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The hardcover edition of this runaway #1 *New York Times* bestseller has sold more than 315,000 copies, and with the grand total of Somersize titles sold to date approaching 4 million, the stage is set for another phenomenal smash bestseller.

Suzanne Somers' fast & easy

With obesity rates in America skyrocketing to all-time highs and childhood obesity reaching epidemic proportions, medical professionals are now reiterating what Suzanne has been saying all along—the best way to lose weight is by following a diet higher in proteins and fats, and lower in sugar and carbohydrates. Somersizing is such a diet, millions of



Suzanne's readers know that it works, and *Suzanne Somers' Fast & Easy* provides a plan for busy families to enjoy great food while they all shed pounds.

A number-one *New York Times* bestseller in hardcover, *Suzanne Somers' Fast & Easy* contains more than 100 new and mouth-watering recipes for simple and economical meals for every taste. The book also

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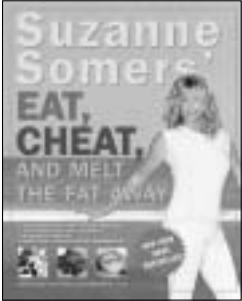
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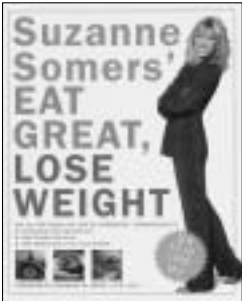
Actress, entertainer, and *New York Times* best-

selling author **SUZANNE SOMERS** sells several successful products, including: the Suzanne Somers Jewelry Collection; skin care and fitness products; food products (including pasta, sauces, drink mixes, dips, chocolates, and desserts); and SomerSweet, her fabulously successful sugar substitute. She lives in Malibu, California.

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AMBULANCE GIRL

How I Saved Myself by Becoming an EMT

By Jane Stern

"From a night at an ER to the back of a busy ambulance, Stern's transformation is nothing less than an exhilarating paean to possibility."
—Boston Globe

Six years ago, Jane Stern found herself gripped by a terrible depression. Although she had enjoyed a successful career as a writer and a life spent traveling the world, she had become reclusive and paranoid, immobilized by panic attacks and hypochondria. *Ambulance Girl* is the story of how she survived this crisis by becoming the one thing she seemed least suited to be— an EMT.

"A quirky mix of humor, self-doubt, and courage."
—Publishers Weekly

"Jane Stern has done the impossible: pushed past her history and arrived. . . . Her tale of that achievement succeeds as both entertainment and inspiration."
—Body & Soul

"Alluring . . . and ghoulishly funny."
—New York Times Book Review

"[An] engaging, accident-prone memoir."
—O magazine

JANE STERN is a contributing editor and columnist at *Gourmet*. She is the author, with her husband Michael, of more than 20 books. The Sterns are regular contributors to NPR's *The Splendid Table* and live in West Redding, Connecticut.



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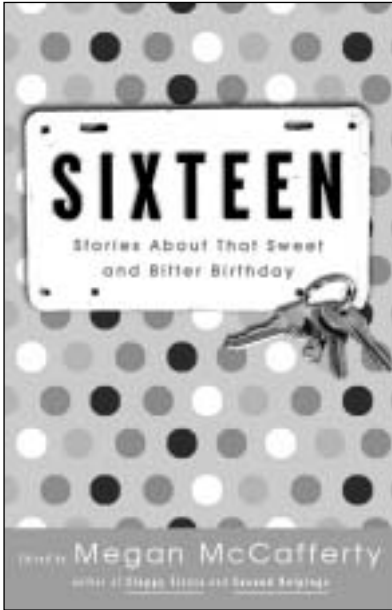
Also by Jane Stern
Roadfood
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\$17.95 paper (Canada: \$26.95)

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SIXTEEN

Stories About That Sweet and Bitter Birthday

Edited by Megan McCafferty



Compiled by wildly popular author Megan McCafferty, here is a collection of refreshingly honest original short stories on the subject of life at age sixteen, written by some of today's most popular and bestselling teen and adult writers, including a new story about Jessica Darling from McCafferty herself.

Remember what it felt like to be sixteen? Could you ever forget? Whether it was the year you were finally free of braces, the year you got behind the wheel of your mom's car for the first time, or the year you had your first kiss, this oddly important milestone age is one that we all remember vividly for the rest of our lives.

Sixteen is a compilation of short stories that captures all of the angst, drama, and wonder of that time. Featuring original stories by authors such as Meg Cabot, author of *The Princess Diaries*, Emma Forrest, author of *Namedropper*, Joseph Weisberg, author of *10th Grade*, and Julianna Baggott, author of *Girl Talk*, this collection also includes a new story from Megan McCafferty that features Jessica Darling and her best friend Hope in a prequel to *Sloppy Firsts*.

Hilarious, poignant, smart, and sure to appeal to teen readers and grown-ups alike, *Sixteen* will bring us all back (for better or for worse) to that most memorable year.

MEGAN McCAFFERTY has written for *CosmoGirl*, *Glamour*, *Seventeen*, *Maxim*, *Details*, *YM*, *ELLEgirl*, *Twist*, *Fitness*, and *Shape*. She lives in New Jersey.

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SLEEPING WITH THE DEVIL

HOW WASHINGTON
SOLD OUR SOUL
FOR SAUDI CRUDE

July 2003 saw the hardcover release of *Sleeping with the Devil*, which sparked a storm of media interest and landed the book on the *New York Times* bestseller list. That month also saw the release of the long-awaited Congressional report on September 11, which had been redacted to omit virtually any mention of Saudi Arabia and its relationship with the United States—the details of which Robert Baer reveals in this fascinating and shocking book.

Baer pulls from his 20 years of experience as a CIA officer to expose the cynical roots of the U.S.-Saudi relationship. As he documents here with chilling clarity, as long as the ruling house of Saud kept oil flowing from their vast reserves, the U.S. would overlook the Saudi royal family's culture of bribery, its record of human rights abuses, and

its financial support of Islamic groups that have been directly linked to terrorist acts.

The controversy over our relationship with Saudi Arabia is not going away anytime soon,

and the updated paperback edition of this timely book will continue to ignite debate. Eye-opening, riveting, and ultimately alarming, *Sleeping with the Devil* is vital reading for every American.

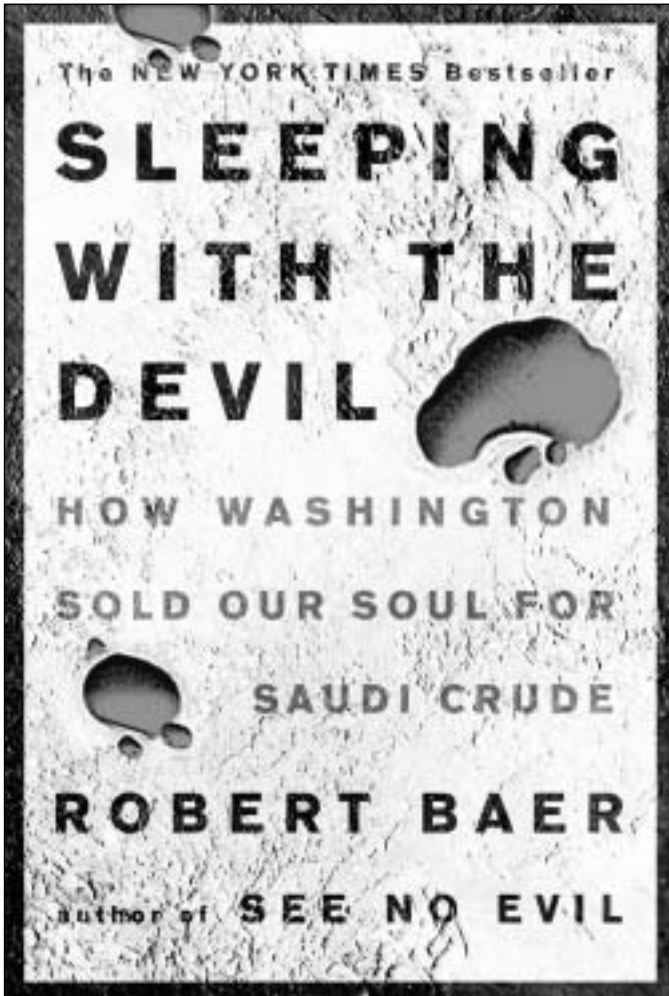
“Baer details how an administration known for its vigilance on the international scene routinely and inexplicably spins, caves, and hops for the Saudis.”

