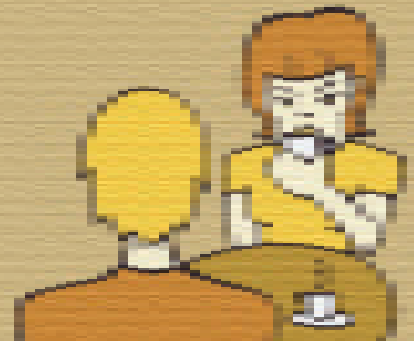


# COFFEE ON SUNDAYS



The Newsletter for Heather Hiestand, Eilis Flynn, and Anh Leod

DECEMBER 2011

## Shop At Home!

Black Friday, the day after Thanksgiving, is enough to make anyone shudder and hide. Yessirree, the closer it gets to the holidays, the less likely it is you want to go to the stores, let alone the malls! Need some suggestions for the book lovers on your list? Here are bargain reads just for them, and you can do your holiday shopping without putting on your shoes!

In case you haven't gotten around to checking out Eilis' fantasy novella *THE RIDDLE OF RYU* (on sale at Amazon.com, BN.com, and Smashwords.com) or Heather's riproaring steampunk smuggler novella *CAPTAIN ANDREW'S FLYING CHRISTMAS* (also on sale at the same places), you can get them for only 99 cents right now! And there's more.

Check out **bookloversbuffet.com**, which is offering over a hundred stories and novels, all for only 99 cents each between December 1 and January 15! You can also find *CAPTAIN ANDREW* at <http://sweettales-books.com/christmasbooks.html> list. It's a bargain, folks!

Wait, there's more!

Heather's also in *The Wild Rose Press* cookbook, available at <http://www.thewildrosepress.com>, where you can get a copy of her recipe for "toad in the hole," just in time for the holidays! And it's free, folks!

## The Riddle of Ryu

UFO hunter Ginevra Kincaid has always been sure she would have a close encounter of the third kind on day—until one strange night, she arrives at the site of a meteor crash and meets... an alien? He might be, or maybe not... he can't remember anything about him-

## ON SALE NOW

### HEATHER Hiestand

- *Holiday In The Heart* (digital, print)
- *Cards Never Lie* (digital, print)
- *One Juror Down* (digital, print)
- *Gunshot Grange*
- *Two On The Hunt*
- *In Flight*
- *Looking Forward, Looking Back And Other Stories*
- *The Bachelor*
- "Victoriana Adventure"
- "Captain Andrew's Flying Christmas"

### EILIS FLYNN

- *The Sleeper Awakes* (digital, print)
- *Festival of Stars*
- *Introducing Sonika* (digital, print)
- *Echoes of Passion*
- *The Riddle of Ryu*

### Graphic novella:

- "30-Day Guarantee"

### Nonfiction articles:

- "Snappy Comebacks" (*RWR* 11/08)
- "Two Worlds, United By Anime" (*Japanification of Children's Popular Culture*, Scarecrow Press)

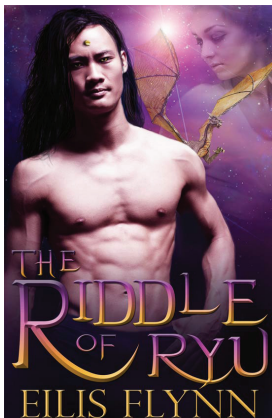
### ANH LEOD

- "Lucky Number Seven" (digital, print) in *Even Naughtier Nuptials*
- "Aphrodite's Necklace"
- "Bijou's Bonds"
- *Recreating John Doe* (digital, print)
- *Claudia's Pleasure*
- *Cherokee's Playmates*
- "Ex Factor" (digital, print in *Some Like It Sweet*)
- "Playing Lycan Games"
- *Holly's Pledge*
- "Aphrodite's Tattoo"
- "Christmas a Go-Go"
- *Fire Wolf*

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## UPCOMING RELEASES

- Early 2012: *Static Shock*, by Eilis Flynn
- Mid-2012 (tentative): *Blood and Steam* by Eilis & Heather
- January 2012: *Captain Fenna's Dirigible Valentine*, by Heather Hiestand



AMAZON.COM, BN.COM, SMASHWORDS.COM

## *It's The Holidays, Falala!*, CONTINUED

self, except his name: Ryu. But he's being pursued by men in black, who claim he's not who she thinks he is. So who is he? Find it at:

<http://www.amazon.com/Eilis-Flynn/e/B0036N8WS0>

### Chapter 1

BOOM!

