

# The Author's ADVOCATE



## Special Newsletter

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# Congratulations to Infinity Finalists of the National Best Books 2008 Awards

We are pleased to announce that four Infinity Publishing titles have been selected as finalists in the prestigious 2008 USA Book News contest.

Audio Book: Fiction Unabridged; Finalist: *The Virginian Who Might Have Saved Lincoln* by **Bob O'Connor**; published and distributed by **Spoken Books Publishing**, a division of **Infinity Publishing**. Bob's audio novel complements his new historical novel and tells the story of President Lincoln's trusted friend, former law partner and heavily armed bodyguard, Ward Hill Lamson. When detective Allan Pinkerton uncovered a plot to assassinate Lincoln as his train passed through Baltimore, Lamson snuck Lincoln into Washington prior to the Inauguration. Lamson was in charge of the dedication of the national cemetery at Gettysburg on November 19, 1863. Many nights he slept on the floor outside the Lincoln bedroom in the White House to protect the president. However, he was not in attendance at Ford's Theater on April 14, 1865, when the president was shot. O'Connor also holds the honor of being a 2007 winner of this award.

Fiction & Literature: Religious Fiction; Finalist: *Ivory Joins the Reaping World Wind or Who Caused the Best End of Earth Ever?* by **H.R. Williams**, **Infinity Publishing**. In Williams' epic tale, Earth is refuge to remnants of evil. The rest of the universe has been cleansed. Divine attention is on our world before the year 2100 turns. Ivory Joans is led to discover a legal way to evict demons and devilment from our planet. She and millions of youngsters are spirited away by super bad guys and worse women, into deepest space. Angel armies set out to rescue the innocents from the wicked, who are seeking to liberate their vile leader from ultimate death. Sprawling adventures stretch across planets and crystal worlds to the very beginning and ends of the universe.

History: Military; Finalist: *Dear Sergeant Honey* by **Cecil Stetson**, published by **Infinity Publishing**. Stetson explains, "*Dear Sergeant Honey* could be classified as a love story, a historical WW II story, a diary of a WAC, or a biography. It's funny and sometimes not so funny; but whatever it is, it's all true. Every word was written by my mother as only someone who lived it could. She served overseas during WW II in a unique job; her opinions, hardships, adventures, friendships, prayers, frightening times, happy times, travels, letters, diary entries, relationships, and separations are shared here with you. You will never read anything like it."

Humor: Finalist: *Letters to be Read in a Heavily British Accent* by **Joel Bresler**, **Infinity Publishing**. Bresler describes his book as a recount of the hilarious (and historically-set) misadventures of Sherwood, a recruit in H. Majesty's army, and Penelope, his bit-of-all-right back home. Through their letters, they share incidents and events, and discuss their relationship. Sherwood describes to Penelope in vivid, comic detail his experiences as a soldier, from training camp up to and beyond an epic mission. Penelope's attempts to keep from pining for Sherwood to a really inconvenient degree, get her out of the house a lot—with just about everybody! Their separate adventures come together to form the climax (for lack of a better term) of their story.

We congratulate each of these winning Infinity authors and commend them for taking the initiative in entering this contest. The good folks at the USA BOOK NEWS have issued a call for entries for their 2009 National Best Book Awards contest with more than 150 categories for books published in 2008 or 2009. For complete information and to download a printer-friendly entry form, please visit [www.USABookAwards.com](http://www.USABookAwards.com). Winning a contest of this kind produces exposure for your book and helps to generate more book sales.

## Infinity Children's Book Author Nominated for The Third Annual Cybils Awards

*Woogie's Travels: Looking for a Friend* written by Sharon Miner and published by Infinity Publishing has been nominated in the Easy Reader category of the third annual-2008 Cybils Awards competition. Sharon explains her children's books about Woogie, a black and tan Irish Terrier who travels all over the country looking for playmates: "He visits campgrounds and horse farms, and searches in woods and by ponds. No one he meets will play with him, until he finally finds the perfect friends." This is a delightful bedtime story or Beginning Reader and we congratulate Sharon on her nomination for this readers-awarded honor.

For more information about the Cybils children's and young adults' literary awards and their bloggers' reviews, visit <http://DadTalk.Typepad.com/cybils/books/>.

## The Greening of Infinity

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To succeed in our greening efforts, we need your help to send out all statements as an email attachment. We have encountered problems with sending attachments to authors who have their email accounts on AOL or AIM. Therefore, it would be a huge help in serving you best via email, if you would open a free email account with Yahoo, MSN or Google. This will enable us to email your statement and the *Author's Advocate* newsletter. Royalty checks will continue to be sent to the mailing address you have provided.

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