

# Uncle Hugo's Science Fiction Bookstore

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#### Award News

The Nebula Award for best sf novel of last year went to **The Calculating Stars** by Mary Robinette Kowal (\$18.99).

The Mythopoeic Award for best adult fantasy of last year went to **Spinning Silver** by Naomi Novik (\$17.00).

The Locus Award Winners included Best SF Novel to **The Calculating Stars** by Mary Robinette Kowal (\$18.99); Best Fantasy Novel to **Spinning Silver** by Naomi Novik (\$17.00), Best First Novel to **Trail of Lightning** by Rebecca Roanhorse (\$17.00), Best Young Adult Book to **Dread Nation** by Justina Ireland (\$9.99), Best Novella to **Artificial Condition** by Martha Wells (\$16.99), Best Anthology to **The Book of Magic** edited by Gardner Dozois (\$30.00), Best Collection to **How Long 'til Black Future Month?** by N. K. Jemisin (\$16.99), and Best Non-Fiction Book to **Ursula K. Leguin: Conversations on Writing** by Ursula K. Le Guin and David Naimon (\$14.95).

#### How's Business? by Don Blyly

Nationally, book sales were down for five of the first six months of 2019 compared to the same period in 2018. During that period, adult fiction fell 5.1% compared to 2018 (when adult fiction fell 4% compared to 2017). Barnes and Noble reported that their

#### RECENTLY RECEIVED AND FORTHCOMING SCIENCE FICTION

##### ALREADY RECEIVED

	<b>Fantasy &amp; Science Fiction July / August 2019</b> (New fiction, reviews, more) .....	\$8.99
	<b>Locus #701 June 2019</b> (Interviews with Michael Blumlein and Kaaron Warren; Nebula winners; forthcoming books; industry news, reviews, and more) .....	\$8.99
	<b>Locus #702 July 2019</b> (Interviews with Ben H. Winters and R.F. Kuang; industry news, reviews, and more) .....	\$8.99
	<b>Locus #703 August 2019</b> (Interviews with William Gibson and Lesley Nneka Aramiah; industry news, reviews, and more) .....	\$8.99
	<b>Thirteen Doctors, 13 Stories</b> (PBO; Kids; An updated version of the popular anthology, with a brand-new story featuring the newest Doctor).....	\$17.99
Adams, Richard	<b>The Adventures of Egg Box Dragon</b> (Emma is delighted when her homemade dragon comes to life. And best of all, he is excellent at finding lost treasures).....	\$9.99
Bradley, Lisa M.	<b>Exile</b> (Twenty years ago, a toxic spill in Exile, Texas, poisoned residents with permanent rage. Now only folks who pass the feds' 4-S test - smart, strong, sterile, sane - can escape the town's quarantine).....	\$14.95
Bruekelaar, J.S.	<b>Collision: Stories</b> (Strange, dark stories ranging from sf to fantasy to horror).....	\$16.95
Corey, James S.A. et al	<b>The Expanse Roleplaying Game</b> (Expanse: A tabletop game using Green Ronin's AGE rules. In a far-future solar system, Martians, Belters, and the people of old Earth struggle for political power, even as older alien forces are stirring in the universe).....	\$49.95
Dial/Easton (ed)	<b>Conspiracy!</b> (Stories based on conspiracy theories that are definitely fictional).....	\$17.00
Frost, Toby	<b>End of Empires</b> (Isambard Smith #5: PBO; Once more, Smith and his crew must leap into action to civilize the galaxy and force legions of rodents to stop their nonsense at once) .....	\$13.95
Frost, Toby	<b>The Pincers of Death</b> (Isambard Smith #6: PBO; In order to civilize the galaxy, Smith must win a ball game, topple a dictator, and organize a party for a four-year-old) .....	\$15.95
Marks, Laurie J.	<b>Fire Logic</b> (Elemental Logic #1: Reissue; The warlike Sainnites have occupied Shaftal for 15 years. The Shaftali are fighting a guerrilla war, but every year the cost of resistance is higher. Emil, once a scholar, is now a Shaftali officer. Zanja is a prescient, a traveler, and last survivor of a slaughtered tribe. Karis is a metalsmith, addicted to a Sainnite drug that suspends her will and judgment. Separately, all they can do is watch as Shaftal succumbs to violence. Together they might change the course of history) .....	\$16.00
Marks, Laurie J.	<b>Earth Logic</b> (Elemental Logic #2: Reissue; Shaftal has a ruler again, a woman with enough power to heal the war-torn land and expel the invading Sainnites. Or it would have a ruler if the earth witch Karis G'deon consented to rule. Instead she lives in obscurity with her friends, a group of fractious elemental talents. She is waiting for some sign, but no one, least of all Karis herself, knows what it is).....	\$16.00
Park, Paul	<b>A City Made of Words</b> (PBO; Slim collection of stories with alterworldly settings and characters both truly alien and disturbingly normal, plus an interview with the author and a bibliography).....	\$14.00
Setchfield, Nick	<b>The War in the Dark</b> (In 1963 Europe, the true Cold War is fought on the borders of this world, at the edges of the light. When the assassination of a traitor goes terribly wrong, British Intelligence agent Christopher Winter flees London, and gets caught up in a quest for ancient hidden knowledge, an occult secret that will give supremacy to the nation that possesses it).....	\$7.99
Turnbull, Cadwell	<b>The Lesson</b> ( For years the inhabitants of a remote island have maintained an uneasy	

book sales fell 3.9% for their fiscal year ending April 29, 2019, while their sales of toys and games increased after Toys R Us closed. It's not surprising that the Uncles have also experienced a small decline in book sales. But we continue to see used books accounting for an increasing percentage of our business, and the profit margin from used books is better than for new books, so we're still holding on.

Barnes & Noble has sold itself to Elliott Advisers, the same company that owns Waterstone's, the largest bookstore chain in the U.K., and the man who is given credit for saving Waterstone's will be moving from London to New York to run both chains. The major publishers seem to be optimistic about the move, but smaller publishers are concerned. Apparently Waterstone's has been emphasizing major books from larger publishers and giving less display to slower selling books from smaller publishers.

Pearson, one of the largest textbook publishers worldwide, has announced that for the U.S. market they are shifting to a digital first model. All future releases of their 1,500 U.S. textbook titles will be in e-book format, with an average price of \$40 to rent only the e-book, or \$79 for a package that includes the e-book plus a batch of additional digital learning tools. They report that 62% of their current higher education revenue already comes from digital products and services. Since they don't need brick and mortar college bookstores to sell e-books, and would rather sell the books online and not have to share the revenue with bookstores, this is probably the beginning of the end for college bookstores, once a few more major textbook publishers join the trend.

For around the last 33 years I've been the secretary of the local business association (which often includes neighborhood activists and representatives of neighborhood organizations, in addition to business owners, landlords, and property management people, representatives from the police department, and also used to include representatives for city council members and other politicians—but the politicians have been ignoring us for about the last 10 years). One of the problems that has been brought up periodically over the past 33

Underwood, Erin	peace with a race of super advanced alien researchers, until a boy is killed and the conflict quickly escalates). . . . . \$26.99
	<b>The Grimm Future</b> (A collection of science fiction retellings of fairy tales). \$35.00
	<b><u>EXPECTED EARLY SEPTEMBER</u></b>
	<b>Are You as Clever as a Timelord?</b> (Doctor Who: Test yourself against the Doctor with the interplanetary puzzles in this activity book). . . . . \$7.99
	<b>Tales of Terror</b> (Doctor Who: Short spooky tales in the world of Doctor Who) \$11.99
	<b>Dungeons &amp; Dragons Essentials Kit</b> (Everything you need to create characters and play the new adventures in an introduction to the classic roleplaying game). \$24.99
Afsharirad, David (ed) Aiken, G.A.	<b>The Chronicles of Davids</b> (Fantasy & sf stories by authors named David). \$16.00
	<b>The Blacksmith Queen</b> (Scarred Earth #1: When her sister sets out to fulfill a prophesy to become Queen, blacksmith Keeley joins forces with a clan of kilt-wearing mountain warriors who are actually centaurs to protect her family). . . . . \$15.95
Anderson/Beason	<b>Kill Zone</b> (A small plane crash triggers a lockdown in a nuclear waste facility outside Albuquerque, and the only way out is further in). . . . . \$27.99
Andrews, Ilona	<b>Sapphire Flames</b> (Hidden Legacy #5: A powerful magic user wary of her own abilities, Catalina nonetheless risks all to help her friend unravel a murder, aided by the mysterious man who was her teenage crush). . . . . \$7.99
Bacon, Eugene	<b>Claiming T-Mo</b> (A mother, a wife, and a daughter navigate space and time and the love they have for T-Mo). . . . . \$16.95
Bailey, Angie	<b>Texts from Mittens: The Friends and Family Edition</b> (Texts from a cat) . . . . . \$14.99
Baker, Richard	<b>Restless Lightning</b> (Breaker of Empires #2: Assigned to a remote outpost in the alien Tzoru Empire, where the navy sends troublemakers to be forgotten, Sikander North finds himself in the middle of an alien uprising. Can he smuggle an alien ambassador off world and break a siege while fighting his superior officers' prejudices?). . . . . \$7.99
Baptiste, Tracey	<b>The Jumbies</b> (Kids; Corinne La Mer must rely on her friends and her newfound magic to keep the island from being taken over by the magical tricksters called Jumbies). \$6.95
Baptiste, Tracey	<b>Rise of the Jumbies</b> (Kids; When children start disappearing from Corinne's island home, she and her friends must travel with the mermaids across the ocean to fetch a powerful magical object for the only jumbie who can help them). . . . . \$7.95
Barker, Clive et al	<b>Next Testament Omnibus</b> (A man claiming to be God turns his wrath on humanity, and it is up to a pair of young lovers to stop him). . . . . \$29.99
Beaulieu, Bradley P.	<b>Twelve Kings in Sharakhai</b> (Shattered Sands #1: Sharakhai, the great city of the desert, has been ruled from time immemorial by twelve Kings, cruel and immortal. There is no hope of freedom for any under their rule - until Ceda, a young woman from the slums, defies the law by going outside on the holy night of Beht Zha'ir. What she learns sets her on a path that could finally break the iron grip of the Kings' power). . . . . \$8.99
Benaway, Gwen (ed)	<b>Maiden, Mother, Crone: Fantastical Trans Femmes</b> (Fantasy stories by trans femme writers). . . . . \$15.00
Black/Clare	<b>The Golden Tower</b> (Magisterium #5: Kids; Callum begins his final year at the Magisterium estranged from most of his friends, with his greatest challenge just around the corner). . . . . \$7.99
Brennan, Herbie Brennan, Sarah Rees	<b>The Mysterious World of Cats</b> (A guide to cat lore in fact and fiction). \$17.99
	<b>In Other Lands</b> (YA; When Elliot's class goes on a field trip and he can see a wall that no one else can see, he is given the chance to go to school in the Borderlands. On the other side of the wall, classes involve more weaponry and fitness training and fewer mermaids than he expected. But there's also a chance that Elliot might be able to change the world) . . . . . \$16.00
Brown, Jeffrey	<b>Rey and Pals</b> (Star Wars: Cartoons reimagining Rey's early life if, instead of growing up alone on Jakku, she had a galaxy of friends to play with). . . . . \$9.95
Caine, Rachel	<b>Sword and Pen</b> (Great Library #5: YA; Jess Brightwell and his friends must come together to save the Library from the return of the corrupt Archivist). . . . . \$17.99
Cervantes, J.C.	<b>The Storm Runner</b> (Storm Runner #1: Kids; To prevent the Mayan gods from battling each other and destroying the world, Zane must unravel an ancient prophecy, stop an evil god, and discover how his bad leg, which makes him reliant on a cane, also connects him to his father and his ancestry). . . . . \$7.99
Cervantes, J.C.	<b>The Fire Keeper</b> (Storm Runner #2: Kids; When Zane realizes that writing a book about the godborns puts the other godborn children at risk, he sets out to find them before the gods do). . . . . \$16.99

years that I've been taking notes, and probably for years before that, is prostitution on the streets around Lake St. Business owners don't like it when a bunch of prostitutes, pimps, and drug dealers take over the section of street near their businesses, because customers for the businesses don't feel safe parking their cars and walking to the businesses, and don't like being propositioned while walking from their car to the businesses they want to visit. Neighborhood residents don't feel safe in their homes with the illegal activities going on. The "johns" driving in from the suburbs often proposition residents of the neighborhood, including kids, who have nothing to do with the prostitution. Enough people get riled up enough to force the police to do some busts and some "john stings", the problem becomes less severe for a short while, or at least the problem moves to somewhere else for a while. A couple of years ago some cops went too far in trying to get some arrests in "saunas", and the Minneapolis police stopped enforcing prostitution laws for about a year while the administration came up with new guidelines for appropriate police conduct during enforcement efforts. Last year they were back to trying to enforce the law every once in a while. (It takes a lot of police time to conduct a "sting" operation, so other crimes receive less police time whenever a "sting" is conducted.) During the summer of 2018, almost all of the drug dealers, pimps, and prostitutes left Lake St. to hang out around the homeless "Encampment" near Little Earth. Home robberies, shoplifting, and other problems went way down around Lake St. and went way up around Little Earth. This year, the Encampment is gone, and many of the problems have returned to the Lake St. area.

At the June meeting of the business association, the representative of the police department announced that there was a new police policy regarding prostitution. They had been arresting prostitutes and then offering them a diversion program that would help them get off drugs and into a healthier life style instead of going to jail. But supposedly all of the prostitutes said that they didn't want to get off drugs, didn't want to get off the street, and claimed that there was no pimp involved. This resulted in the police and the politicians

Chambers, Becky	<b>To Be Taught, If Fortunate</b> (With humans now able to survive the farthest reaches of space, scientist Ariadne O'Neill is out surveying for habitable worlds while the culture of Earth moves on without her). . . . . \$12.99
Cole, Myke	<b>The Queen of Crows</b> (Sacred Throne #2: Novella. Heloise has grown from a shell-shocked girl into a figure of revolution, and drawn in allies. The time for hiding underground is over now: Heloise must face the tyrannical Order and lay siege to the Imperial Palace). . . . . \$14.99
Cook, Glen	<b>Port of Shadows</b> (Black Company #11: A years-long campaign against the White Rose rebels has left the Company jaded, and the Lady's particular interest in Croaker hasn't made his life any easier. Now the Limper is up to his old tricks, doing everything he can to separate Croaker and the Company from the Lady's favor). . . . . \$18.99
Datlow, Ellen (ed)	<b>The Best Horror of the Year Volume II</b> (Some of the best stories of 2018) . . . . . \$15.99
Dawson, Delilah S.	<b>Galaxy's Edge: Black Spire</b> (Star Wars: To supply General Leia's Resistance, top spy Vi Moradi gathers a band of colorful misfits on a world that redefines scum and villainy) . . . . . \$28.99
Denning, Troy	<b>Oblivion</b> (Halo: The Master Chief and Blue Team must capture a disabled Covenant frigate in what is obviously a trap). . . . . \$24.00
Edginton, Ian (ed)	<b>Scarlet Traces</b> (Stories set in the aftermath of H.G. Wells' War of the Worlds)\$29.99
Ewing, Eve et al	<b>Those with Courage</b> (Ironheart #1: Kids; When a group of world leaders is held hostage by one of Spider-Man's old foes, it's up to Riri to save the day!). . . . . \$17.99
Flint/Cooper	<b>1636: The China Venture</b> (Ring of Fire: The up-timers attempt to establish diplomatic relations with China, aided by a former pirate and a young scholar). . \$25.00
Hampson/Johnson (ed)	<b>Stellaris: People of the Stars</b> (Stories and essays about humanity's expansion beyond the limits of our solar system). . . . . \$16.00
Handlen/VanDerWerff	<b>Monsters of the Week</b> (The definitive guide to the X-Files). . . . . \$20.00
Harrison, Rachel	<b>Honourbound</b> (Warhammer 40,000: Attached to the Eleventh Antari Rifles, Commissar Severina Raine joins the battle against a Chaos cult that has swept through the Bale Stars) . . . . . \$16.00
Hatke, Ben	<b>Mighty Jack and Zita the Spacegirl</b> (Mighty Jack #3: Kids; Young heroes team up to save the Earth from an army of giants). . . . . \$14.99
Heilig, Heidi	<b>For a Muse of Fire</b> (Shadow Players #1: YA; Jetta can see the souls of the recently departed and bind them with her blood, but the old ways are forbidden since the colonial conquest. As rebellion seethes and Jetta meets a young smuggler, she will face truths and decisions she never imagined). . . . . \$10.99
Henson, Jim et al	<b>Beneath the Dark Crystal Volume 2</b> (Dark Crystal: YA; Rival princesses discover dark and powerful magic that could change the throne forever). . . . . \$24.99
Hewitt, Deborah	<b>The Nightjar</b> (When her best friend is hit by a car, Alice - with her ability to see the magical birds that guard human souls - must venture into a hidden, magical London to save her friend). . . . . \$18.99
Hill, Justin D.	<b>Terminal Overkill</b> (Necromunda: Brielle, daughter of a fearless gang leader, must survive the deepest levels of the Underhive to get revenge on the bounty hunter that murdered her family). . . . . \$16.00
Hough, Jason M.	<b>Gears of War: Ascendance</b> (A prequel to Gears 5, set after the events of Gears 4) . . . . . \$14.95
Houser, Jody et al	<b>The Other Side</b> (Stranger Things: Will Byers finds himself in the Upside Down, an impossible dark parody of his own world). . . . . \$17.99
Hunter, Erin	<b>Squirrelflight's Hope</b> (Warriors Super Edition #12: Kids; When a group of rogue cats is discovered just beyond Clan boundaries, Squirrelflight is caught between her duty to her Clan and her desire to do what's right). . . . . \$18.99
Hutchinson, Dave	<b>The Return of the Incredible Exploding Man</b> (After an accident at the Sioux Crossing Supercollider, Alex Dolan finds himself changed and the only one who can stop the disaster that threatens humanity). . . . . \$9.99
Johnson, Katherine	<b>Reaching for the Moon</b> (The autobiography of NASA mathematician Katherine Johnson). . . . . \$17.99
Kadrey, Richard	<b>Hollywood Dead</b> (Sandman Slim #10: James Stark is back in Los Angeles, but to get there he had to make a deal with Wormwood: he's only partially alive, there's a time limit on his reanimated body, and if he doesn't find the people targeting Wormwood, he'll die again, this time for good). . . . . \$16.99
Kelly, Erin Entrada	<b>Lalani of the Distant Sea</b> (Kids; When her mother falls ill, she tells Lalani to leave

