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Room 409, Ghostly Hospital Happenings

Roanoke author Sandra Eubank's haunting new book

In over 35 years of nursing one hears—perhaps even *experiences*—strange events. Every hospital has its own sets of legends, stories of apparitions walking the halls late at night. Sandra Eubank has fictionalized these tales, both chilling and inspirational, in a way you'll not soon forget.

ROANOKE—National publisher Alexander Books announces the forthcoming release in Spring 2006 of **Room 409**, a collection of short stories about ghostly events in Virginia hospitals by Sandra Eubank, wonderfully illustrated by artist Anne Bell. Sandra's over 35 years of hospital nursing in the Roanoke area and her professional writing skill come together in this collection of well-crafted short stories that both thrill and chill.

The fictional hospital in the stories resembles so many real ones. It has its own rumor mill among the employees, efficiently broadcasting the best gossip, setting up the eerie legends and tales that arise as a natural result of long night shifts and of events unexplainable.

Do ghosts really exist? Sandra Eubank expertly weaves a good case in the stories of **Room 409**. Why can some ethereal beings take physical form when they haunt a certain place? Did their surroundings, somehow, absorb their energy at the time of their death?

Throughout her thirty-five years of hospital bedside nursing,

Sandra Eubank has worked as a registered nurse in various specialty areas including neurosurgical units, emergency room, oncology, medical surgery units, and presently works on a busy surgical progressive care unit as a clinical team leader/charge nurse.

Sandra's writing career began in 1982, writing weekly and monthly articles for publications and magazines published within the Roanoke Valley. She is also well known for her murder mystery productions she co-wrote, directed, and produced as ten three-act plays. These productions were performed at country clubs, hotels, and resorts for corporate functions and as fundraisers for nonprofit organizations such as Friends of the Library through the state of Virginia. In 1986, her first science fiction film, "Omm The Conflict"—written, cast, directed, and produced by Sandra was broadcast on Blue Ridge Public Television, PBS.

Sandra's current community service includes co-founding and working with a nonprofit organization, the Blue Ridge-Southwest Virginia Film Office, Inc. The film office was developed to encourage film production in Southwest Virginia and produces the annual Vision Film Festival.

The publisher of **Room 409**—Alexander Books / Creativity, Inc.—is located near Asheville, North Carolina, and has published hundreds of titles for the national bookstore market in its over 27 years of existence. Author Ralph Roberts—who has appeared as a guest at numerous events in Roanoke—is founder and publisher.

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