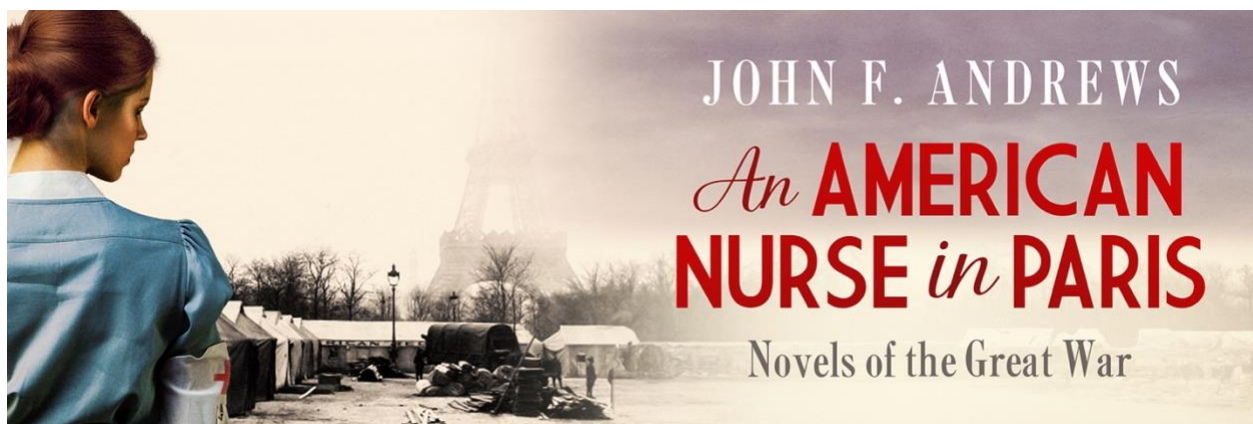
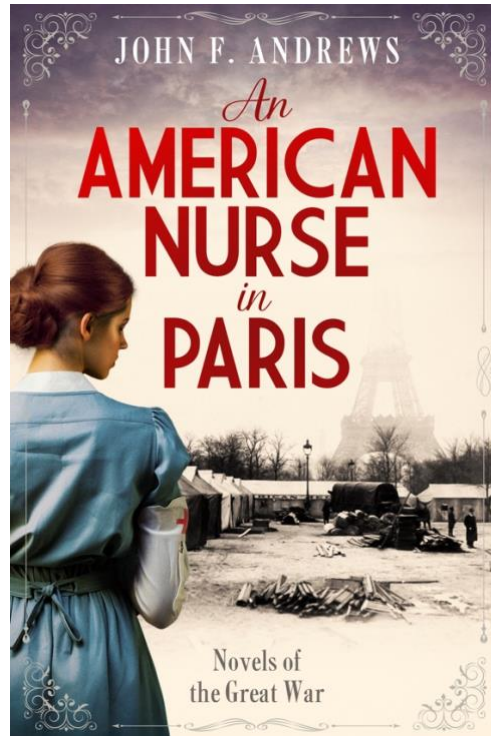


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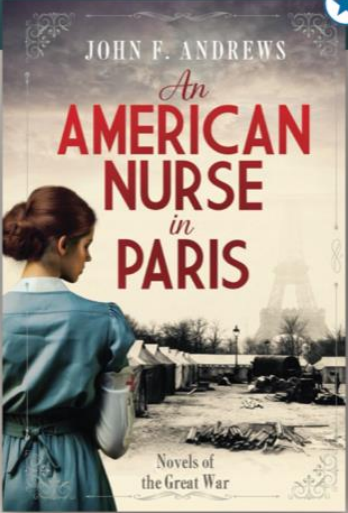


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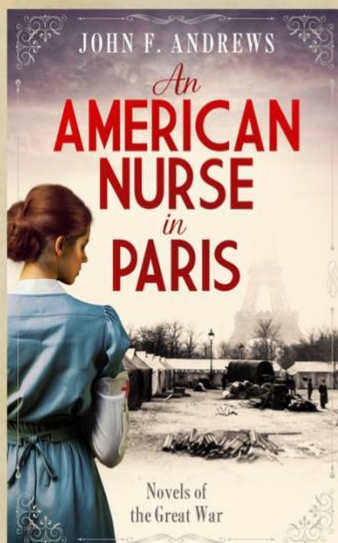


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---Col. William T Anderson, USMC (Ret), author of numerous WWI historical works.