—*Washington Post Book World*

“A book that should be read by those Americans whose hopes for the future include heating their homes and keeping their jobs.” —*Newsday*

The paperback edition of this *New York Times* bestseller (more than 75,000 hardcover copies sold), containing a new afterword by the author, is sure to ignite even more controversy and debate as the full details of America's relationship with Saudi Arabia and our dependence on Saudi oil come to light.

ROBERT BAER



ROBERT BAER was a case officer in the Directorate of Operations for the CIA from 1976 to 1997, handling agents that infiltrated Hezbollah, Al Qaeda, and other groups. He lives in Washington, D.C.

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SINS OF THE SEVENTH SISTER

A Novel

By Huston Curtiss

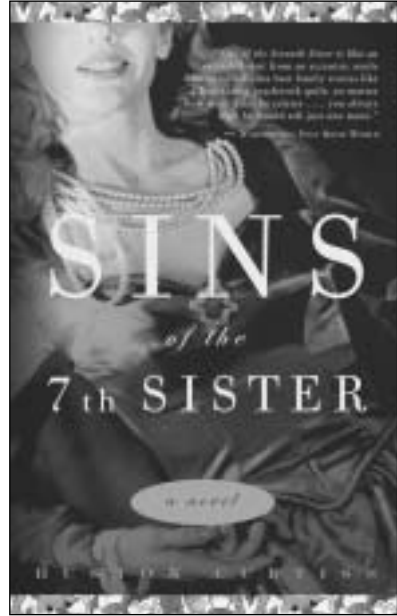
"Highly entertaining in a scrape-your-jaw-off-your-shoes style . . . Sins of the Seventh Sister is like an extended visit from an eccentric uncle who unrolls all the best family stories like a fascinating patchwork quilt; no matter how many tales he relates and how they stretch credulity, you always wish he would tell just one more." —Washington Post Book World

In this rich and entertaining novel, we are introduced to the oddly affectionate and wildly eccentric Curtiss family of Elkins, West Virginia. The story begins when seven-year-old Huston's mother brings home a boy from the local orphanage. Not just any boy, Stanley is a 16-year-old who was hauled into jail at the age of 10 for slicing his drunk father's throat with a straight razor after the man beat his mother to death. As punishment, Stanley was castrated.

The relationship that develops between Huston and Stanley lasts a lifetime and spans Stanley's metamorphosis into Stella, a world-famous opera star who lives as a woman, marries, and mothers two children without anyone—save Huston—knowing about her past.

Riveting to the core, and overflowing with flamboyant characters, *Sins of the Seventh Sister* is a tale of murder, incest, castration, and suicide, told retrospectively through the eyes of an 81-year-old man nearly a lifetime later.

This is **HUSTON CURTISS**'s first book and is based on the lives of his own eccentric West Virginia family. He lives in Los Angeles.



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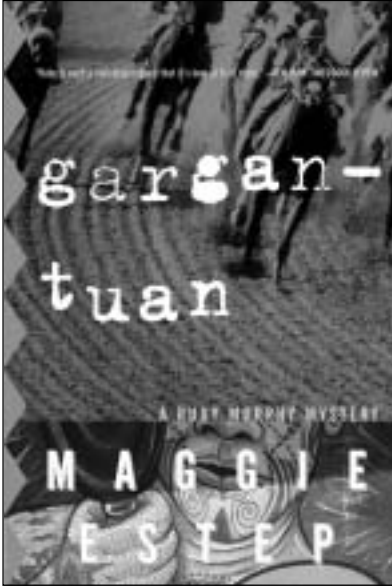
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GARGANTUAN

A Ruby Murphy Mystery

By *Maggie Estep*



Maggie Estep's critically praised heroine, Ruby Murphy, is back! Back in Coney Island with a bunch of endearing misfits, back at the racetrack hot-walking thoroughbreds, and back learning that, on the seamy side of the sport of kings, survival is a longshot.

A blizzard has immobilized New York City and temporarily shut down the Coney Island Museum, where Ruby Murphy earns a living, more or less. Her boyfriend has left—possibly for good—and she is spending a little too much time with an apprentice jockey named Attila Johnson. A great guy, but, as Ruby soon learns, a guy with a price on his head. After Attila is nearly killed one day while running on the snow-covered beach, Ruby is forced to ponder how to protect someone who won't—or can't—go to the authorities.

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—*Publishers Weekly*

"*Hex* is a fast, funny, dangerous, and absolutely riveting ride."

—Jerry Stahl, author of *Permanent Midnight*

MAGGIE ESTEP's work has appeared in the *Village Voice* and the *New York Press* and on Nerve.com. She lives in Brooklyn, New York.

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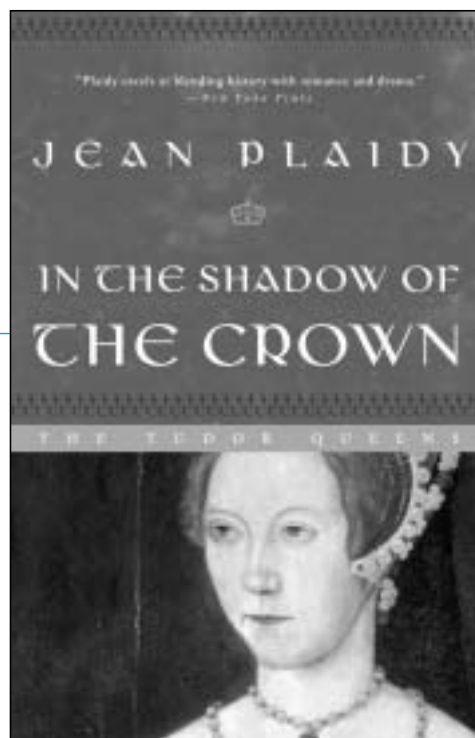


NOVELS BY

Jean Plaidy was one of the most beloved and successful historical novelists of the 20th century. In Spring 2003, Three Rivers Press began publishing a series of 10 reissues of Plaidy's most popular novels. Their success (more than 72,500 copies of the first four books in print) exceeded all expectations and whetted the appetite of historical fiction readers for more novels from this master of the genre. Here, then, are the fifth and sixth novels in the series.

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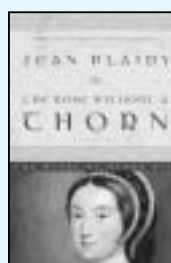
When Princess Mary ascends the throne from which her father, Henry VIII, broke with the Pope, she feels that God is granting her an opportunity to make England a Roman Catholic country once more. Swayed by her fanatical advisors and her own religious fervor, Mary makes horrific examples of those who fail to embrace the Church, earning her the dark sobriquet "Bloody Mary."



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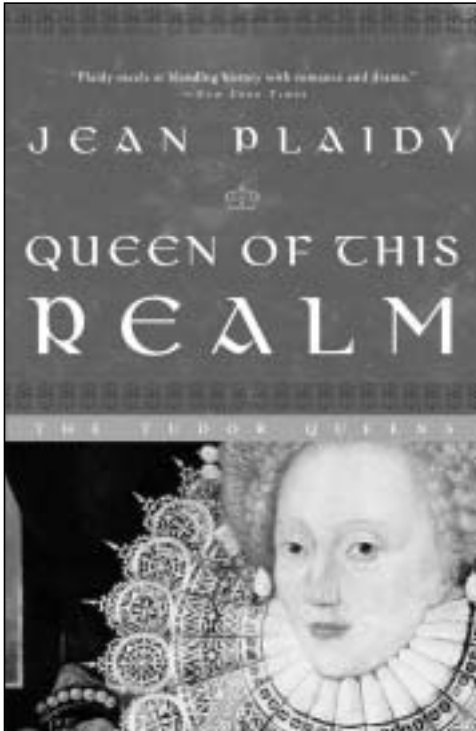
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SINFUL SMOOTHIES

More Than 130 Dessert Smoothies and Other Indulgences

By *Donna Pliner Rodnitzky*

A sinfully scrumptious collection of gloriously rich, divinely decadent recipes for smoothies that will tickle your taste buds, satisfy your sweet tooth, and forever change your relationship with your blender—from top-selling smoothie guru Donna Pliner Rodnitzky.

