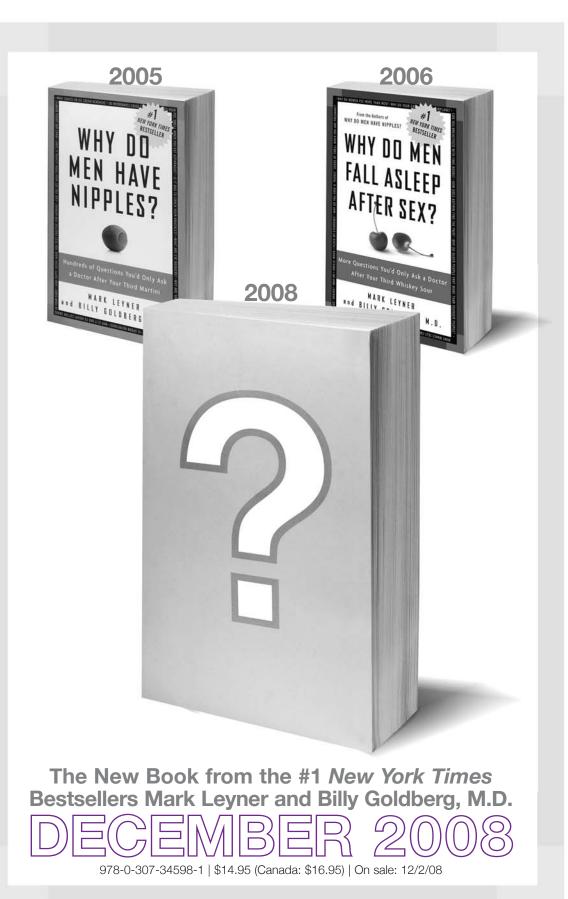


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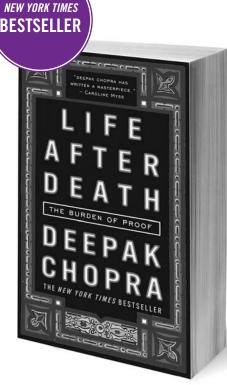
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Life After Death

The Burden of Proof

Deepak Chopra



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Online Promotion

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- · Advertising on movie sites
- Advertising on New Age-interest sites
- Promotion through author's site and newsletters, DeepakChopra.com
- Google Adwords campaign

Also by Deepak Chopra The Path to Love

978-0-609-80153-2 \$14.95 (Canada: \$21.00)

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A Random House AudioBook Abridged, 4 CDs 978-0-7393-3439-3 \$27.95 (Canada: \$36.95) Life After Death provides insight and optimism—with Deepak Chopra's accessible style and innovative ideas—for those who wonder what happens to the spirit after the body dies.

n Life After Death, Chopra draws on cutting-edge scientific discoveries and the great wisdom traditions to provide a map of the afterlife. He tells us there is abundant evidence that "the world beyond" is not separated from this world by an impassable wall; in fact, a single reality embraces all worlds, all times, and places.

"It could empower you to live life a little fuller. Maybe forever." —Self

"If I had any doubts about the afterlife, I don't have them anymore. Deepak Chopra has cast his inimitable light on the darkened corners of death. I think this is his greatest contribution yet."

—Marianne Williamson, author of The Gift of Change

DEEPAK CHOPRA is the author of more than 50 books translated into over 35 languages, including numerous *New York Times* bestsellers in both the fiction and nonfiction categories. Chopra's Wellness Radio, which focuses on success, love, sexuality and relationships, well-being, and spirituality, airs weekly on Sirius Stars. He is founder and president of the Alliance for a New Humanity and can be contacted at DeepakChopra.com. *Time* magazine heralds Deepak Chopra as one of the top 100 heroes and icons of the century, and credits him as "the poet-prophet of alternative medicine."

SEE PAGE 106 IN THE FALL 2008 CROWN CATALOG FOR DETAILS ABOUT DEEPAK CHOPRA'S NEW BOOK Why is god laughing?



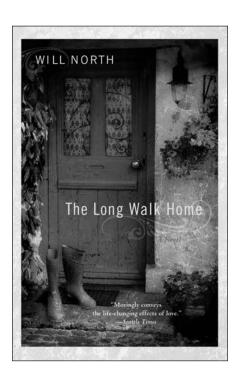
Self-Help (SEL000000) 5³/₁₆ x 8; 304 pages ISBN/EAN: 978-1-4000-5235-6 \$14.95 paper (Canada: \$16.95) On Sale 9/16/08

All Rights: Crown Pub History: A Harmony hardcover (Fall 2006) 978-0-307-34578-3

The Long Walk Home

A Novel

Will North



National Publicity

Online Promotion

- USA Today online campaign
- Google Adwords campaign

Novel Thoughts Title

Book includes discussion guide and behind-the-book bonus material

Discussion Guide Available Online at CrownReads.Com

Outreach to Book Group Coordinator List

A Random House eBook 978-0-307-40557-9

A lyrical story about the many faces of fidelity and the triumph of love and faith over loss, set in an isolated mountain town outside of London.

hen American Alec Hudson strides up the lane to Fiona Edwards's farmhouse bed-and-breakfast in the remote mountains of North Wales, both their lives are forever altered. He is carrying the ashes of his late wife, honoring her last request that he scatter them atop a peak they had climbed years earlier. As Alec waits for the weather to clear, he and Fiona are drawn together by loss and longing.

This is the story of a man and a woman struggling with the agonizing complexities of fidelity—to a spouse, to a moral code, to themselves, and to a passionate love neither thought would ever come again.

"Movingly conveys the life-changing effects of love between two middle-aged people with a lot of unshared history." —Seattle Times

"If Nicholas Sparks set a novel in North Wales, it would read a lot like this."

—Publishers Weekly

"With its exploration of love at midlife, this debut novel will remind readers of the megahit *Bridges of Madison County."*—Booklist

"North's bittersweet, romantic novel has invited some early comparisons with the bestselling work of Nicholas Sparks and Robert James Waller." —Seattle Post-Intelligencer

WILL NORTH is the award-winning ghostwriter of half a dozen nonfiction books. He divides his time between Seattle and Britain. This is his first novel.