believing that no “trafficking” was going on, that the prostitutes were entrepreneurs of legal age living the lifestyle that they wanted and earning a living the way they wanted, bargaining with willing buyers for what they wanted to sell. If “trafficking” was not going on, then no law was being broken as far as the police and the politicians were concerned. And if the police were not going to arrest the prostitute for being on one side of the contract, it wouldn’t be fair to arrest the “John” for being on the other side of the contract. (Besides, police management found it is “embarrassing” to ask female cops to go undercover on “John stings”.) Thus, the police would refuse to respond to any 9-1-1 calls regarding prostitution and would not make any efforts to arrest anybody in any kind of “sting” operations. This new policy was not well received at the meeting. A neighborhood representative said that if somebody called 9-1-1 because prostitution was going on in front of kids and the police refused to respond, there would be all kinds of trouble. She thought that if the police and politicians were going to do something this stupid, they ought to come up with a better justification than what she had just heard.

At the July meeting of the business association, there was a representative of the county attorney’s office. She made it very clear that the county attorney’s office does believe that “trafficking” is going on and is very interested in prosecuting pimps and “Johns”, but views the prostitutes as victims of “trafficking”. But it is hard to prosecute the pimps and “Johns” if the Minneapolis police refuse to arrest them because the politicians ordered them not to arrest them. The representative of the police department said that a lot of discussion has been going on within the police department regarding the new policy, but he felt that he couldn’t tell us any details about those discussions.

We starting using a family-owned printing plant in Shakopee for the newsletter 29 years ago. It has changed hands several times since then and has been owned for several years by Quad, one of the largest printers in the country. In the early years I took photo-ready pages out to the plant, they used cameras to produce plates for the press, and after

Kloos, Marko	the safety of the island to find a legendary tower filled with riches). . . . . \$16.99
Koepp, David	<b>Aftershocks</b> (Palladium Wars # 1: A soldier looking to move on from a decade fighting for the losing side in a war finds himself thrown into a new battle with a mysterious new enemy). . . . . \$14.95
Krenkel, Roy G. et al	<b>Cold Storage</b> (When a highly mutative organism capable of extinction-level destruction escapes cold storage, a bioterror operative and two unwitting security guards must figure out how to quarantine the horror again). . . . . \$27.99
Kroger/Anderson	<b>Roy G. Krenkel: Father of Heroic Fantasy</b> (Art from one of the most renowned fantasy artists of the 20 <sup>th</sup> century). . . . . \$59.99
Le Guin/Naimon	<b>Monster, She Wrote</b> (A guide to women writers who defined the early horror genre) . . . . . \$19.99
Lethem, Jonathan	<b>Conversations on Writing</b> (In a series of interviews with Naimon, Le Guin discusses craft, aesthetics, and philosophy in her fiction, poetry, and nonfiction. The discussions provide ample advice and guidance for writers of every level, but also give Le Guin a chance to sound off on some of her favorite subjects). . . . . \$14.95
Levithan, David	<b>The Feral Detective</b> (Charles Heist is preternaturally good at finding people who don't want to be found, which is why Phoebe Siegler turns to him when a friend's daughter goes missing. As they search California's Inland Empire, navigating enclaves of hippies and vagabonds living off the grid, Phoebe realizes that Heist has a complicated history with these groups - and that they're in grave danger). . . . . \$16.99
Lovecraft/Houellebecq	<b>Someday</b> (YA; For as long as A can remember, life has meant waking up in a different person's body every day, forced to live as that person until the day ended. A always thought no one else had a life like this. But there are others). . . . . \$10.99
Lovegrove, James	<b>H. P. Lovecraft: Against the World, Against Life</b> (Part biographical sketch, part pronouncement on existence and literature, by a best-selling French novelist)\$19.95
Lucier, Makiia	<b>Sherlock Holmes and the Sussex She-Devils</b> (Cthulhu Casebooks #3: Members of the Dagon Club, the secretive inner circle of the Diogenes Club, are being systematically killed. Meanwhile, unrest in Europe is threatening to become all-out war, and London is riddled with German spies whose machinations could have apocalyptic consequences). . . . . \$14.95
Mammy, Michael	<b>Isle of Blood and Stone</b> (YA; Three friends discover strange maps that hold clues to an eighteen year old murder). . . . . \$9.99
Mancusi, Mari	<b>Spaceside</b> (Former war hero Carl Butler is living a life of quiet retirement as security for a tech firm, until an investigation into a cyberattack uncovers a murder). . . . . \$7.99
Marillier, Juliet	<b>The Once and Future Geek</b> (Kids; When King Arthur time travels to the present, it's up to a pair of gamer girls to defeat his sister Morgana and get history back on track) . . . . . \$7.99
McGuire, Seanan	<b>The Harp of Kings</b> (Warrior Bards # 1: A warrior bard and her brother seek a magic harp that can determine the next king). . . . . \$16.00
McGuire, Seanan	<b>Night and Silence</b> (October Daye # 12: Plus bonus novella 'Suffer a Sea-Change'. In the aftermath of Amandine's latest betrayal, Toby's self-made family is on the verge of coming apart. Toby is floundering, and needs a quest. What she doesn't need is to be accused of kidnapping her human daughter Gillian by her ex-boyfriend and his new wife, who seems to be harboring secrets of her own). . . . . \$7.99
Millar, Martin	<b>The Unkindest Tide</b> (October Daye # 13: When the Sea Witch summons all the selkies - including Toby - to a great convocation, Toby will need all her wits to stay alive and learn the Witch's deadly purpose). . . . . \$26.00
Morgenstern, Erin	<b>Supercute Futures</b> (When the company that defines cuteness begins to morph into a ruthless organization, Mox and Mitsy - who founded the company as teens - must take a stand in the battle for ultimate control). . . . . \$15.99
Munroe, Randall	<b>The Starless Sea</b> (A grad student finds a mysterious book that leads him to a magical realm that people are willing to sacrifice anything to protect; Signed copies expected) . . . . . \$28.95
Murgatroyd, Tim	<b>How To</b> (A self-help guide full of impractical advice). . . . . \$28.00
Newman, Kim	<b>Pilgrim Tale</b> (In a world where the genetically modified elite maintains control with murderous drones, Michael Pilgrim fights to save his remote Yorkshire village). . . \$14.95
	<b>The Haunting of Drearcliff Grange School</b> (Drearcliff Grange # 2: The halls of the school are being stalked by the Broken Doll, a dangerous apparition. And, thanks to a new arrangement, they're also about to be invaded by other strange creatures: the boys of Chasemoore Grange Academy). . . . . \$7.99

it was printed I would haul all the copies back to the store, print out the mailing labels in the back room, and a bunch of us would stick mailing labels onto the newsletter, bundle them for the bulk mailing center, and I'd haul a van full of bundles and paperwork to the bulk mailing center. Things have changed a lot since then. For many years I've sent a .pdf file of the newsletter via the internet, and the printer handles printing addresses onto the newsletter, bundling them for the post office, filling out the paperwork for the post office, and hauling everything to the bulk mail center.

A lot of printing plants have had many years of falling sales, as fewer companies print and mail catalogs. Some of the larger printing companies have been buying up smaller printing companies, and then shutting them down while trying to get the remaining customers of the smaller printers to switch their business to the remaining plants of the bigger printers. Although the Shakopee plant has been owned by Quad for many years, I've notice that I was sending my .pdf files to Shakopee for a few years, then I was sending the files for a couple of years to California, and then I was sending the files to Wisconsin for a few years. But the printing continued to be done in Shakopee, the mailing was done through the metro area bulk mail center, and I drove out to Shakopee to pick up the extra copies not sent to the bulk mail center.

A week before this issue went to the printer, I received a call from Quad that they were going to be closing the Shakopee plant in a few weeks, so this will be the last issue printed there. Quad wanted me to shift the newsletter to another of their plants in another state, so that the newsletter would have to go through a different bulk mail center, and they would have to ship the hundreds of pounds of extra copies to me. But the person from Quad also said that there were 3 other printing plants in the metro area that would be capable of handling the job, and they will be sending me information about those other plants so that I can get bids from them to compare to the new bid from Quad for their plant in another state. A couple of decades ago the sales person I had been dealing with in Shakopee was hired away by Gannett, and the printing plant that

Nix, Garth	<b>Goldenhand</b> (Old Kingdom # 4: YA; Lirael now has a new hand, made of gilded steel and Charter Magic. She returns to her childhood home, and receives a message from her long-dead mother, a warning about the Witch with No Face. But who is the Witch, and what is she planning? Lirael must use her new powers to save the Old Kingdom from this great danger)..... \$10.99
Onyebuchi, Tochi	<b>Crown of Thunder</b> (Taj # 2: YA; Taj and Aliya learn to master their new powers, but a dark future lies before them)..... \$9.99
Ortiz, Luis (ed)	<b>The Science Fiction Fanzine Reader: Focal Points 1930-1960</b> (Essays on the origins of science fiction fandom)..... \$30.00
Parisien/Wolfe (ed)	<b>The Mythic Dream</b> (Stories that reclaim the world myths that shaped our collective past, using them to explore our present and future)..... \$16.99
Powers, Tim	<b>Alternate Routes</b> (Something weird is happening to the LA freeways: phantom cars, lanes from nowhere, unmarked offramps. Disgraced Secret Service agent Sebastian Vickery drives for a covert supernatural-evasion car service. But another government agency is using - perhaps causing - the freeway anomalies, and their chief is determined to have Vickery killed because of something he learned years ago)..... \$7.99
Pratchett/Gaiman	<b>Good Omens: The BBC Radio 4 Dramatisation</b> (An angel and a demon team up to stop the apocalypse in this full-cast adaptation)..... \$36.95
Proehl, Bob	<b>The Nobody People</b> (Ordinary people with extraordinary abilities band together against bigotry and fear)..... \$27.00
Rice, Anne	<b>Blood Communion</b> (Vampire Chronicles # 13: Lestat addresses the tribe of vampires, telling the story of the formation of the Blood Communion, and how he became Prince of the vampire world)..... \$16.00
Robinson/Riley/McAllister	<b>Discovery</b> (Star Trek: Designing Starships # 4: A behind the scenes look at the designs of the ships from Star Trek)..... \$29.95
Russo, Richard Paul	<b>Destroying Angel</b> (Carlucci # 1: Reissue; In a futuristic San Francisco, an ex-cop calls on a former colleague to help him track a serial killer)..... \$12.95
Sanderson, Brandon	<b>Oathbringer</b> (Stormlight Archive # 3: The War of Reckoning comes to a sudden close as a far greater threat appears on the field of battle, kindled by the deadly Everstorm. Dalinar and the Alethi forces take refuge in Urithiru, once home to the lost Knights Radiant. He and the newly raised Radiants must explore the city's mysteries to understand and train their powers - and face long-lost truths that could upend everything they think they know)..... \$10.99
Schwab, V.E. (Victoria) et al	<b>The Steel Prince</b> (Shades of Magic GN # 1: A young and arrogant Prince Maresh is sent to a violent port city to cut his military teeth in this lawless landscape)... \$16.99
Schwab, Victoria (V.E)	<b>Tunnel of Bones</b> (City of Ghosts # 2: Kids; When Cass accidentally awakens a frighteningly strong spirit from the Paris catacombs, she must rely on her growing skills as a ghosthunter as well as friends both new and old to save the city from the ghost).\$17.99
Schwab, Victoria (VE)	<b>City of Ghosts</b> (City of Ghosts # 1: Kids; Every since Cass almost died of drowning, she can pull back the Veil and enter the world of spirits. Her best friend is a ghost. On a trip to Scotland, she meets a girl who shares her ability, and realizes how much she still has to learn. And she'll have to learn fast - the city of ghosts is dangerous)..... \$7.99
Scott, Kim	<b>Taboo</b> (A group of Native Noongar Australians visit a taboo site where a massacre took place a century ago, only to find that the sins of the past are not so easily expunge)7.00
St. Clair, Margaret	<b>The Hole in the Moon and Other Tales</b> (17 strange tales by the pioneering sf writer)..... \$14.95
Steinkellner, Emma	<b>The Okay Witch</b> (Kids; Thirteen-year-old Moth Hush loves all things witchy, but it's still a surprise to her when she develops her own powers!)..... \$12.99
Stoddard, Ben	<b>Drowned Secrets</b> (An exiled naiad seeks vengeance on the ones who wronged her)..... \$18.00
Sutherland, Tui T. et al	<b>The Lost Heir graphic novel</b> (Wings of Fire GN # 2: Kids; Adaptation of the novel)..... \$12.99
Swallow, James	<b>The Buried Dagger</b> (Warhammer 40,000: Horus Heresy: The Death Guard are sent ahead as the vanguard in the final battle, but are stricken by a terrible plague in the warp)..... \$18.00
Tolkien, J.R.R.	<b>The Fall of Gondolin</b> (One of the three Great Tales of the Elder Days).... \$16.99
Weber, David	<b>Mission of Honor limited leatherbound edition</b> (Honor Harrington # 12: Reissue; Honor will risk anything to end the Havenite Wars and stop the Solarian League - and she has a plan to do just that. But there are things she doesn't know about: forces in play, hidden enemies in motion, all converging on Manticore to crush the life out of it)

produces USA Today for the metro area was looking for other jobs to keep the presses busy. At that time, a switch would have meant a lower grade of paper, a different trim size of the newsletter, buying and learning new software, but no significant savings, so I stuck with Shakopee. I'll have to compare the different bids, see what kind of changes will be necessary (I don't want to go back to printing the mailing labels in my back room again), and see if it even makes sense to continue the paper newsletter. If we do have a next issue of the paper newsletter, it will probably look a bit different.

### Signed Books

Patrick S. Tomlinson had a signing on July 6 on fairly short notice. We still have lots of signed copies of **The Ark** (\$7.99, generation ship, hard sf/mystery crossover, Children of a Dead Earth #1), **Trident's Forge** (\$7.99, Children of a Dead Earth #2), **Children of the Divide** (\$7.99, Children of a Dead Earth #3), **Gate Crashers** \$18.99, humorous space opera), and **Starship Repo** (\$18.99, humorous space opera).

Lois McMaster Bujold just had a signing for **The Flowers of Vashnoi** (\$25.00, a Vorkosigan Series novella that follows **Captain Vorpatril's Alliance**). We still have some signed copies left, as well as signed copies of everything else that is in print and a few things that are no longer in print.

