



## LitChat May 7, 2010

Topic of the Week: Sequels & Sagas - Guest Moderator: Darrelyn Saloom (@ficwriter)

Guest Host: Kathryn Magendie, author

Guest host: @katmagendie

ficwriter Please welcome Kathryn Magendie, author of Tender Graces, Secret Graces, and co-editor/publisher of Rose & Thorn Journal. #litchat 12:57 PM May 7th via TweetChat

DebraMarrs @mariblaser Brilliant idea to create the Mother's Day Twitter Chat Blog Tour. Wonderful essays result #litchat 12:57 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to mariblaser

ficwriter @katmagendie Good news, Kat. @LexxClarke has brought wine. :) #litchat 12:58 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

katmagendie @ficwriter Hello! So glad to be here on the gorgeous smoky mountain afternoon #litchat 12:58 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to ficwriter

marisabirns Hello, all! #litchat 12:59 PM May 7th via web

katmagendie @ficwriter Wine is good; vodka even better (grin) #litchat 12:59 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to ficwriter

DebraMarrs @katmagendie Looking forward to your tweets today in #litchat 12:59 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

techtigger hello everyone! :) #litchat 12:59 PM May 7th via TweetChat

katmagendie @DebraMarrs Thank you! I'm excited and a little nervous :) #litchat 1:00 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to DebraMarrs

ficwriter Everyone welcome vodka drinker @katmagendie. Her novel Tender Graces is one of my favorites. I'll start w/ questions. #litchat 1:00 PM May 7th via TweetChat

DebraMarrs @LexxClarke Ahem, sir. Where were you and your wine on Wed. when I guest moderated? Whining... #litchat 1:00 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to LexxClarke

mariblaser @techtigger @marisabirns Hellooooo! :D #litchat 1:00 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to techtigger

LexxClarke @mariblaser \*pours\* :o) #litchat 1:00 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to mariblaser

LexxClarke @katmagendie Welcome :o) #litchat 1:01 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

DebraMarrs @katmagendie No need for nerves. You're among bestest friends here, right all? #litchat 1:01 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

ficwriter Q1 Tender Graces is a beautifully written family saga w/ a strong Mother-Daughter theme. Did writing uncover family secrets? #litchat 1:01 PM May 7th via TweetChat

marisabirns @DebraMarrs Don't worry, I've brought champagne for later. ;) #litchat 1:01 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to DebraMarrs

katmagendie @DebraMarrs A little wine will help - \*sips\* (really, I just gulped not sipped) #litchat 1:01 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to DebraMarrs

LexxClarke @DebraMarrs Family issues..... #litchat 1:02 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to DebraMarrs

DebraMarrs @marisabirns @techtigger Hellllloo my peeps #litchat 1:02 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to marisabirns

katmagendie @ficwriter Q1 writing TG uncovered memories I didn't know I had! I wasn't writing an autobiographical novel-so imagine my surprise #litchat 1:03 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to ficwriter

DebraMarrs @katmagendie We are in luck. @marisabirns has champagne for later. Let's talk books first :-)  
#litchat 1:03 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

katmagendie @DebraMarrs Champagne (says it like "Sham-Pag-Nee" so she'll spell it right) teehee #litchat 1:04 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to DebraMarrs

LexxClarke @katmagendie did uncovering those memories make writing harder? #litchat 1:04 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

DebraMarrs @LexxClarke Buggers to reasons you missed Wed. #litchat All's forgiven now. You're here :) 1:05 PM May 7th via TweetDeck in reply to LexxClarke

mariblasers @so\_you\_know It's a website where you login and choose the hashtag. Great for chats. ;) www.tweetchat.com you can join #litchat w/ it. ;) 1:05 PM May 7th via HootSuite in reply to so\_you\_know

katmagendie @LexxClarke No because strangely, I didn't know until after I'd read the entire book, or a brother would say "hey, do you remember" #litchat 1:05 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to LexxClarke

LexxClarke @DebraMarrs yay :o) #litchat 1:06 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to DebraMarrs

ficwriter @katmagendie Q3 Is writing about family relationships a good way to "know thyself" and to understand relatives' lives? #litchat 1:07 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

mariblasers @ficwriter Should we direct Qs for you or ask directly to @katmagendie? Am a bit a afraid to flood her, heh. #litchat 1:07 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to ficwriter

