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I looked up this morning, realized January had disappeared, and wondered how it could have passed so quickly. No doubt, that's not an unfamiliar feeling to many of us. But it does mean it's time for me to be in touch once again.

To paraphrase Charles Dickens, "December was the best of times, it was the worst of times." At the beginning of the month, Maggi and I had to say goodbye to Marlo, who'd been our constant companion for over ten years. That was heart-wrenching, as anyone who's ever lost a furry family member knows all too well. But December was also exciting, with the launch of Volume 8 of the Chronicles – ***A Feeling in the Bones*** – just three days before Christmas.



Then in early January, we welcomed a new member to the family. Meet Taylor – she's the one on the left. She's five years old and very sweet, and she and Maggi are getting along great. When I learned her name, I figured the universe was trying to tell me something – LOL. We call her "Tay."

Also in December, I had the opportunity to be interviewed by Karen E. Osborne for her video series "What Are You Reading? What Are You Writing?" Click [here](#) to listen. And while you're on her YouTube channel, check out some of her other author interviews.

Speaking of listening, the audiobook for Volume 4 will be released in the next few weeks. (Volumes 1-3 are already available from Amazon or Audible.)

Looking ahead, I'll be in the Author Expo at the **Amelia Island Book Festival** on February 18th. If you're in the area, I hope you'll drop by and say hello – and get your book(s) signed, of course. Here's a [link to the details](#) for the event. Be sure to check out the schedule (including when the headliner authors will be doing signings) and the other authors who'll be in the Expo. I'm especially excited that three other authors from my publisher (Black Rose Writing) will also be

there: [Karen E. Osborne](#), [Muriel Ellis Pritchett](#), and [Linda Rosen](#). Having read their books, I can confidently recommend them. Just click on their names to go to their websites.

Lots of special e-Book promotions for the Chronicles are coming up soon, so if you haven't stated the series yet, one of them might be a cost-effective way kick things off.

- **15 February**, *Ereader News Today* Book of the Day: 3-volume starter set for \$0.99
- **16 February**, Open Road Media's *The Reader*: 3-volume starter set for \$0.99
- **27 February**, Volume 1 (***Second Son***) discounted to just \$1.49 across all of Amazon.com.

Which brings me to a dilemma I've been wrestling with. My promise to newsletter subscribers is not to fill your inbox with spam. And sending out promos feels rather like spamming you. That said, I know some subscribers would like to be notified of deals and freebies. So here's what I've come up with. My website's been updated to support subscribing to newsletter only, promotions only, or both. Current newsletter subscribers can click [here](#) to add a subscription to promotions.

### **In other historical fiction news . . .**

Three of my favorite authors have recently made book announcements. Karen Brooks's next book, *The Escapades of Tribulation Johnson*, will be set in the exciting world of the theater in Restoration England. Release date is July 5th. If you haven't read Karen's previous books, I recommend them highly and am looking forward to this one. Ken Follett is going back to Kingsbridge with *The Armor of Light*, set during the Napoleonic wars, on September 26th. It's available for preorder now and in my TBR pile. And Bernard Cornwell's next volume, *Sharpe's Command*, is now scheduled for 2024

For now, back to writing. I'll have more news for you soon, but in the meantime . . .

Happy reading!

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