Fiction (FIC000000) 5³/₁₆ x 8; 320 pages ISBN/EAN: 978-0-307-38303-7 \$13.95 paper (Canada: \$15.95) On Sale 5/13/08

British: Crown

Translation: International Creative Management

First Serial: Crown Audio: Crown

Pub History: A Shaye Areheart Books hardcover (Fall 2007) 978-0-307-38302-0

"As sweet and funny and sad and true and heartfelt a memoir as one could find."

—Augusten Burroughs, author of Running with Scissors, from the foreword

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my life with asperger's

For fans of Oliver Sacks, parents of children on the autism spectrum, and anyone interested in the workings of the human mind—the moving, slyly funny story of growing up with Asperger's syndrome (a form of autism) at a time when the diagnosis didn't exist and of Robison's journey from his world into ours.

"Engaging in its understated humor... Emotionally gripping."

—Chicago Tribune

"Deeply felt and often darkly funny...a delight."
—People (Critic's Choice)

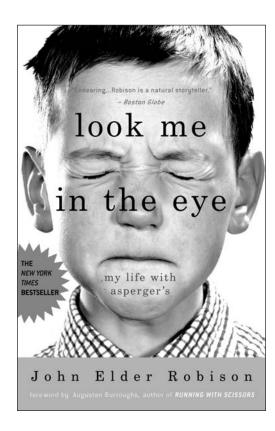
"A fantastic life story told with grace, humor, and a bracing lack of sentimentality."

by John Elder Robison

New York Eimes BESTSELLER

"Endearing...often drolly funny... Robison is a natural storyteller."

—Boston Globe



JOHN ROBISON lives with his wife and son in Amherst, Massachusetts—next door to his brother, Augusten Burroughs. His company, J. E. Robison Service, repairs and restores fine European automobiles.

National Publicity

Tie-In with Author's Appearance/Lecture Schedule

Advertising New York Times

Online Promotion

- · New York Times online campaign
- Advertising on CNN.com
- Promotion on author's website, JohnRobison.com
- E-blast to mommy blogger list
- · Google Adwords campaign

Outreach to Autism and Asperger's Awareness Groups Via the Author's Connection at Autism Speaks

Outreach to Therapists and Special Education Programs

Discussion Guide Available in Book and Online at CrownReads.Com

Mailing to Book Group Coordinator List

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978-0-307-45118-7 Easel-Backed Poster (no charge)

A Random House AudioBook 978-0-7393-5768-2 Abridged, 5 CDs \$29.95 (Canada: \$37.95)



Autobiography—Personal Memoirs/Psychology & Psychiatry (BIO026000) $5^3/_{16}$ x 8; 304 pages ISBN/EAN: 978-0-307-39618-1 \$14.95 paper (Canada: \$16.95) On Sale 9/9/08

All Rights: Crown

Pub History: A Crown hardcover (Fall 2007) 978-0-307-39598-6

AUGUST

The Good Teen

Rescuing Adolescence from the Myths of the Storm and Stress Years
Richard M. Lerner, Ph.D.

Groundbreaking Research Reveals Everything You Think You Know About Teens Is Wrong

THE GOOD TEEN

Rescuing Adolescence from the Myths of the Storm and Stress Years



RICHARD M. LERNER, PH.D.

National Publicity

Tie-In with Author's Appearance/Lecture Schedule

Online Promotion

- Advertising on parenting blogs
- Outreach and promotion to parenting resource websites
- Google Adwords campaign

Who says the teen years have to be terrible? Not acclaimed academic researcher Richard Lerner.

or parents who want to ensure the teen years are less troubled and more fulfilling than ever imagined, *The Good Teen* provides a much needed reexamination of contemporary adolescence and a visionary call to action. Drawing on his decades of experience working with teens, Richard Lerner defies current societal thinking: Teens are not inherently difficult or deficient, nor are the teen years by necessity ones of storm and stress. Teens are not problems to be fixed, but resources to be developed.

"The most prolific developmental psychologist of our era has distilled his decades of insight into...a very accessible analysis of adolescence." —Graham Spanier, Ph.D., president of Penn State University

"There is no one in America today who understands teenagers better than Richard Lerner. The Good Teen overflows with gemlike insights based on Lerner's own groundbreaking research, his 'positive youth' perspective, and his own experience as a caring and successful parent. Readers will find lots of useful advice about questions that arise everyday in contemporary family life."

—William Damon, author of *The Moral Child*, Professor of Education, and director of Stanford Center on Adolescence,
Stanford University

"With unchallengable research and analysis, Dr. Richard Lerner's terrific and very important book, *The Good Teen*, totally refutes and rejects the fear and demonization of teenagers so prevalent in America today."

—Former U.S. senator Fred Harris, Chair of the Board of Trustees, Milton S. Eisenhower Foundation

RICHARD M. LERNER is the Bergstrom Chair in Applied Developmental Science and the director of the Institute for Applied Research in Youth Development, Eliot-Pearson Department of Child Development, Tufts University.



Family & Relationships—Parenting (FAM034000) 53/16 x 8; 272 pages ISBN/EAN: 978-0-307-34758-9 \$14.95 paper (Canada: \$16.95) On Sale 8/5/08

All Rights: Crown Pub History: A Crown hardcover (Fall 2007) 978-0-307-34757-2

TRP RIGINAL

AUGUST

Juicy Pens, Thirsty Paper

Gifting the World with Your Words and Stories, and Creating the Time and Energy to Actually Do It

SARK



National Publicity

National Radio Campaign

6-City Author Tour

Atlanta

Charlotte, NC

Chicago

Madison, CT

Portland, OR

San Francisco

Tie-In to Author's Lecture Appearances and Fan Base

Online Promotion

- Advertising on writer resource websites
- Promotion on author's website,
 PlanetSARK.com, and MySpace page,
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Buzz Mailing to List of Writing Teachers

Also by SARK

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- How to find true inspiration in people and ordinary things around you to fuel your writing
- · Ways to create time to write despite a full schedule
- · How to keep experiencing writing as fun and joy-filled
- How to skillfully work with the "bad writing blues" and other types of writing resistance and use them to your advantage
- · Ways to develop your unique writer's voice

For anyone who knows that a writer lives within but doesn't know how or where to start; for writers who need new ways to work past their blocks and be reinspired; for anyone who loves SARK's wise words and art, *Juicy Pens, Thirsty Paper* will help start the ink flowing and keep it going.

SARK (Susan Ariel Rainbow Kennedy) is the author and artist of fifteen bestselling books. She is an acclaimed speaker and teacher and is the CEO and founder of Planet SARK, a thriving business that promotes empowered living. SARK lives in San Francisco. Visit her at PlanetSARK.com.



