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True Blue: To Protect and Serve
Chicago Review Press

Like other kids in the Bedford-Stuyvesant neighborhood of Brooklyn, Ejovi Nuwere grew up among thugs and drug dealers. When he was eleven, he helped form a gang; at twelve, he attempted suicide. In his large, extended family, one uncle was a career criminal, one a graduate student with his own computer. By the time Ejovi was fourteen, he was spending as much time on the computer as his uncle was. Within a year he was well on his way to a hacking career that would lead him to one of the most audacious and potentially dangerous computer break-ins of all time, secret until now. Before he finished high school he had created a hidden life in the hacker underground and an increasingly prominent career as a computer security consultant. At the age of twenty-two, he was a top security specialist for one of the world's largest financial houses. *Hacker Cracker* is at once the most candid revelation to date of the dark secrets of cyberspace and the simple, unaffected story of an inner-city child's triumph over shattering odds to achieve unparalleled success.

Winston the Book Wolf Harper Collins
Here is the courageous, groundbreaking story of Rosa Parks and Recy Taylor—a story that reinterprets the history of America's civil rights movement in terms of the sexual violence committed against Black women by white men. "An important step to finally facing the terrible legacies of race and gender in this

country." —The Washington Post
Rosa Parks was often described as a sweet and reticent elderly woman whose tired feet caused her to defy segregation on Montgomery's city buses, and whose supposedly solitary, spontaneous act sparked the 1955 bus boycott that gave birth to the civil rights movement. The truth of who Rosa Parks was and what really lay beneath the 1955 boycott is far different from anything previously written. In this groundbreaking and important book, Danielle McGuire writes about the rape in 1944 of a twenty-four-year-old mother and sharecropper, Recy Taylor, who strolled toward home after an evening of singing and praying at the Rock Hill Holiness Church in Abbeville, Alabama. Seven white men, armed with knives and shotguns, ordered the young woman into their green Chevrolet, raped her, and left her for dead. The president of the local NAACP branch office sent his best investigator and organizer—Rosa Parks—to Abbeville. In taking on this case, Parks launched a movement that exposed a ritualized history of sexual assault against Black women and added fire to the growing call for change.

The Lie Detectors NYU Press

The long-buried story of a Chicagoan's struggle for justice after four of his children perished in a tragic fire.

FUGITIVE JUSTICE Univ. Press of Mississippi

WINNER OF THE EISNER AWARD • A bold and fascinating graphic novel history of the revolutionary Black Panther Party. Founded in Oakland, California, in 1966, the Black Panther Party for Self-Defense was a radical political organization that stood in defiant contrast to the mainstream civil rights movement. This gripping illustrated history explores the impact and significance of the Panthers, from their social, educational, and healthcare programs that were designed to uplift the Black community to their battle against police brutality through citizen patrols and frequent clashes with the FBI, which targeted the Party from its outset. Using dramatic comic book-style retellings and illustrated profiles of key figures, *The Black Panther Party* captures the major events, people, and actions of the party, as well as their cultural and political influence and enduring legacy.

Taken From Home Triumph Books
Kind is the kind of poetry book that makes you think differently about our world and the beings that inhabit it. Primack explores all facets of our

lives with other beings—the beauty, the tragedy, and the absurdity that surrounds her existence. Kind cuts to one's emotional core to make us think and feel.

In Search of Sisterhood Lantern Publishing & Media

Corporate hatchetman Hubbard is on his way to an industry convention to carry out a termination - a fancy way of saying he's about to toss a man and his family out in the street. But the convention is a modern Sodom of cheating husbands and ambitious wives, ready to put out as much as necessary to ensure their husbands' jobs - and a plan is afoot to smear Hubbard ...

Deep South Dispatch Vintage

All thirteen-year old Nita Simmons has ever wanted is to be a journalist, but when she flubs a piece for her middle school newspaper, her confidence is at an all-time low when Earl Melvin, her reclusive neighbor and the town's most notorious criminal-picks that day to speak to her.

Emmett Till Vintage

A Phenomenal Journey is a legacy to Willie James and Eddie Mae McGee. Author Cynthia McGee Burton, their oldest daughter, shares her memoirs of being raised by her parents with her siblings from childhood through her young adult life. As the Bible instructs in Ephesians 6:2, Cynthia wrote this book to honor her parents and hold unshakeable respect for her older brother and younger sisters. Her stories will captivate your heart and intrigue your mind as you come to know more about her and her relationship with her parents. Growing up, Cynthia's mother encouraged her to be "an independent, self-sufficient woman." Her father told her, "Being Black, being female, and being a McGee means you have to work three times harder than anyone else to be successful." In this first part of the series, Cynthia packs heartwarming moments, heartbreaking racism, tough love, and words of wisdom into her stories as she comes of age. Fill your travel bags with essential life lessons distilled from her parents' core values and her Christian faith. "My parents were a spiritual gift and divine

blessing from God. Because of that, I have become the woman I am today." - Cynthia McGee Burton "A Phenomenal Journey is the script of a soul-gripping testimonial of love and family structure handed out with sound judgment and compassion. Cynthia's overall life lessons will keep you glued to this book...awesome reading!" -Sis. Criss Loyalty, perseverance, faith, and self-reflection are a few of the essentials packed in the author's travel bag as she sets off on her journey. Travel alongside her in this exciting, thought-provoking book that transcends race and societal constructs. See if you have packed the essentials you need to embark upon your own "phenomenal journey." -Alberto Hollman