Larry Correia often signs at Uncle Hugo's, but when **Monster Hunter Guardian** (\$25.00) came out, he had just finished his new house and was moving from his old house to his new house. Although he didn't tour for the new book, he did sign a case of the books for the people who like to get signed copies from Uncle Hugo's. As this goes to the printer, we still have a few signed copies left.

D. J. Butler will be signing **Witchy Kingdom** (\$25.00) and his other books at Uncle Hugo's on Wednesday, September 25, 5-6 pm. He also writes young adult books as Dave Butler, and those will also be available.

Naomi Kritzer will be signing **Catfishing on Catnet** (\$17.99, due mid-November, a near future young adult thriller) and her other books at Uncle Hugo's on Saturday, November 23, 1-2

Westerfeld, Scott	<b>Impostors</b> (Impostors # 1: YA; Frey and Rafi are twin sisters, children of a powerful man with many enemies. Rafi has been raised as the perfect daughter; Frey has been raised to protect Rafi at all costs, to sacrifice herself if she must. When Frey is sent in Rafi's place as collateral in a deal, the deal starts to crumble - and Frey must decide if she can trust a rival's son with the truth and risk becoming her own person). . . . . \$4.99	\$50.00
White, Steve	<b>Her Majesty's American</b> (In an alternate space-faring future where the British Empire never crumbled, American-born Commander Robert Rogers defends his Empire from threats both within and without). . . . . \$7.99	
	<b>EXPECTED MID-SEPTEMBER</b>	
Abercrombie, Joe	<b>Taaqtumi</b> (A collection of Arctic horror stories). . . . . \$16.95	
	<b>On Wings of Blood: An Aeronautica Anthology</b> (Warhammer 40,000: Anthology. Tales of battle for supremacy in the air, featuring death-defying pilots and squadrons of deadly aircraft). . . . . \$16.00	
	<b>A Little Hatred</b> (Age of Madness # 1: Warriors, socialites, and magicians struggle to adapt to a changing world where machines are replacing magic; Signed copies expected) . . . . . \$27.00	
Abnett, Dan	<b>Double Eagle</b> (Warhammer 40,000: Reissue; On Enothis, daemonic forces push into Imperial territory. The ace pilots of the Phantine Twentieth Fighter Corps are the Imperium's only hope for victory). . . . . \$16.00	
Allan, Nina	<b>The Silver Wind</b> (Throughout his life, Martin Newland receives watches and clocks from a mysterious benefactor who travels through time). . . . . \$14.95	
Atwood, Margaret	<b>The Testaments</b> (Gilead #2: The story picks up fifteen years after The Handmaid's Tale, with the testaments of three female narrators from the not-so-distant future dystopia of Gilead). . . . . \$28.95	
Boehme, Jillian	<b>Stormrise</b> (YA; Rain uses dragon magic to disguise herself as a boy in order to join the army and learns that the dragons may hold the key to victory). . . . . \$18.99	
Cameron, Miles	<b>Dark Forge</b> (Masters & Mages #2: Messenger and scout Aranthur must keep his nerve on the battlefield when everything starts to go wrong). . . . . \$17.99	
Campbell/Sanborn Card, Orson Scott	<b>Hail to the Chin</b> (Memoir of B movie king Bruce Campbell). . . . . \$17.99	
Coates, Ta-Nehisi et al	<b>Lost and Found</b> (A boy with the power to return lost objects to their owners is put to the test when his best friend disappears). . . . . \$18.99	
Dao, Julie C.	<b>Captain of Nothing</b> (Captain America #2: Captain America is wanted for murder) . . . . . \$17.99	
Edwards, K.D.	<b>Kingdom of the Blazing Phoenix</b> (Rise of the Empress #2: YA; To reclaim her throne from her ruthless stepmother, Princess Jade embarks on a quest to raise the Dragon Lords and defeat the Serpent God). . . . . \$10.99	
Emezi, Akwaeke	<b>The Hanged Man</b> (Tarot Sequence #2: The last member of a murdered House tries to protect his ward from forced marriage to a monster). . . . . \$17.00	
Gaiman, Neil et al	<b>Pet</b> (YA; All her life, Jam has been told that monsters don't exist anymore, but when a strange creature with horns and claws emerges from one of her mother's paintings, Jam sets out to find the truth). . . . . \$17.99	
Glass, Jenna	<b>The Dream Hunters</b> (Sandman: Reissue; Prose novella with full-color illustrations by Yoshitaki Amano. A shape-changing fox falls in love with a humble young monk, and must save his life when a group of demons plot to kill him). . . . . \$16.99	
Goodkind, Terry	<b>The Women's War</b> (Women's War # 1: In a world where a spell has given women the ability to control their fertility, two women discover powers that might just tear down what is left of patriarchal society). . . . . \$17.00	
Hamill, Shaun	<b>The Girl in the Moon</b> (A girl with the ability to recognize killers becomes the target of a group of international terrorists). . . . . \$15.99	
Harrow, Alix E.	<b>A Cosmology of Monsters</b> (Noah Turner has inherited his family's ability to see monsters, but unlike the rest of his family who live in fear, Noch chooses to let the monsters in). . . . . \$26.95	
Hayes, Tyler	<b>The Ten Thousand Doors of January</b> (A young woman living in a mysterious mansion finds a strange and magical book). . . . . \$27.00	
Henson, Jim et al	<b>The Imaginary Corpse</b> (Tippy the triceratops, once a child's imaginary friend, has been relegated to the underbelly of imagination doing detective work for unwanted ideas - until he confronts a dangerous being who has the power to destroy Ideas). . . . . \$12.99	
	<b>Coronation Volume 3</b> (Labyrinth: YA; While war rages outside the Owl King's castle, Maria must face the King and the cost of protecting her boy from a life of misery). \$24.99	

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Sharon Lee and Steve Miller will not be appearing at Uncle Hugo's for **Accepting the Lance** (\$25.00, Liaden Universe #22, due early December), but they will be signing copies and shipping them to Uncle Hugo's. If you let us know before November 10 that you want your copy personalized, we can handle that.

### Short Recommendations by Don Blyly

**The Affair of the Mysterious Letter** by Alexis Hall (\$16.00) was a lot of fun. The publisher is pushing it as a Sherlock Holmes style fantasy, which it is, but that's not what makes it so much fun. It's the voice of the narrator that I enjoyed.

Captain John Wyndham is very prim and proper from a religious background, but he joined the army and served in a war in another universe. After he was wounded by alien bullets that disappear and reappear through time (so that sometimes he is wounded and other times he is not, until the next time the bullets reappear), he leaves the army and moves to a civilian job in the capital city of Khelathra-Ven. He searches for a place to live, and ends up as a housemate of consulting sorceress Ms. Shaharazad Haas at 221b Martyrs Walk. Ms. Haas has a dark and scandalous reputation, richly deserved. She keeps dragging John into her investigations, which he then narrates, trying (very unsuccessfully) to shield the gentle reader from the more scandalous elements of their adventures. Delightful, and hopefully the first of many adventures.

**Witchy Kingdom** by D. J. Butler (\$25.00, signing at Uncle Hugo's Wednesday, September 25, 5-6 pm) is the third in the series of alternate history fantasies that take place in America in the early 1800s, following **Witchy Eye** (\$7.99) and **Witchy Winter** (\$7.99). Earlier in the series, we learned that a descendant of William Penn is the emperor of most of North America south of the Great Lakes and east of the Mississippi. Sarah Calhoun is an Appalachian girl with a witchy eye and some magical abilities, who does not realize that she is one of the triplets born

Hill, Justin D.	<b>Cadian Honour</b> (Warhammer 40,000: Sent to the capital world of Potence, Lesk and the Cadian 101 <sup>st</sup> soon discover a rot runs through the heart of the seemingly peaceful world)..... \$16.00
Holt, Tom	<b>An Orc on the Wild Side</b> (With support for his reign waning under his policies of free health care and ending war, Dark Lord Mordak turns to some vacationing humans for a distraction). .... \$15.99
Jones, Kelly	<b>Sauerkraut</b> (Kids; When computer geek HD Schenk discovers the spirit of his grandmother in an old pickle jar, he is somehow roped into her plan to make her famous sauerkraut and enter it in the county fair so she can be declared pickle queen)... \$16.99
Jones, Kelly	<b>Are You Ready to Hatch an Unusual Chicken?</b> (Sophie Brown #2: Kids; The arrival of two new magical chickens for her flock and some unusual eggs to be incubated and hatched, plus an impending inspection from the Unusual Poultry Committee, has Sophie feeling stressed. Her older cousin Lupe is coming to stay with her family - but will Lupe like chickens too?)..... \$7.99
Kenyon, Sherrilyn	<b>At Death's Door</b> (Deadman's Cross #3: After dying and being trapped in a voodoo doll, Valynda Moore is offered a chance at a new life if she can defeat the beast she has sworn to keep locked away). .... \$27.99
King, Stephen	<b>The Institute</b> (Luke's parents are murdered and he is kidnapped and taken to the Institute, along with other kids with special powers)..... \$30.00
Kingma/Mackay	<b>Futurism: Cartoons from Tomorrow</b> (A collection of single panel cartoons that predict how technology will shape our future). .... \$14.99
Lee/Rosenfield	<b>A Trick of Light</b> (After being struck by lightning, Cameron now has the ability to manipulate electronics with his mind. He teams up with Nia, a lonely hacker, to right the wrongs of the world)..... \$28.00
Lies, Brian	<b>Bats in the Band</b> ( Kids; The bats flock to a theater filled with joyous noise and cheer) ..... \$7.99
Long, Nathan	<b>Gotrek and Felix: The Fourth Omnibus: Elflayer / Shamanslayer / Zombieslayer</b> (Warhammer Chronicles: Reissue; Reprints 3 novels plus short stories) ..... \$21.00
Lu, Marie	<b>Wildcard</b> (Warcross #2: YA; Betrayed by the man she loves, Emiko and her Phoenix Riders must forge an alliance with a ruthless crew to take down the NeuroLink).. \$10.99
Lyons, Jenn	<b>The Ruin of Kings</b> (Chorus of Dragons #1: Kihirin is a bastard orphan who grew up on tales of long-lost princes and grand quests. When he is claimed as the long-lost son of a treasonous prince, what happens isn't what the stories promised). .... \$17.99
Malerman, Josh	<b>Inspection</b> (A boy and a girl from isolated schools meet in the forest and start to question their schools' purpose)..... \$17.00
McGuire, Seanan et al	<b>The Impossible Year</b> (Spider-Gwen: Ghost-Spider #2: When Gwen starts getting recognized on the street, she has to find a way to deal with the loss of her secret identity and keep her friends and family safe)..... \$17.99
Muir, Tamsyn	<b>Gideon the Ninth</b> (Undead swordswoman Gideon takes a job as a bodyguard to a lesbian necromancer as the price for her freedom)..... \$25.99
North, Ryan	<b>How To Invent Everything: A Survival Guide for the Stranded Time Traveler</b> (What would you do if a time machine hurled you thousands of years into the past, and then broke? How would you survive? Could you improve on humanity's original timeline? And how hard would it be to domesticate a giant wombat? With this book as your guide, you'll survive and thrive in any period in Earth's history). .... \$17.00
O'Regan/Kane (ed)	<b>Wonderland</b> (Stories of fantasy and horror inspired by Alice's Adventures in Wonderland)..... \$14.95
Pearl, Mike	<b>The Day It Finally Happens</b> (Looks at how a variety of planet-changing 'could it really happen?' scenarios might unfold). .... \$27.00
Pinkser, Sarah	<b>A Song for a New Day</b> (In a future where public gatherings are forbidden, a shy recluse gets a job finding illegal concerts and helping to broadcast them in virtual reality. But when she gets her first taste of reality, the virtual may not be enough)..... \$16.00
Pullman, Philip	<b>Daemon Voices: On Stories and Storytelling</b> (Pullman discusses the narratives that have shaped his vision, his experience of writing, the role of story in education, religion, and science, and more). .... \$18.95
Robinson, Kim Stanley	<b>Red Moon</b> (In the near future, humanity has colonized the moon. Fred is making his first trip, to install a comms system for China's Lunar Science Foundation, but is forced into hiding when he witnesses a murder within hours of his arrival. Celebrity travel reporter Ta Shu will also find that the moon can be a perilous place. Chan Qi, daughter of the Minister

to the last rightful empress. The triplets were secretly snuck out of the palace on the night of their birth and placed in adoptive homes in different parts of the empire, shortly before the current emperor locked up their mother (claiming she was insane), and eventually killed her. Now agents of the current emperor are searching for the triplets, and a few people loyal to her mother are trying to protect them. The first book concentrated on Sarah and those trying to catch her and those trying to protect her. The second book concentrated on the other two of the triplets and those chasing them and those protecting them. At the beginning of the third book Sarah is in Cahokia, accepted by the population as the Beloved of the goddess, but not able to access the power of the Serpent Throne. The forces of the Imperium are besieging Cahokia, with the assistance of necromancers, and other Imperium forces are trying to capture the other two of the triplets. The publisher is calling this “The Finale of the Witchy Wars Series”, and by the end of the book Sarah has used the power of the Serpent Throne to break the siege and the other two of the triplets seem to be safe for the moment, but there sure are a lot of bad guys running around and a lot of loose end that are not resolved. I’d be surprised if this is really the final book in the series.

**Chilling Effect** by Valerie Valdes (\$15.99. due mid-September) is a fast-paced oddball space opera and a first novel. I enjoyed it a lot, but had a couple of problems with it.

The foul-mouthed female captain of an interstellar freighter is hired to transport a shipment of psychic kittens to another star system, but the kittens keep escaping from the cargo hold, sometimes messing with the brain implants of her crew members, and sometimes taking over the piloting of the ship. When she and her oddball crew finish wrangling the cats and reach their destination, the deal falls through, she’s broke, stuck with the cats, and forced into increasingly hazardous missions to try to pay the bills. Seems like a great set-up, but from the point the cat deal falls through the cats seem to become ordinary cats who happen to live on the freighter. And when the captain gets upset (which happens very often), she

