You're invited to a champagne and cider party announcing

"Dancing At The Rascal Fair"

Ivan Doig's new Montana book

Meet the remarkable northwest author at

Edmonds Bookshop

Sunday afternoon, October 25th

2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Ivan Doig, Montana-born and now of Seattle, has written "This House of Sky," "Winter Brothers," "Sea Runners," and "English Creek." His new novel, "Dancing At The Rascal Fair," joins "English Creek" in a century-spanning Montana trilogy, a rich tapestry of history, style and story. Please come to our celebration; he will visit with customers and autograph books.
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IVAN DOIG will read portions from the concluding novel in his Montana trilogy at the Edmonds Bookshop on Wednesday evening, October 25th from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

We invite you to meet Mr. Doig and hear him read from this book scheduled for publication next September. Tentatively titled "Ride With Me, Mariah Montana", it continues the story of the McCaskill family of Two Medicine country, whose earlier lives were so richly described in "Dancing At The Rascal Fair" and "English Creek".

Mr. Doig’s reading will begin at 7:30 and he will answer questions and autograph books afterward.

Chairs for early settlers
You are invited to a Winter Celebration...
Join us for three evenings with these outstanding local bookpeople —

Wednesday, November 4, 7-9 p.m.
Award-winning author Ivan Doig will autograph copies of his books. His latest, Dancing at the Rascal Fair, is a unanimous store favorite, and we know you’ll like it, too.

Monday, November 16, 7-9 p.m.
Ted Rand, illustrator of numerous children’s books, including two new titles, Whiffle Squeek and the luminous Knots on a Counting Rope, will autograph books. Mr. Rand will also display original artwork.

Saturday, December 5, 6-8 p.m.
Meet the creator of Seattle’s hottest homocide detective. Mystery writer J.A. Jance will autograph copies of her J.P. Beaumont thrillers (and maybe even hint at Det. Beaumont’s next adventure).

Warm up your wintery evenings with good books, good friends, and some hot spiced cider . . .

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Show an ankle, show a pair,
show what'll make the lasses stare,
dancing at the rascal fair.
Moon and star, fire and air,
choose your mate and make a pair,
dancing at the rascal fair.
IVAN DOIG

Author of This House of Sky, Winter Brothers, The Sea Runners, & English Creek will be autographing and reading selections from his new book

Dancing at the Rascal Fair

PUBLISHED BY ATHENEUM
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Saturday
October 10
6-8 pm

Slagit Bay Books
612 First Street, LaConner, WA 98257
(206) 466-3651
Christina, hi, it's always good to hear what you Village whizzes are up to--

Unfortunately this is one I can't get in on, as Thanksgiving weekend is chockablock for us here at home--it's really sort of our Christmas, with entertaining and seeing people we don't catch up with the rest of the year. So, blessings from afar is the best I can offer, dang it.

I hope it's better news that I'm blazing away on my next book to finish it by the end of the year, and if a comet doesn't fall on New York, Riverhead intends a late summer pub date, I hope August as they've been doing with my stuff.

All good wishes to you and hugs and tickles to Chuck and Dee as well.

--Ivan

On Oct 7, 2014, at 6:02 PM, Village Books Events wrote:

Dear Ivan,
I don't know if you will be in the Bellingham area during Thanksgiving, but we would love for you to join us for to participate in the Indies First program at Village Books on Sat., Nov. 29th. Indies First is a year-round campaign in support of independent bookstores by authors and publishers. Sherman Alexie came up with the idea for writers to support their local indie by volunteering to work at the store on Small Business Saturday last year. Alexie called the appeal "Indies First," and entreated authors to link to an indie to sell their books online. Now, bestselling author Neil Gaiman and musician-author Amanda Palmer are leading the call for their fellow authors to get behind Indies First for the 2014 holiday season. Village Books is excited to participate in this nationwide event.

This year Village Books will be hosting two "Local Authors Recommend for the Holidays" events on Nov. 29th. We will will host an 11am and a 4pm time with three local authors at each. We ask that each author give us 4-5 books that they would like to recommend to the community. It is preferable if the books have been published within the last year, or are classics, or still available (we can check availability). We will have a list of all the authors' books in alphabetical order. Each author will have 2-3 minutes to talk about each book, and why they recommend it. The reviews will be done in alphabetical order, so it will alternate which author is speaking at any given time. We are basing this on the book talks that Chuck & Dee, as well as our store buyers have done. We will have a list of all the books that you talk about available to participants to make notes and take home.

Let me know if you are available and interested in participating in this program? If so, what time would you be available, 11am or 4pm? If you are available for both, let me know, in case someone else does not have flexibility with their schedule.

Thanks for considering being a part of this event this year. Let me know if you have questions or need more clarification. I look forward to hearing back. Hope you and Carol are doing well.
Sincerely,
Christina

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Christina Claassen
Events Coordinator
Village Books
1200 11th Street
Bellingham, WA 98225
360-733-1599
HI, Mark. Picked up the calendars yesterday. thanks a million. And Kathy Z. tried to help me with a book search -- I need a few more copies of hardback Work Song. You have none in stock and the publisher is out, so Kathy suggested you might have magic lists that would turn up what I need. Four, if you can get 'em. Can do?

Best,
Ivan
From: carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>
Subject: Re: Wysocki
Date: October 15, 2013 6:23:35 AM PDT
To: Mark Mouser <mmouser@u.washington.edu>

You betcha, I'll inscribe it when I pick up the calendars.

Best,
Ivan

On Oct 14, 2013, at 4:32 PM, Mark Mouser wrote:

Enjoy the Willows, have heard great things about it.

I forgot to ask- we have a copy of Sweet Thunder that we were supposed to get inscribed for a customer but we blew it. When you come by on the 23rd could you do that for us? I could put the book with the calendars with the inscription info.

Best,
Mark
On 10/14/2013 3:41 PM, carol doig wrote:

Mark, hi--

Great, I'll nab the calendars on the 23rd after my KUOW gig, big thanks for 'em. And I'll get Eileen the comment she wants, I hope tomorrow.

Carol and I had a sensational San Francisco trip, great group of us at the NCIBA gig (Wally Lamb, Kim Stanley Robinson, Hannah Kent) and fine signings for Book Passage, all in marvelous weather. This Wednesday we're off to The Willows, the classy eating place on Lummi Island, for Village Books, wouldn't you know Chuck Robinson would invent something like this.

All best,
Ivan

On Oct 14, 2013, at 1:40 PM, Mark Mouser wrote:

Hi Ivan,

We have the Wysockis for you, and consider them comped. I'll put them on hold for you at the registers- just let them know you are picking up calendars because they're held in a different spot.

I think we could definitely work something out with your backlist. I'll take a look at some numbers on our end. If you are OK with store credit then we can definitely swing a deal.

I'll have to check on the signed stock situation, but I'll let you know and thanks for checking.

Wow what a gorgeous day...
Mark

On 10/9/2013 9:46 AM, carol doig wrote:

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On 10/9/2013 9:46 AM, carol doig wrote:

Hi, Mark--

Well, heck yes, I'm always willing to make a deal with you and UBS. Indeed, we always get two Wycockis, one for our kitchen and the other for that of Linda Bierds and Sydney Kaplan, a Christmas tradition we'd all be dismayed not to have happen. We await whatever you're up to with deep interest.

Speaking of dealing, would you ever be interested in buying some pristine backlist paperbacks of mine that I've had stashed? I'll beat the pants off whatever you're paying publishers, and deliver 'em besides. I believe I have multiple copies of all my stuff; let me know what you think. Could pay me off in store credit, if that'd help.

Incidentally or not, I'll be in your 'hood on Oct. 23, taping a KUOW Steve Scher show about LitCrawl, if you need any stock signed. I did a healthy batch with Michael not that long ago, but am just letting you know my hand is around and available if wanted. Carol and I hope you're enjoying your new booklife--sounds pretty good, guy.

Best,
Ivan

On Oct 7, 2013, at 12:33 PM, Mark Mouser wrote:

Hi Ivan and Carol,
We've had a little confusion over the Wysocki calendar listings, but we believe we have it straightened out. We hope to have them in about a week. You still need two copies? We will make you a deal.

Best,
Mark
Eileen, hi--
I hope this will serve as a brochure quote. Let me know pronto if it's not what you had in mind--leaving town for the rest of the week tomorrow.

"From the very start of my career, when the University Book Store championed This House of Sky with a signing that dazzled this first-time author, ours has been literally an eventful relationship. In store, on campus, off-site, no matter where, the UBS has lent professionalism and enthusiasm to every event for my subsequent fourteen books. It remains a dazzling asset for a writer." --Ivan Doig, author of Sweet Thunder

Best,
Ivan

On Oct 14, 2013, at 12:00 PM, Eileen Harte wrote:

Hi Carol,

I was hoping Ivan might be willing to give us a short quote about his experience doing events with University Book Store. We are creating a new brochure for events and we would love for him to be included. Thanks so much and hope all is well. See you soon.

Eileen

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Eileen Harte
Events and Programs Producer
206-633-6443
University Book Store
5/5/2012

Dear Mr. Doig,

If you are touring for your new book, we would love to have an author event with you at Sunriver Books & Music. You are hugely popular with our readers and staff, in fact we believe you are one of the greatest writers of our time.

It has been my pleasure to meet you at a couple PNBA functions, with the long line of bookellers it is clear my opinion is shared. We would be most honored to have an events Doig event at Sunriver Books & Music. If you are at all interested please contact me at sunriverbooks@sunriverbooks.com or at Sunriver Books & Music 541-593-2525 or at Sunriver Books & Music PO Box 1990, Sunriver OR 97707 or on my cell phone 541-390-3730. It would be grand to hear from you.

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Deon, hi--

Sorry it's taken me such an eternity to respond to your card, but I had to see how my book tour shook down first. The long and short of it is, I can't make it in your direction--there's only so much of me to go around, and I'm finishing up a sequel to Work Song at the same time The Bartender's Tale comes into the world. Near overwhelmed, to put it mildly. Anyway, here's a couple dozen signed bookplates which I hope might help out with The Bartender's Tale--or as my characters sometimes say, can't hurt, could help. Maybe see you at the PNBA again--thanks so much for your interest in my work.

All best,
Zombies to infest Magnuson Park in 5K

By HANNAH LEHMAN, Seattle Times staff reporter

Zombsky shore when it's real too many nates as the taste of the zombie trim.

It is mostly a nuthouse, however, that Seattle's Zombie Run is at Magnuson Park, which received media attention this spring for its reputation as a popular hangout for the undead.

The event, which is scheduled for Saturday, is a zombie run not about humanism. Gnomes run from zombies. Everybody gets in the other way.

More specific it is meets with their beloved fried in their sprints, which zombies help to tip.

Grounded in Philadelphia artform called zombie-related culture and childhood fantasy, the Seattle Zombie Run has seen an explosion of zombie-themed books, movies and television.

When radio host Ed in Philadel- phia, zombies propelled all those of his listeners in the first 20 listeners.

"Of me was so in my mind, I was like, I na know what all the zombies are going on in the first place."

"It's just a common experience I had that day."

"The Seattle Times

‘CMA MUSIC FESTIVAL: COUNTRY'S NIGHT TO ROCK’

First week of the CMA Music Festival in Nashville, Tenn., took a turn for the worse when a group of people were injured.

"The Seattle Times

ON THE ROCK

Meet Seattle's Head Librarian And Other Literary Events

LIT LIFT

By BENJAMIN O'FARRELL

If all things are equal, the city of Seattle is a bit of a literary dreamland, with a number of independent bookstores, a vibrant community of writers and readers, and a strong sense of community and support for the arts.

May 23: Meet Seattle's Head Librarian

Meet Seattle's Head Librarian and other literary events in the Pacific Northwest.

Seattle Times Librarian Marsha Turner will host talks at each branch.

Bendixt, Wendy Call, Adam Scherr, Summer and Carolyn Wright.

APRIL 22: A Panel of Authors and Publishers from the Pacific Northwest (PWN) is hosting a "Springtime Book Party" at 7 p.m. at the Fremont Brewing, Seattle.

May 23: Open submission month at Copper Canyon Press

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Around the Northwest

North Carolina Slides, Storms close highway

The North Carolina Highway that runs through the eastern part of the state is closed indefinitely due to flooding. The flooding has resulted in the closure of several roads and highways in the area.

Kingsgate

Injuries sought in hit-run on I-805

The driver of a vehicle sought for rematch with a pedestrian on I-805 hit three other vehicles and injured three people. The driver is facing multiple charges.

Ashland, Oregon

Radiologic leak at no threat to fish

The radiologic leak at the Ashland facility was determined to be a radiologic leak at the Ashland facility. The facility is being monitored closely.

Swedish gaming

Nouns win $3,000 in lottery

The Swedish gaming company won $3,000 in the lottery. The company plans to use the funds to expand their operations.

Seattle

Man starts fire in photo booth

A man started a fire in a photo booth at a local bar. The incident was handled by the police.

Edmonds

N. Korea detains two US sailors

North Korea has detained two US sailors who were on a spy mission. The US is working to secure their release.

GOOD READS, INDEED.

Choose a new car that helps save the planet — and your wallet. Find a wide selection of hybrid vehicles in the NWautos section of the NWautos section of the newspaper and on NWautos.com.

Coworker

(n.) an essential partner in doing great work; also, a friend.
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 – SEATTLE, WA

NOTE: As discussed, David Laskin will be driving you to and from the following TV taping. (Hooray!)

Driving Directions to KTBC Studios (2320 S. 19th Street, Tacoma) from I-5 South:
Take exit 132B for Washington 16 W toward Bremerton
Take exit 1A for Sprague Avenue
Merge onto South Sprague Avenue
Turn left onto South 19th Street – Destination will be on the left.
Visitor Parking is just off the street in front of the studio’s main entrance.

11:45 am arrival
(Tacoma Public TV)

12:30 PM
NOON – 12:30 PM
Taped in Studio
360-970-9662
Air-Date: TK

INTERVIEW: “WELL READ” / KTBC-TV

2320 S. 19th Street, Tacoma
Coordinator: Mike Bay, 360-725-3981 or
Studio Phone: 253-680-7700
Host: Terry Tazioli

Dress code: The set backdrop is a coffee shop theme, so feel free to dress casually. Because they do not show well on camera, please avoid wearing shirts that are plain white, stripes or plaid.

When you arrive: You can relax in the lobby until either Mike Bay or a colleague comes to get you. A light powder will be applied before taping begins.

Taping format: This interview will run approximately 18 minutes.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 – SEATTLE, WA

Note: You have a space saved for you near the attendant booth of the library’s parking lot.

5:30 PM – 6:30 PM
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Seattle Central Library, 000 Fourth Avenue, Seattle
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Coordinator: Chris Higashi, direct 206-386-4650 or cell 206-898-5316

Chris will meet you in the lobby upon your arrival for this private reception. This event will give Library Foundation and Authors Circle members a chance to chat with you in a casual atmosphere, as well as to have their books signed. No formal remarks are necessary.

7:00 PM
READING & SIGNING
Thanks, Ivan. I’ll pass these on to the Library Foundation. We see Jean Walkinshaw at many Library Foundation events. I’m sure she’s already on our reception list.

All best,
Chris

-----Original Message-----
From: carol doig [mailto:cddoig@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2013 4:48 PM
To: Chris Higashi
Subject: guests

Howdy, Chris. A few more folks to add to the reception guest list, as we've discussed.

FYI, you may remember Jean Walkinshaw as the great documentarian for Channel 9, and Meg Fuell is her daughter and Meg's hubby, Larry, is a poli sci prof and more at Shoreline Community College. Much-traveled, much-connected folks, all three, and great booklovers.

John Findlay is a Pacific NW history prof at UW, served heroically long--2 terms, I think!--as chair of the history dept. Buddy of Richard White. His wife Linda was a stalwart at the U Book Store, although she's not there currently.

And on a name I won't be listing now, Patricia Britton of Book-It told me today one of her board members is on your board and so is already including her in the reception, which I hope you know.

Sorry, my Rolodex is showing its age, no email addresses for these.

Jean Walkinshaw
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Seattle WA 98102  phone (206) 420-1804

Meg and Larry Fuell
924 Mountain Ln.
Edmonds WA 98020  (425)778-7312

John and Linda Findlay
542 NE 83rd
Seattle WA 98115  (206)522-7877

And did I give you the Damborg info? Just in case:

Mark and Lou Damborg
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Seattle WA 98112   (206)322-1969

Best wishes,
Ivan
WASHINGTON CENTER FOR THE BOOK

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The Washington Center for the Book at The Seattle Public Library is devoted to celebrating the written word and to encouraging the exchange of ideas evoked by literature and the humanities.

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QUICK LINKS
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• See also Washington State Book Awards for submission guidelines and a list of award winners.

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Sure, Wendy. If there are any left, I'll sign 'em up for your sell-through. Christmas is coming!

Ivan

On Aug 16, 2012, at 12:47 PM, Wendy Manning wrote:

Hi Ivan,
Well, we ordered 100 of Work Song, and didn't sell through that entire amount for you last event. But, better save than sorry. I'll bring in another 30-40 say?
I'll let Erin know you want to pre-sign and we'll have it set up for you.

Wendy Manning
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-----Original Message-----
From: carol doig [mailto:cddoig@comcast.net]
Sent: Thursday, August 16, 2012 12:36 PM
To: Wendy Manning
Subject: Re: Third Place Books Event

Hi, Wendy. Ivan here. Is 90 enough if over 400 people show up, as they did for my last book? Also, I could sign up whatever extra stock you ended up with. I do want to sign up a hefty amount ahead of time, as some people simply want a signed book instead of an inscribed one, and they can be happily sent on their way. So let's get me into the back room or some place out of sight about half an hour ahead of time. We'll ask for Erin and get on with a great evening. Thanks for getting back to me.

Best,
Ivan
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Fine Books For All Ages
From: "Cheryl McKeon" <cmckeon@thirdplacebooks.com>
Subject: Book sales at Third Place
Date: July 1, 2010 12:55:23 PM PDT
To: <cddoig@comcast.net>
Reply-To: <cmckeon@thirdplacebooks.com>

Hello Carol and Ivan ~
It was such a delight to help launch Work Song Tuesday evening. I wish you the very best in keeping up with the demand for your time, as the book continues to gain the popularity and following that I am sure it will this summer!

Sales of Whistling Season are 425 (paperback) at this point, with 111 sales in May and June alone. As you know, Work Song has sold 108 copies.

Thank you again for the years of friendship and shared book talks.
All the best, Cheryl

Cheryl in California after July 15:
mckrocker@comcast.net
Cheryl McKeon
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Book Club Coordinator (Emily Adams)
Children's Events (Rene Kirkpatrick)
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17171 Bothell Way
Lake Forest Park WA 98155
(206) 366-3352
(206) 366-3333 (main store number)
The thanks are mutual, Mary. We passed along the sales info etc. to Riverhead: they'll be tickled pink. The book went into its second printing today.

Hugs and tickles

Ivan

On Jul 1, 2010, at 1:52 PM, Mary Gleysteen wrote:

Dear Carol and Ivan,

Thanks so much for coming over last night and being such troupers at the reception, dinner and store. We are so grateful that you signed all our WorkSongs. Three people have already come in today to say that they thought the event was this afternoon or tonight and their disappointment turns to delight when we can offer them a signed copy. Little do they know what they missed...

As to the audience size: 125-150 is my best estimate. We've sold 85 of Work Song to date, will report to NYT and Indie Bestseller Lists on Sunday, and have our signed copies prominently displayed with the July Indie Next Picks.

It's hard to believe that more than 20 years have passed since I first encountered you at the Rascal Fair. Thanks for making my work so much fun.

Fondly,
Mary
Hi, Mary. We'll aim for the 3:45 and follow the schedule. I'll sign up some stock in the store and then inscribe the donors' copies at the reception, so we'll need a good place there for me to sit and sign. See you tomorrow.

Ivan
On Jun 28, 2010, at 10:36 AM, Mary Gleysteen wrote:

Hi Ivan and Carol,

It is my guess that you will be coming on foot from Seattle rather than driving through Edmonds. If that's the case, you will need to be on the 3:45 ferry. I don't keep very good track of the baseball schedule, but please be aware that there may be some parking issues on the Seattle side. I know you've done this before, however.

Jane will meet you on this side. She will have a copy of your book and drives a silver Volvo. She'll bring you to the store for a quick signing of Work Song and then take you to the cocktail party which is a couple of blocks from the store. George Shannon from the Library Foundation will deliver you to Cafe Nola about 6:30 for supper before your 7:30 reading here at the store.

We'll take the books for the folks attending the reception to the venue. We can take presigned ones if you like, or you can inscribe them there. As people call for details about the reading, we will let them know that you will not be signing backlist.

Let us know if you you have questions or concerns. We are really looking forward to this event. With any luck, the Kitsap Sun will be covering the event. Thanks for helping us celebrate our 40th year here on Bainbridge.

Mary
This looks fine, Mary. In due time, let us know what ferry to take. Carol suggests that the dinner restaurant have a full bar.

Regards

Ivan

On May 19, 2010, at 1:06 PM, Mary Gleysteen wrote:

Hi Carol and Ivan,

Here's the invitation from the library which I promised to forward. Please let us know if it sounds ok to you.
We are very much looking forward to your visit.

See you soon!
mary

Dear Ivan Doig,

I know that Mary Gleysteen has talked with you about a small reception in your honor on June 30th before your presentation at Eagle Harbor Books. We hope you will be able to accept our invitation. This gathering will celebrate your writing, bring additional attention to your new book and help raise vital funds for the Bainbridge Public Library.

The Bainbridge Public Library exists in a unique situation. Tax dollars go to the Kitsap Regional Library System and fund staff, books, computers and other media. The building, grounds and their upkeep receive /no/ tax dollars, and are /entirely/ dependent on private donations.

Our reception will be informal with refreshments and wine. A limited number of tickets (20-25) will be sold to raise needed funds. The price of the ticket will include a copy of your newest book. Depending on your schedule we hope to begin the reception at 5:00 pm or shortly after.
Hi Ivan --

I just talked to Mary and Jane at Eagle Harbor. The Library's cocktail reception will begin at 5:00 PM tomorrow. There's a ferry departing Seattle at 3:45, arriving at 4:15, and either Mary or Jane will meet you with a copy of the book in hand. There will be time to stop by the store prior to the cocktail reception. One of them will be emailing you shortly with more details, and I've asked them to keep me in the loop going forward.

I've already been in touch with Third Place to convey the signing guidelines, and we'll be getting in touch with the rest of the stores later today to realy the information.

Best
Matthew

-----Original Message-----
From: carol doig [mailto:cddoig@comcast.net]
Sent: Monday, June 28, 2010 12:08 PM
To: Venzon, Matthew
Subject: Re: book signings

Matthew, hi again--It's a $100 a head reception the bookstore folks asked me to do as a benefit for the local library--I thought they'd told you. Everybody there gets a Work Song, I'm told, so we have a headstart on 20-25 copies sold. Their schedule is OK with Carol and me--i.e., we'll schmooze for 45 minutes or so and somebody takes us to dinner and then we do the bookstore event. If only we knew the details, which, as I say, they can shoot directly to us (and I hope copying to you this time).

Best--Ian

On Jun 28, 2010, at 8:51 AM, Venzon, Matthew wrote:

- We'll let them know, Ivan. And I'll check in with Eagle Harbor about the Ferry schedule.

- I'm not sure I understand the reference in your original email to signing stock at the store prior to their library charity event. My understanding is that the event is in store, beginning at 7:30 PM. Is the library event something you'd worked out with Eagle Harbor directly?

- Thanks,
Matthew
Holiday Gift Ideas for Kids!

We think the world of our Children’s Buyer, Alison Webb, and once again she has given us a world of great reading for kids with her annual gift list of exceptional books—a selection that heightens the ease and joy of shopping in that bountiful section of the store—arranged by age group from teen through toddler, with a special section of books for parents and kids to share. See us for a copy of the complete list. Happy gift-giving!

For Intermediate Readers (Ages 8-12)

- **Science Fair** by Dave Barry & Ridley Pearson
- **My One Hundred Adventures** by Polly Horvath
- **Merlin’s Dragon** by T.A. Barron
- **The Dragon in the Sock Drawer** by Kate Klimo
- **Chains** by Laurie Halse Anderson
- **The Youngest Templar: Keeper of the Holy Grail** by Michael Spradlin

- **The Dragonfly Pool** by Eva Ibbotson
  Enjoy this wonderful story of heroism, friendship and adventure. Tally must work with her other courageous schoolmates to save the fictional Crown Prince of Bergania in World War II. Great characters and lots of humor too!

For Teens

- **The Lab** by Jack Heath
- **The Other Side of the Island** by Allegra Goodman
- **Nick of Time** by Ted Bell
- **PeaceJam: A Billion Simple Acts of Peace** by Ivan Suvanjieff and Dawn Gifford Engle
- **Oh, My, Gods.** by Tera Lynn Childs
- **Emperors of the Ice** by Richard Farr

- **Graceling** by Kristin Cashore
  Katsa is a warrior-girl with amazing fighting ability. She must travel through danger and political intrigue in the kingdom to find the clues to a mystery. A fabulous fantasy read, with romance and adventure.

For Adults & Children to Share

- **America: The Making of a Nation** by George Grey
  An in-depth, interactive history book with novelties such as lift-the-flap postcards, removable song lyrics, and a foldout replica of the Declaration of Independence.

- **Hope is an Open Heart** by Lauren Thompson
- **The Enchanted World of Winnie the Pooh** by A.A. Milne
- **The Ses-qui-PE-Dal’ian Word Game** by Ikids
For Young Readers (Ages 4-8)

- Old Bear by Kevin Henkes
- Too Many Toys by David Shannon
- Louise, The Adventures of a Chicken by Kate DiCamillo
- Wonder Bear by Tao Nyu
- Little Mouse's Big Book of Fears by Emily Gravett
- Fanny by Holly Hobbie
- I Got Two Dogs by John Lithgow
- Pete & Pickles by Berkeley Breathed

The "Bloom County" creator offers two new irresistible characters—a perfectly predictable pig and a runaway circus elephant—in a heartfelt, hilarious look at the wonder of true friendship.

