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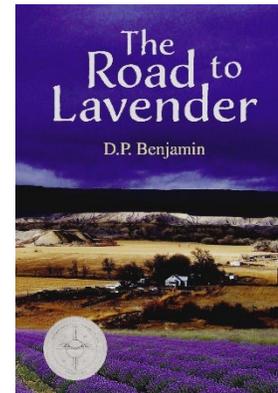
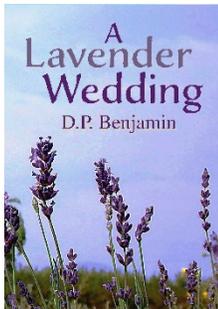
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Readers encounter a unique cast of characters

D.P. Benjamin's novels feature exceptional characters based upon real life personalities from the author's past. The heroes of his *Four Corners Mystery Series* are drawn from Benjamin's memories of family and significant acquaintances. Appearing first in the series' debut novel *The Road to Lavender*, and again in the sequel *A Lavender Wedding*, his spunky student of archaeology, Anne Scriptor, is a reflection of three influential women: the author's late mother and sister as well as a dearly departed friend. His resourceful detective,

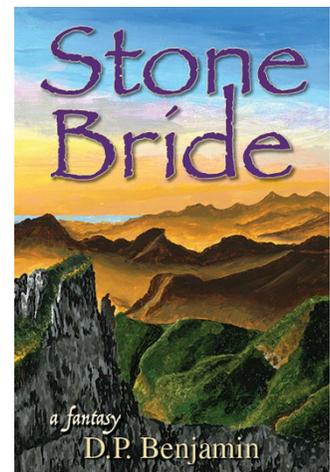
Trinidad Sands, is a composite of two well-remembered high school classmates who died young. Even his supporting characters owe their personalities to actual people. For example, his colorful Texas ranger, Fingers Heckleson, is based upon two larger-than-life locals: a fellow U.S. Army veteran and a retired lawman. Furthermore, his still-born sister, who never experienced life, appears again in Benjamin's *Great Land Fantasy Series*. Re-imagined as Princess Ann of Middlemount, his sister's image continues to resonate in the epic fantasy *Stone Bride*.



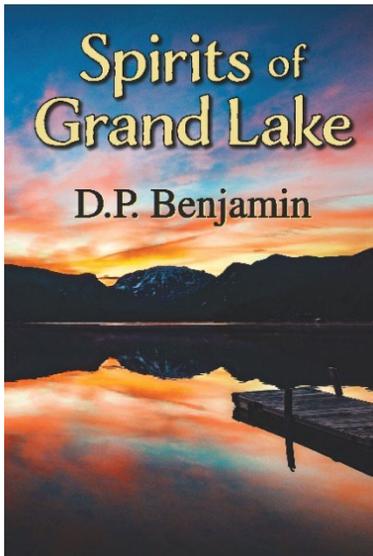
Soon to be a major motion picture?

D.P. Benjamin's debut fantasy novel has struck a chord with readers who've suggested the tale of a desperate quest might make a great movie. Filled with quirky characters, grandiose settings, and stirring action, *Stone Bride*, falls squarely into the category of epic fantasy. As book one in *The Great Land Fantasy Series*, the novel sets the tone for the sequel, *Iron Angel*, which is due out in 2023. Whether either story will be coming to a theatre near you remains to be seen.

If it happens, the popcorn is on us!



The Four Corners Mystery Series launches book three

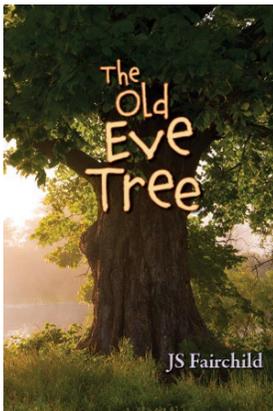


Dynamic feedback from Western Colorado book clubs has encouraged the creation of a third book in *The Four Corners Mystery Series*. Enthusiastic readers wanted to learn more about the background of series hero, Detective Trinidad Sands. Their input inspired author D.P. Benjamin to write *Spirits of Grand Lake*, a prequel which sheds light on the vivid back-story of the intrepid detective. Here's a synopsis:

Trinidad Sands and Anne Scriptor are about to be married. On the eve of their lavender wedding, a sailboat is discovered high and dry, miles from water, in a desolate Western Colorado region called the 'Dobies.' The sighting draws the prospective groom into the past as he recollects incidents which inspired him to become a detective. A decade ago, his summer job at Grand Lake Lodge spanned a confrontation with a vengeful arsonist—a deadly encounter which led to a botched kidnapping and unexplained murder. Will the spirits which haunt Colorado's deepest natural lake hasten or hinder the fledgling investigator's quest to solve the case?

Explore a “tail” of Cozy and other dogs

Cozy, the heroic K-9, appears in the first three books of *The Four Corners Mystery Series*. The brave German Shepherd will continue to play a role in future novels. Meanwhile, another critter—an unnamed, yet ubiquitous yellow reservation dog—keeps popping up when least expected.



Fairchild novel explores prejudice

The inspiration for J.S. Fairchild's debut novel came to her in a dream. Elevation Press is thrilled to publish her moving story, *The Old Eve Tree*. Here's her synopsis: “During the summer of 1952, in Siloam Springs, Arkansas, seven-year-old Tilly Harris begins to see her world differently. This story, told through her eyes, discovers prejudice against differences, truths that have been hidden, cruelty disguised as righteousness, and strength in standing up for what is right.”

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