LexxClarke @katmagendie ah so it was more a retrospective observation then, makes sense in a lot of ways :o) #litchat 1:08 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

DebraMarrs @katmagendie Love your tagline to TenderGraces: a gentle yet unflinching look at how we find our way home. Urs or publishers? #litchat 1:08 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

katmagendie @ficwriter Q3: I think I wanted more to "rewrite history" - or as a reviewer said to "make myself a history" more than discover #litchat 1:08 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to ficwriter

ficwriter @mariblasers Go ahead and direct them to Kat. May make it easier for me. :) #litchat 1:09 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to mariblasers

katmagendie @LexxClarke Yes - since so much of it is fiction-made up, the "truths" sneaked in! #litchat 1:09 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to LexxClarke

JSLion HI #litchat! finally able to attend again! 1:09 PM May 7th via TweetDeck

katmagendie @DebraMarrs That was the publishers - bless them! They are good at blurbs while I suck at them \*laughing\* #litchat 1:09 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to DebraMarrs

LexxClarke @JSLion welcome back! #litchat 1:10 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to JSLion

katmagendie @ficwriter I somehow missed your Q2, ficwriter - my screen suddenly did something wonky on tweet chat lawd! #litchat 1:10 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to ficwriter

DebraMarrs @JSLion Yay, you're here! @LexxClarke has wine if you'll extend your glass #litchat 1:10 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to JSLion

mariblasers @katmagendie What do you do to juggle writing, editing, publishing, marketing.. affff. Tired already, heh. #litchat 1:11 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

marisabirns @katmagendie Truths do have a way of sneaking into fiction no matter how much we think we've locked them out. :) #litchat 1:11 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

katmagendie @mariblaser I tell you what-I have no social life \*laugh\* Luckily I don't have an "outside" job because this is 7 days a week stuff! #litchat 1:12 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to mariblaser

DebraMarrs @katmagendie "how we find our way home" is a lovely universal theme; evokes emotional connection for readers' exper. #litchat 1:12 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

katmagendie @marisabirns You are so right! What was weird was a truth(or 2) I uncovered that I didn't know-guess or overhearing something? #litchat 1:12 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to marisabirns

marisabirns @katmagendie Don't worry. For many of us, our social life IS here! :D #litchat 1:12 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

ficwriter @katmagendie Tender Graces is told in the lyrical voice of Virginia Kate who talks to Grandma Faith, a ghost. Do you talk to ghost? #litchat 1:13 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

katmagendie @marisabirns \*laugh\* -and we can have our jammies on and no make up and bed head all day! #litchat 1:13 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to marisabirns

LexxClarke @katmagendie @marisabirns what's a real life?? #litchat 1:14 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

ficwriter @katmagendie And don't worry about Q2. I've already lost track. #litchat 1:14 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

mariblaser @katmagendie So you have achieved the point of "full time writer"? + editor + publisher? Must feel good. :) #litchat 1:14 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

katmagendie @ficwriter I have had "ghosts" or ?whatevers? come to me-one asked to tell her story. But they don't listen to me..huhn. #litchat 1:14 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to ficwriter

katmagendie @mariblaser I have and it does. This is my dream job. No more soul-sucking jobs YAY! #litchat 1:15 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to mariblaser

CDominiqueG AFTERNOON EVERYONE, what are we discussing today? #litchat 1:16 PM May 7th via TweetChat

DebraMarrs @katmagendie Imagine that "ghosts" or ?whatevers? who don't listen to you! #litchat 1:16 PM May 7th via TweetChat

ficwriter @katmagendie No, you're right. Ghosts don't listen. They just tell us what to do. Guess that's one of the perks. #litchat 1:16 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

ficwriter @CDominiqueG Our guest author today is @katmagendie, author of family sagas Tender Graces and Secret Graces. #litchat 1:17 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to CDominiqueG

katmagendie @DebraMarrs \*laugh\* Now, if I said I hear voices, the white guys will come, but there is that "write about me please" thing #litchat 1:17 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to DebraMarrs

mariblaser @katmagendie Ops. Sorry for the typo. Keyboard adaptation. \*blushes\* #litchat 1:17 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