Infant, Toddler & Preschool

- Fifteen Animals! by Sandra Boynton
- Ten Tiny Babies by Karen Katz
- The Bobo Glove by Raquel Jaramillo
- Little Monkey by Kimberly Ainsworth
- A Lot of Otters by Barbara Berger
- Beatrix Potter Nursery Rhyme Book & CD by Beatrix Potter
- Button Nose by Nina Laden

With laces, a zipper, a snap, a Velcro closure, and, of course, a button, this playful cloth book lets toddlers practice getting dressed with the help of adorable animals.

Home & Away: Winter Events at the Bookstore

January 8, Thursday, 7:30PM

The Hidden Man. Reprising the unusual family he debuted in his earlier thriller, The Last Nightingale, Bainbridge author Anthony Flacco talks about their adventures against the backdrop of 1915 San Francisco as the city prepares for the Pan Pacific Exposition being built on rubble from the big earthquake. Detective Randall and his two adopted children, now young adults, must solve a case that centers on famed mesmerist J.D. Duncan, one of the show’s stars, as he is stalked by a murderously fanatic.

Anthony Flacco

January 11, Sunday, 3PM

Pugetopolis: A Mossback Takes on Growth Addicts, Weather Wimps, & the Myth of Seattle Nice. Seattle native, veteran journalist, and former editor of the Seattle Weekly, where he wrote the award-winning “Mossback” column, Knute Berger joins us to discuss his new book, an insightful, passionate, humorous, and at times curmudgeonly look at our regional identity, how it was formed, and where it could be headed. Berger’s book advocates an unaffected quality of life, as well as reflecting his belief in stewardship for land, nature, community, and history—values he currently espouses as a writer and blogger for Crosscut, an on-line guide to Northwest news.

Knute Berger

January 15, Thursday, 7:30PM

Art & Upheaval: Artists on the World's Frontlines. Bainbridge Island author, activist, teacher and Director of the Study of Art & Community, William Cleveland presents his account of six exceptional artists around the world who deal with trauma, give voice to the forgotten and disappeared, and reinvigorate the cultural life of their communities. He will discuss how communities in crisis are working to resolve conflict, promote peace, and rebuild civil society.

William Cleveland

January 17, Saturday, 11AM

George Shannon

Recent winner of a Washington State Book Award for Children’s Books, our own intrepid George Shannon will share picture books and folk tales packed with laughs. Come prepared to have some real fun!
EAGLE HARBOR READERS CIRCLE

Meeting continuously since 1992, our store-sponsored book group convenes in the bookstore on the first Tuesday of each month at 7pm to discuss the best in fiction and nonfiction, with the occasional classic thrown in for fun. Newcomers and drop-ins are always welcome!

DECEMBER 2Nd:
The Inheritance of Loss by Kiran Desai

JANUARY 6Th:
The River Why by David James Duncan

YEY ANOTHER CHANCE TO VOTE!

Attention Book Groups:
As the end of another year approaches, please remember to nominate your group's three favorite discussion books of 2008 for our annual survey. Submit your choices to us by January 7, 2009. One "ballot" per group, please.

BOOK GROUP BOOK OF THE YEAR!

MYSTERY BOOK GROUP

Meets in-store on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7pm.

JANUARY 20Th:
Jar City
by Arnaldur Indridason

Murders are rare in Iceland and usually solved quickly. A veteran detective with the Reykjavik police pursues the murderer of an elderly man whose life stretched across the country, leaving a trail of unsavory secrets and touching many lives. A great introduction to the thrilling noirish crime fiction scene in Iceland.
(Reviewed by Susan Braun, our Mystery Book Group discussion leader.)
THE SCIENCE OF LEONARDO: INSIDE THE MIND OF THE GREAT GENIUS OF THE RENAISSANCE by Fritjof Capra
Through his studies of living and nonliving forms, Leonardo da Vinci pioneered the empirical approach to the observation of nature—what is now known as the scientific method. Acclaimed scientist Capra (The Tao of Physics) shows that, in many ways, Leonardo is the unheralded "father of modern science," having an artist's eye for science along with an organic and ecological worldview. ~ Random House

A MERCY by Toni Morrison
Nobel laureate Morrison returns to the American past and the complex legacy of slavery she masterfully wove together in Beloved. In 1690s Maryland, a young slave girl finds herself in the midst of a community of women burdened by sorrow and grief who discover the mercies of love. Their interrelated fates figure in this novel of loss, despair, and hope. ~ Random House

PANIC: THE STORY OF MODERN FINANCIAL INSANITY by Michael Lewis
Lewis, who has been called "the funniest serious writer in America," takes a look at five of the most drastic and costly cataclysms in recent financial history, from the crash of '87 to the current sub-prime mortgage disaster. Weaving together the mood and market factors leading to each event with contemporary accounts, he then uses hindsight to analyze what happened and what we should have learned from experience. A masterful account of today's money culture. ~ W.W. Norton

THE HEARTS OF HORSES by Molly Gloss
Portland author Molly Gloss's novel, now in paperback, takes place in eastern Oregon during the winter of 1917 and follows nineteen-year-old Martha Lessen, who finds work "gentling" horses in a land where many of the men are off fighting the war. "Gloss has made herself a permanent place on the shelf of American literature which features tough, smart, independent women." ~ Kent Haruf ~ Houghton Mifflin

SERVICE INCLUDED: FOUR-STAR SECRETS OF AN EAVESDROPPING WAITER by Phoebe Damrosch
New in paperback! Phoebe Damrosch rose from her job as a waitress to become the only female captain of the four-star New York City restaurant Per Se during its first year. This is her funny, eye-opening, and sometimes shocking take on the fascinating, frenetic, and highly competitive world of fine dining. ~ HarperCollins

A LION AMONG MEN: VOLUME THREE IN THE WICKED YEARS by Gregory Maguire
Featuring the beloved Cowardly Lion from The Wizard of Oz, the third novel in the best-selling Wicked series chronicles the tragically misunderstood life of the lion before and after his adventures with Dorothy and company. Maguire populates his version of Oz with fantastical characters who face their own demons as tumult rages around them, while the lion himself uncovers insights into his own past and begins to understand how it feels to belong. We have a few signed copies! ~ William Morrow

THE LONGEST TRIP HOME: A MEMOIR by John Grogan
The best-selling author of Marley and Me brings his inimitable fusion of humor and pathos to the powerful story of his journey toward identity, beginning with his upbringing in a devoutly Catholic suburban household, extending through his marriage to a non-Catholic and bringing up his own children outside the church, and concluding with his ultimate rediscovery of a kind of faith as his father nears death. "...an extraordinary memoir of estrangement and reconciliation." ~ Booklist ~ William Morrow
THE WIDOW CLICQUOT: THE STORY OF A CHAMPAGNE EMPIRE & THE WOMAN WHO RULED IT by Tilar J. Mazzeo
Behind the iconic champagne label lies this story of a remarkable woman: a young witness to the French Revolution; a new widow during the chaotic years of the Napoleonic Wars; and a daring and determined entrepreneur who, after her husband’s death, assumed the reins of the fledgling wine business they had nurtured, taking destiny into her own hands when fate left her on the brink of financial ruin and going on to become one of the richest women of her time. ~ HarperBusiness

BOOM: VOICES OF THE SIXTIES: PERSONAL REFLECTIONS ON THE ‘60s & TODAY by Tom Brokaw
Having brought together a wide range of stories and voices—including those of Gloria Steinem, Arlo Guthrie and Hillary Clinton—Brokaw calls Boom (now in paperback) “a virtual fortieth reunion” of the Class of 1968. Brokaw also relates how the aftershocks of the sixties continue in our lives today. “(Brokaw) approaches this magnum opus with warmth, curiosity and conviction, the same attributes that worked so well for his Greatest Generation.” ~ Random House

THE MONSTERS OF TEMPLETON by Lauren Groff
Short-listed in hardback for the Orange Prize for New Writers, this spellbinding, fascinating, and multi-layered novel—a merging of ghost story, historical novel, and a girl’s search for her biological father—has at its core a twisted family tree and the secrets of one town, as told by the many voices of its past. ~ Hyperion

MARTHA STEWART’S COOKING SCHOOL: LESSONS & RECIPES FOR THE HOME COOK by Martha Stewart
Arranged by technique—for example roasting, broiling, braising, stewing, sautéing, steaming and poaching—Stewart’s book is aimed at teaching you how to cook, not simply what to cook. Two hundred all-new recipes with step-by-step photos allow you to put the lessons to work while also gaining insight into equipment, ingredients, and every other aspect of the kitchen. ~ Random House

... And Just for Kids!

WABI SABI
by Mark Reibstein
illus. by Ed Young
Wabi Sabi, a little cat in Japan, never thought much about her name until someone asked her owner what it meant. His reply—“That’s hard to explain”—sets the cat on a journey far and wide that finally leads to her name’s meaning: finding beauty in simplicity, the ordinary, and imperfection. Features gorgeous collage art illustrating haiku and lyrical text. Ages 3-6. ~ Little Brown

INTO THE VOLCANO
written & illus. by Don Wood
The Caldecott Honor illustrator who created The Napping House and Quick as a Cricket presents a graphic novel whose spellbinding coming-of-age story involves two brothers who must face treachery and their own fears. Their adventure takes them to a wild volcano island where only the brave survive. Ages 7 & up. ~ Scholastic

IF YOU'RE READING THIS, IT'S TOO LATE
by Pseudonymous Bosch
The long-awaited sequel to The Name of This Book is a Secret finds the heroes, Cass and Max-Ernst, stumbling into the Museum of Magic, where they get caught up in a mysterious adventure revolving around a Sound Prism, the Neferious Lord Pharaoh, and a homunculus who possesses the secret for which they search. Ages 8-12. ~ Little Brown

AMAZING PEACE: A CHRISTMAS POEM
by Maya Angelou
illus. by Steve Johnson & Lou Fancher
Angelou’s beloved poem, first read at a White House tree lighting ceremony, is now an exquisite picture book. In this radiant affirmation of the goodness of humanity, a family joins with their community—rich and poor, black and white, Muslim and Jew—to celebrate the holidays. All ages. ~ Random House
We have an unprecedented bounty of recommended books from our staff this Holiday season. Read their endorsements for one or two featured books below. To see these and a host of others with their reviews, please come into the store and visit “The Nook,” where we keep all the best books, including Indie Bestsellers, Book Group titles, and the Indie Next list!

ALISON

**IMMOVABLE FEAST: A PARIS CHRISTMAS** by John Baxter (HarperCollins).
The warm and witty writing in this book put me right there in France with the author—planning the menu for Christmas dinner, searching for the perfect oysters, and sharing in his glee at finding just the right wine in the most surprising place. This is a wonderful celebration of the love of food, family and Christmas!

JAN

**WHEN WILL THERE BE GOOD NEWS?** by Kate Atkinson (Hachette).
Atkinson’s latest mystery installment has old and new characters caught up in a series of events that are gripping. As always, she finds humor and quirkiness in her endearing characters. I suggest reading this series in order: *Case Histories*, *One Good Turn*, *When Will There Be Good News*.

CROSSINGS written & photographed by Michael Diehl.
Bainbridge Islander Diehl has put together a gorgeous visual depiction of the commuting life that includes history and data on the ferry system. In both paper and hardback, this will be an excellent gift for islanders and off-islanders alike. (For the month of December, buy a hardback copy and get 10% off it and another copy in paperback or hardback.)

JOHN

**MY FAMILY & OTHER ANIMALS** by Gerald Durrell (Penguin). Quite likely the most delightful book I’ve ever read and destined to be an all-time favorite, Durrell’s memoir of his youth as a budding naturalist on the Greek isle of Corfu is a joy and a balm to one’s cares. As lyrically insightful describing flora and fauna as he is detailing the comedic foibles of his family and the local population, he infuses his tale with warmth and a sense of wonder. Save this enormously satisfying book for your next vacation.

RODIE

**AT LARGE & AT SMALL: FAMILIAR ESSAYS** by Anne Fadiman (Farrar Straus Giroux). I’ve never read an Anne Fadiman essay I didn’t like. This is a lovely book to savor in bits and pieces—twelve charming observations on life, love, and literature that are, to this reader, as addicting as Fadiman’s passion for Haagen Dazs ice cream. I keep going back for more!

**EX LIBRIS: CONFESSIONS OF A COMMON READER** by Anne Fadiman (Farrar Straus Giroux). Fadiman’s first essay collection is one of my all-time favorite books. This, in itself, is amazing because in high school I found essay-reading to be, in Ms. Fadiman’s words, a complete snore. I avoided essays like the plague. Then I caught the Fadiman bug: I discovered *Ex Libris* and now, to my great delight, her latest, *At Large and At Small*.

COLLEEN

**THE BRIEF WONDROUS LIFE OF OSCAR WAO** by Junot Diaz (Penguin). Fabulous! Diaz’s style of writing is so creative and different, this is a crazy and exhilarating read. Utilizing Spanish slang and tying in pieces of Dominican Republic history with the account of Oscar and his family, Diaz creates an amazing novel.
ANN

THE PEOPLE ON PRIVILEGE HILL by Jane Gardam (Europa Editions).
This is a delightful collection of short stories by the award-winning British author of Queen of the Tambourine. Her themes are varied: a young boy from Scotland, down in London for a medical school interview, must stay with aloof and distant relatives during the Blitz; a group of aging women revisit their younger personalities as they attend a school reunion; a somewhat neglected housewife ventures into an illicit liaison and manages to break her foot in the process. All are told with insight, precision, and an abundance of British wit.

PEGGE

HOME (Farrar Strauss Giroux) and GILEAD by Marilynne Robinson (Picador). Comparing Gilead with its "sequel," Home, we see that Robinson the magician does not need such things as a new plot, new characters or another era for a startling, fresh story. Both give us astonishing perspectives on the tensions of being human. Though the stories have much in common, reading Gilead is not a prerequisite for enjoying Home. The newer book has Glory Broughton's perspective, through which Robinson intrepidly plumbs the interior human landscape, illuminating such features as longing and self-definition. Her conclusive note on one character—Jack, of course—is bracingly fresh: she hints at a bedrock of grace in life that very few of us have imagined might exist. Is the story familiar? Yes, if you've read Gilead. Is the book surprising? You'll be amazed.

PAUL

JAYBER CROW by Wendell Berry (Counterpoint). Our store book group enjoyed this poetic and multi-layered homage to small-town America, and after due consideration, I gleefully added it to my All Time Top Ten Favorite Books list. Barbara Kingsolver also recently recommended it in the New York Times Book Review as required reading for presidential candidates. Find out why! In fact, to spoil the surprise, I'll be giving this to everyone on my Christmas list this year.

RANAE

THE GREATEST THING SINCE SLICED BREAD by Don Robertson (HarperCollins). This is a delightful little classic. On October 20th, 1944, Cleveland, Ohio experienced a catastrophic natural gas tank explosion. Robertson's endearing protagonist, nine-year-old Morris Bird III, became an unlikely and unsung hero. Voice, style and story earn this charming gem a spot on my list of favorite reads.

JANIS

THE HUNGER GAMES by Suzanne Collins (Scholastic). Think of Cormac McCarthy's The Road and plunk that right in the middle of the teenage market. Hunger Games delivers without a doubt: a page-turning futuristic reality show with 16-year-old Katness Everdeen as the star. Representing her district, the poorest of the twelve districts of the new nation Panem in the annual Hunger Games, Katness is pitted in brutal trials against the other contestants. The winner of the game is the last contestant alive. Collins gives on-the-edge reading for the adventurous in this slightly chilling, brilliantly plotted and paced book.

MARY

HOW DOES THE SHOW GO ON?: AN INTRODUCTION TO THE THEATER by Thomas Schumacher (Disney Editions). What a cool book! Opening up just like a stage curtain, it goes on with wonderful illustrations and lift-the-flaps including a ticket envelope and ticket. It has costume swatches, script excerpts, playbills, and explanations of who does what, backstage and onstage. This is the perfect book for a child to read before going to his or her first play, and one to keep as appreciation of theater deepens.

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SATURDAY, NOV. 29TH
VISIT US DURING THE DOWNTOWN HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

25% OFF HOLIDAY BOOKS, CARDS & 2009 CALENDARS!

Thursday, December 4th
Once a Year, One Day Only

10% Off Storewide Sale!

We'll be serving hot cider and "gingerbread babies" from Jan Brett's new book, Gingerbread Friends.

And join us for a Book Talk 7pm when we'll be presenting our FAVORITE books for the Holiday Season!
On the Cover

It's Time to Sleep, My Love
Written by Eric Metaxas
Illustrated by Nancy Tillman
As warm as a good-night hug, this lullaby is lovingly brought to life by The New York Times bestselling artist—and Portlander—Nancy Tillman, whose illustrations celebrate the wonders of the natural world and the bonds of family. $16.95 (ages 0–3) Feiwel and Friends

The Eleventh Man
Ivan Doig
From the Pacific Northwest #1 bestselling author of The Whistling Season and seven-time Pacific Northwest Book Award-winner comes the WWII story of a Montana football hero plucked from pilot training by the propaganda machine to chronicle the adventures of his teammates, scattered throughout the war’s lonely and dangerous theaters. $26.00 Harcourt

The Salvage Studio: Sustainable Home Comforts to Organize, Entertain, and Inspire
Amy Duncan, Beth Evans-Ramos, Lisa Hilderbrand; photos by Kate Baldwin
Using “reduce, reuse, and recycle” as their mantra, the Salvage Studio ladies of Edmonds, Washington, show how simple it is to have a green and comfortable daily life. Included are 35 sustainable and cost-effective craft projects for any skill level, and most use items that people often throw away! $21.95 Skipstone

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Aurora: An American Experience in Quilt and Craft
Jane Kirkpatrick
A unique window into the life of a utopian Oregon community in the mid-1800s, featuring distinctive quilt patterns and more than 150 photographs of various artifacts.
$17.99  WaterBrook Press

The Best Places to Kiss Cookbook: Recipes from the Most Romantic Restaurants, Cafés, and Inns of the Pacific Northwest
Carol Friberg
$19.95  Sasquatch Books

The Best Places to Kiss in the Northwest: A Romantic Travel Guide, 10th edition
Teri Citterman
$21.00  Sasquatch Books

The bestselling romantic travel guide to the Pacific Northwest is back, completely revised and updated. Now readers can also ignite romance at home with the The Best Places to Kiss Cookbook, featuring 100 delicious recipes from the region's most enchanting restaurants, cafés, wineries and inns.

A Country Called Home
Kim Barnes
From the PNBA Award-winning author of In the Wilderness, a luminous, heartbreaking novel of love and isolation as an idealistic young couple sets out to create their own private utopia in the wilds of rural Idaho.
$23.95  Knopf

Hannah’s Dream: A Novel
Diane Hammond
A charming, captivating story of an aging caretaker and his beloved elephant, and the extraordinary cast of quirky characters who live and work with them in and around a dilapidated zoo.
$13.95  Harper Paperbacks

Precious Cargo
Clyde Ford
When a couple pulls up the body of a young woman on the flukes of their anchor from the depths of Puget Sound, a treacherous and mythic adventure begins.
$24.95  Vanguard Press

The Weather of the Pacific Northwest
Cliff Mass
The popular radio commentator and UW atmospheric scientist unravels the intricacies of Northwest weather in this accessible, comprehensive, richly illustrated guide for outdoor and weather enthusiasts.
$29.95  University of Washington Press
Couch
Benjamin Parzybok
Three roommates rescue their old couch from an apartment flood and find they can't abandon it—it won't let them—in this exuberant debut from Portland writer Benjamin Parzybok. $16.00 Small Beer Press

O is for Oregon
W is for Washington
Written by kids for kids, the "See My State" series is a project for which students of all fifty states create an alphabet book for their home state. Original poetry, factoids, color photos. $12.95 (ages 3–8) Westwinds Press

Chefs On The Farm: Recipes And Inspiration From The Quillisascut Farm School Of The Domestic Arts
Shannon Borg, Lora Lea Mysterly, Kären Jurgensen; foreword by Tom Douglas
A visually rich tour of the organic Washington farm, where chefs learn sustainable food practices. Become more connected to the food you cook with and eat. 67 recipes. $24.95 Skipstone

Cobain Unseen
Charles R. Cross
An unparalleled look inside the brilliant mind of one of America's most revered rock legends. Previously unseen artifacts and photographs form a fascinating portrait of creativity, madness and genius. $35.00 Little, Brown & Company

The Hearts of Horses
Molly Glos
This beloved Pacific Northwest #1 bestselling novel is an engrossing, character-driven read set in the West, featuring a plucky heroine and a headstrong horse. Perfect for reading groups. $13.95 Houghton Mifflin

Shopping for Porcupine: A Life in Arctic Alaska
Seth Kantner
From the Pacific Northwest Book Award-winning author of Ordinary Wolves comes a stunning collection of writing and photographs, providing an illuminating and unforgettable account of life in the far north. $28.00 Milkweed Editions
Best of the Northwest

Timber Press Guide to Gardening in the Pacific Northwest
Carol W. Hall and Norman E. Hall

Keep your garden beautiful and thriving with profiles of plants perfect for the region and a gardening calendar that describes what's in bloom and what tasks to complete month-by-month.

$29.95  Timber Press

Wandering and Feasting: A Washington Cookbook
Mary Houser Cadiz

Celebrate the history and cuisine of Washington's unique communities. The exciting culinary journey culminates in more than 200 delectable recipes highlighting local ingredients.

$24.95  Washington State University Press

Weird Washington
Jeff Davis and Al Eufrazio

How weird is Washington? Very! 250 illustrated pages of the oddball curiosities, ghostly places, local legends and roadside attractions where tourists rarely venture.

$19.95  Sterling

Wild Beauty: Photographs of the Columbia River Gorge, 1867–1957
Terry Toedtemeier and John Laursen

An exquisitely produced large-format book of 135 historic images by photographers from Carleton Watkins to Ray Atkeson, many of which have never before been published or exhibited. Readers will be enthralled by the book's scope and artistry, and those who love the Gorge’s stunning beauty will welcome how this volume has captured its grandeur.

$75.00  Oregon State University Press

Righting the Mother Tongue: From Old English to Email, the Tangled Story of English Spelling
David Wolman

Seven hundred years of trial, error and reform have made English spelling a jumbled and fascinating mess. A wordy adventure rich with history, pop culture, curiosity and humor.

$24.95  Collins

Mudgy & Millie
Susan Nipp, illus. by Charles Reasoner

Children join Mudgy Moose as he searches in northern Idaho for his "lost" friend Millie. Mouse in this delightful story by Wee Sing's Susan Nipp.

$16.95 (ages 2–9)  Eastern Washington University Press
For That Perfect Someone

The Curious Case of Benjamin Button
F. Scott Fitzgerald, illus. by Calef Brown
A captivating, full-color illustrated edition of Fitzgerald's unusual short story about a man who ages backward.
$12.95 Collins Design

Holidays on Ice:
Featuring Six New Stories
David Sedaris
The beloved holiday classic is new again with six new pieces to help spread the cheer and mortification of the season.
$16.99 Little, Brown & Company

Northwest Bookseller Classic
Home Ground: Language for an American Landscape
Edited by Barry Lopez and Debra Guertinney, introductory essay by Barry Lopez
A landmark work of language, geography and folklore created by a community of 45 poets and writers intent on revitalizing our intimacy with place. Original definitions for more than 850 American landscape terms, 100 illustrations.
$29.95 Trinity University Press

The Paper Bag Christmas
Kevin Alan Milne
A heart-tugging tale of a boy and a troubled little girl who discover that the true spirit of Christmas is alive and well for those who earnestly seek it.
$14.99 Center Street

The Lump of Coal
Lemony Snicket, illus. by Brett Helquist
The bestselling team behind A Series of Unfortunate Events unwraps an uproarious picture book that introduces the next great holiday hero—a hero that is small, dark, and flammable.
$12.99 (ages 4+)
HarperCollins Children’s Books

Let it Snow
John Green, Maureen Johnson and Lauren Myracle
What do you get when you take a giant Christmas Eve snowstorm, 14 stranded cheerleaders, a 24-hour Waffle House and a pint-sized pet? $9.99 (ages 12+)
Speak

The Golden Book of Chocolate
Carla Bardi and Claire Pietersen
Filled with more than 300 chocolate recipes for your favorite snacks and desserts, interesting historical chocolate facts, hundreds of full-color photos and golden-tipped page edges.
$29.99 Barron’s
Eats, Shoots & Leaves: Illustrated Edition
Lynne Truss, illus. by Pat Byrnes
Now in a handsome illustrated edition. The sticker-tickling punctuation polemic is even more fun with the whimsical art of acclaimed New Yorker cartoonist Pat Byrnes.
$25.00 Gotham

PhoDOGraphy: How to Get Great Pictures of Your Dog
Kim Levin
Offers simple tips and advice to help you capture that dream shot of your furry best friend in a book jam-packed with too-cute photos.
$17.95 Watson-Guptill

American Farmer: The Heart of Our Country
Photographs by Paul Mobley, text by Katrina Fried, preface by Willard Scott, introduction by Michael Martin Murphey
In the photographic spirit of Richard Avedon’s In the American West come Paul Mobley’s powerful portraits of farmers and ranchers, accompanied by stunning interviews that celebrate and give voice to those who live and work the land throughout America.
$50.00 Welcome Books

In the Beginning: The Art of Genesis: A Pop-Up Book
Chuck Fischer
From the Garden of Eden to Jacob’s ladder, this spectacular gift book features original artwork on intricate pop-ups representing the classic stories from the first chapter of the Bible.
$35.00 Little, Brown & Company

Dog Blessings: Poems, Prose, and Prayers Celebrating Our Relationship with Dogs
Edited by June Cotner
Days at the beach, chasing Frisbees and balls, puppies playing, kids and their dogs—Dog Blessings honors the special connection between people and their canine friends.
$16.00 New World Library

Hate That Cat
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Elliott Bay moving to Capitol Hill

LANDMARK BOOKSTORE LEAVING PIONEER SQUARE
New location could open as early as March

BY MELISSA ALLISON
Seattle Times business reporter

Hurt by the recession and ongoing issues in Pioneer Square, Elliott Bay Book Co. is leaving after 36 years for an old Ford truck-repair center on Capitol Hill.