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Whether you're in need of a luscious, creamy concoction as a bedtime treat, or are seeking the ultimate opulence to serve as the finale to an elegant dinner, this collection of 130 seductive recipes—along with tips on selecting and preparing fruits and whipping up unusual toppings—elevates the smoothie to an irresistible art form. Apple Pie à la Mode, Raspberry Clementine Euphoria, and even Banana and Macadamia Praline Seduction are among the tempting concoctions you'll find in the most delightful smoothie book yet.

DONNA PLINER RODNITZKY is the author of 11 cookbooks, including four of the books in the successful Smoothies series. She lives in Iowa City, Iowa.



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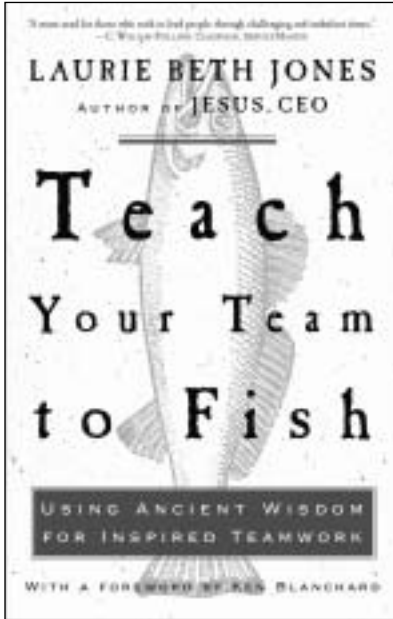
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TEACH YOUR TEAM TO FISH

Using Ancient Wisdom for Inspired Teamwork

By *Laurie Beth Jones*



*Laurie Beth Jones—author of the New York Times bestseller **Jesus, CEO** (more than 250,000 copies sold in paperback)—has given hundreds of thousands of business readers insight into how the ideas of Jesus can be used to enhance performance. In **Teach Your Team to Fish**, Jones focuses on one of the most critical areas for anyone in business: teamwork.*

Jesus can be a role model for team leaders everywhere. When Jesus called out to his future disciples, “Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men,” he transformed them from people who worked for themselves to people who were part of a larger team.

Teach Your Team to Fish offers dozens of stories from the Bible showing how Jesus managed his team of disciples and other followers, with suggestions for how to apply these lessons to real-world teambuilding and management problems. It offers guidance and inspiration on how to excite your team in order to motivate them, how to transform them into a truly well-functioning team, and much more. Along the way, the book gives examples of companies in which teams work well together and offers lessons that can help team leaders everywhere sustain themselves and achieve their common goals.

“Offers plenty of lucid and realistic suggestions.”

—*Publishers Weekly*

“This is Jones’s seventh book. And it is her best.”

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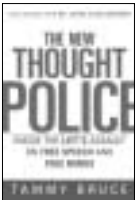
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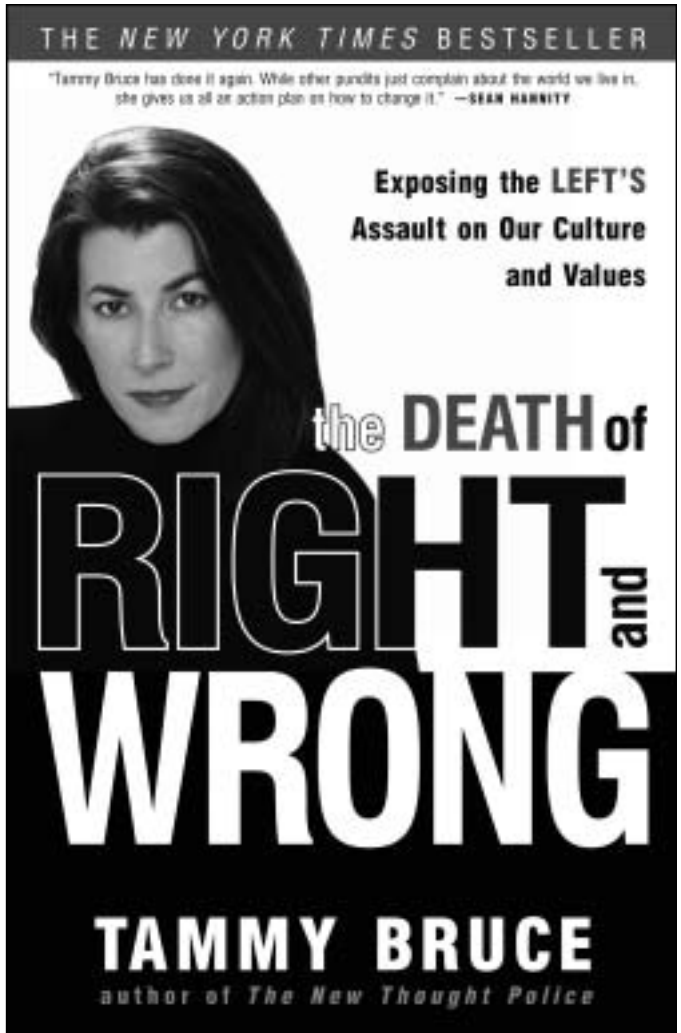
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TAMMY BRUCE has appeared on *The O'Reilly Factor*, *Hannity & Colmes*, *Today*, *The G. Gordon Liddy Show*, and many other television and radio programs, and she has been written about in the *Los Angeles Times*, the *New York Times*, *U.S. News & World Report*, and elsewhere. A regular columnist for NewsMax.com and FrontPageMagazine.com, and a frequent writer for *The Advocate*, she lives in Los Angeles.



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Searching for My Father in Me

By **Donnell Alexander**

"Once in a great while a writer comes along whose story—and sound—is so unique and wonderful that they change everything, from the way you read to the way you look at the world. Donnell Alexander is one of those writers."

—Philadelphia Weekly

Donnell Alexander grew up sideways in the cramped spaces of Sandusky, Ohio, the son of a devout mother and a dad named Delbert, a protean genius who jacked a thousand identities—from pimping to preaching—but skipped out on fatherhood when his son was in diapers. Told in freestyle lyrics, comic book graphics, and transcendent prose, *Ghetto Celebrity* is the (mostly) true story of one writer's mission to find truth in the margins and an engrossing tale about phantom fathers and the sons they leave behind.

"Pitch-perfect freestyling prose . . . a haunting story of survival and near redemption." —Washington Post

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"His writing is exceptional. . . . [Alexander] is a gifted linguist who tempers his street smarts with lyricism." —L.A. Times

"Alexander's voice is engaging, his persona extremely likable." —San Francisco Chronicle

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Autobiography—Literary (BIO007000)

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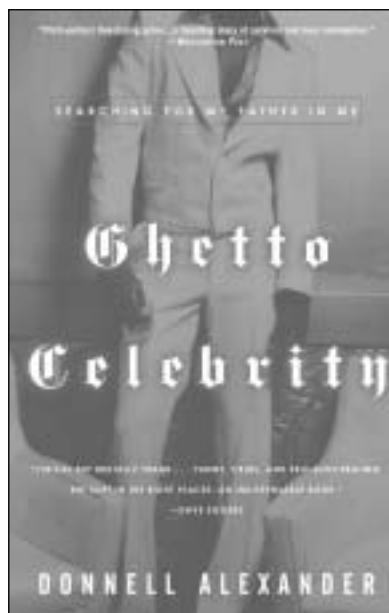
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Black Issues Book Review
Quarterly Black Review

Included in the Three Rivers Press
Advertising Campaign

Boston Phoenix
Chicago Reader
L.A. Weekly
The Onion
San Francisco Bay Guardian
Seattle Weekly
Village Voice (New York)
Washington, DC, City Paper

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THE SELF-DESTRUCTION HANDBOOK

8 Simple Steps to an Unhealthier You

By *Adam Wasson and Jessica Stamen*



An outrageously satiric "self-hurt" book for people who've had their fill of the self-help industry's insufferable jargon and inability to embrace the flaws that make us human.

