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[Miracle In The Andes](#) New Press, The

Examines the various history scandals of the last few years, arguing that media spectacles end careers, only when powerful groups outside he profession demand punishment, and that such campaigns typically come from the right rather than the left.

[The Lizard King](#) Simon and Schuster

In the too-quiet town of Oakwood, only the lucky die of boredom . . . and new homeowner Zack Walker isn't feeling lucky. Whoever said the burbs were boring will think twice after reading Linwood Barclay's hilarious debut mystery, in which Dad learns the hard way that he doesn't always know best. Zack wouldn't blame you for thinking he's safety-obsessed. True, he masterminded a plot to trade his family's exciting city lifestyle for one of suburban tranquillity. True, even after this strategic move, Zack still has issues with family members who forget their keys in the front door, leave their cars unlocked, or park their backpacks at the top of the stairs—where you could kill yourself tripping over them. Just ask his wife, Sarah, or his teenage kids, Paul and Angie, who endure their share of lectures. Zack knows that he needs to chill out and assume the best for once—but we know what happens to those who assume. When Zack realizes their two-faced developer sent a petty thief to fix their leaky shower, he starts fighting hard to ignore the fact that Oakwood isn't the crime-free paradise he was hoping for. But his brief state of denial comes to an abrupt end when, during a walk by the creek, he stumbles across a dead body. Even more shocking, Zack actually knows who the victim is—and who might want him dead. With a killer roaming around their neighborhood and Zack's overactive imagination in overdrive, he's sure things can't get any worse. But then another local is murdered—and Zack's paranoid tendencies get him implicated in the crime. While his wife is trying to remember why she married him in the first place, and his kids are considering whether it's time to have him committed, Zack decides there's only one thing he can do. To protect his family—and avoid being busted for a crime he didn't commit—he's going to have to override his safety-first instincts, tap into his delusions of machismo, and track down the killer himself.

[The City of Falling Angels](#) Hachette UK

It's the end of summer. Just before I start senior year with my two best friends in the whole world. Dustin and Emily are everything to me. We've been inseparable since middle school, and when we're together, nothing can go wrong. But things aren't always what they seem. Em's turned into a drunken mess who parties too much. Dustin and I have hooked up a few times—and now he's ready to take our relationship to the next level. Yet I'm not sure I want things to change. I'm scared if I take it any further with Dustin, our friendship will be ruined forever. Then there's Ryan. The new guy. He's hot. He flirts way too much. And Em has totally set her sights on him. So when my best friend betrays me in the worst possible way, guess who's there to help me pick up the pieces of my broken heart? Ryan. But he's so confusing. Annoying. Sweet. Sexy. I want to trust him, yet he makes it so hard. What I really want is for everything to go back to the way it was before. Before I found out that best friends make the worst kind of enemies.

[The Hollow of Fear](#) EverAfter Romance

The true story based on the diaries of murderer Michel Oros. Originally, after the fatal shootout with Oros at Teslin Lake, I had no intention of writing this book. In fact, when Garry Rodgers and I sat in the Skeena Pub after he got back and discussed the details of his experience, the very idea that someone might write the story - glorifying Oros, sensationalizing the murders and trivializing Mike Buday's death - was repugnant. Black and white reprint.

[American Fire: Love, Arson, and Life in a Vanishing Land](#) Simon and Schuster

Explores debt as a central historical component of religion, literature, and societal structure, while examining the idea of humanity's debt to the natural world.

[Better Than Great](#) SecurusMedia

Celebrated travel writer Debra Bokur reveals the dark side of paradise while exploring the nuanced culture and captivating beauty of Hawaii in *The Bone Field*, the second installment in her acclaimed series featuring Maui detective and Hawaiian cultural expert Kali M'hoehoe. A series of strange cold-case ritual murders leads Maui detective Kali M'hoehoe on a trail of legendary vengeful spirits and more human monsters in paradise. Kali M'hoehoe has been called to a bizarre crime scene. In the recesses of a deep trench on Lana'i Island's pineapple fields, the skeletal remains of someone buried decades ago has been found inside an old refrigerator. The body is headless, the skull replaced with a chilling adornment: a large, ornately carved wooden pineapple. Kali's investigation leads her to an unlikely suspect, an illegal cock-fighting organization, and a strange symbol connected to a long-disbanded religious cult. Kali solves cases using logic and reason, not the unknown or unexplainable, which might help her unravel an increasingly mind-boggling series of deadly events. Because the dormant pineapple fields of Lana'i have yet to give up their darkest and most terrifying secrets.