Rowland, Alexandra	of Finance, is on the moon for reasons of her own. When she attempts to return to China in secret, the events that unfold will change everything on the moon, and on Earth). \$16.99
Rucker, Rudy	<b>A Choir of Lies</b> (After years hiding his power to change the world with stories, Ylfing is discovered and must decide how to use his powers). . . . . \$26.99
Rucker, Rudy	<b>The Secret of Life</b> (Reissue; A hard partying college boy learns that his odd powers that save him in a crisis stem from his being an alien) . . . . . \$14.99
Russo, Richard Paul	<b>The Sex Sphere</b> (Reissue; A physicist is kidnapped by terrorists who force him to help them make an atomic bomb and who are holding a sexy spherical four-dimensional being captive) . . . . . \$14.99
Salvatore, R.A.	<b>Carlucci's Edge</b> (Carlucci #2: Reissue; Detective Frank Carlucci traces a connection between a series of seeming unrelated murders, in the process uncovering a black market run by political officials). . . . . \$12.95
Shelley, Mary	<b>Boundless</b> (Drizzt #2: Brought back centuries after his death, the drow warrior Zaknafein must navigate an unfamiliar world where his only certainty is his duty to his grandson Drizzt; Signed copies expected). . . . . \$27.99
Siddell, Tom	<b>The Last Man</b> (Reissue; An apocalyptic tale of a late 21 <sup>st</sup> century world devastated by plague, originally published in 1826). . . . . \$9.00
Tamaki, Mariko	<b>Synthesis</b> (Gunnerkrigg Court #7: Kids; The adventures of Antimony and her friends continue at their mysterious boarding school). . . . . \$26.99
Trimboli/Zaloga	<b>The Moon Is Up</b> (Lumberjanes Novel #2: Kids; Black & white illustrations. As the camp gears up for the big Galaxy Wars competition, Jo and her friends get some help from an unexpected visitor - a Moon Pirate!). . . . . \$8.99
Valdes, Valerie	<b>The Resurrectionist of Caligo</b> (When a man of science is accused of murder, his only hope is to rely on a blood magic ritual to bind him to a childhood friend, launching them both into a murder investigation). . . . . \$12.99
Wallace, Daniel	<b>Chilling Effect</b> (When her sister is kidnapped by a shadowy syndicate, starship captain Eva Innocente must undergo a series of dangerous missions to pay the ransom). . . \$16.99
Ware/Sills/Hutton	<b>Smuggler's Guide</b> (Star Wars: A must-have handbook to the galaxy's underworld, recovered from a strongbox on the Millennium Falcon). . . . . \$21.95
Westerfeld, Scott	<b>Judge Anderson: Year Two</b> (Stories from female authors about Judge Anderson's second year out of the Academy). . . . . \$11.99
Willett, Edward	<b>Shatter City</b> (Impostors #2: YA; After secretly taking the place of her twin, Frey's journey to find her sister takes her to Paz, a city where emotions are strongly regulated) . . . . . \$18.99
Wolf, Deborah A.	<b>Master of the World</b> (Worldshapers #2: Shawna escapes from her first shaped world into a war-torn steampunk world. There, she must find the Shaper and somehow reconnect with her guide Karl Yatser). . . . . \$17.00
Yellowhorn/Lowinger	<b>The Seared Lands</b> (Dragon's Legacy #3: Aasah and his apprentice Yaela look to greener lands, even if they have to seize them by force). . . . . \$24.99
Zieja, Joe	<b>Turtle Island</b> (YA; A history of indigenous people in the Americas from the Ice Age to contact with the Europeans). . . . . \$14.95
	<b>System Failure</b> (Epic Failure #3: A galactic company that manufactures party supplies and military droids tries to start a war). . . . . \$16.99
	<b>EXPECTED EARLY OCTOBER</b>
	<b>Future Tense Fiction</b> (An anthology of new science fiction short stories from both established and contemporary authors). . . . . \$27.00
	<b>Character Encyclopedia</b> (Star Wars: Kids; A guide to all the various characters in the Star Wars universe). . . . . \$16.99
	<b>Ultimate Star Wars</b> (Star Wars: A comprehensive encyclopedia of the Star Wars universe). . . . . \$40.00
Adams/Machado (ed)	<b>The Best American Science Fiction and Fantasy 2019</b> (A diverse selection of stories exploring the ever-expanding world of SFF today). . . . . \$15.99
Akers, Tim	<b>The Winter Vow</b> (Hallowed War #3: Demonic gheists terrorize the land while age old hatreds rage between north and south. Can Malcolm, Ian, and Gwendolyn end the bloodshed before chaos is unleashed?) . . . . . \$9.99
Arden, Katherine	<b>The Winter of the Witch</b> (Winternight #3: Moscow has been struck by disaster, and its people are searching for answers and someone to blame. Vasya finds herself alone, beset on all sides, with the fate of both worlds resting on her shoulders). . . . . \$17.00
Ashley, Mike (ed)	<b>Doorway to Dilemma</b> (Stories of dark fantasy). . . . . \$15.95
Ayala, Vita et al	<b>24/7 Vibranium</b> (Shuri #2: Kids; Taking up the mantle of Black Panther, Shuri tracks



switches to Spanish (which I don't know) and I was left suspecting that I was not catching many of the funnier lines. In spite of these problems, I can recommend this book for those interested in some fast, light adventure.

**Marque of Caine** by Charles E. Gannon (\$16.00) is the fifth in the Caine Riordan series, after **Fire With Fire** (\$7.99), **Trial by Fire** (\$7.99), **Raising Caine** (not currently available), and **Caine's Mutiny** (\$7.99). The first four books were primarily military action adventure with lots of alien races, but the new novel is very different. The ancient and enigmatic Dornaani race was supposed to have been protecting Terra from the other alien races, but had not been overwhelmingly helpful or successful. Now Caine Riordan goes to visit the Dornaani empire to retrieve his mortally wounded love Elena Corcoran, who is somewhere in their unthinkable advanced medical facilities. But the Dornani have misplaced her body, and while searching for her Caine discovers a great deal about their history, their technology and where it came from, and that their empire is decaying. Of course, there is a cliff-hanging ending.

**A Little Hatred** by Joe Abercrombie (\$27.00, due mid-September, signed copies expected) is the first of a new fantasy trilogy set later in time in the same universe as The First Law trilogy. Abercrombie has a well-deserved reputation for writing grim, gritty fantasies, and I like his writing a lot. **A Little Hatred** continues the grim, gritty tradition, but also includes more humor (much of it grim) than I've encountered before in his books, and I enjoyed this book more than any of his earlier books. And you can enjoy this book even if you haven't read any of the other books.

The Union has problems. The Crown Prince is a wastrel, sure that he is totally disqualified to become king, and goes out of his way to prove that to everybody. The industrial revolution has arrived, driving farmers off of their land and into the dangerous factories, leading to revolutionary groups of varying degrees of radicalness, leading to extreme suppression from the aristocracy and the capitalists. The Northmen are invading again and the Union isn't sure if it can borrow enough or raise taxes

Barker, R.J.	an enemy to America, where she teams up with Miles Morales and Kamala Khan). \$15.99
Barnhill, Kelly	<b>The Bone Ships</b> (Tide Child #1: Long ago, two nations hunted dragons to extinction to build their warships. Then the first dragon in centuries is seen, and both sides see a chance to turn the tide of war in their favor). . . . . \$15.99
Beckett, L.X.	<b>The Girl Who Drank the Moon gift edition</b> (Reissue; Kids; Includes a prequel story, brand new opening illustrations for each chapter, and a color map of The Known World). . . . . \$19.95
Bell, P.G.	<b>Gamechanger</b> (As a public defender in a post-apocalyptic society, Rubi Whiting must figure out why the government is after her firebrand client Luce, and why Luce is hell bent on stopping the recovery of the planet). . . . . \$27.99
Blauvelt, Christian	<b>The Train to Impossible Places</b> (Kids; When an impossible train barrels through her living room, Suzy find herself deputy to the Postmaster and is tasked to carry a package that begs her not to deliver it). . . . . \$7.99
Blauvelt, Christian	<b>Be More Lando</b> (Star Wars: Career advice for budding entrepreneurs from Lando Calrissian).. . . . . \$9.99
Blauvelt, Christian	<b>Be More Leia</b> (Star Wars: A collection of wise words and sage advice from the galaxy's leading rebel). . . . . \$9.99
Boop, David (ed)	<b>How Not to Get Eaten by Ewoks and Other Galactic Survival Skills</b> (Star Wars: YA; A survival guide to the Star Wars universe).. . . . . \$14.99
Brady, Matt	<b>Straight Outta Deadwood</b> (Horror, fantasy, and sf stories set in the Old West) . . . . . \$16.00
Chakraborty, S.A.	<b>The Science of Rick and Morty</b> (The scientific foundations of Rick's experiments from the show). . . . . \$17.00
Chute, Hillary	<b>The Kingdom of Copper</b> (Daevabad #2: Even as Nahri embraces her heritage and the power it holds, she realizes she's been trapped in a gilded cage by a king who rules from the throne that once belonged to her family - and one misstep could doom her tribe. Meanwhile, exiled for defying his father, Ali is forced to rely on the frightening abilities the marid gifted him. And as a new century approaches and the djinn gather in Daevabad for celebrations, a threat brews unseen in the northern borderlands). . . . . \$17.99
Coates, Ta-Nehisi	<b>Why Comics?</b> (An exploration of how comics get their messages across more effectively than other media).. . . . . \$24.99
Correia/Kupari	<b>The Water Dancer</b> (Young Hiram Walker must master his powers with water to free his family from slavery). . . . . \$28.00
Daniel/Ruocchio (ed)	<b>Invisible Wars</b> (Dead Six: Reissue; Reprints 3 novels plus stories). . . . . \$18.00
Davis, Charlotte Nicole	<b>Star Destroyers</b> (Anthology. Stories of big ships blowing things up). . . . . \$7.99
Dawson, Delilah S.	<b>The Good Luck Girls</b> (YA; When Clementine accidentally kills a man, she and the other girls go on a harrowing journey for freedom, the only guide a bedtime story passed from girl to girl). . . . . \$17.99
Dickinson, Seth	<b>The Skywalker Saga</b> (Star Wars: Kids; Retelling of the Star Wars films from the points of view of the Skywalker family). . . . . \$29.99
Drayden, Nicky	<b>The Monster Baru Cormorant</b> (Masquerade #2: Unable to trust anyone, pursued by enemies determined to punish her for her treachery, Baru now seeks the key to starting a war that will either rip apart the Masquerade, or the world itself - and with it, all that remains of her soul). . . . . \$19.99
Escalada, V.M.	<b>Escaping Exodus</b> (As the future clan leader on her space station, Seske Kaleigh feels a responsibility to venture into the forbidden areas to find answers to the questions that haunt her people). . . . . \$16.99
Fawcett, Heather	<b>Gift of Griffins</b> (Faraman Prophecy #2: With Farama still in the hands of the Halian invaders, it's going to take magical as well as military strength to overcome them. They may receive unexpected help if Kerida can free the Halian Princess Imperial from what she sees as a prison).. . . . \$7.99
Feehan, Christine	<b>Ember and the Ice Dragons</b> (Kids; A fire dragon transformed into a human girl is sent to live on a remote research station in Antarctica, where she is determined to protect the rare ice dragons).. . . . \$16.99
Fink, Joseph	<b>Toxic Game</b> (GhostWalkers #15: After being infected with a deadly virus, Dr. Draden Freeman decides to find the ones responsible and go out in a blaze of glory, but when he is saved by a Shylah Cosmos, the two team up to search for a cure).. . . . \$7.99
	<b>Alice Isn't Dead audiobook</b> (Unabridged. Keisha and Alice lived a quiet married life until Alice disappeared months ago. Now Keisha is seeing her wife again - in the background of news reports at every major tragedy and accident in the US - and sets out to

enough to send an army to defend the border. The magi are manipulating things for their own advantage. Lots of interesting characters, interesting situations, and full of grim and gritty.

**Monster Hunter Guardian** by Larry Correia and Sarah A. Hoyt (\$25.00, a few copies available signed by Larry Correia) follows the adventures of Julie Shackelford after her husband Owen Pitt and most of the rest of the Monster Hunter International crew went away in **Monster Hunter Siege** (\$7.99) to fight in a monster-infested nightmare dimension. Months later Julie is still holding down the fort, taking care of their new baby boy Ray, and wondering if her husband and the rest of the crew will be able to escape the dimension they entered. When Brother Death kidnaps Ray and promises to return him in a swap for an ancient magical item that could destroy the Earth and then fails to return him, Julie and her pet shoggoth Mr. Trash Bags go on the war path against necromantic death cults, child-stealing monsters, and her vampire mother. The book was a lot of fun, even with most of the regular characters missing in that other dimension.

**The Grand Dark** by Richard Kadrey (\$26.99) is not connected to any of his other books, and the writing style is different. His Sandman Slim series and Another Coop Heist series are fast-paced, violent, profane, and funny. **The Grand Dark** reads more like a China Mieville novel.

Set in the city of Lower Proszawa after the Great War (where they were on the losing side), a spirit of decadence and hedonism reigns. But robots are taking jobs from an ever increasing number of people, genetic engineering of animals has become an art form, and the secret police are watching everywhere. Kadrey says it is based loosely on Berlin after the end of WW I. The story is interesting, but nowhere near as much fun as his other books.

About nine months ago I recommended **The Ruin of Kings** (\$24.99), a major epic fantasy that is the first of a five book series that is already written, which the publisher will be releasing nine months apart. **The Name of All Things** (\$26.99, coming October

Flanagan, John	search for her. Along the way she stumbles on an otherworldly conflict being waged in the quiet stretches of the highway system)..... \$19.99
Fredsti/Fitzgerald	<b>Return of the Temujai</b> (Brotherband #8: Kids; Hal and his crew brave an icy river to stop the invading Temujai)..... \$18.99
Gaiman, Neil et al	<b>Shatter War</b> (Time Shards #2: In a universe where the past, present, and future are shattered, a band of survivors fights to survive and uncover the identity of a saboteur)..... \$14.95
Giesbrecht, Jennifer	<b>The Dream Hunters</b> (Sandman: Reissue; Full color graphic novel with art by P. Craig Russell. A shape-changing fox falls in love with a humble young monk, and must save his life when a group of demons plot to kill him)..... \$19.99
Golden/Deering (ed)	<b>The Monster of Elendhaven</b> (A thing without a name and a frail young man who can twist minds with magic hatch a plan to unleash horrors on their city). . . . . \$16.99
Goodkind, Terry	<b>Hex Life</b> (Stories of witches from popular female authors).. . . . . \$24.95
Goss, Theodora	<b>Siege of Stone</b> (Nicci Chronicles #3: A vast army of half-stone soldiers from the ancient past have awakened, led by one of history's greatest commanders. Can Nicci, Nathan, and Bannon help Ildakar survive this unbreakable siege?)..... \$9.99
Grahame-Smith, Seth	<b>The Sinister Mystery of the Mesmerizing Girl</b> (Athena Club #3: When their maid Alice is kidnapped - along with their friend Sherlock Holmes - the Athena club uncovers a plot that threatens Queen Victoria and the future of the British Empire)..... \$24.99
Gray, Claudia	<b>How to Survive a Horror Movie</b> (A guide to horror movie dangers and how to survive them). . . . . \$14.99
Hackwith, A.J.	<b>Master &amp; Apprentice</b> (Star Wars: Young Obi-Wan Kenobi is apprenticed to Jedi Master Qui-Gon Jinn). . . . . \$9.99
Hanover, Sara	<b>The Library of the Unwritten</b> (Hell's Library #1: Every book that isn't finished resides in the Library of the Unwritten in Hell, and when a Hero escapes and goes looking for his author, it's up to Head Librarian Claire to bring him back where he belongs)..... \$16.00
Hearn, Lafcadio	<b>The Late Great Wizard</b> (Wayward Mages #1: When a Phoenix wizard's rejuvenation ritual goes horribly wrong, he turns to Tessa Andrews for help regaining his magic. An ancient evil is awakening, and it will take the two of them, plus a few shady friends, to stand against it). . . . . \$7.99
Henson, Jim et al	<b>Japanese Ghost Stories</b> (Reissue; A collection of classic ghost stories from Japan)..... \$16.00
Herbert, Frank	<b>Creation Myths: The Complete Collection</b> (Dark Crystal: Kids; Omnibus reprint of the graphic novels)..... \$39.99
Hill, Joe.	<b>Dune deluxe edition</b> (Dune #1: Reissue; The Atreides have been named stewards of Arrakis, the only planet that can mine the powerful 'spice' melange. When they are brought down by a traitorous plot, Paul Atreides must go undercover to seek revenge, and to bring to fruition humanity's most ancient and unattainable dream)..... \$40.00
Hobb, Robin	<b>Full Throttle</b> (Thirteen tales of supernatural suspense; Signed copies expected) \$27.99
Hodgson, Joel et al	<b>Assassin's Apprentice: The Illustrated Edition</b> (Farseer #1: The bastard son of a nobleman is trained as an assassin and holds the fate of the kingdom in his hands)..... \$35.00
Hodgson, William Hope	<b>Mystery Science Theater 3000 graphic novel</b> (Graphic novel based on the Netflix show)..... \$19.99
Howey, Hugh	<b>The Weird Tales of William Hope Hodgson</b> (Ten stories of horror and suspense). . . . . \$15.95
Idle, Eric	<b>Half Way Home</b> (A group of teenagers, grown in a Vat in a dream-like state supposed to train them for colonization, are awakened early in a fiery explosion and must use all their wits to survive; \$28.00 hc also available).. . . . . \$16.99
Jacka, Benedict	<b>Always Look on the Bright Side of Life</b> (An autobiography by Eric Idle of Monty Python's Flying Circus)..... \$17.00
Jackson, Shirley	<b>Fallen</b> (Alex Verus #10: Alex's old master is waging a war against the Council, and in order to protect those he loves, Alex will have to become something dark). . . . . \$7.99
Jackson, Shirley	<b>The Haunting of Hill House</b> (Reissue; Four ghost hunters get more than they bargained for when they visit a notorious haunted house)..... \$8.99
James, Anna	<b>The Lottery and Other Stories</b> (A collection of hilarious and unsettling stories)..... \$16.00
	<b>The Bookwanderers</b> (Pages & Co. #1: Kids; Tilly Pages discovers that she can follow

29) is the second of the series, and the series continues to be excellent. At the beginning of the book, two days have passed since the major events that occurred at the end of **The Ruin of Kings**. Kihrin meets with some major characters that he had glimpses of during the first book, and in a style similar to what Patrick Rothfuss used for his books, these characters fill in Kihrin about the events that they experienced during the time when Kihrin was having his adventures that were described in **The Ruin of Kings**. Many of these events took place in the land of Jorat, which was added to the Quur empire centuries before, when the population rose up against their god and asked for help from the Quur empire to kill their god. Their god loved horses, so he created intelligent horses, and gave his people mottled skin colors like the horses, and the people have a culture where the primary goal is to “protect the herd” (referring to the human herd as well as the horse herd). After all the story-telling is done, Kihrin and his new friends and an old enemy move the main story forward. Now I have to wait nine more months for the next installment.