Self Help—Creativity (SEL009000) 8 x 8; 192 pages; full-color illustrations throughout ISBN/EAN: 978-0-307-34170-9 \$18.95 paper (Canada: \$22.00) On Sale 8/5/08

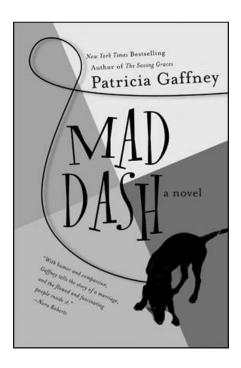
British: The Creative Culture Translation: The Creative Culture First Serial: Crown Audio: The Creative Culture

AUGUST

Mad Dash

A Novel

Patricia Gaffney



National Publicity

Advertising BookPage

Online Promotion
Google Adwords campaign

Discussion Guide Available in Book and Online at CrownReads.com

A strong, poignant, and hilarious work of commercial women's fiction by Patricia Gaffney, New York Times best-selling author of The Saving Graces, about what happens when opposites don't attract anymore and a long-married couple must find their way back to each other.

"Both touching and funny, Mad Dash is an intimate view—
through the eyes of characters who resonate—of the
human heart."
—Nora Roberts

"A good-humored story of a marriage...So much fun."

—Boston Globe

"A book just long and sweet enough to get you through the night."

—Good Housekeeping

"Vividly set and we actually come to care about these two diametrically opposed veterans of 20 years together... Gaffney has a blunt and convincing insight into her characters.... We definitely want to hang around to see how the pieces finally end up on the matrimonial chessboard."

—Washington Post

"A fun, light, well-written novel and likely to resonate."

—Tampa Tribune

"Gaffney's books are always heartfelt and wise—but most of all, laugh-out-loud funny—and this one is my favorite yet!" —Janet Evanovich

PATRICIA GAFFNEY is the author of the novels *The Goodbye Summer, Flight Lessons, Circle of Three,* and *The Saving Graces.*



Fiction (FIC000000) 5³/₁₆ x 8; 368 pages ISBN/EAN: 978-0-307-38212-2 \$13.95 paper (Canada: \$15.95) On Sale 8/5/08

British: Writers House Translation: Writers House First Serial: Crown Audio: Writers House

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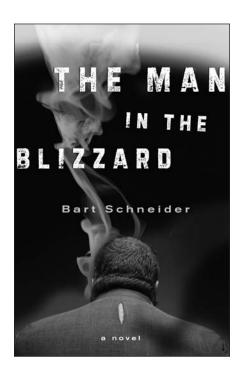
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AUGUST

The Man in the Blizzard

A Novel

Bart Schneider



National Publicity

Author Events

out of Minneapolis and Northern California

Online Promotion

- Advertising on CNN.com
- Advertising in Shelf Awareness e-newsletter
- Outreach to liberal blogger list
- Google Adwords campaign

Finished Book Mailing to Minneapolis Stores

Promotion at Mystery Conventions

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A Random House eBook 978-0-307-45012-8

Also by Bart Schneider Beautiful Inez 978-1-4000-5443-5 \$14.00 (Canada: \$21.00) In the dog days of summer, just as the Republican National Convention comes to town, private investigator Augie Boyer learns how far a fringe political group will go to force their agenda in this rollicking topical novel for this or any political season.

pothead private eye Augie Boyer is out of sorts. He's been smoking too much *Pontchartrain Pootie* and scarfing down an excess of fried food. He can't stop thinking of his therapist wife, who left him for another therapist, and despite the best efforts of his new girlfriend, Erica, Augie's testosterone levels have sunk lower than the winter temperatures of Minneapolis.

One day, a beautiful blond violinist with multiple personalities walks into Augie's office. She draws him into a complex case that involves neo-Nazi violin collectors, mind-control specialists, and a mass of antiabortion activists, who've come to the Twin Cities for a huge rally to coincide with the Republican National Convention.

When Augie uncovers a plot to kill three abortion doctors in connection with the rally, he needs all the help he can get. Detective Bobby Sabbatini of the St. Paul Police Department, a rabid poetry evangelist, and Agent Francis Synge, a charming, black-Irish master of code, are by his side, along with his assistant Blossom, a spike-haired ex-con. But when Augie's only child, the radical singer-songwriter Minnesota Rose, arrives to sing at a protest rally, he realizes how dangerously close to him the threat has come.

With *The Man in the Blizzard*, Bart Schneider delivers a politically charged novel imbued with great wit and warmth.

BART SCHNEIDER is the author of the novels *Blue Bossa*, a finalist for the *Los Angeles Times* Book Prize; *Secret Love*, a *New York Times* Notable Book of the Year; and *Beautiful Inez*.



Fiction—Literary (FIC019000) 5³/₁₆ x 8; 336 pages ISBN/EAN: 978-0-307-23813-9 \$14.95 paper (Canada: \$16.95) On Sale 8/5/08

British: Crown Translation: Marly Rusoff & Associates First Serial: Crown Audio: Crown

AUGUST

Letters to a Young Teacher

Jonathan Kozol

JONATHAN KOZOL

LETTERS TO A
YOUNG TEACHER

THE NATIONAL BOOK AWARD-WINNING
AUTHOR AND EDUCATOR CENTLY LEADS
A FIRST-YEAR TEACHER INTO "THE JOYS
AND CHALLENGES AND PASSIONATE
REWARDS OF A BEAUTIFUL PROFESSION"

National Publicity

Tie-In with Author's Appearance/Lecture Schedule

Advertising
New York Times

Online Promotion
Google Adwords campaign

Cross-Promotion with Author's Group, Education Action

A Random House eBook 978-0-307-40570-8

Also by Jonathan Kozol The Shame of the Nation 978-1-4000-5245-5 \$14.95 (Canada: \$21.00)

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—Los Angeles Times

"Every citizen who cares about the future of our children ought to read this." —Eric Carle, author of The Very Hungry Caterpillar

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—Howard Zinn, author of A People's History of the United States

JONATHAN KOZOL is the National Book Award—winning author of *Death at an Early Age, The Shame of the Nation,* and *Savage Inequalities*. He has been working with children in their inner-city schools for more than 40 years.



