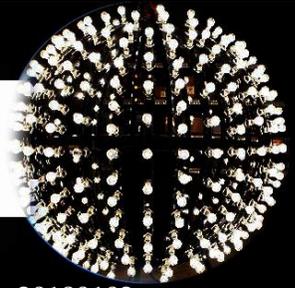




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## New Year Newsletter

2018 is here!

**Happy New Year!** 2017 was a trying year to say the least. In California we had fires, in Texas, we had flooding and across the world, changes were happening that were both cheered and feared. For me, things were more personal as my valiant steed was totaled. I did manage to obtain a new starship but my

**I'm still editing** Believe it or not, the holiday season was unkind in allowing me time to edit that wonderful tome of mine: Ripples of Mind, the second book of The Cat Rule Chronicles. I intend to dive deep into the world of book 2 and wrap up that tale so I can venture forth in February and take on the

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old TARDIS will always have a special place in my heart. In my non-writing job I had to deal with the typical end of year madness, traffic, shopping mobs and financial struggles. I also got a birthday that carried me up to the last year of my forties. Fifty will now look like a fuse burning closer and closer from now 'til mid-October, prompting me to meet all my goals. Onwards!

latest one in the series. (A dark tale, indeed!) Wish me luck! 😊

### Christmas was fun!

Although I didn't get everything I asked Santa for. I did get some goodies and as the year came to a close, goodies are always worth having.

## Fave Posts

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It's always a fun thing to answer questions everyone knows the answer to in a different way. As the New Year begins may we all find humor in the serious and joy in the stern. Here's a post from year's end I just had to share:

Question: How much did you spend on an editor?

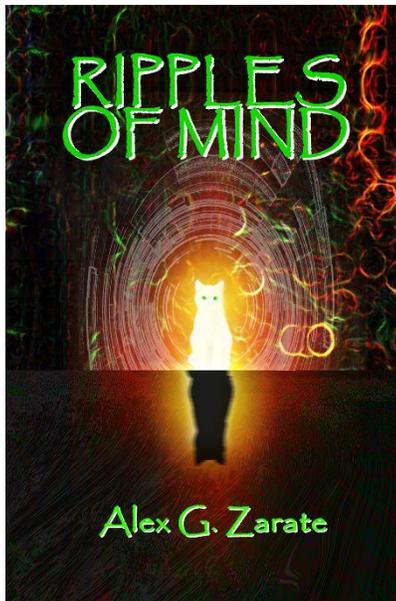
My Answer: A million billion dollars! Well, probably not if you can't afford it but an editor is essential. Find one you can afford and let them work their magic. Aside from Beta readers, editors are key to making your writing the best it can be. Best of luck!

## Previously:

### Recap of My End-of-Year-Dash:

The year may have come and gone in a blink, but I still enjoyed my time. Let us hope 2018 is the best year yet! ☺

The new cover to Ripples of Mind is complete. The illustrations are underway and I intend to finish all edits by the end of January.



Wait until you see the cover displayed on Amazon then feel free to buy a copy because who doesn't love the Scooby gang? ☺

I also intend to put out a Blog for the new year. No blog posted since last year, so this one is long overdue, yes?

Speaking of postings, I just released the latest Vlog, entitled: Resolutions. I'm sure

you can guess what it is about and with luck, won't be too disappointed as I reveal I have decided to be among the folk who have given up on shampoo. (You'll get the joke when you see the comic vlog.) ☺

Writing Tips:

## Resolutions

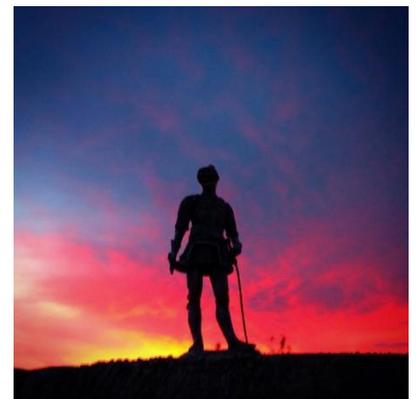
I am still taking part in Facebook and posting daily Instagram pics with my own words as I call it a night. Hopefully, it will help me to maintain a schedule as the year continues. I intend to fill every spare moment I can so I don't get bogged down with that pesky life thing. Wish me luck!

As the year has just begun, I don't have the progress I'd like to announce for the next book, but will keep you posted as I release the Ripples of Mind update and continue with my goal of making money off the books instead of merely pouring funds out to make the word bunnies happy.

One last farewell to my old car. It was only a few years of time, but I enjoyed the ride.



Here is the post I sent for new years. Let us all be the hero to our story this coming year and make 2018 a year to remember. Onwards!



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