

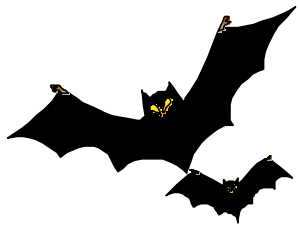


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♥ Romance from the Heart of Mid-Michigan ♥

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Introducing...



Cover-to-Cover celebrates the first sale for **Jennifer Armintrout** who sold three books to Harlequin/ Silhouette's new fantasy line, Luna. Obsessed with vampires since age four and raised in an enormous Irish Catholic

family, Jen attributes her interest in the macabre to viewing too many funerals at a formative age. After spending her adolescence writing graphically violent tales about her grandmother's Christmas village, she tried her hand at numerous careers from fast food to telemarketing only to find that storytelling was more her niche. Now a stay-at-home mom, Jen spends most of her time on Playstation games when she should be writing. She lives in Grand Rapids, Michigan with her partner and son. Her first book, *Blood Ties*, will be a summer, 2006 release from Luna.

Author News...

♥ **Jackie Braun** received a three-book contract from Harlequin Romance in addition to a contract for their Signature Series anthology.

♥ **Jodi Lynn Copeland's** *Sons of Solaris: Aries* from Ellora's Cave is a finalist for the EPPIE Award for Romantic Suspense and the 2004 Laurie's Book Buyer's Best in the Steamy Hot category.

♥ **Dana Corbit** sold to Guideposts Books. *The Spirit of the Season*, September, 2005, will be part of their "Tales From Grace Chapel Inn" series. She also had her debut novel for Love Inspired *A Blessed Life* reissued in large print hardcover by Thorndike Press in March 2005 with new cover art.

♥ **Laurie Kuna (Carroll)** was nominated for a *Romantic Times* Reviewer's Choice Award for "Best Paranormal/Fantasy from a Small Press" with *Some Practical Magic*.

♥ **Gail Gaymer Martin** signed a movie option with Hallmark TV for her Steeple Hill single title *The Christmas Kite*. Barbour Publishing has reissued its *Once Upon a Time* anthology for WalMart with a new cover and name, *Fairy-Tale Brides*.

♥ **Kathleen Nance** has been nominated for a *Romantic Times* "Reviewer's Choice Award for Best Futuristic Romance" with *Day of Fire* which is also a finalist for a Sapphire Award.

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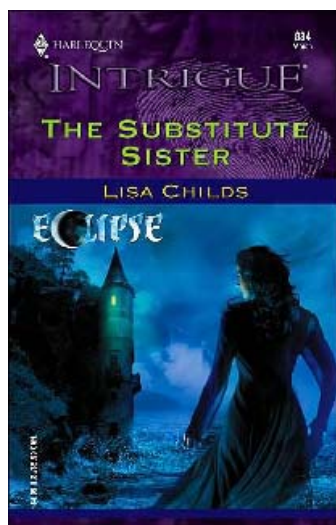
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Substitute Sister

by Lisa Childs

Harlequin Intrigue / 0-373-22834-1
(Contemporary / March)

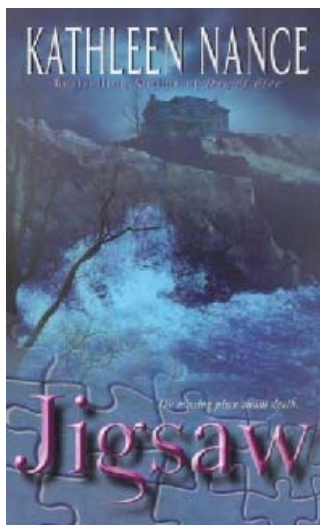
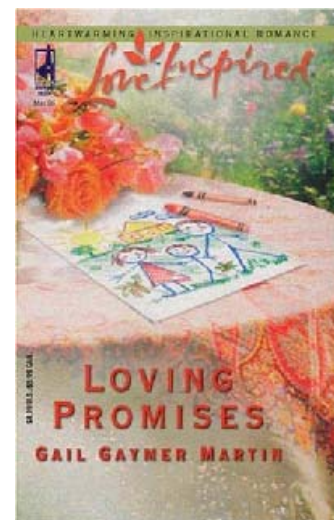
Ghostly whispers and an inherited house straight out of the eeriest ghost stories. These are the things Sasha Michaelson found when she arrived to collect the body of her identical twin and take charge of her newly discovered niece. But even more frightening to Sasha than her sister's shadowy presence in the old house, and the killer still running loose on the small island, was the fact that Sheriff Reed Blakeslee made her heart pound faster. But was the brooding lawman's determined search for answers caused by a love that hadn't stopped with death ... or by a desire—for Sasha—that he couldn't deny? *"A haunting murder, a protective hero and lots of bumps in the night make Lisa Childs' gothic a chilling treat. Four Star!"* – Romantic Times