Construction is under way at 1521 10th Ave., where the bookstore will open as early as March. It will liven up a relatively quiet stretch of Capitol Hill between Pine and Pike streets that's surrounded by new restaurants and shops.

Bookstore owner Peter Aaron said he expects sales to improve immediately and in a big way.

"Here are the factors I'm looking at: parking, population, daytime and nighttime vitality and foot traffic, the absence of stadiums and conflicts with parking and crowding," he said. "It's the attractiveness and safety and vibrancy of the location."

Reactions on Capitol Hill were mixed, with some people lamenting what it means for one of the oldest parts of the city.

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The Elliott Bay Book Co. is moving from its Pioneer Square home to this Capitol Hill spot at 1521 10th Ave.
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Elliott Bay's new Capitol Hill digs

After 36 years in Pioneer Square, Elliott Bay Book Co. is moving to an old Ford repair center near Seattle University.

"They're the heart and soul of Pioneer Square," said Lourdes Orive, a customer at the Gary Manuel Aveda Institute across the street from Elliott Bay's future location. "It's going to leave a big hole."

Others could not stifle their excitement, particularly after the loss last month of Bailey/Coy Books on Broadway, a longtime community hub that fell victim to the recession and the changing economics of bookselling.

"It will bring tourism up here, because people know its name and search it out," said Armand Pacheco, manager of the institute's student salon. "One of my clients ran into [former President] Bill Clinton at Elliott Bay, and that kind of notoriety will move to the Hill."

Elliott Bay's rent on Capitol Hill is "comparable" to what it paid in Pioneer Square, but "rent was not really the factor," Aaron said. "It's about sales."

The bookstore has struggled to make it since Aaron and Ron Sher bought it 11 years ago from founder Walter Carr. Sher is no longer an owner.

The situation became dire after last fall, when sales plunged so precipitously that Aaron maxed out a line of credit just to keep operating. He wasn't sure the store would stay in business.

With its current lease ending in January, he began to consider moving.

Sales perked up in recent months and, Aaron said, "Our financing is in place going forward."

Aaron is thrilled about 85 parking spaces for the new location that will be either cheap or free to customers.

Parking was one of the issues in Pioneer Square, which Aaron said also needs a more visible police presence and a neighborhood organization that speaks with one voice.

Having one voice could be difficult in an area where restaurants and bars benefit greatly from big events like football games, which hurt other merchants because of game-day parking shortages and slower tourist traffic.

Elliott Bay's new neighborhood, a couple blocks north of Seattle University, has morphed in recent years from an area known for nightclubs into one that has a mix of businesses, including popular restaurants like Oddfellows Café, Bimbo's Cantina and Boom Noodle.

Its new landlord, Michael Malone, says the neighborhood "has an abundance of people who really care about what happens."

"A whole group of people, from the East Precinct Police Department to landowners, get together for lunch and talk about things," he said. "We deal with our own issues, whether it's homelessness, drug busts, whatever."

He knew Elliott Bay Book Co. was struggling and helped convince Aaron to move.

Aaron loves the neighborhood, from the new construction to improvements at Cal Anderson Park a half-block away. "It appears to me to be the most happening part of the Hill," he said.

He lives farther north on Capitol Hill and joked that the move "is not about me setting it up so I could walk to work every day."

At about 20,000 square feet, Elliott Bay's new location will be smaller than the current store but will have a greater selling area because the space will be used more efficiently, Aaron said.

"Yes, absolutely, it's going to meander," he said of the new store. And there will be check-in floors, just like in Pioneer Square.

The bookstore and a café — possibly the one that opened in Elliott Bay's basement last year — will occupy most of the building's ground floor, and a mezzanine for more books is being built in back, which is possible because of the 19-foot ceilings.

Elliott Bay will close for about two weeks when its 36 employees and professional movers pack and carry cedar bookshelves and 150,000 books up the hill from downtown, Aaron said.

Its new neighbors gleefully await its arrival.

"They'll be a huge draw," said Ruth True, owner of a 2-week-old boutique called Nube Green at the corner of 10th and Pine that sells local clothing and gifts.

"I don't know anybody who doesn't love Elliott Bay Books."

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Seduction trial puts decades-old law to test

BY JULIA ZAPPE
The Associated Press

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia — A Malaysian man is facing trial for allegedly seducing another man's wife, a charge brought under a rarely used law that defense lawyers criticized Wednesday as archaic and tantamount to sexual discrimination.

A decades-old law dating from the British Colonial era calls for a two-year prison sentence for any man who "enticed away" a married woman with the intention of having sex with her. The law was invoked in the case.

Judges ruled to hear the case Wednesday, but it was transferred to the High Court, which Choy's lawyer said was more suited to hear a case that involves complicated constitutional issues.

"The most important issue is the validity of the law itself," said Choy's lawyer, Akberdin Abdul Kader. "The law is totally archaic. The law might be considered unconstitutional because it violates the principle of gender equality and is based on the "assumption that women are mere chattels and incapable of a rational choice as to their male companionship," according to the defense lawyers' written statement submitted to the court.

Women's rights groups in recent months have also criticized the use of the law. However, Home Minister Hishammuddin Hussein has said there were no immediate plans to abolish it because it was so rarely invoked.

The charge had only been used a few times in Malaysian history, but no case went to a full trial, Akberdin said.

Choy, a sports-apparel company manager, was present in court but declined to comment. He pleaded not guilty to the charge in April.

Neither Chong nor Iking attended, which attracted wide media attention, partly because of Iking's popularity as a talk-show host. Iking has reportedly separated from Chong.
THE ART OF RACING IN THE RAIN
BOOKSTORE EVENTS JULY THROUGH SEPTEMBER

JUNE 26, THURSDAY, 7:30PM
THE ART OF RACING IN THE RAIN. Seattle author Garth Stein presents his captivating, heart-wrenching yet deeply funny new book, whose patient, wise and endearing narrator, Enzo, is a canine convinced that he will be reincarnated as a man. He belongs to Denny—husband, father, and customer service technician—whose dream is to become a professional race car driver. Enzo recounts the triumphs and tragedies of this quest, and we learn a great many things about life in process.

"Suspend your disbelief—accept a dog as narrator—and you'll be in for a lovely ride. With a charming mix of innocence and intelligence, Enzo, a most philosophical canine, recounts his life as loyal companion to professional race car driver Denny Swift. Enzo shares his hopes to reincarnate as a human; his frustrations with not having opposable thumbs; and his life lessons learned, such as 'No race has ever been won in the first corner...'. Stein took a risk by making Enzo the speaker, but it is just that risk, coupled with a good story, that makes this novel work. As Enzo says, 'Sometimes we simply have to believe.' " ~ Recommended by Ranae

JUNE 29, SUNDAY, 3:00PM
OXYGEN. Bainbridge Island author Carol Cassella presents her riveting debut novel, a high stakes medical drama about an anesthesiologist at the height of her profession who confronts a malpractice suit and struggles to salvage her career amid questions of love and betrayal, family bonds, and the price of her own choices. Her novel climaxes in a final twist that is as heartrending as it is redeeming.

"Filled with mystery, suspense, love and death, this is a great debut novel. The protagonist, anesthesiologist Marie Heaton, loses a patient in the operating room, and during the ugly and stressful lawsuit that ensues, she evaluates her life and learns to allow herself to love family, friends and those who are important to her. A fascinating look into the world of surgery and medicine written by a real-life anesthesiologist. Oxygen also illuminates the personal lives of medical professionals, bringing a perspective that captures human frailties, feelings and vulnerabilities. " ~ Recommended by Beverly

JULY 12, SATURDAY, NOON
SO BRAVE, YOUNG & HANDSOME. In the store's recent history, Leif Enger's 2001 debut, Peace Like a River, is among the books that have received the most unanimous enthusiasm among our staff. We are proud to welcome Enger to present his splendid follow-up—an expansive saga of redemption in the early 20th-century American West—which pairs up a former outlaw in search of his estranged wife and a failed writer who accompanies him on the journey. Pursued by a relentless ex-Pinkerton, they encounter memorable characters and surprises at every turn in a road trip that is long, rich, and full of adventure.

"Enger has surpassed Peace Like a River with this tale of outlaw Glendon Hale's search for the wife he abandoned many years earlier. Monte Becket, the narrator, tears himself away from his home and family, irresistibly drawn by Hale and his quest. The journey, set in 1915 and moving from Minnesota across the fading Wild West, reveals that Enger has honed his direct-from-the-heart style with a story that both men and women will find immensely satisfying and appealing." ~ Recommended by Mary

JULY 17, THURSDAY, 7:30PM
MORALITY TALE. We welcome back acclaimed Bay Area short story writer and novelist Sylvia Brownrigg (Ten Women Who Shook the World, The Metaphysical Touch, Pages for You), here to present her new novel, which revolves around the triangular complications in a marriage, and the comedy that flows through them. "...tells us more about the emotional politics of modern marriage—and divorce—than I can remember reading in a long time. It's a bulletin from the front lines: timely, true, and at its heart surprisingly tender." Ann Packer, author of Songs Without Words and The Dive from Clausen's Pier.

JULY 20, SUNDAY, 3PM
THE INFORMED GARDENER. Washington State editor of MasterGardener magazine and urban horticulturist Linda Chalker-Scott presents a slide show on her book, which introduces sustainable landscape practices that help you understand your landscape and garden plants as components of a living system. Addressing the most common myths and misconceptions that plague home gardeners and horticulture professionals, she offers invaluable advice on myriad topics including native plants, weed control, organic products, soil preparation, fertilizers and pesticides, and pruning.
JULY 24, THURSDAY, 7:30PM

ALL ABOUT LULU. Bainbridge author Jonathan Evison unveils his debut novel, whose protagonist, William, is a weak-eyed vegetarian in a family of bodybuilders. In the wake of William’s mother’s death, his father remarries a relentlessly kind grief counselor, and the plot gets its big twist when William falls in love with his new sister-in-law, Lulu, whose behavior becomes increasingly erratic and inexplicably cruel. Their difficult relationship bears on William’s sense of identity well into his adulthood in a novel that has been described as witty, understated and heartfelt.

"Written with poignant humor, Evison gives us a cast of crazy and endearing characters. This book is not to be missed!" ~ Recommended by Jan

JONATHAN EVISON

JULY 27, SUNDAY, 3PM

WHY I CAME WEST: A MEMOIR. Award-winning author of many acclaimed works of fiction and nonfiction, Rick Bass visits to introduce his new book, which eloquently explores how he fell in love with the West—in particular his beloved Yaak Valley in Northwestern Montana—and describes his role as a reluctant environmental activist, unwilling to stand by and watch this treasured place disappear. Bass offers a clear-eyed view of the challenges facing environmentalists and of how our relation to the wilderness is essential to our being human.

RICK BASS

AUGUST 1, FRIDAY, 11PM-12:30AM

BREAKING DAWN MIDNIGHT RELEASE PARTY! Breaking Dawn. We’ll be opening our doors at 11pm to celebrate the riveting fourth and final Stephenie Meyer Twilight series book, in which many questions are answered and Bella’s and Edward’s fate is revealed. Our release party will include movies, food, trivia, door prizes, costumes, and much more. We are currently taking pre-orders for Breaking Dawn, and when you prepay, you receive double Eagle Dozen Book Club card stamps. Reserve your copy today!

Meanwhile, enjoy THE HOST by Stephenie Meyer (Little Brown): "This is a wholly original novel. What higher praise is there? The Host is the story of Melanie and the body-snatching soul, Wanderer. Though souls are supposed to have total control over their hosts, Wanderer finds it impossible to control high-spirited Melanie, and what’s more, she’s not sure she wants to. This conflict of interest takes them on an epic adventure during which they can only rely on each other. As they face incredible danger and complicate things by falling in love with different men, they both learn valuable lessons about cooperation, compromise, and courage. Meyer’s invocation of two minds in one body and the complexity that arises from the arrangement transcends science fiction, romance, and genre in general. The Host is about the human experience—Melanie’s life and Wanderer’s exploration of that life. And who, whatever genre they favor, can’t relate to that?" ~ Recommended by Tess

AUGUST 7, THURSDAY, 7:30PM

RICK STEVES’ PARIS 2009. Continuing one of our favorite traditions here at the store, co-author and renowned travel researcher for Europe Through the Back Door series Steve Smith gives a talk and slide show about enjoying Paris on a moderate budget, previewing the 2009 edition of his Paris guidebook. Smith, whose mission is to make European travel accessible and meaningful, and who spends 100 days every year exploring Europe, will have just returned from his latest sojourn, full of insights to share. Join us again for superior armchair travel!

STEVE SMITH

AUGUST 9, SATURDAY, 11AM

A VISITOR FOR BEAR. Seattle children’s author Bonnie Becker (The Christmas Crocodiles) comes to talk about her fun new book, in which the cheery persistence of a mouse wins over a curmudgeonly bear and begins an unlikely friendship. George Shannon, our own kids’ author, gives the book a hearty endorsement: "Becker’s pitch-perfect text blends slapstick comedy with subtle shifts in character. Who among us hasn’t fought change, only to discover we love what we’d once resisted? One of my favorite books of the year, it’s great for sharing one-to-one as well as reading aloud to groups." ~ Ages 4-8

BONNIE BECKER

AUGUST 10, SUNDAY, 3PM

THE THREE ONLY THINGS: TAPPING THE POWER OF DREAMS, COINCIDENCE & IMAGINATION. Founder of the School of Active Dreaming and author of Conscious Dreaming and The Dreamer’s Book of the Dead, Robert Moss introduces his new book, based on the nine powers of dreaming, the nine rules of coincidence, and the seven uses of the imagination. Moss will discuss how innovators and world-changers have used these gifts, and how we can learn how to access our intuition, heal ourselves and bring vitality to our everyday lives.

ROBERT MOSS

AUGUST 14, THURSDAY, 7:30PM

BOAT GREEN: 50 STEPS BOATERS CAN TAKE TO SAVE OUR WATERS. Multitalented Bellingham author Clyde W. Ford, author of the Charlie Noble series of nautical suspense novels and an award-winner for his novel The Long Mile, debuts his timely guide that helps recreational boaters lessen their impact on the marine environment. Encounters with polluted waters galvanized Ford—Executive Director of the Ecotone Institute and an avid boater himself—to explore workable solutions to marine environmental degradation in this essential book, which is loaded with tips that have been field tested and refined on actual Pacific Northwest cruising vessels.

CLYDE W. FORD

Events continued on next page.
August 17, Sunday, 3pm
Uneasy Relations. Once again we’re very proud to host mystery author Aaron Elkins. The Edgar Award winning author of Old Bones, Loot, and Twenty Blue Devils, Elkins is a crowd-pleaser and a legend in the Northwest literary community. He returns with “Skeleton Detective” Gideon Oliver, whose case takes him to an unusual setting—the Rock of Gibraltar—where he inspects his oldest bones yet: the skeleton of a human woman clutching the skeleton of a part-human, part-Neanderthal child. Can deadly tricks and murder be far behind? “No one does it better than Aaron Elkins.” – San Diego Union-Tribune.

August 21, Thursday, 7:30pm
Green, Greener, Greenest: A Practical Guide to Making Eco-Smart Choices a Part of Your Life. Environmental journalist Lori Bongiorno presents her timely and accessible book, which is organized on a three-tiered system of solutions: Green: Drive the speed limit; Greener: Drive a fuel-efficient car; Greenest: Bike or walk. Bongiorno’s approach serves as the perfect guide for helping readers decide how to best spend their time and money to protect the environment.

August 28, Thursday 7:30pm
Just Breathe. We invite you to the grand launch of the new novel by Bainbridge author Susan Wiggs. Susan’s events are always loaded with fun, and this is no exception. In addition to a reading, book signing and refreshments, there will be several drawings, including one for a lavish Just Breathe spa gift basket complete with an oxygen facial. As for the author herself and her work, we have this from none other than Jodi Picoult: “Susan Wiggs paints the details of human relationships with the finesse of a master.” And our own Mary G. adds, “This is a great vacation read.”

September 4, Thursday, 7:30pm
Turkish Wedding: Once There Was, Once There Wasn’t. We welcome back Bainbridge author Judith Reynolds Brown (Farangi: A Venture into Ethiopia, Glove on My Heart). She introduces her new novel, which portrays the difficulties and rewards of an intercultural marriage involving an American woman who meets and falls in love with a Turkish man while he is studying in the United States. Brown, who has lived in Turkey for six years, writes with authority in her portrait of her protagonist’s evolving relationship after they go to that country to meet his family.

September 7, Sunday 3:00pm:
In Defense of Our Neighbors: The Milly & Walt Woodward Story. Join us in proudly welcoming Bainbridge native Mary Woodward, here to give a multimedia presentation on her new book, a dual profile in courage of her parents, Milly and Walt, whose Bainbridge Review opposed the internment of 120,000 Japanese Americans after the bombing of Pearl Harbor. In praise of Mary’s book, our own Mary G. has this to say: “This book is as important, lovely and informative as it is a challenge to categorize. It unfolds the drama of the relocation order, the evacuation by ferry to Seattle and the train ride to the camps, and camp life. It is an important book for students of journalism as well as of history. It captures a defining moment in a seemingly ordinary small town, providing essential lessons in citizenship and democracy, and as such, it is important for all of us in today’s political climate.”

September 11, Thursday, 7:30pm
Zero Day Threat: The Shocking Truth of How Banks & Credit Card Bureaus Help Cyber Crooks Steal Your Money & Identity. Kingston-based investigative reporter Byron Acohido presents an identity theft workshop based on a new book he co-authored. Acohido will discuss how cyber crime has evolved into a thriving global industry worth over a hundred billion dollars. He will also point out ways we can reduce our digital footprints and start demanding more oversight on how banks, credit bureaus, merchants and tech companies are allowed to handle our sensitive data.

September 19, Friday, 10:30pm-12:30am
Brisngr Midnight Release Party!
Brisngr. Our doors swing open at 10:30pm, when we begin celebrating the conclusion of Christopher Paolini’s Inheritance trilogy. The much-anticipated Brisngr revolves around sworn oaths, tested loyalties, and colliding powers. We’ll open the evening with the movie Eragon and continue our all-ages party until midnight with food, trivia and prizes. Meanwhile, we’re taking pre-orders for Brisngr, and when you prepay, you get double Eagle Dozen Book Club card stamps. Reserve your copy now and see if Eragon can unite the rebel forces and defeat the king!

Eagle Harbor Readers Circle

Looking for an insightful book discussion? Our store-sponsored book group meets in the bookstore on the first Tuesday of each month at 7pm to discuss the best in fiction & nonfiction. Newcomers and drop-ins are welcome—we always have room for more!

July 1st: Mister Pip by Lloyd Jones.
In a novel that is at once intense, beautiful, and fable-like, Lloyd Jones weaves a transcendent story celebrating the resilience of the human spirit and the power of narrative to transform our lives.

August 5th: Laughter in the Dark by Vladimir Nabokov.
A classic novel that brilliantly portrays one man’s ruin through love and betrayal.

September 2nd: Dreams From My Father by Barack Obama.
In preparation for the upcoming presidential election, we’ll discuss Obama’s lyrical, unsentimental, and compelling memoir.
John

THE WARRIOR: A MOTHER’S STORY OF A SON AT WAR by Frances Richey (Viking)
This is an eloquent and heartfelt sequence of poems, a memoir-in verse of a mother and son, the mother having raised the son by herself, the son having left for Iraq as a Green Beret. A portrait of a relationship from a mother’s point of view, it shines with love while movingly articulating the pain, uncertainty, contradictions and torn loyalties brought on by war. Richey’s gift bears keen insights into this long and terrible conflict on an immediate, personal and gripping level.

Mary

The reader is both repelled by and drawn into this fascinating and wrenching novel set in Florida. The plot revolves around a little girl who disappears from the strip club where her mother works, her mother having taken her there because the babysitter was sick. Dubus peoples his book with disparate characters in desperate circumstances, and he has an extraordinary way of getting us as readers to identify with people with whom we have seemingly little in common.

Ann

HOME FROM THE VINYL CAFÉ: A YEAR OF STORIES by Stuart McLean (Penguin)
Anyone who’s ever heard Stuart McLean on Sundays on NPR knows all about Dave and Morley and the Vinyl Café. But in this latest collection of fictional vignettes, McLean lets the reader linger over choice passages as he meanders through the unplanned complications and exquisite absurdities in the lives of his two hapless record store owners. He lets them relish the stories of cooking the frozen turkey, of the cat that went uninvited on a summer vacation, of stringing the Christmas lights on the roof and Dave getting his tongue stuck to the antenna. It’s a delightful book—at times hilarious, at times poignant, but always enjoyable.

Paul

RUNAWAY by Alice Munro (Vintage)
So you say you don’t like to read short stories? Do yourself a favor: Discard this prejudice and begin with this wonderful collection of stories about women of all ages and circumstances and the choices they make. Each finely crafted story is as rich and meaningful as the best full-length novels you’ve experienced. As a bonus, when these stories are read as a whole, they orbit themes that a book group can easily sink its teeth into . . . mine certainly did! (If your book group would like more recommendations for discussion-worthy short story collections, I’d happily oblige.)

Janis

THE RAW SHARK TEXTS by Steven Hall (Canongate)
In this novel, brilliant debut author Steven Hall gives his readers conceptual predators, time-space continuum intrigue and parallel dimension romance. There is no other way to say it—this blows the doors off any currently defined genre. Read it, and watch out for un-spaces—they are everywhere!

NEWLY RELEASED IN PAPERBACK!

AWAY by Amy Bloom (Random House)
... totally amazing. The characters are fascinating, the language is luminous, and the events are breathtaking . . . an odyssey of the magnitude of Cold Mountain . . . one of my two favorite books of the year.
~ Mary

THE MAYTREES by Annie Dillard (HarperCollins)
Dillard never fails to deliver . . . Choosing the shores of Cape Cod as a setting, she unfolds a vignette of admirable humanity . . . in spare and beautiful prose, we are reminded that love is beyond description and is lived by us all, either in stumbling steps or great leaps.
~ Janis

PLATO & A PLATYPUS WALK INTO A BAR . . . UNDERSTANDING PHILOSOPHY THROUGH JOKES by Thomas Cathcart & Daniel Klein (Henry N. Abrams) . . . if you’re looking for an explanation of relativity that’s a bit less complicated than e=mc^2, then this is the book for you. . . . jokes, humor, and one liners clear away the fog that often envelops the various principles of philosophy. . . . fun to read and invaluable when dinner conversations tend to flag.
~ Ann

ON CHESIL BEACH by Ian McEwan (Random House) . . . a gift to the reader from a master of the contemporary novel. . . . As in Atonement, one misunderstood word or act propels a course of events that cannot be stopped . . . (McEwan) writes with tremendous precision and insight, expanding on themes from his earlier works and capturing them in this perfect novel.
~ Jan

ON KINGDOM MOUNTAIN by Howard Frank Mosher (Houghton Mifflin) . . . a delightful summer read. . . . brims with humor, history, intrigue and romance while addressing the issues of love of the land and home, in particular Vermont. . . . eloquent and incisive perspectives on rampant development, environmental degradation and a vanishing way of life.
~ Mary G.

