

# NEWS FROM ANNA

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## ***NEW CONTEST FOR THE SUMMER!!!***

***Anna's latest contemporary novel -- HOME AT LAST -- will be available (at last) in August. So in celebration of that, Anna is offering a monthly drawing for a special basket of cranberry goodies (the story takes place on a cranberry farm!). Simply go to <http://www.booksbyanna.com/contest.html> to sign up for the first drawing on July 1<sup>st</sup> (and don't forget to come back and register again for drawings to be held on August 1<sup>st</sup> and September 1<sup>st</sup>!!!***



## ***HOME AT LAST***

***... a story of recovery, rediscovery and romance***

HOME AT LAST, a heartwarming multigenerational love story set on a cranberry farm on Nantucket Island. [To learn more about this beautiful island, check the links on my home page at <http://www.booksbyanna.com> - Nantucket is indeed an island filled with history - and romance.]

***...& don't forget...***

GIFT FROM THE SEA, the sequel to SEASIDE CINDERELLA, is still available. Set in WWI, it tells the story of Maggie - daughter of Gabe and Lucie - and the German seaman she nurses back to health and into her heart!

## *Coming in October*

Another Nantucket historical entitled AN UNEXPECTED SUITOR. This one has a theatrical setting (and Anna was a theater major in her college days, spent a summer in New York as part of an off-Broadway workshop troupe, and designed costumes for productions in Chicago, Milwaukee and Virginia). "The devastating effects that stereotyping can have has always interested me," Anna reports. "Certainly theater folks have gotten a bad rap for decades (if not centuries). I do hope readers will enjoy reading about Miss Nola Burns and the unlikely suitor she meets in Harrison Starbuck."

One last note: in addition to making it to the finals of the Romantic Times Reviewers Choice Awards (for the fourth time), Anna's novel *Seaside Cinderella* is also a finalist for the Reader's Choice Awards given annually by the Wisconsin Romance Writers of America.





## BEHIND ANNA'S GARDEN GATE...

Dear Readers and Guests,

My garden has never seemed more lush and glorious than it does this season. Perhaps it's giving us a farewell blast since we are in the process of selling this home we have loved and moving to something smaller and more manageable. As we wait for the perfect buyer (our hope is for a young couple just starting out who will find this place to be a source of calm and 'home' in the best sense of that word), we are enjoying the garden in ways we haven't in some time - walking the paths, gathering bouquets to bring inside, and just soaking in the beauty of the natural wonderland.

While we are 'going condo' I made sure I will still have ample opportunity to 'play in the garden' - the difference is that now my garden will be contained in pots! I took a class the other day at my local garden center and learned so many wonderful ideas for this new form of gardening. The instructors spoke of 'spillers' and 'fillers' and I just loved that image of plants spilling over and filling a large clay pot with color and fragrance! Would love to hear about your garden online or via snail mail!! Stay well and stay in touch! ***Anna***

