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Stories, Notes, and Other Oddments

FROM THE EASEL



"Puddy the Pidgeon" A sketch on brown paper bag with white chalk and black pen- AJ Alanson

FIELD NOTES

FACTS OF FICTION - Chris Chiller

Piracy in Maine. In the 2nd book of The Admiral Inn series, June and Ramone discover the grand mansion's placement and construction had more to do with purloined profit than great views from the rocky cliffs of Laurel Head. ([more](#))

BACKSTORY

REALITY OF WRITING



In book #2, **A Dragon in the Bookcase**, my time working a mile underground at the Sanford Underground Research Facility informs the caves, tunnels, geology, and junk of the century-old workings June and Ramone find hidden under her estate. - AJ Alanson

THE POST CLASSIFIEDS

PARTY PLANNING: Calling all church ladies! June has gotten herself in over her head again and needs our help. Let's fix this mess. Bring your men-friends. Email Jessie at City Hall. https://www.amazon.com/dp/B09RSJMGR?binding=kindle-edition&ref=dbs_dp_sirpi

EDITOR'S DESK - AJ Alanson



April brings such positivity. More than I realized, I've been holding onto hope through a true winter here in Connecticut. With seedlings moving outside, the internal struggle begins anew each year as I need my fingers on the keyboard—but want my bare toes in the dirt.

WHAT'S NEWS

For those who joined, shopped, stopped, and bought from nearly 50 authors at the The Velvet Mill Book Festival in March, thank you! What an incredible affair from the venue to the writers to the organizers. Kudos to Connecticut Book Festivals for such a great show. Next up, they've created a pop-up bookstore for this huge author group to stock, staff, and sign books, April 18th and 19th at the Connecticut Book Festivals Bookstore held at the Westbrook Outlets in Westbrook, CT. [Book Store](#) My books will be available as well as hundreds of others. Beyond this wonderful day coming up, I am (fingers crossed) hoping to have the 11th book in The Admiral Inn series published around the first of May. It all depends on how much dirt I get under those fingernails. Chris and I are also working up original music for the theme songs for the Admiral audiobooks. They're coming along quite nicely, and we hope to be recording those in the next months. Can't wait for reaction on that! 'Til May, toodles!



FROM THE VAULT

A revisit to the personal growth experienced when trapped between the muses and deciding to listen to all of them. <https://ajalanson.com/2024/06/24/jackhammer/>

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Join me at the Connecticut Book Festivals Bookstore on April 18th and 19th from 11am-4pm each day at the Westbrook Outlets, 314 Flat Rock Place, Westbrook, CT. Physical books signed by the authors! And a bookstore staffed by the authors! What could be better!

THE WELL SEASONED DISPATCH

NEW FROM A WELL SEASONED STORY

- Chris Chiller

Wondering how we got to this divided now? Again? I explore the non-political reasons for the divisions, citing peer-review research in psychology, neurology and genetics and salting in my experiences, anecdotes, and interviews. Join me at my website and blog: <https://chrischiller.com> for exploration and discussion.



THE GRACE NOTES MUSIC IN THE EARBUDS

The AI music agent, Suno, is great for testing out ideas, but, for me, that's as far as it goes. Pitchy, can't pronounce 'th', and derivative, I don't think of this as polished music, as much as an auralization tool. And for that, it's brilliant. Just as AI can't write a single word under my name, Suno can't write a single note. Still, I've heard a 40-voice gospel choir singing my poetry!

QUOTES FROM THE CAST

"I keep telling you, Ms. June, I'm good at finding things." - Grayson Dane, questionable guest at The Admiral Inn, Book 11.