

Uncle Hugo's Science Fiction Bookstore

Uncle Edgar's Mystery Bookstore

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34th Anniversary Sale

December 1 marks Uncle Edgar's 34th anniversary. Come into Uncle Edgar's or Uncle Hugo's and save 10% off everything except discount cards, gift certificates, or merchandise already marked 40% off. A discount card will save you even more—you'll get 10% from the discount card plus another 10% off from the sale. (Sale prices apply to in-store purchases, not to mail orders.) The sale runs Friday, November 28 through Sunday, December 7, giving you two weekends to take advantage of the sale.

Small Business Saturday, which is the Saturday after Thanksgiving, also happens to be during the Anniversary Sale.

We will also be having our annual inventory reduction sale December 26-31, but that will feature deep discounts on things we really, really want to get rid of. It will not be a store-wide sale like the 34th Anniversary Sale.

Award News

The Hugo Award for Best Novel went to **Ancillary Justice** by Ann Leckie (\$16.00).

The British Crime Writers Association announced that the CWA Diamond Dagger for an outstanding body of work in crime fiction went to Simon Brett, the CWA Goldsborough

RECENTLY RECEIVED AND FORTHCOMING SCIENCE FICTION

ALREADY RECEIVED

- Doctor Who Magazine #475** (Interviews: Vastra, Strax, and Jenny are back for more monstrous thrills; Kate O'Mara remembered; more). \$9.99
- Doctor Who Magazine #476** (Steven Moffat previews the new series; meet the man who designs the Doctor's universe; more). \$9.99
- Doctor Who Magazine #477** (Includes double-sided poster. Interview with Peter Capaldi; Tom Baker; Terrance Dicks; more). \$11.99
- Doctor Who Magazine #478** (Interview with Frank Skinner; 4 exclusive previews; writer Phil Ford goes 'Into the Dalek'; more). \$9.99
- Cyberman Bust and Illustrated Book** (Doctor Who: A small bust of one of the Doctor's archenemies, plus a little 32-page book on the Doctor's history with the Cybermen, with full-color photos). \$9.95
- Dalek Figurine and Illustrated Book** (Doctor Who: A small replica of a Dalek, plus a little 16-page book). \$9.95
- Eleventh Doctor's Sonic Screwdriver Kit** (Doctor Who: A small replica of the Eleventh Doctor's sonic screwdriver, complete with light and sound, plus a little 32-page book on its history, with full-color photos). \$12.95
- Light-Up TARDIS Kit** (Doctor Who: A small replica of the Doctor's time machine, plus a fold-up timeline on the history of the TARDIS, with full-color photos). \$9.95
- Fantasy & Science Fiction November / December 2014** (New fiction, reviews, more). \$7.99
- Fantasy & Science Fiction September / October 2014** (New fiction, reviews, more). \$7.99
- Locus #644 September 2014** (Interviews with Nicola Griffith and Yoon Ha Lee; Hugo Award winners; forthcoming books; industry news, reviews, more). \$7.50
- Locus #645 October 2014** (Interviews with Paul Park and Kameron Hurley; Graham Joyce remembered; forthcoming books; industry news, reviews, more). \$7.50
- The Princess Bride DVD** (Hugo Award winner. A tale of true love and high adventure, pirates, giants, miracles, fencing, fire swamps, and rodents of unusual size. Full color, 98 minutes, rated PG, NTSC region 1; full screen/widescreen; English and Spanish with Spanish and French subtitles; Dolby Digital 5.1; closed captions). \$19.98
- Snow Queen / Hogfather DVD** (Two live-action TV fantasy miniseries. NTSC region 1). \$17.99
- Spaceballs DVD** (A hero for hire and his man-dog sidekick must rescue a princess from Dark Helmet; along the way they learn the mystical secrets of the Schwartz. Special features include commentary by creator Mel Brooks. Full color, 96 minutes, rated PG, NTSC region 1; English, French, and Spanish with Spanish and French subtitles; Dolby Digital 5.1; closed captions). \$14.98
- Heraclix and Pomp** (18th century: Before being sewn together, Heraclix was dead. And Pomp was immortal, or so she thought, until she was nearly murdered by the necromancer who created Heraclix. As they travel from Vienna to Prague to Istanbul to Hell itself, they struggle to understand who and what they are). \$24.95
- Orbus** (Spatterjay #3: The Prador Vrell has seized control of a dreadnought, slaughtered its entire crew, and is now out to seek vengeance on those who tried to have him killed. On the Graveyard, the border realm lying between the Polity and the Prador kingdom, Vrell and Orbus will soon cross paths). \$15.99
- Year's Best Weird Fiction Volume 1** (Anthology. Reprints 22 of the best stories

Aguirre, Forrest

Asher, Neal

Barron, Laird (ed)

Gold Dagger for best crime novel of the year went to **This Dark Road to Mercy** by Wiley Cash (\$14.99), the CWA Ian Fleming Steel Dagger for best thriller of the year went to **An Officer and A Spy** by Robert Harris (\$15.95), the CWA John Creasey Dagger for best novel by a first-time crime writer of the year went to **The Axeman's Jazz** by Ray Celestin (not currently available in the U.S.), the CWA International Dagger went to **The Siege** by Arturo Perez-Reverte (\$28.00), and the CWA Endeavor Historical Dagger went to **The Devil in the Marshalsea** by Antonia Hodgson (\$15.95).

Holiday Gift Ideas

Our most popular gift option continues to be our gift certificate. We can issue one for any amount. It can be used at either or both Uncles. It can even be used for mail orders, and it can be purchased over the phone (if you have a Visa, Mastercard, or Discover Card) and we can mail it either to the purchaser or to the recipient, or we can just enter the balance on a credit file here in the store to avoid the risk of the gift certificate being lost.

Calendars used to be a very popular gift item, but so many people are now using assorted electrical devices in place of a wall calendar that we substantially reduced our selection of calendars this year. Some titles that we ordered were not produced; the distributor shipped us a Weather Guide calendar instead of the Game of Thrones calendar we had ordered; and apparently the publishers and the wholesalers were also very cautious about calendars this year, because we've already sold out of about half the titles that came in and we haven't been able to get replacement copies for any of the titles we sold out of. If you want a calendar for 2015, you better hurry.

Signed books are also very popular gift items. Some recently received signed adult books at Uncle Hugo's include **Hawk** by Steven Brust (\$24.99), **The Witch With No Name** by Kim Harrison (\$26.99), and **Prince Lestat** by Anne Rice (\$28.95); recently received signed young adult novels include **Ambassador** by William Alexander (\$16.99), **The Witch's Boy** by Kelly Barnhill (\$16.99), and **Clariel**

Bechko, Corinna et al	of 2013). \$17.99
	Shadow of the Queen (Once Upon a Time GN Volume 1: Full color graphic novel based on the TV series. When Regina allies with a pack of werewolves to capture Snow White, can the Huntsman and Red Riding Hood break free from the forces that bind them to save Snow?). \$19.99
Berman, Steve (ed)	Wilde Stories 2014 (Anthology. Reprints 14 of the best gay speculative fiction stories of 2013, ranging from fantastical to eerie to surreal). \$15.00
Briggs, Patricia	Moon Called audiobook (Mercy Thompson #1: Unabridged). \$19.99
Bushnell, Jeremy P.	The Weirdness (PBO; Billy Ridgeway toys with being a writer, when he isn't working at a sandwich shop. Then the Devil shows up, promising to get Billy published. In exchange, Billy is to retrieve the Neko of Infinite Equilibrium, a magical statue which has been stolen by a powerful warlock. Despite trying to refuse the Devil's deal, Billy ends up on a wild adventure, both supernatural and literary, through the streets of New York City and beyond) \$16.95
Chambers, Robert W.	The King in Yellow (Reissue; Collection. 10 horror stories having as a background a monstrous and suppressed book whose perusal brings fright, madness, and spectral tragedy) \$11.99
Clines, Peter	14 (Reissue; Padlocked doors. Strange light fixtures. Mutant cockroaches. There are some odd things about Nate's new apartment. Turns out every room in this old LA brownstone has mysteries stretching back decades that could mean the end of Nate and his neighbors) \$15.99
Cosgrove, Stephen	Kartusch (Serendipity: Reissue; Kids; The Furry Eye-fulls love to see all there is to see on the Island of Serendipity. They never go to sleep for fear that they will miss something. Without sleep they become groucher and groucher. But with the guidance of blind snake named Kartusch, they learn about the magic of sleep and dreams). \$7.95
Cosgrove, Stephen	Squeakers (Serendipity: Reissue; Kids; The Island of Serendipity is filled with magical wonders, but even here there are simple dangers. A little squirrel named Squeakers learns to be cautious around strangers - there are times when you must say no and quickly run away). \$7.95
Cosgrove, Stephen	Trafalgar True (Serendipity: Reissue; Kids; In Kurium, kith and kin both different and alike lived in harmony, until a blue dragon brought them a gift they would need to share. Soon the forest was filled with squabbling as everyone fought over who should keep the gift. They must learn that if you care, you can share). \$7.95
Cosgrove, Stephen	Zippity Zoom (Serendipity: Reissue; Kids; Zippity so busy racing here, there, and everywhere that he sees little and remembers even less. With the help of the slowest of creatures in all the land of Whiz, Zippity learns that fast is not always best). \$7.95
Davies, Lesley	The Celtic Coloring Book (PBO; Suitable for adults as well as children, this book contains over 100 Celtic designs to color in). \$9.95
de Diego Sadaba, Martin	Steampunk Graphics: The Art of Victorian Futurism (Full color. Artwork from 32 of the world's best steampunk artists). \$39.95
Delany, Samuel R.	The American Shore (Includes the author's corrections to the text of the 1978 edition. A scholarly exploration of and commentary upon Thomas M. Disch's sf tale 'Angouleme'). \$27.95
Doctorow, Cory	Information Doesn't Want to Be Free (Nonfiction. Discusses copyright and creative success in the digital age, looking at the pitfalls and opportunities that creative industries and individuals are confronting today). \$22.00
Egan, Greg	Axiomatic (Reissue; Collection. Reprints 18 short sf stories). \$15.99
Flanagan, John	The Royal Ranger (Ranger's Apprentice #11: Kids; Will, now full-grown, has lost his beloved wife. The Rangers are desperate for leadership and new energy, which arrives in the form of the headstrong Maddie. Will reluctantly agrees to take her under his wing - at last the Ranger's Apprentice has an apprentice of his own). \$8.99
Foster, Eugie	Returning My Sister's Face And Other Far Eastern Tales of Whimsy and Malice (Collection. 12 tales of adventure and magic from the Orient). \$15.95
Gibson, William	Burning Chrome (Reissue; Collection. 10 sf short stories). \$13.99
Hawkins, Rachel	Rebel Belle (Harper Price #1: YA; After a strange run-in at the Homecoming Dance imbues southern belle Harper Price with agility, strength, and lethal fighting instincts, she learns she is one of an ancient line of guardians. And things get weirder when she learns who she's charged to protect: David Stark, school reporter, and subject of a mysterious prophecy). \$17.99
Jones, Stephen Graham	After the People Lights Have Gone Off (PBO; Collection. 15 stories (2

by Garth Nix (\$18.99); and recently received signed mysteries include **The Wolf in Winter** by John Connolly (\$26.00), **The Lewis Man** by Peter May (\$26.99), **The Long Way Home** by Louise Penny (\$27.99), and **Blue Labyrinth** by Douglas Preston and Lincoln Child (\$27.00). To see the hundreds of signed books we have available, go to our website, click Browse Our New Books, scroll about half-way down the next (long) page and click Signed Books (for either Edgar's or Hugo's or both).

How's Business? by Don Blyly

The oldest independent bookstore in the Twin Cities, The Bookcase in Wayzata, went out of business in mid-October (although one major media outlet reported it as "the last independent bookstore in the Twin Cities" going out of business), after 51 years in business. I've heard rumors of other independent bookstores being in rough shape. The Barnes & Noble on Ford Parkway in St. Paul is also going out of business. And we're not doing very well either.

Last winter was very rough for us (and almost every other business in the area). Things picked up once the weather improved, but they didn't get back this summer to the level of the previous summer, and nowhere near the level of 5 years ago. Now the cold weather is back, and we had a terrible October and expect another rough winter. During the coldest, darkest part of the winter, people want to get home from work and then not go back outside again. So we normally see very few people after 6 pm in January and February. I ran some sales numbers for last January, February, and March and found that for January and February we lost money by being open for both the 6-7 pm period and the 7-8 pm period. By March, sales had picked up enough that we were making money by being open in the evening. We are going to try having **Special Winter Hours** this winter, for the first time in 40 years. We'll be open our regular hours through the end of 2014. For January and February, we will be closing at 7 pm instead of 8 pm Monday through Friday, and hope that the few people who would have

Kelly, Walt	originals, 13 reprints) that tap into the horrors and fears of the supernatural and the everyday). \$15.95
Kwaymullina, Ambelin	Evidence to the Contrary (Pogo: The Complete Syndicated Comic Strips Volume 3: Reprints the 1953-1954 comics. Daily strips in black & white, Sunday strips in color) \$45.00
Lenahan, John	The Interrogation of Ashala Wolf (Tribe # 1: YA; Children with inexplicable abilities - Illegals - are detained by the government 'for the protection of society'. Ashala and her Tribe of fellow Illegals have taken refuge in the Firstwood, a forest eerily conscious of its inhabitants. There they do their best to survive, free to practice their abilities. But when Ashala is compelled to venture outside her territory, she is betrayed by a friend and captured by an enemy). \$17.99
Link, K/Grant, G (ed)	The Shadowmagic Trilogy: Shadowmagic / Prince of Oak and Hazel / Sons of Macha (YA; Omnibus reprint. Conor's life was pretty normal until he and his dad were attacked in their living room and whisked away to the mystical land of the ancient Celts. It seems that his eccentric dad is the usurped heir to the throne. And everyone wants Conor dead because of some prophecy. Don't you just hate when that happens?).. \$18.99
Lovecraft, H.P.	Monstrous Affections (YA; Anthology. 15 tales where humans live side by side with monsters). \$22.99
Lovecraft/Roland	The Complete Fiction of H.P. Lovecraft (Slipcased hardcover. Includes 1 novel, 4 novellas, and 53 stories). \$35.00
Magner, Scott James	The Curious Case of H.P. Lovecraft (PBO; A comprehensive biography of the horror writer, illustrated with sketches, film stills, photos, and more). \$19.95
Maguire, Gregory	Homefront (Jantane is a genetically modified supersoldier charged with establishing a hidden colony on Earth. When her expedition arrives in the middle of a civil war, she must choose her allies wisely, or be exterminated). \$25.95
Martin, Don	Egg & Spoon (YA; Elena lives in the impoverished Russian countryside. Her mother is dying, slowly, in their tiny cabin. And there is no food. Then a train arrives in the village, carrying untold wealth, a cornucopia of food, and a noble family destined to visit the Tsar - including Ekaterina, a girl of Elena's age. When the two girls' lives collide, an adventure is set in motion that includes mistaken identity, a monk locked in a tower, a prince traveling incognito, and Baba Yaga, witch of Russian folklore, in her ambulatory house perched on chicken legs). \$17.99
Olson, Melissa F.	MAD's Greatest Artists: Don Martin (Color and black & white. Over two hundred of his funniest and zaniest works, as well as his best portraits, posters, and stickers created as bonuses for MAD specials). \$30.00
Olson, Melissa F.	Dead Spots (Scarlett Bernard # 1: Scarlett's ability as a null erases all magical traces from anything or anyone that comes within ten feet of her, and keeps humans in the dark about LA's paranormal activity. Called to clean up a grisly crime scene, Scarlett is spied by human cop Jesse Cruz, who strikes up a deal with her: he'll keep quiet about the supernatural underworld if she helps him crack the case). \$14.95
Olson, Melissa F.	Trail of Dead (Scarlett Bernard # 2: When two witches are found dead a few days before Christmas, Scarlett is once again strong-armed into assisting the investigation. She soon finds a connection between the murders and her former mentor Olivia, who harbors her own sinister agenda). \$14.95
Orchard, Eric	Hunter's Trail (Scarlett Bernard # 3: Scarlett's reckless decision to permanently change Eli from a werewolf to a human has left the werewolf pack in shambles, and upset the balance of power among the city's supernatural factions. To catch a newly changed werewolf who is running amok in the city, Scarlett will need help from both Eli and detective Jesse Cruz). \$14.95
Page, Sean T.	Maddy Kettle: The Adventure of the Thimblewitch (PBO; Kids; Full color graphic novel. The Thimblewitch has turned Maddy's parents into kangaroo rats! Maddy is determined to sort things out - but she and her flying toad Ralph will need to sneak past an army of spider-goblins, scarecrow warriors, and much more). \$14.95
Pratt, Tim	Alien Invasion Owners' Resistance Manual (Full color. Many of the world's top scientists now predict that Earth will be invaded by aliens in the next few decades. This manual demonstrates how, with the right knowledge, training, and a substantial supply of aluminum foil, the concerned citizen can hit ET where it hurts). \$27.95
Roth, Veronica	Reign of Stars (Pathfinder Tales: PBO; Novel based on the game). \$9.99
	Four (Divergent: YA; Collection. Four stories from Tobias Easton's perspective, three following his path from Abnegation to Dauntless, and one that overlaps with the middle of

wandered in after 7 pm will instead wander in before 7 pm.

While the entire retail sector of the economy continues to grow, the bookstore sales continue to decline, with the bookstore sector doing significantly worse than the entire retail sector, and I don't expect that to change in the near future. Part of the problem is competition from e-books and part is competition from Amazon and part is heavy discounting on a few bestselling titles by Walmart, Sam's Club, Costco, etc. (which is more of a problem for Uncle Edgar's than Uncle Hugo's since they tend to carry several titles by bestselling thriller and mystery authors and have rarely carried any science fiction or fantasy titles since the last Harry Potter book seven years ago). If enough people do all their book buying at Walmart, etc., pretty soon the only books they will be able to buy are the few that Walmart, etc., choose to carry because all of the bookstores will be out of business. And part of the problem is that the publishers are putting out a lot of books that people are not very interested in reading. Looking over the publishers' catalogs for the winter, Elizabeth and I found a few titles to get excited about and a lot of titles where the decision was "should we pick up 1 copy just in case somebody is interested, or should we just skip it?" Fortunately, most of the publishers have finally figured out that they were putting out a lot more paranormal romances than anybody was willing to read. Unfortunately, they just switched the genre code from "paranormal romance" to "urban fantasy" on a lot of the paranormal romances that they already had under contract. And this then made readers a lot more cautious about picking up anything labeled "urban fantasy," hurting the sales of the good books as well as the bad books. Publishers still haven't figured out that they are putting out a lot more zombie books than people want. The huge number of people who go on a "Zombie Pub Crawl" are not primarily major book readers.

Some of you might be asking yourself what you can do to help the Uncles survive. Buying books from us would certainly help, but I realize that this can be influenced by your personal financial situation and how many books the publishers put out that you are interested in reading. But there are

	Divergent).....	\$17.99
Rothfuss, Patrick	The Slow Regard of Silent Things audiobook (Kinkiller: Novella. Unabridged, read by the author).	\$25.00
Scalzi, John	Unlocked: An Oral History of Haden's Syndrome (A novella-length exploration of the world of his novel Lock In; Signed copies).	\$40.00
Scott, M/Griswold, A	A Death at the Dionysus Club (Mathey & Lynes #2: Victorian London: Recruited to assist the new Metaphysical Crimes Squad with the case of a heartless corpse, metaphysician Ned Mathey discovers that the magic used to take the man's heart and life does not conform to the laws of modern metaphysics. Meanwhile, a minor poet hires private detective Julian Lynes to track down and stop a blackmailer who is threatening to reveal him as the pseudonymous author of popular romances).	\$18.00
Scott/Berman (ed)	Heiresses of Russ 2014: The Year's Best Lesbian Speculative Fiction (Anthology. Reprints 18 of the best lesbian-themed stories of the fantastic or futuristic of 2013).	\$20.00
Shearman, Robert	They Do the Same Things Different There (PBO; Collection. 24 weird fantasy stories (8 originals, 16 reprints)).	\$16.99
Sherman, Delia	Young Woman in a Garden (PBO; Collection. Reprints 14 tales of ghosts, fairies, artists, a merman, and more).	\$16.00
Stackpole, Michael A.	The Crusader Road (Pathfinder Tales: PBO; Novel based on the game)....	\$9.99
Stross, Charles	Equoid (Laundry Files: Hugo Award Winner. Novella. Sent to the countryside to liaise with the Department of the Environment, Fisheries, and Rural Affairs, Bob Howard has a few questions. Why is Edgebaston Farm's livery stable buying 100 kilos of raw meat per day? Why does his briefing file contain the deathbed confession of that old fraud H.P. Lovecraft? And why is the inspector from DEFRA so deathly afraid of unicorns?).	\$35.00
Sumner-Smith, Karina	Radiant (PBO; Xhea was born without magic, yet has a unique ability to see ghosts and the tethers that bind them to the living world. A rich man comes to her with Shai's ghost tethered to his chest; the ghost is a Radiant, generating so much power that the wealthy use it to fuel their magic, heedless of the pain they cause. Desperate to save Shai, Xhea finds a dark magic rising within her).	\$15.99
Tatulli, Mark	Desmond Pucket Makes Monster Magic (Desmond Pucket #1: Kids; Someday prankster Desmond will be famous for his special effects wizardry, but for now he's just trying to make it through sixth grade, which means he needs to stay one step ahead of school disciplinary officer Mr. Needles).	\$13.99
Teppo, Mark	Rudolph! He Is the Reason for the Season (PBO; The behind-the-scenes workings at the North Pole are narrated by Bernard Rosewood, one of the elves of the North Pole Consortium. The story begins with Santa's realization that a young girl's request to get her dad back for Christmas isn't going to happen. Dad, you see, died in a car accident on a snowy road shortly after Thanksgiving. The NPC can do a lot, but they can't do miracles. Enter Rudolph, who has been hairless, cranky, and perpetually irradiated since the unfortunate malfunction of the Nuclear Clock in 1964).	\$15.00
Vernon, Ursula	Dragonbreath #1: Kids; Danny Dragonbreath can't breathe fire, but he has no fear. And that comes in handy when a bad grade at school inspires him to enlist his sea-serpent cousin's help with a research project).	\$6.99
Vernon, Ursula	Attack of the Ninja Frogs (Dragonbreath #2: Kids; Exchange student Suki the Salamander has turned Danny's best friend Wendell into a lovesick tadpole. Then a group of ninja frogs attempt to kidnap her. Danny and Wendell have watched lots of kung fu movies and can totally take on a bunch of ninja frogs, right?).	\$6.99
Wallace, Sean (ed)	The Mammoth Book of Warriors and Wizardry (Anthology. Reprints 25 stories of battles and arcane arts (originally published between 2000 and 2014)).	\$14.95
Wilce, Ysabeau S.	Prophecies, Libels & Dreams (PBO; Collection. 7 interconnected tales (5 reprints, 2 originals) set in the Republic of Califa, a semi-historical world of magick and high manners).	\$16.00
Wrede, Patricia C.	Wrede on Writing (The bestselling fantasy author's tips, hints, and opinions on writing, from getting started and the basics to more advanced topics, as well as the business side of writing).	\$16.99
	EXPECTED EARLY DECEMBER	
	Doctor Who Official Annual 2015 (Kids; Full color. Includes essential info on the new Doctor, secrets from series 8, terrifying monster fact files, spooky stories, activities, and puzzles).....	\$13.99
	How to Be a Time Lord: Official Guide (Doctor Who: YA; Written as a gift from	

several other things you can do to help:

- 1) Recommend the Uncles to people. Over the years, we've tried all kinds of advertising, including newspapers, TV, radio, assorted yellow pages, and various internet-based things, and none of them have been cost-effective. Last March for Uncle Hugo's 40th anniversary, we spent \$1300 sponsoring Minnesota Public Radio for the first day of the sale. We had three new customers come into the store because of the sponsorship, plus several regular customers who thanked us for the sponsorship. Not cost-effective. The single most effective way for us to get new customers has always been personal recommendations from current customers. Positive reviews on various social media sites also help.
- 2) Give your friends and relatives gift certificates from the Uncles for the holidays, birthdays, anniversaries, etc., or request them for yourself. There are several ways we can handle gift certificates. We can hand the gift certificate to the purchaser (if the purchaser is in the store) for them to deliver to the recipient. We can mail the gift certificate to the recipient. We can hold onto the gift certificate behind the counter for the recipient to come in and pick up in person. Or we can just put a credit balance on file for the recipient and not mess with the actual certificate. (Since the certificate has to be physically present to be used, the credit-on-file option works best when the recipient is not in the metro area and will be using it for mail orders).
- 3) Printing and mailing the paper newsletter costs us about \$5.00 per person per year. The paper newsletter has to fit into the 32-page format, so many titles get left out, many book descriptions get shortened, and most of the book reviews are left out of the paper version. The expanded version, available for free at our website, is usually 55-60 pages long. If you switch from the paper version to the website version, you'll receive almost twice the information, and you'll save us \$5.00 per year in expense. Just go to the website, click "Mailing List", and then fill in your e-mail address, click "Newsletter Announcements", and click subscribe. Then send us an e-mail to let us know that we can stop mailing the paper newsletter to you. If you no longer have any interest in the newsletter, please let us know that we can drop you from the

Anderson, Gerry	the Eleventh Doctor to the newly-regenerated Twelfth, this guide contains everything you need to know to be just like him. So if you've ever wondered if you'd make the grade in the Time Lord Academy, or how to fly the TARDIS, or the correct way to dip your fish finger in custard, this is the book for you!)..... \$16.99 Monster Sticker Activity Book (Doctor Who: Kids; As all Doctor Who fans know, the universe is full of dangerous monsters that want to invade our planet. This title lets you help the Twelfth Doctor and his companion Clara defeat some of them by using the monster stickers to complete the puzzles). \$6.99 Inside the World of Gerry Anderson (The definitive guide to his work, including detailed images from Thunderbirds, Fireball XL5, Captain Scarlet, and more) \$27.95
Arthur, Keri	Darkness Falls (Dark Angels #7: PBO; Madeleine Hunter, head of the vampire council, gives Risa an ultimatum: hand over the last key to the gates of hell, or watch her loved ones die). \$7.99
Asaro, Catherine	Undercity (Skolian Empire: Major Bhaajan #1: Major Bhaajan has clients with woes - sometimes personal, sometimes galaxy-shattering, and sometimes both. She must sift through the shadows of the dark and dangerous Undercity - the enormous capital of a vast star empire - to find answers).. \$15.00
Asprin/Nye, Jody Lynn	Dragons Run (Griffen McCandles #4: With his pregnant sister Valerie missing, and his uncle Malcolm in town for a mysterious meeting, Griffen has his hands full. So how is he supposed to find time to protect Councilwoman Penny Dunbar, a dragon who's running for governor, from the malign forces attempting to take her out?). \$7.99
Ballard, J.G.	Extreme Metaphors (Interviews with the noted author, filled with his insights into the world as he saw it and his speculations, often unsettlingly prescient, about its future) \$18.99
Barclay, James	Once Walked with Gods (Elves #1: The elves have fled to Calaius, seeking to escape the overwhelming power of the demonic Garonin. Now the weakened elf race is tearing itself apart in civil war, and human mercenaries have arrived and are tearing the continent apart. Young warrior Auum sets out to bring back shamed hero Takaar to save the elven race). \$15.95
Barclay, James	Rise of the TaiGethen (Elves #2: The great Elven cities are little more than prison camps, and Elven slaves are forced to destroy their beloved rainforest for their human masters. Auum believes the Elves must fight now. Takaar believes Elven salvation lies in unlocking their magic. The Elves must choose their sides). \$15.95
Blackmoore, Stephen	Gods and Monsters: Myth Breaker (Caught between the mob and two sets of rival gods, Louie hatches a plan that will probably get him killed). \$9.99
Blake, Deborah	Wickedly Wonderful (Baba Yaga #2: PBO; When a mysterious toxin in Monterey Bay drives selkies and mers from their homes, powerful but inexperienced witch Beka Yancy investigates with the help of cranky but way too attractive ex-Marine Marcus Dermott) \$7.99
Bornikova, Phillipa	Box Office Poison (Linnet Ellery #2: Hired as arbitrator in a Screen Actors Guild squabble between human and elven actors, Linnet discovers a plot in Tinsel Town to shatter the fragile peace between elves, vampires, werewolves, and humans). \$7.99
Bova, B/Choi, E (ed)	Carbide Tipped Pens (Anthology. Hard sf stories). \$27.99
Bowden, Oliver	Unity (Assassin's Creed #7: PBO; Paris, 1789: As the people rise against the oppressive aristocracy, Arno and Elise are drawn into the centuries-old battle between the Assassins and the Templars).. \$9.99
Cox, Greg	Foul Deeds Will Rise (Star Trek: PBO; When an assassination threatens the fragile peace talks between two planets, all clues point towards a disturbing figure from Captain Kirk's past: Lenore Karidian).. \$7.99
Croft, Nina	Death Defying (Blood Hunter Dark Desires #3: PBO; Sparks fly between starship captain Tannis and Callum Meridian, the immortal man she's been hired to protect)\$5.99
de Lint, Charles	The Cats of Tanglewood Forest (Kids; Novel-length version of the 2003 picture book A Circle of Cats. When Lillian is bitten by a snake, the magical cats of the forest surrounding her farmstead save her by turning her into a kitten. To turn herself back into a girl, Lillian must undertake a perilous adventure through untamed lands of fabled creatures).. \$8.00
Deas, Gavin	Elite: Wanted (Novel based on the game).. \$17.95
Defoe, Gideon	Elite: Docking Is Difficult (Novel based on the game).. \$17.95
Dietz, William C.	Andromeda's Choice (Legion of the Damned Prequel #2: Summoned to receive the

mailing list for the paper newsletter. (And some people who prefer to receive the paper newsletter send us a donation to cover the cost of mailing the newsletter to them.)

I recently got around to reading **Bellwether** (\$7.99), a delightful short novel by Connie Willis from 1996. Sandra Foster is a statistician working in a research facility for a large dysfunctional corporation where Scott Adam's Dilbert would feel right at home. Her project is to figure out how fads begin and spread, and she hasn't been having much success. She meets Bennett O'Reilly, a physicist specializing in chaos theory who lost his previous grant and is now stuck working in the same corporate facility. When the paperwork for his next corporate project (involving dispersal of new skills through a group of monkeys) gets lost somewhere in the corporation, Sandra suggests that they save his job by merging his defunded project with her project. She doesn't have enough money in her budget to buy him any monkeys, but she has a rancher friend who is willing to loan them a bunch of sheep as long as the corporation feeds them. Neither Sandra or Bennett have any experience with sheep, so the idea of trying to teach new tricks to sheep and charting the dispersal of knowledge through the herd of sheep seems like a good idea to both of them. The entire book is a delight, but the sheep portion is particularly humorous.

Naturally, the thought of a corporation trying to find a way to create a fad made me think of publishers sending authors on tours to promote their books, and how much author tours have changed over the last 40 years. Although Uncle Hugo's was much smaller for the first 10 years, and there were many more bookstores in the metro area back then, we had some wonderful author events back then. Here are three examples:

Douglas Adams was on his first U.S. tour for **The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy**, and the publisher sent him to Minneapolis to parade him through B. Dalton's headquarters to try to get B. Dalton to push **The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy** through the entire chain. But Douglas Adams was so unknown at the time that nobody else in the metro area was

Dietz, William C.	Imperial Order of Merit from the usurper Empress Ophelia, Andromeda McKee realizes that her moment for revenge will soon be at hand. But will she be betrayed by those she has come to trust?) \$7.99
Downing, Chuck	Andromeda's War (Legion of the Damned Prequel #3: Targeted for death by the Empress, Andromeda's uncle has been killed in a government raid back on Earth, leaving her as the last Carletto standing, the family's only hope for justice. Her chance comes when Empress Ophelia's ship crashes on a hostile planet and Andromeda is assigned to head up the rescue mission). \$25.95
Drake, David	The Observers (As Observers, Mxpan and Zerpall are forbidden contact with natives of planets to which they are assigned. So how do they end up imprisoned twice, banished from two solar systems, trapped in android bodies after a faulty brain essence transfer, and forced into an ethically convoluted situation after uncovering a secret about their distant predecessors?) \$17.95
Dunne, Lexie	Monsters of the Earth (Books of the Elements #3: The city of Carce faces supernatural events caused by a struggle between two powerful magicians. One of them wants to destroy the world, and the other wishes to prevent that. But which is which?) \$8.99
Estep, Jennifer	Superheroes Anonymous (When a villain attacks Gail Godwin and she's rescued by superhero Blaze, it's a great story. Until it happens again. And again. Now the media has dubbed her Hostage Girl. Then she wakes up strapped to a metal table by a mad scientist. After escaping, now more than human herself, she'll have to come to terms with her powers. But there's a new villain on the rise, and she has her sights set on the one and only Hostage Girl). \$6.99
Flanagan, John	Black Widow (Elemental Assassin #11: PBO; Gin faces a new nemesis, the mysterious M.M. Monroe, who is trying to frame her for murder). \$7.99
Frost, P.R.	Scorpion Mountain (Brotherband #5: Kids; To protect King Duncan's daughter from an assassination threat, Hal and his Brotherband crew join forces with the Ranger Gilan to track down a deadly sect). \$18.99
Gibson, Gary	The Tess Noncoire Chronicles Volume 2: Faery Moon / Forest Moon Rising (Tess Noncoire #3 / #4: Omnibus reprint; 2 fantasy novels). \$8.99
Golden, Christopher	The Thousand Emperors (Final Days #2: Archivist Luc Gabion, who is dying slowly, victim of a forced technology implant while on assignment, must investigate the rulers of the Tian Di's stellar empire. One of their number has been murdered, and Gabion needs to find the killer). \$13.95
Golden, Christopher	River of Pain (Alien: PBO; Protected by the Colonial Marines, colonists seek to terraform the planet LV-426, now called Acheron. They discover a vast, decaying spaceship that is of particular interest to Weyland-Yutani. But what Anne and Russ Jordan find on board proves to be the stuff of nightmares). \$7.99
Grant, Mira	Snowblind (A New England town is haunted by memories of a deadly winter in which loved ones were lost. Now, twelve years later, the people plagued by their memories of that storm are haunted once again. A storm is approaching, promising new havoc, and old ghosts are trickling back). \$9.99
Hamilton, Laurell K.	Symbiont (Parasitology #2: Sal and her companions must discover how the SymboGen-designed tapeworms are taking over their hosts, what their eventual goal is, and how they can be stopped). \$26.00
Harris/Kelner (ed)	Jason (Anita Blake #23: PBO; Jason invites his bisexual lady love J.J. to visit, hoping Anita can help him explain his kink to her, and that J.J. can help Anita sort out her problems with her female lover Jade). \$7.99
Heinlein, Robert A.	Dead But Not Forgotten (Anthology. New stories about your favorite Bon Temps residents from writers who are Sookie Stackhouse fans). \$26.95
Hogan, James P.	The Man Who Sold the Moon / Orphans of the Sky (Omnibus reprint; 2 classic sf novels). \$7.99
Hughes, Alex	Worlds in Chaos: Cradle of Saturn / The Legend That Was Earth (Omnibus reprint; 2 sf novels). \$14.00
Johnson, Jean	Vacant (MindSpace #4: PBO; When a judge and his family are targeted by the mob, he hires Adam as telepathic bodyguard for his son Tommy. Discovering that the boy is a nascent telepath, Adam tries to help him cope with the ability. But it doesn't take a mind reader to see that there's something going on with this kid's parents that's stressing Tommy out more than a death threat). \$7.99
	Damnation (la #6: PBO; With their new ship claimed, la's Damned are ready to re-

willing to host an event for him, so Uncle Hugo's got him. We didn't have a huge number of customers come in to get his signature, but Scott Imes and I had a great time talking with him for an hour in between customers asking for his signature. After that tour, he was in such demand that we never had another chance to see him.

Frank Herbert also didn't draw a huge crowd, but later in the evening he ended up with a few people back at Scott Imes' apartment, a block from the store. Frank asked Scott why he had 3 copies of **Dune** on his bookshelf. Scott told him that his other 5 copies were currently loaned out to people that Scott thought needed to read it. Frank really like that answer.

Anne McCaffrey drew a crowd that went out the door and half a block down the street. Fortunately, the weather was good. She came back about 10 years later, when we were in our current location, and again the line was out the door and half a block down the street.

A lot fewer authors are sent on tour to Minneapolis these days (and very few authors are willing to come to Minneapolis in the winter). What has changed? While B. Dalton headquarters was in Bloomington, a lot of authors were run through Minneapolis to be introduced to the book buyers. And if the author was already in Minneapolis anyway, they might as well do a signing or two. When B. Dalton was sold to Barnes & Noble and the book buying function was moved to New York City, the number of authors sent to Minneapolis went down quite a bit.

In the early days of Uncle Hugo's, we didn't have the internet or cable TV. Almost all readers looked through a local physical newspaper, and the newspapers carried listings of book events. If the publisher could arrange a signing at a bookstore, and the bookstore sent a notice to the local newspapers, that translated to free advertising for both the book and the bookstore, and many book readers were likely to see the event notice when they looked through the newspaper. Those days are long gone.

In the early days of Uncle Hugo's, people were only able to get the few local TV stations. And the local commercial stations all had at least a couple of hours of locally produced talk

Kent, Steven L.	enter the fight against their Salik foes. But the Alliance now faces a second foe - after centuries of silence, the Greys are back)..... \$7.99
	The Clone Apocalypse (Clone # 10: PBO; A deadly virus is designed to destroy clones, and only Wayson Harris is immune. Now he's waging a one-man war against the government that created, betrayed, and ultimately destroyed his brothers). \$7.99
Kenyon, Sherrilyn	Dark Bites (Collects paranormal stories previously seen only on her website, as well as a brand-new Dark-Hunter story). \$8.99
Koch, Gini	Universal Alien (Alien # 10: PBO; Kitty is thrown into an alternate reality where aliens don't exist and she's married to Charles Reynolds. And alternate-reality Kitty has taken her place back home. Now the two Kittys must save their respective worlds before it's too late to return to their own realities). \$7.99
Kurtz, Katherine	The King's Deryni (Childe Morgan # 3: Now eighteen, Brion Haldane has ascended to the throne, and seven-year-old Alaric Morgan has come to court to stand alongside him as his Deryni. Through the coming years, both will grow to manhood and come to realize their destinies). \$26.95
Kyme, Nick	Salamanders: Rebirth (Warhammer 40,000: Circle of Fire # 1: On Heletine, the Black Legion has come in the name of Chaos, and only Brother-Captain Drakgaard's warriors stand in the way of their dark glory). \$24.99
Lackey, Mercedes (ed)	No True Way (Valdemar: PBO; Anthology. Original stories set in Lackey's world of Valdemar)..... \$7.99
Lackey, Mercedes et al	Collision (Secret World # 4: As they continue to endure Thulian assaults, the super-powered humans of ECHO and CCCP struggle to combine forces for an all-out attack) \$25.00
Lee, Chang-rae	On Such a Full Sea (In a future US, urban neighborhoods have been turned into high-walled colonies, where laborers - descendants of those brought over years earlier from environmentally ruined provincial China - work to provide pristine fish and produce for the nearby elite charter villages. When her lover disappears, Fan leaves her colony to search for him, traveling through the anarchic and dangerous Open Counties to a faraway charter village, on a quest that will soon become legend to those she left behind)..... \$16.00
Lee, Sharon/Miller, Steve	Trade Secret (Liaden: Jethri Gobelyn's adoption into a Liaden clan has invigorated a net of unfinished Balance more complex and potentially deadly than a Terran blood feud. He must embrace his Terran birthright as well as his Liaden connections to defend his honor and that of shipmates past and present). \$7.99
Lovegrove, James	The James Lovegrove Collection Volume 1: Days / Provender Gleed / Untied Kingdom (Omnibus reprint; 1st US editions of 3 sf novels)..... \$14.99
Lukyanenko, Sergei	The Genome (Alex is a genetically-modified 'spesh'; as a captain and pilot, he has a genetic imperative to care for passengers and crew, no matter what the cost. His mission to ferry two representatives of the alien Zzygou on a tour of human worlds will not be an easy one, for aboard the craft are several speshes who have reason to hate the Others). \$16.99
Mansbach, A/Brozman, O	You Have to F**king Eat (NOT for kids. Full color. A profane, loving, and deeply cathartic sequel to Go the F**k to Sleep, dealing with another great parental frustration: getting your little angel to eat something that even vaguely resembles a normal meal) \$14.95
Mansbach, Adam	The Dead Run (On both sides of the US-Mexico border, girls are going missing. Then other bodies are found. There are more than coyotes in the desert - an ancient evil has resurfaced). \$7.99
Martin, George (ed)	Jokers Wild (Wild Cards # 3: Reissue; Mosaic novel; 40 years after the arrival of the alien virus, under the streets of Manhattan, an evil genius unleashes the powers of darkness. Now Aces and Jokers alike must fight for their lives). \$8.99
Martin/Dozois (ed)	Dangerous Women 3 (World Fantasy Award winner. Anthology. Original tales of dangerous women). \$7.99
Mitchell, J. Barton	Valley of Fires (Conquered Earth # 3: YA; While Mira ventures west to bargain with enigmatic resistance leader Van Cleef, Holt returns to Faust to resolve his issues with Tiberius and enlist the Menagerie in the fight to save Zoey)..... \$19.99
Murakami, Haruki	The Strange Library (A lonely boy, a mysterious girl, and a tormented sheep-man plot their escape from a nightmarish library)..... \$18.00
Neill, Chloe	Twice Bitten (Chicagoland Vampires # 3: Master vampire Ethan offers a visiting alpha werewolf a special bodyguard: Merit. She'll need all the help she can get to track down a would-be assassin). \$7.99
Oliver, Jonathan (ed)	Dangerous Games (Anthology. Original dark tales of the players and the played)

shows in the morning, and they were hungry for anything interesting to fill all those hours. Authors on tour were interesting and could almost always get scheduled for at least one and sometimes for a couple of those talk shows while they were in town. Even I was on the channel 11 morning talk show a couple of times in the early years. With so few choices for stations, if a TV was turned on in the morning, it was either on one of those local talk shows or PBS, and the exposure was very broad for the author. Now, the stations seem to find it more profitable and less trouble to run national talk shows for most of the morning (so the publishers want to get the authors on the national talk shows instead of flying the authors all over the country to try to get onto a bunch of local talk shows), and there are many more stations available to watch, so the number of people watching any particular talk show is much lower. There were also a lot more radio talk shows of a non-political nature in those days, so many more authors were able to get local radio time.

Around this time, Gordon R. Dickson told me that the key to making an interview successful (from the author's point of view) was to figure out what you wanted to say, and then answer the questions you wished the interviewer had asked you instead of answering the questions the interviewer actually asked you, until you had delivered the message you wanted to deliver. Of course, some people are better at this than others, and I mainly see this approach used these days by political talking heads on Sunday morning news shows.

Short Recommendations by Don Blyly

Ancillary Justice by Ann Leckie (\$16.00) was nominated for all the major awards for science fiction and won the Hugo Award, the Nebula Award, and the Arthur C. Clarke award, among others. The sequel, **Ancillary Sword** (\$16.00) is almost as good. In the first book, Breq looked at the empire on a macro level from both the inside and the outside. In the sequel, Breq looks at one planet that was "civilized" (i.e., conquered by the empire) hundreds of years before, finds that things are not working at all the way things should be

 \$9.99
Painter, Kristen	City of Eternal Night (Crescent City #2: PBO; When a young girl is stolen from the biggest fae event of the year, Harlow and Augustine must put all their issues aside to bring her home alive)..... \$16.00
Pinborough, Sarah Resnick, Mike	Beauty (An edgy, sexy, and contemporary retelling of the Sleeping Beauty story)\$14.95 The Fortress in Orion (The Democracy has managed to clone and train General Michkag, one of the alien Traanskei's master strategists. Colonel Pretorius and a hand-picked team must kidnap the real Michkag if they can, assassinate him if they can't, and put the clone in his place)..... \$18.00
Ringo, John	To Sail a Darkling Sea (Black Tide Rising #2: Wolf Squadron, a ragtag fleet of yachts and freighters, searches the Atlantic for survivors of the zombie plague. Now they must clear an assault carrier of infected before the trapped Marines and sailors succumb to starvation. If Wolf Squadron can accomplish that task, an even tougher trial awaits: an apocalyptic battle to win a new dawn for humanity). \$7.99
Sansom, C.J.	Dominion (Sidwise Award winner. In 1944, Churchill lost to the appeasers, and Britain surrendered to Nazi Germany. In 1952, Germany is still at war with Russia, and Churchill's Resistance battles on. A scientist languishing in a British mental hospital is the keeper of a secret that could alter the balance of the struggle. A Resistance spy is tasked with getting him out of the country, but the Gestapo are hot on their heels)..... \$17.00
Simmons, Dan	The Abominable (1926: Three climbers accept funding from a mother whose son fell to his death on Mount Everest two years earlier. She doesn't believe he's dead, and wants them to bring him back alive. As they set off, they encounter others seeking the boy's body. What valuable item could he have been carrying? What is the truth behind the many disappearances on the mountain?)..... \$18.00
Singh/Andrews/Shearin/Vane Spoor, Ryk E.	Night Shift (PBO; Anthology. 4 paranormal and urban fantasy novellas). . \$7.99 Paradigms Lost (Expanded and revised version of Digital Knight.)Jason Wood is an expert in information searches, image processing, pattern matching, and data forensics. When an informant turns up dead on his doorstep and a photo doesn't show someone who'd been in the viewfinder when the picture was taken, he finds himself doing battle with things that violate the very reality he thought he understood). \$15.00
Spurrier, Simon Stein, Ellin	Elite: Nemorensis (Novel based on the game). \$17.95 That's Not Funny, That's Sick: The National Lampoon and the Comedy Insurgents Who Captured the Mainstream (A history of the humor magazine, drawing on a wealth of revealing, firsthand interviews with the architects and impresarios)..... \$16.95
Tolkien/Liedl/Reagin	The Hobbit and History (Explores influences behind the story from a historical perspective, looking at parallels between the intricate culture of Middle-earth and the Middle Ages, myth, and legend). \$17.95
Traviss, Karen Tripathi, Amish	Mortal Dictata (Halo: Novel based on the game). \$8.99 The Immortals of Meluha (Shiva #1: 1900 BCE: The empire of Meluha is in peril, its primary river slowly drying up. The Suryavanshi rulers are faced with devastating terrorist attacks from the Chandravanshis to the east, who appear to have allied with the Nagas, a race of deformed humans with astonishing martial skills. Their only hope is an ancient legend: When evil reaches epic proportions, a hero will emerge. Is the unexpected, rough-hewn Tibetan immigrant Shiva that hero?)..... \$26.99
Tufo, Mark	Indian Hill (Along with thousands of others, college student Michael Talbot is abducted by the Progerians, who are studying how best to conquer the human race. War is coming - and nobody knows the enemy better than Michael Talbot)..... \$17.99
Turtledove, Harry	Things Fall Apart (Supervolcano #3: With supplies running low and natural resources dwindling, ex-cop Colin Ferguson knows that time is running out for his family, and for humanity)..... \$8.99
Vaughn, Carrie	Dreams of the Golden Age (Golden Age #2: Hiding her burgeoning superpowers from her parents is hard enough; how is Anna supposed to keep them from finding out that her friends have powers, or that she and the others are honing their skills and dreaming of becoming Commerce City's next great team of vigilantes?)..... \$7.99
Willingham, Bill et al	In All the Land (Fables: Fairest: Not for kids. Full color graphic novel. Previously unpublished stories fleshing out the pasts of the women from Fables). \$14.99
Wolfe, Gene	The Land Across (World Fantasy Award finalist. A travel guide writer heads from the US to an obscure country. His passport is taken by guards, and then he is detained for not having it. It becomes evident that there are supernatural agencies at work, but in some ways

working on a “civilized” planet, and sets out to fix things.