FOUR SEASONS IN ROME: ON TWINS, INSOMNIA, & THE BIGGEST FUNERAL IN THE HISTORY OF THE WORLD by Anthony Doerr (Simon & Schuster) Doerr takes his young twins and his wife to Rome and tries to write a novel. Instead, he writes a love letter to the city. His powers of observation are magical. Nobody "does" Rome like Anthony Doerr. This is a wonderful book—funny, insightful, tender and wise.
~ Rodie
New Books for Kids

SUNRISE OVER FALLUJAH
by Walter Dean Myers
Twenty years after Fallen Angels, his Coretta Scott King Award-winning Vietnam War classic for young adults, Myers presents a powerful new novel about the heroics and horrors of war. It revolves around Robin Perry—an ambivalent recruit from Harlem—and his fellow soldiers, who find their definition of “winning” the war in Iraq ever more elusive. Ages 12 & up. ~ Scholastic

PEG LEG PEKE
by Brie Spangler
Peke, an adorable little Pekingese, has a boo-boo. But when he uses his imagination, he’s no longer a pup with a broken leg; he’s a pirate with a peg leg on the high seas! Can he find the buried treasure? Celebrate the power of the imagination with a lovable puppy who refuses to let his boo-boo keep him from having fun. Ages 3-6. ~ Random House

CITY OF TIME
by Eoin McNamee
In the sequel to The Navigator, Cati, the Bold Watcher, returns from the shadows of time to summon Owen and Dr. Diamond, for time is literally running out. The moon is nearing earth, causing havoc, and people fear the world will end. Cati, Owen and the Doctor must journey to the City of Time. There, Owen begins to understand his power as The Navigator. Ages 9-12. ~ Random House

TRUCKS GO POP!
Written & illustrated by Bob Staake
Little truck Silly truck
Big truck! Dig truck!
In this bold, sturdy pop-up book, little ones will delight as their favorite trucks come to life up and off the pages: long-armed construction diggers, roaring fire trucks, ice-spraying snow plows and speeding Mack trucks. Award-winning artist Staake brings energy, style and humor to this jam-packed book. Preschool-Grade 1. ~ Little, Brown

New Adult Fiction & Nonfiction

THE GUERNSEY LITERARY & POTATO PEEL PIE SOCIETY
by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows
At the end of World War II on the island of Guernsey, a book club is born as a spur-of-the-moment alibi when occupying Germans catch a group of people breaking curfew. Its members form a cast of characters including pig farmers and phrenologists in a novel that Jan loved! ~ Random House

THE SLAVES' WAR: THE CIVIL WAR IN THE WORDS OF FORMER SLAVES
by Andrew Ward
Former Bainbridge author Ward delivers an unprecedented vision of America's bloodiest conflict, as seen through the eyes of the people it freed. Gleaned from hundreds of interviews, diaries, letters and memoirs, this is an engrossing narrative in a quintessentially American idiom. ~ Houghton Mifflin

FOREVER ON THE MOUNTAIN:
THE TRUTH BEHIND ONE OF MOUNTAINEERING'S MOST CONTROVERSIAL & MYSTERIOUS DISASTERS.
by James M. Tabor
In July 1967, seven young men died on Mt. McKinley, North America's highest peak. This is a classic tale of men against nature, gambling and losing, and the first full account of the tragedy that ended a golden age in mountaineering. ~ W.W. Norton

ITALIAN GRILL
by Mario Batali
From the superstar chef and author of Molto Italiano comes the ultimate handbook on Italian grilling. Its eighty easy-to-use recipes take the mystery out of making tasty, smoky Italian food. Features sixty full-color photographs, complemented by info on grilling techniques, heat-source options and essential equipment. ~ Eco

1434: THE YEAR A MAGNIFICENT CHINESE FLEET Sailed to ITALY & IGNITED THE RENAISSANCE
by Gavin Menzies
In another stunning and erudite reappraisal of history from the best selling author of 1421, Menzies makes the argument that in 1434 China—then the most technologically advanced civilization—provided the spark that set the European Renaissance ablaze. ~ William Morrow

PLANT SEED, PULL WEADE: NURTURING THE GARDEN OF YOUR LIFE
by Geri Larkin
In the tradition of Rick Field's Chop Wood, Carry Water, Larkin's book takes us through the steps of planning, planting, nurturing and maintaining a garden, while offering humor and wisdom on what plants can teach us about life. A book that will stir us to get our hands dirty and get back in touch with ourselves. ~ HarperCollins
Kids Summer Reads 2008

Ages 7-10

Just Grace by Charise Mericle Harper

Magic Pickle by Scott Morse

Moxy Maxwell Does Not Love Stuart Little by Peggy Gifford

Dinosaur Cove #1: Attack of the Tyrannosaurus by Rex Stone

Ages 10+

The White Giraffe by Lauren St. John

Skulduggery Pleasant by Derek Landy

The Green Glass Sea by Ellen Klages

Samuel Blink & the Forbidden Forest by Matt Haig

The Case of the Left-Handed Lady by Nancy Springer

H.I.V.E. the Higher Institute of Villainous Education by Mark Walden

Ages 8-12

The Secret History of Tom Trueheart by Ian Beck

Starbuck Twins Mystery #1: Double Trouble Squared by Kathryn Lasky

Angus & Sadie by Cynthia Voight

The Secret Order of the Gumm Street Girls by Elise Primavera

Theodosia & the Serpents of Chaos by R.L. LaFevers

Teens

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Wicked Lovely by Melissa Marr

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Summer Ball by Mike Lupica

Death by Bikini by Linda Gerber

When It Happens by Susane Colasanti

Twisted by Laurie Halse Anderson

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Dear Ivan and Carol,

Thank you so much for your kind words! We are part of a wonderful world!

In my eighth week already and the pieces are kind of falling into place.

I felt like a flat liner for the longest time and now can see some spikes on the machine—my brain.

I miss the Goose but go back frequently. I still get to read grown up books.

Continued health and good fortune to you both.

Fondly—Chris
Dear Ivan,

For some strange reason I spent this card and thought of you ~ the tenacity of a bull! Help matches the spirit of your younger years ~ oh, I don’t know. (That sounded like a bit of bull right there!)

...But really, thank you so much for coming and supporting Pat and her difficult venture, ‘the independent bookseller’.

Have not found the sunglasses, but will continue to keep an interest. The invitation stands —
You and Carol are welcome any time to come enjoy some quiet time away.
You are a poem in fine tunes. An allusion or metaphor.
Thank you for that: you will be on the classic shelf with Wallace.
Please come again.

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P.S. Pat says “hello”
P.P.S. Read says “hi”
P.P.P. Please greet Ivan and Carol
P.P.P. Please greet Tom for me too.

[Signature]
Dear Kristine--

The going-away shindig for Chris caught us at a time when we couldn’t get loose, so could you kindly pass along the accompanying bon voyage note to her.

As I told her, I’m going to repeat here a thought too that I also put in her letter: how great it was of you two to put the full featherage of the Snow Goose behind The Whistling Season. Surely you sold more copies of what’s turning out to be my best-seller (ever) per square foot than any other bookstore on the planet. The Whistling Season’s charmed life just keeps going, kept in gear by the new paperback: besides the PNBA, it won an ALA Alex award as one of the ten best of the year for young adults, it’s up for of all damn things a Spur Award from the Western Writers of America, and juiciest of all, the movie rights have been optioned by guys who actually seem to have some money and experience. Whatever the pair of you thought you were doing in ordering the book like madwomen, this household gives you a deep bow of appreciation.

Best wishes--see you when we can.
Dear Chris--

Sorry Carol and I couldn’t make it to the bon voyage bash. It sounds as if you’ve charted this out just right. We’re big admirers of the Scholastic achievement with that boy wiz. And come right down to it, of you too, Ms. Chris. We know a fellow fanatic for books when we see one, we always like professionalism, and I can’t think of a time when we were around you when we didn’t do more than half the laughing. So, thanks for your wit and your savvy and all else, and godspeed on the rep trail.

While I’m at this, a thought too that I’ll repeat to Kristine in my cover letter: how great it was of you two to put the full featherage of the Snow Goose behind The Whistling Season. Surely you sold more copies of what’s turning out to be my best-seller (ever) per square foot than any other bookstore on the planet. The Whistling Season’s charmed life just keeps going, kept in gear by the new paperback: besides the PNBA, it won an ALA Alex award as one of the ten best of the year for young adults, it’s up for of all damn things a Spur Award from the Western Writers of America, and juiciest of all, the movie rights have been optioned by guys who actually seem to have some money and experience. Whatever the pair of you thought you were doing in ordering the book like madwomen, this household gives you a deep bow of appreciation.

See you around the I-5 corridor and beyond?

Affectionately,
She's leaving the flock...

After 8 great years, Chris Satterlund is saying "goodbye" to the flock & starting a new life in the big, wide world. Please join the rest of us at the Goose in wishing her farewell and best wishes at our

OPEN HOUSE

Friday, April 13th, 1 - 6 pm at the Snow Goose Bookstore
8616 271st Street - Stanwood
22 March 06

Dear Ivan,

Thank you for your delightful letter of 20 March 06. It was a great pleasure to introduce you, and I meant what I said about the ‘all ages,’ a brilliant read. It sounds like Harcourt will rule your life for a while, in a good way. May the tour go well.

We are very excited to have you here in Leavenworth. The fall actually would work well for us. Nearby Wenatchee Valley College also would love to have you join them in their lecture series on the same trip over the mountains. They have a venue large enough to accommodate your beloved followers and the event would be co-hosted with A Book for All Seasons. Would this scenario work?

The afternoon of Sunday, November 6th, a signing in the store
The evening of Monday, November 7th, a lecture at nearby Wenatchee Valley College

OR a second choice:

Sunday, October 8th/Monday, October 9th

Again, thank you for your letter and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Pat Rutledge
&
Amy Carlson

(event coordinator + ghost writer)
April 6, 2006

Ivan,

Good to talk to you while sitting at Daleys on a sunny spring day. AHHHH, the City in bloom. Speaking of blossoms, how is your garden? Dirt under the fingernails? Only way to be!

Here are the details of your visit with us:

**Date:** Sunday, September 10th 2006

**Time/Event:** 1:30-3:00pm Signing  
6:00-8:00pm Dinner/Reading  
(40 people expected, a sellout)

**Venues:** Signing @ A Book for All Seasons 703 Hwy 2  Leavenworth, WA  
Dinner/Reading @ Visconti’s Restaurant (next door to store)

**Accommodations:** The Innsbrucker Inn’s new Shakespeare Room (with Carol, why of course⋯⋯ These computers even make smiley faces for you even when you don’t want them too⋯⋯GRRRRR)

Amy

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phone call from Amy Aug. 23:

--confirming the above. Says it’s 2½ hr driving time to L’worth (if there’s no big road construction); I said we’d get there abt noon, for lunch.

--KPQ radio interview, live, around 2 pm, Sept. 7; 10-15 min. w/ Ken Johannesen

--Michelle set up Aug. 30, 2 pm phone interview w/ Jefferson Robins, Wenatchee World Entertainment editor

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Amy is scheduler for Pat Rutledge's store in Leavenworth; I didn't promise a signing, but we can explore doing one on way to Missoula bookfest. They have an inn where they'll put us up o'night. Pat told me L'worth is $2^{1/2}$ hrs from Seattle.
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lower 80s Sun. /  
"Cold to do \# To "  
\#78-9 \# Cool! \# media class/autumn \#  
\# News \#
July 12, 2006

Dear Ivan and Carol,

It was great to see you both the other day, and I only wish we had had time to sit down and truly catch up. You both look great!

I was quite pleased with the turnout, especially on a sunny Saturday. We counted eighty people in the crowd, about twenty five of them men. (For some reason I'm always curious about the age and gender mix of these events.) We sold twenty four copies of Whistling Season that day, and we've sold forty year to date. We're also selling the backlist quite well.

The book is great, and we will keep selling it. Continued success, and stay in touch. Be well.

Hugh,

Patti
Bring These Books to the Beach

**THE DEEP DARK**
by Gregg Olsen
$14.95 paperback

**THE CRYPTO-NOMICON**
by Neal Stephenson
$14.95 paperback

**AVON**
Pacific Northwest author Stephenson surely shares DNA with the late Joseph Heller. This fat and sassy 1,152-page romp through World War II cryptology and modern-day computer technology is a goldmine for fans of Catch 22. Bring your dictionary to the novel, for words like “lambent,” “quotidian,” “kerf,” and “veriginous” are just as likely to pop up as a Marine sergeant on some malada-frazed Pacific atoll. Learn about Van Eck phreaking, (a kind of computer espionage), the Enigma Machine, cannibalism in New Guinea, U-boats, the Bolobolos (Philippines Mafia) and more in this incredibly tasty Dagwood sandwich.

**DEFENDING GARY: Unraveling the Mind of the Green River Killer by Mark Prothero**
$24.95 hardback
Wiley

**AFTER THE RICE**
by Wendy French
$12.95 paperback
Tor Forge

**THE HISTORY OF LOVE**
by Nicole Krauss
$13.95 paperback
W.W. Norton

**MR MUO’S TRAVELLING COUCH**
by Dai Sijie
$13.00 paperback
Anchor

The author of Balzac & the Little Chinese Seamstress returns with another delightful tale. The book opens with 40thhr Mr. Muo on a night train with no sleeping berth. He has returned from his beloved adopted France to rescue his college former girlfriend from her life experiences, having embraced Freudianism to the exclusion of embracing desirable women. As our impractical hero bumbles along he risks his life, loses his virginity, enables his girlfriend’s release, writes long passionate letters, and observes Chinese country life in this wonderful summertime read.

**THE IDAHO CODE**
by Joan Oppy
$13.95 paperback
Consortium

**BLACK WIND**
by Clive Cussler
$9.99 paperback
Berkeley

**THE HIGHEST TIDE**
by Jim Lynch
$13.95 paperback
Bloomsbury

Miles is a skinny 13-year-old brainiac obsessed with the tidal flats of Puget Sound near his house. When he finds a rare sea creature, the glare of media attention gives him a giant show toward growing up.

Former Seattle reporter Jim Lynch brings us a refreshing story with lots of adolescent sex and a terrifying suspense scene in which a boy is caught in the sand, facing an incoming tide. This award-winning book makes great summer reading.

**ALibi A Novel**
by Joseph Kanon
$12.95 paperback
Picador

**TWELVE JANET EVANOVICH SHARP**
by Janet Evanovich
$26.95 hardback
St. Martin's

**DANIEL ISN’T TALKING**
by Marty Leimbach
$22.95 hardback
Random House

Stereotypes aside, they’re not all members of paranoid militia groups in Northern Idaho as liberal, gay protagonist Wilhemina “Bil” (sic) Hardy proves—but does she have what it takes to solve a murder?


NUMA head Dirk Pitt and his children must outtrace a madman to find two WWII-era Japanese submarines, each carrying a biological virus. This New York Times bestseller is new in paperback!

In charming Victoria, B.C., Canada, college student Megan Ismore is late, and not for the bus. Although happily married, she’s not ready for her own Pink Tyrant—as she calls the six-month-old dictator...er...daugh...er...of her perfectionist older sister. Husband Matt’s Uncle Tony—an employed and evicted, is camping out in the basement; Megan’s hippie sister is living on the couch, and the family dog still needs potty training. Puffy, entertaining fun.

Move over, officer Joe Morelli. Here comes sexy security expert Ranger Manoso with all of his problems (like a female stalker) to confuse the heart of Stephanie Plum. As Morelli takes on a truck-load of gang-related murders and Ranger is forced to work under (many) covers, bounty hunter Stephanie decides to go on the offensive against her enemies. Meanwhile the wonderfully wacky Grandma Mazur tries a new wardrobe and joins Lua’s band. Light reading!

Just like Midnight in the Garden of Good & Evil bathed readers in New Orleans atmosphere, this book saturates you with Seattle. But instead of a single shooting, Gary Ridgeway’s 75 confessed murders make him the most prolific serial killer in the U.S. How could Prothero, a high school swim coach and loving family man, stand seeing this criminal from the death penalty? As intense as In Cold Blood, but unfortunately more recent.
**Auntie's Events**

**Saturday Night at Auntie's with Dave McRae and Dannie Lynn Plummer**
July 1, 7:00 p.m.
Dave and Dannie Lynn have been performing a blend of country, bluegrass, gospel, blues, and Dave's original folkibly tunes for the past two years. With Dave on guitar, banjo and harmonica and Dannie Lynn on mandolin and guitar, listeners are sure to be delighted and entertained throughout the evening.

**Michael Hendryx**
Wednesday, July 5, 7:30 p.m.
Meet a returning winner of The Inlander's fiction contest presenting Tales of Suicide and Loneliness, a short story and novella in one delightful volume that a reviewer compared to the early writings of Chuck Palahniuk and Hunter S. Thompson.

**Auntie's Presents**

**Donald Deiser and William N. Edwards**
Friday, July 7, 7:30 p.m.
Talented author (Egg Money) and musician Don Deiser returns with a warmhearted tale about a Spokane policeman who plays the blues on the weekend called Adventures of Hoocher Daddy. Deiser will give a complimentary CD of songs mentioned in his book with each copy purchased this evening. Next, Lt. Colonel USAF William N. Edwards (retired) will present Twin Vendetta, a fast paced World War II tale that moves from the fall of France, on to Allied military operations around the Mediterranean, then back to Germany. Gripping scenes of WWII fighter-bomber tactics are highlighted in Edwards's novel.

**Saturday Night at Auntie's with Chris Brown**
Saturday, July 8, 7:00 p.m.
Singer/songwriter Chris Brown weaves a musical tale of family heritage, from his railroading grandparents, his bohemian father, to his own travels around the world. Chris accompanies his vocals with guitar, accordion and piano, interspersed with harmonica.

**Feng Shui Workshop**
with Gerrie Roholt
Sunday, July 9, 1-5:00 p.m.
Let certified feng shui consultant Gerrie Roholt show you how to harmonize your environment to improve relationships and enhance prosperity. Free admission.

**Ivan Doig**
Monday, July 10, 7:30 p.m.
Ivan Doig has delighted readers with his writing about the American West including Dancing at the Rascal Fair and This House of Sky. Join us for a reading with an evening with one of the great masters at this talented writer presents The Whistling Season, in which a mail order housekeeper who "can't cook but doesn't bite" arrives to straighten out the Montana household of widower Oliver Milron and his son in the fall of 1909. Please plan to arrive early for best seating.

**Auntie's Morning Book Group**
Tuesday, July 11, 11:00 a.m.
You're invited to drop in for a lively discussion of the novel Prodigal Summer by Barbara Kingsolver.

**Auntie's Evening Book Group**
Tuesday, July 11, 7:00 p.m.
We hope you will join us as we discuss the international bestseller Shadow of the Wind by Carlos Ruiz Zafon.

**Michael Lovas and Pamela Holloway**
Wed., July 12, 7:30 p.m.
Writer, speaker, and coach Michael Lovas and Pamela Holloway, researcher and program designer, have brought their extensive background in psychology and NLP into AboutPeople, a consultancy helping individuals and companies better understand and connect with their target audiences. Their new book is Face Values.

**Linda Lael Miller**
Friday, July 14, 7:30 p.m.
New York Times bestselling romance writer Linda Lael Miller returns with Man From Stone Creek in which Ranger Sam O'Ballivan, working undercover as a schoolteacher to capture a band of train robbers, finds his mission complicated by his attraction to Maddie, the postmistress and mercantile manager.

**Saturday, July 15, 11 a.m.**
Spice It Up Book Club Leadership Seminar
In this, the third of Auntie's Book Club Leadership Seminars, we'll focus on ways to make your group meetings more enjoyable.
Come prepared to share your ideas with others. RSVP to Linda Bond, Auntie's Book Club Coordinator, at 838-0206 or email Lindab@Auntiesbooks.com. Join the fun!

**Saturday Night at Auntie's with Heidi Jantz**
Saturday, July 15, 7:00 p.m.
Inspired by Christian musical artists like Amy Grant, guitarist Heidi Jantz writes many of the songs on her featured CD, Entries On an Unlined Page. Fiddler Katie Turner will join Heidi for a musical dance!

**Pamela Aidan**
Tuesday, July 18, 7:30 p.m.
Coeur d'Alene author Pamela Aidan is a librarian who writes of the continuing adventures of characters made popular by Jane Austen. In Fitzwilliam Darcy, Gentleman: An Assembly Such As This, we see the Bennets and the Bingleys through Darcy's eyes and learn more about his complicated past.

**Paula Morin**
Wednesday, July 19, 7:30 p.m.
Author Paula Morin is a photographer and oral historian who loves equines. In her thought-provoking new book, Honest Horses, she has collected over sixty narrative conversations from people who have worked with the wild horses of the Great Basin and off and on the range.

**Beth Mary Bollinger**
Friday, July 21, 7:30 p.m.
Local author Beth Mary Bollinger presents her novel, Until the End of the Ninth. It's based on a tragic accident that killed many players of the Spokane Indians baseball team in the 1940s, most of whom were vets just returned from WWII.

**Saturday Night at Auntie's with Allen Suerze**
Saturday, July 22, 7:00 p.m.
Singer/songwriter Allen Suerze brings to Auntie's a unique blend of blues, jazz, country, folk and original music. He puts a fresh spin on songs as he shares his passion for music.

**Karen Fisher**
Wednesday, July 26, 7:30 p.m.
Karen Fisher will present her novel, A Sudden Country, the gritty and romantic tale of newly remarried Lucy Mitchell and widowed tracker James McLaren who meet and form a bond on an Oregon Trail wagon train. The setting is based on Fisher's own family heritage. This tale of frontier morals versus opportunity and morals make it a great choice for book groups!

**J.A. Jance**
Thursday, July 27, 7:30 p.m.
Join New York Times bestselling author J.A. Jance as she presents Dead Wrong, the latest action-packed installment of Sheriff Joanna Brady in which election results are tallied in fictional Cochise County where Joanna is making a bid for another term as sheriff, and Joanna's new baby is delivered.

**Saturday Night at Auntie's**
Frank Delaney and Friends
Saturday, July 29, 7:00 p.m.
A music producer with KPBX Radio, Frank Delaney is joined tonight by John Brennan and Linda Robinson. They will entertain with a selection of folk, blues, country, spirituals and original music. This is a musicians' reunion: Frank and John played in a Washub band called The Deadwood Gasket Company back in the 1970s, and Frank and Linda have been playing festivals and coffeehouses as The Little Spokane River Angel Band for over a decade.

**Music Recital**
Students of Shaun Kelly
Tuesday, August 1, 5:00-7:00 p.m.
A local piano teacher presents an end of year recital for his talented students. Come listen as these budding musicians step into the spotlight to showcase their accomplishments.

**Auntie's Morning Book Group**
Tuesday, August 8, 11:00 a.m.
We hope you will join us as we discuss the nonfiction work Life Lessons by Elizabeth Kubler-Ross.

**Auntie's Evening Book Group**
Tuesday, August 8, 7:00 p.m.
You're invited to drop in for a lively discussion of the novel No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency by Alexander McCall Smith.
July and August Events Continued

J.A. Flynn
Thurs., August 10, 7:30 p.m.
J.A. Flynn accepted a job on the Internet teaching English and accounting to Swedish students in Auckland, New Zealand. One result of her midlife adventure is Gumboots, Lesson Plans and Hot Rugby Nights: New Beginnings in New Zealand in which she details cultural observations, current affairs, and cuisine—including recipes.

Joan Oppr
Friday, August 18, 7:30 p.m.
A popular columnist for Stom- well New Northwest, Joan Oppr presents her first mystery novel, Idaho Code. Set in small town Idaho where everyone knows your business and a local murder is suddenly in the news, it's not the best place for lesbian heroine Wilhelmina "Bill" Hardy to go looking for love, and she finds herself becoming an amateur sleuth along the way. Check out Joan's website for more of her particular brand of (Moscow, Idaho) hilarity.

Auntie's Open Chess Tournament
Friday, August 25, 4:00 p.m.
Join us to watch the first game of the City Championship in which an as-yet unknown opponent challenges reigning champ Dave Spenkles.

Auntie's Open Chess Tournament Saturday, August 26, 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Free for spectators, sliding admission scale for tournament participants with prizes at the end. Rounds at 10:00 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1:45 p.m. and 5:45 p.m. For entry information contact Dave at 928-3260 or dbsgrfn@hotmail.com.

Auntie's Open Chess Tournament Sundat, August 27, 9:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Auntie's Open Chess Tournament continues until the Inland Northwest Bluegrass Association musicians begin to play. Enjoy memorable chess moments and the exciting conclusion of the 2006 tournament. Please note that ONLY chess tournament participants will be admitted to the store before our regular Sunday opening at 11:00 a.m.
**Literary Lifesavers**

A.K.A. Auntie’s Audiobooks

by Lindsey Reiswig

Heading into the hot summer sun for a road trip? Jumping on the plane to visit family? Whether you’re alone, or with the kids, we have just the audiobook for you! Come in and check out our great selection. For the little kids, try a *Wee Sing*. Some of them are so good you might find yourself singing along. Rabbit Ears provides a great selection of classical stories for kids to listen to or you could try a long audio book that will keep the young (and the young at heart) entertained for hours.

We recommend *The Penderwicks* for a safe and satisfying family listening experience. For the more magically-inclined, the Harry Potter series can provide an engaging distraction. Adults could try the latest books by Dean Koontz, James Patterson, or Alexander McCall Smith for a light and entertaining listen. For a more thought-provoking experience, try *The World Is Flat* by Thomas L. Friedman. Whatever your audio inclination, Auntie’s has what you need for your next adventure! You’ll find adult audiobooks near the reading area on our second floor. Children’s audiobooks can be found in our Children’s section.

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**Children’s Events For Summer**

- **Saturday, July 1**
  - 11 a.m.: Pirate Storytime & Craft Project
    Make your own pirate hat after hearing delightful stories about famous seafaring scallywags. All ages. Children’s Section.

- **Saturday, July 8**
  - 11 a.m.: Feathered Friends Storytime & Crafts Project
    Listen to unforgettable stories about our winged friends and make a pine cone birdfeeder to keep. All ages. Children’s Section.

- **Saturday, July 15**
  - 11 a.m.: Storytime with Auntie Violet
    Our favorite Icar storyteller returns to read us an entertaining selection of old favorites and new delights. All ages. Children’s Section.

- **Saturday, July 22**
  - 2 p.m.: Auntie’s Youth Book Group
    We’ll discuss *The Prophet of Yonwood* by Jeanne DuPrau, third in the City of Ember series. Ages 8-12, 2nd Floor Conference Room.

- **Saturday, July 29**
  - 11 a.m.: Game Day with Kandy
    Auntie’s staffer Kandy will teach us to play *Cranium’s Outrageous Book of Fun, Sudoku, Mad Libs* and a host of other fun and exciting games! (Provided by Auntie’s.) All ages, 2nd Floor Conference Room. Free.

- **Wednesday, August 2**
  - 11 a.m.: Storytime with Miss Sarah
    Watch out! Amazing adventures will jump from the pages of some wonderful new books. All ages. Children’s Section.

- **Saturday, August 12**
  - 11 a.m.: Summer Storytime & Craft Project
    Enjoy some fun-filled books about summer. Then decorate picture frames to capture our sunny memories. All ages. Children’s Section.

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**You Could Win Stuff**

Calling all kids! Ages 5-10 or ages 11-16. Sign up for Auntie’s Summer Reading Program today! Fifteen percent off on children’s books when you sign up. The boy or girl in each age category who reads the most books by August 31st will win an Auntie’s gift certificate.

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Heard in the Aisles of Auntie’s

Our question for this issue: What do you like best about Auntie’s?

“I like coming in to hear the musical groups and going to their author readings. And I also enjoy the Paper Garden store.”
—Robert Christensen
Spokane

“IT’S EASY BEING GREEN”
by Crissy Trask
paperback / $12.95

Since founding GreenMatters, a business focusing on environmental education, Crissy Trask realized she has collected a wealth of easy-to-implement ideas that will make our lifestyles less wasteful and downright earth friendly. This small, inviting book—perfect for a coffee table—gives dozens of bright ideas: set your refrigerator at 37 degrees; vacuum the condenser coils twice a year for maximum efficiency. Use cloth napkins; instead of running the faucet while washing fruit, fill a bowl with water. Getting engaged? Instead of creating a new ring, search for a unique antique! Our absolute favorite suggestion: use a laptop and telecommute to work! Ok, ok, just two days per week, right?