Vicksburg, 1863 The Eyes of Willie McGee

This is a story of the unexpected. In *Destined to Witness*, Hans Massaquoi has crafted a beautifully rendered memoir -- an astonishing true tale of how he came of age as a black child in Nazi Germany. The son of a prominent African and a German nurse, Hans remained behind with his mother when Hitler came to power, due to concerns about his fragile health, after his father returned to Liberia. Like other German boys, Hans went to school; like other German boys, he swiftly fell under the Fuhrer's spell. So he was crushed to learn that, as a black child, he was ineligible for the Hitler Youth. His path to a secondary education and an eventual profession was blocked. He now lived in fear that, at any moment, he might hear the Gestapo banging on the door -- or Allied bombs falling on his home. Ironic, moving, and deeply human, Massaquoi's account of this lonely struggle for survival brims with courage and intelligence.

Justice in a Bottle Penguin

Grand Junction, Colorado, 2001: When Michael Blagg's adoring wife, Jennifer, and his six year-old-daughter, Abby, disappeared from their home, Michael led the charge to find them, even going so far as to make a nationwide appeal on Good Morning America for information. But seven months later, investigators found Jennifer's remains in a Mesa County landfill, and things took a darker turn... Jennifer had been shot in the head, investigators discovered, and Abby was nowhere to be found. While Michael, a respected prayer-group leader, played the part of grieving survivor, authorities

became increasingly suspicious. There was blood evidence in the back of the family's van. Was Blagg a cold-blooded killer? A religious fanatic? This is the terrifying true story of what happened when Jennifer and Abby Blagg were... **TAKEN FROM HOME**

The Eyes of Willie McGee Walker Childrens

In Laurel, Mississippi, in 1935, a daughter in a wealthy and troubled family stood accused of murdering her mother. On her testimony, authorities arrested an equally prominent and well-to-do businessman, her reputed lover and accomplice. Ouida Keeton apparently shot her mother, chopped her up, and disposed of most of the corpse down the toilet and in the fireplace, burning all but the pelvic region and the thighs. Attempting to dispose of these remains on a one-lane, isolated road, Ouida left a trail of evidence that ended in her arrest. Witnesses had seen her driving there.

Within hours, a hunter and his dogs found the body parts and the cloth in which she had wrapped them. Touted as the most sensational crime in Mississippi history at the time, the Legs Murder of 1935 is almost entirely forgotten today. The controversial outcome, decided by an unsophisticated jury, has been left muddled by ambiguity. The *Legs Murder Scandal* presents an intricately detailed description of the separate trials of Ouida Keeton and W. M. Carter. Having researched trial transcripts, courthouse records, medical files, and vast newspaper coverage, the author reveals new facts previously distorted by hearsay, hushed reports, and misinformation. He pursues many unanswered questions such as what did Ouida Keeton really do with the rest of her mother? The *Legs Murder Scandal* attempts to provide the reader with clarity in this story, which at once is outlandish, harrowing, and intriguing. The Mercy Seat Penguin Press HC

A musician, songwriter and author with nearly a dozen albums and a best-selling memoir (*Goodbye, Little Rock and Roller*) under her belt, Marshall Chapman has lived and breathed Music City for more than 40 years. Her friendships with those who helped make Nashville a major force in American music are unsurpassed. In this new book, the reader is invited to see Marshall Chapman as never before--as music journalist extraordinaire. The trials, tribulations and evolution of Music City are on display in these revealing encounters, as Chapman sits down with influential figures like Kris Kristofferson, Emmylou Harris, John Hiatt, Miranda Lambert, and a dozen other top names to record what brought each of them to Nashville and what inspired them to persevere.

Go, Tell Michelle Grove Press

A leading NBA star and the Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *Friday Night*

Lights present the story of James's inner-city Ohio youth basketball team on which players overcame challenging hardships to qualify for a national championship while learning key lessons about teamwork.

Hacker Cracker Brookings Institution Press

The definitive account of the buildup, chaos, and aftermath of one of the worst urban riots in US history: the 1967 Newark riots. Being re-issued on the fortieth anniversary of the devastating event, *No Cause For Indictment* is a must-read to understand issues still facing urban America: poverty, political corruption, and racism. Forty years ago, Newark's oppressed black majority erupted in revolt and were ruthlessly put down by the police and National Guard units. When other reporters were too afraid, Ronald Porambo walked the streets of Newark and took four years to research and write the whole story. Its publication resulted in two attempts on his life. This edition includes an introduction from the editor of the original manuscript about the tumult surrounding the book's publication, and an afterword interviewing the author about the struggles he faced after publication.

