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## November Updates

### NaNoWriMo Challenge

NaNoWriMo is currently in full swing. National Novel Writing Month has been a part of my November since 2008 when I made my return to my passion. (Ah, memories) As always, I have gotten ahead some days, fallen behind and discovered new and exciting things about the story I'm writing. Fun! ☺

**Turkey Day!** My newsletter will be released the day before thanksgiving but I am still thankful for many things. The ability to follow my passions, the friends I have in my life and my health. There are many, many other things, but those are at the top of my list. I'm hopeful the coming year will

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I participated in an AMA the Author's Ask Me Anything site was brought to my attention so I joined and set a date and time for questions. It went well overall. It felt like Facebook without having others joining in to answer questions. Kinda neat and a little nerve wracking since the answers will now be kept for all time. I like being able to edit fb after I've left a typo. I'm a writer. ☺

be even more productive and allow further sharing of my works as well as expanding my circle of friends. (Time will tell)

Penstra put up a profile of me on their site. A few questions were sent my way and after answering I was surprised and grateful to see a page go up with my name. (Good month for finding a bit of recognition.) ☺

## Fave Posts

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I am still joining more Facebook groups, trying to find some fellow writers so we can learn and grow from one another. Time will tell if this is a good plan. ☺

Here is one of the latest posts I commented on:

Question: So I've been told by a few friends that I should have a pen name especially because of my last name. What are your thoughts?

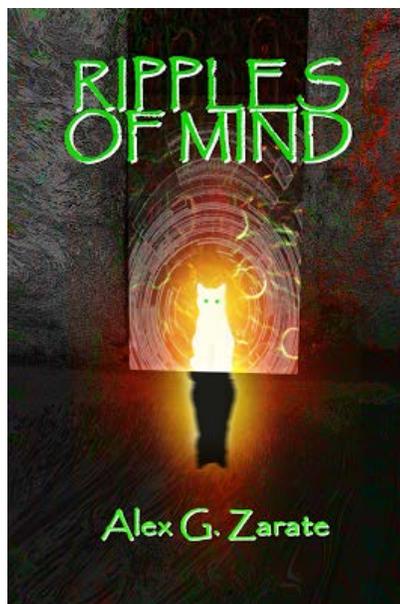
My Answer: I call my pen "Phil the Third". I think he likes it, although when he asked what happened to Phil the first and second, I had to point to the two dogs outside. Interestingly enough, Phil the Third doesn't slip from my pocket the way the other two did. Coincidence?

## Previously:

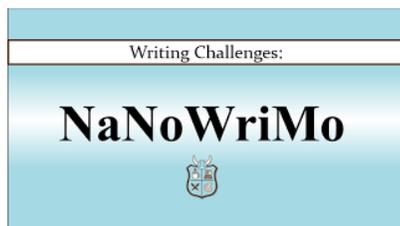
### Lots to Be Thankful For

This month has been busy. Aside from NaNoWriMo, I've begun updating my site, preparing for Thanksgiving and dreading the end of the year. It took forever but feels like yesterday was the beginning of January! ☺

The new cover for Ripples of Mind is done. (Yay!) I need to finish revisions and send it to my editor. (Wish me luck!)



My Comic Vlog this month is on NaNoWriMo. Gotta love a challenge as year's end approaches! ☺



Penstra was kind enough to add a profile page for me on their site. It's always good to reach more people. ☺



I took part in an Authors AMA (Ask Me Anything) and had some fun this month. I always like finding new ways to reach new more people.



NaNoWriMo is still a favorite challenge for me and I expect to meet and exceed the challenge this year. (Yay!) The title I have so far is Black Wall. I hope it can see completion and publication in the next couple of years. I am also hopeful next year will see

me caught up on all edits to past books and the next published novels will be lined up and ready to go. Wish me luck!



May we all have more things to be thankful for than we can count, now and in the coming years. Happy Thanksgiving one and all!



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