A little over a year ago Patrick S. Tomlinson put out a humorous space opera called **Gate Crashers** (\$18.99, signed copies available). A couple of months ago **Starship Repo** (\$18.99, signed copies available), and it is set in the same universe, later in time, but can be read independently. (One character in **Gate Crashers** makes a cameo appearance in **Starship Repo**.)

After the events in **Gate Crashers**, humans are allowed to become part of the culture of many alien races that had previously quarantined Earth. Firstname Lastname (the result of a clerical error by the alien immigration department, which they claim they will eventually fix) is a teenage human runaway who is skilled in various cons, pick pocketing, and auto theft. She is the only human on a huge alien space station, and when some of the aliens realize how talented she is, they force her to join their repo operation, repossessing space ships from those who don't keep up with their bank payments. They take her under their wings (sometime literally), teach her the ropes, and use her flair for crooked operations

Khoury, Raymond	her favorite characters into their books, and sets out to learn what really happened to her mother all those years ago). . . . . \$16.99
Kingfisher, T.	<b>Empire of Lies</b> (In an alternate history where the Ottoman Empire conquered Europe, Parisian police officer Kamal Arslan Agha discovers a mysterious stranger that holds the key to a secret buried in the Empire's past). . . . . \$27.99
Kirkman/Chu	<b>The Twisted Ones</b> (While cleaning out her dead grandmother's house, Mouse stumble across her grandfather's journal that describes nonsensical horrors, which she soon starts encountering herself). . . . . \$16.99
Krueger, Paul	<b>Typhoon</b> (Walking Dead: Survivors of a zombie apocalypse find their loyalties torn as their settlement braces for a futile last stand). . . . . \$28.00
Lackey, Mercedes	<b>Steel Crow Saga</b> (In a world of enchanted steel and magical animal companions, a band of rogues and royals unite to defeat a killer who defies the laws of magic). . . \$27.00
Lackey/Edghill	<b>The Bartered Brides</b> (Elemental Masters #13: The threat of Moriarty is gone, but members of his network are still at large. And the headless bodies of young brides are washing up in major waterways. Is there dangerous magic at work? And can the murderer be brought to justice?). . . . . \$7.99
Lafferty, R.A.	<b>The Waters and the Wild</b> (Bedlam's Bard: Depressed teen Olivia accepts an invitation from swimming star Blake to go to a remote campsite with him and his family. But something sinister stalks the camp). . . . . \$25.00
Langridge, Graham	<b>Past Master</b> (Reissue; A time traveler arrives on a space colony in the future, where the seeming utopia is under threat). . . . . \$14.95
Leckie, Ann	<b>Alien: The Blueprints</b> (A collection of blueprints of major vehicles, ships, and technology from the Alien movie universe). . . . . \$44.95
Levine, Gail Carson	<b>The Raven Tower</b> (For centuries, the kingdom of Iraden has been protected by the god known as the Raven. His will is enacted through the Raven's Lease, a human ruler chosen by the god himself. His magic is sustained via the blood sacrifice that every Lease must offer. And under the Raven's watch, the city flourishes. But the power of the Raven is weakening. A usurper has claimed the throne. The kingdom borders are tested by invaders who have made alliances with other gods. Into this unrest the warrior Eolo - aide to Mawat, the true Lease - arrives, seeking to help Mawat reclaim his city). . . . . \$15.99
Marchitto/Hall/Nouraei	<b>Ogre Enchanted</b> (Kids; Evie is happiest when she is healing people, with the help of her devoted friend Wormy. When he proposes to her, she turns him down - she has far too much to do, and she isn't in love with him. But a fairy doesn't approve of Evie's choice, and turns her into an ogre. Now Evie has sixty-two days to accept another proposal, or be stuck as an ogre forever). . . . . \$6.99
Martin, George R.R. et al	<b>Three Stories about Ghosts</b> (Three stories about ghosts). . . . . \$11.99
McCarthy, Wil	<b>A Clash of Kings Volume 2 graphic novel</b> (Full color. Second of four volumes adapting the novel). . . . . \$28.00
McGuire, Seanan	<b>Antediluvian</b> (Using new brain hacking technology to delve into ancestral memories, two people discover that the Stone Age was actually a time of great sophistication preserved in the ancient legends of today). . . . . \$25.00
McKinney, L.L.	<b>Rosemary and Rue</b> (October Daye #1 hc reprint). . . . . \$26.00
Mihalik, Jessie	<b>A Blade So Black</b> (YA; Black teen Alice comes from a long line of warriors who battle Nightmares in the terrifying Wonderland. When her trainer Hatta is afflicted with madness, Alice sets out on a dangerous journey deeper into Wonderland than she's ever gone before) . . . . . \$10.99
Moon, Elizabeth	<b>Aurora Blazing</b> (Consortium Rebellion #2: When her brother disappears after an attack on their House, Bianca leaves Earth to find him. Ian, the head of security and her first love, is ordered to find and retrieve her). . . . . \$16.99
Moreno-Garcia, Silvia (ed)	<b>Moon Flights</b> (Reissue; 15 fantasy, sf, and alternate history stories (1 original to this volume)). . . . . \$14.99
Moriarty, Jaclyn	<b>Nebula Awards Showcase 2019</b> (Stories from Nebula winners and finalists) . . . . . \$19.99
Murakami, Haruki	<b>The Extremely Inconvenient Adventure of Bronte Mettlestone</b> (Kids; Bronte's absentee parents have died while off adventuring, leaving behind detailed instructions for her, reinforced with faery cross-stitch that will bring terrible consequences if she doesn't fulfill them. Now she must leave her Aunt Isabelle behind, and travel alone through the kingdoms to deliver gifts to ten other aunts). . . . . \$7.99
	<b>Killing Commendatore</b> (A loving homage to The Great Gatsby, as well as a tour de force about loneliness, war, and art). . . . . \$17.00

to out-perform the other repo outfits. You could pick a lot of holes in the logic of the story, but the novel is a lot of fun. The final repo of the book involves a huge, glitzy casino owned by the alien Fonald Plump, who doesn't believe in paying back his bank loans.

## Who Dunnit—Short Mystery Reviews by Mary McKinley

Back in the days when I was younger and fitter, I belonged to a Scottish Living History group and absorbed my historical knowledge by reading and portraying an herbwife. This was much more fun than sitting in a classroom being lectured at and fed names and dates with no real context. Sitting on out non-fiction shelves, we have the resources to make history interesting, and to meet the people that lived then. Starting with the reprinted trilogy by Frances and Joseph Gies, we have **Life in a Medieval City** (TPB \$15.99), **Life in a Medieval Castle** (TPB \$15.99), and **Life in a Medieval Village** (TPB\$16.99). These books take us into the lives of the various people in the different classes, including what they ate, wore, did, and died from. These books are heavily researched and scholarly, but very readable. Covering much of the same information but in a distinctly different style written slightly more humorously, is **The Time Traveler's Guide to Medieval England** (TPB \$16.99) by Ian Mortimer. He uses the extensive daily chronicles, letters, household accounts, and poems of the day to introduce us to living in the 15th century, and how to get by from simple greetings to how much it costs to stay at an inn. The last one is **Medieval Women: Village Life in the Middle Ages** (TPB \$14.95) by Ann Baer, which follows the day to day life of Marion, a carpenter's wife, and her relationships, on a month by month basis. Jumping ahead in time, we have **The Time Traveler's Guide to Elizabethan England** (TPB \$18.00) by Ian Mortimer. This does for the Elizabethan Era what his Medieval England does for that time period. There are improvements in society, and it might be slightly easier for one of us to slip into that society, but it's still a rough, highly structured and class society.

Newitz, Annalee	<b>The Future of Another Timeline</b> (A woman who helps cover up a murder in 1992 meets a time traveler from 2022 as a war breaks out across timelines)..... \$26.99
Nix, Garth	<b>Angel Mage</b> (YA; After waking from an enchanted slumber, Liliath recruits four companions to help her on her quest to reunite with her angelic lover)..... \$19.99
North, Ryan et al	<b>Call Your Squirrelfriends</b> (Unbeatable Squirrel Girl #11: Kids; Squirrel Girl is recruited by her good pal Loki for a secret mission in a battle across space and time)..... \$15.99
Pearlman, Robb	<b>Rick and Morty Book of Gadgets and Inventions</b> (The science behind the gadgets on the show Rick and Morty)..... \$20.00
Penelope, L.	<b>Whispers of Shadow &amp; Flame</b> (Earthsinger #2: Born with a deadly magic she can't control, Kyara is forced to become an assassin. But when she meets a rebel leader called the Shadowfox, the two must work together to stop a war)..... \$17.99
Pullman, Philip	<b>The Secret Commonwealth</b> (Book of Dust #2: YA; When Lyra, now a student at Oxford, is witness to a murdered man's last words, she learns of a city haunted by daemons and a desert said to hold the secret of Dust)..... \$22.99
Riordan, Rick	<b>The Burning Maze</b> (Trials of Apollo #3: Kids; An evil triumvirate of Roman emperors is planning to attack Camp Jupiter. While Leo flies ahead on Festus to warn the camp, Lester and Meg must go through the Labyrinth to find the third emperor - and an Oracle who speaks in word puzzles - somewhere in the southwestern US)..... \$9.99
Riordan, Rick	<b>The Tyrant's Tomb</b> (Kids; Apollo goes to Camp Jupiter to help the Roman demigods face off against the evil Triumvirate of Roman emperors; \$19.99 signed hardcovers also expected)..... \$12.00
Rivera, K. Arsenault	<b>The Warrior Moon</b> (Their Bright Ascendancy #3: The Divine Empress and her consort face the final battle to free the land from the Traitor King)..... \$19.99
Roberts, Nora	<b>Year One</b> (Chronicles of the One #1: The sickness came on suddenly and spread quickly; law and government collapsed. And as science and tech receded, magic rose in its place. Some good. And some unimaginably evil)..... \$8.99
Rowell, Rainbow	<b>Wayward Son</b> (Simon Snow #2: YA; After saving the world, the Chosen One and his friends go on a road trip to find their happily ever after)..... \$19.99
Sanderson, Brandon	<b>Mistborn</b> (Mistborn #1: Reissue)..... \$8.99
Scalzi, John	<b>The Consuming Fire</b> (Interdependency #2: The Flow is disappearing, and the Interdependency is on the verge of collapse. Emperor Grayland II is ready to take desperate measures to ensure humanity's survival. But some regard the collapse of the Flow as a myth, or an opportunity to seize power. While Grayland works to stave off disaster, others are preparing for civil war)..... \$9.99
Scott, Cavan	<b>Dooku: Jedi Lost</b> (Star Wars: The origin story of Count Dooku)..... \$25.00
Shaw, Vivian	<b>Grave Importance</b> (Greta Helsing #3: Dr. Greta Helsing, doctor to the undead, must solve a dangerous medical mystery at a secret French spa for mummies)..... \$15.99
Singh, Nalini	<b>Archangel's War</b> (Guild Hunter #12: An unnatural fog weaves through the land, leaving only a bone-chilling silence in its wake)..... \$7.99
Stirling, S.M.	<b>The Sky-Blue Wolves</b> (Change #15: With her ally Reiko, Orlaith must take up her sword to stop the spread of the mad malignancy behind the Yellow Raja, who has imprisoned her brother John. And from the emerging superpower of Mongolia, the Sky-Blue Wolves of the High Steppe ride once more beneath the banner of Genghis Khan)... \$9.99
Stoker/Barker	<b>Dracul</b> (A prequel to Dracula, inspired by notes and texts left behind by Bram Stoker. In 1868, young Bram Stoker waits in a desolate tower to face an indescribable evil, armed only with crucifixes, holy water, and a rifle. Desperate to record what he has witnessed, he scribbles down the events that led him there)..... \$17.00
Sugar, Rebecca et al	<b>Harmony</b> (Steven Universe: Kids; When an ancient Diamond artifact is accidentally activated, Steven and his friends must work together to deactivate the Harmony Core before it destroys Earth)..... \$14.99
Tamaki, Mariko	<b>Ghost Cabin</b> (Kids; Mal and Molly find an extra cabin at camp that turns out to be full of ghosts)..... \$14.99
Tuck, James R.	<b>Venom: Lethal Protector</b> (After being targeted by the police and mercenaries, Eddie/Venom teams up with Spider-Man to take down an organization seeking to create a more vicious version of Venom)..... \$9.99
van Eekhout Greg	<b>Cog</b> (Kids; After an accident, a robot wakes up in an unfamiliar lab with his favorite scientist nowhere to be found, so he recruits other robots to help him find her; Signed copies expected)..... \$16.99
Walker-Meikle, Kathleen	<b>Cats in Medieval Manuscripts</b> (Illustrations and anecdotes about cats from

**Elizabethan Society** (TPB \$17.99) by Derek Wilson looks at the “society” of the times rather than the individual lives. He breaks it down to job duties such as lawyers, doctors, etc. and how and what they did. **The Hidden Lives of Tudor Women** (TPB \$16.95) by Elizabeth Norton not only gives us snippets of specific women, but also of the various classes of the time period. Since most history is written by and about men, it’s always interesting to hear the woman’s side. There’s always the basics that childbirth was the #1 killer of women, but did you know that throughout the ages about 20% of children died within their first year? And rounding out some little known history, we have Tony Robinson’s **The Worst Jobs in History** (TPB \$15.95). This is broken into the worst jobs by era - for instance, in Roman times, we have the Puke Collector. Moving along, (rapidly,) we have the Leech Collectors, which was seasonal work, and a fuller. Jumping ahead to Victorian times, there’s the Stone Pickers and Stone Breakers. According to Robinson, the worst job of all based on danger and boredom is the Tanner. It’s physically demanding, uses noxious items like dog dung and urine (and sharp blades), and is boring. Given my choices, I’m happy to live now with vaccines, antibiotics, good sewage systems, and clean running water. Oh yeah - effective anesthesia! These are great resources for those of us who like a personal touch to our learning, researching characters for various roles, or just to impress and/or disgust your friends and relatives.

The latest Nicolas Meyer Sherlock Holmes book **The Adventure of the Peculiar Protocols** (HC \$25.99) was a pleasant surprise. Meyer stays true to the voice and the canon of Doyle, with all the characters we know and love. In this story, Sherlock and Holmes are asked by Mycroft to find the source of papers found on a murdered employee of Mycroft’s. This investigation takes them to France and then into Russia. This is a nice addition to any Holmes fan’s library.