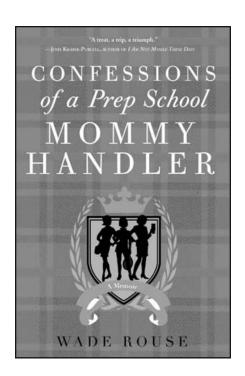
Education (EDU014000) 5³/16 x 8; 304 pages ISBN/EAN: 978-0-307-39372-2 \$12.95 paper (Canada: \$14.95) On Sale 8/5/08

British: Janklow & Nesbit Associates Translation: Janklow & Nesbit Associates First Serial: Janklow & Nesbit Associates Audio: Crown

Confessions of a Prep School Mommy Handler

A Memoir

Wade Rouse



National Publicity

Online Promotion

- Advertising on The Book Reporter Network
- E-blast to book group enthusiasts
- E-blast to mommy blogger list
- · Google Adwords campaign

Buzz Mailing to Private Schools

David Sedaris meets The Nanny Diaries in this hilarious chronicle of critically acclaimed author Wade Rouse's tenure as the "mommy handler" at one of the country's top prep schools.

hen Wade Rouse—a rural, public school graduate who grew up more *Hee Haw* than *Dynasty*—was hired as the director of publicity at a prestigious prep school, he quickly discovered his real job was to make the very pretty, very rich, very mean mommies of the elite students very happy.

Following a year in the life of the super rich and super spoiled, *Confessions of a Prep School Mommy Handler* is hilarious, heartbreaking, and deliciously catty.

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| 'Humor and | pathos | Prada | meets <i>Pret</i> |)." | —Out |

"Funny." —Entertainment Weekly

"Another wincingly funny memoir from Rouse...

Deliciously fun." —Kirkus Reviews

"A treat, a trip, a triumph." — Josh Kilmer-Purcell, author of I Am Not Myself These Days

WADE ROUSE is the author of America's Boy: A Memoir and has worked in public relations for some of the nation's most prestigious private schools, colleges, and universities. He lives in Michigan.



Autobiography (BIO000000) 5³/₁₆ x 8; 272 pages ISBN/EAN: 978-0-307-38271-9 \$13.95 paper (Canada: \$15.95) On Sale 8/12/08

British: Wendy Sherman Associates Translation: Wendy Sherman Associates First Serial: Crown Audio: Crown

Pub History: A Harmony hardcover (Fall 2007) 978-0-307-38270-2

Question from UConn student:
"What do you think of premarital sex?"

"Honestly, that's the worst pickup line I've ever heard."

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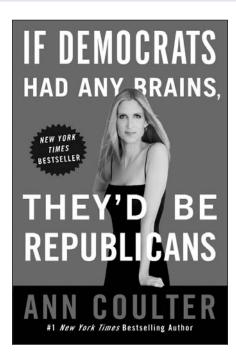
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"What do you say to your critics who claim that you attack liberals just as viciously as you say conservatives are attacked by liberals?

Coulter:
"Our insults are true."

ANN COULTER

New york Times BESTSELLER



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Advertising

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Online Promotion

- Advertising on conservative websites and blogs
- Google Adwords campaign

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978-1-4000-4952-3 \$14.95 (Canada: \$22.95)



Current Affairs—Quotations (REF019000) 5³/₁₆ x 8; 288 pages ISBN/EAN: 978-0-307-40895-2 \$13.95 paper (Canada: \$15.95) On Sale 8/26/08

British: William Morris Agency Translation: William Morris Agency First Serial: Crown Audio: William Morris Agency Pub History: A Crown Forum hardcover (Fall 2007) 978-0-307-35345-0

AUGUST

My Lobotomy

A Memoir

Howard Dully and Charles Fleming



MY LOBOTOMY

HOWARD DULLY
and
Charles Fleming

National Publicity

Online Promotion

- Advertising on Newsweek.com
- Promotion on CrownReads.com
- Promotion on website, MyLobotomy.net
- Google Adwords campaign

Buzz Mailing to Book Group Coordinators and Appropriate Special Interest Groups "Chilling. Intriguing...one of the saddest stories you'll ever read." —William Crimes, New York Times

t twelve, Howard Dully was guilty of the same crimes as other boys his age: he was moody and messy, rambunctious with his brothers, contrary just to prove a point, and perpetually at odds with his parents. Yet somehow, this normal boy became one of the youngest people on whom Dr. Walter Freeman performed his barbaric transorbital—or ice pick—lobotomy.

"Compelling." — Washington Post

"Inspiring." —USA Today

"Powerful." —San Franisco Chronicle

"Vital...It's a voice to crash a server, and to break your heart."

—Cleveland Plain Dealer

"Dully shows that regardless of what happened to his brain, his heart and soul are ferociously strong."

—Chicago Sun-Times

"Plain-spoken, heart wrenching memoir..."

—San Jose Mercury News

HOWARD DULLY is now a school bus driver who lives happily with his wife in San Jose, California.

CHARLES FLEMING is a journalist and coauthor of several *New York Times* nonfiction bestsellers. He lives in los Angeles.



Biography & Autobiography—Personal Memoirs (BIO026000) $5\frac{9}{16} \times 8$; 288 pages ISBN/EAN: 978-0-307-38127-9 \$13.95 paper (Canada: \$15.95)

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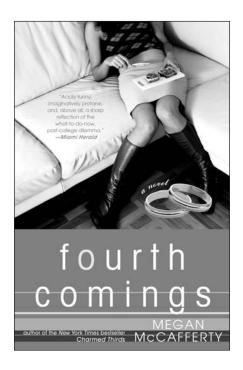
Pub History: A Crown hardcover (Fall 2007) 978-0-307-38126-2

New York Eimes BESTSELLER

Fourth Comings

A Novel

Megan McCafferty



getting better as Jess gets older....Acidly funny, imaginatively profane, and, above all, a sharp reflection of the what-do-I-do-now, post-college dilemma."

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"Megan McCafferty's hilarious coming-of-age novels are

rom the author of *Sloppy Firsts*, *Second Helpings*, and *Charmed Thirds* comes the fourth book in the series starring the charming, unflappable Jessica Darling—now nearly grown-up and graduated from college. As she takes on New York City, her first job, dating, and a marriage proposal, her piercing wit and signature spontaneity are in full swing as she goes kicking and screaming into adulthood.

"Judy Blume meets Dorothy Parker."

—The Wall Street Journal

"McCafferty looks at travails with humor as well as heart."