A Study in Silks (\$7.99), **A Study in Darkness** (\$7.99), and **A Study in Ashes** (\$7.99) by Emma Jane Holloway is a trilogy featuring Evelina Cooper, Sherlock Holmes’ niece in an alternate Victorian England. Evelina can work magic, which can get you killed or sent to a concentration camp in this England. The Steam Barons have divided up London and apparently the empire as well, and nobody has the power to challenge them. Sherlock Holmes makes appearances in all three books, and we also occasionally encounter Dr. Watson, Mycroft Holmes (in the second book), and Professor Moriarty (in the third book). But the story mainly involves Evelina, plus some air pirates in dirigibles.

There are some romance scenes early in the first book that made me grind my teeth, as some of the very bright young women in the book lost all their intelligence any time a prospective suitor walked into the room, but by later in the first book they became capable of being intelligent even in mixed company. Evelina joins the rebel forces trying to defeat the Steam Barons and return control of the country and empire to Queen Victoria, and the action and the plot kept me reading even through a few slow spots.

There are times when I look at the new release shelf and don’t see anything I’m eager to read. It used to be that I’d then pick up an old James White book. Although he didn’t win awards, he could be depended on to tell a very good science fiction story, and while most of the novels are set in the same universe, they are independent novels that can be read in any order. But eventually I had read almost all of them, and started having trouble figuring out quickly which ones I had already read.

Eric Brown is starting to be my substitute for James White. I’ve enjoyed everything I’ve read by him, and so far each has been independent enough to be read on its own. The latest I picked up was **Jani and the Greater Game** (\$7.99). It is set in India in an alternate 1920s. The British have put out a story that they have discovered a deposit of a miraculous new mineral in Nepal that is allowing them to make great

Yarbro, Chelsea Quinn	Sustenance (Saint-Germain #27: Late 1940s: As the House Un-American Activities Committee hunts communists at home and abroad, the vampire Saint-Germain is caught up in intrigue surrounding a group of Americans who have fled to Paris. Some speak out against HUAC and battle the authorities, and even Saint-Germain's skills may not be able to stand against agents of the OSS and CIA). \$29.99
Yolen, J/Stemple, A	The Last Changeling (Seelie Wars #2: Kids; Chased by two armies, Aspen and Snail find refuge with Professor Odds' traveling troupe, dodging soldiers, a hungry troll, dwarfs, drows, lycants, boggles, and a cloaked spy. Is any place safe for them? And who exactly is Odds, who seems to have his own hidden powers and agenda?). \$16.99
Yoshinaga, Fumi	Ooku: The Inner Chambers Volume 10 (Black & white manga). . . . \$12.99
EXPECTED MID-DECEMBER	
Fry, Jason	Curse of the Iris (Jupiter Pirates #2: Kids; As the three Hashoone siblings continue to compete for the captain's seat on their family's spaceship, they intercept a ship with a long-dead crew. Following clues from the mysterious ship, they embark on a hunt for a long-lost treasure that their great-grandfather had a hand in hiding). \$16.99
Golden, Che	The Feral Child (Feral Child #1: Kids; On the grounds of the castle near her Irish town, Maddy is chased by a strange feral boy, who she suspects is one of the cruel faerie folk. When the boy returns to steal her neighbor Stephen into the faerie world, Maddy and her cousins set off on a terrifying journey into a magical wilderness, determined to bring Stephen home). \$7.99
Jones, Diana Wynne	Deep Secret (Magids #1: Reissue; Rupert is a junior Magid, working to maintain the balance between positive and negative magic. He's assigned to Earth as well as to the troublesome planets of the Koryfonic Empire. When he unexpectedly becomes senior Magid, he learns he can meet all five of Earth's potential new junior Magids by attending a science fiction convention in England. But the hotel is on a nexus of the universes, and other forces, some completely out of control, are there as well). \$16.99
King, William	Bane of Malekith (Warhammer: Tyrion & Teclis #3: As the dark elves of Naggaroth and their daemonic allies sweep across Ulthuan, in the forests of Avelorn, Tyrion and the Everqueen are on the run. Teclis rushes to his brother's aid, and the forces of the high elves prepare to face their foes on Finuval Plain). \$14.00
O’Ryan, Ray	The Annoying Crush (Galaxy Zack #9: Kids; Zack's dad has been working on a new Super Advanced Robotic Assistant (SARA). She's great, and super helpful, but when she develops a huge crush on Zack, can he figure out a way to fix this mixed-up robot?) \$5.99
EXPECTED EARLY JANUARY	
12 Doctors, 12 Stories (Doctor Who: Anthology. Stories by 12 bestselling authors) \$16.99	
The Visual Dictionary (Doctor Who: Full color illustrated guide to all things Doctor Who, now updated and expanded to include the new series with Peter Capaldi as the Doctor) \$24.99	
Aaronovitch, Ben	Foxglove Summer (Peter Grant #5: Police constable and apprentice magician Peter Grant, a Londoner to the core, is dispatched to Herefordshire, where children are disappearing and the local police are reluctant to admit that there might be a supernatural element involved. Now Peter will have to deal with the local gods and local cops in a small village where the shops close at 4pm). \$7.99
Adams, Guy	For a Few Souls More (Heaven's Gate #3: PBO; Paradise has fallen, becoming the 43rd state in the Union. Now angels and demons must learn to get along with humans. Meanwhile, Hell has problems of its own - there's a new evangelist walking its roads trying to bring the penitent to Paradise, and a new power is rising).. . . . \$7.99
Asher, Neal	The Technician (Polity: The Theocracy has been dead for twenty years, and the Polity rules on Masada. But there are rebels who cannot accept the new order; their hatred for surviving theocrats is undiminished, and Jeremiah Tombs is at the top of their hit list. The war drone Amistad recruits Leif Grant, an ex-rebel Commander, to protect Tombs. Meanwhile, in deep space, the mechanism the Atheter used to reduce themselves to animals stirs from slumber and begins to power up its weapons). \$15.99
Benson, Amber	The Witches of Echo Park (PBO; When her great-aunt Eleanora becomes deathly ill, Lyse returns to Echo Park, and discovers that not only is she heir to Eleanora's Victorian estate - she is also expected to take her great-aunt's place in the Echo Park coven of witches. But to accept her destiny means deadly peril - the world of magic is under siege, and the

technological advances, and they are keeping everybody out of Nepal. The Germans, the Russians, and the Chinese are sending in agents to try to find out what is really going on and to steal whatever secrets they can. Actually, a huge alien ship with two aliens aboard has arrived in Nepal, and the British are busy looting the ship for new technology. Miss Janisha Chatterjee, the daughter of a high Indian official, has been studying in London to become a doctor, but catches a dirigible back to India when she learns of her father's serious illness. She immediately gets caught up in the international espionage, some unpleasant elements of British imperialism, and the Indian independence movement. The story stays interesting and fast paced to the end.

I've been trying to get caught up with some of the series I've been following. **The Last President** by John Barnes (\$7.99) does a fine job of concluding the near-future post-apocalyptic trilogy (set primarily in the U.S.) that began with **Directive 51** (\$7.99) and **Daybreak Zero** (\$7.99). And **Emperor of Thorns** by Mark Lawrence (\$7.99) does a fine job of concluding the far-future post-apocalyptic trilogy (set primarily in a feudal Europe 1000 years after a world-wide nuclear war) that began with **Prince of Thorns** (\$7.99) and **King of Thorns** (\$7.99).

Possession by Kat Richardson (\$7.99) is the eighth volume in her Greywalker urban fantasy series set primarily in the Seattle area, and it's still one of my favorite urban fantasy series. The earlier books are **Greywalker** (\$7.99), **Poltergeist** (\$7.99), **Underground** (\$7.99), **Vanished** (\$7.99), **Labyrinth** (\$7.99), **Downpour** (\$7.99), and **Seawitch** (\$7.99), and they should be read in order.

I also read and enjoyed **Red Planet Blues** by Robert J. Sawyer (\$7.99), a noir private eye novel set on Mars. Lots of desperate people spent everything they could raise to get Mars to try to strike it rich prospecting for Martian fossils, but few succeeded, and the others are desperate for any way to make a dishonest living.

Boule, Pierre	battle the witches now fight may be their last)..... \$15.00 Desperate Games (Reissue; Despairing at the state of the world, a group of intellectuals form the new Scientific World Government. They make changes, eliminating hunger and disease while promoting new scientific thought. But people are not happy - the suicide rate has skyrocketed. It turns out the public want a little risk in their lives. To entertain the masses, they start with gladiator battles, and quickly escalate into historical battle reenactments involving chemical warfare and mass destruction. What has the world let itself in for?)..... \$16.95
Brown, Pierce	Golden Son (Red Rising #2: Darrow becomes a Gold, infiltrating their privileged realm so that he can destroy it from within. He must confront the treachery arrayed against him, overcome his desire for retribution - and strive not for violent revolt but a hopeful rebirth)..... \$25.00
Butcher, Jim et al	War Cry (Dresden Files GN: Full color graphic novel. Collects the 5-issue comic books series plus bonus material)..... \$24.99
Campbell, John L.	Drifters (Omega Days #3: PBO; Amid the chaos of a destroyed civilization, the survivors of the Omega Virus encounter a new threat. And these new monsters can't be outrun, or outwitted)..... \$16.00
Coe, David B.	Spell Blind (Justis Fearsson #1: Cop turned PI Justis Fearsson is a weremyste, with a wizard's gifts and the ability to see into the paranormal world - and an unfortunate tendency to go crazy during the full moon. He's on the trail of a serial killer who uses magic to burn out his victim's eyes)..... \$25.00
Cook, Glen	Working God's Mischief (Instrumentalities of Night #4: The oldest and fiercest of the Instrumentalities has been destroyed by a mortal. There will never be a new Windwalker. The world, battered by savage change, limps toward its destiny. And the ice is coming)..... \$8.99
Dunn, C.Z.	Pandorax (Warhammer 40,000: Space Marine Battles #15: PBO; In the Pandorax system, on the death world of Pythos, an ancient secret that has laid buried for millennia has been unearthed)..... \$16.00
Duriez, Colin	The Oxford Inklings (The lives, writings, ideas, and influence of the Oxford literary group that included J.R.R. Tolkien, C.S. Lewis, Charles Williams, and others).... \$16.95
Forward, Toby	Fireborn (Dragonborn #2: Kids; Bee is an apprentice wizard, and tomorrow, on her 12th birthday, she will learn her true name. Bee's is Flame, a powerful name that her greedy master wants to steal. But doing so will disturb the universe, and it's hard to say what might be born out of the fire that results)..... \$8.99
Friedman, C.S.	Dreamwalker (Dreamwalker #1: All her life, Jessica has dreamed of other worlds. Her brother Tommy has incorporated some of her dreams into his games. Now someone is asking about her dreams. When Tommy is kidnapped, Jessica and her friends must leave their world behind and confront the source of Earth's darkest legends - as well as the terrifying truth of their secret heritage)..... \$7.99
Gordon, Alex	Gideon (PBO; After her father's death, Lauren learns he was once a different person. Determined to find out who he really was, the clues lead her to the town of Gideon, where nothing is as it seems, even time itself)..... \$14.99
Green, Simon R.	Tales from the Nightside (Nightside: Collects 10 urban fantasy stories set in the Nightside, include an original novella)..... \$25.95
Haldeman, Joe	Work Done for Hire (Still traumatized by his past as a sniper for the US military, Jack accepts an offer to write a near-future novel about a serial killer, based on a Hollywood script outline. Then a package arrives: sniper rifle, silencer, ammunition, and the first installment of a \$100,000 payment to kill a 'bad man'. The people behind the twisted offer have Jack under surveillance. And if he doesn't take the job, they'll kill his girlfriend)..... \$7.99
Hamilton, Virginia	The People Could Fly (Kids; Full color picture book. A fantasy tale of slaves who possessed ancient magic that enabled them to fly away to freedom, and a moving tale of those who could not fly away, who remained slaves with only their imaginations to set them free)..... \$7.99
Harper, Steven	Iron Axe (Blood & Iron #1: PBO; Strange creatures come down from the mountains to attack the village. Spirits walk the land, terrifying the living. Trolls creep out from under the mountain, provoking war with the elves. And Death herself calls upon Danr, son of a human mother and a troll father, to set things right, sending him to find the Iron Axe)..... \$7.99
Hartman, Rachel	Seraphina (YA; Andre Norton Award finalist. Folding themselves into human shapes,

Recommendations by Elizabeth LaVelle

It's easy to see why **A Beautiful Blue Death** (\$15.99) by Charles Finch was an Agatha Award finalist for best first novel. Set in Victorian London, it introduces amateur sleuth Charles Lenox. He's a 40ish, bookish, genial bachelor, with a comfortable income and a brother in the House of Lords. On a beastly cold day, after a trip to Scotland Yard to wrap up a forgery case he was consulted on, he's happy to be back home in his library, with a warm fire, dry socks, and buttered toast, but obligingly steps next door to see his lifelong friend Lady Jane Grey. Prudence Smith, her former housemaid, has been found poisoned: suicide, or perhaps murder. Charles heads to the girl's current place of employment: the home of George Barnard, the director of the Royal Mint. Assisting Charles is his friend Thomas McConnell, a physician and surgeon, who determines that the girl was poisoned with something very rare - definitely NOT the poison in the bottle in her room. There seems to be a suicide note, but Charles learns the girl could neither read nor write, and sets out to track down her killer. While his loyal and clever manservant Graham gathers information about the girl's life from the servants, Charles investigates Barnard's nephews and house guests, and Barnard himself. Finch supplies plenty of suspects, possible motives, and unforeseen complications, and an ending with a couple of good twists. This is a genteel, leisurely, traditional mystery, with an interesting cast of well-developed characters, lots of deduction, and very little violence. I enjoyed Lady Jane's calm intelligence, and Charles Lenox is quietly charming, particularly: his sympathetic and respectful way of dealing with witnesses and suspects, whatever their station in life; his fondness for books - he is reading his favorite new book one chapter at a time, to savor it, but allows himself two chapters after a particularly trying day; his diligent pursuit of answers; and his delight in acquiring a really warm pair of boots that keep his feet dry (a familiar sensation for any Minnesotan!). The series continues with **The September Society** (\$15.99), **The Fleet Street Murders** (\$14.99), **A Stranger in**

dragons attend the court of Goredd as ambassadors, and use their rational, mathematical minds as scholars and teachers. When a member of the royal family is murdered in suspiciously draconian fashion, musician Seraphina Dombegh is drawn into the investigation). \$10.99

Hendee, Barb & J.C. **A Wind in the Night** (Noble Dead Series 3 #3: In her quest to find the Orb of Spirit, Wynn Hygeorht is torn between two men who hate each other, and about to face an old enemy. Meanwhile, Magiere, Leesil, and Chap, still hunted by a team of assassins, continue their search for the Orb of Air). \$7.99

Hendee, Barb & J.C. **First and Last Sorcerer** (Noble Dead Series 3 #4: Magiere, Leesil, Chap, and Wayfarer have all been wrongly imprisoned. Arriving at the Suman port city in search of Magiere, Wynn and her companions seek out Domin Ghassan il'Sanke for assistance, but the domin is embroiled in a secret hunt for a spectral undead with the power to invade anyone living and take the body as its host. Even if Wynn can manage to free her friends, battling this new kind of undead may be a challenge none of them will survive). \$26.95

Hines, Jim C. **Unbound** (Magic Ex Libris #3: Meridiana, long banished, has returned in the body of Jeneta Aboderin, and seeks an artifact that would allow her to command an army of the dead. Isaac, stripped of his power and his place among the Porters, is determined to regain his magic and rescue Jeneta. With the help of fire-spider Smudge, dryad warrior Lena Greenwood, and psychiatrist Nidhi Shah, Isaac races to unravel a mystery more than a thousand years old as competing magical powers battle to shape the future of the world) \$24.95

Hocking, Amanda **Frostfire** (Kanin Chronicles #1: YA; Bryn Aven is a half-blood, unable to hold a respectable rank in Kanin society. But she's a loyal protector of the kingdom she loves, determined to become a member of the elite guard. When a mission to thwart a plot against the kingdom brings her closer to her boss Ridley, will they be able to fight the attraction between them?). \$9.99

Hocking, Amanda **Trylle: The Complete Trilogy: Switched / Torn / Ascend** (Trylle #1 / #2 / #3: YA; Omnibus reprint. 3 fantasy novels). \$14.99

Hunter, Erin **Thunder Rising** (Warriors: Dawn of the Clans #2: Kids; The mountain cats followed the sun trail to new territory, convinced that with more prey, their lives would be free from strife. Nevertheless, the group has split in two, and a young cat named Thunder is caught in the middle of the struggle for territory and power). \$6.99

Jones, Stephen (creator) **Endgame** (Zombie Apocalypse! #3: The story of the climactic battle between the ZZ infantry of the New Zombie Order and the fighters of the human resistance, told through interconnected eyewitness accounts - emails, text messages, reports, diaries, found video footage, and graphic adaptations). \$14.95

Jones, Stephen Lloyd **The String Diaries** (For centuries, Hannah's family has been pursued by a monster - a boy from an ancient royal family who can change his shape to insert himself into the lives of his victims and destroy them. If Hannah fails to end the chase, her daughter is next in line. But how much is Hannah willing to sacrifice to put an end to the curse?). . . \$16.00

King, Stephen **Mr. Mercedes** (In a race against time, three unlikely heroes try to stop a lone killer from blowing up thousands). \$16.00

Kristijansson, Snorri **Swords of Good Men** (Valhalla #1: 996 CE: In the port town of Stenvik, Audun Arngrimsson works his forge and lives a solitary life. No one knows about his past, and he'd like to keep it that way. But the Old Gods have other ideas. Rival factions within Stenvik are about to come to blows, but a far bigger battle is approaching: King Olav is bringing the White Christ at point of sword, and on the horizon are the sails of another, more mysterious enemy). \$9.99

Kristijansson, Snorri **Blood Will Follow** (Valhalla #2: The battle for Stenvik has been won at huge cost: Ulfar and Audun have lost the very thing that made them human, their mortality. And they begin to wonder - is immortality a gift from the gods, or a curse? And King Olav may have been defeated outside Stenvik's walls, but now Valgard leads him north, in search of the source of the Vikings' power). \$24.99

Landers, Melissa **Alienated** (YA; Chosen to host Aelyx, the first alien exchange student, Cara will have inside information about the aliens that every journalist would kill for. But when Cara's classmates get swept up by anti-alien paranoia, Midtown High School suddenly isn't safe anymore. And Aelyx has been hiding the truth about his exchange, and its potentially deadly consequences. Soon Cara will be in for the fight of her life - not just for herself and the alien boy she loves, but for the future of her planet). \$9.99

Lee, Sharon **Carousel Seas** (Carousel #3: Kate Archer, Guardian and carousel-keeper, has begun

Mayfair (\$15.99), **A Burial at Sea** (\$14.99), **A Death in the Small Hours** (\$15.99), **An Old Betrayal** (\$15.99), and **The Laws of Murder** (\$25.99).

A Tiger's Tale (\$7.99) by Laura Morrigan is a strong follow-up to her debut **Woof at the Door** (\$7.99). Veterinarian turned animal behaviorist Grace Wilde can communicate telepathically with animals (although only a few people know that). She's called to Happy Asses Donkey and Big Cat Rescue to help out when Boris, a usually friendly tiger, suddenly turns ferocious during an exam. As Grace works to calm the cat, she discovers why he's upset: his favorite volunteer, a troubled teen named Brooke, is missing, and Boris saw her taken. The girl's stepfather thinks she has run away again, and refuses to call in the police. So, with some unofficial assistance from her crime scene investigator boyfriend Kai, Grace decides to look for her. I really enjoy the strong, independent women characters in this series. Grace is fierce and capable, and she's beginning to realize that her people skills really need work. Her sister Emma is smart (a successful party planner) and tough (a black belt martial artist), and more than willing to educate Grace about dealing with people. Brooke (once we get to meet her) turns out to be pretty sharp and determined, and rescue proprietor Ozeal Mallory is a great combination of warm-hearted and fierce. Frankly, the criminals don't stand a chance against these women and their animal allies! And Morrigan writes great animal scenes - my favorites in this book were Boris the tiger going goofy with a bag of catnip, Grace's wolf-dog hybrid Moss becoming completely obsessed with a new kitten, and Jack-Jack the mini donkey's cunning plan for escaping from his pen. I'm really looking forward to the next book in the series when it arrives in March.

Deirdre "Foxtrot" Lancaster works as administrative assistant (aka chaos wrangler) to wealthy Zelda Zoransky (ZZ for short), keeping things running smoothly at her estate, which includes a mansion, tennis courts, pool, private menagerie, and a cemetery where for decades people have been burying their pets (as well as the occasional circus, show, or rescue animal). As if

Leonard, Anne	Moth and Spark (Chosen to free the dragons from their bondage to the Empire, Prince Corin has received some of their power. Tam, a doctor's daughter, has just discovered she's a Seer. When the two meet at the library, sparks fly. But war is coming, and the lovers must master their powers to save their land. With a little help from a village of secret wizards and a rogue dragonrider, they just might pull it off)..... \$16.00
Love, John	Evensong (Anwar Abbas is one of The Dead, a biologically-enhanced secret operative created by the United Nations to solve problems no one else can. Assigned to protect Olivia del Sarto, the head of the world's fastest-growing church, he discovers that Olivia's enemies have something that kills people like him - and they've sent it after her). \$15.99
MacFarlane, Alex (ed)	The Mammoth Book of SF Stories by Women (Anthology. Reprints some of the best sf stories written by women in recent decades)..... \$14.95
McCormack, Una	The Missing (Star Trek: Deep Space Nine: PBO; Sequel to The Fall. Base commander Ro Laren has her hands full with a ragtag flotilla of small ships crewed by members of several unknown species). \$7.99
Merz, Jon F.	Slavers of the Savage Catacombs (Shadow Warrior #2: Dispatched to investigate rumors of an invasion force massing in the north, Ran is captured and dragged underground as slave labor for a despot in exile who is eager to reclaim his throne. But there's more in play than a power struggle in the catacombs). \$15.00
Modesitt Jr., L.E.	Rex Regis (Imager #8: The great struggle to unify Lydar enters its final phase, with only Khel remaining undecided. Before their choice is known, the specter of high treason threatens to unravel all that Quaeryt has achieved, catapulting him toward a fateful confrontation with Bhayar's most powerful military leaders)..... \$8.99
Moorcock, Michael	The Dragon in the Sword (Eternal Champion #3: Reissue; Trapped in a timeless existence, doomed to fight forever, haunted by memories of too many battles waged during infinite lifetimes, John Daker has taken Fate into his own hands. He searches for Ermizhad, and for the key that will free him from psychic captivity. On a dark ship piloted by a blind helmsman, he must stand and fight the darkest battle in the history of the world). \$9.95
Morrow, James	Galapagos Regained (Chloe Bathurst finds work on Charles Darwin's estate, nurturing the strange birds, exotic lizards, and giant tortoises he brought back from his trip. When Chloe gets wind of the Great God Contest - 10,000 pounds to the first petitioner who can prove or disprove the existence of a Supreme Being - she decides that Mr. Darwin's materialist theory of speciation might just turn the trick. Before she knows it, her ambitions send her off on a wild adventure)..... \$28.99
Ness, Patrick	The Crane Wife (One night George finds a great white crane in his yard, and removes an arrow from its wing before it flies away. The next day, he meets enigmatic Kumiko, who asks him to help her with her artwork. He begins to fall in love - it seems she could change his entire life, if only he could get her to reveal who she is and why she brought her artwork to his print shop). \$16.00
O'Flaherty, Dennis	King of the Cracksmen (1877: All the land west of the Mississippi was sold to Russia decades ago. In the aftermath of the Civil War, the US has been transformed by automatons and steam-powered dirigibles. President Lincoln hasn't been seen for six months, and the country is being run as a police state by former Secretary of War Edwin Stanton. But the outlaws of New York City are fighting a guerrilla war against Stanton's tyranny). \$15.99
Older, Daniel Jose	Half-Resurrection Blues (Bone Street Rumba #1: PBO; Carlos is one of the NY Council of the Dead's most unusual agents: an inbetweenner, partially resurrected from a death he barely recalls, after a life that's missing from his memory. An inbetweenner sorcerer has summoned a horde of creatures capable of eliminating spirits. They've already taken out some of NYCOD's finest. Carlos is desperate to stop their master before he opens up the entrada to the Underworld). \$7.99
Perry, Steve	The Tejano Conflict (Cutter's Wars #3: PBO; Hired to help occupy a valuable piece of contested territory, Cutter and crew find themselves in a dangerous situation where things aren't as they seem. Now they must determine the truth - or lose more than just a battle)..... \$7.99
Pinborough, Sarah	Charm (An edgy, sexy, and contemporary retelling of the Cinderella story). . . . \$14.95
Powell, Gareth L.	Macaque Attack (Macaque #3: PBO; Ack-Ack finds himself leading a dimension-hopping army of angry monkeys, facing an invading horde of killer androids, and

that wasn't enough work, in **A Taste Fur Murder** (\$7.99), Foxtrot discovers that she's been drafted: the pet cemetery is also a mystical nexus that animal spirits travel through on their way to visit their former human companions, and Foxtrot is the new caretaker. The word is that a human is going to die, the cemetery will be threatened as a result, and she has to stop that from happening. But she will have help. Mr. Tiny (his given name, most unfortunate) is an ectoplasmic shape-shifting dog with a military background, a British accent, and a dry sense of humor. Tango is a cat - in fact, she was Foxtrot's cat until she died ten years ago, but now she's back, reincarnated into the 7th of her 9 lives. Both animals communicate telepathically with Foxtrot, and with each other, and their snarky conversations make this series a lot of fun. Meanwhile, back at Foxtrot's day job, she adds sleuthing to her duties when a servant is murdered while cleaning ZZ's closet, and then ZZ winds up in a coma after drinking drugged tea. With a not-to-bright police detective on the case, it's up to Foxtrot to figure out who is responsible. (Good thing she reads mysteries in her spare time!) Is it one of the staff? One of the house guests? Or maybe ZZ's badly behaved son? Whether gathering clues from animals at the menagerie (with Tango acting as interpreter) or from the ghostly denizens of the cemetery, Foxtrot will need all of her formidable negotiating and problem-solving skills - and her ability to stay calm in a crisis - to crack the case. **To Die Fur** (\$7.99), the second book in the series, brings more challenges when Augustus, a rare albino liger, is poisoned while staying in ZZ's menagerie. Not only does Foxtrot have to figure out who was responsible, but the tiger goddess and the lion god are both trying to claim Augustus' spirit, which could lead to a cataclysmic battle at the cemetery no matter what Augustus decides to do. Despite his demise early in the book, we get to spend a lot of time with Augustus; his spirit is a major character in the book, and Tango mentors him as he considers what he wants to do with his afterlife. I enjoyed the second book even more than the first; the third book is expected in April.

