

## AUTHORS' CORNER - INTRODUCTION

**What on earth is an Author's Corner?** A place to weep over the latest rejection slip?

No way. The Author's Corner is a place where I can share some of what I've learned in the school of hard knocks since I began writing around 1992. Information that could be titled, "What I Wish I'd Known Back Then." Are these tidbits, highly colored by my thoughts and opinions, infallible? Of course not. And, yes, the Author's Corner is primarily designed with unpublished and newly published authors in mind, but I hope almost every author can find a helpful nugget or two.

Who am I? I'm a multi-published author with a foot in both print and e markets. I've had two print lines and an e-publisher fold up around me. I've had an agent who experienced personal meltdown. Hard knocks, remember? And those are just the biggies.

On the positive side, I've thrived on the friendships and information-sharing of two RWA regional chapters and two superb online chapters, Kiss of Death, RWA's mystery/suspense group and BeauMonde, the Regency group. And in the course of judging more than three hundred contests for RWA chapters around the country, I've honed editing and critiquing skills that help with my own work. And with the articles in the Author's Corner.

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