—People

MEGAN M^cCAFFERTY is the *New York Times* bestselling author of the Jessica Darling series. She lives in New Jersey.

National Publicity

Advertising

College newspaper ad campaign

Online Promotion

- · Advertising on People.com
- Promotion on author's website, MeganMcCafferty.com
- Google Adwords campaign

Also by Megan McCafferty

Sloppy Firsts 978-0-609-80790-3

\$13.95 (Canada: \$21.00)

Second Helpings 978-0-609-80791-0 \$13.95 (Canada: \$17.95)

Charmed Thirds

978-1-4000-8043-4 \$13.95 (Canada: \$17.95)



Fiction (FIC000000) 61/8 x 91/4; 320 pages ISBN/EAN: 978-0-307-34651-3 \$13.95 paper (Canada: \$15.95) On Sale 8/26/08

British: Joanna Pulcini Literary Management Translation: Joanna Pulcini Literary Management First Serial: Crown Audio: Crown

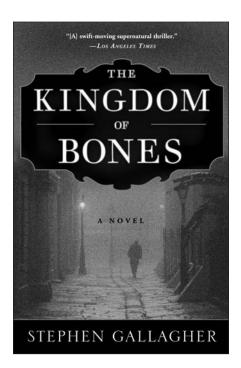
Pub History: A Crown hardcover (Fall 2007) 978-0-307-34650-6

SEPTEMBER

The Kingdom of Bones

A Novel

Stephen Gallagher



National Publicity

Online Promotion

- USA Today online campaign
- · Advertising in ShelfAwareness e-newsletter
- Google Adwords campaign

Unfolding across 15 years and two continents, The Kingdom of Bones is a modern psychological thriller with the pace and energy of Victorian sensational fiction.

he haunting story of Tom Sayers, a former boxing champion who must continue to fight—to clear his name after a series of gruesome murders, for the heart and soul of a leading lady, and to uncover the truth behind a legend as old as evil itself.

"[A] highly addictive, highly creepy novel about a serial killer in the 19th-century...Gallagher pulls it off with genuine skill. The chance of immortality and the occult are compelling and deftly handled...and no reader will be let —Richmond Times-Dispatch down by the ending."

"If thriller-reading were a sin, Stephen Gallagher would be responsible for my ultimate damnation."

—Dean R. Koontz

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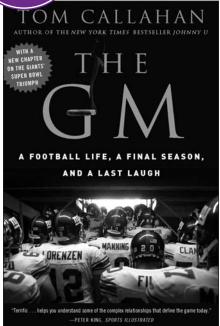
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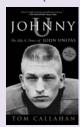
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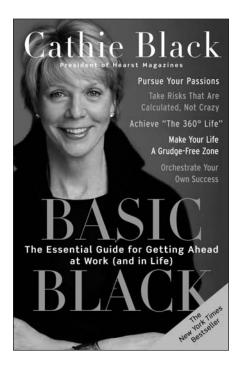
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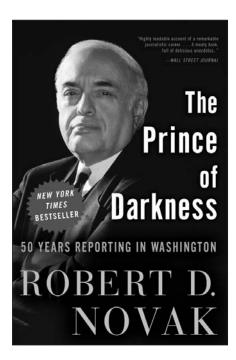
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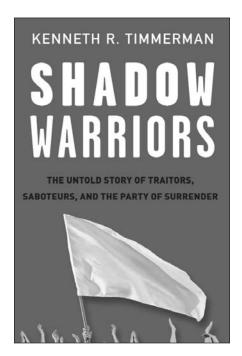
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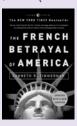


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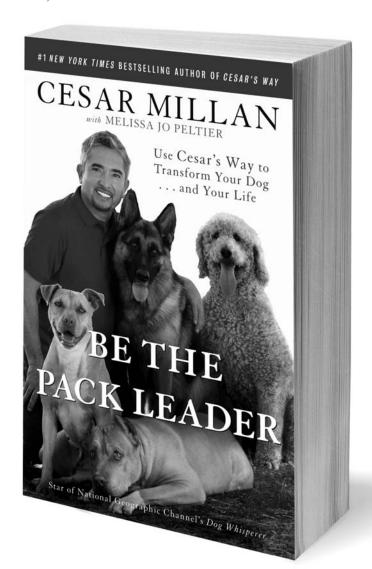
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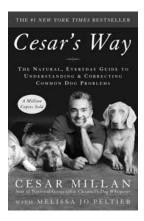
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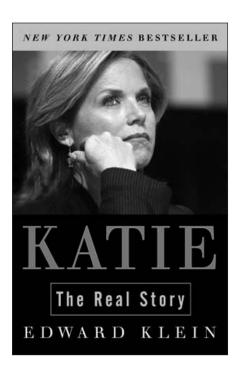
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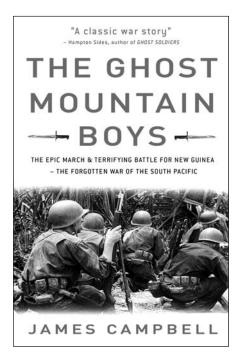
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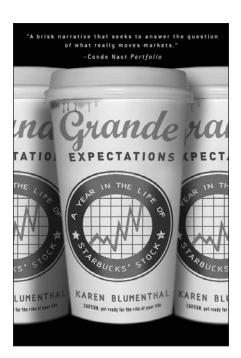
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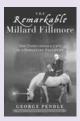
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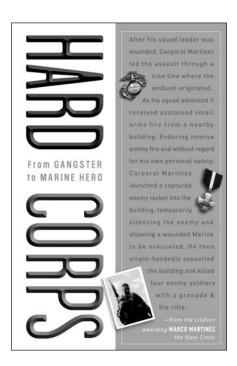
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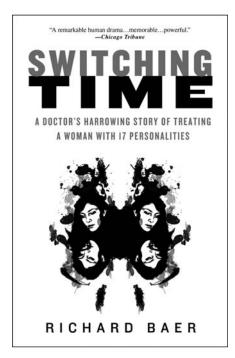
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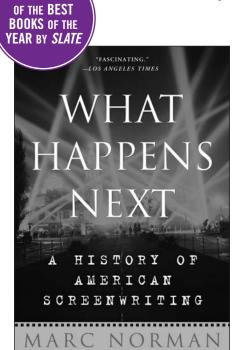
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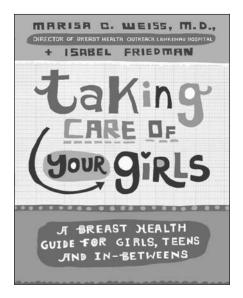
TRP RIGINAL