I always enjoy finding a book where the main character shows me the

	confronting the one challenge for which he was never prepared: impending fatherhood) \$7.99
Prineas, Sarah	Moonkind (Fer #3: Kids; Broken oaths are weighing heavily on the Summerlands, bringing a creeping stillness. Only Fer has the power to fight it, but she may have to rely on the help of the one boy whose very nature is to deceive her). \$6.99
Resnick/Garcia (ed)	The Worlds of Edgar Rice Burroughs (Anthology; 10 original tales (plus 1 reprint) set in Burroughs' worlds). \$7.99
Ringo, John	Strands of Sorrow (Black Tide Rising #4: Banding together with what remains of the US Navy, Wolf Squadron and its leader Steve Smith plan to retake the mainland from the infected, starting with North America. Smith's daughters have become zombie hunters of unparalleled skill, and they may hold the key to the rebirth of civilization). . . \$25.00
Salerni, Dianne K.	The Eighth Day (Eighth Day #1: Kids; When Jax wakes up to a world without any people, he learns that he's really in the Eighth Day, sandwiched between Wednesday and Thursday. Transitioners like Jax and his guardian Riley are able to live in all eight days, while a few, including Evangeline next door, exist only on this special day. As the descendant of Merlin, Evangeline's magic is highly sought by corrupt Transitioners, who want to use her to destroy the seven-day world. Must Jax choose between protecting his new friend and saving the human race from destruction?). \$6.99
Sanderson, Brandon	Firefight (Reckoners #2: YA; Eliminating Steelheart has made David realize he has questions. There's no one in Newcago to answer them, but David is sure Babylon Restored will lead him to what he needs to find. And while entering another city oppressed by a High Epic despot is a gamble, David is willing to risk it). \$18.99
Shepherd, Joel	Originator (Cassandra Kresnov #6: Kresnov must fight to save her family from a terrible new threat, but doing so may plunge humanity into another destructive war between humans, or worse, against the Talee). \$18.00
Singh, Nalini	Shield of Winter (Psy-Changeling #13: Vasic is a soldier with too many deaths on his conscience. His redemption: retrieve Ivy, who has been forced to block her empath gifts. Only together can they create a new life born from the chaos of a dangerous and changing world)..... \$7.99
Spoor, Ryk E.	Spheres of Influence (Arena #2: Captain Ariane Austin must discover what it means to be Leader of Humanity - the ridiculous title bestowed on her by the Arena - before her enemies depose her, kill her, or worse)..... \$7.99
Steele, Allen	V-S Day (1941: Wernher von Braun is ordered by Hitler to develop a manned orbital spacecraft capable of attacking the US. For FDR, there is only one possible response: build a US spacecraft to destroy it. Robert Goddard, inventor of the liquid-fuel rocket, will head the classified project). \$7.99
Stevens, Francis	The Heads of Cerberus (Reissue; Originally published in 1919. A trio of time-travelers land in 2118 Philadelphia, a brutal totalitarian state where the city hall is a temple, a statue of William Penn is worshipped as an idol, and the citizens are crushed under religious tyranny). \$10.95
Taylor, K.J.	The Shadow's Heart (Risen Sun #3: PBO; Half-breed Queen Laela Taranisaii is in more danger than ever before. As her enemies close in on all sides, her methods of maintaining power increase in desperation and violence. Meanwhile, a new threat is lurking in the darkness, the Night God's final, deadly pawn). \$7.99
TenNapel, Doug	Escape from the Lizzarks (Nnewts Book 1: Kids; Full color graphic novel. When his village is attacked by the Lizzarks, Herk is forced to flee, navigating a dangerous world filled with strange creatures and mysterious wonders, where friends are few and an evil lord is in hot pursuit). \$10.99
Tregillis, Ian	Something More Than Night (A noir detective novel set in Thomas Aquinas' vision of heaven, starring fallen angels, the heavenly choir, nightclub stigmatics, a priest with a dirty secret, a femme fatale, and the Voice of God). \$14.99
Van Eekhout, Greg	California Bones (Osteomancer #1: When Daniel was 6, he ingested his first bone fragment, a bit of kraken spine. When he was 12, he watched his magician father die at the hands of the Hierarch of Southern California, devoured for the magic within his bones. Now he is a thief, hiding amid the crowds in LA and trying to go straight. But his crime-boss uncle wants Daniel to break into the Hierarch's storehouse and retrieve a magical sword. The stage is set for a showdown that might just break the magic protecting a long-corrupt regime)..... \$14.99
Vaughn, Carrie	Low Midnight (Cormac Bennett #1: PBO; Cormac Bennett, an assassin who specializes in killing lycanthropes, is struggling with a foreign consciousness trapped inside him as he

world from a different angle. And that's certainly the case in **The Question of the Missing Head** (\$14.99) by E.J. Copperman (Jeffrey Cohen). Samuel Hoenig is a man with Asperger's Syndrome, which he considers a facet of his personality rather than a disorder, and a very handy one for his chosen profession: he answers questions for people. He knows that people consider him odd; he considers most "typical" people odd, and believes that he behaves quite rationally by comparison. And we get to learn all about his abilities and foibles when he's hired to answer this question: who stole a frozen head from the Garden State Cryonics Institute (GSCI)? A visit to the scene of the crime reveals the dead body of a GSCI doctor. That isn't the question Samuel is there to answer, but his mother and his associate Miss Washburn encourage him to get involved. And Detective Lapides, who is in charge of the police investigation, has never worked a homicide before, and soon turns to Samuel for help. The case rapidly grows more complicated, with ransom demands, kidnappings, and attempted murder, and the plot has plenty of twists and turns to keep things interesting and surprising. Through it all we see events from Samuel's unusual perspective; he spends a lot of time detailing the things he's noticing, as well as his occasional inability to interpret what he's noticing. Miss Washburn has great people skills, acting as an interpreter and facilitator, able to explain Samuel's behavior when it puzzles others, and to provide Samuel with information he's missed or misinterpreted. And the relationship between Samuel and his mother is great, too. Asperger's Syndrome is a trendy plot device these days, but in this case the author knows what he's talking about - Cohen has a son with Asperger's, and has written some nonfiction on the subject. I hope Samuel will be answering many more questions.

Twisted Threads (\$7.99, expected early January) by Lea Wait is a promising start to the Mainely Needlepoint series. For the last 10 years, Angie Curtis has been in Arizona, working for a private investigator, but a phone call from her grandmother Charlotte summons her to Maine: when Angie was 9, her mother Jenny

Venables, Toby	investigates a century-old crime in a Colorado mining town which could be the key to translating a mysterious coded diary - a tome with secrets that could shatter Kitty Norville's world and all who inhabit it). \$7.99
Waters, M.D.	The Red Hand (Hunter of Sherwood #2: PBO; A killer has broken into Prince John's most secure castle and left a message drawn on the skin of one of his victims: 'the circle is closing', signed with a handprint in blood. Who or what is the Red Hand? The obvious culprit - the most dangerous man in the kingdom, Hood himself - has an alibi even Guy of Gisburne can't deny). \$7.99
Weber, David	Prototype (Emma #2: Emma looks forward to the day when she can stop running - from both her pasts. But when Declan Burke decides he wants his wife back, there's nowhere on the planet she can hide. Only her ex Noah Tucker could help her, but he's the person Emma most dreads confronting. Determined to reveal the truth, Emma could wind up dead - or worse, reborn). \$16.00
Wright, John C.	Like a Mighty Army (Safehold #7: The island empire of Charis has drawn more countries to the cause of independence from Church control, but at a heavy cost in bloodshed - a cost felt keenly by Merlyn. Now the Church is regrouping; with its vast armies and resources, the fight for humanity's future won't be over soon). \$8.99
Zourkova, Krassi	The Judge of Ages (Montrose #3: 10515 CE: In their final showdown, self-appointed Master of the World Ximen del Azarchel squares off against posthuman Menelaus Montrose. The fate of Earth will be decided in a battle of gunfire and cliometric calculus, powered armor and posthuman intelligence). \$16.99
Abercrombie, Joe	Wildalone (Away from her family and Eastern European homeland for the first time, Princeton freshman Thea Slavin fall into a romantic entanglement with two mysterious brothers, and is drawn into a sensual shadow world that seems to mimic Greek mythology and Bulgarian legends of forest witches. When the terrifying truth about her own family is revealed, it will transform her forever - if she falls under its spell). \$25.99
Aires, Nick	EXPECTED MID-JANUARY
Buckell, Tobias S.	Half a King (Shattered Sea #1: Born into a world where a strong arm and a cold heart rule, Prince Yarvi cannot grip a shield or swing an axe, so he must sharpen his mind to a deadly edge. Gathering a fellowship of the outcast and the lost, he finds they can do more to help him than any court of nobles could. But even with loyal friends at his side, Yarvi finds his path may end as it began - in twists, and traps, and tragedy - as he struggles to fulfill his vow to regain the throne he never wanted). \$15.00
Carey, Peter	Arrow: Heroes and Villains (A comprehensive character guide to the TV series) \$19.95
Egan, Greg	Unbreakable (When pirate raids threaten to destabilize the backwater planet of Montana, the Republic of Aligned Worlds deploys its mechanized armored infantry to deal with the situation. Leading the assault is Marine Lt. Promise Paen, who is in no way happy to be back on her birthworld). \$25.99
	The Darkest Part of the Forest (YA; Humans and fae exist side by side in Fairfold, the faeries' seemingly harmless magic attracting tourists. But Hazel knows how dangerous they can be, and how to stop them. Or she did, once. There is a glass coffin in the woods. In it sleeps a boy with horns on his head. Until one day he wakes up. As the world turns upside down and a hero is needed to save them all, Hazel tries to remember her years spent pretending to be a knight). \$18.00
	Crystal Rain (Xenoworld #1: Reissue; Legends say that the forefathers of Nanagada fled a far-off star to their new home. But then the Azteca, created and driven by cruel gods, swarmed out of the sky in search of sacrificial blood, and worse. To defeat them and their gods, the forefathers burned the sky. In the centuries since, the Azteca have kept an uneasy truce. But now it has been broken. Only one man can stop their bloodthirsty march: John deBrun, who holds the key to an ancient secret - if he can stay alive long enough to uncover his lost memories). \$15.99
	Amnesia (When Gaby Baillieux released the Angel Worm virus into Australia's prison system, hundreds of asylum seekers walked free. And because the US runs the prisons - as they do so many parts of her country - the doors of several thousand jails in the US also opened. Was this a mistake, or a declaration of cyber war?). \$25.95
	Diaspora (Reissue; Humanity has reconfigured itself drastically. Most choose immortality as conscious software in the polises, but some opt for renewable robotic bodies. And there are holdouts, fleshers left behind in the muck and jungle of Earth. Then a disaster ravages the fleshers and reveals the possibility that the polises themselves might be at risk from

disappeared, and now Jenny's body has been found. Back home in Haven Harbor, Angie learns that Charlotte has started a business with some local needlepointers, doing custom work. But Jacques Lattimore, who handles order-taking, delivery, and collections, has stopped sending them payment and answering their calls. Angie tracks him down and brings him back to meet with the group; when Jacques gets sick after the meeting, Angie needs to figure out which of the needlepointers poisoned him. And she really wants to know who killed her mother all those years ago. This book is a bit grittier than the average cozy. Angie is a tough and capable character, but still working through her childhood traumas and the stigma of growing up with an unmarried mother who slept around. And the needlepointers are a nicely varied group: Dave Percy was taught by a crewmate while serving on a Navy submarine; Katie Titicombe learned from her husband Gus, a surgeon who took it up in medical school to improve his stitching, and who also talked Captain Ob Winslow into taking up needlepoint after his back problems made it hard for him to do woodcarving; and Aussie antique store owner Sarah Byrne is also interested in conserving and restoring vintage needlepoint. I enjoyed watching Angie gradually reconnect with her hometown, and adapt to changing circumstances. And I also enjoyed her willingness to work with the police on the investigations - I'm really tired of amateur sleuths who stupidly refuse to work with the cops, and end up in deadly peril as a result.

Newbery Honor Book and Edgar Award finalist **Three Times Lucky** (ages 10 and up, \$7.99) by Sheila Turnage takes us to the tiny town of Tupelo Landing, North Carolina, and introduces us to one of my all-time favorite narrators, rising sixth grader Mo LoBeau. Mo washed ashore in a hurricane, and found a home with Miss Lana (a woman with a love for the dramatic) and the Colonel (a formidable man with a mysterious past and a strong dislike of cops and lawyers); together they run the town's cafe. When cranky neighbor Mr. Jesse is murdered, and it turns out Mo's best friend Dale was spotted near his house, naturally Mo has

Egan, Greg	bizarre astrophysical processes. Yatima, a digital being grown from a mind seed, joins a group of citizens and fleshier refugees in search of the knowledge that will guarantee their safety)..... \$15.99
Epstein, A/Jacobson, A	Distress (Reissue; Sent to cover a scientific conference, wired journalist Andrew Worth finds himself dragged into a maelstrom of plotting, assassination attempts, and rebellion. The world's only hope for survival lies in physicist Violet Mosala's development of a final Theory of Everything, but whether it will lead to the total destruction of life as we know it or the complete remaking of the universe may be a risk too dangerous to take). . \$15.99
French, John	Palace of Dreams (Familiars #4: Kids; When a birthday celebration at the palace goes dreadfully wrong, and Queen Lorabella falls victim to a curse, familiars Aldwyn the cat, Skyler the blue jay, and Gilbert the tree frog are the prime suspects. After narrowly escaping the palace dungeons, they embark on a quest to clear their names)..... \$6.99
Gonick, Larry	Sorcerer (Warhammer 40,000: Ahriman #2: PBO; Searching for a cure for his Legion, Ahriman is forced to consider. Was the great ritual somehow flawed from the beginning? The answer may lie within a grimoire of forgotten lore)..... \$14.00
Grahame-Smith, Seth	The Cartoon Guide to Algebra (PBO; Using engaging graphics and lively humor, Gonick covers the essentials of algebra, and offers a concise overview of algebra's history and its practical applications in modern life)..... \$18.99
Isbell, Tom	The Last American Vampire (In the wake of his friend Abraham Lincoln's shocking death, vampire Henry Sturges searches for renewed purpose, a quest that takes him to important events of the late 19th century and on into the 20 th). \$27.00
Jaaskelainen, Pasi Ilmari	The Prey (YA; One enormous EMP, and everything was fried to a crisp. Sometime later, the Republic of the True America established camps for boys with birth defects. They are eager to graduate at 16, until they learn they are to be hunted for sport. Can they escape and make it to the fabled New Territory?). \$17.99
Kontis, Alethea	The Rabbit Back Literature Society (Invited to be the tenth member of an elite group of writers, Ella soon discovers that the Society is not what it seems. What is the mysterious ritual known as 'The Game'? What explains the strange disappearance at a winter party? Why are words inside books starting to rearrange themselves?)... \$25.99
Larke, Glenda	Hero (Woodcutter Sisters #2: Andre Norton Award finalist. Rough-and-tumble Saturday thinks she's the only one of her sisters without any magic, until she accidentally conjures an ocean in the backyard. Sword in tow, she sets sail on a pirate ship, only to find herself kidnapped. Is she powerful enough to kill the witch who holds her captive, and save the world from sure destruction? And, she wonders grumpily, does romance have to be part of the adventure?)..... \$8.99
Marr, M/Pratt, T (ed)	The Dagger's Path (Forsaken Lands #2: Adrhi, Sorrel and Saker must return stolen items of great power to Ardhi's home, but there are those who would kill to possess this power. In Ardrone, a demonic army runs amok while the church struggles to quell it. And Queen Mathilda struggles with the possibility that her infant heir may be linked to the corruption that has erupted throughout the land). \$16.00
Martin, George (ed)	Rags & Bones: New Twists on Timeless Tales (YA; Anthology. Contemporary authors reimagine classic tales in these 12 original stories)..... \$10.00
McClellan, Brian	Aces Abroad (Wild Cards #4: Reissue; Mosaic novel. 40 years after the virus was released, the WHO decides it's time to take a delegation of Aces, Jokes, politicians, and journalists on a fact-finding mission to learn how other countries are dealing with it) \$15.99
Moorcock, Michael	The Crimson Campaign (Powder Mage #2: Cut off behind Kez lines and drastically outnumbered, Tamas must lead his men through northern Kez and back over the mountains to defend his country from the angry god Kresimir. And in Adro, Inspector Adamat's quest to rescue his wife puts him on the trail of the evil Lord Vetas). \$17.00
Pratchett, Terry et al	The Whispering Swarm (Sanctuary of the White Friars #1: A tale, both fantastical and autobiographical, that will follow a young man named Michael as he simultaneously discovers himself and a secret realm hidden deep in the heart of London in the years after WWII)..... \$26.99
Repino, Robert	The Globe (Science of Discworld #2: Reissue; A history of the human mind, culture, language, art, and science, woven into a story in which the wizards of Unseen University compete with the elves for control of Roundworld, and grapple with the nature of Good and Evil). \$15.95
	Mort(e) (In the war of sentient ants of the Colony versus humans, the final step in the Colony's war effort is transforming the surface animals into high-functioning two-legged

to get involved. But first the Colonel and then Miss Lana disappear, and the plot gets more complicated as secrets going back years come into play. Mo is intelligent, intrepid, fair-minded, warm-hearted, fiercely loyal, and impulsive; luckily, Dale is more cautious, even downright fearful at times, which acts as a brake on some of Mo's wilder plans. And there are adults around to step in and take charge when things get too tough, or scary, or upsetting. The mystery part of the book is well-plotted, and I loved the town's great cast of characters, and the way the townsfolk look out for one another. But what really makes this book special is Mo's way of putting things. Whether she's asking diner customers how they'd like their peanut butter sandwiches ("Hand-squished, or fluffy?"), or talking about Dale's big brother Lavender ("Lavender is handsome in the NASCAR way, and if I was old enough I'd snatch him up and marry him before sundown."), or defending Anna Celeste (Mo's Enemy for Life) to her demanding mother ("Anna Celeste has the best girl's voice in our class. It was true-ish. Sort of. We all sing like bullfrogs."), Mo's narration is a delight. Next up in the series is **The Ghosts of Tupelo Landing** (\$16.99). When Miss Lana accidentally buys a haunted inn at the Tupelo Landing town auction, Desperado Detective Agency - aka Mo and Dale - opens a paranormal division to solve the mystery of the ghost's identity; they also plan to interview it for their history assignment (extra credit). As Mo and Dale track down the truth about the ghost (with some help from the new kid in town), they discover the truth about a great many other people, too.