Crissy Trask will present It’s Easy Being Green at Auntie’s, May 31, 7:30.

Auntie’s Reads

Auntie’s has snagged two popular best-selling writers to kick off your summer reading season. On July 10, Ivan Doig will entertain us with his latest, Whistling Season, available in our store starting in June. This novel, which has been described in early reviews as having all the charm of old-school storytelling in the Laura Ingalls

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AUNTIE'S EVENTS

Swami Radhananda
Wednesday, May 3, 7:30 p.m.
Swami Radhananda, internationally renowned yoga teacher and columnist for the award winning yoga magazine *Ascent*, presents *Inspired Lives*, a compilation of *Ascent*'s best articles.

Stuart Woods
Thursday, May 4, 7:30 p.m.
Bestselling author Stuart Woods returns to Auntie's with his crime Bar-
lington novel. Dark Harbor contains elements of sexy intrigue and wild suspense as Barrington delves into the abrupt end to the life of his CIA operative cousin.

David Dodd Lee (EWU Visiting Writer) 
Friday, May 5, 7:30 p.m.
David Dodd Lee's poetry collection, *Arrow Pointing North*, is an elegant intersection of nature and the self, a landscape that includes both engaging and fierce, written close to the bone.

Patrick Koval (Signing Only)
Saturday, May 6, 6:00 p.m.
Author Patrick Koval will autograph copies of her inspirational novel Stillpoint. Also available are *Spillpoint Journal* and *Journaling Into Wholeness*.

Saturday Night at Auntie's
with Don't Fret It
Saturday, May 6, 7:00 p.m.
Singing group *Sage* (Bill Musgrove, Emile Vollmer, Rich Wiesser, Jeff Benford and Ray Amundson have played bluegrass and gospel at Chatagua and the Moses Lake Bluegrass Fest. We're glad to have them.

Auntie's Morning Book Group
Tuesday, May 9, 11 a.m.
We hope you will join us as we discuss the novel *Broken For You* by Seattle author Stephanie Kallos.

Auntie's Evening Book Group
Tuesday, May 9, 7:00 p.m.
You're invited to drop by for a lively discussion of the book *1,000 White Women* by author Jim Ferguson.

Debra Dean
Wednesday, May 10, 7:30 p.m.
In *Madonnas of Leningrad*, first time Seattle novelist Dean explores the transformation of an elderly Rus-

Jean Hegland
Thursday, May 11, 7:30 p.m.
The acclaimed author of Into the Forest returns to Aunties with her latest novel, *Windfalls*, in which she weaves the stories of two young women revealing their fears along with their capacity to love.

Ignite Community Theatre
Friday, May 12, 6:30 p.m.
Join Spokane's favorite reader's theater with this fresh rendition of *The Member of the Wedding* by Carson McCullers.

Verne Patten (Signing Only)
Saturday, May 13, 6-3:00 p.m.
Local author Patten autographs copies of his novel *Somewhere Everyday* It's about homelessness based on the author's conversations with homeless people in the Spokane area.

Saturday Night at Auntie's
with Charlie Rising Sun
Saturday, May 13, 7:30 p.m.
Listening to Native American flute has never been better than when Charlie Rising Sun performs at Auntie's. Relax

and let yourself daydream about rushing streams and sunny mountain meadows.

Gordon Jackson
Tuesday, May 16, 7:30 p.m.
A professor of journalism at Whitworth College, Gordon Jackson has put together an entertaining collection of quotations that have to do with the media.

Watchdogs, Blogs and Wild Hogs. Ori-

Fred Rahe
Thursday, May 18, 7:30 p.m.
Retired University of Idaho profes-
or Rahe brings a wealth of information and fabulous photographs to his Powerpoint presentation of Exploring High Mountain Lakes in the Rockies: A Study of Ecology and Natural History.

David Shields (EWU Visiting Writer)
Friday, May 19, 7:30 p.m.
Seattle author David Shields is an essayist and short story writer who will present three of the eight books he's written, including *Remote*, *Dead Langu-
gage* and *Handbook For Drown-
ing*. Shields has won numerous awards as well as a Guggenheim Fellowship.

Elizabeth Jones-Boswell
Wednesday, May 24, 7:30 p.m.
This author, teacher, and mother of four will present her book, *Exercise for Pregnancy and Beyond: A Pilates-Based Approach for Women*. She will show simple exercise routines to ease pain during pregnancy and labor as well as to condition your body for the rest of your life. Audience participant: bring a mat or towel and pillow.

Kelly Milner Halls
Thursday, May 25, 7:30 p.m.
*Missing: A children's book* is the revised and updated *Dinosaur Travel Guide*. She will speak to those of us who really dig fossils. Learn where to go to participate in a prehistoric good time!

Gregory Spatz
Friday, May 26, 7:30 p.m.
EWU professor Greg Spatz's second novel, *The Fiddler's Dream*, tells the story of a talented young musician pursuing his dream of becoming one of Bill Monroe's Bluegrass Boys. Along the way, he must battle down his missing musician father. Spatz's first novel is *No One But Us*.

Saturday Night at Auntie's
with Allen Turder, May 27, 7:00 p.m.
Singer/songwriter Turder brings to Auntie's a unique blend of blues, jazz, country, folk and original music. He puts a fresh spin on the songs he shares.

Anna Jones (World Affairs Council)
Tuesday, May 30, 6:30 p.m. Please Note Time. Admission: $20 for non-members, $10 for members. Students free w/ ID. Award-winning journalist, and women's rights activist Ann Jones presents Kabul in *Winter: Life Without Peace in Afghanistan*, based on her experiences helping female journalists rebuild their lives after the bombing of Kabul. Photos will be displayed at 6:30 p.m., presentation at 7:00.

Crispy Trash
Wednesday, May 31, 7:30 p.m.
The proprietors of GreenMatters, a business which advances environmental education online, will present her book *It's Easy Being Green: A Handbook For Earth-Friendly Living*. The book is a treasury of easy tips for saving the environment while saving yourself time and money.

Quynn Elizabeth
Friday, June 2, 7:30 p.m.
Quynn Elizabeth, daughter of Viet Nam veteran, presents *Accepting the Ashes: A Daughter's Quest of a POW's Return & Stress Disorder*. Elizabeth speaks openly about her father's 30-year battle with PTSD affected her family and shares lessons she has learned. Elizabeth is an educator from Tucson.

Saturday Night at Auntie's with Mad Mama Moon
Saturday, June 3, 7:00 p.m.
Back by popular demand is Mad Mama Moon, acoustic duo Cheri and Mila Javel. With lively vo-
cals you can get your feet, mandolin, lap steel, tenor ban-
jo, Puerto Rican quarto, and percussion.

Roger Wyer
Tuesday, June 6, 7:30 p.m.
Roger Wyer's personal mission is to improve the way people work together. More than 20 years of improving business results as a consultant and coach led Wyer to write *Choosing Joy at Work*. Join us as Wyer discusses techniques to help keep you on track and challenges you to restore your power to choose and own your joy.

Solveig Torvik
Wednesday, June 7, 7:30 p.m.
Norwegian-born Solveig Torvik was a reporter/editor at the Seattle Puz-
felldig i en for 30 years before writing her novel, *Kilonna's Fortune*, which traces three generations from Finland to Idaho. Family of *Hannah's Daughters* by Marianne Fredriksson will enjoy this mother-daughter tale.

Jeff Woodbury
Friday, June 9, 7:30 p.m.
A counselor and retired social worker, John P. Johnston presents his first novel, *This Side of the Gate*. An epic tale that spans 42 lifetimes through reincarnation, the novel features six demon
drels and saints, monks and warriors in a myriad of historical civilizations.

Saturday Night at Auntie's
with Accordion Joe Jenkins & Barry Watkins
Saturday, June 10, 7:00 p.m.
Accordion Joe with Barry Watkins on bass guitar for a lively session of "name that tune" in which the audience will be asked to identify fragments of songs from the 1950's and 1960's. All pass-the-hat proceeds will be donat-
ed to Cancer Patient Care.

PatriciaNeil Warren
Sunday, June 11, 12:00 p.m. (Please Note Time)
Prolific author and former Reader's Di-
gest editor Warren presents her popular gay novel. *Front Runner* has sold 10 mil-
lion copies and is about to be made into a movie. Warren, who is originally from Montana, now owns Wildcat Media in Los Angeles.

Mark Fuhrman
Monday, June 12, 7:30 p.m.
Retired LAPD detective Fuhrman will read from his latest work, *A Simple Act of Murder: November 22, 1963*, which sheds new light on the Kennedy as-
sassination based on hard evidence. Fuhrman's other books include *Murder in Spokane*.

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Muder in Brentwood, and Silent Witness.
Auntie's Morning Book Group
Tuesday, June 13, 11:00 a.m.

Auntie's Evening Book Group
Tuesday, June 13, 7 p.m.
We welcome new members. Tonight's book discussion features *My Sister's Keeper* by Jodi Picoult.

*Sandra G. Lee, Wednesday, June 14, 7:30 p.m.*
Author Sandra G. Lee reaches out to oth-er survivors of childhood sexual abuse in her memoir *Father, Forgive Your Father*. This is the poignant story of a coura-
geous woman and a guide for survivors seeking to live a full life.

**Place a **
Mug on a Budget

**Friday, June 16, Noon to 2 p.m.** (Please Note Time)
City planners Susan Jackson Harden and Al Zellanin present *Planning a Budget*. It's about powerful communities to develop authentic places that reinforce local pride and identity. Sponsored by the APA. Inland Empire Section. RSVP at 477-4237.

**Saturday Night at Auntie's**

with Mark Ward, June 17, 7:00 p.m.
Mark Ward is a local acoustic singer/songwriter who blends moving lyrics about life and love into artfully arranged songs that draw comparisons to artists like Damien Rice for their intensity and sincerity.

**Super Funshops**

The Doe, Don'ts, and Maybes of Self-Publishing
Saturday, June 6, 7:30 p.m.
WSU history professor Abbigale discusses how bigbusiness shapes trends through the media, which are also expressions of consumers in *With Amusement For All: A History of American Popular Culture Since 1830*.

**M. John Lubetkin**

**June 29, 7:30 p.m.**
The historic Northern Pacific Railroad was once a risky start-up financed by the US's leading banker. Retired cable television executive Lubetkin brings life to the railroad's thrust into Yellowstone Valley in *Joy Cooker's Gamble: The Northern Pacific Railroad, the Stoux, and the Panic of 1873*.

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Children’s Events For May and June

Saturday, May 6, 2 p.m.  
Mother’s Day Craft Project  
Create personalized cards for Mother’s Day. All Ages.  
2nd Floor Conference Room.

Saturday, May 6, 3 p.m.  
Stuart Little: Children’s Theater  
Christian Youth Theater puts on a skit from the book. All ages. Auditorium area.

Wednesday, May 10, 11 a.m.  
Midweek Storytime with Miss Sarah  
Fun will abound with Miss Sarah’s lively storytelling. All Ages. Children’s Section.

Saturday, May 13, 11 a.m.  
Storytime with Auntie Violet  
Our beloved Illic storyteller will share stories about a Mother’s Love. All Ages. Children’s Section.

Saturday, May 13, 2 p.m.  
Seussical: Children’s Theater  
A special Christian Youth Theater performance.

Wednesday, May 17, 11 a.m.  
Midweek Storytime with Miss Sarah  
Come and hear some great new stories with us! All Ages. Children’s section.

Thursday, May 25, 7:30 p.m.  
Kelly Milner Halls Presents Dinosaur Travel Guide  
Taking a trip? Local author Halls introduces you to her revised, updated Dinosaur Travel Guide. Learn where to go if you’re “dino” fossils. Enjoy cookies and our coloring contest. All ages. 2nd Floor Auditorium.

Saturday, May 27, 2 p.m.  
Auntie’s Youth Book Group  
Read either How’s Moving Castle by Diana Wynne Jones or The Last of the Really Great Whangdoodles by Julie Edwards. Ages 8-12. 2nd Floor Conference Room.

Saturday, June 3, 2 p.m.  
Father’s Day Craft Project  
Get crafty and make Dad a personalized card for Father’s Day. All Ages. 2nd Floor Conference Room.

Wednesday, June 7, 11 a.m.  
Midweek Storytime with Miss Sarah  
Watch out as adventure comes jumping from the pages of great books. All Ages. Children’s Section.

Saturday, June 10, 11 a.m.  
Beauty and the Beast Storytime  
Annette Gershet will visit as Beauty. Come hear this great story retold. All ages. Children’s Section.

Saturday, June 17, 11 a.m.  
Storytime With Auntie Violet  
Guess who is back to help us celebrate Father’s Day! Wear a tie and get a poster to take home with you. All Ages. Children’s Section.

Saturday, June 17, 2 p.m.  
Auntie’s Youth Book Group  
Freedom! This month you may read a book of your choice. Come prepared to report to the rest of us. Ages 8-12. 2nd Floor Conference Room.

Reading Gems For Kids

Mabel O’Leary Put Peas in Her Ear-y  
by Mary DeLamuy, $15.99 Hardcover, Little Brown Peas, peas, peas! What’s a kid to do with the pile of peas on her plate that won’t disappear? Stuff them in her ears of course! Mabel’s solution leads to hilarious misunderstandings that conclude as she leaps for her bed, tilts her head and peas reappear.

The Night Pirates  
by Peter Harris, $16.99 Hardcover, Scholastic Yo ho, yo ho, a pirate’s life for me. Tommy discovers late night adventures with a band of little girl pirates can be fun and exciting. Returning with treasure and ready for a good night’s sleep Tommy tumbles into bed. Perfect for the pirate fans in your life!

Septimus Heap: Book Two - Flyte  
by Angie Sage, $17.99 Hardcover, Harper Collins The magyk continues in the second book chronicling Septimus Heap’s quest to become an accomplished wizard. As his apprenticeship progresses, he discovers that the dark magyk stillingers, and it is up to him to find out why. Ages eight to twelve. (Middle Reader)

No Time Like Show Time by Michael Heye  
$7.99 Paperback, Penguin Putnam Kids

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Toree Girls will love joining Princess Mia on her newest adventure in Party Princess ($16.99, hardback) by Meg Cabot. For guys, try the new Eoin Colfer book Half Moon Investigations or Artemis Fowl: The Opal Deception, (16.95 hardback) book number four in his popular Artemis Fowl series.
Dear Chuck and Dee--

Well, what a winner of a night that was--the latest in that long blessed line of magical times Carol and I have had at Village Books over the years, now the decades. Thanks one more time, you two. You are golden, and you deserve every inch of that snazzy condo.

Chuck, if you find you have to resort to Costco for more Whistlings, I am handily going to be signing at the Aurora Avenue one on July 20, noon to 1. Could sign up books for you there or here at the house (ten min. from that store) if you prefer that. How about leaving us a phone message while we’re on the Montana tour, or call on the 19th (we get back on the 18th), to let us know what you need done.

I browsed the NY Times Book Review today as usual, not paying a hell of a lot of attention now that I didn’t get scalped there last Sunday, and then Carol picked it up and said, “Hey, you’re an ‘Editor’s Choice.’” I tell you, when you’re hot...

Hugs and tickles,
Dear Chris and Kristine--

Well, how about a poster for the front-window? I had these made up primarily for the Montana stores, with that bonanza of *This House of Sky* becoming the statewide "read," but I'm totally confident that between the two of you you're bright enough to crop that part off if you don't want it on there, right? Mary Kay at the Edmonds store picked up a dozen or so advance orders using one of these, so I figured what the hell, maybe readers are just as susceptible in Stanwood.

Carol and I will aim for 2 o'clock sharp on July 7—you know us, that means several minutes before that—and will hang around as long as there is business to do. Then we are going to have to scoot for LaConner and onward to Bellingham. But besides whatever the customers want done, I'll sign up as much stock as you can manage to order, including paperbacks. Get me while you can, kiddos, as this probably will be the only shot at signing stuff up for a while—I've got to hole up and get back to writing the next book as soon as this tour ends in late July.

Looking forward to seeing you in July. All best,
Dear Chuck and Dee--

My, my, a soiree in the elegant quarters above the bookstore. To think, Carol and I knew you when you were ground-level people.

We are really looking forward to the whole shindig, and our intention still is to get to town around 5, grab an early meal (big food, we think of it as, not that we have anything against the high-class grazing you will no doubt provide), and show up at 6 for the reception. One logistic: I have to treat my knees like glass these days, so my cocktail-party demeanor consists of sitting in a straight-back chair, or leaning against something that takes all the weight off, or some combination thereof. So, I'll socialize tooth and nail, but I can't do it standing, okay?

The Skagit Valley Herald apparently is going to do a piece Thursday, July 6, on my swoop through your place and Patti's and Scott's (and I'm doing a stopover at Snow Goose), although I don't know how much good that does you. Suppose the goddamn B'ham Herald can be nudged into doing anything, given your Whatcom Conservancy good-guys bunch? An obvious angle is that I am fairly often front and center for conservancy causes—I've steadily contributed gigs and $$$ to the Nature Conservancy state chapters of Washington, Montana and Utah, for instance—and of course there was that foreword I did for the Whatcom book. Any interview you can gin up at the local rag or a radio station or whatever, I'm of course game to participate in.

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I'm off to the East Coast leg of the booktour in the morning, and later it's Calgary, and then it's Denver-Boulder; if you think there's anything we need to talk over before your event, best to call me the week of June 19. Carol will be here and can relay messages; or the publicity manager handling me at Harcourt, Michelle Blankenship, is really good. She's at (212)592-1023 or michelle.blankenship@harcourt.com.

Looking forward to seeing you in July. All best,
4 June '06

Dick Clever  
City Editor  
Skagit Valley Herald  
1010 E. College Way  
Mount Vernon WA 98273

Dear Dick--

Glad we crossed paths at the baseball game, and thanks for offering to pitch in on behalf of the blessed little covey of Skagit bookstores. Here's my schedule of readings/signings:

- **July 7**, Stanwood: 2 p.m., meet the author/signing at Snow Goose bookstore

- **July 7**, Bellingham: 7:30 p.m., reading/signing, Village Books  
  (There's a reception beforehand--6 p.m.--to benefit the Whatcom Conservancy; I think it's invitation only, but if it's something you think is noteworthy, the store owners Chuck and Dee Robinson will have details. Try them at dee@villagebooks.com or (360)671-2626.

- **July 8**, Mt. Vernon, 12-1 p.m., reading/signing, Scott's.

- **July 8**, Anacortes, 2:30-3:30, reading/signing, Anacortes Public Library, sponsored by Watermark Book Co.

You asked about my availability for a phone interview; much the clearest shot is the week of June 19, and either Tuesday the 20th or Wednesday the 21st are particularly free, at the moment; 2 p.m. is a good time for me if it is for the Herald, although I can be somewhat flexible on that. Give a call to let me know what sounds good—I won't be here much the next couple of weeks, but Carol will.

If you need any of the traditional publishing house stuff, the publicity manager handling my tour is very good: Michelle Blankenship (212)592-1023 or mblankenship@harcourt.com. I've asked her to shoot a review copy to you pronto, and I'm chucking my standard bio and what was the key early review of this book--although the rave one in the current issue of Oprah's *O* magazine likely has more to do with the book's fast start nationally--in with this letter in case they're any help. Thanks again, Dick, and I look forward to talking to you or some other herald of the Herald.

Regards,
11 June ‘06

Dear Megan--

I don’t know if this poster fits your front-window situation, but figured I’d pass it along in case you thought it was worth a try. (I had it made up primarily for the Montana stores, with that bonanza of This House of Sky becoming the statewide “read,” but figured you can crop that part off for your purpose.) This time around I’m really urging stores to push orders for signed books—as you know at least as well as I do, it’s just so damn much easier handling those while signing up stock, beforehand or after, than coping with every signature and inscription during the event— and hence the poster. Mary Kay at the Edmonds store picked up a dozen or so advance orders using it, and you’re the next worthy candidate, I figure.

Carol and I may pull in for lunch on July 8 ahead of our doings; in any case, we’re just coming from the Channel Lodge in LaConner and should be there in plenty of time. If there’s anything you think we need to talk over beforehand, please give me a call the week of June 26. The book is off to a great start, and of course I’ll sign as many as you can manage to order; this probably will be the only shot at signing ‘em up, as I’ve got to hole up and get back to writing the next book as soon as this tour ends in late July.

See you in July. All best,
Dear Patti and all--

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Just to make sure I savvy the details of our July 8 doings correctly, here’s my understanding of it, and please give me a call the week of June 26 if there’s anything we have to talk over:

--We’re coming from my 12-1 event at Scott’s; we’ll be sure to leave there at least by 1:30, probably earlier.

--2:30 @ Anacortes Public Library, do a reading and q-&-a totaling 35-40 minutes, then a booksigning there in the library. We’ll try show up 15 minutes beforehand.

--How’s the parking? If it’s at all tight, have them put a cone in a spot to save it for us, okay?

--Can you bring all the stock (including the new paperbacks of Heart Earth and The Sea Runners) you want signed to the library? We’re going to want to scoot for home from there, as we head out on the Montana booktour at the start of the next week.

That’s all I can think of, kiddo. The book is off to a great start, and of course I’ll sign as many as you can manage to order; this probably will be the only shot at signing ’em up, as I’ve got to hole up and get back to writing the next book as soon as this tour ends in late July.

And now I have to go and pack for Philadelphia. As W.C. Fields said....

Looking forward to fetching up with you again. All best,
Dec. 17, 2003

Dear Ivan,

Belated thanks for signing at the store. Prairie Nocturne continues to sell well, and I know we have sent it in as a bestseller to Booksense for about four weeks or so. We've sold 44 copies so far, and I'm sure we'll sell more in the next week.

Regards to Carol. Happy Holidays. Hope you enjoy the newsletter. Thanks again. It's always a pleasure.

Warmly,

Patti
Watermark Turns Fourteen

In November, Watermark Book Co. celebrated its fourteenth year in Anacortes. The year was highlighted by signings by birder David Sibley, acclaimed writer Ivan Doig, and naturalist Jack Nisbet, and a reading by William Dietrich. In June, we had a midnight Harry Potter party and the line of eager readers went around the block past the Burton Building. We have added some new sidelines including Audubon birds with real bird calls, and a selection of fine magazines. Our store is open seven days a week all year round for customer convenience. We offer individual and boxed cards, as well as journals, calendars, and photo albums. But mostly we’re about books, and we hope that our eclectic inventory continues to satisfy our diverse clientele. Let us make a few suggestions.

Family Matters by Rohinton Mistry
(Vintage $14.95)

"Funny thing is, in the end, all our stories-your life, my life, old Husain's life, they're the same. In fact, no matter where you go in the world, there is only one important story: of youth, and loss, and yearning for redemption. So we tell the same story, over and over. Just the details are different," explains Mr. Yazad, a minor but wise character in Rohinton Mistry's new novel, Family Matters. Don't miss this rich, Lear-like frame story about an elderly patriarch who breaks his ankle and is shuffled from his home (inaptly named Chateau Felicity) to the space and care of his youngest daughter. Within the confines of a two-room home (Pleasant Villa), bedridden, Nariman dreams aloud of his forbidden love of long ago. Each family member struggles with the new arrangement; each has raw emotional moments; each strives to help make ends meet; each hopes for a bit of joy. Nariman's grandsons, intrigued with his rich stories, try to make sense of his past. Mistry's lyrical writing and marvelously storytelling offer peeks at Shakespeare, Eliot, and Blythien, and sounds of Beethoven and Schubert. Prepare basmati for this literary feast.

The Known World by Edward P. Jones
(Amistad $26.00)

"It was the need to go beyond the lane," explained the private, soft-spoken Jones at a recent reading in Seattle. The writer/accountant said that he had the beginnings of this novel for ten years, finally picked it up and finished the first draft within two and a half months. This stunning antebellum work recreates the world of Henry Townsend, a black Virginia slave owner. Henry's slaves live on the lane, but Jones' world is much larger. Looking down on the landscape of life, the author explores and challenges the reader's ideas of slavery, love, family and freedom. Many gray worlds exist: a black woman takes her black slave as a lover; a white slaveholder has children with a slave; a bounty hunter eats a man's identification papers. This compelling novel offers many unsettling incidents and characters in an understated, mesmerizing way. (The Known World was short-listed for the National Book Award.)

Prairie Nocturne by Ivan Doig
(Scribner $26.00)

Ivan Doig is back with a new novel, Prairie Nocturne, (Scribner $26.00). He has gone back to the Montana landscape made famous in his trilogy consisting of English Creek, Dancing at the Rascal Fair, and Ride With Me, Mariah Montana.

Scotch Heaven is empty but for one family, when Susan Duff returns to give voice and stage lessons to Monty, a black man raised on the Williamson Ranch and now sponsored by Wes Williamson. The Ku Klux Klan enters the picture and creates havoc with the lives of Monty and Susan before Monty eventually ends up in Harlem, performing on the stage there. In Prairie Nocturne, the past catches up to the present in a harsh and brutal way, but it leaves us hopeful for the future. (We still have signed first editions.)

– Vicki

– Patti
Wine for Women: A Guide to Buying, Pairing and Sharing Wine by Leslie Sbrocco  
(Morrow $24.95)

The shelves at Watermark are fully stocked with well-intentioned guarantees of happiness through weight loss and an easy eight to 20 minutes per day of exercise - Atkins, the Zone, South Beach, Pilates, aqua aerobics, yoga; you choose. Plus, now it can all be done on "the ball."Personally, I've discovered that wine, cheese and a lazyboy make me happier than water, lettuce and a stepladder, so I was THRILLED to discover Wine for Women by Leslie Sbrocco.