SEPTEMBER

Taking Care of Your Girls

A Breast Health Guide for Girls, Teens, and In-Betweens

Marisa C. Weiss, M.D., Director of Breast Health Outreach, Lankenau Hospital, and Isabel Friedman



National Publicity

Tie-In with Author's Appearance/Lecture Schedule

Online Promotion

- USA Today online campaign
- Cross-promotion with author's websites, BreastHealth.com and BreastCancer.org
- Advertising on female interest sites
- E-blast to health teacher list
- Google Adwords campaign

Buzz Mailing to Middle School Guidance Counselors, Girl Scout Troops, and Appropriate Special Interest Groups via Author's Connections

Masthead Mailing to Teen Magazines

A Random House eBook 978-0-307-45015-9

Also by Marisa C. Weiss, M.D. Living Beyond Breast Cancer 978-0-8129-3066-5 \$17.00 (Canada: \$26.00) A pioneering, comprehensive guide to breast health for girls eight to eighteen, and their moms, written by a nationally acclaimed oncologist and her teenage daughter.

oes a training bra help your breasts grow? Are they always going to be pointy and uneven? Is it safe to use antiperspirants and cell phones? Does all that breast cancer stuff on TV apply to me?

For millions of girls, questions like these are a big part of growing up. Finding reliable, straightforward information can be a challenge—for girls and their moms too. In *Taking Care of Your Girls*, Dr. Marisa Weiss and her 18-year-old daughter, Isabel, offer open and honest answers to the questions girls have about their breasts. Dr. Weiss shares the knowledge she's gained as a woman, a mother, and a doctor. Isabel provides a girl's-eye view, giving girls an "in her words" look at being a teen and the daughter of two doctors.

In the same vein as the groundbreaking *Deal with It!* and *Our Bodies, Ourselves*, this guide provides a safe place for girls and their mothers to find answers to all their questions about breast health and development.

DR. MARISA C. WEISS is the president and founder of BreastCancer.org. She currently practices at Lankenau Hospital, where she serves as director of Breast Radiation Oncology and director of Breast Health Outreach.

Her daughter, **ISABEL FRIEDMAN**, is an 18-year-old high school senior at the Friend Central School in Wynnewood, Pennslyvania. She will start college at the University of Pennsylvania in the fall of 2008.



Health & Fitness—Women's Health (HEA024000) 7³/₈ x 9¹/₄; 256 pages; 25 two-color illustrations ISBN/EAN: 978-0-307-40696-5 \$15.95 paper (Canada: \$18.95) On Sale 9/30/08

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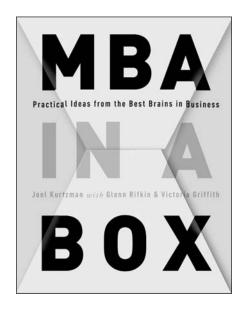
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SEPTEMBER

MBA in a Box

Practical Ideas from the Best Brains in Business

Joel Kurtzman with Glenn Rifkin and Victoria Griffith



National Publicity

Online Promotion

- Advertising on CareerBuilder.com
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JOEL KURTZMAN has been a *New York Times* reporter and editor, the editor of *Harvard Business Review*, the founder of *Strategy and Business*, and senior partner for thought leadership at PricewaterhouseCoopers. He is now chairman of the Kurtzman Group, a consulting and advisory firm.



Business & Economics(BUS000000) 7 x 9; 448 pages ISBN/EAN: 978-0-307-45158-3 \$19.95 paper (Canada: \$22.95) On Sale 9/30/08

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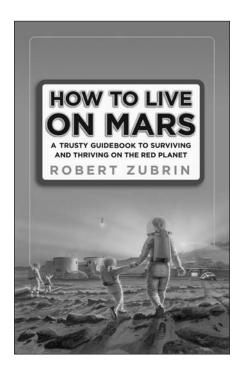
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A Trusty Guidebook to Surviving and Thriving on the Red Planet

Robert Zubrin



National Publicity

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Author Events

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Online Promotion

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- How to profit from the terraforming program (and why global warming will be your friend)
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Science (SCI000000) 5³/₁₆ x 8; 224 pages; 20 black-and-white illustrations ISBN/EAN: 978-0-307-40718-4 \$13.95 paper (Canada: \$15.95) On Sale 10/7/08

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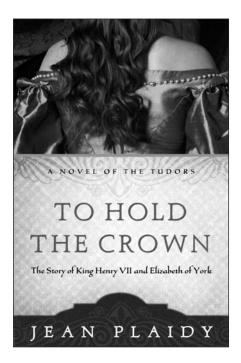
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To Hold the Crown

The Story of King Henry VII and Elizabeth of York

Jean Plaidy



National Publicity

Online Promotion

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Discussion Guide Printed in Book and Available Online at CrownReads.com

A Random House eBook 978-0-307-45017-3

Also by Jean Plaidy The Lady in the Tower 978-1-4000-4785-7 \$13.95 (NCR)

The Rose Without a Thorn 978-0-609-81017-0 \$13.95 (NCR) From bestselling author Jean Plaidy comes the unforgettable story of the couple that launched the Tudor dynasty— Henry VII and Elizabeth of York.

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To Hold the Crown is the first novel of Jean Plaidy's Tudor series. She brings readers inside the world of Henry and Elizabeth—their marriage and rule, heartbreak over the death of their child, and ultimately to the crowning of their son, the infamous King Henry VIII.

JEAN PLAIDY is the pen name of the prolific English author Eleanor Hibbert, also known as Victoria Holt. More than 14 million copies of her books have been sold worldwide.



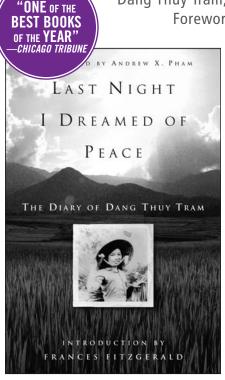
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Last Night I Dreamed of Peace

The Diary of Dang Thuy Tram

Dang Thuy Tram; Translated by Andrew X. Pham Foreword by Frances Fitzgerald



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Online Promotion

- Advertising on Time.com
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FRANCES FITZGERALD covered the Vietnam War for *The New Yorker*. Her resulting book, *Fire in the Lake*, received the Pulitzer Prize.