Magic Marks the Spot (ages 8 and up, \$6.99) by Caroline Carlson introduces us to The Very Nearly Honorable League of Pirates. Hilary Westfield has always wanted to be a pirate, so she's been studying pirate lore, tying knots, climbing rigging, rowing, and fencing. She can tread water for 37 minutes. She and the family gargoyle love to read *Treasure Island*. So Hilary is not pleased to end up at Miss Pimm's Finishing School for Delicate Ladies. Uninterested in learning to waltz and faint, or in joining the school water ballet, she and the gargoyle run away to

beings who rise up to kill their masters. Housecat turned war hero Mort(e) is famous for taking on dangerous missions and fighting the dreaded human bio-weapon EMSAH. But his true motivation is his ongoing search for his pre-transformation friend Sheba, a dog. When he receives a message from the dwindling human resistance claiming Sheba is alive, he journeys from the remaining human strongholds to the heart of the Colony, where he will discover the source of EMSAH and the ultimate fate of all of earth's creatures)... \$26.95

Roberts, Adam **Twenty Trillion Leagues Under the Sea** (1958: France's first nuclear submarine leaves port for the first of its sea trials with an experienced Navy captain and a tiny skeleton crew of sailors, engineers, and scientists. Out of control, the sub plummets to a depth where the pressure will crush her hull, and beyond. The pressure builds, the hull protests, the crew prepare for death, the boat reaches the bottom of the sea and finds nothing. Her dive continues, the pressure begins to relent, but the depth gauge is useless. They have gone miles down. Hundreds of miles, thousands, and so it goes on. Onboard the crew succumb to madness, betrayal, religious mania, and murder. Has the sub left the limits of our world and gone elsewhere?)... \$15.99

Roth, Veronica **Insurgent** (Divergent #2: YA; War looms as conflict between the factions and their ideologies grows. Transformed by her own decisions but also by grief and guilt, radical discoveries, and shifting relationships, Tris must fully embrace her Divergence, even if she does not know what she may lose by doing so)... \$12.99

Saville, Guy **The Afrika Reich** (Africa, 1952: Britain and a victorious Nazi Germany have divided the continent. The SS has turned the native populations into forced labor. Now the plans of messianic racist Walter Hochburg threaten Britain's ailing colonies. Sent to curb his ambition is one-time assassin Burton Cole)... \$16.99

Schwab, V.E. **Vicious** (Victor and Eli theorize that under the right conditions, a person could develop extraordinary abilities. But their experiment to prove this thesis goes horribly wrong. Ten years later, Victor breaks out of prison, determined to catch up to friend-turned-foe Eli, who is on a mission to eradicate every other super-powered person he can find)... \$15.99

Shusterman, N/Elfman, E **Tesla's Attic** (Accelerati #1: Kids; After 14-year-old Nick's family inherits a old house, they sell the odd stuff in the attic at a garage sale. But those were actually Nikola Tesla's last inventions, placed in the attic as part of a larger plan. Now Nick and his friends must to retrieve the items - and keep them out of the hands of a dangerous group of rogue physicists)... \$7.99

Staveley, Brian **The Providence of Fire** (Unhewn Throne #2: Adare flees the Dawn Palace in search of allies to challenge the coup against her family. Unknown to her, her brother Valyn has allied with the invading nomads. Meanwhile their brother Kaden, rightful heir, has infiltrated the Annurian capital with the help of two strange companions, whose knowledge of the secret history that shapes these events could save Annur or destroy it)... \$27.99

Sternbergh, Adam **Near Enemy** (Spademan #2: Spademan has accepted a seemingly routine job: snuffing out Lesser, a lowlife lurking around other people's fantasies. As Spademan is about to close the deal, Lesser comes back from the limn with a wild claim: terrorists are planning to attack New York again - this time from the inside out)... \$24.00

Walters, Eric **The Rule of Three** (YA; Computers around the globe shut down in a viral catastrophe. As resources dwindle, crises mount, and chaos descends, 16-year-old Adam will see his suburban neighborhood band together for protection, and he will learn that having a police captain for a mother and a retired government spy living next door are not just the facts of his life, but the keys to his survival)... \$9.99

Walton, Jo **The Just City** (Time-traveling goddess Pallas Athene creates the Just City, a planned community populated by thousands of children and a few hundred adult teachers from all eras of history, along with some handy robots from the far future - all set down together on a Mediterranean island in the distant past. In a few years, Sokrates arrives to ask all the troublesome questions you would expect)... \$25.99

Wheeler, Ramona **Three Princes** (In the year 1877 of Our Lord Julius Caesar, the Pharaoh's realm includes Europe, Africa, and much of Asia. When terrorist Otto von Bismarck touches off an international conspiracy, Lord Scott Oken, a prince of Albion, and Professor-Prince Mikel Mabruke are charged with exposing the plot against the Egyptian Empire)... \$15.99

EXPECTED EARLY FEBRUARY

Adams, John Joseph (ed) **Wastelands: Stories of the Apocalypse** (Anthology. Some of the best post-apocalyptic stories of the last two decades)... \$7.99

Asher, Neal **The Gabble and Other Stories** (Collection. 10 stories set in his Polity universe, featuring some of the vilest alien creatures ever)... \$15.99

answer an ad for a pirate crew. Years ago, the Enchantress of the Northlands gathered up most of the kingdom's magical items and hid them, because people were using them unwisely, but a few items are still in circulation, mostly in the hands of High Society people, and of course pirates. Now a few High Society scoundrels are trying to round up all that magic for themselves. But pirate captain Jasper Fletcher is determined to find the magic the Enchantress hid, and distribute it to everyone in the kingdom. Hilary and the gargoyle are happy to join his crew. Her former governess Miss Greyson tries to persuade Hilary to return to school, then joins the crew as well, to provide Hilary with proper supervision. But to gain the treasure, they'll have to overcome the most treacherous - and unexpected - villain on the high seas. Hilary is great - smart, determined, capable, protective of her friends, and relentless in her efforts to locate the treasure - and the gargoyle is a great sidekick, plucky but also vulnerable to fears and doubts. And I really like the way that Jasper and Miss Greyson interact with Hilary and Charlie (Jasper's apprentice), listening to them and allowing them a say in events. The book excels at taking preconceived ideas, giving them a good shake, and turning them upside down. It is also very funny, interspersed with articles from the kingdom's newspaper, excerpts from the League's guide to piracy, letters written by various characters, and a couple hilarious examples of the kingdom's Form 118M: Intention to Set Sail. I'm looking forward to reading more of Hilary's adventures.

Mystery Review by Gerri Balter

In **Killing Kate** by Julie Kramer (\$7.99) Riley Spartz hasn't seen Laura Warnerm since they had a difference of opinion in college. When Riley hears that Laura's young sister, Kate, has been murdered, she goes out of her way to investigate, and finds out Kate was the victim of a serial killer. Riley also takes on another case, of a dog named Buddy who died of heatstroke because he was left in a car. Riley rescues him, but she's too late to save him. While she works both cases, the serial killer begins to stalk her.

Asquith, R.L.	Letters from an Alien Schoolboy (Kids; Flowkee (aka Nigel) is an alien with a mission: to collect children from his school on Earth to be Improved and taken back to his home planet. But when other aliens threaten Earth, Flowkee and his family must find a way to protect their new Earthling friends from extinction). \$9.95
Banks, Angelica	Finding Serendipity (Kids; When Tuesday and her dog Baxterr discover that Tuesday's mother - famous author Serendipity Smith - is missing, their quest to find her takes them to the mysterious and unpredictable place that stories come from)... \$16.99
Bara, Dave	Impulse (Lightship # 1: After an unprovoked attack on one of Quantar's Lightships, Lt. Peter Cochrane of the Quantar Royal Navy is transferred to a Unified Space Navy ship under foreign command, en route to an unexpected destination, and surrounded almost entirely by strangers. To top it off, his superiors have given him secret orders that might force him to become a mutineer). \$24.95
Barclay, James	Beyond the Mists of Katura (Elves #3: Thousands of years ago, the Elves were enslaved, but Auum and Takaar united their people to free their nation. Now Calaius is at peace, but that doesn't mean their nation is safe. Can Auum and Takaar overcome their differences and work together to save Calaius?). \$15.95
Bear, Elizabeth	Shattered Pillars (Eternal Sky #2: Magic, politics, and war set Re-Temur, the exiled heir to the great Khagan, and his friend Sarmarkar, a Wizard of Tsarepheth, against dark forces determined to conquer all the empires along the Celadon Highway). \$15.99
Bear, Elizabeth	Karen Memory (Late 19th century, in a steampunk Seattle: Karen is making the best of her orphaned state, working in a high-quality bordello. Trouble erupts when a badly injured girl begs for sanctuary, followed by the man who holds her indenture, who has a machine that can take over anyone's mind). \$25.99
Bishop, Anne	Murder of Crows (Others #2: As the prophetic urge strikes Meg Corbyn more frequently, the Others and the handful of humans residing in the Courtyard must work together to stop the man bent on reclaiming their blood prophet)... \$7.99
Briggs, Patricia	Night Broken (Mercy Thompson #8: Adam's ex-wife wants Adam back, and she's willing to do whatever it takes, including turning the pack against Mercy. But there's a more dangerous threat circling; Mercy must put her personal troubles aside to face a creature with the power to tear her world apart)... \$7.99
Brooks, Jayde	Daughter of Gods and Shadows (PBO; Still shy and awkward at 24, Eden Moore hoped she would grow out of some of the traits that always defined her - like being the reincarnation of an ancient being. But a demon her previous-self defeated is now back on Earth and regaining strength). \$16.99
Caine, Rachel	Prince of Shadows (YA; At night, Benvolio Montague is the greatest thief in Verona, and he risks all when he steals from the House of Capulet. In doing so, he sets eyes on convent-bound Rosaline, and a terrible curse begins that will claim the lives of many, and rewrite all their fates forever)... \$9.99
Cambias, James L.	A Darkling Sea (The Terrans have an uneasy truce with the alien Sholen: if they don't disturb the habitat, they may investigate the blind alien race that lives below the thick ice on the planet Ilmatar. But when a reckless Terran adventurer ends up sliced open by curious Ilmatarans, tensions threaten to escalate to war. As Terran and Sholen cultures collide, both sides seek the aid of the newly enlightened Ilmatarans)... \$15.99
Cargill, C. Robert	Queen of the Dark Things (Word has spread of Colby's deeds, and powerful enemies from the past have resurfaced to exact their revenge. As darkness gathers around the city, Colby is forced to turn for aid to forces even darker than those he once battled) \$15.99
Cassidy, Dakota	The Accidental Dragon (Accidentally Paranormal #9: PBO; Antiques dealer Tessa Preston has loved Mick Malone since she was ten, but when the sexy firefighter accidentally ingests some ancient dragon scales masquerading as powdered aspirin, Tessa finds herself handling something much hotter than long-simmering sexual tension). \$15.00
Cole, Myke	Gemini Cell (Shadow Ops Prequel: PBO; US Navy SEAL Jim Schweitzer is raised from the dead by a sorcerer, and recruited by a top secret unit dabbling in the occult. With powers he doesn't understand, Jim is called back to duty. As he wrestles with an inner demon - literally - he realizes his new superiors are determined to use him for their own ends and keep him in the dark - especially about the fates of his wife and son). \$7.99
Connolly, J/Ridyard, J	Conquest (Chronicles of the Invaders #1: Earth has been invaded by the ruthless alien Illyri. When Syl, the daughter of one of the planet's rulers, helps a pair of young human Resistance fighters escape execution, she finds herself sentenced to death and pursued by her own kind. And as Syl is about to learn, the real invasion is yet to begin). \$15.00

Davis, Hank (ed)	As Time Goes By (PBO; Anthology. Tales of lovers, happy and otherwise, caught in bizarre twists of time)..... \$14.00	Forstchen, William R.	thousand secrets). \$25.00
Davis, Jim	Garfield: The Big Cheese (Garfield #59: Full color comic strips)..... \$14.00		Pillar to the Sky (With widespread drought, dwindling energy supplies, and wars of water scarcity threatening Earth, three renegade scientists and a billionaire have a plan: build a pillar to the sky to mine the power of the sun and act as a space elevator). \$15.99
Dietz, William C.	Deadeye (Mutant Files #1: PBO; When the daughter of the bishop of the Church of Human Purity is kidnapped by mutants and taken into the red zone to be used for breeding, detective Cassandra Lee is assigned to rescue her. Lee must trust her new partner, mutant lawman Deputy Ras Omo, to guide her not only through the unfamiliar territory but through the prejudicial divisions between mutants and norms). \$7.99	Frost, Jeaniene	Bound by Flames (Night Prince #3: PBO; Vlad and his newly turned bride Leila are at odds with each other - and vulnerable to the one vampire powerful enough to end the Dark Prince's reign). \$7.99
Dornbusch, Betsy	Emissary (Seven Eyes #2: Draken has seen too much blood, and wants peace. He must leave his wife and newborn child in an attempt to forge an uneasy peace between the Monoean King and the kingdom of Akrasia. But peace is something not everyone wants). \$24.99	Frost, Kimberly	Casually Cursed (Southern Witch #5: PBO; Tammy Jo learns her mother Marlee is a prisoner of the Seelie fae, but the plot to free her is foiled when Tammy Jo and her companions are caught by the fae queen. And the only chance the queen gives them to save Marlee's life may be an impossible quest). \$7.99
Drake, David	The Sea Without a Shore (RCN #10: The son of Cinnabar's chief spymaster is determined to search for an ancient treasure in the middle of a civil war on a mining planet; Captain Daniel Leary and cyberspy Adele Mundy will have their hands full keeping the boy safe as they try to end the war). \$7.99	Gaiman, Neil	Trigger Warning (Collection. Reprints stories and poems, plus an original tale). \$26.99
Egan, Greg	Schild's Ladder (Reissue; In the last few centuries, the novo-vacuum has consumed at least two thousand inhabited systems. Those studying the phenomenon are split into two groups: Preservationists hypothesizing on how to destroy it, and Yielders who believe it holds a purpose in reinvigorating civilization. Childhood friends Tchicaya, a Yelder, and Mariama, a Preservationist, will put their beliefs and their history to the test when violence breaks out between the two groups)..... \$15.99	Galenorn, Yasmine	Panther Prowling (Otherworld #17: PBO; As the D'Artigo sisters unravel the history of an uncanny sword, they realize that the entity locked within the blade is a dangerous king from times gone by - and he's about to break free and try to recover his crown)..... \$7.99
Egan, Greg	Teranesia (Reissue; When his biologist sister sets out to study the peculiar biological evolution on the island of Teranesia, Prabir follows her, and discovers the island is more enchanting, and more dangerous, than he could have ever imagined)..... \$15.99	Gosciny/Uderzo/etal	Asterix and the Picts (Asterix #35: Full color graphic novel. After Asterix and Obelix rescue MacAroon, a mysterious Pict, they travel with him to Caledonia, where a treacherous chieftain plans to claim the throne with some help from the Romans). \$10.95
Ellison, Harlan et al	Star Trek: The City on the Edge of Forever (Full color. For the first time ever, a visual presentation of the unrevised, unadulterated version of the award-winning Star Trek teleplay script). \$24.99	Graedon, Alena	The Word Exchange (Bookstores, libraries, the printed word are things of the past; people live glued to handheld devices called Memes. When Anana's anti-Meme father disappears, her search for him leads to dark basements and tunnels, the stacks and reading rooms of the Mercantile Library, and meetings of the underground resistance, even as a pandemic of decaying language called 'word flu' spreads) \$15.95
Feehan, Christine	Viper Game (GhostWalkers #11: PBO; With three little girls to protect, Pepper needs a man like GhostWalker Wyatt Fontenot. Passionately. But her secrets are about to take them deeper into the bayou than either imagined - where desire is the deadliest poison of all). \$7.99	Groening, Matt	Simpsons Comics Clubhouse (PBO; Full color graphic novel. Reprints issues of the comic book)... \$15.99
Fisher, Sharon Lynn	Echo 8 (PBO; Doppelgangers are appearing from a parallel world. Ross is an FBI agent, ordered to protect parapsychologist Tess as she conducts research into this dangerous phenomenon. He and Tess have a history, and when those feelings resurface, Ross will have to choose between his love for Tess and his duty to protect his world) \$15.99	Herbert, B/Anderson, K	Mentats of Dune (Dune: As Butlerian fanaticism grows stronger, the Mentats, the Navigators, and the Sisterhood all strive to improve the human race in a struggle to choose the path of humanity's future). \$9.99
Flint, Eric/Spoor, Ryk	Castaway Planet (Boundary #4: Half a year into their journey to the colony world of Tantalus, Sakura Kimei, her family, and her best friend, the alien nicknamed Whips, were torn from the safety of their colony ship. In a crippled lifeboat, they had one chance to find a habitable world. But they will find that their apparent salvation is a world of a	Hieber, Leanna Renee	The Eterna Files (London, 1882: Queen Victoria appoints Harold Spire to Special Branch Division Omega, to secretly investigate paranormal and supernatural events and persons. His chief researcher is Rose Everhart. Their first mission: find the Eterna Compound, which grants immortality)..... \$24.99
		Ing, Dean	It's Up to Charlie Hardin (Kids; 1942: Young teen Charlie Hardin faces perils and adventures in Austin, Texas. He means to stay out of trouble, but sometimes situations come up that he cannot ignore). \$16.99
		Jones, Stephen (ed)	Weirder Shadows Over Innsmouth (Anthology. 17 Mythos tales). \$14.95
		Jordan/Dixon et al	The Eye of the World Volume 6 (Wheel of Time GN #1F: Full color graphic novel. Issues 31-35 of the adaptation of the fantasy novel)..... \$25.99
		Kelly, Lee	City of Savages (It's been years since the Red Allies first attacked NYC, and Manhattan is now a POW camp ruled by brutal warlords. When Sky and Phee discover their mom's

	journal from the war's outbreak, they realize there's more to Manhattan, and their mother, than they imagined. And after a group of strangers arrives at the annual POW census - from England, a country supposedly destroyed by the Red Allies - the girls begin to uncover the island's long-kept secrets)..... \$25.99		
Kenyon, Sherrilyn	Born of Fury (League #7: Hauk is one of the founding members of the Sentella, an organization that has declared war on The League. Hauk's enemies are legion, but he fears nothing and no one. Sumi Antaxas is one of the best assassins The League has ever trained. So when she's assigned Hauk, she believes it'll be a quick and easy mission. But Hauk is far more skilled than anyone she's faced before). \$8.99	Meloy, Colin	Wildwood Imperium (Wildwood #3: Kids; A seance awakens a malevolent spirit; runaway orphans ally with a collective of saboteurs, planning a daring rescue of their imprisoned friends; two old friends draw closer to bringing together a pair of exiled toy makers to reanimate a mechanical prince). \$9.99
Kiernan, Caitlin R.	Cherry Bomb (Siobhan Quinn #3: PBO; On the streets of Manhattan, Quinn finds herself in the middle of a grudge match between the ghouls and the djinn, accidentally in possession of a hellish artifact that could turn the tide of the war, and being hunted by depraved half-ghoul twins)..... \$16.00	Miller, John Jackson	Takedown (Star Trek: The Next Generation: PBO; When renegade starships wreak destruction across the quadrant, Captain Picard and his crew are shocked to discover the mastermind behind this threat: Admiral William T. Riker)..... \$7.99
Kontis, Alethea	Dearest (Woodcutter Sisters #3: YA; When Friday Woodcutter, a kind and loving seamstress, stumbles upon seven sleeping brothers in her sister Sunday's palace, she takes one look at Tristan and knows he's her future. But the brothers are cursed to be swans by day. Can Friday's unique magic somehow break the spell?)..... \$17.99	Ming-Yi, Wu	The Man with the Compound Eyes (Young Atile'i, sent out alone into the Pacific as a sacrifice to the Sea God, happens upon a vast island made of trash. Alice is preparing to commit suicide following the disappearance of her husband and son, until the trash island collides with the Taiwan coast, destroying her home. She meets Atile'i, and they set out to solve the mystery of her lost family)..... \$15.95
Kratman, Tom	Come and Take Them (Carrera #5: On Terra Nova, Carrera has been preparing for war with the Tauran Union. Now his own government has called a halt, but with the Taurans provoking Balboa mercilessly, Carrera knows that, sooner or later, the war is inevitable. And when the time comes, he will do whatever it takes to win it)..... \$7.99	Moore, Christopher	The Serpent of Venice audiobook (Pocket of Dog Snogging #2: Unabridged). \$19.99
Lee, Stan/Moore, Stuart	Convergence (Zodiac Legacy #1: Kids; When 12 magical superpowers are unleashed on the world, Chinese-America teenager Steven is thrown into the middle of an epic global chase). \$16.99	Mosley, Walter	Inside a Silver Box (Two people brought together by a horrific act work to protect humanity from destruction by the Laz, an alien race bent on regaining control of the Silver Box, the most powerful and destructive tool in the universe. The Silver Box will stop at nothing to prevent its former master from returning to being, even if it means finishing Earth itself). \$25.99
Liney, Peter	The Detainee ('Big Guy' Clancy #1: The Island is a place of hopelessness and death where the elderly and infirm are shipped, scapegoats for the collapse of society. But when 'Big Guy' Clancy finds a network of tunnels beneath the waste, there is suddenly hope - for love, for escape, and for the chance to fight back). \$9.99	Neill, Chloe	Hard Bitten (Chicagoland Vampires #4: As the mayor breaks up yet another vampire rave, and a new inhibition-reducing drug circulates through the community, it's up to Merit to put vampire haven Cadogan House in order). \$7.99
Lyons, Malcolm (trans)	Tales of the Marvellous and News of the Strange (The first English translation of these medieval Arabic fantasy stories). \$30.00	Ocampo, Silvina	Thus Were Their Faces (Collection. Short stories and novellas about creepy doubles, a marble statue that speaks, a house of sugar that is the site of an eerie possession, a lapdog who records the dreams of an old woman, and more)..... \$17.95
Malan, Violette	The Dhulynd and Parno Novels Volume I: The Sleeping God / The Soldier King (Dhulynd & Parno #1 / #2: Omnibus reprint. 2 fantasy novels)..... \$9.99	Odom, Mel	Master Sergeant (Makaum War #1: PBO; The Terrans, the Phrenorians, and the (ta)Klar are fighting for control of the jungle planet Makaum and its resources. While battling Terran drug cartels, military corruption, and a brewing civil war, can Terran Military Master Sergeant Frank Sage stop Phrenorian officers from staking a claim on the planet?)..... \$7.99
Maresca, Marshall Ryan	The Thorn of Dentonhill (PBO; By day, Veranix is a magic student at the University. At night, he works to shut down crime boss Willem Fenmere's drug trade. Seizing two magical artifacts meant for Fenmere's clients, the mages of the Blue Hand Circle, to use in his fight, Veranix becoming a thorn in Fenmere's side. Soon not only Fenmere, but mages, assassins, and street gangs all want a piece of 'The Thorn'. And with professors and prefects on the verge of discovering his secrets, Veranix's double life might just fall apart).\$7.99	Owens, Robin D.	Ghost Killer (Ghost Seer #3: PBO; A powerful ghost is ravaging Creede, Colorado, threatening to devour the spirit of an innocent boy. With PI Zach Slade's support, Clare uncovers the ghost's identity, and the ancestral weapon required to slay it. But does she dare use that weapon?)..... \$7.99
McNeill, Graham	Vengeful Spirit (Warhammer 40,000: Horus Heresy #29: PBO; While their allies wage war on a thousand different fronts, the XVIth Legion descend upon the Knight world of Molech - home to the ruling House Devine, and a	Pinborough, Sarah	Poison (An edgy, sexy, and contemporary retelling of the Snow White story)..... \$14.95
		Pratchett, T/Baxter, S	The Long Mars (Long Earth #3: Out of the blue, Sally is contacted by her long-vanished father Willis, inventor of the original Stepper device. He wants her to accompany him on a fantastic voyage across the Long Mars. But she soon learns he has an ulterior motive. Meanwhile, US Navy