The ground shook. Gin felt it through the steering wheel, felt the shock reverberate through her. The blast rocked the Jeep, nearly running it off the road. She wrestled for control and when she got it, she slammed on the brakes.

What was that?

Heart pounding, Gin shifted into park and took a deep breath. She looked in the direction the shooting star had gone—it had passed so close she could have sworn she felt her hair move in the breeze.

Wow! She shook her head. That was a close call.

The meteor couldn't have landed more than a few hundred yards away. Nothing glowing, as far as she could tell. She'd have to get closer to find out more.

But as she got closer and closer to what she estimated had to be the impact site, she knew this detour wasn't going to be a few minutes. Even in the gloom, the closer she got, the more she could see that there was something more than she had expected. A soft glow, too dim for her to have seen from the highway. A glow she couldn't identify or rationalize. Were Area 51 officials experimenting with something? UFOIS had heard rumblings about new prisoners there, but nothing specific.

Her pulse picked up at the possibilities. No. It couldn't be. But it wouldn't hurt to check.

Was it glowing?

From what she could tell, the meteor had hit the ground, leaving a pit roughly the size and depth of a Mack truck.

But what if it wasn't a meteor? No. It couldn't be.

What if it was what she'd been looking for all this time? An alien landing? Could it be?

*Holy crap.*

### Captain Andrew's Flying Christmas

Housemaid Linet Fenna would rather be an air pirate than a servant. When she finds the ladder to an airship dangling outside her garret window on Christmas Eve 1892, she ascends to the skies above London on her late father's flag-ship dirigible, the *Christmas*. The new captain is someone she never expected to see again, a dangerous, sexy foe. Is the Fenna family nemesis offering Linet her heart's desire or a

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dastardly trap?

<http://www.amazon.com/dp/B005WASTQK>

### Chapter One

Linet Fenna shivered in her attic bedroom as she stared out the open window. Downstairs, all was merry and bright with evergreen branches, mistletoe and handmade garlands festooning trees and mantles. Under the eaves here, wind blew through a crack in the undecorated wall and rustled in the chimneys above.

She took one last breath of chilly air and had her hand on the sill when she heard a metallic chugging in the distance. The sound came from outside, and wasn't likely to be Father Christmas.

The automen who secured England for Prime Minister Gladstone had yet to master the skies. Linet had once known the world above the streets well, as daughter of the famed smuggler Rhys Fenna. Some had called him a sky pirate, and his neck had been broken on a gibbet three Boxing Days ago. She had become a maid of all work to support herself in the aftermath of his death. This position in a larger home had seemed a blessing at first until she realized she'd moved into a house owned by an automen manufacturer. The factory, only steps away, belched smoke and steam into the air at all hours, and it kept the brass fist of authority ever alive in her mind.

Linet leaned forward, looking for the source of the sound. She darted back a step when something pinged against the glass above her head. A bird? Surely none were about at this late hour. When she looked up, the astonishing sight took her back three years. No wonder she'd heard chugging. "A ladder?" she whispered.

Both stories are on sale at Amazon.com, BN.com, and Smashwords.com right now, just in time for the holidays!

*Happy Holidays and A Grand New Year!*

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### APPEARANCES (TENTATIVE)

*Eilis Flynn:*

- Night Owl Romance online chat with Heather Hiestand and Jacquie Rogers, January 30, 2012
- Round Table Readers chat, March 7, 2012



*Heather Hiestand/Anh Leod:*

- Guest post, <http://liaslater.blogspot.com/>, December 12
- Guest post, <http://tillygreene.blogspot.com/>, Dec 20
- TRS Christmas Party, <http://trsparties.com/giveaway>, December 19-23
- Long and Short Reviews, <http://lasrguest.blogspot.com/> December 27
- Guest post and giveaway, <http://www.jolynpalliat.com/> January 27, 2012
- Night Owl Romance online chat with Eilis Flynn and Jacquie Rogers, January 30, 2012

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