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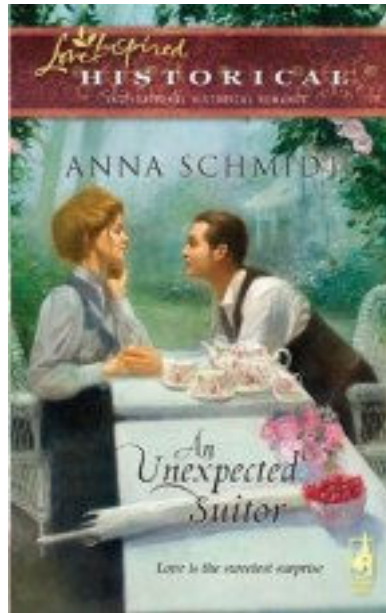
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NEW CONTEST FOR SEPTEMBER-NOVEMBER!!!

Anna's latest contemporary novel -- HOME AT LAST - is set on a cranberry farm and - with the holidays closer than we may realize -- readers are invited to submit a favorite cranberry recipe for posting on the website.

Anna is offering another series of monthly drawings for a special basket of cranberry goodies to all who submit a recipe. Go to <http://www.booksbyanna.com/contest.html> to sign up for the first drawing on October 1st and don't forget to come back and register again for drawings to be held on November 1st and December 1st!!!



AN UNEXPECTED SUITOR

... a story of unexpected romance and second chances

Another Nantucket historical with a theatrical setting (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 have 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."

[To learn more about the beautiful island of Nantucket, check the links on my website - this is indeed an island filled with history - and romance.]

...& don't forget...

HOME AT LAST is still available. Set on a cranberry farm on Nantucket, this contemporary multi-generational love story has received a 4 and $\frac{1}{2}$ star rating from ROMANTIC TIMES!



BEHIND ANNA'S GARDEN GATE...

Dear Readers and Guests,

This month I will pass the guardianship of my beautiful garden to new hands. Whether or not the new owners will treasure it as I have and find solace and serenity in walking its paths is up to them. They may well choose to plow up everything and turn the space back into a grassy playground for children to enjoy as their parents watch from the deck overlooking the yard. I move on to condo living with a far smaller space to fill with containers and special vines and perennials more suited to that smaller habitat. There's a lovely pond nearby with a fountain that I can hear when the patio door is open. My husband and I are looking forward to this move with every bit of the same excitement we had when we bought our first home. It's a new chapter - forgive the writer's pun! And looking forward to new possibilities and challenges is what makes life the blessing and adventure

that it is. As we move into new digs (and a new season) my wish for you, dear readers is that you will be open to the possibility of new adventures and challenges in your life and that you will meet them in the spirit of opportunity and growth. Even tough times hold lessons that can make us stronger - and sometimes even bring us to a better place than we thought could ever be. May you and yours stay well and safe and please do stay in touch! *Anna*

