

# Bold Strokes Books

## NEWSLETTER

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### BSB News Bites

**Bold Strokes Books** is pleased to announce the acquisition of Winter Pennington's new paranormal romance, *Witch Wolf*, which is scheduled for release in 2010 from BSB Aeros. To read about this new author and her book, go to the [Authors' page](#) on the BSB Web site.

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Even with some inclement weather, Women's Week in Provincetown was a huge success! Thanks to all the venues for their support and to the readers who braved the elements and the financial times to come see us. A great time was had by all!

### COMING IN NOVEMBER!

We have added MORE POPULAR eBook BUNDLES with a savings of 30% off the print titles and 15% off the regular eBooks.

**Ronica Black Romance Vol 1:** *In Too Deep, Deeper, Wild Abandon*  
**Catherine Friend Romantic Adventure:** *The Spanish Pearl, The Crown of Valencia, A Pirate's Heart*  
**JLee Meyer Romance Vol 1:** *Forever Found, Rising Storm, First Instinct*  
**Julie Cannon Romance Vol 1:** *Come and Get Me, Heart 2 Heart, Heartland, Uncharted Passage*  
**Erin Dutton Romance Vol 1:** *Sequestered Hearts, A Place to Rest, Designed for Love*  
**Kim Baldwin Romance Vol 1:** *Hunter's Pursuit, Flight Risk, Focus of Desire*  
**Kim Baldwin Romance Vol 2:** *Force of Nature, Whitewater Rendezvous, Breaking the Ice*  
**Radclyffe Romance Vol 1:** *Love's Melody Lost, Love's Tender Warriors, Love's Masquerade*  
**Provincetown Tales Vol 2:** *Storms of Change, Winds of Fortune, Returning Tides*  
**Justine Saracen's Ibis Prophecy:** *100th Generation & Vulture's Kiss*

*Available for purchase November 16th at the BSB Bookstore.*

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## Bold Strokes December Forthcoming

[Bold Strokes Books Online Bookstore](#)

### Genre Fiction:

***Battle Scars*, Meghan O'Brien,**  
 ISBN: 978-1-60282-129-3, Price: \$16.95 (pg 3)

***Chaps*, Jove Belle,**  
 ISBN: 978-1-60282-127-9, Price: \$16.95

### Genre Fiction (romantic intrigue):

***The Seeker*, Ronica Black,**  
 ISBN: 978-1-60282-128-6, Price: \$16.95 (pg 3)

**Liberty Fiction:**  
***Lightbearer*, John Caruso,**  
 ISBN: 978-1-60282-130-9, Price: \$17.95 (pg 2)

## RESCUING HER HEART...



ISBN: 978-1602821279  
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 Romance

Eden Metcalf wants nothing more than to escape from her troubled past and travel the open road, until she runs into rancher Brandi Cornwell.

Eden is fleeing a past filled with blood and death that promises to forever haunt her. She travels aimlessly until the day her motorcycle breaks down in the middle of nowhere, southern Idaho, and in rides Brandi Cornwell.

-Excerpt-

Annie's eyes darted from Eden's

face to the Glock and back again in a rapid-fire loop. Eden curled her hand over the cool gray metal, but left it resting on the dinged tabletop.

"Don't do anything foolish, Annie."

Annie slumped against her chair, tears streaking silently down her cheeks. "I don't want to die."

"Nobody does."

A train rumbled by, the tracks close enough that the apartment vibrated with the passing of life outside the window. As children, she and Gabriel had pressed their faces to the glass and guessed where the long freight trains were headed. She'd longed to jump on one and never come back, letting the grinding steel wheels carry her away. Anywhere would have been better. She knew it then, and she was faced with that reality again.

"Where would you go?" she

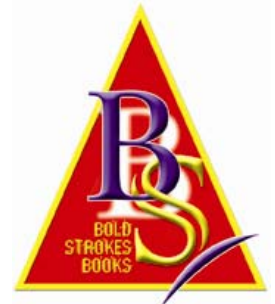
asked, the words barely audible.

"Shit. Out of this room, for starters."

Annie's answer startled her. It too closely mirrored Eden's childhood dreams of escape.

"No, that's where you'd go from. But where would you go to?"

The steam whistle pierced through the conversation, bleeding out its indictment. Their conversation, it said, was irrelevant. Get on the train and ride. Let the engineer worry about the destination. Eden imagined herself running along side a flat car, arms and legs flexing as she grabbed the iron handle and pulled herself up. She'd lie in the middle of the car, arms and legs spread like she was making snow angels against the hard surface, and stare up at the night sky, counting the stars as they grew brighter with the recession of L.A.'s lights.