Pratchett, Terry	Commander Maggie Kauffman leads an expedition to the outer limits of the far Long Earth. And Joshua becomes embroiled in the plight of the Next, the super-bright post-humans who are beginning to emerge from their community. Ignorance and fear have turned 'normal' human society against the Next, and a showdown seems inevitable). \$9.99	Shannon, Samantha	'Guide the star'. Time is running out). \$6.99
Pratchett, Terry	The Carpet People (Kids; Includes the text of the revised edition, co-written by 17-year-old Terry Pratchett and 43-year-old Terry Pratchett, plus his original illustrations and a precursor story written when he was 17. In the beginning, there was nothing but endless flatness. Then came the Carpet. Now the Carpet is home to many different peoples - and Fray is sweeping a trail of destruction across it). \$6.99	Shearin, Lisa	The Mime Order (Paige Mahoney #2: Paige has escaped the brutal penal colony, but her problems have only just begun: many of the fugitives are still missing, she is the most wanted person in London, and there are bitter fault lines running through the clairvoyant community and dark secrets around every corner). \$25.00
Pratchett, Terry	Dragons at Crumbling Castle and Other Tales (Kids; Collection. Irreverent and inventive tales featuring inept wizards, sensible heroes, and unusually adventuresome tortoises. Includes over 100 black-and-white illustrations) \$16.99	Suarez, Daniel	The Dragon Conspiracy (SPI Files #2: PBO; Harpies have stolen the Dragon Eggs, seven cursed diamonds, from the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and it's up to Makenna Fraser and Ian Byrne of Supernatural Protection and Investigations to retrieve them before they can be used) \$7.99
Pratchett, Terry	Dragons at Crumbling Castle and Other Tales audiobook (Kids; Unabridged). \$30.00	Sykes, Sam	Influx (Jon Grady is ecstatic when his team develops a device that will revolutionize the field of physics. Then his lab is locked down by a shadowy organization, the Bureau of Technology Control, whose mission is to prevent the social upheaval brought by sudden technological advances. The BTC uses the tech they have suppressed over the decades to fulfill their mission. They are living in our future). \$9.99
Rawn, Melanie	Thornlost (Glass Thorns #3: Cade's theater group is reaching for the highest levels of society and power - but not in the way Cade's aristocratic mother thinks they should. They'll change their world, or die trying). \$7.99	Tettensor, E.L.	The City Stained Red (Bring Down Heaven #1: PBO; Lenk and his companions have come to Cier'Djaal in search of a priest who hired them to eradicate demons and then vanished before paying for the job. But hunting him down might be tougher than these weary adventurers can handle as two unstoppable religious armies move towards all-out war) \$16.00
Reichert, Mickey Zucker	Fields of Wrath (Renshai #8: The Great War has ended. As the survivors limp homeward, wounded in body and spirit, Tae Kahn becomes ever more certain that a far larger and fiercer wave of enemy soldiers is headed toward them. The only hope for the peoples of the Continent is to remuster their weary troops and find a way to convince the few magical beings of their own world to assist them). \$25.95	Torday, Piers	Master of Plagues (Nicolas Lenoir #2: PBO; With a horrific disease ravaging the city and a mass murderer on the loose, Inspector Nicolas Lenoir and Sergeant Bran Kody are running out of time to catch a killer and find a cure. The nomadic Adali, famed for their arcane healing skills, claim to have a cure. But dark magic comes at a price, one even the dying may be unwilling to pay). \$7.99
Robinson, Jeremy	Uprising (HC title: Xom-B) (The world is threatened by a virus, spread through bites, sweeping through the population. Those infected are propelled to violence, driven to disperse the virus. Freeman - a genius with an uncommon mixture of memory, intelligence, and creativity - searches for a cure, but instead finds the source: the Masters, intent on reclaiming the world they lost when Freeman's enslaved people successfully rebelled). \$7.99	Trichter, Judd	The Last Wild (Kester Jaynes #1: Kids; Animals no longer exist. That's what Kester, locked away in a home for troubled children, unable to speak, has been taught. Then a flock of pigeons and a bossy cockroach help him escape, and he discovers he can speak to them. A few animals survive, hiding together in a remote area, but they are slowly succumbing to a strange malady. Can Kester save them?) \$8.99
Sagara, Michelle	Touch (Queen of the Dead #2: YA; Nathan wants to return to life, to his girlfriend Emma. But the cost, to Emma, will be incalculably high, because she just might be able to give him what he wants). \$7.99	Tsouras, Peter G.	Love in the Age of Mechanical Reproduction (In a near-future LA where machines and men battle for control, falling in love with an android can get you killed, except on the man-made island of Atlantis, which is where Eliot and beautiful C-900 Iris plan to go. When Iris is kidnapped and sold for parts, Eliot vows to put her back together again, and get revenge on whoever did this to her) \$25.99
Salvatore, R.A.	Rise of the King (Forgotten Realms: Companions Codex #2: As the changes wrought by the Sundering begin to take hold, the orcs of Many Arrows lay siege to the dwarf kingdoms of the Silver Marches. When word of the assaults reaches Drizzt and his Companions, Bruenor plots vengeance). \$7.99	Ursu, Anne	Bayonets, Balloons, and Ironclads (Britannia's Fist #3: Winter, 1863: The British strike suddenly at Hooker's army in upstate New York. Besieged Portland faces relentless assault. The French attack Fort Hudson on the Mississippi. At Lincoln's direction, two great raids are launched at the United Kingdom as Russia enters the war on the side of the Union to raid the Irish Sea. But these are only preliminaries to the great gathering of modernized armies, ironclad fleets, deadly submersibles, and balloons). \$24.95
Schreiber, Joe	Lockdown (Star Wars: It's kill or be killed in the space penitentiary that houses the galaxy's worst criminals, where convicts face off in illicit combat. The newest contender in the arena is fighting for more than survival. His mission is to capture an object that will enable the Sith to conquer the galaxy). \$7.99		The Real Boy (Kids; Minnesota Book Award finalist. On
Searles, Rachel	The Lost Planet (Kids; This is what the boy is told: He woke up on planet Trucon, inside of a fence line he shouldn't have been able to cross. He has an annirad blaster wound to the back of his head. He has no memory. He is now under the protection of a mysterious benefactor. His name is Chase Garrety. This is what Chase Garrety knows: He has a message:		

an island, there is a city that was saved from a devastating plague by the magic woven into its walls. Encircling the city is a vast wood of ancient trees that feeds the earth with magic. But children in the city are falling ill, and something sinister lurks in the wood. Oscar has long been content, knowing that the magic from the trees will keep the island safe. But now even magic may not be enough to save it) \$6.99

Van Eekhout, Greg **Pacific Fire** (Osteomancer #2: For 10 years, Daniel and Sam the golem have avoided LA. But now very bad people there are building a Pacific fire Drake, a kind of ultimate magical weapon. When Daniel is hurt, Sam gets him to the place run by the Emmas for healing - then heads for LA on his own to try to prevent the fire Drake from happening). \$24.99

Weber, D/Flint, E **Cauldron of Ghosts** (Honorverse #7: Relying on genetic wizardry for disguise, agents Anton Zilwicki and Victor Cachat return to Mesa to gather more information on the Alignment). \$15.00

Williams, Mazarkis **The Tower Broken** (Tower & Knife #3: The nothing is spreading toward Cerana, and Emperor Sarmin is powerless to stop it. As the city fills with refugees, the Yrkmen armies arrive with conquest in mind. The Mage's Tower is cracked, the last mage has vanished, and time is running out for Sarmin and Mesema)... \$15.99

Zahn, Timothy **Cobra Outlaw** (Cobra Rebellion #2: PBO; On the planet Aventine, the Broom's homeworld, Paul Broom has been taken prisoner by Commodore Santeros, an implacable operative of the Dominion of Man. Elsewhere on Aventine, rebellion is brewing against the Dominion, with outlaw Cobra warriors Lorne and Jody Broom in the vanguard. Meanwhile, Cobra Jason Broom seeks information on Troft factions, hoping to identify moderate elements to save the Cobra worlds and head off interstellar war). \$15.00

EXPECTED MID-FEBRUARY

Abercrombie, Joe **Half the World** (Shattered Sea #2: Desperate to avenge her dead father, Thorn lives to fight. But she has been named a murderer by the very man who trained her to kill. She finds herself caught up in the schemes of Father Yarvi, Gettland's deeply cunning minister. Crossing half the world to find allies against the ruthless High King, she learns harsh lessons of blood and deceit. Will Thorn forever be a pawn in the hands of the powerful, or can she carve her own path?)... \$26.00

Barnes, Jonathan **Cannonbridge** (Charismatic Matthew Cannonbridge was the most influential creative mind of the 19th century: a prolific novelist, accomplished playwright, the poet of his generation. The only problem is, he should never have existed - and 21st-century don Toby Judd is the only person to realize something has gone wrong with history. Judd's discovery will lead him on a breakneck chase across the English canon and countryside, to the realization that the spectre of Matthew Cannonbridge might not be so dead and buried after all) \$9.99

Brennan, Marie **The Tropic of Serpents** (Lady Trent #2: 3 years after her journey to Vystrana, Isabella embarks on an expedition to Eriga, home to exotic draconian species. In the jungle known as the Green Hell, her courage, resourcefulness, and scientific curiosity will be tested as never before). \$15.99

Byrne, Monica **The Girl in the Road** (In a world where global power has shifted east and revolution is brewing, two women embark on journeys. Meena leaves India via the Trail, an

energy-harvesting bridge spanning the Arabian Sea, hoping to return to Ethiopia. Mariama flees her home, joining a caravan across the Sahara, headed for the Ethiopian capital of Addis Abba. They will find their fates mysteriously linked) \$15.00

Cady, Jack **Phantoms: Collected Writings** (Collection. Reprints short fiction by the award-winning fantasy and horror writer). \$15.00

Calvino, Italo (ed) **Fantastic Tales: Visionary and Everyday** (Reissue; Anthology. Short stories of the fantastic, enchanting, uncanny, and terrifying from 19th-century Europe). \$13.95

Carey, Mike et al **Suicide Risk Volume 4** (Full color graphic novel. The supervillain team Nightmare Scenario has forced the world's leaders to come to the table for negotiations. But there are signs of an even greater, bloodier calamity, and every life Leo has managed to save - by helping Nightmare Scenario against his will - is suddenly at risk)... \$14.99

Carr, Viola **The Diabolical Miss Hyde** (Electric Empire #1: PBO; Victorian London: Dr. Eliza Jekyll, daughter of the infamous Dr. Henry Jekyll, uses newfangled gadgets to investigate crime scenes. Her search for 'The Slicer', a murderous psychopath, draws her into London's magical underworld, where she may need the power of her father's forbidden elixir to help her - even if it freeing her second self, the wild Lizzie)... \$16.99

Elliott, Kate **The Very Best of Kate Elliott** (A retrospective collection of her short fantasy, featuring strong heroines, complex quests, noble sacrifices, and hard-won victories) \$15.95

Elliott, Will **The Pilgrims** (Pendulum #1: A small door in a London railway bridge takes Eric and Casey to a land where a dragon with the powers of a god sleeps beneath a castle ruled by a sinister lord, and a vast wall divides the land. And soon the wall may be broken - but what will enter from the other side? \$15.99

Frater, Rhiannon **Dead Spots** (PBO; In the dead spots, dreams become reality, terror knows your name, and nightmares can kill) \$15.99

Froud, Brian et al **The Dark Crystal: Creation Myths Volume I** (YA; Full color graphic novel. Recounts the legend of Aughra, the rise and fall of the Gelflings, the coming of the alien Urskeks, and the myth of the Bright Crystal). \$14.99

Gaiman, N/McKean, D **Crazy Hair** (Kids; Full color picture book. birds, animals, hunters, dancers, balloonists, water slides, and more - all can be found in the narrator's crazy hair)... \$6.99

Heitz, Markus **Righteous Fury** (Legends of the Alfar #1: In the realm of the alfar, Caphalor and Sinthoras are looking to enlist a powerful demon to strengthen the army. Caphalor wants only to defend the borders of their empire, but Sinthoras is intent on invasion: he has the kingdoms of dwarves, elves, and humans in his sights). \$24.99

Henderson, Randy **Finn Fancy Necromancy** (Finn Grammaray was framed for the crime of dark necromancy at the age of 15, and exiled to the Other Realm for 25 years. And now that he's free, someone - probably the same someone - is trying to get him sent back. Finn has only a few days to discover who is so desperate to keep him out of the mortal world, and find evidence to prove it to the Arcane Enforcers). \$25.99

Hunter, Erin **The Broken Path** (Survivors #4: Kids; The newly united Pack searches for a home far from the Fierce Dog

camp. When they encounter another Pack, Lucky hopes they will be allies, but they may be the most dangerous enemy yet) \$7.99

Hunter, Erin **Storm of Dogs** (Survivors #6: Kids; Now that their ruthless former Alpha has left the Wild Pack, the dogs should be able to find peace. But they must keep watch for signs of Blade and her Fierce Dogs, and Lucky's dreams are troubled by visions of a future that will force every dog to fight tooth and claw for survival). \$16.99

Johnstone, Ian **The Bell Between Worlds** (Mirror Chronicles #1: Kids; The tolling of a giant bell draws Syllas Tate into the Other, where he discovers that he has a talent for magic, and that his mother might have come from this strange place. Evil forces are stirring, and a revelation awaits Syllas: the Other is a mirror of our world, and every person here has their counterpart there. Syllas must seek out a girl called Naeo, who just might be the other half of his soul. Otherwise the entire universe may fall). \$17.99

Link, Kelly **Get in Trouble** (Collection. Fantastical tales of hurricanes, astronauts, evil twins, bootleggers, Ouija boards, iguanas, superheroes, the Pyramids, and more). . . . \$25.00

Littlewood, Kathryn **Bite-Sized Magic** (Bliss #3: Kids; Rose has been kidnapped by the Mostess Corporation, and forced to use her magical know-how to create improved recipes. Together with an unlikely team of sous chefs, Rose must come up with a plan before Mostess and the International Society of the Rolling Pin take over the world, one magically evil snack cake at a time). \$6.99

Manieri, Evie **Fortune's Blight** (Shattered Kingdoms #2: Victory for the Shadari rebels has come at a terrible price. While King Daryan struggles to maintain the peace, Eofar and Rho race to Norland to plead for Shadar's independence, but find themselves embroiled in the court politics of an empire about to implode. The Mongrel's path carries her deep into Norland's frozen wastes to redeem a promise - one that forces her into the heart of the growing conflict). \$28.99

McClellan, Brian **The Autumn Republic** (Powder Mage #3: The capital city of Adro lies in the hands of a foreign invader. Field Marshal Tamas' son is missing, his allies are indistinguishable from his foes, and reinforcements are several weeks away. With the Kez bearing down upon them, the Adran army has turned against itself. Inspector Adamat is drawn into the very heart of this new mutiny with promises of finding his kidnapped son. And Taniel Two-shot, hunted by men he once thought his friends, must safeguard the only chance Adro has of getting through this war without being destroyed)\$26.00

McDougall, Sophia **Mars Evacuees** (Kids; On Earth, the war with the invading aliens is not going well, and the ice caps are expanding. A select group of kids, including twelve-year-old Alice Dare, are being evacuated to Mars. When the adults disappear, the kids must face down an alien named Thsaaa, and Alice and her friends must save the galaxy). . . . \$16.99

Moorcock, Michael **Jewel and Amulet: The Jewel in the Skull / The Mad God's Amulet (alternate title: Sorcerer's Amulet)** (Hawkmoon #1 / #2: Omnibus reprint. 2 fantasy novels). \$17.99

Moore, Christopher **The Serpent of Venice** (Pocket of Dog Snogging #2: Venice, a long time ago: Desperate to rid themselves of Pocket the Fool once and for all, Antonio the merchant, senator Montressor Brabantio, and naval officer Iago have invited

Pocket for an evening of festivities to include a rare Amontillado sherry and Brabantio's beautiful daughter Portia. They think they're luring him to his death, but this Fool is no fool, and has more than a few tricks (and hand gestures) up his sleeve). \$15.99

Moreno-Garcia, Silvia **Signal to Noise** (Mexico City, 1988: Meche, awkward and 15, has two equally unhip friends, Sebastian and Daniela, and a whole lot of vinyl records to keep her company. When she discovers how to cast spells using music, the future looks brighter for the trio. With help from this newfound magic, they will piece together their broken families, change their status as non-entities, and maybe even find love. 2009: After 20 years away, Meche returns to Mexico City for her estranged father's funeral. When she runs into Sebastian, it revives memories from her childhood. What really happened back then? And is there any magic left?). \$9.99

Newman, Sandra **The Country of Ice Cream Star** (In the ruins of a future US, where for generations a disease has killed everyone before they reach the age of 20, a fearless young woman embarks on a dangerous and surprising journey to save her brother and her world). \$26.99

Pini, Wendy & Richard **The Complete Elfquest Volume 2** (Black & white graphic novel. Reprints the entirety of The Siege at Blue Mountain and Kings of the Broken Wheel). \$24.99

Rex, Adam **Smek for President!** (Tip & J.Lo #2: Kids; Human Dan Landry has taken credit for conquering the Gorg, and the Boov blame J.Lo for ruining their colonization plans. When J.Lo is dubbed Public Enemy Number One, Tip and J.Lo fight to set the record straight - and return home in one piece - with the help of a friendly flying billboard, a journey through various garbage chutes, and a bit of time travel). . . \$16.99

Sato, Yuya **Dendera** (Left on a snowy mountainside by her family and her village, Kayu was supposed to have passed quickly into the afterlife. Instead, she finds herself in a utopian community built by old women who were abandoned like her. Together, they must now face a new threat: a savage bear who, like them, is female and hungry). \$15.99

Shusterman, N/Elfman, E **Edison's Alley** (Accelerati #2: Kids; Even though the missing pieces of Tesla's Far Range Energy Emitter seem to be leading Nick to their current owners, he is encountering plenty of obstacles - and the rogue physicists are still determined to get their hands on the objects). \$16.99

Siddell, Thomas **Orientation** (Gunnerkrigg Court #1: Kids; Full color graphic novel. Join Antimony Carver for her first year of school at Gunnerkrigg Court, a very British boarding school that has robots running around alongside body-snatching demons, forest gods, and the odd mythical creature). \$16.99

Trent, Tiffany **The Tinker King** (YA; With rebellion brewing in the far-off city of Scientia and dark Elementals plotting war in the ruins of New London, Vespa, Syrus and their friends are plunged into a new swamp of intrigue, deception, and magic) \$11.99

Werner, C.L. **Deathblade** (Warhammer: Malekith orders an all-out assault on Ulthuan - with Darkblade in the vanguard. As he wages war on the high elves, Darkblade must decide where his loyalties lie - will he follow Malekith to the death, or will he finally rise up and try to claim the throne of Naggaroth for himself? And either way, will he survive?). \$28.00

ALREADY RECEIVED

	Mystery Scene #136 (Articles about Louise Penny, House of Cards, Ed Gorman's Sam McCain novels, more) \$7.50		
Allen, Nancy	The Code of the Hills (Ozarks #1: PBO; Assigned to prosecute a case in which a father is accused of raping his three young daughters, Elsie Arnold is ready to become the Ozarks' avenging angel. Then the star witness goes missing, the girls refuse to talk, their father terrorizes the courtroom from the moment he enters, and Elsie begins to suspect that their tough mother has ulterior motives). \$7.99	Booth, Stephen	found, Ben Cooper and Diane Fry begin to wonder whether these tragedies are connected - and whether they will survive the winter). \$7.99
Armstrong, Charlotte	Night Call and Other Stories of Suspense (Lost Classics Volume 35. 15 tales of suspense featuring everyday settings and characters who could be your neighbors) \$20.00	Booth, Stephen	Blind to the Bones (Cooper & Fry #4: Reissue; The village of Withens is troubled by theft and vandalism, mostly generated by the Oxley family. Now an Oxley's body has been found on the moors. To crack the case, DC Ben Cooper must break open the clan. DS Diane Fry is also in Withens, where grim new evidence has turned up in the case of a missing student). \$8.99
Baldwin, Carey	Confession (PBO; Newly minted psychiatrist Faith Clancy gets the shock of her life when her first patient confesses to the grisly Santa Fe Saint murders. By law Faith is compelled to notify the authorities, but is her patient really the Saint? Faith will need all her wits and the help of a powerful adversary, Luke Jericho, if she's to unravel the truth). \$6.99	Booth, Stephen	Dying to Sin (Cooper & Fry #8: Reissue; While digging the foundation to convert an old farmyard into upscale stables, builders unearth a human hand preserved in clay. Suddenly suspicious, the police explore further and find two bodies. With little to go on but a collection of old bones, detectives Cooper and Fry must look into the past of the eerily named Pity Wood Farm). \$11.99
Berry, Julie Gardner	All the Truth That's In Me (YA; Shortlisted for the Carnegie Medal; Edgar finalist. 4 years ago, Judith and her best friend disappeared from their small town. 2 years ago, only Judith returned, mutilated, and reviled by her friends and family. But when the town is attacked, long-buried secrets come to light). \$9.99	Booth, Stephen	Lost River (Cooper & Fry #10: Reissue; A drowning in the village where he is on holiday leads detective Cooper to become involved in the tangled lives of the victim's family. Meanwhile, on a journey back to her roots, detective Fry finds herself drawn into an investigation of her own). . . . \$11.99
Bisker, Jill	Finding the Way Back (While helping her mother fix up her dead grandfather's house, Laney experiences ghostly music, then physical attacks that seem to target only her. It seems a spirit in the house may have plans of its own. As the danger escalates, she looks for answers with the help of her cousin Connie and attractive ghosthunter Emmett; Signed copies). \$14.95	Booth, Stephen	Dead and Buried (Cooper & Fry #12: Reissue; When an intruder breaks into an abandoned pub, DS Ben Cooper is on the case, and swiftly unearths a pair of grim surprises. The first is evidence of a years-old double homicide, and the second is a fresh corpse. What links the three deaths? For Cooper and his rival DI Diane Fry, it's the most twisted investigation of their lives). \$11.99
Block, Lawrence	Defender of the Innocent: The Casebook of Martin Ehrengraf (Collection. 12 stories featuring dapper and diabolical defense attorney Martin Ehrengraf, who never sees a courtroom, because all his clients are innocent. Some of them remember pulling the trigger, or holding the bloody blade. But things have a way of working out when Martin Ehrengraf is on the case). \$30.00	Bruen, Ken	Purgatory (Jack Taylor #10: Ex-cop Jack Taylor finds his fragile peace threatened by a vigilante who is killing the scum of Galway - and sending Jack letters trying to goad him into joining the murderous spree). \$14.00
Booth, Stephen	Black Dog (Cooper & Fry #1: Reissue; Anthony Award finalist. The search for Laura Vernon is over - her mutilated body has been found in the forest. When he takes on the case, Ben Cooper is paired with a new partner, Diane Fry. They must learn to work together to apprehend a killer who is hiding in plain sight). \$7.99	Christensen, Loren W.	Dukkha: The Suffering (Sam Reeves #1: PBO; Portland cop and martial artist Sam Reeves learns his father, who supposedly died in a POW camp, is alive and has a family in Vietnam. A series of violent events - a vengeful uncle, the destruction of his martial arts school, his father's connection to Vietnamese outlaws - send Sam's life spiraling in a dreadful new direction). \$12.95
Booth, Stephen	Dancing with the Virgins (Cooper & Fry #2: Reissue; Shortlisted for the Gold Dagger. The body of a young woman is found within a ring of ancient cairns, her arms and legs arranged to look as though she's dancing. Then another young woman is found, wounded and traumatized, but alive. Ben Cooper and Diane Fry must unlock the memories trapped inside her mind before more blood is shed among the stones) \$7.99	Christensen, Loren W.	Dukkha: Vererb (Sam Reeves #2: PBO; Traveling to Vietnam to visit his newfound relatives, Sam must thwart attacks on his family by a vengeful mob boss, then team up with a group of fighters to rescue kidnapped girls from the sex trade). \$12.95
Booth, Stephen	Blood on the Tongue (Cooper & Fry #3: Reissue; The dead woman seems to have simply curled up in the snow and lain there until her heart stopped. There was no one to observe her death. Yet she is riddled with bruises. Is her demise suicide, or suspicious? When two more bodies are	Collard, Paul Fraser	The Maharajah's General (Jack Lark #2: Assuming the late Captain Danbury's name and traveling to his new regiment in India, Jack is soon exposed as a fraud. Seeking refuge with the Maharajah of Sawadh, a charismatic leader the British Army must subdue, Jack finds himself training the very army the British may soon have to fight). . . . \$13.95
		Connelly, Michael	The Black Echo (Harry Bosch #1: Reissue; Edgar winner; Anthony finalist. For maverick LAPD homicide detective Harry Bosch, this one is personal: the murdered man was a fellow 'tunnel rat' who fought with him in Vietnam. Pitted against enemies inside his own department, Bosch goes on the hunt for a killer whose true face will shock him). \$10.00
		Connelly, Michael	The Black Ice (Harry Bosch #2: Reissue; Anthony and Hammett Prize finalist. LAPD detective Harry Bosch's