Which gateway drug is right for you? Looking for tips on the best ways to stalk an ex-lover? Need help ignoring the warning signs that your self-destructive behaviors are catching up with you? Congratulations! With *The Self-Destruction Handbook*, you'll be thrilled to discover that you're not alone in your quest to indulge your appetites, give in to your fears, and generally have fun destroying people's faith in the idea of human perfectability.

Chapters include:

- 12 Steps to a Drinking Problem, including "Drinking Alone" and "Renouncing God"
- Why Smoking Is Cool, with techniques from "The Bogart" to "The Nazi"
- Condoms Are for Suckers, with more unsafe sex acts than you ever thought existed
- How to Lose Way Too Much Weight in 90 Days, with three simple steps to releasing your "inner child body"

With hilarious illustrations, quizzes, games, and charts, *The Self-Destruction Handbook* puts you in the fast lane on the road to ruin.

ADAM WASSON is a relationship-sabotaging, scotch-swilling, Marlboro-smoking MWM. He enjoys walks on the beach, good food, and sadomitical literature. **JESSICA STAMEN** is a SWF with a kind heart, questionable morals, and a history of Oprah-esque weight fluctuation. Both authors live in Los Angeles.

MARKETING

National Publicity

20-City Morning Drive Radio
Satellite Tour

Author Interviews
out of Los Angeles

Advertising
High Times
Mad
The Onion

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Advertising Campaign
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A THREE RIVERS PRESS ORIGINAL

Humor—Parodies (HUM007000)

5³/₁₆ x 8; 128 pages

Three Rivers Press

1-4000-5033-2. \$12.00 paper (Canada: \$18.00)

EAN Code 9781400050338

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waking beauty

a novel

The story of an overweight, unattractive, and unhappy 22-year-old who wakes up one morning to find herself in a brand-new (and unspeakably beautiful!) body.

What would you do if you went to bed ugly, fat, and depressed, and woke up the next morning in the tanned and beautiful body of a goddess? Seriously—shock and awe doesn't even begin to describe it.

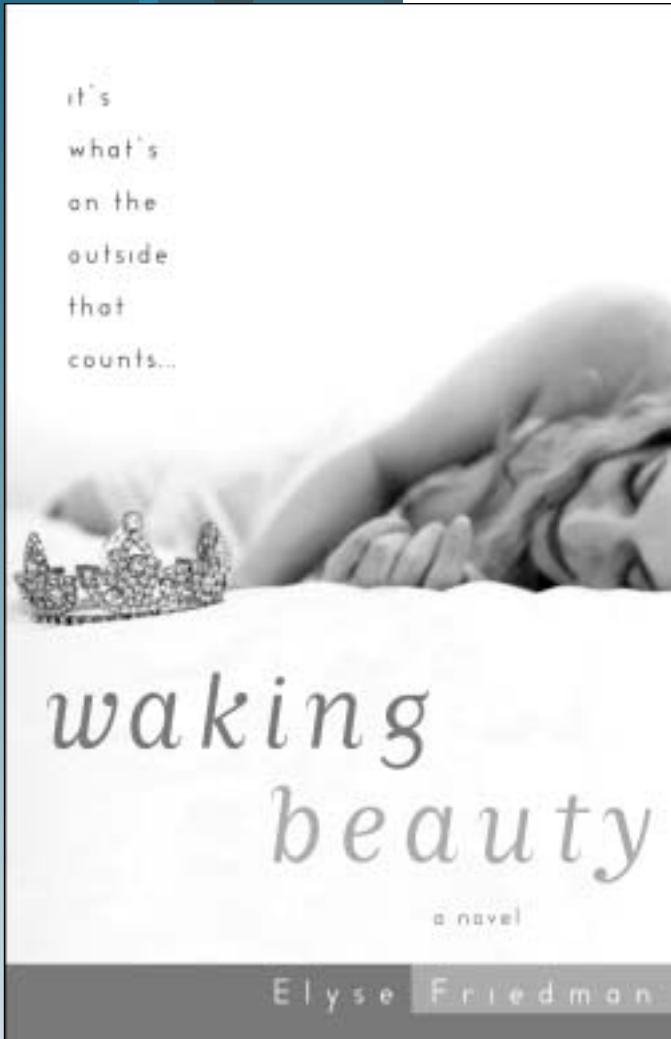
This is exactly the miracle that befalls Allison Penny, who has spent most of her 22 years on this earth in a serious slump (to say the least). Having long since given up entirely, Allison is stuck in an apartment with an evil sexpot roommate, trapped in a dysfunctional relationship with her alcoholic mother, and miserable about working as a cleaning lady to pay the bills.

Of course, Allison wastes no time in test-driving her new look, and she soon experiences all of the power and fun that goes along with being gorgeous. Men and modeling agencies are falling all over her, and she finally has the confidence to live her life without trying to disappear into the background. But even for the beautiful people things can get complicated, and all of a sudden Allison finds herself with a whole new set of problems.

Funny, engaging, and full of surprises, *Waking Beauty* is a modern-day fairy tale with an all-too-real moral:

No matter how much we don't want to admit it, it's what's on the outside that counts.

Elyse Friedman



MARKETING

National Publicity

Author Interviews
out of Toronto

Major Online Promotion
Including outreach and mailings
to chicklit sites and influential
bloggers

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ELYSE FRIEDMAN is the author of *Then Again*, which was published in 1999 by Random House Canada. She lives in Toronto.



A THREE RIVERS PRESS ORIGINAL

Fiction (FIC000000)

5³/₁₆ x 8; 256 pages

Three Rivers Press

1-4000-5106-1. \$12.95 paper (Canada:\$19.95)

EAN Code 9781400051069

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CHARLES SCHWAB'S NEW GUIDE TO FINANCIAL INDEPENDENCE COMPLETELY REVISED AND UPDATED

Practical Solutions for Busy People

By Charles R. Schwab

A completely rewritten, updated, and revised edition of the classic New York Times bestseller that helped define the notion and importance of financial independence for thousands of average investors.

One thing that hasn't changed since this book's original publication in 1998 is Charles Schwab's conviction that the biggest risk in investing is doing nothing. But of course in the past six years the economy and the field of investing have seen big changes. That's why Schwab has completely revised and updated this book, adding new material and tailoring information to meet the needs of today's individual investors who depend more than ever on clear, objective advice. The most important addition is a completely new chapter on performance monitoring, which teaches investors how to look to objective benchmarks in order to properly and fairly measure the performance of their portfolios.

This guide remains an indispensable resource filled with straightforward advice on investing for everything from your children's education to your own retirement. It's essential reading for anyone who is ready to get serious about reaching the goal of financial independence.

CHARLES R. SCHWAB is the founder and chairman of the Charles Schwab Corporation, one of the nation's largest financial services firms. He lives in the San Francisco Bay area.



Business & Economics—Personal Finance (BUS050000)

6 1/8 x 9 1/4; 352 pages

Three Rivers Press

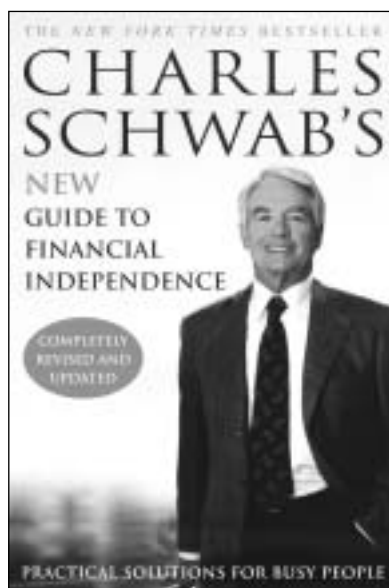
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EAN Code 9781400046799

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National TV and Radio Appearances

Author Interviews

out of New York and San Francisco

Also by Charles Schwab

It Pays to Talk

1-4000-4960-1

\$14.00 paper (Canada: \$21.00)

You're Fifty—Now What?