## NEW RELEASES

eBooks & Print

*Power Play*, Julie Cannon

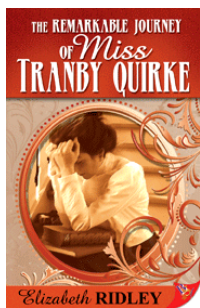
*The Remarkable Journey of Miss Tranby Quirke*, Elizabeth Ridley

*Returning Tides*, Radclyffe

*Veritas*, Anne Laughlin

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*Historical Romance*

## BEHIND THE WRITING: ELIZABETH RIDLEY

**Elizabeth Ridley** was born and raised in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where she fell in love with books at the age of six. She has a bachelor's degree in journalism and a master's degree in creative writing. Before turning to writing full-time Liz's many unorthodox jobs included stints as a meat slicer in Milwaukee, a nanny in London, a cherry harvester in Norway, and a houseparent for handicapped teens in rural Wales.

Her first Bold Strokes Books novel, *The Remarkable Journey of Miss Tranby Quirke*, is to be published this month.

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**What made you decide to become a fiction writer?**

I wasn't sure if I could make a living from writing, but I always knew I wanted to make it part of my life. I started writing stories and making picture books when I was six or seven, and started

thinking about writing as a career by the sixth grade. At that point I loved Agatha Christie, and my dream was to be a professional bowler by day and write mystery novels at night! I majored in journalism in college and worked as a freelance journalist for a few years before deciding to focus on writing fiction, along with critiquing, editing, and ghostwriting to pay the bills.

**What type of stories do you write? And why?**

I don't consciously try to write one kind of story over any other kind, but when I look back at my writing over the past twenty years, I see definite patterns. So many of the characters in my novels are trying to escape, flee, or find a release. It was quite a shock when I realized that my first three novels all had variations on the same plot!

**How much of yourself and the people you know are in your characters?**

Probably quite a bit on both counts, but not in obvious ways. I try not to base my characters on any real people, but instead I might take one quality or characteristic from one person, one from someone else, and add some made-up elements in order to create an interesting and three-dimensional fictional character.

**To see the rest of Elizabeth's interview and read an excerpt of her novel, go to her [bio page](#) from the following link:**

[www.BoldStrokesBooks.com/authors.html](http://www.BoldStrokesBooks.com/authors.html)

## FROM HEAVEN OR HELL...

Lucifer: fallen angel or martyr of desire?

Condemned to die by God and branded a traitor by his fellow fallen angels, Lucifer descends on Boston in a blizzard. He is drawn to humanity and vows to appear before the world again as Lucifer. But with Heaven's long-standing disinformation campaign stacked against him, he does not yet dare.

-Excerpt-

"Come, tell me about it." Lucifer guided his arm and led him back into the bar.

"There is a group meeting in this city," said Alcazar.

"Christian?"

"Radical."

"How radical?"

"As far as I can tell, the young people have stopped marrying and procreating. No more business as usual. They are convinced the Lord is due back any

day now."

"Now, there's a novel belief. Do you think their blessed hope is warranted?"

"I think if we let them go unchecked we could be in serious danger, and I think we should hold council tonight?"

"You do. Well, I heard you panicked over those fools in Guyana. Church of the Cyanide Saints. Some last supper. Just add water and drink, this is your blood which is shed for me. Then what was it, the Moral Majority? They got sidetracked on politics. Kept them in the missionary position having sanctioned sex, and popping out ugly, bald, legitimate, bull market babies."

"I told you they aren't having babies."

"Look, it's not the first time. Some of the biggest losers in the annals of organized religion have tried celibacy. You're a clever

demon; there's something else you're not telling me."

"I've been keeping an eye on their leader, Agatha Brimsmead. I heard her preach about a vision. She described fire coming out of heaven over Boston."

"Another delusional would-be prophet," Lucifer said.

"I thought so too, until I did a little private surveillance and found something in her possession that made my blood run cold."

Lucifer waited. Alcazar just stared back mocking his blank, expectant look. Then the faintest hint of a smile curled his upper lip.

"You're not going to tell me. You're going to drag me out to that cursed pit."

"Tonight," Alcazar said.

"Why tonight?"

"Because Michael is about to come back with fire this time, and we're the kindling."



