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Carol Sanford, author of a provocative new series of award winning business books for entrepreneurs and large corporations who want to offer innovative new answers to the challenges faced in today's business world. See page 3 for her eye-opening story.

# From The Editor's Desk



Dear Friends,

It is that time again--a New Year full of dreams, expectations and hope for the future. With luck and determination, we should be able to solve most of our pressing problems and leave a better world for our children and grandchildren.

This issue of **BDW** spotlights our Fall 2018 Pinnacle Book Achievement Award Winners, honoring many of our great members and their fine books. See pages 22-23 & 25 for a list of the award winning books. Check out some of our wonderful entries and authors today.

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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 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 New Year brings you all the things you want including health, good friends and family, fun activities and of course, plenty of good books.

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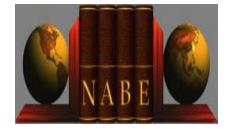
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Rod Collins

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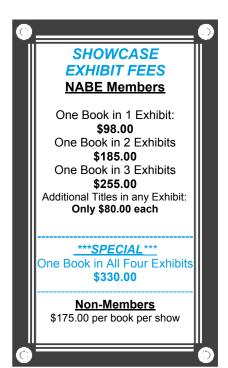
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# You Have Won an Award 10 Things to Do Now!

Bv Lisa M Umina

First, let me be among the first to "congratulations and well done." Entering your story, book or poem into a writing contest can be intimidating and humbling but now that you have won the award - it is time to shout the news from the roof tops. But where do you begin?

Just like with any marketing efforts, you need to have a plan. The "best laid plans" are the ones that are the most effective.

See here is the thing: Remember all the blood, sweat and tears that went into writing your novel? When vou were done all vou wanted to do was put your feet up and enjoy the days of wine and roses, but actually the real work is just beginning; the work of getting the word out so that people actually buy your book.

But we get distracted. We let life or that shiny silver ball take our eyes off the task at hand; that is to be in a continual mode of marketing.

you need to focus your efforts, develop a marketing plan and then work the plan so that you can make the most out of this incredible honor!

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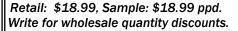
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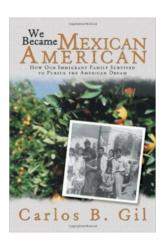
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**How Our Immigrant Family Survived To Pursue The American Dream** 

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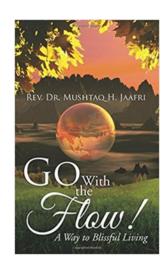
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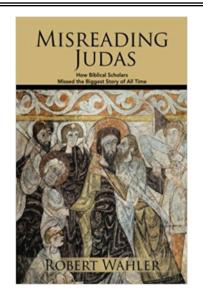
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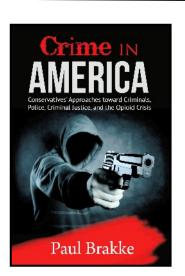
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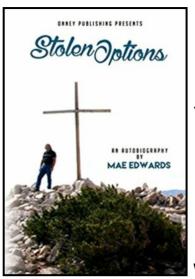
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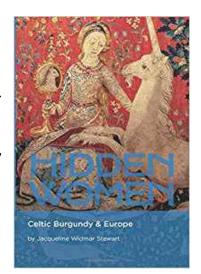
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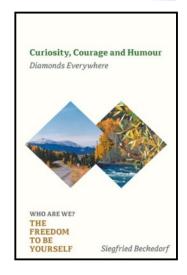
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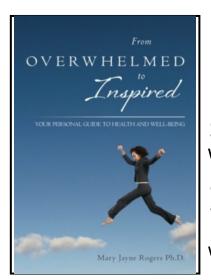
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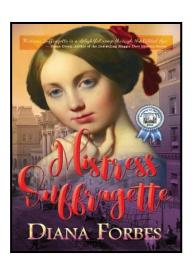
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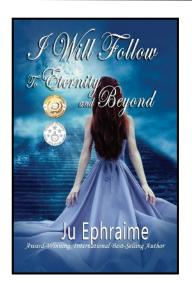
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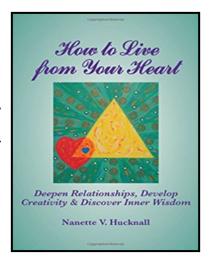
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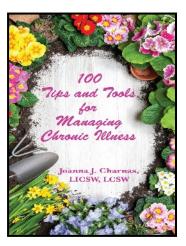