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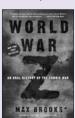
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A Novel

Erika Mailman

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ERIKA MAILMAN had an ancestor who was twice tried for witchcraft. She lives in Gilroy, California, with her husband and daughter.

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Online Promotion

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- Outreach to historical fiction bloggers
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- · Google Adwords campaign

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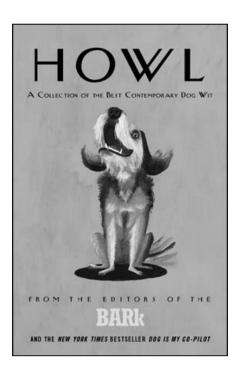
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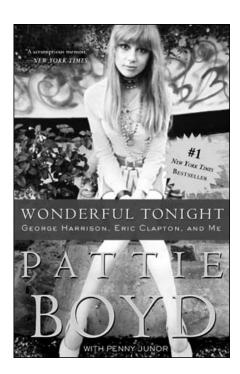


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 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{PATTIE}}$ $\ensuremath{\mathsf{BOYD}}$ is an acclaimed photographer who lives in England.





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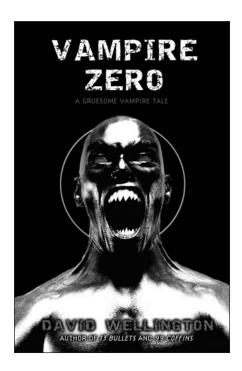
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TRP RIGINAL

Vampire Zero

David Wellington



National Publicity

20-City Radio Satellite Tour

Online Advertising

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DAVID WELLINGTON is the author of *13 Bullets*, *99 Coffins*, and the *Monster Island* trilogy. Visit his website at DavidWellington.net.



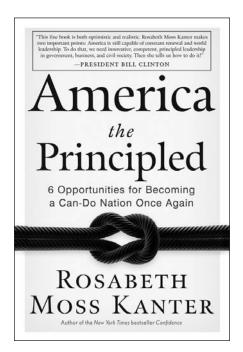
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-Entertainment Weekly

The late JACK VALENTI wrote numerous essays for the New York Times, Washington Post, Los Angeles Times, Reader's Digest, Atlantic Monthly, Newsweek, and other publications.



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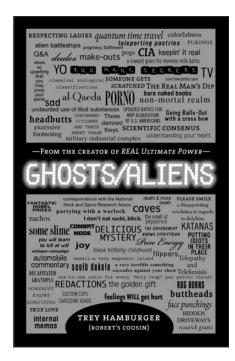
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NOVEMBER

Ghosts/Aliens

Trey Hamburger



National Publicity

20-City Radio Satellite Tour

Online Promotion

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A Random House eBook 978-0-307-45009-8 The X-Files meets The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy meets Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back in a 17-year-old's weeklong investigation into extraterrestrial and paranormal activity—including aliens with flippers and teleporting Hot Pockets!

aturday, October 18, 2008: Trey Hamburger is watching a documentary on crunchy peanut butter with his mom when his best friend, Derek, calls. That Hot Pocket Derek left IN the microwave is now sitting OUT ON THE COUNTER! WITHOUT HIS HAVING MOVED IT! Trey knows what's up. Ghosts and/or aliens.

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TREY HAMBURGER, "cousin" of Robert Hamburger, the author of *REAL Ultimate Power: The Official Ninja Book*, is a high school sophomore from Michigan who wants all the ghosts and aliens to know he's "sick of their shit!"



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AN EXCERPT FROM

Ghosts/Aliens

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DEAR SCIENTISTS OF PLANET EARTH,

The following text may be one of the most important written in the last couple centuries, and could be compared to a Copernical Revolution. In its totality, it comprises a body of evidence so profound that it will numb the human experience beyond comprehension.

OK, on Friday, I and Mike Stevens discovered some major shit.

And we definitely think you guys should know about it. Don't worry, I wouldn't be contacting you unless I was totally sure. Which I am. So far, we talked to everybody we know and THEY don't even know what to say. So hopefully, you people can help out because I got some highly classified information that you guys should be probably telling all your co-workers.¹

For a long time I've been holding this back—I wasn't sure what regular people would think. I know it sounds retarded, but it has something to do with ghosts

and/or aliens. And I'm not talking about the two guys who went looking for UFOs, discovered a pickup FULL of Mexicans, and ended up getting into a huge fight. I'm talking about REAL paranormal activity.

Plus, we might have some devastating evidence that (1) Hawaii isn't really a state and (2) ducks may have more uses than previously thought.

Yeah, totally. That's Mike. He saw the same shit I saw, and he's going to be backing up a lot of the stuff I'm saying.²

What's up.

A lot of intellectuals are probably scoffing right now. That's fine. I totally respect that, and you can eat a dick, but trust me, even though me and Mike don't work at any major scientific institutions or have Nobel Prizes in our closets, we're a couple of earnest motherfuckers. We saw something. And I'm so freaked out about it that if somebody blew their nose loud right now, I'd burst into tears.

I'm not talking about the two guys who went looking for UFOs, discovered a pickup FULL of Mexicans, and ended up getting into a huge fight. I'm talking about REAL paranormal activity.

Don't be a dick.

Look, I'm not saying that you have to reject the whole conception of the universe. I'm just asking you not to be such a dick about ghosts and aliens. Scientists of planet Earth, don't you remember the first time you were like, what the fuck? Don't you want that feeling again?

Well, this is it. I've collected all my studies of the past week for you guys to check out. If you like it, cool, we can start making hypotheses and experimenting together. If not, then don't be surprised when out of nowhere you slip on the floor, and look over only to see a wig sliding toward your face, and you'll just start screaming, wondering why you didn't believe us.

It's like the inventor Bill Telescope. Nobody believed him about his amazing invention until it was too late.

Yeah, totally. Or what about the guy who invented the potato chip. Did anybody know how big they were going to get? Everybody thought the idea was preposterous. EVERYBODY. And guess what...they're everywhere now.

So, dude, you got to believe me. If only one simple scientist reads this and realizes that there's some messed up stuff out there, then I did my duty. This may be the most scientific thing I have ever done in my life. My name is Trey Hamburger and I just want to tell the world about some weird shit.