Other books by Meyer are: **The Seven-Per-Cent Solution** (1975 Gold Dagger Award), **The West End Horror**, and **The Canary Trainer**. The story starts with Meyer stating that he was given the opportunity to read a newly

	medieval times). . . . .	\$14.95
Ward, J.R.	<b>The Savior</b> (Black Dagger Brotherhood: A vampire seeking redemption teams up with a scientist investigating her dead fiance's cruel experiments when a new foe emerges in the war against the vampires). . . . .	\$8.99
Weber, David	<b>Uncompromising Honor</b> (Honor Harrington # 14: When the Mandarins decide the Star Kingdom of Manticore should be annihilated, it draws the wrath of Honor Harrington) . . . . .	\$9.99
Werner, C.L.	<b>Brunner the Bounty Hunter: Blood Money/Blood &amp; Steel/ Blood of the Dragon</b> (Warhammer Chronicles: Reissue; Reprints 3 novels plus a story). \$18.00	
Whedon/Monroe-Cassel	<b>The Big Damn Cookbook</b> (Firefly: Recipes inspired by the show Firefly).. \$34.95	
Whiteley, Aliya	<b>The Beauty</b> (Reissue; In the Valley of Rocks, men and boys gather to hear their history recounted, especially the tale of the death of all women. Then Nate brings news back from the woods: peculiar mushrooms are growing from the ground where the women's bodies are buried - they are the first sign of an insidious presence). . . . .	\$7.99
Wilkins, Kim	<b>Sisters of the Fire</b> (Daughters of the Storm # 2: Four years ago, the five sisters worked together to restore their father to the throne, but fractured the bonds uniting them. Blue dutifully serves as heir. Rowan hides in exile with her aunt. Ash is learning magic and hunting dragons. Ivy rules a prosperous seaport. And Willow hides a dangerous secret - one that could destroy all that the sisters once saved). . . . .	\$17.00
Winterson, Jeanette	<b>Frankisstein</b> (Disparate lives on the cutting edge of cryogenics and AI weave together in a love story about life itself).. . . . .	\$27.00
Yong, Jin	<b>A Hero Born</b> (Condor Heroes # 1: A former soldier of Genghis Khan must make his way back to China to fulfill his destiny).. . . . .	\$27.99
	<b>EXPECTED MID-OCTOBER</b>	
	<b>Classic Science Fiction</b> (Nine tales by early masters). . . . .	\$14.99
	<b>An Illustrated Treasury of Swedish Folk and Fairy Tales</b> (Reissue; Kids; Twenty-nine classic tales, illustrated by John Bauer). . . . .	\$24.95
	<b>Lords and Tyrants</b> (Warhammer 40,000). . . . .	\$16.00
Atwood, Margaret	<b>The Handmaid's Tale deluxe edition</b> (Gilead # 1: Reissue; With leatherette cover, gilt edging, and ribbon marker).. . . . .	\$25.00
Bacchilega/Brown (ed)	<b>The Penguin Book of Mermaids</b> (A collection of classic stories about mermaids) . . . . .	\$17.00
Bardugo, Leigh	<b>Ninth House</b> (A high school dropout is offered a full ride scholarship to a prestigious university, but the catch involves forbidden magic that raises the dead). . . . .	\$27.99
Barlow L.C.	<b>Pivot</b> (Trained as an assassin by a mysterious cult leader, Jack uses her talents to pursue a magical creature living in the cult leader's mansion).. . . . .	\$17.00
Benford, Gregory	<b>Rewrite: Loops in the Timescape</b> (After a car accident lands forty-year-old Charlie in the body of his teenage self, he discovers a society of time loopers who change the world to suit their own agendas). . . . .	\$16.99
Bond, Gwenda	<b>Suspicious Minds</b> (Stranger Things: Prequel to the hit Netflix series, teasing fans with details about Eleven's mother and her time as a test subject in the MKUltra program) . . . . .	\$17.00
Boroson, M.H.	<b>The Girl with No Face</b> (Daoshi # 2: When a girl suffocates to death from flowers growing out of her mouth, Li-lin suspects dark magic and sets out to find the killer) . . . . .	\$24.99
Cadigan, Pat	<b>Gemini Man</b> (An assassin becomes the target of a cloned younger version of himself) . . . . .	\$8.99
Dawson/Hearne	<b>The Princess Beard</b> (Tales of Pell # 3: A princess awakens after a years long magical sleep to find no prince charming, and so she joins a band of pirates).. . . . .	\$27.00
Duncan, Dave	<b>Merlin Redux</b> (Enchanter General # 3: The new King Richard does not believe in magic, and Durwin must prove himself in the crusades to show that a magician can be a valuable aide). . . . .	\$15.99
Eason, K.	<b>How Rory Thorne Destroyed the Multiverse</b> (When Princess Rory Thorne is sent to her betrothed's planet, she uncovers a plot by the Regent to steal the throne and must use her thirteen fairy blessings to defeat him).. . . . .	\$26.00
Emmett, S.C.	<b>The Throne of the Five Winds</b> (Hostage of Empire # 1: The princess of a conquered land and her lady-in-waiting find themselves pawns in deadly schemes laid by the Emperor's sons). . . . .	\$15.99
Faruqi, Sonia	<b>The Oyster Thief</b> (A mermaid goes on a quest for the magical elixir that will save her brother, accompanied by a human transformed into a merman). . . . .	\$15.95

discovered diary which is said to be written by Watson - and moves on from there. Mycroft summons Holmes to the Diogenes Club, and hands him an assignment - to find out if the papers carried by a murdered agent about the Zionist plot to take over the world is fact or fiction. Meyer stays true-to-form as he writes, while still trying to do his best to wrap up inconsistencies such as how many times was Watson married? And to whom? Being a longstanding Holmes fan, I enjoyed this book - one of the rare "failed" Holmes solutions. Read it and see!

Novelized true crime - See **What I Have Done** (TPB \$16.00) by Sarah Schmidt, was a 2018 Ned Kelly Award finalist. This is another take on the Lizzie Borden murders, told in four voices - Lizzie, sister Emma, maid Bridget, and the stranger, Benjamin. Lizzie's voice is that of a 5-year-old - disjointed, fantasy based, and not what I would expect from a grown woman who (probably) was clever enough to escape a murder conviction. Emma seemed the most realistic - responded as a 40 year-old woman to horrific circumstances. Bridget is clearly unhappy working for the Bordens, wanting nothing more than to go back to Ireland and leave the household violence she is a witness to and has inflicted on her. There's the presence of John - Lizzie and Emma's uncle - who brings Benjamin - abused and abandoned as a young man, and now willing to do "jobs" for money. The author relies heavily on evoking scent - heavy, cloying odors - to help set the scene, and everyone's tongue swirls in their mouths - to the point of distraction. The ending, like most of the mystery, is ambiguous. I'm not sure if I liked this book - it's a first novel and could use some polishing - get rid of the swirling tongues already! I didn't understand if the author wanted to retell the story or create a new one - why the presence of John and Benjamin? If you're a hard-core Lizzie fan, it's an interesting take, but otherwise it doesn't add anything new to her story.

Sometimes, picking up a book in the middle of a series is difficult as you are lost in the established characters, sometimes it's easy because there's enough background to get you up to speed. **Heart of Barkness** (HC \$25.99)

Fehervari, Peter	<b>Requiem Infernal</b> (Warhammer 40,000: The solitude of the Adepta Sororitas is broken as malign forces gather)..... \$16.00
Foer/Thuras/Morton	<b>Atlas Obscura 2nd Edition</b> (An illustrated guide to some of the strangest places on Earth)..... \$37.50
French, Jonathan	<b>The True Bastards</b> (Lot Lands #2: Fetching, the only female leader in the half-orc mercenary bands, must contend with famine, desertion, and the scorn of other chieftains as an old enemy finds a way to strike at her from beyond the grave)..... \$27.00
Gaiman, Neil et al	<b>Overture</b> (Sandman Prequel: Reissue; Full color graphic novel. The Sandman's origin story, from the birth of a galaxy to the moment that Morpheus is captured)..... \$19.99
Goldstein, Lisa	<b>Ivory Apples</b> (Ivy's reclusive great-aunt is the author of a classic fantasy novel, and Ivy must protect her and her magic from invasive fans)..... \$15.95
Goodkind, Terry	<b>Wasteland</b> (Children of D'Hara #3: The further adventures of Richard and Kahlan's children)..... \$13.95
Gradt, Katja	<b>Unicorn Crochet</b> (Fifty crochet patterns of and for unicorns, ranging from simple to challenging). .... \$16.99
Grant/Marshall	<b>The Quanderhorn Xperimentations</b> (England, 1952: A time of peace, regeneration, and hope. Unfortunately, it's been 1952 for the last 65 years. Assisted by his ragtag crew, maverick scientific genius Professor Quanderhorn is determined to save the world. Even if he has to destroy it in the process)..... \$15.99
Grover, Eulalie Osgood	<b>Ye Olde Cat Memes</b> (A humorous book of pre-internet cat memes)..... \$15.99
Haley, Guy	<b>The Lost and Damned</b> (Warhammer 40,000: Horus Heresy: Siege of Terra: Throneworld faces a losing battle as Horus launches his assault)..... \$30.00
Hand, Elizabeth	<b>Curious Toys</b> (A plucky teenage girl witnesses a crime at a carnival in 1915 Chicago and teams up with an eccentric artist to catch the killer)..... \$27.00
Heilig, Heidi	<b>A Kingdom for a Stage</b> (Shadow Players #2: YA; Jetta fears using her power will make her too much like Le Trepas. With Le Trepas at large and a clash between the army and the rebels becoming inevitable, Jetta will have to decide if saving her country is worth sacrificing her soul). .... \$17.99
Herriman, George	<b>Krazy and Ignatz 1916-1918</b> (Herriman Library: Includes all the full-size Sunday pages)..... \$35.00
Hinz/Ilfeld	<b>Duchamp Versus Einstein</b> (An alien time traveler trapped in the 20th century plots her escape by changing humanity's fate, but her plans are interrupted when she realizes she is pregnant). .... \$6.99
Howard, Kat	<b>A Cathedral of Myth and Bone</b> (Darkly fantastic tales, including two original to this collection). .... \$15.99
Jordan, Robert	<b>Warrior of the Altai</b> (A visitor from another world has knowledge that can save the drought-ridden Altai people - or destroy them)..... \$27.99
Kasturi/Wolf (ed)	<b>War on Christmas</b> (A collection of Christmas stories for people who don't like Christmas). .... \$17.99
Kemble, Gary	<b>Dark Ink</b> (While investigating a case of political corruption, journalist Harry Hendrick discovers a dark power behind it all working from a luxurious suburban lair).... \$14.95
King, Bob	<b>Urban Legends from Space</b> (Tackles the biggest myths about space, space travel, and celestial bodies)..... \$16.99
Kunskan, Derek	<b>The Quantum Garden</b> (Quantum Evolution #2: Belisarius is forced to make a deal with the boss he just double-crossed in order to travel back in time and save his people from destruction). .... \$11.99
Liu, Cixin	<b>Supernova Era</b> (Within a year, everyone over the age of thirteen will die. Children are being trained to run the world once their parents are dead, but some kids have their own ideas about how the world should be run). .... \$27.99
Mack, David	<b>Collateral Damage</b> (Star Trek: While Captain Picard returns to Earth to stand trial for a crime in his past, acting captain Worf chases pirates that have stolen technology from a fragile Federation colony). .... \$16.00
MacNiven, Robbie	<b>Scourge of Fate</b> (Warhammer: Age of Sigmar)..... \$16.00
Marciuliano, Francesco	<b>All Cats Are Introverts</b> (Poems from the insightful, often alert, probably napping as we speak introverts of the animal kingdom). .... \$12.99
Mbalia, Kwame	<b>Tristan Strong Punches a Hole in the Sky</b> (Kids; A boy reeling from the death of his best friend accidentally opens a portal to a different world that's populated with legends from African American history and West African mythology; Signed copies expected) ..... \$17.99
Moore, Alan et al	<b>The Tempest</b> (League of Extraordinary Gentleman #4: Stories of a superhero

by Spencer Quinn is one of the latter. It picks up the tale of Bernie, newly released from the hospital, and his dog Chet, who is the voice of the books. Previous books are: **Dog on It, Thereby Hangs a Tail, To Fetch a Thief** (Finalist 2011 Watson Award), **The Dog Who Knew Too Much, A Fistful of Collars, The Sound and the Furry, Paw and Order, Scents and Sensibility**. It's fun initially to read from a dog's viewpoint - why it's important to sniff things, how to tell a "perp" from a former perp from a good person, and most importantly, how to bite a pant leg and not let go. This time, the pair go to hear Lotty Pilgrim, an old country singer, and of course, someone is killed. Lotty confesses to the crime but is (probably) innocent, there's a cold case that may or may not include disputed song royalties, and a mysterious father. There were enough twists and tangles that I should go back and read the earlier books.

I love to cook. I love to eat (which is obvious if you've met me!) and I love cozies with recipes. **Cooked to Death Volume IV Cold Cut Files** (\$17.95) edited by Rhonda Gilliland is a fun read. This one's stories are all about meat and sides - ham, roast beef, and more! As always, there's a short excerpt from the original book the recipe appeared in, and then the recipe. Some of this volume's recipes are for Corn Puddin', Rhubarb Pie, Pistachio Encrusted Salmon, and Sancocho from South America with other sweets and savories. Others in the series are **Cooked to Death Volume I Tales of Crime and Cookery** (\$16.95) with Meringue Pie, Lemon Curd, Peanut Butter Cookie Strawberry Fool; **Cooked to Death: Lying on a Plate Vol. II** (\$17.95) including Chicken Wild Rice Soup, Lobster Macaroni Salad, Mounds Bars, Shrimp and Artichokes in Wine, oh my! Lastly is **Cooked to Death for the Holidays Volume III** (\$17.95) with such classics as Candy Cane Drops, South African Curried Ground Lamb Casserole, and Puerto Rican Eggnog. OK. I think it's lunch time for me now! As a bonus, most of the writers and ingredients are local and locally sourced.

We've been cataloging a lot of old Hardy Boys, Nancy Drew, Trixie Belden, and many others of the 40s-60s

Murphy, Lois	ensemble)..... \$29.99
O'Callaghan, Billy	<b>Soon</b> (After the mist sets in, the inhabitants of Nebulah quickly learn not to go outside after dark. But the mist can be beguiling, and when only six remain, they receive a dire warning that they will be dead by solstice unless they leave)..... \$14.95
Oates, Joyce Carol	<b>The Dead House</b> (Celebrating the end of a bad relationship, Maggie buys an old house and invites some friends over for a party. One of them brings a Ouija board, and things take a dark turn). .... \$16.99
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Pavlou, Stel	<b>Deathwatch: Shadowbreaker</b> (Warhammer 40,000: Codicier Karras must lead Talon Squad in the hunt for a missing inquisitor)..... \$16.00
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Peterfreund, Diana	<b>Suicide Woods</b> (A collection stories about the strange, eerie things that happen in the woods). .... \$16.00
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Prachett, Terry et al	<b>The Remnants</b> (Two friends break out of a chain gang in a post-apocalyptic world ruled by grotesque Odds). .... \$17.00
Pratt, Tim	<b>Death (and Friends) Discworld Journal</b> (Discworld: A journal inspired by Terry Pratchett's Death)..... \$22.99
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Riggs, Ransom	<b>The Unofficial Guide to Game of Thrones</b> (A detailed look at how the show was made)..... \$19.99
Roberts, Adam	<b>A Map of Days</b> (Miss Peregrine #4: Jacob is back in Florida, his peculiar friends with him, doing their best to blend in. Then they discover that Jacob's grandfather Abe had a bunker. As clues to Abe's life as a peculiar operative emerge, Jacob begins to learn about the dangerous legacy he has inherited)..... \$14.99
Robinson/Riley/Hugo	<b>By the Pricking of Her Thumb</b> (One of the world's four richest people may be dead - but nobody is sure which one. PI Alma is hired to discover the truth behind the increasingly bizarre behavior of the ultra-rich). .... \$15.99
Rotten Tomatoes	<b>The U.S.S. Enterprise NCC-1701 &amp; 1701-A Illustrated Handbook</b> (Star Trek: A detailed look at the USS Enterprise)..... \$29.95
Roux, Madeline	<b>Rotten Movies We Love</b> (Movie critics highlight terrible but lovable movies)..... \$23.99
Sanderson, Brandon	<b>Salvaged</b> (Rosalynd Devar is on the run from her family, her bioengineering job, and her messed-up life. After too many mistakes on the job, she's given one last chance: take care of salvaging a research vessel that has gone dark, with all crew aboard thought dead)..... \$16.00
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Sharma, Priya	<b>Night of Knives</b> (Shades of Magic GN #2: After facing down the Pirate Queen, Prince Maxim Maresh takes on the night of Knives to win the respect of the violent port town)..... \$16.99
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era kids detective series. They start at \$4.00 and go up, and are fun to read as an adult for the nostalgia, and a fun introduction for kids as well as a glimpse into how life was 50 or so years ago. Quality ranges from like new to pages intact but barely. Check them out!

Also in kids books we have a lot of new writers and stories - my current favorite is **Turn Left at the Cow** (TPB \$7.99) by Lisa Bullard. For anyone who lives or travels in any rural outstate area, we all know that directions are given by landmark, hence the title. Thirteen-year-old Travis runs away from his mom and new step-dad in California to try and find out what happened to his dad who is missing (after a bank heist) and presumed dead. He meets the next door kids, and there's a bit of romance - hand-holding - and the search is on for the money, information about Travis' dad, and why his grandmother has so much dead meat in her freezer. And a human head. This is also partly a coming-of-age book, as Travis learns more about his past and how he fits into the world. The ending was a complete surprise to me - which is always fun! I recommend it for 5th graders up.