0-609-80870-2

\$14.00 paper (Canada: \$21.00)

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THE LAST GOOD TIME

Skinny D'Amato, the Notorious 500 Club, and the Rise and Fall of Atlantic City

By *Jonathan Van Meter*



"With *The Last Good Time*, Jonathan Van Meter has done for Atlantic City what John Berendt did for Savannah in *Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil*." —Gay Talese

Paul "Skinny" D'Amato avoided the public eye, but he was the one who taught Frank Sinatra how to hold a cigarette, tip big, be cool. D'Amato's notorious 500 Club in Atlantic City was the place where the Rat Pack and the link between politicians (including JFK), Hollywood and sports royalty (from Elizabeth Taylor to Joe DiMaggio), and mobsters was born. *The Last Good Time* tells not only D'Amato's story but that of 20th-century Atlantic City, from the dusty days of Prohibition to its shady, glamorous heyday to the current casino boom presided over by Donald Trump and corporate giants like MGM and Disney.

"[*The Last Good Time*] succeeds in conjuring up nostalgia for a time when thrills were harder to come by, and therefore that much more thrilling."

—*Philadelphia Inquirer*

"The myriad tales of mobsters, murders, dames, celebrities, and crooked pols provide persuasive evidence not only that you can learn a lot by studying the small, bright things in the universe but also that it can sometimes be fun."

—*BusinessWeek*

JONATHAN VAN METER has written for *Vanity Fair*, *The New Yorker*, *Esquire*, and many other publications. He lives in New York City.

MARKETING

National Publicity

National Radio Campaign

Author Interviews
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Biography (BIO000000)

Two 8-page black-and-white inserts

5³/₁₆ x 8; 304 pages

Three Rivers Press

1-4000-5297-1. \$14.95 paper (Canada: \$22.95)

EAN Code 9781400052974

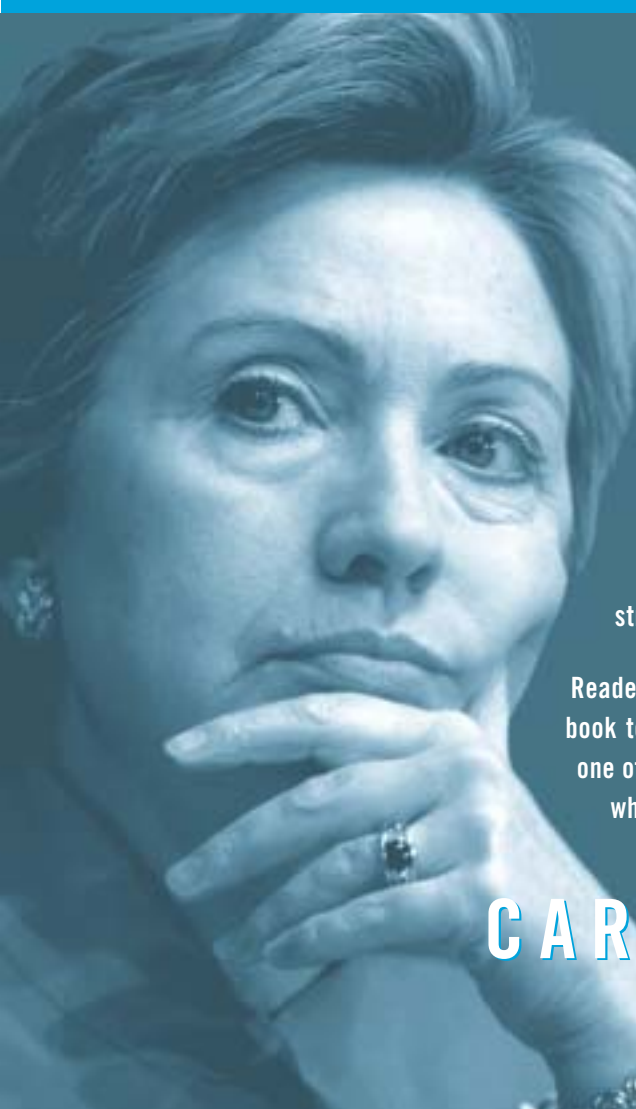
On Sale 6/22/04

Pub. History: A Crown hardcover (Summer 2003)

ISBN 0-609-60877-0

HILLARY'S SCHEME

The *New York Times* bestseller with more than 50,000 hardcover copies in print—
revised and updated for this paperback edition, to be published in time for the
2004 Democratic National Convention.



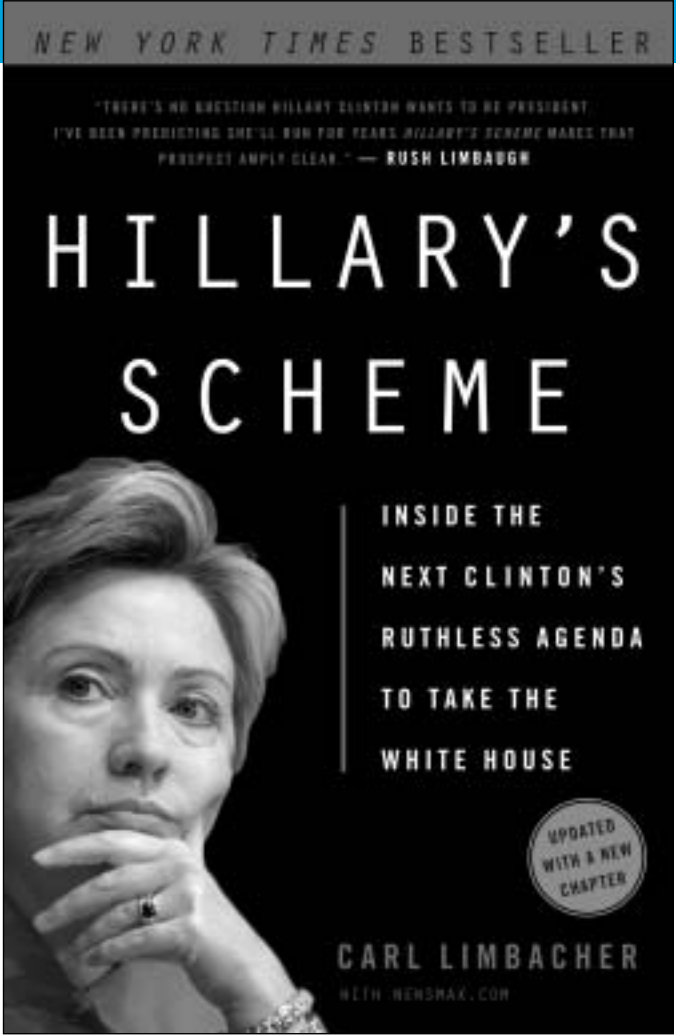
IN THIS EXPLOSIVE, controversial, and fascinating book, Carl Limbacher and NewsMax.com expose the details of Hillary Clinton's secret plan to take the White House. Limbacher conducted extensive research, secured exclusive interviews with Clinton insiders, and even questioned Hillary herself to expose the real story. What he reveals in *Hillary's Scheme* are the truly juicy morsels, the backroom deals, and the insider wrangling about Hillary's presidential ambitions that aren't being reported in the mainstream press.

Readers who love to hate Hillary will find plenty in this book to get their blood boiling, and those curious about one of America's most controversial figures will discover why she has become such a polarizing presence.

CARL LIMBACHER

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CARL LIMBACHER, writer and editor of NewsMax.com's "Inside Cover," has appeared on Fox News, MSNBC, and CNN. NEWSMAX.COM is the leading source for conservatives looking for news on the Internet, with more than eight million unique visitors each month.



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National Publicity
National Conservative Radio Campaign
Author Interviews out of New York
Advertising <i>American Spectator</i> <i>Human Events</i> <i>Insight</i> <i>National Review</i> <i>Weekly Standard</i>
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Current Affairs (CUR00000)
 5³/₁₆ x 8; 304 pages
 Three Rivers Press
 1-4000-5295-5. \$14.95 paper (Canada: \$22.95)
 EAN Code 9781400052950
 On Sale 6/22/04

Pub. History: A Crown Forum hardcover (Summer 2003)
 ISBN 0-7615-3115-7

THE SECRET LIFE OF A SCHOOLGIRL

A Memoir

By *Rosemary Kingsland*

An astonishing coming-of-age story set in post-war England, about the author's eccentric and troubled family and her affair—as a teenager—with actor Richard Burton.

With the same appeal as *Breaking Clean* and *The Road from Coorain*, *The Secret Life of a Schoolgirl* is at once a vivid rendering of first love and a keenly observed portrait of a dysfunctional family. But Rosemary Kingsland's most poignant and provocative memories are of her year-long affair with Richard Burton when she was 14.