It is a terrific book. Sbrocco's style is direct and easy to read, but she doesn't take herself too seriously. Don't get me wrong; the book is full of helpful information about choosing wine for your own table or as a gift. She has her own gimmick of describing each wine as a particular part of our wardrobe, and it is silly, but it works. Chardonnay is "basic black," Cabernet, the "classic suit," and Champagne is "sequin." She de-mystifies wine labels and coaches us on descriptive words used by experts to describe each wine's taste. Each wine is presented in a chapter describing where it is produced, what labels to look for, and "design a meal" ideas for pairing.

I'm happy to know that Pinot Gris from Oregon is soft and smooth and pairs comfortably with pungent cheeses, seafood pasta, antipasto, prosciutto, all things fresh from the garden, and rich curry sauces. No wonder Sbrocco has dubbed Pinot Gris the "denim" of white wine. Reading Wine for Women has not made me an expert, but has made me more confident in the wine aisle. I am also secure in the knowledge that when I see a title with Dr. Phil "on the ball", I can run shrieking for the big, powerful, "black leather pants" of American Zinfandel, a barbequed burger and sweet potato fries.

P.S. Wine for Women would make a fine addition to a man's library, too.  

— Barb

COOKBOOKS

This season brings a selection of unusually beautiful cookbooks to Watermark, just in time for special holiday celebrations. These books are lovely gifts, and they are sure to be welcome additions to the bookshelves of your favorite cook.

New to the collection of popular Moosewood vegetarian cookbooks is Moosewood Restaurant Celebrates - festive meals for holidays and special occasions by The Moosewood Collective (Clarkson Potter $40.00). Moosewood fans will appreciate this carefully chosen collection of holiday dishes.

If you can't face the holidays without Martha, The Martha Stewart Living Christmas Cookbook awaits you (Clarkson Potter $37.50). This comprehensive volume is full of thoroughly tested recipes; you are sure to find ideas suitable for any holiday occasion, presented with Martha's signature enthusiasm.

Avid readers know how important food can be to the story, and two new cookbooks allow readers to experience some of these literary meals firsthand. The Book Lover's Cookbook by Shaunda Kennedy Wenger and Janet Kay Jensen (Ballantine Books $21.95) highlights Recipes Inspired by Celebrated Works of Literature and the Passages that Feature Them.

Shakespeare's Kitchen - Renaissance Recipes for the Contemporary Cook by Francine Segan (Random House $35.00) is a beautifully illustrated book that adapts the foods of Shakespeare's poetry to modern ingredients and techniques. Great fun and great recipes!

Pino Luongo's La Mia Cucina Toscana - a Tuscan Cooks in America (Broadway Books $40.00) is equal parts art and instruction. This gorgeous book invites leisurely perusal - it's a given that every recipe will produce something delicious. Although this is not a book for the novice cook, those accomplished in the kitchen will treasure it. Carefree cooking may seem the impossible dream, but Rick Rodgers has just published a new cookbook that keeps hope alive. The Carefree Cook by Rick Rodgers (Broadway Books $29.95) offers More than 150 Hassle-Free Recipes for Cooking Every Day. This volume is a practical addition to any cookbook collection - the recipes are straightforward yet inventive, and they call for techniques familiar to most cooks.

— Nancy
Children's Picks

The holiday season is upon us again, and we have some terrific children's books to go under the tree. Holly Hobbie's Toot & Puddle are joined by Puddle's cousin Opal in her new book, Toot & Puddle: Charming Opal (Little Brown $15.95). Opal has come to visit at Woodcock Pocket, and while there, she loses her first tooth. Will the tooth fairy find her?

One of my favorite new books is The Animal Hedge by Paul Fleischman (Candlewick Press $16.99). After years of drought, a farmer has to sell first his animals and then his land. He moves his sons to a small house with a hedge surrounding it. Soon, the hedge begins to take on the shape of farm animals, then wagons, and sailboats, and fiddlers. The sons leave, and the farmer is lonely, but he has his hedge to keep trimmed. When the sons return for a visit, something wonderful occurs, but you'll have to read the book to find out.

Other great books are Captain's Parr by Madeleine Floyd (Harcourt $16.00), about a cat with a secret; M is for Music by Kathleen Krull (Harcourt $16.00), an alphabet book taking us from A-Accordion to Z-Zydeco; and Olivia and the Missing Toy by Ian Falconer (Simon & Schuster $16.95), a new story featuring the great Olivia!

All of these books are lovingly and wonderfully illustrated and will charm any young child, or the young child in any of us.

More New Fiction for Young Adult Readers

Eragon by Christopher Paolini (Knopf $18.95)

Eragon is the hottest new novel aimed at young adults, but it can be enjoyed by anyone who loves good fantasy or a romping adventure yarn. Christopher Paolini, a 19-year-old Montanan, has taken the publishing world by storm with this novel, completed at age 15! One can see the influences of Tolkien, Brooks and McCaffrey in his writing, but what great influences to have. Nevertheless, the story is fresh and thrilling. I couldn't put it down and eagerly await the next two volumes in The Inheritance Trilogy.

Eragon, the 15-year-old titular hero, finds a marvelous blue stone that he hopes to trade for food to get his family through the hard winter. Before he can find a buyer, the stone hatches a beautiful sapphire blue dragon. (Did you know dragons don't hatch for just anyone? They choose the person they hatch for.) When his family is killed by the marauding Ra-zac and his destiny as a Dragon Rider is revealed, Eragon flees with only Saphira, an ancient sword of dubious heritage, and the sage advice of an old bard to help in his quest. The reader is led through a tapestry of magic, glory and power where Eragon's choices can save or destroy an empire. On their journey, Eragon's and Saphira's magic powers grow as their paths cross human Varden, diabolical Shades, Neanderthal Urgals, and ordian elves and dwarves. Navigate the dangerous terrain with them, find out if Eragon can assume the mantle of Dragon Rider, and enjoy this engrossing action-packed adventure.

Caution: Eragon ranks high on the squeamish meter due to graphic battle scenes. We recommend this for the brave of heart, 12 and above.

- Louise

The Amulet of Samarkand by Jonathan Stroud (Hyperion/Miramax $17.95)

A seemingly omniscient narrator begins this darkly tantalizing launch of a trilogy, set in modern-day London. The voice belongs to the djinn Bartimaeus, who appears in front of Nathaniel, the 10-year-old magician who has summoned him to steal the Amulet of Samarkand from Simon Lovelace. Other plot elements quickly come to the fore: the motive for the boy's charge, how Simon came by the Amulet, and the fallout from the theft. What these reveal about the characters of Simon and Nathaniel makes for engrossing reading and sows seeds for further installments.

Inkheart by Cornelia Funke (Scholastic $19.95)

In this delectably thick and transfixing fantasy, 12-year-old Meggie learns that when her bookbinder father, Mo, reads a book aloud, the characters and other objects appear in the real world. Nine years ago, her father accidentally unleashed evil Capricorn and his accomplice from the book Inkheart, and they are hot on Mo's trail. Once again, Funke (author of last year's very popular The Thief Lord), proves the power of her imagination, in this tale within a tale.
How to Choose Your Next Book or, Beyond the Booker

I recently asked a few co-workers and customers to share the methods they use to choose their next books. Most have a list of favored authors or subjects. Many readers rely on recommendations from friends and family. Browsing is a time-honored method of finding something new. Book clubs also stretch reading tastes.

I read too quickly to wait for the next book by my favorite authors. As for recommendations, I've struggled through some real duds that I was assured were great reads. Then, several years ago, I discovered THE AWARDS. There are awards for every genre, subject, language, and social group. A newspaper article about The Edgar Awards (mysteries) alerted me to the "best first novel" category, and thus I was introduced to Laurie King, whom I have come to regard as one of the best writers in the genre.

I've since learned that avid book collectors often use the award lists to build their collections of future classics and potentially valuable books. Some restrict themselves to one or two of the major prizes - the Pulitzer, the Nobel, and the Man Booker (formerly the Booker). Other less well-known awards like the Giller (a Canadian literary prize) and the Whitbread (an English award) also are popular with collectors. For readers wanting to learn more about collecting, I recommend Firsts, The Book Collector's Magazine, which we carry in our periodical section.

Granta, the Magazine of New Writing recently published Best of the Young British Novelists 2003 (Granta $14.95). Every 10 years Granta compiles a list of the best young British authors. Twenty years ago, it introduced the public to Martin Amis, Pat Barker, Julian Barnes, William Boyd, Kazuo Ishiguro, Ian McEwan, Salman Rushdie, A.N. Wilson and others. In 1993, it proved its selection process was no fluke when it chose Iain Banks, Louis de Bernières, Nicholas Shakespeare and Jeanette Winterson. I can't wait to work my way through this year's selections, starting with Monica Ali, whose first novel Brick Lane (Scribner $25.00) also was short-listed for this year's Man Booker prize.

Those novels that have come to my attention by winning an award have never disappointed me. If you have never chosen a book from the award lists, try it. I guarantee you'll find a new favorite author.

— Louise

Year-To-Date Bestsellers

FICTION
1. Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix by J.K. Rowling
2. No. 1 Ladies Detective Agency by Alexander McCall Smith
3. Secret Life of Bees by Sue Monk Kidd
4. Tears of the Giraffe by Alexander McCall Smith
5. Life of Pi by Yann Martell
6. Da Vinci Code by Dan Brown
7. Morality for Beautiful Girls by Alexander McCall Smith
8. Bel Canto by Ann Patchett
9. Savannah Blues by Mary Kay Andrews
10. Peace Like a River by Leif Enger

NON-FICTION
1. Seabiscuit by Laura Hillenbrand
2. Dr. Atkins' New Diet Revolution by Robert C. Atkins, M.D.
4. The Sibley Field Guide to Birds of Western North America by David Allen Sibley
5. Don't Let's Go to the Dogs Tonight by Alexandra Fuller
6. San Juan Classics Cookbook by Janice Veal and Dawn Ashbach
7. Under the Banner of Heaven by Jon Krakauer
8. Birds of the Puget Sound by Bob Morse, Tom Aversa, and Hal Opperman
9. South Beach Diet by Arthur Agatston, M.D.
10. Lost at Sea by Patrick Dillon

The Nobel Prize in Literature
J. M. Coetzee ("kut-zay-uh"), a two-time Booker Prize-winning author for Life & Times of Michael K (1983, Penguin $13.00) and Disgrace (1999, Penguin $13.00), recently published Elizabeth Costello (Viking $21.95)

The Man Booker Prize for Fiction
Vernon God Little by D. B. C. Pierre (Canongate $23.00) — see review

The Pulitzer Prize — Fiction
Middlesex by Jeffrey Eugenides (Picador $15.00) — see review

The Pulitzer Prize — History
An Army at Dawn: The War in North Africa, 1942-43 by Rick Atkinson (Henry Holt $16.00)

The National Book Award — Fiction
The Great Fire by Shirley Hazzard (FSG $24.00)

The Whitbread Award
Samuel Pepys: An Unequalled Self by Claire Tomalin (Vintage $16.95) — see review

READ THE BOOK! SEE THE MOVIE? PERHAPS BOTH...

The Human Stain by Philip Roth
Under the Tuscan Sun by Frances Mayes
Mystic River by Dennis Lehane
Master & Commander: The Other Side of the World by Patrick O'Brian
The Statement by Brian Moore
Girl with a Pearl Earring by Tracy Chevalier
The Cat in the Hat by Dr. Seuss
Big Fish by Daniel Wallace
Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King by J.R.R. Tolkien
Cold Mountain by Charles Frazier
House of Sand and Fog by Andre Dubus
Paycheck by Phillip K. Dick
The Storyteller's Daughter by Saira Shah
(Knopf $24.00)

"Beneath the Veil," Saira Shah's compelling TV documentary of women under the Taliban, was broadcast in 2001. It haunted me. So when her memoir, The Storyteller's Daughter, was published this fall, I was eager to read more about her experiences. It did not disappoint me. Indriye Shah raised his daughter on tales (see his *Kara Kosh*, for instance) of the wisdom and nobility of her ancestral land. Sarah's vision of Afghanistan, nurtured by romantic legends of pleasure gardens and noble mujahadeen, is studied with unforgettable characters and situations. It is the story of a land ravaged by war, a world far from both her comfortable English upbringing and her father's storytelling. As Saira winnows the parts of her heritage she accepts from those she rejects, the reader fleshes out the stark images of Afghanistan presented on TV. The Storyteller's Daughter is a voyage of discovery for the author and one of growth and understanding for the reader.

--- Louise

Samuel Pepys: The Unequalled Self by Claire Tomalin
(Vintage $16.95)

A true achievement in biography by a master of the art, Claire Tomalin's *Samuel Pepys* ("peeps") transports us to seventeenth-century London and provides an extraordinary portrait of his death. From Pepys' early life and education to his later years as a powerful naval administrator, Tomalin weaves a breathtaking account of a man who was witness to some of the most tumultuous events in British history. Against the backdrop of civil war, plague, the Great Fire, and the Restoration, Tomalin crafts Pepys' associations with such illustrious figures as Isaac Newton and Christopher Wren, and gives voice to his long-suffering wife, not to mention the other women who attracted his often amorous regard. Brilliantly detailed and wonderfully imaginative, Samuel Pepys is a creation as impressive and insightful as the Diary itself. *Samuel Pepys: The Unequalled Self* was named the 2003 Whitbread Book of the Year.

--- Dave

(Random House $23.95, paperback $13.95, due late December)

*Reading Lolita in Tehran* is a testament to the power of an inspired teacher. Part memoir and part literary criticism, Nafisi gives us an eyeful of mideastern life under the reign of Khomeni.

Central to the story is the illicit book club formed by Nafisi and seven of her female students during the fundamentalist revolution in Iran. She formed the club after being expelled from the University of Tehran for refusal to wear the veil. It met to discuss the relevance of classical Western novels to the reality in which they were trapped.

Through her writing about *The Great Gatsby*, *Pride and Prejudice*, *Daisy Miller* and *Lolita*, I understand what she means by "the best fiction always forces us to question what we take for granted...question traditions and expectations when they seem too immutable. It unsettles us, makes us uneasy and makes us consider the world through different eyes." I felt as though a veil had been lifted and I could really see.

This is a smart and wonderful book. Anyone who participates in a book club should read *Reading Lolita* in Tehran.

--- Barb

The Fly Swatter by Nicholas Dawidoff
(Pantheon $14.95)

This memoir of Alexander Gerschenkron, an internationally renowned economist, recounts the kind of life usually reserved to fiction. Born in 1904, Gerschenkron fled the Bolsheviks in Russia and the Nazis in Europe. His erudition was unparalleled; when he joined the faculty at Harvard in 1948, he was offered chairs in economics, Slavic studies, and Italian literature, and a colleague observed, "This is the last man with all known knowledge." Although not widely known beyond professional and academic circles, Dr. Gerschenkron was an intellectual giant, and the influence of his work reached far beyond those arenas. That he cheerfully indulged in the eccentricities of genius only heightens his appeal. *The Fly Swatter* is a great read - it brings fully to life this extraordinary man.

Readers may recognize author Dawidoff from his earlier book, *The Catcher Was a Spy*, an engaging account of Moe Goldberg, a professional baseball player who happened to be an intelligence operative. Mr. Dawidoff brings not only his considerable storytelling skills to *The Fly Swatter* but a personal perspective as well: Alexander Gerschenkron was his grandfather.

--- Nancy

Don't Let's Go to the Dogs Tonight by Alexandra Fuller
(Random House $13.95)

Alexandra Fuller captures the voice of a child in this memoir of her English family living in Africa. The book begins in Rhodesia in 1976. The family tries its luck at farming. They have little money and struggle to survive. I was hooked from the first chapter - in which the author, six-year-old Bobo, and her older sister light a candle in the middle of the night to go to the loo. There is a poetic flow to Fuller's writing. She has an incredible memory for detail and an amazing ability to add humor to each page. A trip to the loo in the middle of the night is filled with remembered conversations, sibling arguments, and a little girl's fears. This was my favorite book of 2003.

--- Dave

Love by Toni Morrison
(Knopf $23.95)

In Morrison's eagerly-awaited new novel, the reader enters the world of Bill Cosey, husband, father, lover, guardian, friend, and owner of Cosey Hotel and Resort. The novel's plot centers upon Cosey's disputed will. The reader hears about Cosey through the various viewpoints of women he has affected and loved. He created a place where black people were treated with respect. "Cosey's resort was more than a playground; it was a school and a haven where people debated death in the cities, murder in Mississippi, and what they planned to do about it other than grieve and stare at their children. Then the music started, convincing them they could manage it all and last." Morrison's language is musical, and her message that family can be the source of misery and love rings true.

I found myself calling a friend to read aloud passages from this powerful novel.

--- Patti
**Pompeii** by Robert Harris  
(Random House $24.95)

This thriller - a “you-are-there” novel, takes place in AD 79 over four days preceding and during the eruption of Vesuvius. Marcus Attilius, an aquaduct engineer, or “aquarius,” has been sent to discover why the aquaduct named Aqua Augusta has ceased delivering water to the cities and towns surrounding Mount Vesuvius. The older aquarius responsible for this region has mysteriously disappeared.

A multi-layered story, *Pompeii* includes accurate detail about Roman engineering. (The system of aqueducts the Romans created in the first century AD supplied Rome with more water than the city of New York consumed in 1985!) Looking for blockage, Attilus and his crew find and repair a damaged deep channel near Vesuvius with cement made of quicklime, putoolmen and water that dries under water.

Attilus discovers not only blockage of the aquaduct, but corruption and danger as he attempts to rescue a doomed slave who is being put to death. He encounters the memorable character of Pliny, and is drawn into Pliny’s search for nature’s principles. Attilius experiences street life, including prostitutes and mobs, religious festivals and strange observances, bathhouses and Roman dining at its most decadent. He aids a lovely woman who reminds him of his beloved wife who died in childbirth. He travels the Bay of Naples with Pliny on a slave galley, and is lyrical in his description of Vesuvius. Its climatic eruption is vivid and thrilling. A good read!  

-- Becca

**Jennifer Government** by Max Barry  
(Vintage $12.95, due January 2004)

In the not too distant future, the international corporations hold all the power. Each person’s last name reflects his employer. Corporations can do just about anything they want. John Nike puts an expensive shoe on the market, and for marketing purposes has its early buyers killed and their shoes stolen. The shoe’s sales skyrocket. Enter Jennifer Government, a tireless, tough, attractive investigator with a bar code tattoo under her left eye and a history with John Nike. She is out to get him but he has other plans.

As I read and laughed, I realized some of the events have happened or easily could happen. This sobering novel has humorous moments.  

-- Dave

**The Secret Life of Bees** by Sue Monk Kidd  
(Penguin $14.00)

I came to this book rather late, but I’ve joined the ranks of those who have been totally enamored of it.

The bees came the summer of 1964, when Lily Owens turned 14. Ten years earlier, her mother had been killed, and Lily kept a paper bag of the last traces of her mother: a photograph, a pair of white cotton gloves, and a small wooden picture of a black Madonna. On the back of the picture someone had written Tiburon, SC. To escape her abusive father and to rescue her black stand-in-mother, recently jaded for insulting three of the town’s racists, Lily runs from jail, and they head to Tiburon, SC. There they meet and are taken in by three black bee-keeping sisters. Through them, Lily is exposed to a world of bees and honey, and discovers the connection her mother had to these women.

*The Secret Life of Bees* is a wonderful story that proves one can find the comforts of family in unexpected places.  

-- Vicki

**Middlesex** by Jeffrey Eugenides  
(Picador $15.00)

As if adolescence weren’t confusing enough, Calliope Stephanides realizes that she’s just a little bit different from the other girls. Winner of the Pulitzer Prize for literature, *Middlesex* evokes the ethnic resonance of “My Big Fat Greek Wedding” with some odd and ironic twists of fate. While initially this reader questioned the choice of a hermaphrodite as the protagonist of a 500+ page novel, what quickly becomes evident is that the true star of this book is the tale itself. Covering three generations and some very unconventional issues, it is a wonderful book, compelling, insightful, and eminently readable. Life isn’t always fair – especially with regard to the genetic hand we may be dealt – but the humorous and courageous responses of Calliope and her extended family to their challenges make this story a very good read indeed.

-- Mitch

**Vernon God Little** by D. B. C. Pierre  
(Canongate $23.00)

Vernon Little’s best friend has just shot and killed several high school students. The police think Vernon is an accomplice. This is a dark offbeat comedy that will not appeal to everyone. At first I didn’t care about the small Texas town or Vernon Little. The only reason I didn’t put the book down was that it had received such good reviews. I never did grow to like the small Texas town, but Vernon Little grew on me. I enjoyed Vernon’s adolescent observations on life and the wisdom of a few of the characters he met on his adventure. The novel starts slowly but keeps getting better and better with each chapter.

The author was inspired to write this book after watching television and seeing a teenage boy put into a police car after a school shooting. What was going on inside that boy’s head? After pondering that boy’s life, the fictional character Vernon Little was born.

-- Dave
Every Book Its Reader

Recently, the New York Times conducted an unofficial search for "The Best Work of American Fiction published in the last 25 years." The list was determined by an informal survey of 125 authors, editors, and critics. Each was asked to make a single choice. The ensuing essay and conversation among six of the panel concerning what constitutes a great novel was as illuminating as the books themselves. After much ado, the consensus was that "American fiction is concerned...with sorting out the past, which may be its way of clearing ground for the literature of the future." It is essentially "re-writing history; to tell a tale in a truer way than it has been told before."

Of course, there are the differences of author perspective and the state of the reader's mind. "Fiction is one-on-one, writer to reader. It is a region in which a hundred flowers bloom side by side." So, whether you're a sucker for big beautiful language or prefer the tidy and tight stories of manners and culture, we invite you into Watermark. Come peruse our selection of current fiction including the good strong voices of Ivan Doig and Anne Tyler, or the young adventurous voices like Daniel Handler's, and the sure-to-be-a-winner summer buzz-book voice of Sara Gruen. We are also extremely proud of our impressive backlist of remarkable titles--the art of the bookstore.

*Their top choice was Beloved by Toni Morrison.*

Water for Elephants
by Sara Gruen
(Algonquin Books $23.95)

I loved this book. Books come and go, but this one has stayed with me. I find myself thinking about it at the oddest moments. I cared about all the characters -- both people and animals. The setting (a 1930's traveling circus) was unique, the writing superb, and the resolution a surprise. What more can you ask for? A good plot, you say. Well it has that too weaving two story lines into a seamless, wonderful, irresistible novel. Read it! You won't be disappointed.

-- Louise

The Whistling Season
by Ivan Doig
(Harcourt $25.00)

"Can't cook but doesn't bite" begins a newspaper ad by a woman looking for employment in 1909. Rose Llewellyn, the writer of the ad, ends up in the household of a Montana man and his three sons. When the local teacher runs off to be married, Rose's "brother" Morrie takes over the one-room schoolhouse. This sets the stage for a wonderful evocation of a vanishing way of life. Throw in the appearance of Halley's Comet, and you're set for another great Ivan Doig read!

-- Vicki

Digging to America
by Anne Tyler
(Knopf $24.95)

Anne Tyler is back with a captivating new novel. Full of interesting and believable characters, as her books are, this one strikes out onto new ground as it follows the lives of two families (one WASP and one Iranian-American) who meet at the airport while awaiting delivery of their adopted Korean infant girls. This by-chance "arrival party" becomes an annual event, and the reader watches the girls, the parents, and the grandparents grow and flounder in contemporary America. This is a culturally rich and emotionally taut book.

-- Patti

Adverbs by Daniel Handler
(Ecco $23.95)

The recently outed creator of Lemony Snicket, Daniel Handler, gives us Adverbs, a new series of events focusing on love...an emotion noticeably absent from the Baudelaire orphans' saga. "Love is a slippery thing" Handler explains, "so it makes sense that a book about love should be similarly slippery, with the stories as entangled as the characters, and the reader occasionally plunged into the kind of confusion afflicting lovers."

He scores big. The collection of 16 intersecting stories about a bunch of different people, in and out of different kinds of love, is quick-witted with beautifully worded sentences that make me positively giddy like "Love was in the air, so both of us walked through love on our way to the corner. We breathed it in, particularly me." Plus, there is a volcano always threatening. I have a real crush on this book.

-- Barb

P.S. Ivan Doig will be reading from this book at 2:30 pm, Saturday, July 8th at the Anacortes Public Library.
The Whole World Over by Julia Glass (Pantheon Books $25.95)

Julia Glass, author of Three Junes, has created an even fuller, meatier story in The Whole World Over. Charlotte Greenaway Duquette, a.k.a. Greenie, owns a bakery in Manhattan. Her husband Alan has reached what she calls the Peggy Lee stage in life, as in "Is That All There Is?" Into this mix steps Greenie’s friend Walter, who has given her name to a prominent politician looking for a chef. Greenie accepts the job as house chef for the governor of New Mexico and moves there with their son, four-year old George. Alan stays behind to deal with his own problems, his counseling practice, and new friends that come into his life.

The odd and quirky friends of both Greenie and Alan add to this wonderful story. I hated to have it end.

–Vicki

The Traveling Death and Resurrection Show by Ariel Gore (Harper San Francisco $14.95)

Presenting Francis Catherine…Frankka or St. Cat…a 28-year old orphaned, lapsed Catholic and the star attraction of a traveling Death and Resurrection freak show. She and her circus family of outlandish biblical characters entertain the worn-out folks of small town America until her stigmata performance and a reporter from the L.A. Times put her in the center of a religious debate. Frankka flees in search of a new life strategy.

Gore, whose father is an excommunicated Catholic priest, weaves a thought-provoking story of the spiritual journey with her childhood “saint book” in an insightful read about faith versus a literal biblical understanding. I like her a lot.

–Barb

Twilight by Katherine Mosby (Perennial $13.95)

Twilight is the story of Lavinia Gibbs, who finds herself in Paris on the verge of World War II. She has ended her engagement to Shelby, an emotionally remote fellow, and to the horror of her proper family, fled alone to Europe. Her mother always said that of her two girls, Lavinia was given brains, and her sister Grace was given beauty. Lavinia is, indeed, very practical, but when she meets a long-married man in Paris, her practicality leaves her, and she finds herself caught in an emotional situation over which she has no control.