Your future lab partner, Trey Hamburger Leonard, Michigan, 2007 Jeff Trenton's basement (He's cool.)

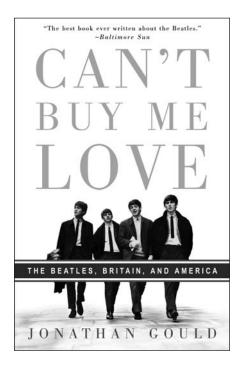
- ¹ I'm sorry to interrupt, but Jeff Swibner, if you're reading this, you're a fucking fag. YOU KNOW WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT. If you're not Jeff Swibner, please disregard.
- ² If one dude told you about something messed up, you'd be like, OK whatever, and that would be it. But if TWO DUDES said the same thing, then even the most reasonable person would be like, yo, this is seriously messed up.

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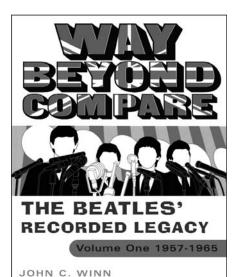
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JOHN C. WINN was born one year after The Beatles disbanded. He has dedicated most of his life to collecting, studying, and enjoying their music.



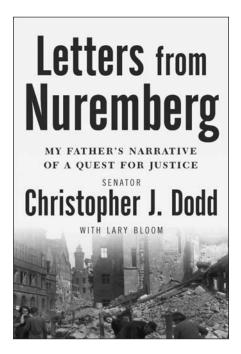
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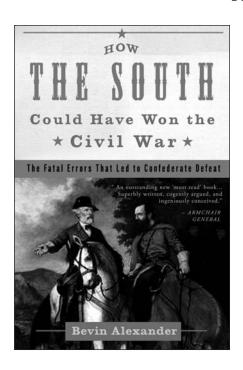
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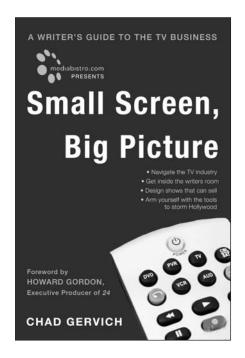
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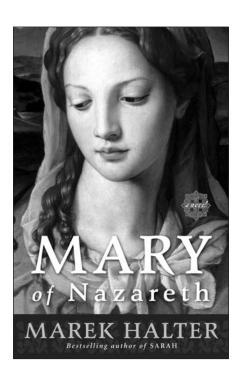
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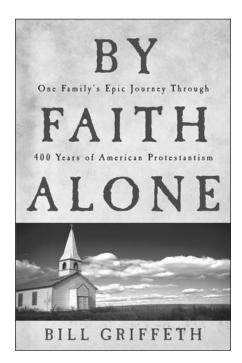
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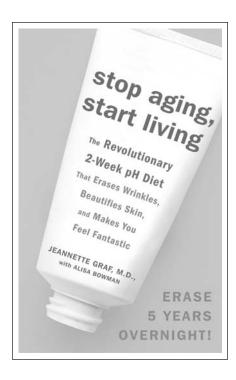
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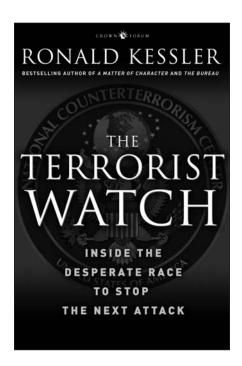
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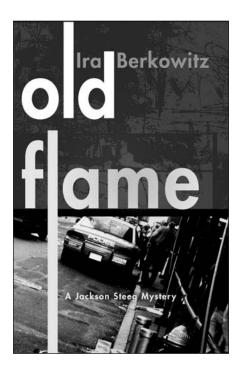
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I WENT INTO MY BEDROOM, opened the drawer of my night table, pulled out a bottle of Aberlour, and the Glock lying beside it. The Glock, like the Aberlour, was a daily test of my resolve and a Steeg family tradition. Aberlour single malt Scotch whiskey was my father's beverage of choice, and his last drink before he jammed his service revolver in his mouth and pasted his brains against the wall. A final toast to a squandered life. Just another Hell's Kitchen nightmare.

I lifted the bottle and turned it in my hand, teasing the cap with my fingers, hypnotized by how the dusky light turned the dark, amber liquid to soft gold. My mouth had turned to sand. I eased the cap off, closed my eyes, and the aroma of

peat mixed with honey and oaken sherry and damp grass made me dizzy.

I stumbled to the bed and sat staring at the bottle, imagining the punch of molten sweetness slamming into the back of my throat and the numbing darkness it brought in its wake. My hands trembled with anticipation.

My gaze fell on the Glock. I picked it up. The Aberlour in my left hand, and the Glock in my right.

Options.

The lady, or the tiger? A sucker's choice. A loser's choice.

I closed the cap tight, put the Glock back in the night table, and stretched out on the bed. Still nestling the bottle against my chest, I dropped into a fitful sleep and I dropped into a fitful sleep and dreamed jumbled, quick-cut, dry-drunk dreams roiling with sinners, their black eyes burning with a mad fire, elbowing their way onto center stage, eager for their star turn.

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Later—minutes, hours? I had no idea—I awoke to the sound of tumblers snapping. Suddenly, my apartment door opened. A small shaft of light knifed into the living room. And just as quickly disappeared. Then, the sound of footsteps—soft, puffy, magnified by the silence—on the wooden floor.

Rubbing the sleep from my eyes I eased the Glock from its drawer and waited. Heart beating like a Gene Krupa drum riff.

I disengaged the safety.

The footsteps stopped. The outline of a man filled the bedroom doorway.

Something in his hand glinted in the dim light filtering up from the street.

I aimed the Glock at his midsection.

He took a shooter's stance.

My finger closed on the trigger and stayed there until the clip emptied.

Like a scrap of paper caught on a rising wind he blew backwards into my living room.

I flipped on the light and walked over to him. He was on his back. His chest shredded. His left leg splayed in an impossible position. The throwaway gun still clenched in his fist.

I knelt down and pressed my index finger to his carotid artery.

No pulse.

I didn't expect any.

The final piece had fallen into place.

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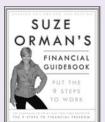


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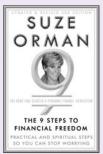
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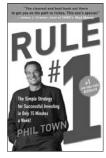
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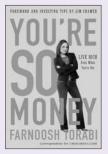
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