ErikaRobuck @katmagendie Only soul-feeding now! #litchat 1:18 PM May 7th via TweetDeck in reply to katmagendie

katmagendie @ficwriter Hi! @CDominiqueG #litchat 1:18 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to ficwriter

katmagendie @mariblaser S'okay- I spelled autobiographical wrong \*laugh\* #litchat 1:18 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to mariblaser

ficwriter @katmagendie Q? Virginia Kate learns the story of her parents courtship through her grandmother's journal. Do you journal? #litchat 1:19 PM May 7th via TweetChat

katmagendie @ErikaRobuck Yes! soul-feeding is a good way to put it. I think of all the years I had to "deny" myself ... and now - ahhh! #litchat 1:19 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to ErikaRobuck

katmagendie @ficwriter Q - I don't journal! I used to write down my weird dreams and long ago I wrote down angsty stuff, but I never journal #litchat 1:20 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to ficwriter

JSLion @katmagendie I hear voices, I just ignore them. #litchat 1:20 PM May 7th via TweetDeck in reply to katmagendie

mariblaser @katmagendie Can you tell us how do you do to portrait complex family relations? What works for you in terms of writing technique? #litchat 1:20 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

katmagendie @mariblaser Laughing - it's the good kind of voices - the 'we aren't crazy" voices...teehee #litchat 1:20 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to mariblaser

katmagendie @mariblaser and of course I meant "white coated guys" \*LAUGHING!\* #litchat 1:20 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to mariblaser

DebraMarrs @katmagendie I love ur choice of character names/spellings: Rebekha, MeeMaw; tell us more abt the origins of char name choices #litchat 1:21 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

mariblaser @katmagendie Ok,. I suck today. \*What\* do you do to... :P #litchat 1:21 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

ficwriter @katmagendie Q In Tender Graces Virginia Kate's stepmom, Rebekha, defies literary convention and is loving and kind. Intentional? #litchat 1:22 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

katmagendie @mariblaser The Black Hole provides! I wish I cld \*think\* abt wht I write so I could organize it better, but I love free writing. #litchat 1:22 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to mariblaser

marisabirns @katmagendie Or guys in white coats! Hah. #litchat 1:22 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

katmagendie @DebraMarrs MeeMaw comes from Maw Maw-I had a Maw Maw! Rebekha refused to have her spelling any other way! sometimes they do that #litchat 1:23 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to DebraMarrs

DebraMarrs @katmagendie \*laughing\* too: if I said I hear voices, the white guys will come...or white coated... whatever :-)) #litchat 1:23 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

katmagendie @ficwriter Q: When I tried to make Rebekha a bit "meaner" she was so upset with me! She is what she is. She is sanctuary-hope. #litchat 1:24 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to ficwriter

JSLion Sorry if this was asked already, did you take any stories from your own family history? #litchat 1:24 PM May 7th via TweetDeck

marisabirns @katmagendie Don't organize when I write, so I guess I'm a freewriter. #litchat 1:24 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

ficwriter @katmagendie She was my favorite character. So nice to see a stepmother in a good light. #litchat 1:25 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

DebraMarrs @ErikaRobuck A happy Friday shoutout to you too :-)) #litchat 1:25 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to ErikaRobuck

katmagendie @JSLion There was 1 huge thing: my bio mom gave up her kids 1 at a time: me, my two brothers. Other than that, a few little things #litchat 1:25 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to JSLion

mariblaser @CDominiqueG hi dear! :) #litchat 1:26 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to CDominiqueG

katmagendie @ficwriter Yeah, I didn't want the "Evil Stepmother" Where would be the kids hope? Sanctuary? who would want them? Care for them? #litchat 1:26 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to ficwriter

ficwriter @katmagendie Q When you wrote Tender Graces, did you plan to write a sequel? (Secret Graces arrived today!) #litchat 1:27 PM May 7th via TweetChat

katmagendie @JSLion The Great Moccasin Incident was based on truth: my brother "snake polo'd" with big huge mocs in the drainage ditches! #litchat 1:27 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to JSLion

ErikaRobuck @katmagendie Sounds like your characters drive your work. How do you prepare before you write? Do they come to you or do you bio? #litchat 1:27 PM May 7th via TweetDeck

JSLion @katmagendie Wow. I guess I need to read the books... #litchat 1:28 PM May 7th via TweetDeck in reply to katmagendie

katmagendie @ficwriter The first draft of the book was over 200,000 words! GOOD LAWD! So I divided it in half, but didn't knw what would happen #litchat 1:28 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to ficwriter

