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**Pirate Novel Wins First Place in Tyler R. Tichelaar Award
for Historical Fiction**

A fast-paced pirate novel has won first place for historical fiction in the Reader Views Literary Awards. “Quintspinner: A Pirate’s Quest” by first-time author Dianne Greenlay is a new action-packed novel of magic rings and high seas adventure.

Shaunavon, Saskatchewan, Canada, and Marquette, Michigan, USA. March 12, 2011—The votes are in, and the winner for First Place in the Historical Fiction category of the 2010 Reader Views Annual Literary Awards for a new novel is Dianne Greenlay’s “Quintspinner: A Pirate’s Quest” (ISBN 9781450233972, iUniverse, 2010).

The annual Reader Views Literary Awards were established to honor writers who self-published or had their books published by a small press, university press, or independent book publisher. Reader Views, a book review and publicity service for authors, is based in Austin, Texas.

“Reader Views reviews more than 2,000 books per year from budding authors who have worked hard to achieve their dream of being published,” Reader Views Managing Editor Irene Watson said. “Our Annual Literary Awards recognize the very best of these up-and-coming authors, all talented writers we know have very promising writing careers ahead of them.”

Dianne Greenlay’s novel “Quintspinner: A Pirate’s Quest” won the Tyler R. Tichelaar Award for Historical Fiction as part of the Reader Views Annual Literary Awards. The award is sponsored by Tyler R. Tichelaar, whose novel “Narrow Lives” won First Place in the Historical Fiction category in 2009. “I wanted to sponsor this award,” said Tichelaar “to encourage writing great historical fiction, and because there are a lack of awards and attention given to historical fiction, despite the intense research and challenges historical fiction authors encounter to create believable, entertaining, and informative novels that allow readers to travel back in time. I was thrilled that ‘Quintspinner’ won this year because it has all the elements of fast-paced adventure fiction with wonderfully developed, believable characters placed against a thrilling historical background to create a true swashbuckling historical journey.”

Reader Views is currently accepting submissions for the 2011 Literary Awards. Entry information, registration forms, and further information can be found online at <http://www.readerviews.com/Awards.html>.



About “Quintspinner: A Pirate’s Quest” and Author Dianne Greenlay

Besides winning First Place for Historical Fiction in the Reader Views Literary Awards, “Quintspinner” was shortlisted for the 2010 Sask Book Awards for Best First Book category, made the shortlist for the Eric Hoffer Award, and has been nominated for the Montaigne Medal. “Quintspinner” tells the story of sixteen-year old Tess Willoughby in 1717 London, who is given a prophetic spinner ring by a mysterious crone who soon after meets her demise. Tess quickly finds herself crossing the Atlantic, en route to the pirate-infested waters of the West Indies. On a journey where family secrets will be revealed, young love found, and shipwreck and a murderous fiancée threaten her well-being, Tess will discover inner strength and a destiny she never dreamed could be hers.

Dianne Greenlay, a retired EMT, holds a bachelor’s degree in physiotherapy, and runs her own physiotherapy clinic. Besides writing fiction, she is an amateur playwright and enjoys directing and acting in community theatre. Greenlay lives in the middle of the land-locked Canadian prairies and, along with her husband, has had many ocean-going adventures. She is currently writing a sequel to “Quintspinner” and plans for the series to be a trilogy.

“Quintspinner: A Pirate’s Quest” (ISBN 9781450233972, iUniverse, 2010) can be purchased through local and online bookstores. For more information, visit www.DianneGreenlay.com. Publicity contact: www.ReaderViews.com. Review copies available upon request.

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