

# Sarah Hegger News Summer 2016

The sun is out, the birds are chirping, and I'm writing to you full of excitement about my absolute favorite time of year, the summer months! I'm a girl who really appreciates feeling the sun on my shoulders and the breeze gently blowing through my hair, so the long Colorado winter has taken a toll on me. My schedule has kept me from fully enjoying the warmer weather, but the view from my window as I work is much improved. Seeing green grass and sunshine is definitely preferable to the icy white coat covering the ground for what seemed like eternity. This summer I'm also celebrating one year since I moved to Colorado from Utah, and this was my third 4<sup>th</sup> of July here in the United States. So what about you, are you a summer person who loves to get out and frolic among the flowers and watch rays of sun play on the grass? Or are you someone who prefers the great indoors until cooler Fall temps set in? On a slightly more somber note, I've been more active blogging about recent events and my perspective on them, and as I write this I'm sending good thoughts and positive, loving message of peace to you, your loved ones and the world at large.

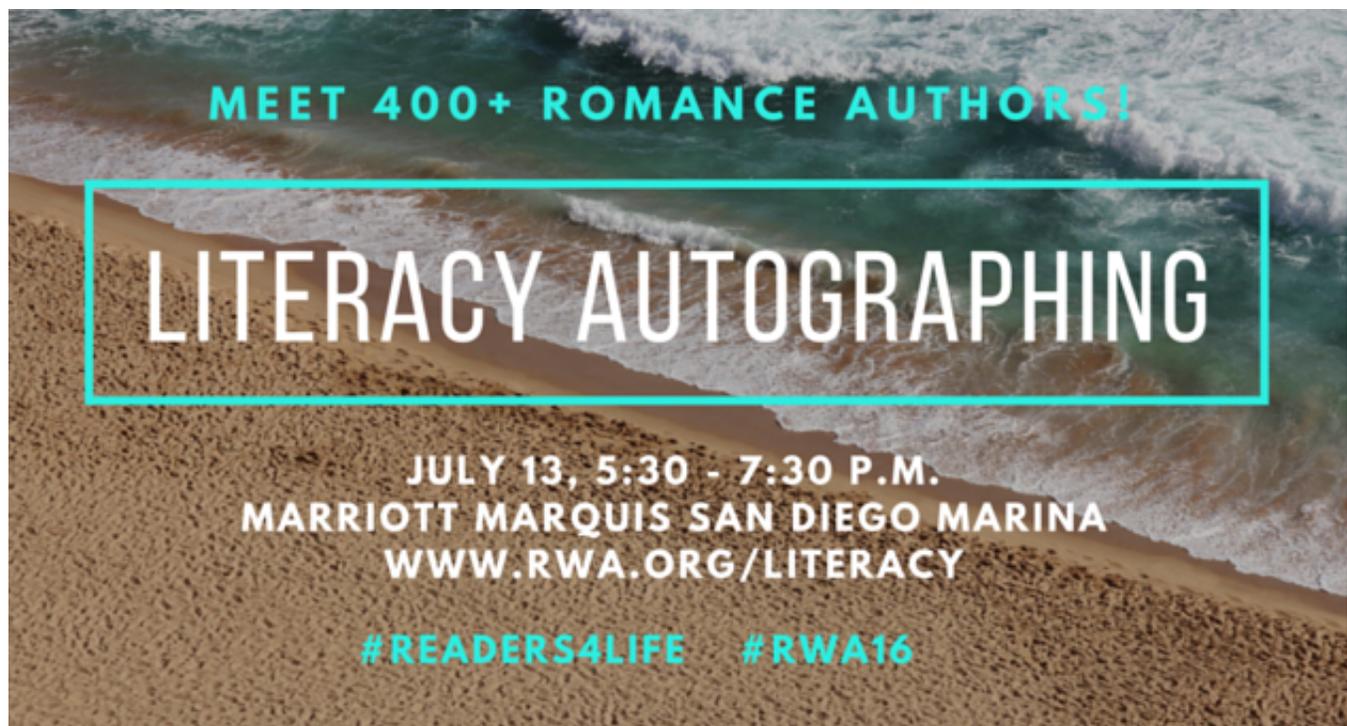
Well, it's a good thing I have a nice view from my work space because as I mentioned I have been firmly planted there day in and out for months – I have been working furiously on several projects that I can't wait to share with you. As you may remember from my previous updates I have been working on a new series, Ghost Falls. The first book in the series, "Positively Pippa" is releasing summer next year. "Becoming Bella" , Ghost Falls Book 2 is also in the works, and expected to release in October 2017. "Becoming Bella" is a contemporary romance set in a small town, between a hot, young sheriff and the town "sweet heart" Bella, who's had a crush on him since he dipped her braid in purple paint in the first grade.