Rosemary's story is unforgettable: her early years in India during the last days of the British Raj; her school-days in remote and isolated Cornwall; and her early teen years in London, where her family eked out a living and endured a home life with a father whose drinking and philandering took a heavy toll. And when she comes to the core of her story, her passionate secret romance with the dashing actor who was just becoming the toast of the London stage, she conveys all the joy and sadness of a young but ill-fated love.

"A profoundly satisfying read . . . Kingsland possesses genuine talent."
—*USA Today*

"Delightfully lusty . . . this memoir is vivid, charming, and beautifully wrought."
—*Publishers Weekly*

"Riveting."
—*New York Post*

The author of two previous novels, **ROSEMARY KINGSLAND** lived in Nashville, Tennessee, for 10 years, and now lives in London.



Autobiography (BIO000000)

5³/₁₆ x 8; 352 pages

Three Rivers Press

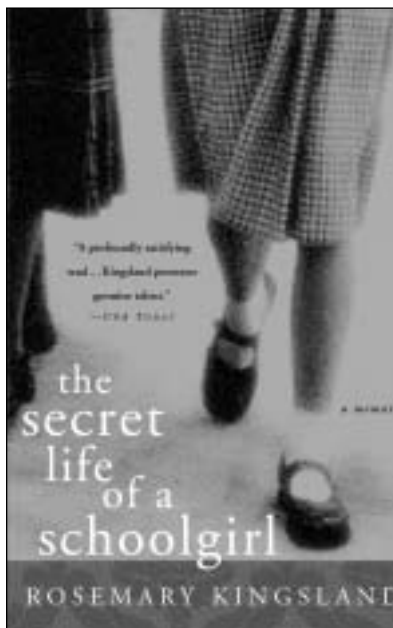
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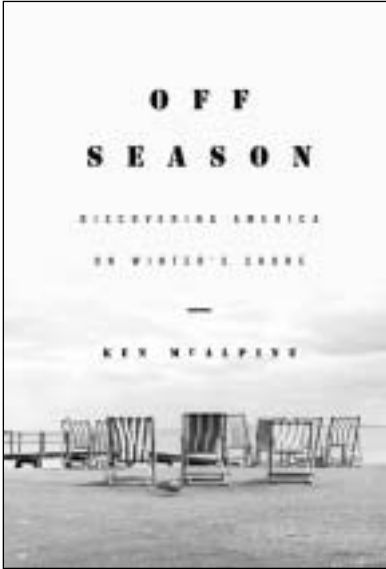
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OFF-SEASON

Discovering America on Winter's Shore

By *Ken McAlpine*



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On a delightful amble along the eastern seaboard, an award-winning travel writer brings to life the magic of the sea and shore in winter, the charm of beach towns emptied of summer crowds, and the warmth and eccentricities of year-round coastal residents who retain and revel in a small-town spirit.

Ken McAlpine traveled the East Coast from Key West, Florida, to Lubek, Maine, during what he calls the "forgotten season," the period from Labor Day to the first day of spring. His journey took him to deserted beaches that invited contemplation and provided solace and to towns where people shared news in the middle of empty streets and lingered over coffee and gossip in home-style restaurants. He encountered fishermen and crabbers struggling to make a living, playboy lifeguards, a couple fighting to save the world's coral reefs, and divers searching for everything from false teeth to dead bodies.

Off-Season will remind readers of the travel writings of Bill Bryson, William Least Heat Moon, and others who have wandered off the beaten path and discovered the places and people that embody the heart and soul of America.

KEN McALPINE is a writer whose work has appeared in *Sports Illustrated*, *Outside*, *Reader's Digest*, the *Los Angeles Times*, and other publications. He has a degree in environmental science and has always lived near the beach, currently making his home in Ventura, California.



A THREE RIVERS PRESS ORIGINAL

Travel—Essays (TRV010000)

5³/₁₆ x 8; 320 pages

Three Rivers Press

1-4000-4973-3. \$13.95 paper (Canada: \$21.00)

EAN Code 9781400049738

On Sale 6/22/04

SEVEN DAYS AND SEVEN SINS

A Novel in Short Stories

By **Pamela Ditchoff**

Like a modern-day Our Town, this unforgettable novel explores the subtle tragedies, and the hope for redemption, tucked deep inside every house in a suburban neighborhood.

Angela is not your typical 12-year old. She is a Millennium Extrasensory Evolution Kid, and she can see through walls. She notices the dark shadows of pain lurking in one neighbor's pantry and can sense the paralyzing anger keeping another awake at night. In this lyrical, whimsical, and heartbreaking novel-in-short-stories by critically acclaimed author Pamela Ditchoff, Angela walks us through the homes on Lantern Hill, introducing a cast of fascinating characters whose lives are intertwined in subtle yet profound ways.

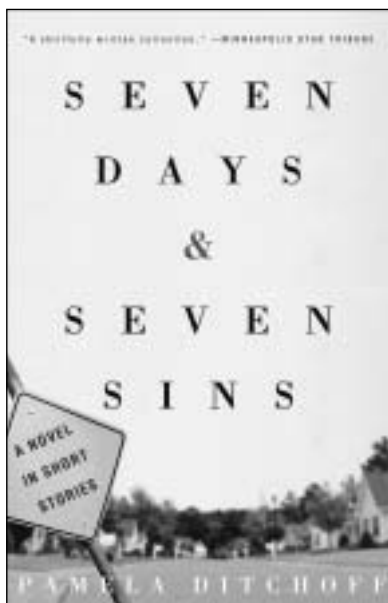
From Arnie, the dwarf and compassionate phone company guy who struggles to heal his emotionally damaged wife; to Cora, the patriotic mail-sorter whose unlikely sexual awakening is triggered by her orchid collection; to Hank, Angela's father's lover, who channels his self-loathing into bulimia; each character teaches Angela a lesson in the human condition.

"A skillfully written collection."

—*Minneapolis Star Tribune*

"Faintly surreal and startlingly honest . . . These smart, moving stories create a picture of a small, tormented community whose members are charmingly matter-of-fact about their eccentricities." —*Publishers Weekly*

PAMELA DITCHOFF lives in Michigan.



MARKETING

National Publicity

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Fiction (FIC019000)

5³/₁₆ x 8; 240 pages

Three Rivers Press

1-4000-5266-1. \$12.95 paper (Canada: \$19.95)

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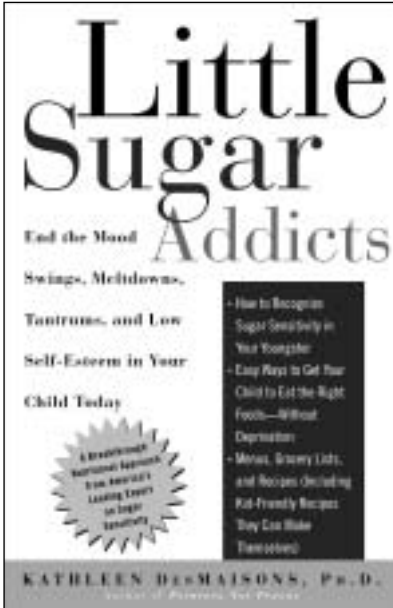
Pub. History: A Shaye Areheart Books hardcover (Summer 2003)

ISBN 0-609-60979-3

LITTLE SUGAR ADDICTS

End the Mood Swings, Meltdowns, Tantrums, and Low Self-Esteem in Your Child Today

By *Kathleen DesMaisons, Ph.D.*



The pioneering authority on sugar sensitivity and author of the groundbreaking Potatoes Not Prozac provides parents with a revolutionary, diet-based plan for ending worrisome, disruptive, or unacceptable behavior in children of all ages.

What makes an easy-going toddler throw a temper tantrum? Why does a smart eight-year-old neglect his schoolwork and become the class clown? Is the sullen behavior of a teenager just a symptom of youthful angst? In *Little Sugar Addicts*, Kathleen DesMaisons explains why children's mood swings and meltdowns are not necessarily "typical" of certain ages, nor are they always signs of serious problems like ADD and pediatric depression. In many cases, they are caused by "sugar sensitivity," a biochemical reaction to what and when a child is eating.