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*Liberty Fiction*



### A DEADLY OBSESSION...

Kennedy Scott used to be the best behavioral profiler the FBI had, but she is haunted by a string of child murders no one can solve. A single quote—Seek and ye shall find—was all she had to go on. The case has eaten her alive, and after her own family is threatened by an armed intruder, Kennedy retreats to be with them. But one phone call brings her back into the game. Actress Veronica Ryan needs her help and the path may lead to the one who haunts her.

-Excerpt-

Veronica straightened at the firm request, a rod of anger erecting her back. She shot daggers her way, obviously not used to people countering her directions.

“It just so happens I do mind. My wife has just been shot, practically killed, and—”

Kennedy’s heart rate kicked up, Veronica’s words igniting something within. She didn’t understand why, but the actress was seriously rubbing her the wrong way when hundreds of criminals had tried but failed to do so. Kennedy decided to be blunt. “It will happen again.”

“What!” Veronica whispered with anger, while still trying her best to lead Shawn back to the couch.

“I said, it will most likely happen again.”

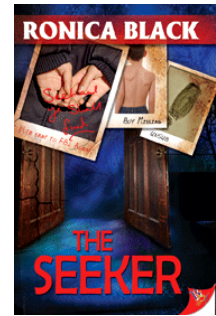
“And just how the hell do you know that?”

“It’s my job to know.” Kennedy at once felt relief at the focus of the case returning to her mind. “I haven’t read the threats yet, but from what I do know, this wasn’t an accident, Ms. Ryan.” She glanced from the angry face of Veronica to the striking yet soft face of Shawn.

“The shooter was aiming to

kill. He won’t miss twice. The killer only shot once, not at the entire crowd, which says a lot about his motive. From what we do know about the trajectory of the bullet and where it originated from, the shooter could’ve shot you point-blank in the head, Ms. Ryan.” She looked to Veronica. “When you approached some fans at the police barrier, the shooter was right there, on that side of the crowd. So it’s safe to assume that your wife was the target, not you. He nearly succeeded in shooting her through the heart.”

Her own heart pained at the fear she saw wash over Shawn’s face. She continued, needing to drive her point home. “He has to be more than a little upset that he missed.”



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Romantic Intrigue

*THE HOLIDAY SEASON IS FAST APPROACHING— ARE YOU READY?*  
  
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### ...HEALED BY LOVE.

Ray McKenna returns from the war in Iraq to find that she has attained unwanted celebrity status back home. As the only surviving American soldier of a well-publicized hostage crisis, she is the center of attention at a time when all she wants is solitude. Struggling to overcome the fear and anxiety that plague her, she relies on her psychiatric therapy dog Jagger to help her through the vicious symptoms of PTSD.

Veterinarian Dr. Carly Warner hasn’t yet figured out how to open her heart to the possibility of falling in love again after the death of her longtime partner. When Ray McKenna walks into the North Coast Veterinary Clinic with Jagger, she and Carly begin a friendship that takes them both by surprise.

-Excerpt-

Carly thought she was prepared not to react when she saw

Ray McKenna in person, but she wasn’t expecting the former soldier to be so beautiful. The pictures and videos splashed all over the news and Internet for the past couple of years had alternated between shots of a fresh-faced kid and a frightened soldier. None of those images contained a hint of the alluring woman in front of Carly now. Even with her eyes hidden behind sunglasses, Ray McKenna was the kind of the woman who would’ve drawn Carly’s attention, no matter who she was.

Ray was studying a poster of domestic cat breeds when Carly opened the door, and she startled visibly at the sound. Her dark hair was cut short, falling just below her ears, and her features were delicate. Pale skinned and slender, achingly feminine, she wasn’t at all what Carly had imagined.

With effort, Carly was able to limit her reaction to Ray’s appearance to only a slight hesitation as she walked in, and for

that she was grateful. Anxiety was pouring off Ray in waves, and the palpable tension in the room compelled Carly into a familiar air of professional detachment.

Sitting on the floor beside Ray’s chair, nearly as tall as her, was a blue Great Dane with natural ears. Carly focused on the dog, which wasn’t terribly hard to do, in an effort to make Ray feel more at ease. This appointment was about him, not Ray.

At her entrance, Jagger stood and placed himself between Ray and the door. Carly noted the red service-dog cape he was wearing, wondering what role he played in his guardian’s life. Ray appeared to be in one piece, reasonably healthy, and though she wore sunglasses, she tracked Carly’s movement in a way that suggested vision wasn’t her problem.



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