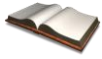




Ruth Ann Nordin's Newsletter

February 1, 2010



Updates on my Current Works in Progress:

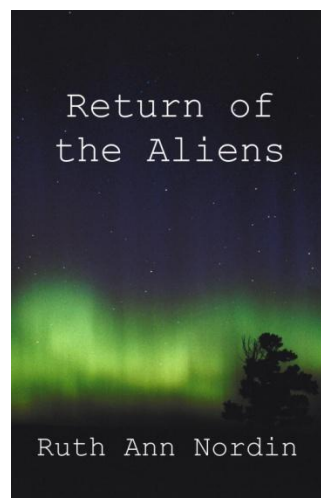
Restoring Hope

This one is coming toward the end on my WordPress Blog. I will finish up "A Bride for Tom" when this one is done. I think *Restoring Hope* will be ready in its final form in April.

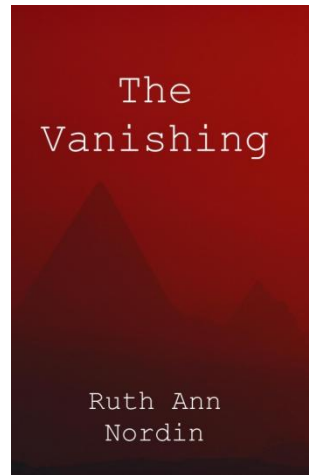
You can find more information at: <http://ruthannnordin.wordpress.com/>.

Return of the Aliens

I finally got a series title for the science fiction series! I also got the cover made for it.



I finished the first novella for it. Prairie Star Publishing didn't work out, so I can start posting up the first novella later this month. It's about the disappearance of millions of people around the world at the same time the President of the United States makes the announcement that aliens have contacted them. As soon as I'm done proofing this, I will post it on my website.

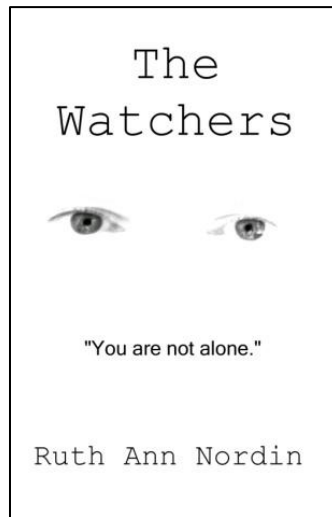


I don't know how many novellas are going to complete the series. I'm going to aim for 15,000 words a novella, and I'll post each novella when it's ready. I've never done a serial before.

Anyway, when I have the entire series completed, I will put it all into one book and upload it to Kindle and Smashwords, as well as keep it in the novella segments on my website. I've decided that I'm not putting this one into a paperback like I do with my romances.

Currently, I am working on the second one, which takes the science fiction part and hopefully gives it a "thrillerish" edge. I'd like this to be a science fiction thriller when I'm done with the series, but we'll see how things play out.

Here's the cover to the second novella:



The purpose of this novella in the series is to look into mind control.

The Wrong Husband



I didn't get much done on this one this month. I'm up to 28,000 words. It seems that more people are interested in *What Nathan Wants* than in this book, so I've been concentrating on writing that book instead of this one. That being the case, I'm going to move back the estimated available date. *The Wrong Husband's* estimated availability date is now at the end of the summer. Now I have to make that change on my website and the book trailer.

What Nathan Wants

Thanks to Bonnie Steffens, I now have a cover, and she came up with the idea too. I had a certain image in my mind, but it wasn't nearly as good as hers. Here it is:



I am thinking that this could be available by July or August. If I get on the ball with writing it, it could be sooner. So far, I'm 11,000 words in and am very happy with its progress. I find myself laughing while I write it, so that's usually a good sign that I'm on the right path. I'll be sure to keep you updated as I go along with this book.

[Read Chapter One](#)

[Read Chapter Two](#)

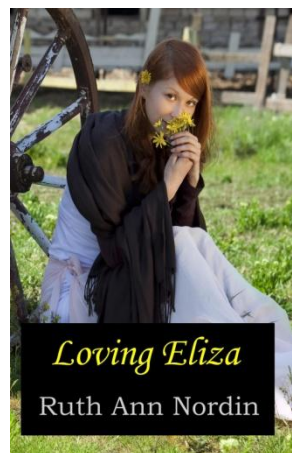
[See the Book Trailer!](#)



Audiobook Update

[Here's my website for my audiobooks!](#)

I'm happy to say that I figured out how to get podcasts going. Now the battle seems to be figuring out how to get the audio sounding its best. I have finished reading *Loving Eliza* and am working through editing the audio files. I noticed that Chapter 5 sounds distorted. I'm not sure why since the other chapters sound better. Chapter 6 has a hint of the same problem.



I am uploading two chapters a week to my audiobook website. You may listen to what I have so far on there, download the files onto your computer or subscribe to my iTunes account that is to the lower right corner of the page. I tried to keep it all simple and orderly. If you can figure a way to download the files onto an MP3 player, feel free.

Oh, and the podcasts are free. I am enjoying the process, but I have much more to learn. The next book I'm reading is *With This Ring, I Thee Dread*, and I've already learned what not to do (like running my dishwasher while reading—I honestly didn't think that was picking up because I bought a headset that is supposed to remove background

noise). Oh well. Live and learn. 📖 I will try to make the next book better in quality than Loving Eliza.



I hope everyone has a very Happy Valentine's!