JSLion #litchat I have 2 adopted daughters, often wonder what their parent's story was. 1:28 PM May 7th via TweetDeck

mariblaser @katmagendie Sorry for the personal Q, but do you keep in touch w/ your siblings? got curious? \*blushes\* #litchat 1:29 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

ficwriter @katmagendie Snake scene was hardest to read. Great question @JSLion. And, yes, you need to read. #litchat 1:29 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

Katmagendie @ErikaRobuck 99.9% of my work is character-driven. I can't \*do\* plot (wish could). I don't bio - just let whatever happen happen :) #litchat 1:29 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to ErikaRobuck

DebraMarrs @katmagendie Applaud writers allowing char's desires to persist. Validates true creativity rests deeper inside than writer mind #litchat 1:29 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

katmagendie @JSLion YES -- Laughing..... teehee #litchat 1:29 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to JSLion

katmagendie @JSLion I know my bio mom-and I lived with my biodad & stepmom-she adopted me and my brothers, poor her; Hillbilly heathen I was! #litchat 1:30 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to JSLion

DebraMarrs @JSLion Awesome that you're papa to 2 adoptees. Love knowing that abt you! #litchat 1:30 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to JSLion

marisabirns @katmagendie I subscribe to idea that plot derives from character. #litchat 1:30 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

ficwriter @katmagendie So, I guess that means you didn't plan the sequel. #litchat 1:31 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

katmagendie @DebraMarrs It's a really cool thing-like Real Life-start at beginning & see what happens "day by day" #litchat 1:31 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to DebraMarrs

DebraMarrs @katmagendie Love ur sense of humor! @JSLion stepmom-she adopted me and my brothers, poor her; Hillbilly heathen I was! #litchat 1:32 PM May 7th via TweetChat

katmagendie @JSLion PS - HUG to you for adopting - big hug. Don't know where my 2 bros & I'd be if my stpmom hadn't of adopted us #litchat 1:32 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to JSLion

katmagendie @ficwriter I had in back of mind that I'd do a sequel, but 85% of what I wrote originally had to be trashed anyway. BB wanted more #litchat 1:34 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to ficwriter

JSLion @katmagendie TY. Honestly they bring blessing into our lives beyond my imagination. #litchat 1:34 PM May 7th via TweetDeck in reply to katmagendie

ficwriter @katmagendie I can understand why because I wanted more, too. #litchat 1:35 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

katmagendie @DebraMarrs That's how it works best for me-but oh if only Virginia Kate had been a hillbilly vampire - dang \*sigh\* (laughing) #litchat 1:35 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to DebraMarrs

ficwriter I would like to propose a toast to parents who adopt on this almost Mother's Day. #litchat 1:35 PM May 7th via TweetChat

JSLion #litchat @katmagendie - Do characters every seem to take over and run away with the story? 1:36 PM May 7th via TweetDeck

katmagendie @JSLion I hope we brought blessings to our adoptive mom - I know we brought a lot of dirt and noise ...heehee #litchat 1:36 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to JSLion

DebraMarrs @JSLion Are your kiddos bio siblings? #litchat 1:36 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to JSLion

marisabirns @ficwriter Is it time for champagne then? For the toast. :) #litchat 1:36 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to ficwriter

katmagendie @ficwriter thank you. the 2nd book was scary to me-I had months to write entire novel after trashing most of what was written EEK #litchat 1:37 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to ficwriter

JSLion #litchat I will drink to that too! 1:37 PM May 7th via TweetDeck

katmagendie @JSLion I can't let the chrtrs take over too much where they run away, but sometimes they do surprise me: I go "NO! don't do that!" #litchat 1:37 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to JSLion

JSLion @DebraMarrs No, two little girls from different places in China. Now they FIGHT like sisters. #litchat 1:38 PM May 7th via TweetDeck in reply to DebraMarrs

katmagendie @DebraMarrs 3 bio siblings; two "half" sibs-but I was there when they were born, they are my Whole Brothers #litchat 1:38 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to DebraMarrs

JSLion Does a hillbilly vampire only drink blood with a moonshine content to it? #litchat 1:39 PM May 7th via TweetDeck