No Cause for Indictment Haymarket Books

In this fascinating history of the lie detector, Ken Alder exposes some persistent truths about our culture: why we long to know the secret thoughts of our fellow citizens; why we believe in popular science; and why we embrace "truthiness." For centuries people searched in vain for a way to unmask liars, seeking clues in the body's outward signs: in blushing cheeks and shifty eyes. Not until the 1920s did a cop with a PhD team up with an entrepreneurial high school student and claim to have invented a foolproof machine capable of peering directly into the human heart. Scientists repudiated the technique, and judges banned its results from criminal trials, but in a few years their polygraph had transformed police work, seized headlines, and enthralled the nation. In this book, Alder explains why America and only America has embraced this mechanical method of reading the human soul. Over the course of the twentieth century, the

lie detector became integral to our justice system, employment markets, and national security apparatus, transforming each into a game of bluff and bluster. The lie detector device may not reliably read the human mind, but this lively account shows that the instrument's history offers a unique window into the American soul.

They Always Said I Would Marry a White Girl Hachette UK

Devour a good book! In this clever take-off on Little Red Riding Hood, the big bad wolf is the very hungry Winston who likes to eat books! When the librarian scolds him for this naughty behavior, Rosie (who wears a familiar red hoodie), rescues him and takes him out into the woods to teach him how to read books, not eat books. Winston grows to love reading and is soon devouring books with his eyes, and reading them (disguised as Granny Winston) to groups of children at the library. This hilarious book, complete with fabulous art and a die-cut cover highlights the importance of books and the joy of reading!

The Legs Murder Scandal Harvard University Press

The Eyes of Willie McGee Harper Collins
LeBron's Dream Team St. Martin's Press

The acclaimed novel by the author of *The Why of Things* tackles "the Deep South during the Gothic worst of Jim Crow times . . . truly a bravura performance" (Geoffrey Wolff). "One of the finest writers of her generation," and author of three previously acclaimed novels, Elizabeth H. Winthrop delivers a brave new book that will launch her distinguished career anew (Brad Watson). On the eve of his execution, eighteen-year-old Willie Jones sits in his cell in New Iberia awaiting his end. Across the state, a truck driven by a convict and his keeper carries the executioner's chair closer. On a nearby highway, Willie's father Frank lugs a gravestone on the back of his fading, old mule. In his office the DA who prosecuted Willie reckons with his sentencing, while at their gas station at the crossroads outside of town, married couple Ora and Dale grapple with their grief and their secrets. As various members of the township consider and reflect on what Willie's execution means, an intricately layered and complex portrait of a

Jim Crow era Southern community emerges. Moving from voice to voice, Winthrop elegantly brings to stark light the story of a town, its people, and its injustices. *The Mercy Seat* is a brutally incisive and tender novel from one of our most acute literary observers. "Artful and succinctly poetic . . . A worthy novel that gathers great power as it rolls on propelled by its many voices." —The New York Times Book Review

"A miracle of a novel, with rapid-fire sentences that grab you and propel you to the next page . . . It's a breakout. It's a wonder." —Dallas Morning News

Hons and Rebels Harper Collins
The DREAM TEAM was a bunch of kids from Akron, Ohio-LeBron James and his best friends-who first met on a youth basketball team of the same name when they were ten and eleven years old. United by their love of the game and their yearning for companionship, they quickly forged a bond which would carry them through thick and thin (a lot of thin) and, at last, to the brink of a national championship. They were a motley group who faced challenges all too typical of inner-city America. LeBron grew up without a father and had moved with his mother more than a dozen times by the age of 10. Willie McGee, the quiet one, had left both his parents behind in Chicago to be raised by his older brother in Akron. Dru Joyce was outspoken, and his dad, who was ever-present, would end up coaching all five of the boys in high school. Sian Cotton, who also played football, was the happy-go-lucky enforcer, while Romeo Travis was unhappy, bitter, even surly, until he finally opened himself up to the bond his team mates offered. In the summer after seventh grade, the DREAM TEAM tasted glory when they qualified for a national championship tournament in Memphis. But they lost their focus, and had to go home early. They promised each other they would stay together and do whatever it took to win a national title. They had no idea how hard it would be to pursue that promise. In the years that followed, they would endure jealousy, hostility, exploitation,

resentment from the black community (because they went to a "white" high school), and the consequence of their own over-confidence. Not least, they would all have to wrestle with LeBron's outsize success, which brought too much attention and even a whiff of scandal their way. But together these five boys became men as they sought a national championship.

Destined to Witness University Press of America
Presents a collection of letters and poems from African American women to the first lady that shares the writers' hopes, dreams, fears, life experiences, and reactions to and advice for the first African American first lady.