	investigation into the death of a narcotics officer makes some dangerous connections that lead to a string of murders winding from Hollywood Boulevard to back alleys south of the border)..... \$10.00		killer)..... \$9.99
Connelly, Michael	The Last Coyote (Harry Bosch #4: Reissue; Anthony and Hammett Prize finalist. Suspended for attacking his commanding officer, Harry opens up the 30-year-old file on his prostitute mother's unsolved murder. It's clear the case was fumbled, and the smell of a cover-up is unmistakable)..... \$10.00	Gilmartin, Katie	Blackmail, My Love (PBO; 1951: When her gay brother Jimmy, a PI investigating a blackmail ring targeting lesbians and gays, goes missing, Josie travels to San Francisco to look for him. When his friends claim he had become a police informer, Josie adopts Jimmy's trousers and wingtips, battling to clear his name, halt the blackmailers, and exact justice for the many queer corpses)..... \$16.95
Connelly, Michael	Trunk Music (Harry Bosch #5: Reissue; Hammett Prize finalist. LAPD homicide detective Harry Bosch's first case after his suspension starts with the body of a Hollywood producer. It looks like a Mafia hit, but the organized crime unit is curiously uninterested. When Harry follows a trail of gambling debts to Las Vegas, the case suddenly becomes more complex)..... \$10.00	Giuttari, Michele	The Death of a Mafia Don (Michele Ferrara #3: After imprisoning Mafioso Salvatore Laprua, Chief Superintendent Ferrara is targeted in a bombing. A week later, another bomb explodes, the same morning Laprua is found dead in his cell. Who is the mysterious influence behind the bombings - someone even the Mafia fear?)..... \$14.95
Craig, James	London Calling (John Carlyle #1: Metropolitan Police Inspector John Carlyle must navigate the treacherous realm of the British political system to protect the life of the Prime Minister)..... \$11.99	Giuttari, Michele	A Death in Calabria (Michele Ferrara #4: Chief Superintendent Ferrara is tasked with investigating the deaths of several Calabrian citizens. In an isolated mountain village, he must put his life on the line to learn more about the family at the center of a bloody feud)..... \$14.95
Creasey, John	Introducing the Toff (Richard Rollison #1: Reissue; Returning home from a cricket match at his father's country home, the Honourable Richard Rollison - alias The Toff - comes across an accident, which proves to be a mystery as he delves deeper into the matter with his usual perseverance and thoroughness)..... \$14.95	Giuttari, Michele	The Black Rose of Florence (Michele Ferrara #5: Violent deaths point to a mysterious enemy who manages to control events at every turn, forcing Chief Superintendent Ferrara to confront deadly secrets from his own past)\$14.95
Creasey, John	Inspector West Takes Charge (Roger West #1: Reissue; Extortion is the name of the game - and murder anyone who might get in the way. Inspector West has to unravel it all at gun point)..... \$14.95	Giuttari, Michele	The Dark Heart of Florence (Michele Ferrara #6: The people of Florence rejoice at news of an infamous serial killer's death - until a senator is found brutally murdered)..... \$14.95
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Fitzgerald, Laura Marx	Under the Egg (Kids; 13-year old Theodora spills rubbing alcohol on her late grandfather's painting, and discovers what seems to be an old masterpiece underneath. But her grandfather was a museum guard, and she worries the painting may be stolen. With the help of some unusual new friends, her search for answers introduces her to a side of Manhattan - and her grandfather - that she never knew)..... \$16.99	Herrnen, Greg	Deadly Deceit (Kate Daniels #3: On the scene at one of the worst traffic accidents in Northumberland's history, detective Kate Daniels and her partner Hank Gormley soon realize that not all of the deaths occurred as a result of the accident)..... \$7.99
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Lilliefors, James	The Psalmist (Bowers & Hunter #1: PBO; Pastor Luke Bowers discovers a dead woman seated in church, her hands clasped as if in prayer. The only lead is a sequence of numbers carved into the victim's hand, which may be a reference to the Book of Psalms. With Bowers' help, state cop Amy Hunter must track down a deranged killer). \$11.99	McDermid, Val (V.L)	The Skeleton Road (Karen Pirie #2: Edinburgh: Builders converting a Victorian building into luxury flats are surprised to find human remains. To identify the corpse, cold case detective Karen Pirie will need to dig deep into the tragic history of the Balkans, to war crimes in the former Yugoslavia and their consequences). \$25.00
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Lugar/Huang/Phipps (ed)	Organizing Crime: The Mystery Company's Guide to Series (2015) (Nearly 7000 titles in over 800 popular, active mystery series, organized into checklists by author. Spiral-bound)..... \$20.00	Myers, Kate Kae	The Vanishing Game (YA; Jocelyn's twin brother Jack was the only family she had, and now he's dead. Then a cryptic letter arrives, using the code name her brother used when they were children at Seale House, a terrifying foster home that they believed had dark powers. She returns to Seale House, and learns the house's powers are real. And someone is following her. Is Jack still alive? And if he is, what kind of trouble is he in?)..... \$9.99
Marshall, Colby	Color Blind (Jenna Ramey #1: PBO; FBI forensic psychiatrist Dr. Jenna Ramey's brain punctuates her experiences with flashes of color that she can use to read people and situations, and to profile and catch criminals. The FBI has detained a mass murderer who is obsessed with gaining power over Jenna. His partner is still on the loose, with the power to harm more innocents, and Jenna's unusual mind may be all that can prevent that). \$15.00	Nadel, Barbara	An Act of Kindness (Hakim & Arnold #2: Nasreen has made friends in the community that she can't tell her husband Abdullah about. And when a murder takes place close to their new home, she suspects Abdullah has something
Martines, Lauro	Furies: War in Europe, 1450-1700 (We think of the Renaissance as a shining era of human achievement, yet it was also an age of constant warfare. Renaissance scholar		

to hide, and turns to Mumtaz Hakim and Lee Arnold's agency for help). \$12.95

Nykanen, Harri **Behind God's Back** (Ariel Kafka #2: Lt. Kafka identifies as a policeman first, then a Finn, then a Jew. Murky circumstances surround his investigation of a Jewish businessman's murder. Then a second killing strikes closer to home, and the Finnish Security Police come knocking. The tentacles of Israeli politics and Mossad once again wrap Kafka in their sticky embrace). \$14.95

Orenduff, J. Michael **The Pot Thief Who Studied Pythagoras** (Pot Thief #1: Reissue; A shady character offers Hubert Schuze big bucks to steal a rare pot. A visit to the museum convinces Hubert it can't be done, but when he returns to his shop, a BLM agent accuses him of the theft. When the theft charge escalates to murder, Hubert must solve the crimes to clear himself). \$15.99

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Robertson, Michael **Moriarty Returns a Letter** (Heath Brothers #4: An exhibition of vintage Sherlock Holmes letters has opened at the Marylebone Hotel. As Reggie and his beloved Laura embark on a pre-wedding trip, someone from Reggie and Nigel's past - someone they thought was long gone - reappears, causing a slew of new problems for the brothers). \$24.99

Rosoff, Meg **Picture Me Gone** (YA; National Book Award finalist. Mila has a talent for reading a room, sensing hidden facts and unspoken emotions from clues that others overlook. When her father's best friend goes missing, Mila collects information about him from his belongings, from his wife and baby, from

his dog, and from the ghosts of his past. She's close to solving the mystery when a shocking betrayal calls into question her trust in the one person she thought she could read best) \$9.99

Sellar, W.C. / Yeatman, R.J. **1066 & All That** (Reissue; A brief, satirical history of England, from Julius Caesar through the Great War). \$12.95

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Templeton, Aline **Cradle to Grave** (Marjory Fleming #6: Reissue; Accused of murdering the baby in her care, nanny Lisa Stewart maintains her innocence. When she changes her name and tries to flee, terrifying threats continue to follow her. Is she an innocent victim of public anger, or a calculating murderer on the run? Detective Fleming must uncover the truth) \$11.99

Todd, Charles **Proof of Guilt** (Ian Rutledge #15: 1920: The investigation into a man's death uncovers a link to an incident in the family's past, pitting Inspector Rutledge against the new Acting Chief Superintendent, who is determined to place the blame on one of the dead man's women). \$14.99

Trent, Christine **A Virtuous Death** (Lady of Ashes #3: PBO; Widowed Queen Victoria has found solace in John Brown's tarot readings. Undertaker Violet Harper attends one, during which he implies that the palace will soon be shrouded in death's dark veil. Then friends of the queen's daughter begin dying. Is Mr. Brown an innocent court favorite, or does he have a malevolent plan?). \$15.00

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Waite, Urban **Sometimes the Wolf** (Sheriff Patrick Drake was hit with money troubles, fell in with some unsavory men, and ended up convicted of one of the biggest crimes in local history. 12 years later, Patrick is on parole under the watchful eye of his son Bobby, a deputy sheriff. But a threat boils up from Patrick's old life - and this time, no one will be spared) \$26.99

Williams, Timothy **Converging Parallels (alternate title: The Red Citroen)** (Piero Trotti #1: Reissue; Shortlisted for the New Blood Dagger. Northern Italy, 1978: Commissario Trotti investigates a dismembered body found in the River Po, and searches for an estranged friend's kidnapped young daughter) \$9.99

Williams, Timothy **The Puppeteer (alternate title: The Metal Green Mercedes)** (Piero Trotti #2: Reissue; Northern Italy, 1982: Commissario Trotti is enjoying his breakfast at a cafe when gunmen drive up and shoot the man at the next table. Was Trotti the intended target? The case falls under the jurisdiction of the local Carabinieri, but Trotti decides to make his own inquiries). \$14.95

Wolf, Jennifer Shaw **Dead Girls Don't Lie** (YA; Jaycee and Rachel were best friends, until that terrible night at the old house. Then Rachel is found dead. The police blame a growing gang problem in their small town, but Jaycee is sure it has to do with that night at the old house). \$9.99

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Allingham/Ripley **Mr. Champion's Farewell** (Albert Campion #22: Based on a 1969 manuscript fragment by Allingham's husband Youngman Carter. When Albert Campion contemplates visiting his niece in Carfax, he is warned that the village isn't as idyllic it seems. And when a missing schoolteacher reappears after nine days, and Campion's car is inadvertently damaged - not to mention Campion himself - all signs point to this being true) \$15.95

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Blackwell, Juliet **Keeper of the Castle** (Haunted Home Renovation #5: PBO; The reconstruction of an ancient Scottish building is plagued by rumors that the stones are cursed. Mel finds the ghost of a charming Scottish clansman hanging around the site - and a dead body) \$7.99

Booth, Stephen **Already Dead** (Cooper & Fry #13: A man's body has been discovered in shallow water, but flooding is making travel difficult and forensic examination impossible. As they try to track down a car, glimpsed only as a dark outline in the rain, DS Fry's makeshift team is tested to the limit - and that's before it emerges that DC Cooper is not at home recuperating from an arson attack, but has vanished into thin air) \$11.99

Britton, Andrew **Threatcon Delta** (Ryan Kealey #7: In the aftermath of a devastating attack on San Antonio, Texas, Kealey learns of a far greater threat when a radical terrorist group claims possession of an ancient relic that they will use to unleash plagues across the globe) \$9.99

Brown, Duffy **Geared for the Grave** (Cycle Path #1: PBO; When a wealthy Mackinac Island resident dies in a bicycle accident, it turns out her brakes were tampered with, and the police suspect bike shop owner Rudy Randolph. To clear her boss, Evie Bloomfield will have to put the brakes on the real killer) \$7.99

Burdette, Lucy **Death with All the Trimmings** (Key West Food Critic #5: PBO; When a restaurant is set on fire and a body is discovered in the charred wreckage, Hayley needs to smoke out a killer) \$7.99

Cash, Wiley **This Dark Road to Mercy** (Gold Dagger winner. After their mother's unexpected death, Easter and Ruby are adjusting to foster care when their errant father Wade suddenly appears to steal them away in the night. Brady Weller, the girls' court-appointed guardian, turns up information linking Wade to a recent armored car heist, one with a whopping \$14.5 million missing. But Weller isn't the only one hunting for Wade - a man nursing a years-old grudge is also determined to find Wade and claim his due) \$14.99

Childs, Laura **Eggs in a Casket** (Cackleberry Club #5: The ladies are helping prepare for the Memorial Cemetery's anniversary celebration when they stumble across the prison warden's

body lying in someone else's grave). \$7.99

Childs, Laura **Scorched Eggs** (Cackleberry Club #6: When the County Services office goes up in flames, killing Hannah Venable, and it turns out to be arson, Suzanne, Petra, and Toni vow to smoke out the culprit). \$25.95

Clark, MH/Burke, A **The Cinderella Murder** (Under Suspicion #1: Producer Laurie Moran's reality show, a cold case series that revisits unsolved crimes by recreating them with those affected, is off to a great start when it helps solve a murder in the first episode. Now she has the ideal case for the next episode: the murder of a UCLA student with suspects including Hollywood elite and tech billionaires. But is the killer ready for a close-up?) \$26.99

Cleland, Jane K. **Blood Rubies** (Josie Prescott #9: An investment guru has been murdered, and a priceless Faberge egg snow globe that Josie was hired to appraise has been smashed. But when Josie examines the pieces, she discovers it was a fake. What has happened to the real snow globe, if it even existed? And what does it have to do with the murder?) \$25.99

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Connelly, Michael **The Narrows** (Harry Bosch #10: Reissue; FBI agent Rachel Walling gets the call she's dreaded for years, telling her the Poet has surfaced. She has never forgotten the serial killer, and apparently he has not forgotten her. Former LAPD detective Harry Bosch gets a call, too, from the widow of an old friend. Her husband's death seems natural, but his ties to the hunt for the Poet make Bosch dig deep. Now Bosch and Walling are at odds with the FBI - and squarely in the path of the Poet) \$10.00

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Coyle, Cleo **Once Upon a Grind** (Coffeehouse #14: When Clare roasts 'magical' beans for Central Park's Fairy Tale Week, she brews up a vision that helps her find a young model's body in the woods, and uncovers a roster of suspects, including a wolf from Wall Street, a New York Giant, and a wicked witch of the West Side) \$26.95

Curtis, Waverly **The Chihuahua Always Sniffs Twice** (Barking Detective #4: PBO; Wealthy widow Lucille Carpenter left her entire fortune to her beloved dogs. When someone tries to poison them, aspiring PI Geri Sullivan and her talking Chihuahua Pepe investigate) \$7.99

Daly, Paula **Keep Your Friends Close** (Shortlisted for the Gold Dagger. When her younger daughter falls ill on a school trip, Natty rushes to her side, leaving her college friend Eve to lend

her husband Sean a hand at home. Natty returns home to find that Sean has fallen for Eve. A mysterious note, saying that Eve has done this before, more than once, and that the consequences were fatal, starts Natty on a mission to reveal Eve as a vindictive serial mistress). \$25.00

Davies, David Stuart **The Devil's Promise** (Further Adventures of Sherlock Holmes: On holiday on the English coast, Holmes and Watson discover a corpse on the beach. They are attacked, and when Watson comes to, months have passed, and Holmes is not the man he remembers. What has happened to his friend? Does it have something to do with a dead devil worshipper?). \$9.95

Davis, Krista **The Ghost and Mrs. Mewer** (Paws & Claws #2: PBO; When Holly's dog Trixie and kitten Twinkletoes find a young woman drowned in the Wagtail Springs Hotel's bathhouse - site of the town's most infamous haunting - the crime scene is eerily similar to the creepy legend. Holly must catch a flesh-and-blood killer. \$7.99

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Doherty, Paul **The Last of Days** (King Henry VIII is on his deathbed. Only Will Somers, long-time jester and confidant, sees all, and begins a journal that will document his King's last days. Rebellion threatens amid widespread rumors of plots against the King. With few allies remaining, will Henry himself become the final victim of his reckless, bloody reign?) \$12.95

Doherty, Paul **Roseblood** (England, 1455: Deemed unfit for rule, King Henry of Lancaster surely cannot last long on the throne. London alderman Simon Roseblood is one of few loyal servants left to fight for his cause. Richard of York has his eye on the crown and plenty of allies, including Amadeus Sevigny, who asserts law and order at York's command. When Roseblood is summoned by Sevigny to stand trial for a crime he knows he didn't commit, their paths cross in ways that alter them both forever). \$14.95

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Flynn, Gillian **Sharp Objects** (Winner of the New Blood Dagger and Steel Dagger; Edgar Award finalist. Fresh from a brief stay at a psychiatric hospital, reporter Camille Preaker returns to her hometown to cover the murders of two girls. She must unravel the puzzle of her own past if she wants to get the story - and survive this homecoming). \$9.99

Fowler, Christopher **Bryant & May and the Bleeding Heart** (Bryant & May Peculiar Crimes Unit #11: A teenager sees a dead man rise from his grave, then is killed in a hit-and-run. Seven ravens housed in the Tower of London vanish without a trace - and legend has it that when the ravens leave, the city will fall. London's wildest and oldest detectives, Arthur Bryant and John May of the Peculiar Crimes Unit, must figure out how these seemingly unrelated mysteries fit together). . . \$26.00

Grippando, James **Black Horizon** (Jack Swyteck #11: Miami attorney Jack Swyteck investigates the circumstances surrounding a huge oil spill in Cuban waters). \$9.99

Hale, Rebecca M. **Aground on St. Thomas** (Islands #3: PBO; The FBI seizes St. Thomas, hunting the missing governor and two senators wanted for corruption. Senator Julia Sanchez attempts to escape wrongful arrest with the help of eccentric Senator Bobo, only to discover the corruption behind the island's idyllic facade). \$7.99

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Harris, Sherry **Tagged for Death** (Sarah Winston #1: PBO; After her husband runs off with a younger woman, Sarah's self-prescribed therapy involves hitting all the yard sales in her small Massachusetts town. When she finds a bloody shirt in her bag that belongs to her ex, and his girlfriend goes missing, it's up to Sarah to prove that her ex is not a cold-blooded killer). \$7.99

Harrison, A.S.A. **The Silent Wife** (Shortlisted for the New Blood Dagger. Jodi and Todd are at a bad place in their marriage. Much is at stake, including the affluent life they lead in their Chicago condo. He is a cheater. She is in denial. He exists in dual worlds. She likes to settle scores. He decides to play for keeps. She has nothing left to lose). \$16.00

Hayes, Terry **I Am Pilgrim** (Shortlisted for the Steel Dagger. A young woman murdered in a run-down hotel, all identifying characteristics dissolved by acid. A father publicly beheaded in Saudi Arabia. A notorious Syrian biotech expert found eyeless in a Damascus junkyard. Smoldering human remains on a mountainside in Afghanistan. A plot to commit an appalling crime against humanity. One path links them all, and only one man can make the journey: Pilgrim). . . \$16.00

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Koontz, Dean **Innocence** (He lives in solitude beneath the city, an exile from society, which will destroy him if he is ever seen. She dwells in seclusion, a fugitive from enemies who will do her harm if she is ever found. The bond between them runs deeper than the tragedies that have scarred their lives. Destiny has brought them together in a world whose hour of reckoning is fast approaching). \$9.99

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Griffin/Butterworth	Winter at the Door (Lizzie Snow #1: After taking over as Eastport's police chief, Lizzie Snow learns that a perilous piece of her past has followed her from Boston to Maine). \$26.00	Hyzy, Julie All the President's Menus (White House Chef #8: PBO; During a tour of the kitchen, a visiting chef collapses and dies. Olivia must figure out if the victim's colleagues are keeping more than their recipes secret). \$7.99
Griffin/Butterworth	The Assassination Option (Clandestine Ops #2: James Cronley's first mission for the new Central Intelligence Directorate has drawn all kinds of attention. When he meets the undercover agent known only as Seven K, he gets a real surprise). \$28.95	Jaffarian, Sue Ann Ghost in the Guacamole (Ghost of Granny Apples #5: PBO; Lucy wants to sell the family business; her sister Rikki is against it. When Emma contacts their deceased father, his ghost drops a bombshell - his death was not an accident, and Rikki's life may be in danger. Now it's up to Emma and Granny Apples to stop a killer). \$7.99
Hagberg, David	Hazardous Duty (Presidential Agent #8: Mexican drug cartels and Somali pirates are threatening US citizens. Colonel Charley Castillo and his men would be just the solution, except the President had Castillo forcibly retired from the military, and Castillo's men are scattered, many in hiding. How will it all play out?). \$9.99	Jance, J.A. Moving Target (Ali Reynolds #9: While Ali is in England investigating the decades-old murder of Leland Brooks' father, B. turns to Sister Anselm to help him find out who set an incarcerated teen on fire). \$9.99
Hale, Kathleen	Blood Pact (Kirk McGarvey #17: The search for a lost 18th-century treasure that the Spanish government, Cuban intelligence, and the Catholic Church are racing to claim pits McGarvey against a foe who has made a blood pact with agents of the devil). \$8.99	Javorsky, Earl Down Solo (PI Charlie Miner woke up in the morgue with a hole in his head. Just before the shooting, he had been working a case involving fraud, gold, and religious zealots, and Charlie can connect the dots from the case to the attack. When his daughter is abducted, he must find her before the criminals do the same thing to her that they did to him. After that, maybe he'll try to figure out how he's walking around dead). \$13.95
Hardy, Susannah	No One Else Can Have You (YA; The police in Friendship, Wisconsin, are better at finding lost pets than catching killers. So Kippy, armed with tenacious Midwestern spirit and her friend Ruth's secret diary, sets out to find Ruth's murderer). \$9.99	Johnson, Deborah The Secret of Magic (1946: A letter from the NAACP sends young attorney Regina Robichard from New York City to the Deep South to look into the murder of a Negro war hero). \$16.00
Harper, Karen	Feta Attraction (Greek to Me #1: PBO; Georgie Nikolopatos manages a Greek restaurant in upstate New York, rumored to possess ghosts and hidden treasure. When her husband disappears and a competitor is found dead, can Georgie find her missing husband and catch a killer before someone else's order is up?). \$7.99	Kaaberbol, L/Friis, A Death of a Nightingale (Nina Borg #3: Natasha is suspected of killing her Danish fiance. Three years ago, her husband in Kiev was killed in the same manner. Danish Red Cross nurse Nina Borg had tried to help Natasha leave her abusive fiance. Now Nina tries to protect Natasha's daughter and discover the truth). \$15.95
Higgins, Jack	Broken Bonds (Cold Creek #3: PBO; Staying in Cold Creek while she figures out her next move, social worker Char Lockwood soon runs afoul of locals who think she's sticking her nose in where it doesn't belong. She's certain something sinister is being covered up, and teams up with Matt Rowan to uncover the truth). \$7.99	Kellerman, Jonathan Killer (Alex Delaware #29: After a custody case he testified in erupts in to cold, calculating murder, and the little girl at the center of the dispute disappears, psychologist Alex Delaware teams up with LAPD detective Milo Sturgis to search for the girl). \$9.99
	The Death Trade (Sean Dillon #20: An Iranian scientist has made a breakthrough in weapons research, but	King, Maggie Murder at the Book Group (PBO; When her friend Carlene drinks poisoned tea at their book group, there's a suicide note, but Hazel is skeptical. As Hazel unearths the past that Carlene took great pains to hide, her search for the truth produces plenty of motives - most belonging to members of the book group). \$7.99
		La Plante, Lynda Wrongful Death (Anna Travis #9: Six months ago, London nightclub owner Josh Reynolds' death was ruled a suicide, but new information suggests it might have been