ErikaRobuck @katmagendie It takes tremendous b\*\*\*s and self control to trash 85% of 1st draft. \*Cheers\* to that, too! #litchat 1:39 PM May 7th via TweetDeck in reply to katmagendie

ficwriter @katmagendie Q As an editor, publisher, blogger, author w/ a second book out and a third on the way, how do you manage your time? #litchat 1:39 PM May 7th via TweetChat

katmagendie @mariblaser @JSLion: Yes! A toast to those who adopt \*clink\* #litchat 1:39 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to mariblaser

DebraMarrs @katmagendie "if only Virginia Kate had been a hillbilly vampire" imagine the \$million\$ who'd be on this chat ;- ) #litchat 1:39 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

katmagendie @DebraMarrs teeheeehee :- ) #litchat 1:39 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to DebraMarrs

katmagendie @DebraMarrs teeheeehee :- ) #litchat 1:39 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to DebraMarrs

katmagendie @DebraMarrs We always have the MothMan from West Virginia -he'd kick the vampire's pasty face any old day -humph (grin) #litchat 1:41 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to DebraMarrs

DebraMarrs @katmagendie Your chars are WAY more charismatic and rich than the vampire crazies. Glad your choices are what they are #litchat 1:41 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

JSLion @JustWriteCat I only write poetry so far, no stories, but I can see the poetry lines take off and I don't know how I go there... #litchat 1:41 PM May 7th via TweetDeck

katmagendie @ficwriter I'm supposed to manage my time to? Geez; the pressure; too much! \*laugh\* I do need to be more organized. It can be hairy #litchat 1:42 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to ficwriter

marisabirns @katmagendie A vampire with a product called Hillbilly Pop for all the others. #litchat 1:42 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

katmagendie @DebraMarrs \*smiling\* thank you . . . #litchat 1:42 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to DebraMarrs

katmagendie @DebraMarrs laughing! Hillbilly vampires with moonshined blood - hmmm... #litchat 1:43 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to DebraMarrs

JSterlingS @DebraMarrs Silly woman. A hillbilly vamp can only drink from drunk victims. Drunk on moonshine that is. #litchat 1:43 PM May 7th via TweetDeck in reply to DebraMarrs

ficwriter @katmagendie Q How is your third novel, Sweetie, coming along? Can you tell us about it? #litchat 1:43 PM May 7th via TweetChat

katmagendie @JSLion "only" write poetry! Poetry is difficult - I am in awe of poets! #litchat 1:43 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to JSLion

ficwriter @JSterlingS Ah, you sound like an expert. :) #litchat 1:44 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to JSterlingS

katmagendie @ficwriter Q: Sweetie will be out in fall. Mountain girl with strange "affliction"- friendship themes here, loyalty, betrayal #litchat 1:44 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to ficwriter

JSLion @katmagendie Poems are stories in shorthand...assuming anyone else remembers shorthand. #litchat 1:45 PM May 7th via TweetDeck in reply to katmagendie

TwinkleChar Just arrived. Hm. Hillbilly vampires with moonshined blood. Not topic I remembered. :) #litchat 1:45 PM May 7th via TweetChat

ficwriter @katmagendie My UPS man would like to thank you for keeping him busy. :) #litchat 1:45 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

katmagendie @JSLion Poems are tiny little novels! #litchat 1:45 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to JSLion

ficwriter Welcome @TwinkleChar: Just arrived. Hm. Hillbilly vampires with moonshined blood. Not topic I remembered. :) #litchat 1:47 PM May 7th via TweetChatmariblaser @TwinkleChar Hi there! :) #litchat 1:47 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to TwinkleChar

katmagendie @DebraMarrs I need BelleBooks to write me a quick Sweetie blurb-that was really bad \*laugh\* #litchat 1:47 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to DebraMarrs

LexxClarke @JSLion Pittman shorthand user here :o) #litchat 1:47 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to JSLion

DebraMarrs @TwinkleChar You're showing up for the "juicy" stuff! Good to see you #litchat 1:48 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to TwinkleChar

TwinkleChar Thank you @mariblaser @ficwriter. Howdy @katmagendie. Looks like you have fans here. Great testimony! #litchat 1:48 PM May 7th via TweetChat

katmagendie @ficwriter Does your UPS man wear tight little shorts on his strong muscular legs? that's really why you order my books, isn't it? #litchat 1:48 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to ficwriter

katmagendie @TwinkleChar Hello! Glad you are here! #litchat 1:49 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to TwinkleChar

marisabirns @LexxClarke You get more perfect. Chef extraordinaire, gardener par excellence and Pittman master? \*will never reach his level\* #litchat 1:49 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to LexxClarke

ficwriter @katmagendie No, that would be the FedEx guy with the strong muscular legs in tight little shorts. :) #litchat 1:50 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