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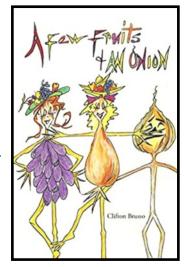
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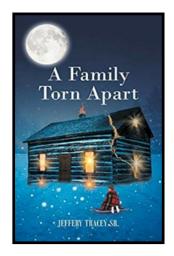


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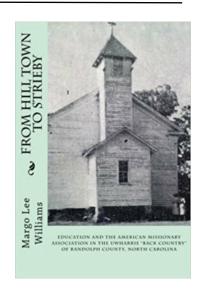
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# The Benefits of Using **Celebrity Testimonials** in Book Marketing

By John Beede

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Celebrity endorsements are even more effective. As a matter of fact, In reality, customers are very skeppeople will buy the instant they know that their favorite celebrity endorses the product. Incredible but true; celebrity testimonials and endorsements work like a charm!

So what really are the benefits of using celebrity testimonials? Let me share the details.

When celebrities, who your customers know, like, and trust are endorsing you, that familiarity, likeability, worthy. Testimonials provide inand credibility are all automatically transferred along to you. So even if the market doesn't know you, the product will still appeal to them.

Celebrity testimonials make you look like a well-networked expert. You get instant sales and market-Thus, this increase in value will allow you to charge more for your service and products.

People want to be associated with big-named personalities. This is exactly why 'People Magazine' sells so well. Having celebrity testimonials is like 'piggy-backing' on their fame resulting in your market to like you and your product.

Your customers will see you as a celebrity yourself. Ever noticed how celebrities hang out with other celebrities?

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By Bob Burnham

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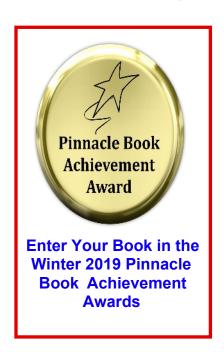
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by Sandra Beckwith

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# How Book Design and **Book Marketing Will Keep Your Book Alive** By Sid Smith

Too many authors spend all their time on writing, then scrimp on book design and book marketing. They hope that their publisher will handle all the details of book design and book marketing, so that they can just sit back and rake in the millions year after year.

Then, if these same authors decide to self-publish, they'll quickly get lost in the morass of print on demand publishers and the time and money sink hole of self-publishing. In fact, most authors would rather die than think about book marketing, or spend money on book design.

### Facing your book marketing competition

In 2005, around 172,000 books were published with an ISBN number, according to Bowker, which compiles publishing statistics. An ISBN number will get you into Books in Print, and allows your book to be distributed to bookstores and online sites like Amazon and Barnes & Noble. According to some sources, nearly one quarter of these books were printed by Print on Demand (POD) companies.

I'd estimate that number to be much higher, as many small publishers are having their books printed by Lightning Source, which also provides printing for many of the larger POD companies.

Additionally, Lulu Press, who publishes over 1500 books per week, says that only about 5% of their books get an ISBN number. That's another 80,000 or so books circulating in the market each year, although most of Lulu's books are only sold through Lulu Press on their web site.

### The definition of "Best Seller" has changed

It only takes 300 book sales to get on Lulu's all-time top 100 bestsellers list. 300 books! For some people, that can be attained simply by selling books to

their extended family. While Author-House, iUniverse, Xlibris, and other big players in the POD market might print more books with ISBN numbers. The second leg of book marketing is their sales records aren't much better.

Some sources estimate that the average book sells no more than 150 copies, and other sources put that number at below fifty copies. In many cases, authors end up losing money on their books, which is why Lulu Press is so popular. At Lulu, you can upload your book interior and cover (you do all the design work), and have a book on your doorstep within days - all for the "cost of printing" (which is highly inflated, by the way).

The services and prices of POD companies vary widely, which is why we're in the final stages of creating a comprehensive guide on self-publishing. It can be a confusing morass of information and data, with many unsubstantiated claims. The truth shall be revealed.

### Will you be one of the winners, or part of the majority?

Will your book be dead before it hits the streets? If you have any intention of selling more than 50 books, then you'll have to invest time - and money into the production and marketing of your book. Here are the basic steps you'll have to consider:

### 1. Write a great book that's got an audience.

One of the biggest mistakes people make is to assume that people will read their book just because it's "good." People will read a book if it is either applicable to their lives (non-fiction), or if it really is a damned good book (fiction). Even then, you'll have to market your book. "How to sell a book" or "How to market a book" are two of the top questions we get, and search engine analysis shows that these are frequent search terms. If you haven't written your book with an audience in mind, then you're down to three legs on your four-legged marketing stool.