Loving Promises

by Gail Gaymer Martin

Steeple Hill Love Inspired / 0-373-87301-8
(Inspirational / March)

Four lives change when a dying woman brings together two old friends and their children, causing two unlikely people to fall in love, a journey they never dreamed possible. *"Detailed characterization creates a realistic picture of friendship blossoming into love. Sweet **Loving Promises** shows the path to finding strength from the Lord."* – Romantic Times

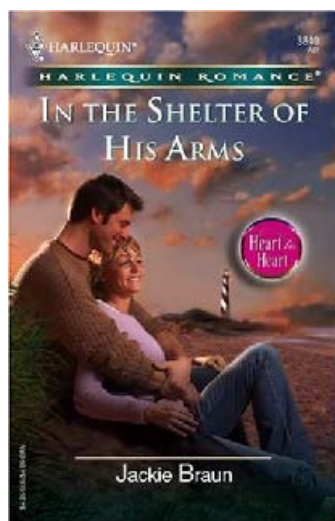


Jigsaw

by Kathleen Nance

Leisure Books / 0-843954914
(Romantic Suspense / April)

When former lovers are reunited in the search for a deadly cyber criminal, their rekindled sparks can melt the ice of a harsh Michigan winter. But, unless they learn to trust again, they may not survive. For their enemy will do anything, including murder, to gain control of Bella Quintera and her creation . . . the mind of a true artificial intelligence.



In The Shelter of His Arms

by Jackie Braun

Harlequin Romance / 0-373-03840-2

(Contemporary / April)

Rosalind “Roz” Bennett is a tumble weed. Abandoned as a child, she spent years bouncing around in Michigan’s foster care system. She’s never felt she belonged anywhere or to anyone. That begins to change when her car breaks down and handsome Mason Striker not only offers her a ride to Chance Harbor but hires her to work in the Lighthouse Tavern. This brooding man with demons of his own, makes her feel special, attractive, wanted and, finally, loved. In return, she helps heal the scars of his past. But Roz has never been one for staying put. When obstacles arise to threaten their happiness, she must decide whether to pack her bags or put down roots. “4 ½ Stars!” – *Romantic Times*

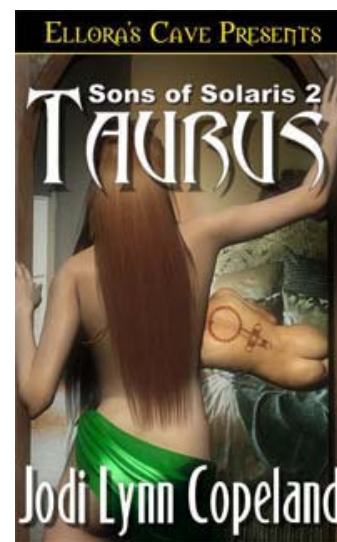
Sons of Solaris: Taurus

by Jodi Lynn Copeland

Ellora’s Cave / 1-84360-880-4

(Paranormal Erotic Romance / April)

Having grown up in the seedier sections of Las Vegas, Cara Larsen knows when it’s time to stay and time to beat a hasty retreat. When Tristan Manseletti, her longtime lover, starts dropping hints of marriage, she knows it’s time to move on. Tristan is no ordinary man, and while she has learned to deal with his supernatural powers, the idea of reproducing with him scares her beyond reasoning. She already has one abnormal child to fend for in her little brother; she doesn’t need or think her heart can handle another.

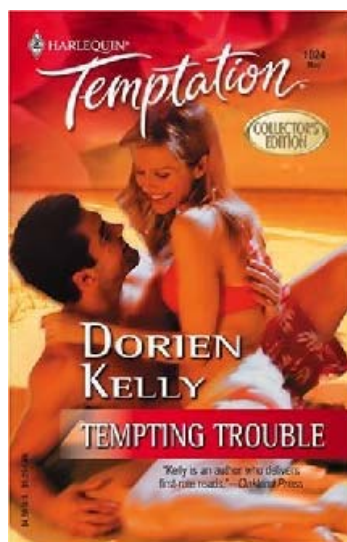


Tempting Trouble

by Dorien Kelly

Harlequin Temptation / 0-373-69224-2

(Contemporary / May)



Returning to Sandy Bend, Michigan isn’t reformed bad girl Kira Whitman’s idea of moving forward. Unfortunately, thanks to a shady business partner, she needs a place to lie low until her problems disappear. Kira’s plans don’t go as smoothly as she’d hoped, especially when cop Mitch Brewer—former nemesis and crush—catches her breaking into her brother’s house. Mitch is convinced that she’s still trouble, but Kira knows he has a soft spot for her . . . and she definitely has one for him! Can Kira prove to Mitch that she’s changed, but still manage to indulge in a little of the most *tempting* kind of trouble of all?

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