DebraMarrs @katmagendie \*laughing\* at ur blurb clumsiness. At least you do titles very well. Mine usu. suck #litchat 1:50 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

LexxClarke @katmagendie too too funny \*rofl\* #litchat 1:50 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

LexxClarke @marisabirns awww shucks \*blushing\* #litchat 1:50 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to marisabirns

katmagendie @ficwriter \*laughing\* . . . My UPS man is a woman... #litchat 1:50 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to ficwriter

katmagendie @LexxClarke teeheehee I'm a lil stinker (remember Bugs Bunny saying that?) #litchat 1:51 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to LexxClarke

mariblaser @ficwriter Hey, I might visit you when you've got mail. :P @katmagendie #litchat 1:51 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to ficwriter

JSLion @mariblaser dont be, with speech to text software, soon kids won't be able to type either. #litchat 1:52 PM May 7th via TweetDeck in reply to mariblaser

ficwriter @marisabirns Now you can pour the champagne. :) #litchat 1:52 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to marisabirns

TwinkleChar Dear @litchat, your group is completely out of control. Wonderful! #litchat 1:52 PM May 7th via TweetChat

DebraMarrs @ficwriter Love how you got this party started w/gr8 Q's. @katmagendie lost her nerves right away. Bravo to you both!! #litchat 1:53 PM May 7th via TweetChat

katmagendie @mariblaser I also suck at titles -Bellebooks titled TG/SG because I had gawd-awful title suggestions. #litchat 1:53 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to mariblaser

JSLion #litchat if someone wants to hire me write blurbs let me know. :) 1:54 PM May 7th via TweetDeck

katmagendie @DebraMarrs Y'all made me feel right at home! THank you for that . . . \*smiling\* #litchat 1:54 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to DebraMarrs

ficwriter @TwinkleChar This use to happen to me when I substituted at my kid's school. It's like herding cats. #litchat 1:54 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to TwinkleChar



katmagendie @mariblasers group is completely out of control. Wonderful! #litchat - I inspire out of controlness I guess - huhn ..laughing #litchat 1:54 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to mariblasers

ErikaRobuck @katmagendie What happens when happy hour and #litchat intersect. :) 1:55 PM May 7th via TweetDeck in reply to katmagendie

TwinkleChar @marisabirns Was that a popping cork I heard? Glass extended next to @ficwriter @mariblasers #litchat 1:55 PM May 7th via TweetChat

JSLion #litchat to say out of control writers and poets is almost redundant 1:56 PM May 7th via TweetDeck

katmagendie @ErikaRobuck Laughing - gawd....! #litchat 1:56 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to ErikaRobuck

ficwriter @katmagendie Q Your writing captures hearts w/ rich details, vivid imagery & characters that spring to life. Any advice 4 writers? #litchat 1:56 PM May 7th via web

marisabirns @TwinkleChar Yep. Getting to pouring the booze right now. \*fills glasses\* #litchat 1:56 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to TwinkleChar

DebraMarrs @marisabirns \*glass extended\* you missed me on that last pour :- ) #litchat 1:57 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to marisabirns

mariblasers @katmagendie Ok, serious Q: does writing about family relations feel "heavy" to you? #litchat 1:57 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

ErikaRobuck @ficwriter You brought control back beautifully with that question. Bravo! #litchat. 1:57 PM May 7th via TweetDeck in reply to ficwriter

katmagendie @ficwriter Q: Don't let negativity in. Write with abandon-can always edit later. Run from anyone who says "you can't" Write Truths #litchat 1:58 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to ficwriter

katmagendie @mariblasers It doesn't feel heavy as long as I have hope in there. Has to be hope. Family relationships are so fertile though :) #litchat 1:59 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to mariblasers

mariblasers @katmagendie Fertile yes, but easy to fall into negativity, depending on the family dynamics... #litchat 2:00 PM May 7th via TweetChat

katmagendie @mariblasers Trust your instincts, too! But be open to suggestions. Don't drink while writing -drink after (laugh) #litchat 2:00 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to mariblasers

ficwriter Time to wrap up this crazy and wonderful hour of litchat. Feel free to hang around. Please give a big {{applause}} to @katmagendie. #litchat 2:01 PM May 7th via TweetChat

katmagendie @mariblasers Yes, which is why I keep it fiction so I don't start digging into stuff I'd rather not dig into. #litchat 2:01 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to mariblasers

mariblasers "Write with abandon." I should adopt this as my second motto.... Cool. #litchat 2:01 PM May 7th via TweetChat

katmagendie @ficwriter THANK YOU! #litchat 2:01 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to ficwriter

