



### **Sarabeth Gordon**

Sarabeth Gordon is currently a stay-at-home mother of three children and an aspiring novelist. She graduated from Florida State University with a degree in Biology and obtained her master of science in pharmacology from the University of Washington. She has taught science and held the position of project manager at a small press. She and her physician husband live in New Orleans after many years in Virginia.

In Spring of 2008, she was hospitalized for four days due to a CA-MRSA infection in her nasal passage. Outpatient management failed after five days of treatment with four different antibiotics in combination. She was released from the hospital when her white blood cell count reached normal range. After having an MRSA infection, which caused massive swelling of her face (back to normal with the exception of altered cartilage inside her nose), she focused on three memories: (1) the pain associated with treating the infection (2) the exhaustion she experienced due to the medications she was prescribed (3) the preventative measures she took to protect her children and husband from MRSA.