Laurie, Victoria	murder. DCI Anna Travis must review the case with the help of FBI agent and crime scene expert Jessie Dewar). . . \$15.99 No Ghouls Allowed (Ghost Hunter #9: PBO; After a series of strange accidents at an antebellum mansion, the work crew is convinced the place is cursed. M.J., Heath, and Gilley agree to find out if they're really dealing with some spirited saboteurs and a possessed plantation home). \$7.99	Patterson, William	devious scheme. When the sheriff and his deputies go missing, territorial marshals Virgil Cole and Everett Hitch saddle up to sort things out)..... \$26.95 The Inn (PBO; When Jack and Annabel inherit a ramshackle inn with a history of murders and mysterious disappearances, their arrival stirs the house to life again. Annabel's childhood nightmares are about to come true)..... \$9.99
Lee, Elizabeth	Snoop to Nuts (Nut House #2: PBO; When a contest judge keels over dead after a second taste of Miss Amelia's Pecan Caviar, the evidence points to poison. Can Lindy figure out who framed her meemaw for murder?)..... \$7.99	Pavone, Chris	The Accident (A manuscript full of shocking revelations and disturbing truths puts literary agent Isabel Reed, eager to publish it, on a collision course with veteran CIA station chief Hayden Gray, who will stop at nothing to keep it from seeing the light of day. As they try to outwit each other, the anonymous author watches from afar)..... \$15.00
LePore, J/Davis, C	God's Formula (Tolkien & Fleming #2: PBO; 1939: To get his formula for enriching uranium to the US, a German physicist who doesn't support the Nazis encodes it in Tolken's Elvish language. M1-6 officer Ian Fleming, J.R.R. Tolkien, and Albert Einstein work together to find the unwitting messenger, decode the message, and seize control of the nuclear future). \$14.95	Pelecanos, George	The Martini Shot (Collection. Short crime fiction)..... \$25.00
Levine, Laura	Killing Cupid (Jane Austen #12: Jane lands a job writing for an online matchmaker, but her new boss treats the employees like dirt, and promises her clients results she doesn't deliver. So it's no surprise when the chiselling cupid winds up dead at a Valentine's Day event). \$7.99	Pendleton, Don (creator)	Savage Deadlock (Executioner #434: PBO; When a missing US nuclear scientist resurfaces as a member of a guerrilla women's rights organization in Pakistan, Bolan is tasked with extracting her and bringing her stateside, willing or not). \$5.99
Ludlow, Jack	Vengeance (Last Roman #1: Byzantine Empire, 5th century: Flavius Belisarius swears vengeance on the man who betrayed and destroyed his father, beginning a journey from which there is no virtuous way back). \$16.95	Pendleton, Don (creator)	Critical Exposure (SuperBolan #171: PBO; Around the globe, US missions are compromised when double agents begin identifying and killing cover personnel; Bolan goes after the traitors responsible). \$6.99
Marston, Edward	Five Dead Canaries (Home Front Detective #3: 1916: Five women munitions workers are celebrating a birthday; when all but one are killed in an explosion, Scotland Yard suggests it's the work of a German spy, but Inspector Marmion and Sergeant Keedy suspect the killer is a local) \$16.95	Perry, Thomas	A String of Beads (Jane Whitefield #8: Jimmy, Jane's childhood friend from the reservation, is wanted for the murder of a white man. He's on the run, and as Jane looks for him, she finds the police aren't the only ones after him) \$26.00
McHugh, Laura	The Weight of Blood (Despite her family's deep roots in the Ozark Mountain town of Henbane, Lucy Dane is treated like an outsider. Folks still whisper about her mother, a stranger who inspired local myths when she vanished years ago. When one of Lucy's few friends is found murdered, Lucy finds herself drawn into a search for answers). . . . \$16.00	Price, Cate	Lie of the Needle (Deadly Notions #3: PBO; To raise funds, the historical society is producing a Hunky Men of Millbury calendar. When one of Daisy's friends doesn't show up for his photo shoot and the photographer is found murdered, can a cryptic verse on an antique sampler help Daisy pin down the killer?)..... \$7.99
McMahon, Jennifer	The Winter People (In 1908, Sara was found dead in the field behind her Vermont farmhouse just months after her daughter's tragic death. Now teenager Ruthie and her sister Fawn live in Sara's house with their mother. When their mother vanishes, Ruthie's search for clues uncovers Sara's diary, and she discovers she's not the only person desperately looking for someone they've lost. But she may be the only one who can stop history from repeating)..... \$14.95	Rickman, Phil	Night after Night (A Tudor farmhouse turned luxury hotel was abandoned by its owners at the height of its success. The staff has been paid to keep quiet, but stories seep through. A producer plans to make a reality TV show there: a house isolated by its rural situation and its dark reputation; six people - known to the nation but strangers to one another - locked inside; but this time Big Brother is not in control) \$26.95
Muller, M/Pronzini, B	The Body Snatchers Affair (Carpenter & Quincannon #3: Two missing bodies and two separate cases take Sabina Carpenter and John Quincannon from the heights above San Francisco Bay to the depths of Chinatown's opium dens) \$25.99	Rollins, J/Blackwood, G	The Kill Switch (Tucker Wayne #1: SIGMA Force turns to former Army Ranger Wayne Tucker and his military working dog Kane to extract a Russian pharmaceutical magnate from Siberia. The scientific genius holds the biological key to a new weapon system engineered from the ancient past)..... \$9.99
Neuhaus, Nele	Bad Wolf (von Bodenstein & Kirchoff #6: Two cases - the murder of an unidentified teenage girl, and a near-fatal attack on a journalist investigating a child welfare organization and a child pornography ring involving society's elite - lead police detectives von Bodenstein and Kirchoff to a terrible secret)..... \$16.99	Rosen, Delia	Fry Me a Liver (Deadly Deli #6: PBO; A van comes plunging through the deli roof, causing an explosion and barricading Gwen inside with her employees and Nashville mayoral candidate Tootsie Pearl. Was this an attack on her, or on Gwen?)..... \$7.99
Parker, R/Knott, R	The Bridge (Cole & Hitch #7: An ominous storm rolls into Appaloosa, and with it a band of night riders with a	Sedgwick, Marcus	She Is Not Invisible (YA; Laureth is blind, and remarkably skilled at looking for recurring events, patterns, and numbers. When her father goes missing, clues from his notebook take Laureth and her 7-year-old brother Benjamin to NYC, where surviving will take all her skill at spotting the

Sidebottom, Harry	amazing, shocking, and sometimes dangerous connections in a world full of darkness)..... \$9.99 The Amber Road (Warrior of Rome #6: 264 CE: The Roman Empire has been torn in two, and a war is coming between Postumus, who has seized the western provinces, and Emperor Gallienus. Ballista is sent to his homeland of Hyperborea to raise an army against Postumus). . . \$16.95	antiques dealer is found murdered, and his former lover, the number one suspect, is on the run. As police chief Bruno investigates, he begins to suspect the crimes are somehow linked; in this part of France, the past is never really past) \$15.99
Smith, Alexander McCall	The Forever Girl (Amanda and her daughter Clover live in a close-knit community of expats on Grand Cayman Island. As Clover falls for her first love, and allows her heart to chart her life's course, Amanda realizes that she has fallen out of love with Clover's father, and that her carefully mapped-out future is actually unknown territory. Through the years, mother and daughter are each torn between the dreams they cherish and the reality they face). \$15.95	Wellington, Duke of Military Dispatches (Nonfiction. Accounts of the British campaigns against Napoleon in Wellington's own words, telling the story of the conflict from its desperate beginnings in Portugal to the final triumph at Waterloo) \$17.00
Starr, Mel	The Abbot's Agreement (Hugh de Singleton #7: En route to Oxford, Master Hugh de Singleton discovers a young Benedictine novice, stabbed in the back not half a mile from the nearby abbey. And although the boy has been missing for four days, the corpse is fresh)..... \$14.99	Wenger, Christine Diners, Drive-ins, and Death (Comfort Food #3: PBO; Trixie is helping her friend ACB open a drive-in movie theater. When the groundbreaking turns up the dead body of ACB's missing beau, and the police connect her to the murder weapon, can Trixie clear her friend's name?). \$7.99
Stratford, Jordan	The Case of the Missing Moonstone (Wollstonecraft Detective Agency #1: Kids; 1826: Brilliant 11-year-old Lady Ada Byron and astute, adventurous 14-year-old Mary Godwin form a detective agency. Their first case involves a stolen heirloom, a false confession, and an array of fishy suspects). \$16.99	Woods, Stuart Insatiable Appetites (Stone Barrington #32: When Stone finds himself responsible for distributing the estate of a respected mentor, the process reveals secrets that range from surprising to outright alarming). \$27.95
Swanson, Peter	The Girl with a Clock for a Heart (George Foss is pulled into a whirlpool of betrayal and murder when the woman who broke his heart 20 years ago shows up and ask for his help). \$14.99	Wright, June Duck Season Death (It seems everyone at a remote inn had a good reason to shoot publisher Athol Sefton. Sefton's nephew Charles hopes to solve the crime by applying the 'rules of the game' he's learned as a reviewer of detective fiction - but the killer doesn't seem to be playing by those rules). \$12.95
Todd, Charles	Hunting Shadows (Ian Rutledge #16: 1920: A society wedding becomes a crime scene when a man is murdered; when a second body is found, the local constabulary calls in Scotland Yard. As Inspector Rutledge investigates, a clear suspect emerges, but the facts don't add up). \$14.99	Wright, June So Bad a Death (Maggie Byrnes #2: When Maggie's landlord, unpopular local bigwig James Holland, is shot, it's no surprise, but Maggie suspects that someone is also trying to poison his infant heir, and turns sleuth to uncover the culprits). \$14.95
Todd, Charles	A Fine Summer's Day (Ian Rutledge Prequel: June, 1914: The death of a widow sets off a series of murders across England, seemingly unconnected, that Scotland Yard Inspector Ian Rutledge will race to solve as the clouds of war gather on the horizon). \$26.99	EXPECTED MID-JANUARY
Vanderpool, Clare	Navigating Early (Kids; 1946: After his mother dies, Jack Baker is relocated from Kansas to Maine. There he meets Early Auden, who collects clippings about sightings of a great black bear, and who won't believe what everyone accepts to be the truth about the bear, timber rattlesnakes, and the school hero known as The Fish, who never returned from the war. When the boys find themselves unexpectedly alone at school, they embark on a quest on the Appalachian Trail in search of the great black bear). \$7.99	Axelrod, Steven Nantucket Fivespot (Henry Kennis #2: A threat to bomb the annual Boston Pops Concert could ruin Nantucket's economy as well as its reputation. Homeland Security suspects foreign terrorists, but poetry-writing police chief Henry Kennis believes the truth lies much closer to home). \$14.95
Wait, Lea	Twisted Threads (Mainly Needlepoint #1: PBO; Her mother's murder brings Angie back to Harbor Haven, Maine, where her Gram has started a business, the Mainly Needlepointers. When Angie and Gram become suspects in the suspicious death of a shady business associate, Angie finds clues that may connect to her mother's murder). . . . \$7.99	Benway, Robin Going Rogue (Maggie Silver #2: YA; When her parents are falsely accused of stealing gold coins, 17-year-old Maggie must use her safecracking skills to try and clear their names. Too bad her efforts only put her, and everyone she loves, in danger)..... \$9.99
Walker, Martin	The Resistance Man (Bruno #6: A veteran of the Resistance dies, leaving behind documents that connect him to a train robbery. A former British spymaster's estate is burglarized. A home is broken into just as the owner is finishing a book on France's nuclear weapons program. An	Bowen, Rhys City of Darkness and Light (Molly #13: 1905: To keep his family safe from a vengeful gang, Daniel sends Molly and Liam to Paris, where Molly becomes entangled in the murder of an Impressionist artist). \$15.99
		Brackston, P.J. Gretel and the Case of the Missing Frog Prints (Brothers Grimm #1: Bavaria, 1776: When Albrecht Durer the Much Much Younger's Frog Prints go missing, famous PI Gretel (now 35 and still living with her gluttonous brother Hansel) travels to Nuremberg to investigate)\$24.95
		Brekke, Jorgen Where Monsters Dwell (UK title: Where Evil Lies) (Odd Singsaker #1: A curator's murder at the Edgar Allan Poe Museum in Richmond, Virginia, is similar to that of an archivist in Trondheim, Norway. Both cases are somehow connected to a 16th-century book, bound in human skin, that appears to be the journal of a serial murderer). . . . \$15.99
		Clark, Mary Jane That Old Black Magic (Piper Donovan #4: In New Orleans to perfect her pastry skills at a famous French Quarter bakery, Piper gets drawn into the hunt for the Hoodoo Killer)..... \$13.99

Doughty, Louise	Apple Tree Yard (Shortlisted for the Steel Dagger. Yvonne was happily married, a successful scientist. Now she is charged with murder, in the witness box facing the gaze of her alleged accomplice, a man who is also her lover. As Yvonne faces hostile questioning, she must piece together the story of her affair. Here in the courtroom, everything hinges on one night in a dark alley called Apple Tree Yard). \$16.00	Masterman, Becky	Fear the Darkness (Brigid Quinn #2: Retired FBI agent Brigid Quinn agrees to help a local couple by investigating the death of their son. When dangerous things start to happen, she begins to wonder if she can trust anyone) \$25.99
Gage, Leighton	The Ways of Evil Men (Mario Silva #7: When all but two members of a dwindling Amazon jungle tribe drop dead from what looks like poison, Chief Inspector Mario Silva and his team are sent to investigate the genocide). . . . \$14.95	Matthews, Jeanne	Where the Bones Are Buried (Dinah Pelerin #5: Dinah couldn't be happier. She's living in Berlin with her boyfriend Thor, and has landed a job teaching Native American cultures at the university. Then her Seminole mother shows up with a scheme to blackmail a German tax dodger, and winds up a murder suspect). \$14.95
Griffiths, Elly	The Outcast Dead (Galloway & Nelson #6: Ruth Galloway's recent dig turned up the body of a Victorian murderess. Now Ruth is the reluctant star of TV series 'Women Who Kill'. Meanwhile, three children have been found dead in their home, and DCI Harry Nelson is sure that the mother is responsible, until another child is abducted and a kidnapper dubbed the Childminder claims responsibility. Is the Childminder behind all the deaths?) \$14.95	Molay, Frederique	The City of Blood (Paris Homicide #3: Three decades after burying the leftovers of a banquet, a renowned artist is inaugurating the first archaeological dig of modern art. When the excavators uncover a skeleton, Chief of Police Nico Sirsky and his team rush to La Villette Park and Museum complex. Could it be the artist's son? And does that death have anything to do with the current string of nightclub murders by the Paris Butcher?). \$16.95
Hall, Parnell	Puzzled Indemnity (Puzzle Lady #16: Her attorney friend Becky suspects that her client Brittney's philandering husband plans to murder his wife for the insurance money, so Cora agrees to investigate. When the husband is killed, and the police arrest Brittney, Cora sets out to save her from the clutches of the law) \$24.99	Monaghan, Annabel	Double Digit (Digit Higgins #2: YA; 18-year-old Digit's math talents are so off the charts that her laptop is under surveillance by both the CIA and an ecoterrorist named Jonas Furnis. So when she thoughtlessly hacks into the DoD database, she lands in serious hot water - inside and outside the law). \$7.99
Kasasian, M.R.C.	The Mangle Street Murders (Gower Street #1: London, 1882: Their investigation of a young woman's murder leads March Middleton and her guardian Sidney Grice to the darkest alleys of the East End; the case threatens to boil over into civil unrest). \$14.95	Neuhaus, Nele	The Ice Queen (von Bodenstein & Kirchhoff #3: The autopsy of Jossi Goldberg, Holocaust survivor and US citizen, reveals an old tattoo on his arm once used by the Nazi SS. Was he not Jewish after all? Who was he? Two similar murders put Pia Kirchhoff and Oliver von Bodenstein on a trail that leads them back to the end of WWII and an area of Poland that then belonged to East Prussia). \$25.99
Kasasian, M.R.C.	The Curse of the House of Foskett (Gower Street #2: 1882: Investigating the death of an eccentric member of the Final Death Society takes Sidney Grice and March Middleton to an eerie house in Kew, and the mysterious Baroness Foskett). \$25.95	Oswald, James	The Hangman's Song (Tony McLean #3: To the Edinburgh police, the body of a man found hanging in an empty house looks like suicide, but DI McLean thinks there's something off about the scene. Then another body is found, hanging from an identical rope with a noose tied in the identical way). \$13.95
Katzenbach, John	Red I-2-3 (Three women with nothing in common, except they have red hair - and have been targeted for murder. The Wolf has sent each of them a letter, and is biding his time, waiting for the perfect moment. He didn't plan on them discovering each other and banding together to turn the tables on him) \$15.00	Pandian, Gigi	The Accidental Alchemist (PBO; When Zoe Faust unpacks her bags in Portland, Oregon, she discovers a stowaway: living, breathing gargoyle Dorian, who needs Zoe's help to decipher an ancient text explaining what he is. Zoe is trying to put her alchemical life behind her, but when someone is murdered on her porch, she realizes she is tangled up in ancient intrigue). \$14.99
Khan, Ausma Zehanat	The Unquiet Dead (Investigating a local man's death, detectives Esa Khattak and Rachel Getty discover that he may actually have been a war criminal with ties to the 1995 Srebrenica massacre). \$25.99	Patterson, J/Paetro, M	Unlucky 13 (Women's Murder Club #13: Deranged killer Mackie Morales is back. The Women's Murder Club must find her - before she finds them first). \$16.00
Koontz, Dean	Saint Odd (Odd Thomas #7: Odd has returned to Pico Mundo and the people he loves, come to save them - and perhaps humanity - from the evil it is his destiny to face. Stronger and wiser, and with the help of the friends he has made along the way, Odd prepares to confront the terrible forces arrayed against him). \$28.00	Shaw, William	She's Leaving Home (Breen & Tozer #1: London, 1968: When a teenage girl's body is found near the Beatles' Abbey Road recording studio, old-school copper DS Cathal Breen and rambunctious young policewoman Helen Tozer investigate, in a world where conservative tradition is giving way to new freedoms - and troubling new crimes). . . \$15.00
Laurie, Victoria	Death Date (YA; High school student Maddie Fynn knows when people are going to die, but not how. Now young people are disappearing, then turning up dead. Maddie finds herself suspected by the police, targeted by the murderer, and attracting the attentions of a mysterious admirer who may be connected to it all). \$17.99	Sidebottom, Harry	Iron and Rust (Throne of the Caesars #1: 235 CE: Military hero Maximinus Thrax is the first Caesar risen from the barracks. A simple man of steel and violence, he will fight
Martin, Andrew	Flight by Elephant (Nonfiction. In the summer of 1942, Gyles Mackrell, together with 20 elephants and a team of mahouts, performed rescue missions in the jungles of		

for Rome unconditionally. The Senators praise the new Emperor with elaborate oratory, but will any of them accept a Caesar who was once a shepherd boy?). \$26.95

Thomas, R/Graham, J **Mr. Kiss and Tell** (Veronica Mars #2: PBO; When a woman claims to have been assaulted at the Neptune Grand, then smuggled out and left for dead by the staff, the owners turn to PI Veronica Mars to disprove the woman's story) \$14.95

Weber, Tracy **A Killer Retreat** (Downward Dog #2: PBO; Pushed to her breaking point, yoga instructor Kate Davidson threatens to strangle a rude young woman named Monica if she doesn't get her terrible terrier under control. When Monica is found choked with a leash, Kate becomes suspect number one, and must find a way to clear her name). \$14.99

EXPECTED EARLY FEBRUARY

Aames, Avery **As Gouda as Dead** (Cheese Shop #6: PBO; Charlotte and Jordan plan to celebrate Valentine's Day by walking down the aisle. Then a beloved bar owner is found murdered on Jordan's farm. The killer has crossed the wrong woman - no one is ruining Charlotte's wedding plans!). \$7.99

Abbott, Jeff **Inside Man** (Sam Capra #4: To avenge a friend's death, Sam goes undercover in one of Miami's most dangerous families, run by an unstable tycoon intent on dividing his business empire between his three children, who each may hold murderous secrets of their own). \$6.00

Allende, Isabel **Ripper** (The daughter of San Francisco's Deputy Chief of Homicide, Amanda is a natural-born sleuth. A string of strange murders plunges her into her own investigation. But when her mom disappears, she must solve the most complex mystery she's ever faced). \$15.99

Arlington, Lucy **Played by the Book** (Novel Idea #4: PBO; Literary agent Lila Wilkins' preparations for a book-signing garden party turn up a skull in her flowerbed. Then a local gardener is murdered, and Lila must dig through old mysteries and new clues to unearth a killer). \$7.99

Balliett, Blue **Hold Fast** (Kids; Early's father isn't the kind to disappear, but he's gone - and left a whole lot of trouble behind. As danger closes in, Early, her mom, and her brother flee to a city shelter, and Early starts asking questions and looking for answers). \$6.99

Barr, Nevada **Destroyer Angel** (Anna Pigeon #17: Anna's canoe trip in upstate Minnesota goes harrowingly wrong when armed thugs capture her friends). \$9.99

Beaton, M.C. **Death of a Policeman** (Hamish Macbeth #30: Local police stations all over the Highlands are being threatened with closure; DCI Blair sends keen young officer Cyril Sessions to monitor what Sgt. Macbeth does every day. Hamish is prepared to insure that Cyril returns with a full report, but finds himself prime suspect when Cyril is killed). . . . \$8.00

Beaton, M.C. **Death of a Liar** (Hamish Macbeth #31: When a woman falsely reports being attacked, then winds up dead, Sergeant Macbeth must sort through all of her lies to solve the crime) \$25.00

Beatty, Jack **The Lost History of 1914** (Nonfiction. Offers a different view of WWI, testing the long-dominant assumption that it was inevitable. Chronicling largely forgotten events faced by each of the belligerent countries in the months before the war started in August, Beatty shows how any one of them might have derailed the war or brought it to a different end). \$18.00

Beck, W.H. **Malcolm at Midnight** (Kids; The Midnight Academy is a secret society of classroom pets that keeps the kids safe. When the Academy's leader is kidnapped, Malcolm the rat must prove his innocence - and that rats can be good guys) \$6.99

Bell, Ted **Warriors** (Alex Hawke #8: As the US and China move dangerously close to nuclear war, counterspy Alex Hawke must rescue a kidnapped US scientist). \$9.99

Berenson, Alex **The Counterfeit Agent** (John Wells #9: When a deep source warns that Iran intends to kill a CIA station chief, and it happens, the source's next tip - a nuclear one - is taken very seriously. As the threat level jumps and the government mobilizes, can John Wells get to the truth in time to pull the US back from the brink of war?) \$9.99

Billingham, Mark **From the Dead** (Tom Thorne #9: When her husband's charred remains were found in his burnt-out car, Donna Langford was found guilty of conspiracy to murder him and sent to prison. Now she's received an anonymous letter with a photo of her husband - he seems to be alive and well. But where is he? Who sent the photo, and why?) \$16.00

Blaedel, Sara **The Forgotten Girls** (Louise Rick #7: The search for the identity of a dead woman found in a Danish forest takes Louise Rick, new commander of the Missing Persons Department, ever closer to her own childhood home, where she uncovers more crimes that were committed and hidden in the forest). \$26.00

Boothby, Guy **A Prince of Swindlers** (Reissue; Originally published in 1900. Introduces gentleman rogue Simon Carne, an adventurer, thief, and master of disguise. Aided by his loyal butler Belton, Carne embarks on a crime spree, stealing from London's richest citizens and then making fools of them by posing as a detective investigating the thefts). . . . \$15.00

Brightwell, Emily **Mrs. Jeffries and the One Who Got Away** (Mrs. Jeffries #33: PBO; When a woman is found strangled in a North London cemetery with an old newspaper clipping clutched in her hand, Inspector Witherspoon will need the help of his housekeeper Mrs. Jeffries to revisit an old case that has haunted him for years). \$7.99

Brody, Frances **Murder in the Afternoon** (Kate Shackleton #3: When Harriet and Austin find their father dead in the quarry, they run for help. But when help arrives, there is no sign of the body. Mary Jane, the children's mother, is adamant that only Kate can help. But Mary Jane is hiding something - a secret from Kate's past that raises the stakes, putting both Kate and her family at risk). \$15.99

Cameron, Marc **Day Zero** (Jericho Quinn #5: PBO; On the run from a murderous network of conspirators, Special Agent Jericho Quinn and his daughter catch a flight, only to find themselves in peril when a passenger is murdered and a bomb is triggered). \$9.99

Campbell, Rick **The Trident Deception** (A US Trident sub with a full complement of nuclear warheads has received a launch order - but that order didn't come from the US government. Now a team of US attack subs has just 8 days to intercept and neutralize the Trident). \$9.99

Carlisle, Kate **This Old Homicide** (Fixer-Upper #2: PBO; When Shannon finds her elderly neighbor dead of an apparent heart attack, she realizes his home has been ransacked. When the death is ruled homicide and another victim turns up, Shannon must find the killer before anyone else gets nailed). . \$7.99

Carmack, Amanda	Murder in the Queen's Garden (Kate Haywood #3: PBO; 1559: Astrologer Dr. John Dee and his horoscopes are all the rage, but he fails to predict the discovery of a skeleton in the queen's garden, and the victim's identity makes him a suspect. Queen Elizabeth turns to Kate to clear his name). \$7.99	Fluke, Joanne	Blackberry Pie Murder (Hannah Swensen #19: After Hannah hits a man with her cookie truck, the autopsy reveals he dead before she hit him, his shirt covered with blackberry pie stains. Now Hannah's on the trail of a baker with a penchant for murder). \$7.99
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Closing at 7 pm Monday-Friday