



Aliens & Alibis Books

Cat Scratchings

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Hello!

A combination of being under the weather for a while and some other things meant that this newsletter is a week late. We'll try to stay on schedule from now on.

Kim Malo, the Web Maven for the Aliens & Alibis web site, has added some new things on the site and rearranged others. The addition that I'm excited about is the addition of the current newsletter with 'buy buttons' that allow you to purchase the books that sound interesting. When you click on the button, it builds a PayPal cart for you and allows you to pay through PayPal also. There are also additional pages for purchase: **Reviews** and **Other Recommendations**. Check it out at: <http://www.aliensandalibis.com/newsletter.htm>

Kim has cleaned up some of the pages and generally spiffed up the web site -- our version of spring cleaning. I have no idea what I would do without her web expertise.

As most of you know, I really miss 'talking books' now that the store is closed. However, I am going to be able to do that talking starting April 24 -- that's the day that I go to the New Employee Orientation for the Richland County Public Library. I am very excited about being a part of our local library. I will be a substitute which will let me see the various branches. So, if you are a library patron, don't be surprised if I pop up in your local branch. If you don't have a library card -- why don't you. <grin>

I am a big advocate of libraries. When I was growing up, just about the first thing we did when we arrived in a new city was to find the local library. My dad was Army and we moved about every second year -- or more often. That's a lot of libraries. The library here is one of the best I've seen.

I love the Levenger's catalog. I am a pen-aholic and I have a good time looking at the pens -- especially the fountain pens. They also have a lot of nifty things for readers. Take a look at the book journals they have: <http://tinyurl.com/2zdvc8>

And last, but not least, I'll repeat my earlier plea for reviews from you. What are you reading? What author are you excited about? What are some of the older books that you recommend to friends?

I've been cataloging my books and have been reminded of some older books I really like -- **Ammie, Come Home** by Barbara Michaels which is one of the best ghost stories I've read, even after reading it about ten times or more -- **The Pimpernel Plot** by Simon Hawke which involves time travel which is one of my favorite themes -- **Invitation to a Funeral** by Molly Brown which has great 17th century London detail and some really funny scenes -- **The Drastic Dragon of Draco, Texas** by Elizabeth Scarborough, the title says it all. Finding a copy of one of these may require a little searching but that's something we can do for you, if

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