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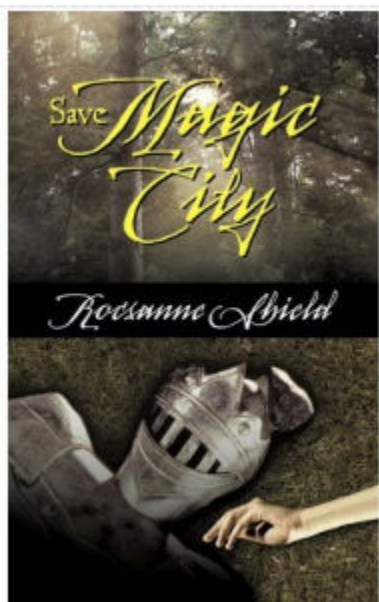
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The Story Behind “Save Magic City”

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While I was working for a big corporation, ten-hour-days seemed the only way of keeping up with the work load. However, after retiring, I got lots of time to look around me and take stock of the changes that had taken place while I worked.

The times we are living-in could have looked fantastic when I was writing the book, but history confirmed my fantasy in the worst way. My example is Detroit. I finished the book for February 2009 when I entered it in a competition organized by Amazon. A year later I heard on the TV something that shocked me.

I wrote about this no-name American city that gets renamed to “Magic City” — a place where there were so many jobless people, that they left town without even trying to sell their homes, for who would have money to take them over? And here they say over the TV that 23, 000 houses are taken over by Detroit City-hall to help them attract new businesses! And I thought I was exaggerating!

I believe firmly that people should help each other when misfortune strikes; the need to put something on paper became an obsession. How to help people in a small community, where the major work supplier left and has taken their living means away?

Leo, eight, needs a father figure, to love and grow to resemble. Edmund fills the role to perfection. Leo is the glue; he unites all the characters around their common goal — to save their town from death.

Squirrel is always there to help with communications among teams. She is a powerful telepath, and finally, through Edmund’s cooperation, she finds the courage to tell everybody about her talent. She stops thinking of herself as a freak and proves her usefulness in the collective effort. At the end, she is the one who finds a way to communicate their dire straights to Edmund. Without her effort, the town’s children would have been left to perish by their abductor.

Raccoon, the oldest of the trio of friends, is calm and ponderous and lives most of the time he is not with his friends in front of a computer. He helps the grownups with their problems with the Internet and sets up the website for their town. He also is the one to find, through the Internet, a lawyer to volunteer his services for the problems that are sure to crop up in their strife for a new, independent life.



The town becomes a unit and they might as well adopt the Musketeers’ logo — one for all and all for one. The children surely live by that. **To read their story, go to my website, www.rocsanneshield.com.** You will find an excerpt of “*Save Magic City*”; if you are intrigued to hear more, you can purchase my book there as well. *Save Magic City* is also available for purchase at Amazon.com and Barnes and Noble.

“*Save Magic City*” is an **excellent book for adults who want to teach their children the importance of caring for each other and the environment they live in.** My book makes great reading and you will, I hope, tell others about it too.

~Rocsanne Shield, Author



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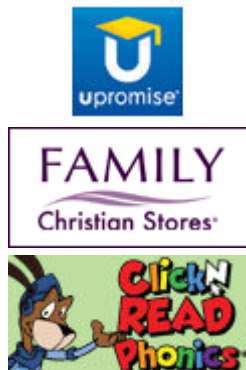
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