and Natasha Johnson. To solve this issue by limiting results to be

solely about you (or anyone else named Natasha Smith), you will want to put quotation marks around your name in the Search query field: "Natasha Smith".

The big question now is: What do you do with the results you receive from Google Alerts? Three main reasons exist for authors to use Google Alerts:

- 1. Tracking your marketing efforts.
- 2. Capitalizing on hot trends relevant to your book or topic.
- 3. Protecting your reputation.

Let's look now at how each reason can be helpful for you in your quest to sell your book.

#### Tracking your marketing efforts

The results you get back will tell you how well your online efforts are succeeding. For example, if you have a blog and you blog on Monday about your book and you get a Google Alert on Tuesday showing your blog as one of the results, you know your blog is getting out there to the search engines. More importantly, you will find out who else is talking about your book. For example, another blogger, to whom you have no connection and who simply is a book lover, might write a review of your book on her blog, or you might find that someone who blogs on your topic mentions your book on his blog, or perhaps there's a newspaper that prints a review of your book, and because the newspaper also has a website where it prints its content, Google Alerts lets you know about that book review. You then will know how well word is getting out there about you and your book.

#### Capitalizing on relevant hot trends

Google Alerts will probably be more effective for nonfiction authors than fiction authors for capitalizing on hot trends or current discussions, but it can be helpful to both. If your book is about autism and you use "autism" as one of your Google Alerts terms, you'll be getting constant results, maybe more than you want, but you'll be able to see when new information comes out about autism, who is interested in it, and where it is being talked about. You can then contact the people chatting or blogging about it to let them know about your book and see whether they will review your book in their publication or on their blogs, or have you as a guest on their

show or interview you for their newspaper, etc. Fiction authors might want to be more specific regarding genre and use terms like "vampire books," "historical romance," or "time travel books" to find places where people are discussing similar books; you can then contact those people or enter their conversations.

If you are researching your book, Google Alerts can also work the same way because you'll be able to contact people interested in the same topic as you and share research or simply follow what others are saying about your topic so you have up-to-date information, as well as make sure you're not repeating what has already been said and instead come up with a new spin or angle for your topic.

#### Protecting your reputation

Hopefully, your reputation will never need protecting, but while it may hurt your feelings to know people are saying unkind things about you or simply misrepresenting you or your book, it is definitely to your advantage to know about such situations. You can then determine whether you need to take action.

Google Alerts allows authors to stay on top of the marketing game for their books, to find new markets and avenues for their books, to watch their reputations and fame grow, to find ways to increase that fame, and when needed, to protect themselves and their books. For a few short minutes spent setting up search terms and reading the results, the benefits can be extraordinary.

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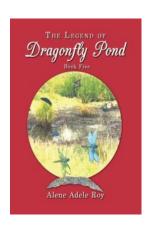


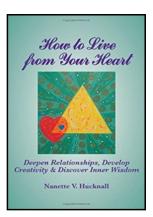
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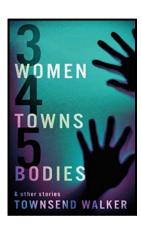
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