Also in the Juvenile section - Encyclopedia Brown! These slim books are new and updated stories of the ones I devoured as a kid - he and Nancy Drew instilled my sense of finding the solution before it was revealed. In my later years, that background helped me with research papers in school, taught me how to write coherently, and overall made me take a deeper look at what I was told, all traits I still find valuable. If you have a kid in your life that enjoys stimulation of the non-electrical kind, get them hooked on books!

As I look at the Cozies I've decided my next job should be writing the titles for these books. I enjoy the cozies - bathtub books - when I want something light that I can easily pick up and put down, read a few pages before I fall asleep, or while waiting. Some of my old favorites are Aunt Dimity by Nancy Atherton (my sister got me hooked on her by reading to me when I was sick), the Bird series by Donna Andrews, and most recently the Juliet Blackwell Witchcraft series. I admit the cover caught me on this - she's dressed

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Sugar, Rebecca et al	<b>The Tale of Steven</b> (Kids; An interactive picture book telling the story of Pink Diamond and Rose Quartz)..... \$14.99
Sutherland, Tui T. et al	<b>The Hidden Kingdom graphic novel</b> (Wings of Fire GN #3: Kids; Adaptation of the novel)..... \$12.99
Thompson, Tade	<b>The Rosewater Redemption</b> (Wormwood #3: In a newly independent Rosewater, it is up to a small group of hackers and criminals to prevent the extra-terrestrial advance)..... \$16.99
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Annandale, David	<b>The House of Night and Chain</b> (Warhammer Horror: Colonel Maeson Strock seeks a doomed fresh start behind the walls of his haunted ancestral mansion). .... \$16.00
Anthony, Piers	<b>Fire Sail</b> (Xanth: Exceptionally honest Lydell and his world-weary- grandmother go on a quest to deliver a fireboat to its new owners). .... \$16.99
Arnopp, Jason	<b>Ghoster</b> (When her boyfriend disappears, leaving behind nothing but his mobile phone, Kate hacks into his phone and starts receiving strange, threatening messages)... \$15.99
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Belcher, R.S.	<b>The Queen of Swords</b> (Golgotha #3: 1870: Maude Stapleton leaves Golgotha in search of her kidnapped daughter, and finds herself caught in the middle of a secret war between the Daughters of Lilith and their ancient enemies the Sons of Typhon)... \$9.99
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Burgis, Stephanie	<b>The Girl with the Dragon Heart</b> (Dragon Heart #2: Kids; When the Crown princess asks Silke to spy on the visitors from Elfenwald, Silke discovers that their true intentions could lead to the destruction of the city)..... \$7.99
Burke, Sue	<b>Interference</b> (Semiosis #2: A team of Earthling scientists arrive on the space colony of Pax and are baffled by the alien social order. Meanwhile, someone else arrives on the planet intent on conquest). .... \$27.99
Butler/Ritchey	<b>The Cunning Man</b> (In Depression-era US, a man uses the magic learned from his grandmother to protect the poor from hardship and curses). .... \$16.00
Calejo, Ryan	<b>Charlie Hernandez &amp; The League of Shadows</b> (Charlie Hernandez #1: Kids; After his parents disappear, a series of odd events leads Charlie to realize that all the



in a vintage '20s wedding dress, and I love that era of clothing. So I had to check it out. Her other books in this series are: **Secondhand Spirits** (\$7.99), **A Cast-Off Coven, Hexes and Hemlines, In a Witch's Wardrobe, Tarnished and Torn, A Vision in Velvet, Spellcasting in Silk, A Toxic Trousseau, A Magical Match** (\$7.99), **Bewitched and Betrothed** (\$7.99). Lily Ivory has a vintage store in San Francisco and is a practicing Witch who is trying to keep her head down and not attract attention. Over the course of the series, her familiar Oscar - a pot-bellied pig, is kidnapped and found, more people are found dead and their killers brought to justice, vintage clothing styles are discussed, and Lily prepares for her own wedding while battling demons. A fun read, especially if you like a bit of the mystical and clothing history along with your mysteries.

While it's fun to read stories where everything is neatly tied up at the end, the unsolved cases are endlessly fascinating - was Lizzie Borden really the killer? And perhaps the greatest unsolved mystery - who was Jack the Ripper? **The Five** (new HC \$27.00) by Hallie Rubenhold doesn't pretend to answer that, instead giving us the history of the five women that were killed. Rubenhold did research and presents us with five living, breathing women who had lives and stories and just enough of misfortune to find themselves earning a living the best they could. As a side note, only one out of the five was ever proven to be a prostitute - the rest did their best to earn a living however they could. Being female and born into poor circumstances, they weren't all educated or trained in a profession. Rubenhold wants us to remember that these were mothers, daughters, sisters, wives, and lovers - not just prostitutes, not just victims, but humans who deserve the respect and honor that we would give to any victim of a horrific crime. This book is compelling - it doesn't cover the gruesome details of the killings or how the bodies were found, instead it tells us that these women weren't adjuncts to Jack, but real women with hopes and dreams. I highly recommend it - not only for the history of the women, but also the time, place and context of the slums that contributed to their early deaths.

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Goodman, David	<b>The Annotated American Gods</b> (A new annotated version of the story of ex-con turned bodyguard Shadow in a world where the gods walk among us)... . . . . \$50.00
Gross/Altman (ed)	<b>The Autobiography of Mr. Spock</b> (Star Trek: Fictional autobiography of the iconic Star Trek character)... . . . . \$24.99
Hamilton, Peter F.	<b>The Fifty-Year Mission: The First 25 Years</b> (Star Trek: Nonfiction. TV and film executives, writers, creators, and cast share never before told stories)... . . . . \$21.99
Henson, Jim et al	<b>Salvation Lost</b> (Salvation Sequence # 2: A seemingly benign alien race is reveal to be one of the worst threats humanity has ever faced)... . . . . \$32.00
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Dunn, Carola	<b>The Corpse at the Crystal Palace</b> (Daisy Dalrymple #23: 1928: When Daisy's young cousins come to London for a visit, she decides an excursion to the Crystal Palace is in order. The outing goes wrong when Nanny Gilpin goes to the ladies room but doesn't return. When Daisy looks for her, she doesn't find her nanny, but does find a dead body dressed in a nanny's uniform).. . . . . \$16.99	Follett, Ken	<b>A Column of Fire</b> (Kingsbridge #3: 1558: Kingsbridge Cathedral looks down a city torn apart by religious conflict as power in England shifts precariously between Catholics and Protestants, testing friendship, loyalty, and love).. . \$10.99
Dunnett, Kaitlyn	<b>Overkilt</b> (Liss MacCrimmon #12: When Liss's father-in-law offers a holiday special at his hotel for couples who want to avoid their families, there are riots in the street - until the instigator ends up dead, and Liss's loved ones become suspects).. . . . . \$7.99	Ford, G.M.	<b>Heavy on the Dead</b> (Leo Waterman #12: When Leo finds a boy's body on the beach, his investigations lead him to a human-trafficking ring in Mexico while old enemies stalk close behind).. . . . . \$15.95
Eaton, J.C.	<b>Molded 4 Murder</b> (Sophie Kimball #5: When Phee's mother finds a dead man clutching a piece of paper with her name scrawled on it, she begs Phee to investigate).. \$7.99	Fulmer, David	<b>Iron Angel</b> (Valentin St. Cyr #5: 1914: A trio of murders leads Creole detective Valentin St. Cyr back to the streets of New Orleans' red-light district). . . . . \$18.00
Eberhart, Mignon G.	<b>Murder by an Aristocrat</b> (Reissue; Nurse Keate arrives at the Thatcher estate to care for an injured man who is murdered shortly thereafter. She soon realizes that the relatives are conspiring to keep her there to prevent her from spreading word of the crime). . . . . \$15.95	Fulmer, David	<b>Eclipse Alley</b> (Valentin St. Cyr #6: 1916: His investigation of a Storyville slaying leads St. Cyr into a maze of lies, corruption, and madness). . . . . \$18.00
Edwards, Martin	<b>Gallows Court</b> (Jacob Flint #1: A young journalist hoping for a scoop follows hangman's daughter and amateur sleuth Rachel Savernake as she delves into London's dark underbelly). . . . . \$15.99	Fulmer, David	<b>The Day Ends at Dawn</b> (Valentin St. Cyr #7: 1917: A mysterious man is out to kill St. Cyr, but strikes first at the Creole detective's family and friends).. . . . . \$18.00
Edwards, Martin (ed)	<b>Deep Waters</b> (Stories of watery crimes). . . . . \$14.99	Gardner, Tracy	<b>Out of the Picture</b> (Shepherd Sisters #1: Art authenticator turned grade school teacher Savanna Shepherd investigates strange happenings at the mansion of a family friend).. . . . . \$15.99
Ellis, Kate	<b>The Boy Who Lived with the Dead</b> (Albert Lincoln #2: 1920: DI Albert Lincoln is called to a new case in the village of Mabley Ridge. Before the Great War, he unsuccessfully investigated a child's murder there. Now a woman has been murdered, and a child is missing. This time, Albert is determined to find the truth - and the missing child) . . . . . \$13.99	Garnier, Pascal	<b>C'est la vie</b> (A washed-up author is transported into the spotlight of fame and fortune when one of his books wins an award, and takes his adult son on a road trip to get away from it all). . . . . \$14.95
Erickson, Alex	<b>Death by Cafe Mocha</b> (Bookstore Cafe #7: Krissy and her friends head to a coffee convention and are soon entangled in the murder of the winner of a flavor contest) . . . . . \$7.99	Gies, Frances & Joseph	<b>Marriage and the Family in the Middle Ages</b> (The history of the development and attitudes toward the family unit).. . . . . \$17.99
Evanovich, Janet	<b>Look Alive Twenty-Five</b> (Stephanie Plum #25: The Red River Deli in Trenton is world-famous for its pastrami, its coleslaw, and its disappearing managers - three in the last month, the only clue in each case a shoe left behind. The police are baffled. Lula thinks it's alien abductions. They'd better figure it out before new manager Stephanie Plum vanishes).. . . . . \$9.99	Gran, Sara	<b>The Infinite Blacktop</b> (Claire DeWitt #3: Three parts of Claire DeWitt's life are told in parallel: her childhood friend's disappearance, her first case as a PI, and recovering from an attempt on her life as a seasoned investigator) . . . . . \$16.99
Farrow, Sharon	<b>Mulberry Mischief</b> (Berry Basket #4: When a customer shows up at the Berry Basket looking for mulberries to ward off evil, Marlee thinks but isn't suspicious until a man turns up dead on her customer's lawn).. . . . . \$7.99	Grant, Andrew	<b>Invisible</b> (Paul McGrath #1: Intelligence agent Paul McGrath goes undercover as a courthouse janitor to gather evidence after the trial of his father's murderer ends in a mistrial). . . . . \$9.99
Fitzpatrick, John S.	<b>Sherlock Holmes: Adventures in the Wild West</b> (Sherlock Holmes takes on blackmailers, swindlers, and cattle rustlers in the late 1800s). . . . . \$14.95	Greaney, Mark	<b>Ballistic</b> (Gray Man #3: On the run from a vengeful Russian crime lord, ex-CIA assassin Court Gentry seeks refuge with a friend, only to find the man has been murdered by a Mexican drug cartel, drawing Court into a war he never wanted).. . . . . \$9.99
Fitzpatrick, John S.	<b>Sherlock Holmes: The Montana Chronicles</b> (Four mysteries solved by the famous detective while he was in Montana in the late 1800s).. . . . . \$12.95	Greenfield, A.B.	<b>Cat Detective</b> (Ra the Mighty #1: Kids; Ra, Pharaoh's outrageously spoiled cat, has no interest in solving the mystery when an amulet goes missing from the palace) . . . . . \$7.99
		Hagberg, David	<b>Face Off</b> (Kirk McGarvey: While stopping a terrorist attack on the Eiffel Tower, McGarvey uncovers a plot to force out the incompetent US president by pitting him against Russia) . . . . . \$9.99
		Hamilton, Steve	<b>Dead Man Running</b> (Alex McKnight #11: A murderer lets himself get caught so he can talk to Alex McKnight, drawing him into a race across the country to stop a killer) . . . . . \$9.99

Henry, Julia	<b>Tilling the Truth</b> (Lilly Jayne #2: When Tamara is found standing over the body of her nemesis holding a bloody weapon, It's up to Lilly to prove she was framed). . . . \$7.99	Nugent, Liz	<b>Lying in Wait</b> (Lydia Fitzsimons lives a perfect life in a beautiful house, until her son discovers the house's dark secret). . . . \$9.99
Hillier, Jennifer	<b>Jar of Hearts</b> (Three best friends - one a murderer, one who covered for him, and one who has spent 15 years searching for the truth. When new bodies start piling up, they realize they don't know as much as they think). . . . \$16.99	Orvis, Kenneth	<b>The Damned and the Destroyed</b> (A PI in the 1950's is hired by a wealthy industrialist to smash the heroin ring that is supplying his daughter). . . . \$11.95
Hirahara, Naomi	<b>Iced in Paradise</b> (Leilani Santiago #1: When Leiland Santiago stumbles across the body of a young pro surfer, she must help catch the killer while running the family shave ice shack). . . . \$16.00	Parker/Coleman	<b>Colorblind</b> (Jesse Stone #17: Back on the job after a stint in rehab, Jesse's road to recovery is made bumpy by a series of apparently racially motivated crimes). . . . \$9.99
Hirsch, Paddy	<b>The Devil's Half Mile</b> (Justy Flanagan #1: 1799: While attempting to solve his father's murder, lawyer Justy Flanagan exposes a massive fraud that the perpetrators are determined to keep secret at all costs). . . . \$16.99	Penny, Louise	<b>A Better Man</b> (Armand Gamache #15: Gamache knows he should put the case of a missing girl on hold to deal with the flooding crisis, but now that he has a daughter of his own, he is unwilling to let the case go). . . . \$28.99
Johnson, Craig	<b>Depth of Winter</b> (Walt Longmire #15: Walt's daughter Cady has been kidnapped by the head of a Mexican cartel, to be auctioned off to his worst enemies). . . . \$17.00	Petrie, Nick	<b>Tear It Down</b> (Peter Ash #4: June sends Peter to Memphis to help her friend Wanda, a photographer and war correspondent who has been receiving peculiar threats). . . . \$9.99
Kelly, Sofie	<b>A Night's Tail</b> (Magical Cats #11: When her brother's band is implicated in the murder of a universally disliked businessman, librarian Kathleen Paulson must rely on her feline sidekicks to solve the case). . . . \$25.00	Porter, Henry	<b>Firefly</b> (An ex-M16 operative is recruited to find and protect a young boy who holds vital intelligence on a terror cell). . . . \$16.00
Krueger, William Kent	<b>This Tender Land</b> (Minnesota, 1932: Four orphans escape from a residential school in a canoe, heading for the mighty Mississippi and a place to call their own; signed copies expected; audiobook \$34.99) . . . . \$27.00	Ripley, J.R.	<b>The Woodpecker Always Pecks Twice</b> (Bird Lovers #3: Birdwatcher Amy is shocked to see a body being tossed out of a window across the lake. The police find only a dressmaker's dummy and berate her for wasting their time. until an actual body turns up). . . . \$7.99
Larsson/Lagercrantz	<b>The Girl Who Lived Twice</b> (Millennium #6: Lisbeth Salander has disappeared, seeking her twin sister; meanwhile, Mikael Blomkvist is looking for Lisbeth, the only one who can help him unravel the dying words of a man who shouldn't exist). . . . \$27.95	Robb, J.D.	<b>Vendetta in Death</b> (Eve Dallas #49: Eve Dallas races to stop a serial killer who preys on men who abuse women). . . . \$28.99
MacBride, Stuart	<b>All That's Dead</b> (Logan McRae #12: A war is brewing in the factions for and against Scottish Nationalism when a high profile anti-independence campaigner turns up dead). . . . \$26.99	Scarrow, Simon	<b>Day of the Caesars</b> (Macro & Cato #16: 54 CE: Emperor Claudius is dead. Nero rules, but Britannicus has also laid claim to the throne. Prefect Cato has caught the eyes of rival factions determined to get him on their sides. To survive, Cato must play a cunning game, enlisting the help of Centurion Macro). . . . \$10.99
Macintyre, Ben	<b>The Spy and the Traitor</b> (The story of Oleg Gordievsky, one of M16's top spies during the Cold War). . . . \$18.00	Scarrow, Simon	<b>The Blood of Rome</b> (Macro & Cato #17: Cato and Macro take charge of an undermanned and ill-equipped unit of men preparing for battle with Parthia). . . . \$15.99
Methos, Victor	<b>The Hallows</b> (A disillusioned defense attorney returns to his small Utah hometown and takes a job as a prosecutor, hoping for redemption). . . . \$15.95	Simonon, Georges	<b>Maigret Defends Himself (alternate title: Maigret on the Defensive)</b> (Maigret #63: When Maigret is accused of a crime he didn't commit, he must do everything he can to prove his innocence despite being forbidden to investigate). . . . \$14.00
Morgan, Alexis	<b>Death by Jack-o'-Lantern</b> (Abby McCree #2: When a pumpkin farmer is murdered just before Halloween, the main suspect is a homeless veteran, but Abby and her friends are sure he is innocent). . . . \$7.99	Stevens, Taylor	<b>Liars' Paradox</b> (Jack & Jill #1: Twins Jack and Jill, trained in espionage since childhood, are trying to live normal lives as adults. But their mother's paranoia proves to be more than delusion when she disappears). . . . \$9.99
Moyes, Patricia	<b>The Coconut Killings</b> (Henry Tibbett #13: Henry and Emmy Tibbett investigate a U.S. Senator who was murdered on a golf course). . . . \$14.95	Traister, Rebecca	<b>Good and Mad</b> (The history of women's anger and how it fuels political action). . . . \$17.00
Moyes, Patricia	<b>Who Is Simon Warwick?</b> (Henry Tibbett #14: Two men show up to claim an inheritance, but then one is murdered). . . . \$14.95	Turnage, Sheila	<b>The Law of Finders Keepers</b> (Mo & Dale #4: Kids). . . . \$8.99
Munier, Paula	<b>A Borrowing of Bones</b> (Mercy & Elvis #1: When former soldier Mercy Carr and her dog Elvis find an abandoned baby in a Vermont wilderness area, they team up with game warden Troy Warner and search & rescue dog Susie Bear to track down the missing mother and solve a cold-case murder). . . . \$7.99	Unger, Lisa	<b>Under My Skin</b> (A year after her husband's murder, Poppy is still experiencing blackouts of grief. When someone starts following her, Poppy is plunged into a game of cat and mouse that will force her to face the truth about her husband's death). . . . \$9.99
Novak, Brenda	<b>Blind Spot</b> (Evelyn Talbot #4: Weeks before her wedding, pregnant psychiatrist Evelyn Talbot is kidnapped by one of the psychopaths she works with). . . . \$7.99	Valen/Cohen	<b>City of Stones</b> (Set amidst the anti-Semitism of 1950s Minneapolis, the murder of a police officer and the two young Jewish men accused of killing him sets off an explosive investigation). . . . \$17.00
		Van Dine, S.S.	<b>The Greene Murder Case</b> (Philo Vance #3: Members