DesMaisons presents a seven-step program for ending sugar addiction and getting back the easy-going, well-balanced child you know. Here is advice on encouraging kids to eat the "right" foods, without feeling deprived; recipes and ideas for snacks and meals; and tips on eating in the school cafeteria, in restaurants, and at parties. The link between food and mood is a proven one, and parents who want to help their children improve their behavior now have a diet-based solution that's realistic and simple.

KATHLEEN DESMAISONS, Ph.D., is the president/CEO of Radiant Recovery. She has a private consulting practice and lives in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

MARKETING

National Publicity

National Radio Campaign

Author Interviews
out of Albuquerque, NM

Postcard Mailing to PTA Members

Targeted Promotion to Pediatricians
and Medical Professionals
Including ads in trade journals and
newsletters

Previous Books

Your Last Diet

0-345-44135-4 paper

\$14.95 paper (Canada: \$22.95)

Potatoes Not Prozac

0-684-85014-1 paper

(Simon & Schuster)

Sugar Addict's Total Recovery

0-345-44133-8

\$14.00 paper (Canada: \$21.00)

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A THREE RIVERS PRESS ORIGINAL

Family—Health (FAM023000)

5⁷/₁₆ x 8; 288 pages

Three Rivers Press

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On Sale 7/27/04

THE METAMORPHOSIS

By Franz Kafka, Adapted by Peter Kuper

"Kuper thoroughly inhabits the tale, making his realization a genuine work of posthumous collaboration." —Booklist

A darkly comic reimagining of Kafka's classic tale of family, alienation, and a giant bug. In *The Metamorphosis*, Peter Kuper's drawings—an electric mix of American cartooning and German expressionism—bring Kafka's vivid prose to life, reviving the original story's humor and poignancy in a way that will surprise and delight readers of Kafka and graphic novels alike.

"*The Metamorphosis* is . . . superbly rendered in stark, claustrophobic panels that manage to reveal the story's dark logic." —*San Francisco Chronicle*

"Peter Kuper meets every challenge brilliantly. One of the best examples of this difficult art produced to date."

—Gahan Wilson

"Peter Kuper's adaptation of Kafka's *The Metamorphosis* is as unique as the bizarre story—his style transmits the horror of this classic." —Will Eisner, creator of *The Spirit*

PETER KUPER's work has appeared in *Time*, *Esquire*, *The New Yorker*, and the *New York Times*, among other publications. He is the author and illustrator of several books, including *Give It Up!*, a collection of Kafka stories. He lives in New York City.



Fiction—Graphic Novels (FIC013000)

72 illustrations

6 1/8 x 9 1/4; 80 pages

Three Rivers Press

1-4000-5299-8. \$10.00 paper (Canada: \$15.00)

EAN Code 9781400052998

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MARKETING

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Previous Books

Give It Up! And Other Short Stories
1-56163-125-6
(NBM Publishing)

Speechless
1-891830-14-7
(Top Shelf Productions)

Stripped
1-56097-177-0
(Fantagraphics Books)

The System
1-56389-322-3
(DC Comics)

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BANDIT QUEEN BOOGIE

A Novel

By *Sparkle Hayter*



Sparkle Hayter, master of chicklit served with a twist, spins a page-turner about two twenty-something women backpacking through Europe who discover how much fun it is—and how dangerous it can be—to pull off the perfect crime spree.

When a married man is hitting on you, is it okay to rip him off? Especially if picking a few pockets helps you get over a broken heart? Chloe and Blackie upgrade their accommodations from no-star hostels to three-star hotels when they decide to let the philanderers who've been wrecking their trip finance their fun. But their escapade takes a turn when they hit the wrong mark in Monte Carlo and take off with a statue of the Hindu god Ganesh.

Chloe and Blackie's romp through Europe suddenly gets a whole lot wilder with good and bad guys in pursuit of the two attractive young women who were last seen with the now-dead man and his Ganesh statue. Crossing paths with a bitter newspaper man on a required "vacation", two Bombay thugs working for an Indian crime boss, a troubled British heiress fresh out of rehab, and one of their earlier victims out for revenge, the girls are in grave danger of being arrested, straining their friendship, or worse. Much worse.

A wild goose chase of mistaken identity and international intrigue, *Bandit Queen Boogie* is classic Sparkle Hayter.

SPARKLE HAYTER is the author of the acclaimed Robin Hudson mystery series. She lives in Paris, France.

MARKETING

National Publicity

Also by Sparkle Hayter
The Last Manly Man
0-142-00039-6 paper
(Penguin)

Naked Brunch
1-4000-4743-9
\$13.00 paper

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A THREE RIVERS PRESS ORIGINAL

Fiction (FIC000000)

5⁷/₁₆ x 8; 304 pages

Three Rivers Press

1-4000-4744-7. \$13.00 paper (NCR)

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On Sale 7/27/04

7 TOOLS TO BEAT ADDICTION

By *Stanton Peele, Ph.D.*

From the author of the groundbreaking Love and Addiction and Diseasing of America, a hands-on, practical guide to overcoming addiction of any kind—drugs, nicotine, alcohol, food, shopping, sex, gambling, etc.—independently of a formal treatment program.

The 1975 publication of *Love and Addiction* rocked the addiction and recovery field, debunking the standard 12-step belief that beating addiction requires a lifetime commitment to abstinence and a treatment program. Backed by years of research and clinical study, Peele's pioneering book represented a paradigm shift in recovery theory and has sold three quarters of a million copies.

Now, in *7 Tools to Beat Addictions*, Peele offers in-depth, interactive exercises that show you how to overcome destructive habits by putting together the blocks of a balanced, fulfilling, responsible life, based on the following tools:

- Values
- Motivation
- Rewards
- Resources
- Support
- Maturity
- Finding a Higher Purpose

This no-nonsense guide puts addicts in charge of their own recovery.

STANTON PEELE, PH.D., holds the Mark Keller Award from the Rutgers Center of Alcohol Studies and the lifetime scholarship award from the Drug Policy Alliance. His work has been featured on *Good Morning America* and *Oprah* as well as in many publications.



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Health & Fitness—Healing (HEA009000)

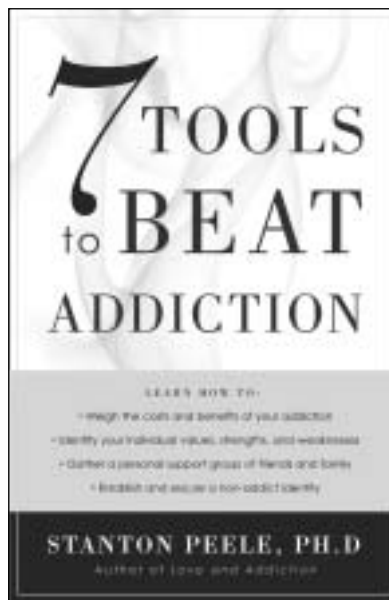
5³/₁₆ x 8; 240 pages

Three Rivers Press

1-4000-4873-7. \$14.00 paper (Canada: \$21.00)

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National Radio Campaign

Author Interviews
out of New York

Previous Books

Diseasing of America
0-787-94643-5 paper
(Jossey-Bass)

Love and Addiction
0-451-12745-5 paper
(Signet)

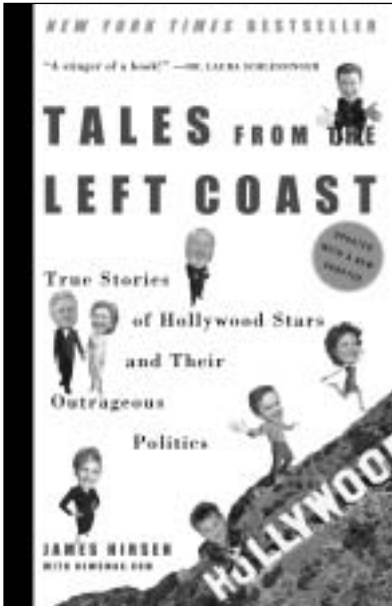
*The Truth About Addiction
and Recovery*
0-671-75530-7 paper
(Fireside)

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TALES FROM THE LEFT COAST

True Stories of Hollywood Stars and Their Outrageous Politics

By James Hirsen and NewsMax.com



A New York Times bestseller in hardcover (more than 27,000 copies sold), James Hirsen's shocking and hilarious roundup of the Hollywood Left's political atrocities is funnier than ever in an updated paperback edition.