I'm also working on a Top Secret Project – a collaboration with other authors including the marvelous Kathryn LeVeque, and a first of this kind for me.

For medieval readers, I'm working on the last in Sir Arthur's Legacy, #5 Releasing Henry. It's proving to be a huge research challenge as I take a trip across the medieval world with Henry and his Egyptian bride, Ayla. Speaking of research, I was honored when a good friend and teacher asked me to speak at her How to Write a Novel class, comprised of 12-15 year olds, at a local middle school. It was truly a pleasure to talk to budding writers about the rewards and challenges of historical research. As a writer, it's very exciting to see the talents and voices of the next generation begin to emerge, and very humbling to lend my experience to help guide them through the early stages of this process.

Last and certainly not least, I am starting an exciting new contemporary series, #1 Drove All Night, is in the works.

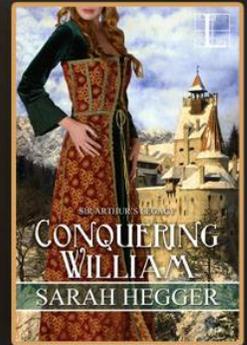
I also want to mention a project that has become very near and dear to me, the New-to-Me Readers Challenge. When I was at RT in April I had a great conversation with a reader who told me she makes it a point to read a book every month by an author who is entirely new to her. The discussion we had really resonated with me as a writer and an avid reader. Often we get locked into a certain genre or a small circle of authors that we don't veer from. Through no fault of our own we take on the perspective of "I know what I like" and don't even consider a genre or author that falls outside of that. The N2M Readers Challenge asks that you step out of your comfort zone and try something new, with an objective to discover a great new book or series, or even learn that a genre you thought wasn't for you is actually quite enjoyable. The group has become a sort of community where members share what they're reading, in an effort to both make suggestions to others as well as to update the group on their progress. If you'd like to join the group, just search "New to Me Reading Challenge" on Facebook and put in a request to join, it will be approved right away. All we ask is members commit to reading just one author, or as many as you'd like, over the course of the next 12 months. We also have a monthly meet and greet with a different author, please join us for the next one where we chat with Christi Caldwell: <https://www.facebook.com/events/1734601226793783/>



And lastly, I will be at Romance Writers of America 2016 next week at the San Diego Marriott Marquis! I'll be at the Literacy Autographing event on July 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 and signing with Kensington on July 14<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. I very much look forward to the event and hope to see you there! Feel free to e-mail, tweet or Facebook me to let me know if you're attending.

*He uncurled from the bed, big and sleek and male  
Firelight caught the carved lines of his face and drew  
shadows over his heavy lidded eyes.*

*"My Alice." He cupped her face,  
his thumbs tracing her cheekbones.  
"I think we have waited long enough  
for tonight."*



As far as upcoming releases, Book 3 in the Sir Arthur series, Conquering William is up for pre-order and releases August 30<sup>th</sup>. I'm giving away ARC's in e-book form to the first 5 people who contact me, please shoot an e-mail to [sarahheggerauthor@gmail.com](mailto:sarahheggerauthor@gmail.com) if interested! To pre-order:

Roger's Bride #4 Sir Arthur's Legacy, now also available for pre-order: [ow.ly/1Hlk301KNJ](http://ow.ly/1Hlk301KNJ)

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