# COFFEE ON SUNDAYS



# The Newsletter for Heather Hiestand, Eilis Flynn, and Anh Leod JANUARY 2012

#### Happy New Year!

We hope you are recovering from the holidays. Most of the decorations are down at Heather's household, but now we have to gear up for birthday season. Not to mention Valentine's Day! In her limited free time available, Heather is promoting her Steampunk Smuggler series, and does she have a deal for you! She has partnered with http://super-e-reads.com/ to bring you a free copy of the first Smugglers story, "Captain Andrew's Flying Christmas." All you have to do is sign up for the website newsletter (scroll down the left-hand side of the main page at Super-e-reads.com to find the sign-up button). The first Supere-reads newsletter you receive will contain a coupon code for Heather's story, along with others, to celebrate this new website. Check it out!

You want other great deals? Make sure you pick up your copy of Eilis's fantasy novella, THE RIDDLE OF RYU, still on sale for \$0.99 until January 15! You can find this and other great deals at http://www.bookloversbuffet.com. One other source of mega-sale prices for many of Heather,

Anh, and Eilis's books can be found at http://www.allromanceebooks.com/, where Ellora's Cave has a major sale going on through January 14, perfect for stocking up!

Want to support your favorite authors? The single best way is to provide honest reviews on Amazon, and then any other website you may enjoy, such as Barnes & Noble, Smashwords, Allromanceebooks.com, Goodreads, and Shelfari, just to name a few. It's hard to sell books that don't have any reviews, so if you want to keep your favorite series going on, please provide those reviews to clue in potential new readers!

And just in time for Valentine Day, here's the next story in the Steampunk Smuggler series from Heather. It's about Terrwyn, the sister of the heroine of Captain Andrew's Flying Christmas, and how she hid from the authorities after she escaped from Newgate Prison. For a while. And then...

Captain Fenna's Dirigible Valentine A 27,000-word steampunk adventure novella complete with airships, automa-

## 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"
- "Captain Fenna's Dirigible Valentine"

#### **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



## UPCOMING RELEASES

- Early 2012: *Static Shock*, by Eilis Flynn
- Mid-2012 (tentative): Blood and Steam by Eilis & Heather





AMAZON.COM, BN.COM, SMASHWORDS.COM

## Happy New Year, CONTINUED

tons, ray guns and romance. Smuggler Terrwyn Fenna just escaped from Newgate Prison and most of the British Air Force is after her. Only one government crewman can help. But will trusting him save her baby and her airship or lead her into the hands of her greatest enemy?

#### Excerpt:

CHAPTER ONE

February 14, 1893

Terrwyn Fenna huddled over the counter of the locksmith's stall outside Cardiff Market, hoping to shield her face from the freezing wind drying her lips and chapping her skin.

"Where is Owen this bitter day?" asked a youth in a bloody butcher's apron, walking by with a caged chicken.

"Joints are bothering him." Her cousin, Owen, owned the stall. He had stayed in bed that morning and asked her to work for him. She knew she needed Owen to keep housing and feeding her, so she had left her seven-week-old daughter in the care of her cousin's wife. If only the family could have afforded to locate their stall inside the new indoor market. But any extra money the Fenna family had was sent to the black market builder who was constructing the family's new airship.

"Tell him to visit Mary Perkin," the youth, the youngest member of the Bebb family, advised. "My *mam* swears by her liniment."

"Thank you, I will," Terrwyn said.

"Stop by my *nhad's* stall when you're done for the day. I'll give you a ham hock for the pot."

"Ask your father to set aside a couple of your good sausages too." She rubbed her hands together to generate warmth. "I'll pay for them."

He nodded and went around the corner. The Bebb family lived just two streets away from her cousin's cottage. They knew why the Fennas were low on shillings, and that they'd receive a case of French spirits as thanks for past assistance when the airship was operational.

Cardiff had been a center of smuggling for centuries, thanks to the reefs, sandbanks and cliffs along the near shores that made water travel so dangerous. The Fenna fortunes, long built on the smuggling trade, had fallen three years before when the Blockaders, the law enforcement force keeping the air under government control, had attacked Wales and Sussex-based smugglers the same night. Owen Fenna had survived where Terrwyn's father had not, and saw the recent retirement of Prime Minister Gladstone as an op-

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portunity to take to the skies again. The new prime minister, the earl of Rosebury, didn't have the stomach or personality of Gladstone, and smuggling was far more lucrative than locksmithing.

Terrwyn had had enough of mud and horse droppings herself. She couldn't wait to have her boots on an airship deck again.

"I need a key to fit this lock," called a portly, sparsely bearded, middle-aged man, waving a heavy iron box at Terrwyn as he rushed out of the Trinity Street entrance to the market. "My bloody wife lost the key to our strong box."

Terrwyn stared at the glass, iron and stone edifice behind him with longing, wishing her day was spent in the warmth inside. The irritated husband plunked the box down in front of her and she was glad he'd brought it. A locksmith had to have proof the customer owned the lock they wanted a key for, otherwise selling to that customer was illegal. A trained screwsman, or lockpicker, herself, she'd had relationships with less scrupulous locksmiths over the years, but she'd never do business with one at ten in the morning on a busy street.

With the care of a newborn resting on her conscience, she'd been careful to stay law-abiding. As a fugitive sprung from jail the night her daughter was born, she didn't want to go back to Newgate Prison.

#### Smashwords:

http://www.smashwords.com/books/view/116830

Amazon:

http://www.amazon.com/Dirigible-Valentine-Steampunk-Smugglers-ebook/dp/B006P63EDI

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http://www.allromanceebooks.com/product-captainfenna039sdirigiblevalentine-666405-143.html

Barnes & Noble:

http://www.barnesandnoble.com/w/captain-fennas-dirigible-valentine-heather-hiestand/1037538858?ean=2940013784635&itm=1&usri=captain+fenna%27s+dirigible+valentine

## APPEARANCES (TENTATIVE)

Eilis Flynn:

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



Heather Hiestand/Anh Leod:

- Guest post and giveaway, http://www.jolynpalliata.com/ January 27
- Night Owl Romance online chat with Eilis Flynn and Jacquie Rogers, January 30
- Guest post, http://www.lisamondello.blogspot.com, February 2
- Romancing the West, Valentine Day's Party, February 6