

A decorative header featuring the name "Tracy Garrett" in a white, cursive font, enclosed within a thick, orange and white braided rope that forms a large, horizontal loop. The background is a dark teal color with a subtle, wavy texture. To the right of the rope loop is a single, vibrant yellow rose with green leaves.

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Greetings!

Summer is here with a vengeance. I haven't been outside in two days – it's just too hot! That's okay, though, because I have more than enough to do at my computer.

My apologies that the newsletter is a little late getting out to you this month. I just returned from the Romance Writer's of America National Convention, a week of networking, workshops, talking and making new friends. TOUCH OF TEXAS' cover was very well received. I can't count the number of times I heard "wow" when someone saw it for the first time. And the postcards disappeared every time I put them out.

I'm on the Publisher's Weekly blog site! On Saturday of the conference, I joined three other writers, Suzanne Welsh, Jo Davis and Sandy Blair, for breakfast with Barbara Vey from Publisher's Weekly. The conversation was delightful. Take a look at the photo on her *Beyond the Book* blog, under "Red Carpet Saturday posted July 14:." [Beyond the Book Blog](#). I just wish my eyes would stay open when the flash goes off!

Remember, you now can pre-order **TOUCH OF TEXAS** at [Amazon.com](#). Tell all your friends. And feel free to forward this newsletter, too. Then your friends, neighbors and family can visit my website, [www.tracygarrett.com](#), and sign up to have the newsletter delivered directly to them.

My July contest is underway on Fresh Fiction, [FreshFiction TracyGarrett July Contest](#). You can sign up for a chance to win a sparkly sun visor and a copy of a hysterical book by the wonderful writer – and my good friend – Jane Graves. If you haven't read any of Jane's books yet, don't miss this one. It is on shelves now.

That's all for now. Have a wonderful summer – and stay cool!

See you next month!

Tracy

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