In *Tales from the Left Coast*, author and political commentator James Hirsen aims his satirical squirt gun at Hollywood to expose celebrity pundits for what they really are: "media circus hounds who can't tell populism from Bolshevism." A rollicking read full of hits and humor, this book uncovers many of the most ridiculous and infuriating political stunts pulled by the celebrities of yesterday and today.

"Don't believe anything you read—except this (and the Bible). It's all in here! The lies the criminal liberal media refuses to print. The 'cult of celebrity' may just be destroyed by this book."

—Mancow Muller, syndicated radio host and member of *Fox & Friends*

"With wit and facts, James Hirsen has written a stinger of a book—revealing the truth about the shenanigans of Hollywood's Leftist Elite and their negative influence on entertainment and politics." —Dr. Laura Schlessinger

The author of the popular NewsMax.com column "The Left Coast Report," **JAMES HIRSEN** discusses Hollywood and politics regularly on several national television and radio programs. **NEWSMAX.COM** is the leading source for conservatives looking for news on the Internet, with more than eight million unique visitors each month.



Current Affairs (CUR000000)
8-page black-and-white photo insert

5³/₁₆ x 8; 336 pages

Three Rivers Press

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National Conservative Radio Campaign

Author Interviews out of Los Angeles

Advertising
American Spectator
Human Events
Insight
National Review
Weekly Standard

Major Promotion with NewsMax and NewsMax.com

Major Promotion on CrownForum.com
Including e-mail blast to subscribers with first chapter, home-page feature, book giveaways, and links to related sites—see page 40 for details

Free Freight

TUNNELING

A Novel

By *Beth Bosworth*

An enchanting and inventive novel about a bookish, asthmatic seventh-grader who lives a double life as a bold time-and-space traveler and muse to some of history's greatest literary geniuses.

The year is 1968, and twelve-year-old Rachel Finch is finding that life in Teaneck, New Jersey, is getting more complicated every day. The school board has just voted to integrate the high school, stirring up unsettling reactions in the community; her home life is also astir with inexplicable rumblings; and debilitating bouts with asthma only increase Rachel's sense of powerlessness. Reading—and discussing the Dewey Decimal System with a like-minded friend—offers an escape from the pressures of everyday life. But there is nothing as glorious and empowering as her nightly excursions with S-Man, the superhero who escorts her across time and space to lend a helping hand to Shakespeare, Oscar Wilde, Chinua Achebe, and other well-known authors suffering from writer's block.

Weaving the threads of Rachel's two lives with a sure hand and a boundless imagination, Beth Bosworth creates a coming of age story that is at once boldly fanciful and sweetly down-to earth.

"Beth Bosworth is a daring and intelligent writer . . . *Tunneling* is broad, deep, rich, and varied."

—*San Diego Union Tribune*

BETH BOSWORTH teaches English and writing at Saint Anne's School in Brooklyn, New York, where she lives.



Fiction (FIC000000)

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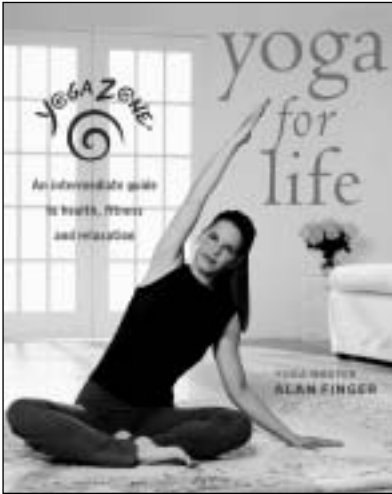
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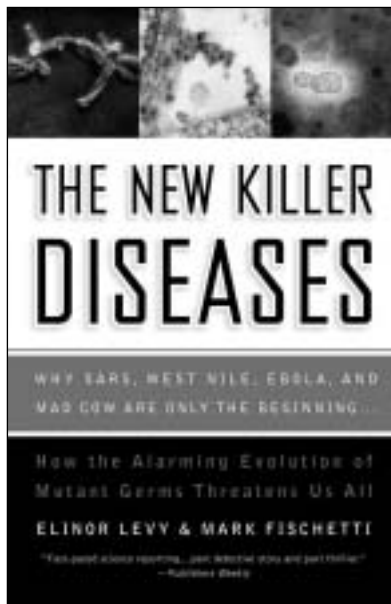
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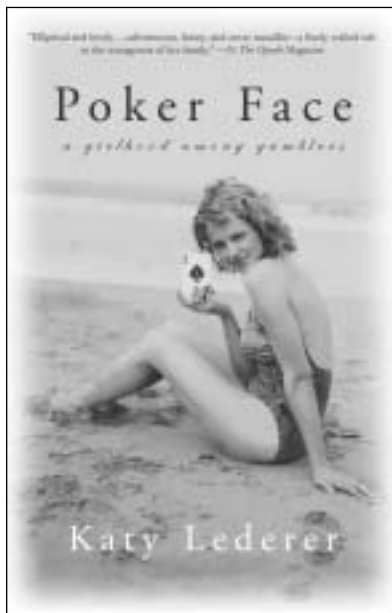
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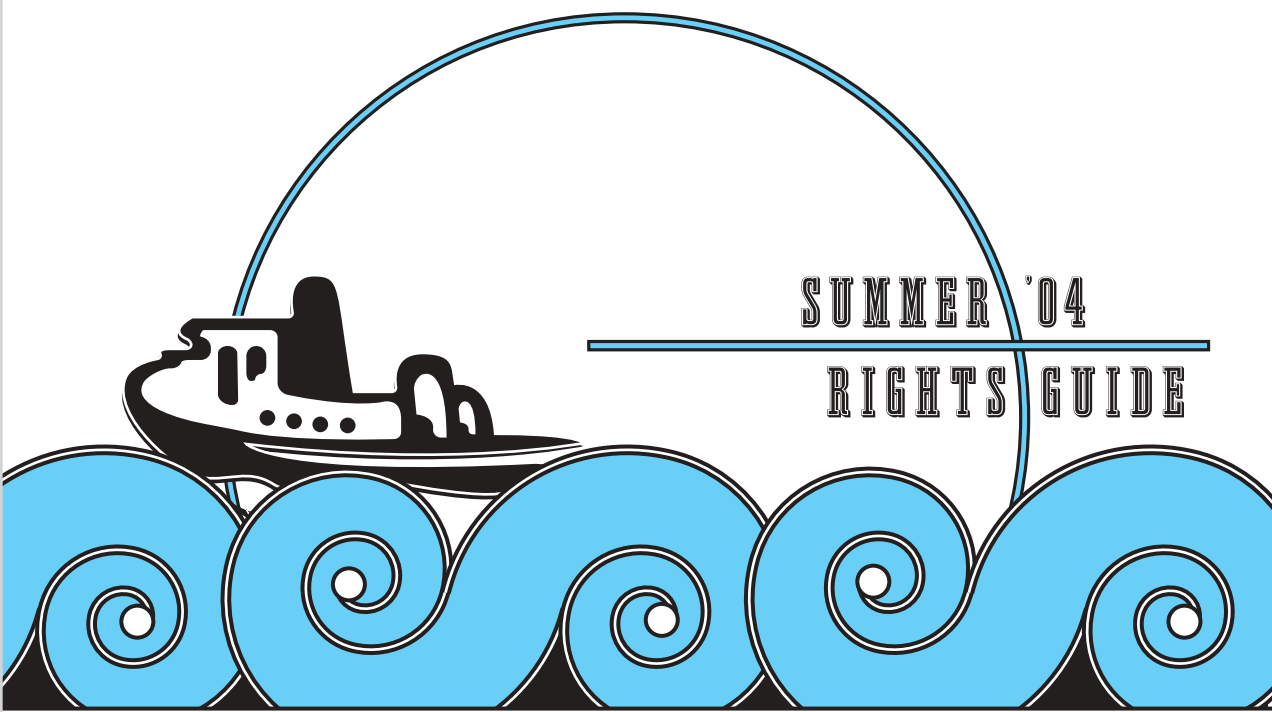
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