### 2. Spend some money on book cover design and book editing.

the interior and exterior design of the book. People do judge a book by its cover, so if you're not spending some money on getting an outstanding cover, you're losing sales. Then, people will open the book and read the intro or first few pages. Is it well-written? Easy to read? Is the interior book design clean, consistent, and well-implemented. I've seen many POD books in which the margins were too small, the fonts poorly chosen, and the images fuzzy. Who's going to buy a book like that?

There are many great book cover designers. Then for editing, contact Charity at Mighty Pen Editing for your editing needs. Don't scrimp on the editing because you WILL make mistakes (trust me on this - there are probably a few in this article).

### 3. Choose a good quality publisher.

Lulu Press is great if you just want to print a few books for your friends, or create a low-cost galley to send to editors, agents, or distributors. You'll often be asked to send a "galley" of your book, which is simply a printed copy of your book with a blank cover. Lulu Press is great for creating galleys at minimal cost.

As we'll show you in our upcoming comprehensive guide to self-publishing, which POD company you choose depends on your intentions and desires. If you want to have your book professionally edited and the cover professionally designed by your publisher (instead of outsourcing to some unknown person), then companies like Cold Tree Press might be a good choice. Other companies offer a varied level of marketing packages. Personally, I'd rather stay away from having these publishers market my book, and instead go to a good book marketing expert or media specialist.

But, there are a few small publishers (like Cold Tree Press or Arbor Books) who have excellent book marketing packages, ranging from several hundred to several thousand dollars (you get what you pay for!).

# 4. Take a "no holds barred" approach to book marketing.

If your book is your life, or is a major part of your business marketing plan, then spend some money on publicity and book marketing. Too many people, especially business people, write a book, put a page up on their web site (and on Amazon), and hope that they'll get some sales. Your book is like a 250 page business card, and it should be used accordingly.

If your book is your life story or a novel, you still need to spend some money on marketing, although your approach will be different. Definitely check out a media relations specialist Marika Flatt on the web at <a href="http://www.prbythebook.com">http://www.prbythebook.com</a> or Book Marketing Specialist Penny Sansevieri.

# 5. Use the Internet to market your book.

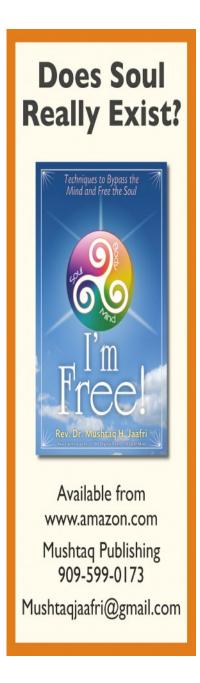
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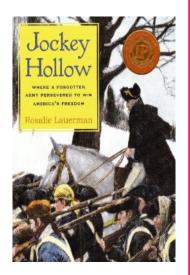
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# When You Speak to **Community Groups,** You Sell Books

By Harriet Hodgson

Even if your publisher has a slick catalog and an appealing website, you need to market your book. My recent work focuses on loss, grief, and recovery, a hard sell in the book business. So I signed a contract with a professional book marketing firm. I learned a lot from the company, but its publicity efforts did not lead to a surge in sales.

How do you sell books? Local publicity is one of the best ways. During my 30+ years in the book business I have come to realize that giving talks to local community groups -- churches, service organizations, and support groups -- sells books. At the end of every talk I tell people that I enjoy speaking, speak for free, and ask them to refer me to another organization.

Several weeks ago I gave a presentation to a Kiwanis group. The group met at 9 a.m. and I was surprised at the huge turnout. After a brief business meeting I spoke for 25 minutes, which left time for questions and answers. Some Kiwanis members were surprised at the number of books I have written. Several thanked me for coming. "Harriet's presentation should make us grateful for this day," talks to fit a specific group. one man commented.

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To promote your book successfully, it's important to budget funds for book marketing. While it's certainly possible to do online book promotion on a shoestring budget, you will still need to invest in promoting your book.

The amount you should budget depends on your book marketing plan. Here are some expense categories to consider and some money-saving tips:

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services. Mail like waive their fees until your list gets to a certain size.

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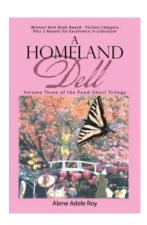


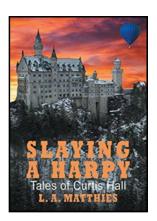
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