[Real Sex](#) Hachette UK

A New York Times Notable Book of the Year A Washington Post Notable Book of the Year One of Amazon's 20 Best Books of the Year Named one of the Best Books of the Year by BuzzFeed, Bustle, NPR, NYLON, and Thrillist Finalist for the Goodreads Book Award (Nonfiction) Finalist for the Edgar Award (Best Fact Crime) A Book of the Month Club Selection A New York Times Book Review Editors' Choice Selection "A brisk, captivating and expertly crafted reconstruction of a community living through a time of fear.... Masterful."

—Washington Post The arsons started on a cold November midnight and didn't stop for months. Night after night, the people of Accomack County waited to see which building would burn down next, regarding each other at first with compassion, and later suspicion. Vigilante groups sprang up, patrolling the rural Virginia coast with cameras and camouflage. Volunteer firefighters slept at their stations. The arsonist wanted to target abandoned buildings, but local police were stretched too thin to surveil them all. Accomack was desolate—there were hundreds of abandoned buildings. And by the dozen they were burning. "One of the year's best and most unusual true-crime books" (Christian Science Monitor), *American Fire* brings to vivid life the reeling county of Accomack. "Ace reporter" (Entertainment Weekly) Monica Hesse spent years investigating the story, emerging with breathtaking portraits of the arsonists—troubled addict Charlie Smith and his girlfriend, Tonya Bundick. Tracing the shift in their relationship from true love to crime spree, Hesse also conjures the once-thriving coastal community, decimated by a punishing economy and increasingly suspicious of their neighbors as the culprits remained at large. Weaving the story into the history of arson in the United States, the critically acclaimed *American Fire* re-creates the anguished nights this quiet county lit up in flames, evoking a microcosm of rural America—a land half-gutted before the fires began.

[Fire Into Ice](#) (reprint) Mary Campisi Books, LLC

From *An Explanation of America*: LAIR Robert Pinsky Inexhaustible, delicate, as if Without source or medium, daylight Undoes the mind; the infinite, Empty actual is too bright, Scattering to where the road Whispers, through a mile of woods ... Later, how quiet the house is: Dusk-like and refined, The sweet Phoebe-note Piercing from the trees; The calm globe of the morning, Things to read or to write Ranged on a table; the brain A dark, stubborn current that breathes Blood, a deaf wadding, The hands feeding it paper And sensations of wood or metal On its own terms. Trying to read I persist a while, finish the recognition By my breath of a dead giant's breath-- Stayed by the space of a rhythm, Witnessing the blue gulf of the air.

[Payback](#) Picador

In *Real Sex: The Naked Truth* about Chastity, Lauren Winner speaks candidly to single Christians about the difficulty—and the importance—of sexual chastity. With candor and wit, she talks about her own sexual journey. Never dodging tough terms like "confession" and "sin," Lauren grounds her discussion of chastity first and foremost in Scripture.

[Class](#) Liveright Publishing

Build an iconic shopping experience that your customers love—and a work environment that your employees love being a part of—using this blueprint from Trader Joe's visionary founder, Joe Coulombe. Infuse your organization with a distinct personality and culture that draws customers in a way that simply competing on price cannot. Joe Coulombe founded what would become Trader Joe's in the late 1960s and helped shape it into the beloved, quirky food chain it is today. Realizing early on that he could not compete and win by playing the same game his bigger competitors were playing, he decided to build a store for educated people of somewhat modest means. He brought in unusual products from around the world and promoted them in the Fearless Flyer, providing customers with background on how they were sourced and their nutritional value. He also gave the stores a tiki theme to reinforce the exotic trader ship concept with employees wearing Hawaiian shirts. In this way, Joe laid down a blueprint for other business owners to follow to build their own unique shopping experience that customers love, and a work environment that employees love being a part of. In *Becoming Trader Joe*, Joe shares the lessons he learned by challenging the status quo and rethinking the way a business operates. He shows readers of all types: How moving from a pure analytical approach to a more creative, problem-solving approach can drive innovation. How finding an affluent niche of passionate customers can be a better strategy than competing on price and volume. How questioning all aspects of the way you do business leads to powerful results. How to build a business around your values and identity.