of the Greene family keep dying, and it's up to amateur sleuth Philo Vance to catch the killer)..... \$14.95

Van Dine, S.S. **The Bishop Murder Case** (Philo Vance #4: Philo Vance takes on a series of murders based on nursery rhymes) ..... \$14.95

Woods, Stuart **Contraband** (Stone Barrington #50: Barrington is enjoying some R&R in the Florida sun when trouble falls from the sky - literally)..... \$28.00

**EXPECTED MID-SEPTEMBER**

Abdul-Jabbar/Waterhouse **Mycroft and Sherlock** (Mycroft Holmes #2: 1872: When a boy dies of a suspected drug overdose, Sherlock investigates. Meanwhile, a meeting with a Chinese woman leads Mycroft to the same mystery, forcing him to examine the underbelly of the opium trade that is enriching his beloved Britain's coffers)..... \$14.95

Anderson, Carol **One Person, No Vote** (An examination of the systems suppressing African American votes). . . . . \$18.00

Barr, Nevada **What Rose Forgot** (Rose Dennis wakes up in an Alzheimer's unit in a nursing home with no memory of how she got there. After an attempt on her life, she is convinced that someone is trying to get rid of her and teams up a few trusted family members to find out who)..... \$28.99

Byron, Ellen **Fatal Cajun Festival** (Cajun Country #5: When a band groupie is murdered during a Jazz Festival, Maggie must infiltrate the band of a cutthroat diva to find the killer) ..... \$26.99

Cooper, Steven **Valley of Shadows** (Parker & Mills #3: A cop and a psychic team up to solve the murder of a Phoenix socialite and the theft of a painting). . . . . \$15.95

Duncan, Elizabeth J. **Remembering the Dead** (Penny Brannigan #10: Penny Brannigan attends a dinner party at a posh country house where a historic chair disappears and a waiter is murdered)..... \$26.99

Ellis, Bella **The Vanished Bride** (Bronte Sisters #1: The Bronte sisters investigate the disappearance of a young mother) ..... \$26.00

Ernst, Kathleen **Fiddling with Fate** (Chloe Ellefson #10: While working on a consulting job in Norway, Chloe is thrilled to explore the local fiddle and dance traditions, but other people whisper about the devil's instrument and guard sinister intentions) ..... \$15.99

Greenwood, Kerry **The Spotted Dog** (Corinna Chapman #7: Corinna and Daniel help a Scottish veteran search for his stolen service dog). . . . . \$26.99

Harper, Bradley **Queen's Gambit** (Harkness & Doyle #2: 1897: When Margaret Harkness joins her friend Professor Bell in Germany to help with a case, she draws the attention of a killer who has both Harkness and Queen Victoria in his sights). \$15.95

Johnson, Craig **Land of Wolves** (Walt Longmire #16: Sheriff Walt Longmire looks into the death of a shepherd with ties to a local Basque mafia). . . . . \$27.00

Limon, Martin **The Line** (Sueno & Bascom #13: 1970s: A battered corpse is found a few feet north of the line dividing North and South Korea. When Army CID agents Sueno and Bascom follow orders and pull the body to the South Korean side, they have no idea of the international conflict their small action will spark)..... \$16.95

Lindsey, Erin **A Golden Grave** (Rose Gallagher #2: Pinkerton agent Rose Gallagher suspects paranormal forces afoot when six politicians are murdered. Now she has to find the killer before

he claims the next victim, mayoral candidate Theodore Roosevelt)..... \$17.99

McDermott, Andy **King Solomon's Curse** (Wilde & Chase #13: Chase and Wilde head to the jungles of the Democratic Republic of Congo in search of an ancient and powerful weapon).\$15.99

McIlvanney, Liam **The Quaker** (Duncan McCormack #1: When a young man is arrested near the scene of a serial killing, Duncan McCormack is not convinced he is the killer and follows a trail of secrets that will change the city forever). . . . . \$18.00

Medawar, Tony (ed) **Bodies from the Library 2** (A follow-up volume of obscure stories, either previously unpublished or published only once, by popular Golden Age authors).. . . . . \$16.99

Parker/Coleman **The Bitterest Pill** (Jesse Stone #18: When a high school cheerleader dies of a heroin overdose, police chief Jesse Stone becomes entangled in high school politics as he tries to find the center of the drug ring)..... \$27.00

Pelecanos, George **The Man Who Came Uptown** (After suddenly being released from prison, Michael Hudson grapples with loyalty to the man who got him released and the lessons learned from the prison librarian)..... \$15.99

Perry, Anne **Death in Focus** (Elena Standish #1: Elena Standish carries her lover's final, urgent message to Berlin as Hitler ascends to power)..... \$28.00

Perry, Anne **Dark Tide Rising** (William Monk #24: A trip to creepy Jacob's Island to look for a kidnapped woman turns out to be an ambush. Monk is left wondering who gave away their plans, and why anyone would want to harm Kate Exeter) ..... \$17.00

Ponti, James **Trapped!** (Florian Bates #3: Kids)..... \$8.99

Quackenbush, Robert **Cable Car to Catastrophe** (Miss Mallard: Reissue; Kids)..... \$5.99

Quackenbush, Robert **Dogsled to Dread** (Miss Mallard: Reissue; Kids).\$5.99

Quinn, Spencer **Paws vs. Claws** (Queenie & Arthur #2: Kids). \$16.99

Quirk, Matthew **The Night Agent** (FBI Agent Peter Sutherland's job is to monitor an emergency line for a call that might never come. When the phone rings, he is plunged into a conspiracy years in the making). . . . . \$9.99

Rankin, Ian **In a House of Lies** (John Rebus #22: When skeletal remains are identified as a PI who went missing over a decade earlier, Rebus' old friend Siobhan Clarke is assigned to the case. Rebus remembers the original case all too well: when the investigation stalled, the family of the missing man complained that there was a police cover-up). . . . . \$16.99

St. John, Lauren **Kat Wolfe Investigates** (Wolfe and Lamb #1: Kids; Veterinarian's daughter Kat Wolfe has started a pet-setting business. When her first client vanishes from his gadget-filled mansion, Kat investigates). . . . . \$7.99

Starr, Mel **Without a Trace** (Hugh de Singleton #12: A lady and her maid disappear from an enclosed cabin en route to her husband's manor)..... \$12.95

Stevens, Robin **Mistletoe and Murder** (Wells & Wong #5: Kids) ..... \$8.99

Stewart, Amy **Kopp Sisters on the March** (Constance Kopp #5: 1917: US women have banded together to create training camps for women who want to serve in the Great War, and the Kopp sisters plan to enlist. When an accident befalls the matron, Constance reluctantly agrees to oversee the camp) ..... \$26.00

Tracy, P.J. **Ice Cold Heart** (Monkeewrench #10: Magozzi and Gino race to catch a killer, unraveling clues that start at a



disturbing art exhibit and lead them to a conspiracy larger than they imagined). . . . . \$26.99

Upson, Nicola **Nine Lessons** (Josephine Tey #7: Josephine Tey is in Cambridge, a town gripped by fear and suspicion as a serial rapist stalks the street. And in the shadow of King's College Chapel, DCI Archie Penrose grapples with some of the most audacious murders of his career). . . . . \$16.99

Webb, Debra **The Lies We Tell** (Undertaker's Daughter #2: Doctor Rowan Davenport prepares to face the serial killer that is coming for her, intending to get answers to her mother's troubling suicide years ago). . . . . \$7.99

**EXPECTED EARLY OCTOBER**

Abdul-Jabbar/Waterhouse **The Empty Birdcage** (Mycroft Holmes #3: Mycroft hunts for a missing person, who happens to be the fiancée of the woman he loves). . . . . \$25.99

Alexander, Ellie **A Cup of Holiday Fear** (Bakeshop Mystery #10: When a guest is murdered at a Christmas feast, Jules once again finds herself in the middle of a murder investigation). \$7.99

Andrews, Donna **Lark! The Herald Angels Sing** (Meg Langslow #24: During rehearsal for the Christmas live nativity, Meg discovers a real baby in the manger - and a note suggesting Meg's brother Rob is the baby's father). . . . . \$7.99

Baker, Bree **Tide and Punishment** (Seaside Cafe #3: When her Great-Aunt Fran's rival in the mayoral election turns up dead, it's up to cafe owner Everly Swan to clear her aunt's name) . . . . . \$7.99

Blackmoore, Stephanie **Marry Christmas Murder** (Wedding Planner #5: As if she wasn't busy enough with her wedding planning and her parents' fundraising gala, Olivia has a murder to solve when her business rival is poisoned). . . . . \$7.99

Blum, Christine E. **Clarets of Fire** (Rose Avenue #3: When her friend's pizza parlor goes up in flames, Halsey must smoke out the real arsonist before her friends take the fall). . . . . \$7.99

Bradford, Laura **A Killer Carol** (Claire Weatherley #7: When an elderly Amish couple is murdered, the newlyweds seen leaving the victims' farm swear they have nothing to do with it. But Claire is suspicious after finding a cryptic note in one of their wedding gifts). . . . . \$7.99

Brennan, Allison **Abandoned** (Max Revere #5: Investigative report Max Revere delves into the one case she's never solved - her own mother's disappearance). . . . . \$8.99

Brightwell, Emily **Mrs. Jeffries and the Alms of the Angel** (Mrs. Jeffries #38: A woman known for her charitable works is murdered, but as she digs deeper, Mrs. Jeffries learns that not everyone thought charitably of her). . . . . \$26.00

Bryan, Mollie Cox **Christmas Cow Bells** (Buttermilk Creek #1: Micro-dairy owner Brynn MacAllister must contend with small town politics when her neighbor is murdered after announcing plans to renovate the church, and the other neighbors complain about her cow's bellows). . . . . \$7.99

Bryndza, Robert **The Night Stalker** (Erika Foster #2: Detective Erika Foster races to find a serial killer targeting men with secrets in their pasts). . . . . \$7.99

Butler, Robert Olen **Paris in the Dark** (Christopher Marlowe Cobb #4: 1915: Reporter and US undercover agent Kit Cobb is tasked with finding out who is responsible for a string of bombings in Paris). . . . . \$16.00

Canadeo, Anne **Purls and Poison** (Black Sheep Knitters #10: When a fellow Black Sheep knitter is suspected of poisoning a coworker, the group puts down their needles and takes up

their friend's defense). . . . . \$15.95

Carr, John Dickson **The Crooked Hinge** (Gideon Fell #9: Reissue; Two men both claim to be an estranged relative seeking an inheritance. When one of the men is murdered, Dr. Gideon Fell must find the killer and ascertain the surviving man's identity). . . . . \$15.95

Childs, Laura **Eggs on Ice** (Cackleberry Club #8: You'd have a Dickens of a time finding someone who likes attorney Allen Sharpe, but it's still a shock when the Ghost of Christmas Past stabs him during the first rehearsal of A Christmas Carol. Includes recipes). . . . . \$7.99

Childs/Moran **Mumbo Gumbo Murder** (Scrapbooking #15: After stumbling on the aftermath of a murder, Carmela and Ava are determined to catch the killer, but can they do it before they find themselves the next victims?). . . . . \$26.00

Christie, Agatha **The Last Seance: Tales of the Supernatural** (Twenty stories of the occult and paranormal). . . . \$16.99

Coco, Nancy **Fudge Bites** (Candy-Coated #7: When her cat finds a real corpse at the local zombie festival, Allie McMurphy must once again team up with detective Rex Manning to catch a killer). . . . . \$7.99

Cronoy, Vivian **Last Pen Standing** (Stationery Shop #1: When a woman turns up dead during a crafting workshop gone awry, Delta Douglas must find the killer to save her business) . . . . . \$7.99

Cornwell, Bernard **War of the Wolf** (Saxon Tales #11: While Uhtred might have regained his family's fortress, he is under threat from both an old enemy and a new foe. The old enemy comes from Wessex, where a dynastic struggle will determine who will be the next king. And the new foe is a Norseman, whose ambition is to be King of Northumbria, and whose men fight half-crazed in the belief that they are indeed wolves)\$16.99

Doherty, Paul **Death's Dark Valley** (Hugh Corbett #20: Sir Hugh Corbett is summoned to Holyrood, where the a mysterious prisoner is being kept in the abbey's basement). . . . \$26.99

Edwards, Martin (ed) **The Christmas Card Crime and Other Stories** (Stories explore the darker side of the festive season)\$14.99

Ellicott, Jessica **Murder Flies the Coop** (Beryl & Edwina #2: Beryl and Brit are asked to look for the pigeon racing club's treasurer, who has absconded with the funds, but by the time they track him down he has been murdered). . . . . \$15.95

Elliott, Lauren **Murder in the First Edition** (Addie Greybourne #3: Addie must deal with her exasperating father-in-law as well as solve a case of murder and stolen rare book). . . . \$7.99

Fellowes, Jessica **Bright Young Dead** (Louisa Cannon #2: A hedonistic party at the Mitford house results in a young man's death. The police blame the maid, but Louisa Cannon is sure of her innocence and sets out to find the real killer). . . . \$17.99

Fletcher/Land **Murder in Red** (Murder, She Wrote: When her friend dies after a routine medical procedure, Jessica Fletcher investigates the hospital and its shady business dealings) . . . . . \$7.99

Fluke, Joanne **Christmas Cake Murder** (Hannah Swensen Prequel: Getting ready to open her bakery, Hannah agrees to help recreate a spectacular Christmas Ball in honor of elderly Essie Granger. Hannah is enthralled with Essie's old notebooks, but soon finds out that revisiting holiday memories can be murder. includes recipes). . . . . \$7.99

Flynn/Mills **Lethal Agent** (Mitch Rapp #16: Mitch Rapp infiltrates a Mexican drug cartel to track down an ISIS leader who is

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