Mosby’s poetic background makes for a luminous and exact style of writing that will stay with you long after you’ve finished the book.

–Vicki

Zorro by Isabel Allende (Perennial $14.95)

Isabel Allende is at the top of her game as she imagines the origins of Zorro, the famous Robin Hood of 18th century California. She combines elements of mysticism, Indian folklore, and ancient traditions to explain how the fox came to be Diego de la Vega’s totem and spiritual guide. "Zorro is not a magical character. He is not like Superman, Spiderman, or so many other fantastic action heroes," Allende notes. "He is a human being, a man who loves life, who is willing to take risks to defend the underdog, and who is brave, funny, and romantic.”

If you miss the swashbuckling days of your youth, give Zorro a try. There is non-stop action, romance, intense sensuality, and a political perspective. It is great fun.

The Ha-Ha by Dave King (Back Bay Books $13.95)

Howard Kapastash suffered a brain injury in Vietnam and hasn’t spoken in thirty years. He lives in the house he grew up in, has a college student to help him out and has taken in two boarders who stay to themselves. Howard’s ex-girlfriend asks him to take her 9-year old son when she has to go to rehab. The Ha-Ha is the story of what happens when this poor 9-year old is thrown into the mix. King has given Howie a rare glimpse of life outside his shell and has given us a beautiful, resonating story that will have you cheering. I guarantee it!

–Vicki

The Work of Wolves by Kent Meyers (Harcourt $14.00)

We are fortunate to live in a time when an increasing number of writers from the West write about the West. Once in a while, a writer we are unfamiliar with comes out of the sagebrush, desert, or mountains and adds to that list of great reads.

Told from the point of view of three main and totally disparate characters, The Work of Wolves is a contemporary story of old West habits colliding with modern West changes. With wonderful dialogue and tremendous characterizations—a combination of Larry McMurtry with less humor and Cormac McCarthy with less grit—it is one that you hope never ends.

–Dick Garvey

The Madonnas of Leningrad by Debra Dean (William Morrow $23.95)

Seattle author, Debra Dean, debuts with this poignant and elegant story of the power of memory to save us...and to betray us. Main character, 20-year old docent at the Russian Hermitage museum, Marina Buriakov, burned to her memory, brushstroke by brushstroke, the exquisite art collection that had been packed away for safekeeping. She used the nude figures of women, the angels, and serene Madonnas to furnish a “memory palace,” a personal Hermitage in her mind to which she retreated during the devastating 1941 siege of Leningrad. She kept this place buried deep within until sixty years later, her life eroded bit by bit to Alzheimer’s, she finds it again. This searing portrait of war and remembrance is a wonderful read.
BOOK SENSE NOTABLES

JULY

Booksellers have also recommended the following titles:

FICTION
CALLING OUT, by Rae Meadows (MacAdam Cage, $22, 159692165X)
DUCHESS OF AQUITAINE: A Novel of Eleanor, by Margaret Ball (Sc. Martin's, $25.95, 031205333)
LAST BITE, by Nancy Verde Barr (Algonquin, $22.95, 1565124952)
SAVE YOUR OWN, by Elisabeth Brink (Houghton, $23, 0618651144)
SWEET RUIN, by Cathi Hanauer (Atria, $24, 0743277341)
TENDERWIRE, by Claire Kilroy (Harvest, $14 paper, 015603204X)

NONFICTION
BASILICA: The Splendor and the Scandal: Building St. Peter's, by R.A. Scotti (Viking, $25.95, 0670037761)
DANCING UNDER THE RED STAR: The Extraordinary Story of Margaret Werner, the Only American Woman to Survive Stalin's Gulag, by Karl Tobiien (WaterBrook, $14.95 paper, 140007083)
HOTEL CALIFORNIA: The True-life Adventures of Crosby, Stills, Nash, Young, Mitchell, Taylor, Browne, Ronstadt, Geffen, the Eagles, and Their Many Friends, by Barney Hoskyns (Wiley, $25.95, 047173273)
THE HUNDRED-YEAR LIE: How Food and Medicine Are Destroying Your Health, by Randall Fitzgerald (Dutton, $24.95, 0525949518)
PROUST AT THE MAJESTIC: The Last Days of the Author Whose Book Changed Paris, by Richard Davenport-Hines (Bloomsbury, $24.95, 158234471X)
PUBLIC RADIO: Behind the Voices, by Lisa A. Phillips (CDS Books, $25, 1593151438)
RUMSPRINGA: To Be or Not to Be Amish, by Tom Shachtman (North Point, $24, 086547687X)
SONG FOR MY FATHERS: A New Orleans Story in Black and White, by Tom Sancton (Other Press, $24.95, 159051243X)
TWEAKED: A Crystal Memoir, by Patrick Moore (Kensington, $15 paper, 0758212658)
UNDERWATER OUT OF THE RAIN: A Love Affair With the Sea, by Trevor Norton (Perseus, $25, 0306814870)

MYSTERY/SUSPENSE
THE ABORTIONIST'S DAUGHTER, by Elisabeth Hyde (Knopf, $23.95, 0307263665)
BLACK ORDER, by James Rollins (Morrow, $24.95, 0060763884)
THE LAST ASSASSIN, by Barry Eisler (Putnam, $24.95, 0399153594)
The WORTHY: A Ghost's Story, by Will Clarke (Simon & Schuster, $23, 074327315X)

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These Book Sense Hardcover Picks
Now in Paperback

OH PURE AND RADIANT HEART
by Lydia Millet
(Harvest, $15, 0156031035)
Recommended in hardcover by Bob Gray,
Northshire Bookstore, Manchester Center, VT

THEY POURED FIRE ON US FROM THE SKY:
The True Story of Three Lost Boys from Sudan
by Benson Deng, Alephonsion Deng, and Benjamin
Ajak, with Judy Bernstein
(PublicAffairs, $12.95, 1586483889)
Recommended in hardcover by Benita Knight,
The Toadstool Bookshop, Milford, NH

ANY BITTER THING:
A Novel by Monica Wood
(Ballantine, $13.95, 0345477685)
Recommended in hardcover by Kathleen Caldwell,
A Great Good Place for Books, Oakland, CA

ALIBI: A Novel
by Joseph Kanon (Picador, $14, 0312425902)
Recommended in hardcover by Barbara Hoagland,
The King’s English, Salt Lake City, UT

A LONG WAY DOWN: A Novel
by Nick Hornby (Riverhead, $14, 1594481938)
Recommended in hardcover by Michael Keefe,
Annie Bloom’s Books, Portland, OR

EVENING FERRY: A Novel
by Katherine Towler (MacAdam/Cage, $13.50, 1596921889)
Recommended in hardcover by Beverly Bauer, Redbery Books, Cable, WI

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TWO TIME, by Chris Knoepf (Permanent Press, $28, 1579621295)
"From its explosive beginning to the satisfying conclusion, Tow is a story of murder, love, and money. The writing is wonderful—flowing and lyrical passages and dialogue that ring true everywhere exactly what he is supposed to do: Solve the crime. A great summer read!"—Jean Utley, Book'em Mysteries, South Pasadena, CA

TOMORROW THEY WILL KISS: A Novel, by Eduardo Santiago (Rock Bay, $13.99 paper, 0316014132) Eduardo Santiago has created a kaleidoscope of female characters in a novel that is as irresistible and addictive as a telenovela. His Cuban women in exile will wrap you up in their stories, as they illuminate the insistent relationship in a tapestry of memory, dreams, friendship, nostalgia, and humor."—Christina Nosti, Books & Books, Coral Gables, FL

THE DRESSMAKER: A Novel, by Elizabeth Kerekberge (Holt, $23, 0805008333) "This delightful love story between a tailor and a woman for whom he is fashioning a wedding dress is as frosty as the tulle veil well on a masterpiece gown. The characters are instantly likeable and well-drawn, and the setting (France and the Parisian world of couture) delights. Havingmalone the author and telling the story from his perspective gives the reader a truly different way to think about the highs and lows of a once-in-a-lifetime relation de coeur."—Gladyss Lewis-Pilit, HearthFire Books of Evergreen, Evergreen, CO

ROCK OF AGES, by Howard Owen (Permanent Press, $26, 1579621877) "Owen's Rock of Ages is further proof that he is a Southern novelist not to be overlooked. Revisiting the gangster-laden streets of Scottsboro, North Carolina, this story of guilt, lust, and murder had me emotionally gripped on every page."—Kelli Justen, The Fountain Bookstore, Richmond, VA

FIRMIN: Adventures of a Metropolitan Lowlife, by Sam Savage (Coffee House, $14.95 paper, 1566898171) "This story of a literate rat born in a bookstore is the kind of novel that pulls readers in with its very premise—its absurdity and zaniness leaving me to wonder how in the world it could possibly pull off in a believable and meaningful way. Yes it happens. I loved the book more and more with each page."—Hans Weyandt, McIverber's Bookstore, Saint Paul, MN

THE BIRTHDAYS: A Novel, by Heidi Pitlor (Norcon, $23.95, 0393061272) "When the Miller family travels to the coast of Maine, their purpose is to celebrate their father's 75th birthday. However, tragedy changes the atmosphere and the plotline of this novel becomes an unexpected family chronicle among this dynamic family. A beautifully written novel that explores the complexities and joys of family life for readers long after the story ends."—Holly Frakes, Schuler Books & Music, Okemos, MI

THE ART OF DETECTION: A Novel of Suspense, by Laurie R. King (Bantam, $24, 0553804357) "King's novel opens with the arrival of a woman who is an ace collector of Sherlock Holmes memorabilia, including what may be an unburned manuscript from Sir Arthur Conan Doyle himself. Could the value of the manuscript be the motive for the man's death? Read it to find out. You won't be disappointed."—Joel Schrein, McLean & Eakin Bookstores, Petoskey, MI

1. BETWEEN, GEORGIA: A Novel, by Joshi Jackson (Warner, $22.99, 0743244265) "Following on the heels of Gods in Alabama, Joshi Jackson's new novel will be welcomed by readers and fans. A small (population 90) town with two feuding families is drawn together by the infant Nanny—born of the中国移动 Craze, raised by the Freedom Five. May Day Shipley, That Bookstore In Blytheville, Blytheville, AR

THE YELLOW-LIGHTED BOOKSTORE: A Memoir, A History, by Lewis Buzbee (Graywolf, $17, 1535954903) "Settled down in a cozy chair in your favorite independent book store to read this love letter to books and booksellers. The essays written by Buzbee's experiences well book just as well as bibliography through the ages. An extremely welcome addition to every book lover's collection of books about books."—Dana Harper, Brystone Children's Books, Fort Worth, TX

PEGASUS DESCENDING: A Dave Robicheaux Novel, by James Lee Burke (Simon & Schuster, $36, 0743277724) "Dave Robicheaux will always be haunted by the memories of his past. However, for the readers of James Lee Burke, it's a blessing. In his most powerful and evocative novel yet, two murderers, one past and one present, threaten to drag everyone involved into the grave."—Geoffrey H. Jennings, Rainy Day Books, Fairways, KS

TERRORIST: A Novel, by John Updike (Knopf, $24.95, 0307266453) "Terrorist is the best Updike novel I've read in years. In this story of an American terrorist and Armadillo Mulloy, the son of an Irish-American mobster and an Egyptian father, Updike's capacity to channel so many disparate voices creates a virtuoso performance."—Matt Lasse, Iowa Book, LLC, Iowa City, IA

PIECE OF MY HEART: A Novel of Suspense, by Peter Robinson ( Morrow, $24.95, 006054435X) "If you grew up in the era of sex, drugs, and rock 'n' roll, pay attention because Peter Robinson's latest rambles through the music of the time and through the lives of the musicians, groups, and fans involved in that world. A first-rate mystery."—Betsey Burton, The King's English, Salt Lake City, UT

WINKIE, by Clifford Chase (Grove, $16.95, 0802118305) "Clifford Chase has written a novel that sharply parodies our unbelievably absurd society; a refreshing dose of political satire that respects your intelligence as well as your funny bone."—Gerry Donahue, Powell's City of Books, Portland, OR

CHOOSE BY A HORSE: A Memoir, by Susan Richards (Soho, $20, 1569474192) "Richards has woven a marvelous read, delightfully evoking her life with those of her horses. One in particular, Lay Me Down, is her soul mate, and the two heal one another's wounds from the past on their journey through life. Sad at the end, but beautiful and positive at the same time. This is truly an excellent, tender book."—Wendy Kerop, The Turning Page, Old Lyme, CT

EYE CONTACT: A Novel, by Cammie Mcgovern (Viking, $24.95, 0670376506) "Here is a story about the murder of a 10-year-old girl during recess. However, the real mystery here is autism, and Mcgovern's insight is about its strength of this story. Most all the book's characters have varying levels of autistic tendencies. Their portraits are as fascinating as the descriptions of the female caregivers and the effect that autism has on family members."—Mary Muller, Market Block Books, Troy, NY

ERRORS AND OMISSIONS: A Novel, by Paul Goldstein ( Doubleday, $24.95, 0385511773) "Facing certain disbarment for being drunk in a public chamber, and with his marriage on the rocks, attorney Michael Soley is a man in crisis when he flies to Los Angeles to complete some seemingly routine legal work for a motion picture studio. Instead, he encounters a hornet's nest of betrayal, corruption, and murder. With cinematic prose, Goldstein has written a timely, exciting legal thriller worthy of Grisham."—Anne Wagner, Porter Square Books, Cambridge, MA

CLEAN CEDES YOU NOT WATCHING YOU, by Pat Bagley (White Horse, $7.95 paper, 0778706621) "Great crime reading at a time when we most need it. Pat Bagley encapsulates, or should I say, can I understand, what has to be the most absurd of this administration."—Janet Bullom, The Muse Book Shop, Deland, FL

THE DEVIL AND MISS PRYME: A Novel of Temptation, by Paula Coelho (HarperCollins, $24.95, 0060527994) "This is a small, easy tales of good, Evil, Temptation, Life and Death I couldn't stop reading."—Becky Milner, Vintage Books, Vancouver, WA

THE CATASTROPHIST: A Novel, by Lawrence Douglas (Other Press, $24.95, 1590521197) "Douglas has created a trigologic academic novel that dances nimblly along the apollinian misguided life of Hobocastus studies professor Daniel Wellington, so he stumble in the catastrophe of his own making to another. Jumping from a small academic New England town to Berlin and London and back again, the book is witty, well-written, and filled with shrewd observations on contemporary cultural life."
—Nat Herbert, Amherst Books, Amherst, MA

NO GOOD DEEDS: A Tess Monaghan Novel, by Laura Lippman (Morrow, $24.95, 0060547725) "What a great book! In this story about the unsolved murder of a young federal prosecutor, Tess Monaghan and her boyfriend, Edgar 'Crow' Ransome, are growing as people—and Laura Lippman is growing as a writer."—Diggi McLaughlin, Good Yarns Bookshop, Hastings on Hudson, NY
WATERMARK BOOK CO.
UPCOMING AUTHOR EVENTS

CLEMENS STARCK reading from *Journeyman’s Wages* &
VINCENT WIXON reading from *The Square Grove*
Friday, July 21st, 7:30 p.m. at the Anacortes Public Library

AGNES RANDS signing *Where the Huckleberries Grow* and
*Even Seagulls Cry*
Friday, August 4th, 1:00-3:00 p.m. at Watermark Book Co.

Anacortes author DAVE LARSON signing *Wide Awakes, Invincibles, & Smokestackers: Early Baseball in Tall Timber Country*
Shipwreck Day, July 15th, 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., at Watermark Book Co.
Dave Larson will also sign at Watermark Book Co. the weekend of the Anacortes Arts Festival, times to be determined

CRAIG & JOY JOHNSON signing *Our Puget Sound Backyard Birds*, Saturday, July 15th (Shipwreck Day), 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

CYNTHIA NIMS signing *Salmon* and her other titles from *The Northwest Homegrown Cookbook Series*
Saturday, August 5th, 1:00-3:00 p.m. at Watermark Book Co.

AUTHORS COMING THIS FALL INCLUDE LAURA KALPAKIAN, GARTH STEIN & KIRBY LARSON.
The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane
by Kate DiCamillo
(Candlewick $18.99)
Edward Tulane is a porcelain rabbit owned by a little girl who loves him. She takes very good care of Edward. Everything is fine and dandy until author Kate DiCamillo takes Edward Tulane on a miraculous journey of various owners. Through the doll's eyes the reader watches many kind acts and a few cruel acts. With each owner Edward's philosophy on life matures. The story is enhanced by the illustrations of Bagram Ibatoulline.

Best Hikes with Kids: Western Washington & the Cascades
by Joan Burton
(Mountaineers $18.95)
Introduce children to the joys of outdooring with Joan Burton's newly revised edition of Best Hikes with Kids: Western Washington & the Cascades. Many of the more than 180 trails selected are short - starting from just half a mile in length. "Turnarounds" (places where tired feet can abbreviate a hike yet still have a satisfying outing) are clearly identified. Burton also tells where kids can hop around in the spray of a waterfall, peer into a bat cave, and talk with a professional firewatcher. This is also a good reference for us older kids who have given up on the idea of scaling Rainier!

The Prophet of Yonwood
by Jeanne Duprau
(Random House $15.95)
The Prophet of Yonwood is a prequel to The City of Ember and The People of Sparks. Yonwood, North Carolina, is where 11-year old Nickie and her aunt go to get Nickie's great-grandfather's mansion ready to sell. Nickie would like to stay in Yonwood and do something good for the world and with her life.
On a warm day in July in Yonwood, Althea Tower has a vision while she's out in her backyard feeding her birds. Her vision is so horrible that she takes to her bed, unable to speak except for her initial words that make the townspeople think she's a prophet. When they later hear that talks between the President of the U.S. and the Phalanx Nations had reached a crisis, they decide that Althea had seen the future, and it was terrible. What the town goes through makes for an interesting and exciting story and sets the stages for the following two books.
The Ember series would be a great summer read for kids from eight to eighty (?).

The Lightning Thief
by Rick Riordan
(Miramax $7.99)
Meet Percy (short for Perseus) Jackson, a 12 year old misfit living in New York who discovers the Greek gods and monsters aren't just myths. When Percy transfers to a new school, he fits right in with the other strange kids (read heroes in training) who have their own connections to the old gods. Rick Riordan, author of adult mysteries, has written an adventure with appeal to all ages. It would make a great family reading project for the summer. Add D'Aulaire's Book of Greek Myths, a perfect companion book offering a who's who in the gods, goddesses, and legendary figures of ancient Greece for kids who haven't yet studied Greek mythology and for adults who need a refresher.

Kidoku: 200 Fun Puzzles for Kids
(Newmarket Press $6.95)
Brand-new! The ultimate puzzle book for kids, challenging and full of fun. Kidoku features five different kinds of puzzles and logic games for ages 8 and up. Each puzzle starts with "How to Play" instructions and valuable hints and tips. All you need is a pencil for hours of brainteasing fun.

Note: Watermark Book Co. also carries the Anacortes Community Forest Lands maps. This package of three maps will keep you from getting lost in the Heart Lake, Whistle Lake, and Cranberry Lake areas.
Mystery...Suspense Thriller...What's the difference? Louise came across a list of sixteen comparisons drawn up by lawyer, author, Carolyn Wheat. Here are five of them.

1. A mystery concerns itself with a puzzle. Suspense presents the reader with a nightmare.

2. In a mystery, thinking is paramount. In suspense, feeling is paramount.


4. Mystery readers expect a series. Those who read suspense know a book can be a one-shot.

5. Mystery endings must be intellectually satisfying. Suspense endings must provide emotional satisfaction.

All differences aside, the important thing is telling a good story. Some of each are reviewed here.

The Swarm by Frank Schatzing
(Regan Books $24.95)

The #1 blockbuster German bestseller The Swarm is now available in North America. Whales begin sinking ships, toxic, eyeless crabs poison Long Island’s water supply, the North Sea shelf collapses, killing thousands in Europe. In this riveting novel, full of twists, turns, and cliffhangers, a team of scientists discovers a strange, intelligent life force that takes form in marine animals, using them to wreak havoc on humanity for our ecological abuses. With the author’s skillfully executed blend of compelling story, vivid characters, and eerie locales, The Swarm will keep you in tense anticipation until the last suspenseful page is turned. This is the ultimate beach book. Just stay out of the water.

The Pale Blue Eye by Louis Bayard
(HarperCollins $24.95)

Louis Bayard, author of the highly acclaimed Mr. Timothy, once again delivers a masterpiece of historical suspense fiction. When a grisly murder takes place on the grounds of West Point, a retired New York City detective, Gus Landor, is recruited to solve the case. He’s reluctant to get involved and does so only on the condition that he can enlist the aid of a cadet to be his spy among the others. He chooses an unlikely candidate, a young, somewhat eccentric, cadet named Edgar Allan Poe. Their investigation takes them into a hidden world of secret societies and ritual sacrifices. A rich tapestry of fine prose and intricately detailed characters, The Pale Blue Eye transports readers into a labyrinth of the unknown that will leave them guessing until the very end.

The Coroner’s Lunch by Colin Cotterill
(Soho Crime $11.00)

Are you anxiously awaiting your favorite mystery writer’s next book? The Coroner’s Lunch will fill that void. Cotterill’s tale of a septuagenarian Laotian coroner will satisfy even the most discerning mystery connoisseur. A debut with at least two more titles in publication, this witty crime novel is at the top of my "must read" mystery list. The character Siri is unique, lovable and a canny amateur detective with a sense of curiosity that takes him into territory he should probably avoid. His ability to see dead people only adds to his perceptive powers. This is a delightful addition to any mystery lover’s bookshelf.

—Louise

The Rabbit Factory by Marshall Karp
(MacAdam/Cage $25.00)

Detectives Lomax and Biggs are amusing new characters in this smart multi-layered thriller. Lomax’s wife has died, his overbearing father is trying to get him to go on dates, and his wayward, gambling addicted brother is in deep debt and trouble. Lomax is trying to solve a string of murders aimed at destroying a Disney-like theme park, Familiyland. First, the beloved mascot Rambunctious Rabbit is strangled, and then a series of other employees and park visitors are killed, practically ruining the company. This is a clever, funny, witty book. Never again will you look at money in a wishing pool the same way.

The Bright Forever by Lee Martin
(Crown $14.00)

The suspense in this novel nearly undid me. It grabbed me by the throat from the very first line, “I’m not saying I didn’t do it. I don’t know” and moved to my heart until I finished several hours later with “How many of us were there who could have done something to stop what was going to happen? Where does responsibility start and end?” Writing in the clearest prose, Martin weaves together the voices of a small town in the grip of tragedy and insists on the reader’s participation in moral contemplation. Months have passed, and I still ache.

—Barb
Harvest For Hope by Jane Goodall
(Warner $24.95)

If you want to make informed healthy decisions about what you eat, Jane Goodall has some important information. She goes into detail about the use of pesticides, growth hormones, genetically modified organisms, prawn farms, and the horrible abuse of factory farm animals. She also writes about healthy choices, such as organic vegetables.

My view of the supermarket changed after reading this book. I can't look at a pork chop without thinking about Jane's description of the atrocious treatment of the factory farm pigs.

-Dave

Big Bang: The Origin of the Universe
by Simon Singh
(HarperCollins $15.95)

Simon Singh makes a difficult scientific subject readable for us. He takes us back some 14 billion years to when it all began. He introduces the history and people who fought the established belief in an unchanging universe beginning with the Greeks and Anaximander to Einstein and recent satellite measurements taken in deep space. I never thought such a complex subject could be so enjoyable and easy to understand.

-Paul

I Heard You Paint Houses by Charles Brandt
(Perseus $15.95)

The first thing Jimmy Hoffa said to Frank Sheeran was, "I heard you paint houses." Frank Sheeran replied that he did paint houses and he also did his own carpentry work. Painting houses is another way to say you kill people and doing your own carpentry work means you take care of the body.

This is the story of Frank Sheeran, his mob activities and his teamsters work. Sheeran became very close to mob boss Russell Bufalino, and he provides the reader with an inside look at the mob and how it did business. The book also touches on the history of the teamsters, Robert Kennedy's organized crime investigations, and quite a few mob hits. Sheeran gives a credible account of his part in Jimmy Hoffa's murder.

I'm not sure why I liked this book. Sheeran is a despicable man, but like Tony Soprano, there is something likeable about him. When you read about his childhood and his combat experiences in Europe during WWII, you can understand how he could become a hit man.

-Dave

Queen of the Oddballs by Hillary Carlip
(HarperCollins $13.95)

Careful now! This hilariously offbeat memoir of an adventurous young woman's escapades may knock you out. Carlip defies conventions and transforms an ordinary Los Angeles life into a star-studded, extraordinary miracle of self-discovery. Illustrated with diary entries, photographs, and even a handwritten letter from Carly Simon, the story presents a virtual time capsule of pop culture's last four decades. Pee-wee Herman says it should be mandatory reading for anybody "contemplating fabulousness."

Lincoln's Melancholy by Joshua Wolf Shenk
(Houghton Mifflin $25.00)

Lincoln's Melancholy should be included in the top ten books written about Lincoln. After years of extensive research, Shenk reveals an unfamiliar Lincoln. Though he faced several setbacks and was close to suicide many times, Lincoln used his life-long depression as a means to accomplish so much without therapy or today's medications.

Lincoln's story is one to inspire all of us and especially those living with his own personal demons.

-Paul

I Love Crab Cakes! by Tom Douglas
(William Morrow $19.95)

In his spare time, Seattle super chef Tom Douglas writes cookbooks. This restauranteur has a knack for ingredients which he shows off in this new collection of fifty crabcake recipes. Douglas asked chefs from all over to submit recipes, and "No one declined." Home chefs will be delighted with recipes from fabulous restaurants and well known chefs. This book offers crab entrees for any meal so an adventurous cook may want to try something new like crab and pork shoa mai. Everybody loves crabcakes! Bon appetit.