[A Rip in Heaven](#) Thomas Nelson

"Dashew vividly describes how he has sailed through life, both literally and figuratively. As passengers on this voyage, we readers learn how to set goals, focus efforts, maintain standards, take risks, make sacrifices, and achieve success—in business and in life."—Dr. Albert Carnesale, author, retired chancellor of UCLA and provost of Harvard University.

[How to Be a Writer](#) House of Anansi

Originally published under title: *Life by the cup: ingredients for a purpose-filled life of bottomless happiness and limitless success* by Atria in 2014.

[The Bone Field](#) Hancock House

Brother Hiob, on missionary work in the Himalayan wilderness, discovers a village guarding a miraculous tree whose branches sprout books instead of fruit. These books chronicle the history of the kingdom of Prestor John, and Hiob becomes obsessed with the tales they tell.

[Convictions](#) Simon and Schuster

True Story of Charles Fipke, the mining exploration geologist who discovered diamonds in Canada. *Fire Into Ice* follows Charles Fipke in his exotic travels through the fast-paced, cutthroat world of mineral exploration - from the jungles of New Guinea to the savannas of South Africa to the rain-forests of the Amazon to the Arctic tundra. This amazing true story culminates in Fipke's staking of the Etaki diamond claim in Canada's Northwest Territories.

[Historians in Trouble](#) Macmillan

'Glittering, entertaining' Sunday Times A beguiling portrait of the city of Venice from the bestselling author of the true crime classic *Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil*. Beneath the exquisite facade of the world's most beautiful historic city, scandal, corruption and venality are rampant. Venice and its eccentric locals come to life in the exquisite storytelling of John Berendt. Ezra Pound and his mistress, Olga; poet Mario Stefani; the Rat Man of Treviso; or Mario Moro - self-styled carabinieri, fireman, soldier or airman, depending on the day of the week. *City of Falling Angels* is a mischievous, charming and compelling portrait of a beguiling city and its people. 'Fascinating, fantastic' Observer

[Under Your Skin](#) Princeton University Press

"You don't have to have a murdered sister to be a good homicide detective, but it helps." Finding Bethany, the best-selling Alaskan book, is a behind-the-scenes true crime memoir of murder and justice in the Last Frontier of Alaska. Finding Bethany is the true story of how, as a young boy, Glen Klinkhart was unable to save his sister from a heinous sexual homicide, and how he began his journey as a police officer to find the lost, the

missing, and to bring those who would do evil upon others to justice. His career as a homicide detective takes the reader along as he travels from the brink of exhaustion and obsession and into the dark and evil world of sociopathic killers, and those who would do anything to help them. Finding Bethany details what real life homicide investigations are like, from his unique perspective as a victim and as a reluctant hero. The reader will experience the bizarre twists and turns down dark paths which result in macabre dead ends, and unexpected miracles found within the darkest of circumstances. His cases include the stories of people who were willing to give of themselves for someone they often didn't even know. Finding Bethany is also about two brothers — one a sociopath, the other a good man whose own love for his evil brother had been exploited his entire life.

Habitation of the Blessed Penguin

The Crossway is an account of Guy Stagg's ten-month walk to Jerusalem. The author sets off from Canterbury on New Year's Day, telling his friends and family only that he will be home before the year's end. He follows medieval pilgrimage routes through Western Europe, the Balkans, and the Middle East, covering more than five-and-a-half thousand kilometres. He crosses the Alps in the depths of winter, spends Easter in Rome with the new Pope, witnesses the summer protests in Istanbul's Taksim Square, and survives the August 2013 bombings in Tripoli. Each night he stays with monks, nuns, priests, and families, gaining a rare insight into the lives of contemporary believers. Partly conceived as an attempt to rebuild himself after several years of mental illness, the pilgrimage forces Stagg to test the strength of his recovery. It also leaves him wondering: what power might ritual have today for someone without faith? The Crossway is full of head- and heart-expanding wonders: the perfectly observed sights of a changing landscape, the fascinating reclamation of marginal history, the thrill and shock of perilous adventure, and the encounters with fellow pilgrims that leave Stagg amused, bemused, and, at times, moved. This is a beautiful, inspiring book that will show readers the world afresh and leave their hopes renewed.