American Nurse in Paris is a great read. I learned a lot about WWI, especially medical care for wounded soldiers and Belleau Wood, the battle that was key in making the Marine Corps what it is today. John Andrews knows the power of story to educate and entertain, how to put readers on the edge of their seats and keep them there with great characters, crisp writing, and rich detail of the time and place. Andrews puts the reader in the sexism of the time side-by-side with a nurse who proves herself more than a match for her antagonists. Andrews did a fabulous job with his debut.

Scott Hibbard, author of *Beyond the River Gila*

John Andrews' extensive research and knowledge of World War I comes through clearly in this fascinating glimpse into a period of American history that Andrews shines a needed light on. He deftly develops his main characters, especially Alice whom I was rooting for throughout. John's medical background as an ER physician adds superb realism to the human costs of war. His secondary characters come alive throughout and the bad guys are very bad, which is very good. This is a sweeping saga of war, sexism, honor, regret, and finally retribution, that you will find hard to put down!

Mike Torreano, award winning author of *Fireflies at Dusk*, and others.

Set in France during World War I, this is an enthralling story of a young nurse's quest to be a war reporter when women weren't welcome at the front. The author—who's a doctor with a son in the U.S. Marines—brings realism to both hospital and battle scenes. The main character Alice Simmons is engaging, stubborn, and ambitious, but we love her because her actions are tempered with a nurse's sensibility and a young woman's vulnerability. She's beset with adversaries, but also allies, all of whom are fascinating characters in their own right. I thoroughly enjoyed every page! I'm looking forward to the promised sequels.

Margaret Rodenberg, award winning author of *Finding Napoleon*.

BLURB

Medical journalist Alice Simmons has one last chance to stay alive in this story of courage, humility, determination, compassion, and hope during the last year of World War One.

Medical journalist Alice Simmons's quest to become a war correspondent careens headlong into a wall of sexism and deceit after her arrival in Paris in 1918. The suave officer in charge of the American Army press office refuses to let Alice leave Paris while her male counterparts scramble to the Front during the German spring offensive. One evening, his misogyny escalates to a drunken assault. Alice manages to fight back, but then her attacker begins a campaign of false accusations to cover his crime.

A nursing position in an American Red Cross military hospital is Alice's only hope to remain in France. It turns into the best scoop of her career. Wounded marines and soldiers from the Battle of Belleau Wood flood her ward. A tragic death amid the human wreckage of war unlocks Alice's compassion and her capacity to love, both long-buried after a childhood tragedy. Her patients' courage inspires Alice's fight to restore her honor. Their plight and compassion open her heart.

SHORT DESCRIPTION

Medical correspondent Alice Simmons turns defeat into the scoop of her career after an assault ends her journalistic ambitions and forces her work as a nurse at an American Red Cross hospital during in 1918.

FROM THE AUTHOR

An American Nurse in Paris is written to honor the American women who went to France to serve during the First World War. It shows how poorly they were treated by the American press corps and the challenges nurses and nursing aids faced. It remembers the Marines and soldiers who fought in the epic Battle of Belleau Wood and shows the aftermath of battle on those wounded in action.

The novel explores the effects of PTSD, resilience, hope, and love—though it is not a romance novel. Themes include honor, courage, commitment, fortitude, compassion, and the bond among comrades, including the nursing and medical personnel.

This award winning novel is ideal for book clubs.



ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Short:

John F. Andrews is the award-winning author of the *Novels of the Great War Series*, including *Our Desperate Hour*, *An American Nurse in Paris*, and *Dogs Don't Cry*. He writes from the perspective of a service family member and critical care physician to craft unique stories based on real events. His characters struggle shoulder-to-shoulder with some of the real heroes of WWI as well as showing the plight of civilians caught in one of the most horrible conflicts in human history. His novels are stories of struggle, survival, hope, resilience, and love.

Expanded:

John F. Andrews began writing fiction in 2012. His novels leverage his fascination with history along with his knowledge and experience as a physician and a Marine Corps father. The latter has given him an intimate understanding of what it is like to be a service family member. It led to an intense interest in the history of the United States Marine Corps and the US Navy medical personnel who provide the medical care for Marines.

Andrews was born in Chicago and raised in Wisconsin and Minnesota. After earning a BA in psychology, he completed medical school at the University of Minnesota. He trained in internal medicine at Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak, Michigan, and then completed a pulmonary medicine fellowship at the University of Chicago. He earned board certifications in Internal, Pulmonary, Critical Care, and Sleep Medicine. After a successful practice in Green Bay, Wisconsin, he and his wife, Sue, moved to Manhattan, Montana. He joined his local volunteer fire department and trained as an EMT and basic wildland firefighter, became its medical officer, and served on the department for seven years. John and Sue moved to Arvada, Colorado, in 2024 where they enjoy family and the magnificent Rocky Mountains.

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