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Hello, all.

As much as I try to celebrate rejection (I hit my goal of 100 rejections in 2023!), the constant stream of “thanks, but not for us” can be tiring. So it felt good when the stories I had sold were finally published:

Evils of Sorcery (flash fiction) was published by Every Day Fiction April 3

The Witch's Trial was published by AnotherRealm May 1

“Employment for Magical People” was included in the anthology *Swords & Sorceries, Tales of Heroic Fantasy Volume 8* published in print and ebook in May (it was a joy to open the package with my author copy)

I haven't included links to the online magazines or Amazon book page to limit the chance of this newsletter going to spam. You can find links to all my publications on my webpage if you're interested to read any of these.

On the downside, due to a series of publishing hiccups, the anticipated Saskatoon Writers' Club anthology *Bridges of Imagination* is not yet published but should be available soon in print and ebook.

Annual Women's Fiction Day is June 8. Women's Fiction Day celebrates authors, novels, publishers, booksellers, and, most importantly, readers who appreciate women's fiction and the power of a great story. Women's fiction (which is a terrible label but it's what we have) is a writing genre of layered stories in which the plot is driven by a main character's emotional journey. The stories can be contemporary, historical, or futuristic and may have magical, mystery, thriller, romance, or other elements. Help us celebrate: buy a book, write a review, or drop a line to a favourite author.

Onward and upward: back to sending submissions to journals, magazines, publishers, and agents.

Thanks for being with me on this journey!

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