LindseyOConnor @katmagendie How'd you answer the Q did you split the 200K into 2 books or just cut? #litchat 2:02 PM May 7th via TweetChat

marisabirns @katmagendie Thank you for coming over and sitting a spell with us! #litchat 2:02 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

katmagendie Thank you all - this was fun and wonderful. So nice to meet you all and I will be back for litchat! What a wonderful idea and group #litchat 2:02 PM May 7th via TweetChat

TwinkleChar YAAAAAAAAY @katmagendie, oh great instigator and model of writing with abandon! #litchat 2:02 PM May 7th via TweetChat

LexxClarke @katmagendie Thank you so much for spending time with us! #litchat 2:02 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

JSLion Thank you @katmagendie #litchat 2:02 PM May 7th via TweetDeck

DebraMarrs Giant {{applause}} guest moderator @ficwriter who 1st intro'd me to @katmagendie. My lucky stars day! #litchat 2:02 PM May 7th via TweetChat

ficwriter @katmagendie Please post a link to your wonderful website. And thank you so much for being here today. #litchat 2:03 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

ErikaRobuck @ficwriter Thank you!! {{applause}} @katmagendie Have a great weekend everyone!! #litchat 2:03 PM May 7th via TweetDeck in reply to ficwriter

katmagendie @LindseyOConnor I split it in half at a place where it seemd most logical and stuck the second half in a word doc drawer for years. #litchat 2:03 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to LindseyOConnor

TwinkleChar @LindseyOConnor -- SO glad to see you! Been too long. #litchat 2:03 PM May 7th via TweetChat

katmagendie @ficwriter THank you! www.kathrynmagendie.com & www.tendergraces.blogspot.com :) #litchat 2:04 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to ficwriter

DebraMarrs @katmagendie Mega {{applause}} for your bks, your humor, and tips today. Super fun + informative! #litchat 2:04 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

katmagendie @LexxClarke Giant {{applause}} guest moderator \*CLAP CLAP CLAP!\* #litchat 2:04 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to LexxClarke

katmagendie @DebraMarrs Thank you - you all made it easy and fun \*mwuah\*! #litchat 2:05 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to DebraMarrs

LindseyOConnor Thanks @katmagendie. Good to know. #litchat 2:05 PM May 7th via TweetChat

JSLion g'night to all. #litchat Must go pick up Pizza for dinner and head home. Thank you again Kathryn! 2:05 PM May 7th via TweetDeck

JSterlingS @ficwriter Yes, us Trolls are quite knowledgeable about hillbilly vamps. They're like mosquitos. #litchat 2:05 PM May 7th via TweetDeck in reply to ficwriter

katmagendie @mariblaser Thanks! I think sweetie is a mountain ghost ... she'll be glad to live again! #litchat 2:05 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to mariblaser

katmagendie @JSLion G'night - and enjoy your pizza! #litchat 2:06 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to JSLion

ficwriter Thank you litchat friends for being here today. Now it feels like Friday. :) #litchat 2:06 PM May 7th via TweetChat

katmagendie @mariblaser Yeah, Darrelyn rocks! :D {{applause}}...she does and then some! #litchat 2:07 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to mariblaser

DebraMarrs @marisabirns Thanks for virtual bubbly. Was tasty #litchat 2:07 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to marisabirns

katmagendie @LindseyOConnor THank you \*smiling\* #litchat 2:07 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to LindseyOConnor

CDominiqueG Im sorry good friend who I haven't heard from in ages called :-D #litchat 2:07 PM May 7th via TweetChat

