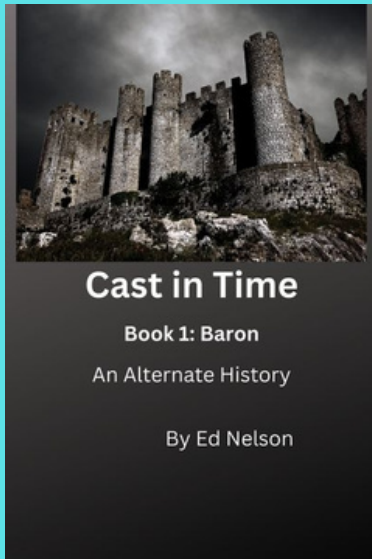


Ed Nelson's Newsletter

Home of the Richard Jackson Saga, Ever and Always, and the upcoming Cast in Time series.

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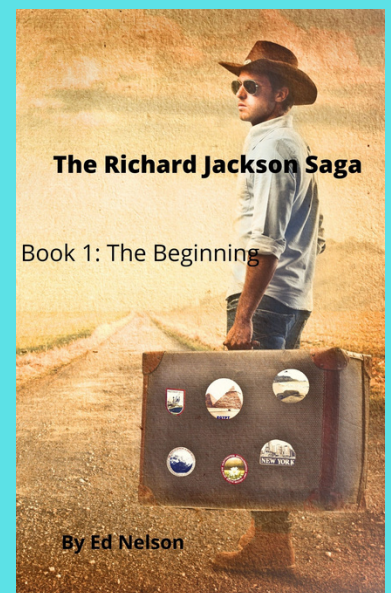


Editing the book
As you are writing the book some editing occurs. It may be you catching a typo or punctuation error. More often to me it is the Grammarly professional editing suite pointing out errors.

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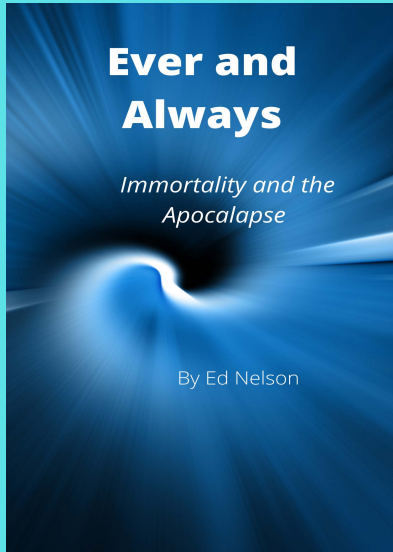
Book 1: The Beginning

Bank robbery, bull riding in the rodeo, a western movie, rustlers, among other events, occur as young Rick is on a cross-country trip, hitchhiking from a small Ohio town to California. This alternate history is of what should have been rather than what has been.



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Recommended Reading



Ever and Always was the first book I wrote. This was eight years ago. Many a word since then and I hope I have improved. This book has a pandemic more like the Black Death or Spanish Flu rather than Covid.

Rick King, a Viet Nam veteran is lost in the final stages of Alzheimer's in a moderate long term care home, when something strange happens. He awakens in a long-term care facility for the indigent. As Rick regains his strength and fights for his stolen life and wealth, elegant Marsha Wren in the exact same situation, joins Rick as they struggle to get their lives back, while they avoid the danger of ending up in a government laboratory.

While regaining their strength and independence they are also growing younger in health and appearance. They have no idea how you

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Editing the book.

- A word of caution on using any editing suite. If used without thought they can change your 'voice.' Voice is how you come across to the reader. You may write in a folksy style and the editor wants to make it more formal. Correct Grammar but not you.
- Also they have a nasty habit of wanting to use kinder words than you need to set the mood. If you type 'bastard' you will be informed that may offend some readers. The program doesn't care if you are talking about a bastard sword or file or a nasty person. Your decision to offend, not to offend or just plain ignore.
- Once I have finished a set of chapters, usually five at a time, I read them out loud to my wife. It is amazing the errors that pop up when you read it to someone. Also continuity errors come to light. I average two errors per chapter. I hope you do better.
- I then correct the so noted errors and send them off to my beta readers. I have five official ones. They find another bunch of errors that the software and I missed.
- Also one of my beta readers is very much into the science. He lets me know when I'm blithely writing the impossible. Who knew that measuring one thousandth of an inch could be so hard. I did it many times a day for years. Of course I had modern instruments. Don't get me started on making steel. You will find internet search to be a friend. I'm trying to keep my science realish. If you are into 'space opera' build your flying machine and get on with it.

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New Series cont.

- I also have other unofficial editors. They are on storiesonline a website where I'm posting Book 1 chapter by chapter. Readers there will send errors they find. Storiesonline has a lot of adult content so approach with caution.
- Another site is Bookapy.com where I'm selling an ARC (Advanced Readers Copy-editing not finished. Those readers also send in corrections.
- When the beta readers have responded I take their suggestions and corrections into account, make them.
- Then the book is sent to my professional editor Morgan Waddle who checks everything once more.
- At that point the book is declared ready for publication.



My web site has been updated. It is better looking and more responsive. Coming soon will be podcast interviews of me and my books.

Check out my website

End Note:

The Krewe is a nonprofit charitable organization that gives scholarships. This year we will give out fourteen scholarships to college, Fire Department and Police Academies, plus Nursing school. This weekend we are sponsoring and appearing at a food truck meet, later a parade at Longwood Ranch. In between will be an Nurses day appearance at Manatee Hospital. Oh the life of a priate for me.