-Patti
**NON-FICTION**

A Perfect Red by Amy Butler Greenfield
(Perennial $15.95)

In the sixteenth century, one of the world’s most precious commodities was cochineal—cochineal—a legendary red dye treasured by the ancient Mexicans and sold in the great Aztec marketplaces, where it attracted the attention of the Spanish conquistadors. Shipped to Europe, the dye created a sensation, producing the strongest red the world had ever seen. Soon Spain’s cochineal monopoly was worth a fortune. As the English, French, Dutch, and other Europeans joined the chase for cochineal—a chase that lasted for more than three centuries—a tale of pirates, explorers, alchemists, scientists, and spies unfolds. A Perfect Red evokes with style and verve this history of a grand obsession, of intrigue, empire, and adventure in pursuit of the most desirable color on earth.

Access New York City
(HarperCollins $19.95)

The Access Guides are among my favorite travel references, so I was quite pleased to open the updated New York City guide. At the beginning of each neighborhood chapter are maps with numbers corresponding to hotels, shops, restaurants, sights, and outdoor spaces. Each of these spots is color coded. These guides are fun, informative, easy to use and are updated frequently enough to be very reliable. Walking tours and architectural details are fascinating. Next time you’re traveling, check to see if there is an Access Guide available for your destination.

—Patti

A Sense of the World by Jason Roberts
(HarperCollins $26.95)

He was known simply as the Blind Traveler—a solitary, sightless, adventurer who, astonishingly, fought the slave trade in Africa, survived a frozen captivity in Siberia, hunted rogue elephants in Ceylon, and helped chart the Australian outback. A Sense of the World is a spellbinding and moving rediscovery of the epic life of explorer James Holman (1786-1857).

Drawing on meticulous research, Roberts ushers us into the Blind Traveler’s uniquely vivid sensory realm, then sweeps us away on an extraordinary journey across the known world during the Age of Exploration. Rich with suspense and international intrigue, this is a story to awaken our own senses of awe and wonder.

After by Jane Hirshfield
(HarperCollins $23.95)

Jane Hirshfield continues to have a Zen flavor with precise images in her new poems. Her imagination is as poised as dew on a rose bud. In using Buddhist concepts, she feels to write deeper as she explores the English language. I especially like “Sky: An Assay,” which brings out all her skills as an observer of the natural world.

—Margo

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THE EARTH KNOWS MY NAME
SPRING & EARLY SUMMER EVENTS

APRIL 25, TUESDAY, 7:30PM
GOD LAUGHS & PLAYS: CHURCHLESS SERMONS IN RESPONSE TO THE PREACHMENTS OF THE FUNDAMENTALIST RIGHT. We are proud to host award-winning author David James Duncan (The Brothers K, The River Why, My Story As Told by Water), visiting from his home in western Montana. Duncan will discuss his new book, in which he argues that the de facto party embodied by the Christian Right has turned worship into a self-righteous betrayal of the words and example of the very Jesus it claims to raise. Duncan offers a thought-provoking collection of writings contending that the way of life exemplified by Jesus is apolitical and should be free of media machinery. He also posits a new cosmology for the challenges of a quickly globalizing and ecologically threatened world. Please note the special date of this event.

MAY 4, THURSDAY, 7:30PM
STITCH 'N BITCH CROCHET: THE HAPPY HOOKER We're excited about teaming up with Churchmouse Yarns & Teas to co-sponsor a talk and signing by Debbie Stoller, author of the phenomenal bestsellers Stitch 'N Bitch: The Knitter's Handbook and Stitch 'N Bitch Nation. Written in Stoller's breezy, friendly style, her new book gives a thorough grounding in the fundamentals of crocheting, using text, illustrations and full-color photos to demonstrate the basic stitches and techniques. It includes everything the newbie crocheter needs to know to create cool projects including lacy sweaters, adorable baby hats, sexy belts, fun scarves, flirty purses, fuzzy slippers, and lacy evening wraps.

MAY 7, SUNDAY, 3PM
THE MADONNAS OF LENINGRAD. We get into the swing of Arts Walk with a visit from Seattle debut novelist Debra Dean, whose book revolves around one of the world’s most distinguished art museums, the Hermitage in Leningrad. Hundreds of Russians found shelter in its basement chambers during the Nazi siege and the ensuing famine. Inspired by this and by her grandmother’s descent into Alzheimer’s, Dean has crafted a striking protagonist who in the present day Pacific Northwest is slowly losing her grip on reality, yet who is visited by memories of the winter she spent trying to save the museum’s paintings. It is this works she returns to for comfort, reliving through them the wonder of first love, the horror or war, and the strength of the human will to survive in the harshest of circumstances.

MAY 11, THURSDAY, NOON TO 9PM
Girls’ Night Out
Come join Bainbridge Island’s fourth annual celebration that honors and empowers women, sponsored by the Bainbridge Downtown Association. Buy a Goody Bag from an event sponsor, the proceeds to benefit A.L.I.V.E., a local women’s charity for victims of domestic violence. The bags will be filled with discounts and food and drink specials at participating stores and restaurants. We will have drawings for fabulous prizes including gift certificates, T-shirts and books galore. We also offer participants a 10% discount on The Book Lover’s Cookbook: Recipes Inspired by Celebrated Works of Literature, and the Passages that Feature Them, from which we will be offering refreshments.

MAY 25, THURSDAY, 7:30PM
THE HIGHEST TIDE. Olympia resident, award-winning journalist, and winner of the Pacific Northwest Booksellers Award for this debut novel, Jim Lynch talks about his highly acclaimed coming of age story that takes place on Puget Sound. It all begins when thirteen-year-old Miles O’Malley—who has an obsession with Rachel Carson and loves to look for starfish, snails, and crabs on his local beach—discovers a giant squid one night while exploring in his kayak. His ensuing celebrity, friendship with an aging psychic, unrequited passion for his ex-babysitter, and portentous natural events all figure into the beauty and wonder, the humor and tragedy of this lyrical work.

JUNE 8, THURSDAY, 7:30PM
IF YOU LIVED HERE I'D KNOW YOUR NAME: NEWS FROM SMALL-TOWN ALASKA. From tiny Haines, Alaska, where she writes not only the social columns and the obituaries for the local paper, but also contributes frequently to NPR's Morning Edition and the Christian Science Monitor, comes Heather Lende, by good fortune recovered from the accident that prevented her appearance here last year. Haines itself, set amid the stunning beauty of a wild and perilous land and accessible mainly by water or air, is the protagonist of her warmly accessible nonfiction book, which tells of the comings and goings of people including a one-legged lady gold miner, aging hippies, salty fishermen, Tlingit Indians, and volunteer undertakers.

Events continued on next page.
JUNE 15, THURSDAY, 7:30PM
We are proud to host two very fine Northwest authors of fiction, both recipients of awards from the Pacific Northwest Bookseller’s Association, both with new books centering on family.

HOW EVAN BROKE HIS HEAD & OTHER SECRETS. Seattle author Garth Stein won this year’s PNBA award. Of his novel and its protagonist, the Awards Committee wrote the following: “...Stein has exposed a sadness and strength in Evan, a self-appointed screw-up who endeavors to raise a 14-year-old son he’s just met. A raw but sympathetic portrayal of family flaws and individual shortcomings, this is a beautifully un-shiny novel of passion, forgiveness, and the life force that is fatherhood.”

GARTH STEIN & TOM SPANBAUER


JUNE 22, THURSDAY, 7:30PM

THE EARTH KNOWS MY NAME: FOOD, CULTURE & SUSTAINABILITY IN THE GARDENS OF ETHNIC AMERICANS. On behalf of a book with roots in Bainbridge soil, author Patricia Klindienst presents a slideshow and discussion on the oral histories she gathered while walking the fields and gardens created by ethnic peoples who maintain traditional ways, a reverence for the land and an understanding of food that has been all but lost to mainstream America. In a chapter titled “Place,” she tells the story of the Day Road Farm, where Polish Americans JoAnn and Gerard Bentyn share land with Akio Suyematsu, a Nisei berry farmer who was interned at Manzanar during World War II. In telling their story, she links it to other stories of ethnic peoples in America.

PATRICIA KLINDIENST

JUNE 25, SUNDAY, 3PM

REAL ESTATE FOR BOOMERS & BEYOND. Nationally syndicated real estate columnist Tom Kelly (Cashing in on a 2nd Home in Mexico, The New Reverse Mortgage Formula), whose new book explores the myriad options available to today’s Boomers, will discuss such topics as deciding to move into a more energy-efficient home, downsizing to a condominium in the city, taking in your aging parents, and looking at assisted living communities.

REAL ESTATE FOR BOOMERS & BEYOND

TOM KELLY & BILL BRANLEY

SEA CHANGES. Bill Branley, also a member of the Science Fiction Writing Co-operative that meets here at the store, unveils his debut novel, a midlife romance about two people who meet on a commuter ferry. The story follows the couple from Seattle to Down East Maine and from D.C. to New Orleans, while their emotional journey ranges from sadness to confusion to happiness at finding each other late in life.

JULY 1, SATURDAY, 11AM

FARMSALLY & HER FAMOUS CHICKENS

Once again we extend a joyous welcome to Farmer Sally Metcalf, here for her traditional visit that is fun for one and all. Her colorful petting chickens will be on hand and Sally will talk to us about how they live and how she takes care of them. She will also read stories about chickens and farming to round out one hoedown of a morning. Yeehaw!

JULY 6, THURSDAY, 7:30PM

THE WHISTLING SEASON. We extend a very warm welcome to an Eagle Harbor Books favorite, Ivan Doig (Dancing at the Rascal Fair, Prairie Nocturne), a Seattle author whose every new book we eagerly anticipate. His latest novel takes place in 1909 in familiar territory—the Marias Coulee in Montana prairie country—and has as its springboard a want ad, “Can’t cook but doesn’t bite,” to which a widower and his family respond. The story, which includes the rambunctious students of a one-room schoolhouse and a stampede of homesteaders drawn by a massive irrigation project, is a paean to a vanished way of life and the eccentric individuals and idiosyncratic institutions that made it fertile. Always entertaining and informative, Doig’s presentations are not to be missed.

JULY 11, TUESDAY, NOON

WATER FOR ELEPHANTS. The best-selling author of Riding Lessons, Sara Gruen visits on behalf of her auspicious second novel, an atmospheric, gritty and compelling story of star-crossed lovers set in the circus world circa 1932. It involves Jacob Janowski, recently orphaned and suddenly adrift, who jumps a passing train and enters a world of freaks, grifters and misfits in a second-rate circus struggling to survive during the Great Depression. Jacob is put in charge of caring for the circus menagerie. Gruen, an animal lover whose own menagerie includes five cats, two goats, a dog and a horse, knows whereof she writes, and independent booksellers across the country are abuzz about this one. Please note the special day and time of this event.

WATER FOR ELEPHANTS

SARA GRUEN

JULY 20, THURSDAY, 7:30PM

UNNATURAL SELECTION. Olympic Peninsula resident, Edgar award-winning author of Where There’s a Will, and perennial favorite here at Eagle Harbor Books, Aaron Elkins returns with another bone-chilling mystery starring “Skeleton Detective” and forensics professor Gideon Oliver. In this, the thirteenth of the series, Oliver and his wife are invited to the castle of an eccentric millionaire on an island off the Cornwall coast, where bones and more are discovered. “Elkins’s writing skills are superb, his research impeccable, and his plots intriguing. He has established himself as a master craftsman.”

AARON ELKINS

~ Booklist
OF ELEPHANTS & ALMONDS
RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OUR STAFF

Ann

THE ALMOND PICKER
by Simonetta Aghello Hornby
Mennulara, a servant to one of the wealthy families of Roccocolomba, has died. Since she wasn’t murdered and wasn’t the victim of some terrible accident, her death shouldn’t be the talk of this small Sicilian town. But it is, and the reader gradually discovers why... why a mere servant is being accorded a glorified obituary, why a member of the Mafia is seen attending her funeral, and why her rumored wealth remains undiscovered. Reading this novel is like being privy to all the town’s gossip, and in this case there’s an abundance of fascinating gossip to be had.

Shantaram
by Gregory David Roberts
Seldom does one find a book as enjoyable and captivating as this. Drawing extensively from experiences the author actually had, his tale follows Lindsay, an escapee from the Australian prison system, as he seeks freedom, fortune and a new life in India. Lyrically descriptive writing propels the protagonist and the many other vivid characters through their stories of life, love and loss in the center of Bombay. The city itself comes alive, embarking the reader on a real-world tour through the slums, prostitution dens, nightclubs and opium houses in rich detail, leaving no stone unturned, no alley unexplored. A deep understanding of the cultures and traditions of India and its people further enhances the realism and the depth of the story. Shantaram is an amazing novel of incredible scope, with an authentic voice throughout, a wonderful story of the human spirit and how far it will go, not only for love and money, but for freedom and redemption as well.

Andrew

I LOVE CRAB CAKES!
by Tom Douglas & Shelly Lance
Tom Douglas grew up in Delaware, not far from the Chesapeake, and brought the crab cake tradition to Seattle. This pretty little book has a surprising variety of fifty well researched recipes. Some are collected from other cooks including Jacques Pepin, Mark Bittman, Emeril Lagasse, and Aunt Marion. But most are Tom’s. Beyond the basic crab cake, there are chapters on global and new wave recipes, breakfast and brunch, chilled presentations, and my favorite, sandwiches. The recipes are conversational and easy to follow, and I Love Crab Cakes! is full of appetizing photographs. Available May 20th.

Mary

SAVING THE WORLD by Julia Alvarez
I read this novel on the way to work and kept praying for the bus to break down so I would have more time with Alvarez’s amazing book. She weaves the stories of Alma—a middle-aged novelist with writer’s block whose husband is involved in an effort to build a health clinic in the Dominican Republic—and the Balmis Expedition, which set out 200 years ago to bring the cure for smallpox to the New World. Alvarez does a terrific job shifting between Alma’s obsession with the Balmis Expedition and her present-day world, which includes her angst-ridden life in the rural New England community where she lives. I can’t wait to share this with my book group because it brings to mind Chris Bohjalian’s Midwives, Bel Canto by Ann Patchett, and Mountains Beyond Mountains by Tracy Kidder—all books that made for really great discussions.

Muggs

ONE HUNDRED DEMONS
by Lynda Barry
If you’ve ever been an outcast, or just felt as though you’re different from everyone else, or—hey—if you’ve ever endured the perils, pains and revelations of adolescence, you’ll find a welcome home in this vibrantly exuberant collection of brief personal essays in the form of strips that originally appeared in Salon.com. One Hundred Demons features vivid, eccentric characters from diverse ethnic and social backgrounds; Seattle locales from bygone days; and chapter headings that include “Hate,” “Girlness” and “Head Lice & My Worst Boyfriend.” The author of one of my all-time favorite novels, the one-of-a-kind Crudity, Barry bills Demons as a work of “autobiographicalography,” and the two books share her signature style that brilliantly fuses harrowing experiences, insights well-earned, hilarity and deep pathos. Were it in my power, I would nominate Lynda Barry as a Living National Treasure.

Mary

WATER FOR ELEPHANTS
by Sara Gruen
Set in the 30’s and narrated by a thoroughly engaging, if “difficult,” nursing home denizen, this novel contrasts the magical image of the circus world with the grim reality of the Great Depression. There is plenty of action, surprises and a very satisfying ending. Don’t miss the author’s appearance here on July 11th! (See page 2.) Available in May.

Meg

SUITE FRANÇAISE by Irène Némirovsky
“She could look inside the human soul and make music with her words.” So wrote Irène Némirovsky’s daughter about this lucid, fascinating novel of the French exodus from Paris on the eve of the Nazi invasion. The tale is made riveting by the way it presents historical fact and fictional characters, all seen with a merci- lessly honest, often cruelly ironic, eye. The author’s brilliance, and the appeal of her book, lie in her depiction of this epic event in all its squalor, eloquence, and sadness.

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Don't miss the appearances by these two award-winning novelists here at the bookstore! See the events listings for May & June.

**FICTION**

**THE HIGHEST TIDE**
by Jim Lynch

**HOW EVAN BROKE HIS HEAD & OTHER SECRETS**
by Garth Stein

**APPROXIMATELY PARADISE**
by Floyd Skloot

The poems collected herein create a graceful narrative that will be compelling to anyone—poetry lover or not—who cares about love, loss, truth, or the beauty of living in the moment. You'll want to read these poems out loud with someone you love.

**POETRY**

**EAGLE HARBOR READERS CIRCLE**
Looking for an insightful book discussion? Our store-sponsored book group meets in the bookstore on the first Tuesday of each month at 7pm to discuss the best in fiction and nonfiction. Newcomers and drop-ins are welcome and we always have room for more!

**CHILDREN'S**

**HOTEL DEEP: LIGHT VERSE FROM DARK WATER**
by Kurt Cyrus. Do you wonder where sea creatures sleep? Do you know all of the secrets that they keep? Then plunge with Kurt Cyrus into the hidden world of the ocean. Lavish, colorful illustrations surround twenty-one twisting, playful poems that chronicle a lone sardine's search for its lost school.

**ROGUE RIVER JOURNAL: A WINTER ALONE**
by John Daniel

John Daniel has poured his heart—and the soul of his father—into a powerful memoir he wrote during a winter alone in the Oregon wilderness. His experiment in solitude resulted in a thoughtful, moving study of himself, his family and the natural world. As beautifully wrought as it is truthful, this is a Walden for our time.

**THE LANGUAGE OF BAKLAVA**
by Diana Abu-Jaber

Diana Abu-Jaber's sensual memoir will make you hungry for a life filled with food, family and travel. Packed with her memories of growing up in a Jordanian-American family that loves to cook, it is very much like a picnic basket: funny stories, tart recipes, nostalgia for places left behind, all nestled neatly inside. It will make you long for just one more bite.

**USED BOOK POLICY REVAMPED**

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New Books for Kids

THE WRIGHT 3
By Blue Balliett, illus by Brett Helquist
In the sequel to the bestselling Chasing Vermeer, super sleuths Petra and Calder, along with Calder’s friend Tommy, become embroiled in another art mystery, this time involving the Robie House, a Frank Lloyd Wright masterpiece. Their attempt to save the house from demolition leads to a search for ghosts, hidden treasure, and a coded message left behind by Wright. Ages 9-12. ~ Scholastic

THE TRUE STORY OF STELLINA
by Matteo Pericoli
This is the true story of how the author and his wife rescued and raised a little finch that fell from her nest onto a busy street in Manhattan. When no zoo would take Stellina, the couple took the bird to their apartment, where she learned how to eat, fly and sing. With playful text and expressive drawings in pencil and watercolor wash, Pericoli pays homage to a loving and beloved little creature. Ages 5 & up. ~ Random House

JOHN, PAUL, GEORGE, & BEN
by Lane Smith
Once there were four lads, John (Hancock), Paul (Revere), George (Washington) and Ben (Franklin). Oh, yes, there was also Tom (Jefferson). Somehow, these five lads grew up to start a revolution, one that would change this country forever. Legendary artist Lane Smith has created a fresh and funny way to learn about these Founding Fathers. Ages 5 & up. ~ Hyperion

A BRIEF CHAPTER IN MY IMPOSSIBLE LIFE
by Dana Reinhardt
Simone is starting her junior year in high school and enjoys terrific family and friends. Then her birth mother contacts her. “Why now?” she wonders. The answers lead her to deeper feelings of anguish and love than she has ever known, and to question everything she once took for granted about faith, life, the afterlife, and what it means to be a daughter. Young Adults. Ages 12 & up. ~ Hyperion

THE WARRIOR HEIR
by Cinda Williams Chima
Fourteen-year-old Jack lives an unremarkable life in a small Ohio town. Only the medicine he has to take and the scar above his heart set him apart from his schoolmates. Then one day Jack skips his medicine. Suddenly he’s stronger and fiercer than ever before, and soon he learns the startling truth about himself: he is Weirind—a part of a underground society of magical people who live among us. Not only that, he’s one of the last of the warriors . . .

New Adult Fiction & Nonfiction

DARK AGES AMERICA: THE FINAL PHASE OF EMPIRE
by Morris Berman
The author of The Twilight of American Culture discusses the coming collapse of the American economy, burdened by costly wars, debt, the absence of democratic ideals, and a new “seamless propaganda machine” that has destroyed popular discourse. ~ WW Norton

31 DAYS: THE CRISIS THAT GAVE US THE GOVERNMENT WE HAVE TODAY
by Barry Werth
Werth takes us inside the White House during the chaotic days following Nixon’s resignation and the swearing in of Gerald Ford, America’s “accidental president.” Through the author’s compelling account, we learn of the ruthless maneuvering and politics of that period, and of its impact on the present. ~ Doubleday

THE SHAPE SHIFTER
by Tony Hillerman
Legendary Lieutenant Joe Leaphorn is back in another tale of mystery and murder set in the Southwest. This time the problem is with an old investigation—Joe’s “last case”—an unsolved mystery involving the disappearance of a priceless Navajo rug. “Surely one of the finest and most original craftsmen at work in the genre today.” ~ Boston Globe Book Review ~ HarperCollins

ROUGH CROSSINGS: BRITAIN, THE SLAVES, & THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
by Simon Schama
Tens of thousands of blacks in America at the start of the Revolutionary War fled farms, plantations, and cities to reach the British, who offered the promise of emancipation in return for military service. Schama follows their odyssey through the war and into inhospitable Nova Scotia, where thousands were betrayed. ~ Ecco
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**Teens**
- *Peaches* by Jodi Lynn Anderson
- *Demonata #1: Lord Loss* by Darren Shan
- *Shakespeare Bats Cleanup* by Ron Koertge
- *The Naming: 1st Book of Pellinor* by Alison Croggon
- *Maximum Ride: The Angel Experiment* by James Patterson
- *Lulu Dark Can See Through Walls* by Bennett Madison
- *How I Live Now* by Meg Rosoff. Meet 15-year-old Daisy, an American girl who is sent to her aunt's farm in England. When London is attacked and war breaks out, Daisy forge an extraordinary bond with her cousins.

**Ages 10+**
- *Al Capone Does My Shirts* by Gennifer Choldenko. Set in 1935, when guards actually lived on Alcatraz Island with their families, this novel brings humor to the complexities of family dynamics.
- *Fish* by L.S. Matthews
- *Lightning Thief* by Rick Riordan
- *Whales on Stilts* by M.T. Anderson
- *The Cry of the Icemark* by Stuart Hill
- *Down the Rabbit Hole* by Peter Abrahams

**Ages 8-12**
- *World Series* by John Roberts Tunis
- *Running with the Reservoir Pups* by Colin Bateman
- *Hannah West in the Belltown Towers* by Linda Johns
- *The Secret of Castle Cant* by K.P. Bath. This witty and fantastic story will captivate you with fast-paced action, a cast of eccentric characters, and two strong heroines who learn that cunning and courage are not merely words in a storybook.

**Ages 7-10**
- *Stink: The Incredible Shrinking Kid* by Megan McDonald
- *The Forging of the Blade Book #1: Lowthar's Blade Trilogy* by R.L. LaFevers. In an exciting new trilogy, Young Kenric stumbles into danger while searching for his missing father. He is captured along with other blacksmiths by the evil Lord Mordig, in order to forge the sword that will ensure his dark dominion.

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Hope all is well with you & Carol.

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Hello Ivan,

I just returned from Montana. It was very fun selling your book to booksellers. I’m not used to receiving two digit numbers these days, much less three digit numbers.

It would be great if something opens up in your schedule so that you could go to Snow Goose (in particular) and the other, smaller independents. But I’m sure they understand, as I do, that time is at a premium.

I think that the Festival of the Book would an excellent venue. I know that Barbara Theroux would be delighted if you attended. A Montana state "read" is certainly a great offer.

It was nice seeing both you and Carol. I haven’t seen you in years!

Thanks,

George
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ALAN AND CYNTHIA TURNER – PROPRIETORS
Dear George—

I feel like I won the daily double last weekend—the terrific response at the PNBA, and Rick Bass’s glowing review of my book in Publishers Weekly. *The Whistling Season* and I have a lot to be grateful for, this Monday morning.

And I want to thank you in particular for the way you’ve supported the book. People came up to me spontaneously at the PNBA to tell me what a passionate presentation of my book you did; a writer can’t ask for better than that.

Now it’s up to me to get out there and sell that baby, right? At last count, I have fourteen signings lined up in PNBA stores and will squeeze in any more that I humanly can. I’m also taking some care to tell stores I probably no way in hell can get to—Grass Roots, Jackson’s, Snow Goose—that I haven’t forgotten them, will try to cut them a break if anything opens up in the schedule (but so far it doesn’t look likely; we’ll probably have to make it up to them on the paperback tour if we can). One possible added chapter to the tour would be the Montana Book Festival in late September; they’re finally making me a pretty good offer (they’d designate *This House of Sky* as the state “read,” for one thing) and if I decide to do that, I’ll talk to you about fitting in a deserving account (U. of Montana bookstore?) or two in that direction. In the meantime, George, don’t hesitate to give me a call if you see anything I can do to help the book and your accounts. Carol and I enjoyed the time with you at the dear old PNBA.

All best,
Dear Pat--

I feel like I won the daily double last weekend--your superb introduction of me at the PNBA breakfast, and Rick Bass's glowing review of my book in Publishers Weekly. *The Whistling Season* and I have a lot to be grateful for, this Monday morning.

By the way, I'm particularly thankful to you for that line in your introduction about the suitability of the book for readers of all ages and kinds. That's what an author hopes to have reach the ear of booksellers.

The publicity tour Harcourt is going to send me on is so extensive (things like the Bass review rev up a publishing house, too) that I can't promise I can get to Leavenworth (or anywhere else beyond where they already have me signed up) for a signing. But I can keep the option open if you're willing to wait into the fall. Be assured I'll be in touch if any opportunity presents itself--and again, all appreciation for your grace and generosity at the breakfast.

Sincerely,