LindseyOConnor @TwinkleChar glad to be back to litchat. This group is so not boring. Like jumping into a double helix jumprope game. #litchat 2:08 PM May 7th via TweetChat

marisabirns @DebraMarrs It's always fun to share conversation and bubbly with you! #litchat 2:08 PM May 7th via web in reply to DebraMarrs

katmagendie @LexxClarke Thank you for being here! #litchat 2:09 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to LexxClarke

marisabirns @ficwriter Enjoyed the time here. Great job you did. Even the herding of us cats! #litchat 2:09 PM May 7th via web in reply to ficwriter

TwinkleChar @mariblaser Just noticed my \*own typo. That's what I get. #litchat 2:09 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to mariblaser

AnneTylerLord Check Out 14 amazing blogs on - The Twitter Chats Mother's Day Blog Tour - <http://ow.ly/1loCs> #litchat #FridayFlash #Writechat 2:10 PM May 7th via HootSuite

katmagendie Appreciate the support; thank you all; now I'll ride off into the sunset -yippee yai kai yai yipee yiiii - \*gallops away with a wave\* #litchat 2:10 PM May 7th via TweetChat

mariblaser @TwinkleChar I'd like to clarify officially that I've mentioned before my keyboard issues. I'm not on \*my\* computer. :P #litchat 2:10 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to TwinkleChar

endofriendo @katmagendie Where is the best place to buy Tender Graces online? Do you have a preference? #litchat 2:10 PM May 7th via TweetChat

DebraMarrs @TwinkleChar I guess you and @mariblaser have had enough. Happy Mother's Day to you both #litchat 2:10 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to TwinkleChar

TwinkleChar @mariblaser Whatever re "not my keyboard." I like you, so I'll leave it at that. [crazy grinning] #litchat 2:11 PM May 7th via TweetDeck in reply to mariblaser

katmagendie @endofriendo Gallops back real quick: U can purchase at any bookstore or online or thru Bellebooks-they love ppl to buy thru them #litchat 2:11 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to endofriendo

AnneTylerLord If you haven't found @Writers\_Life you will want to follow - I will have lots of great content & fun stuff #litchat #amwriting #FridayFlash 2:12 PM May 7th via HootSuite

Marinarichards @ficwriter Sorry to have missed. #litchat 2:12 PM May 7th via web in reply to ficwriter

TwinkleChar @DebraMarrs Thank you so much! Glad we were all together for this party. Happy MD and LIFE back at ya! #litchat 2:12 PM May 7th via TweetDeck in reply to DebraMarrs

katmagendie Happy Mother's Day - and Happy Adoptive Mother's Day - and again, thank you all . . . \*bows\* #litchat 2:12 PM May 7th via TweetChat

ficwriter @Marinarichards I'm sorry you missed it, too. Worth reading the transcript. Great group and author @katmagendie today. #litchat 2:14 PM May 7th via web in reply to Marinarichards

endofriendo @katmagendie Thanks for galloping back! :) #litchat 2:15 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to katmagendie

Mariblaser @DebraMarrs @ficwriter Thanks for this wonderful @litchat. I missed this. :) #litchat 2:15 PM May 7th via TweetChat in reply to DebraMarrs

LindseyOConnor Glad to have found new tweeps @katmagendie @DebraMarrs @mariblaser @Writers\_Life @AnneTylerLord @marisabirns from today's chat. #litchat 2:18 PM May 7th via TweetChat

katmagendie @LindseyOConnor Glad to have found new tweeps from today's chat #litchat >>>Same here! What a great group! 2:21 PM May 7th via web in reply to LindseyOConnor

marisabirns @LindseyOConnor Welcome! We did enjoy #litchat today, didn't we. :) 2:24 PM May 7th via web in reply to LindseyOConnor

LindseyOConnor @marisabirns #litchat was crazy today. Fun. 2:39 PM May 7th via Nambu in reply to marisabirns

ficwriter #FF @endofriendo <<--- Look who showed up. My niece made it to #litchat. 3:06 PM May 7th via web

endofriendo @ficwriter Too bad I was late! I loved it tho, such a different way to interview. Nice job! I put her books on my "to read" list! #litchat 3:42 PM May 7th via web

DebraMarrs @JSterlingS Had fun w/your tweets today in litchat. Glad you were there for it! 3:57 PM May 7th via TweetDeck in reply to JSterlingS

JSterlingS @DebraMarrs I missed part of it, but I did enjoy the part of #litchat that I caught. 3:59 PM May 7th via TweetDeck in reply to DebraMarrs