Strange Piece of Paradise Ballantine Books

Gonzo journalist and literary roustabout Hunter S. Thompson flies with the angels—Hell's Angels, that is—in this short work of nonfiction.

“California, Labor Day weekend . . . early, with ocean fog still in the streets, outlaw motorcyclists wearing chains, shades and greasy Levis roll out from damp garages, all-night diners and cast-off one-night pads in Frisco, Hollywood, Berdoo and East Oakland, heading for the Monterey peninsula, north of Big Sur. . . The Menace is loose again.” Thus begins Hunter S. Thompson's vivid account of his experiences with California's most notorious motorcycle gang, the Hell's Angels. In the mid-1960s, Thompson spent almost two years living with the controversial Angels, cycling up and down the coast, reveling in the anarchic spirit of their clan, and, as befits their name, raising hell. His book successfully captures a singular moment in American history, when the biker lifestyle was first defined, and when such countercultural movements were electrifying and horrifying America. Thompson, the creator of Gonzo journalism, writes with his usual bravado, energy, and brutal honesty, and with a nuanced and incisive eye; as The New Yorker pointed out, “For all its uninhibited and sardonic humor, Thompson's book is a thoughtful piece of work.” As illuminating now as when originally published in 1967, Hell's Angels is a gripping portrait, and the best account we have of the truth behind an American legend.

The Starved Rock Murders HarperCollins Leadership

As seen on The Today Show! One of the best summer mystery picks! Charlotte Holmes, Lady Sherlock, returns in the Victorian-set mystery series from the USA Today bestselling author of A Conspiracy in Belgravia and A Study in Scarlet Women, an NPR Best Book of 2016. Under the cover of "Sherlock Holmes, consulting detective," Charlotte Holmes puts her extraordinary powers of deduction to good use. Aided by the capable Mrs. Watson, Charlotte draws those in need to her and makes it her business to know what other people don't. Moriarty's shadow looms large. First, Charlotte's half brother disappears. Then, Lady Ingram, the estranged wife of Charlotte's close friend Lord Ingram, turns up dead on his estate. And all signs point to Lord Ingram as the murderer. With Scotland Yard closing in, Charlotte goes under disguise to seek out the truth. But uncovering the truth could mean getting too close to Lord Ingram--and a number of malevolent forces...

Hell's Angels Macmillan

THE BIRTHDAY GIFT IS A DEAD STRANGER. THE CARD READS, "THREE MORE BY TONIGHT. YOUR FAULT." FOR DETECTIVE CONRAD VOORT, WHAT BEGINS AS A DAY OF CELEBRATION TURNS INTO A NIGHTMARE, AS HE TRIES TO STOP A KILLER AND FIGURE OUT IF HE COULD SOMEHOW BE RESPONSIBLE FOR A SERIES OF DEATHS. In the thrilling, fast-paced, and haunting Dead for Life, Voort finds himself in a deadly race against time to stop an ingenious and unsettlingly sympathetic murderer who is intent on carrying out his threat, and who has created a state of near panic throughout Manhattan. What at first seems to be a series of random killings soon takes on a diabolical pattern. Murderer Wendell Nye is a man on a mission, and as his bloody endeavor unfolds it becomes clear that this is not merely the senseless act of some criminal mind, but the impassioned vengeance of a man who has suffered loss beyond endurance. Voort and the killer must reinvent themselves in this life-and-death struggle, battle the past, and become smarter, braver, and more daring -- all by tonight. Since he first introduced the charismatic Conrad Voort in The Broken Hearts Club, critically acclaimed novelist Ethan Black has continued to shape the multifaceted detective into one of the most true-to-life and emotionally complex protagonists in contemporary suspense fiction. Voort's family members have been police officers in New York since the Dutch settled it. He has trained to be a detective since childhood, and he's head of a vast Voort cop clan. His code of honor dictates that on this day he may have to take himself down. Drawing the reader ever more deeply into the minds and hearts of two unforgettable men pitted against each other, Dead for Life hurtles toward a shattering climax that will make it apparent that few things are what they seem. The price for past mistakes may be nothing less than life itself.