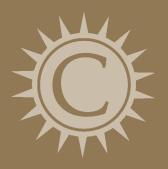
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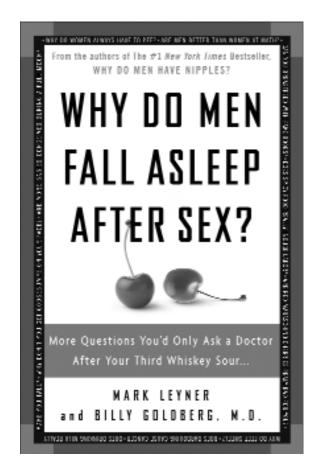
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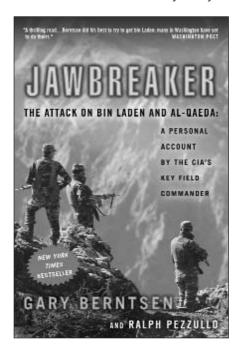
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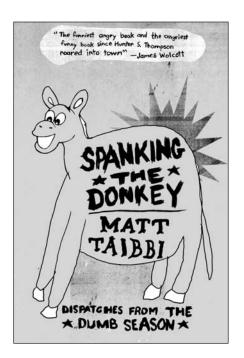
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MATT TAIBBI is a roving reporter for *Rolling Stone*. He lives in New York City.



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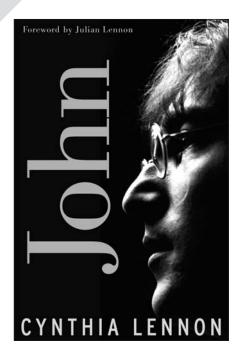
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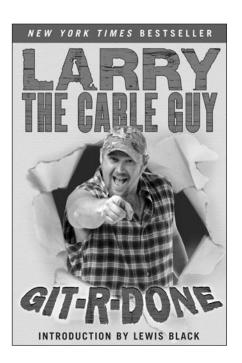
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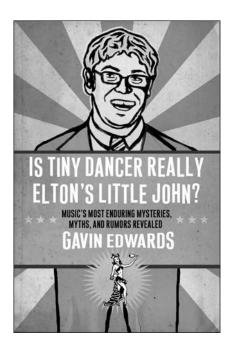
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# Is Tiny Dancer Really Elton's Little John?

Music's Most Enduring Mysteries, Myths, and Rumors Revealed

By Gavin Edwards



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Get behind rock's greatest myths, mysteries, and legends in Is Tiny Dancer Really Elton's Little John? by Rolling Stone columnist and rock know-it-all Gavin Edwards.

s the writer of *Rolling Stone*'s rock trivia column, Gavin Edwards has heard just about every weird question, perverse rumor, and bizarre myth circulating around the music industry. If you want to know what the runes on the cover of the Led Zeppelin album IV represent or whether Mick Jagger really slept with David Bowie in the 1970s, all you have to do is ask Gavin. In *Is Tiny Dancer Really Elton's Little John?*, he reveals the truth behind the legends, often culled from original interviews with everyone from Steven Tyler to Daryl Hall to Donna Summer to Slash, providing the definitive answers to all of rock's greatest rumors.

In the spirit of fun Q&A books such as *Why Do Men Have Nipples?*, Edwards shares his egghead knowledge about all things music. His insights into the complex mythologies of rock music aim to make trivia experts of us all. Even if you never personally wondered if Pink Floyd really attempted to record an album using only household objects (the answer, amazingly, is yes), you'll find the questions as interesting as the answers and end up knowing more about the history of rock music than you want to admit.

Freelance know-it-all **GAVIN EDWARDS** is a contributing editor of *Rolling Stone* and the author of *'Scuse Me While I Kiss This Guy and Other Misheard Lyrics*. He is married and lives in New York City.



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# IS TINY DANCER REALLY ELTON'S LITTLE JOHN?

# by GAVIN EDWARDS



# Is Bryan Adam's "Summer of '69" really about performing the act of 69?

Back in the summer of '85, Adams' nostalgic tale of his youth and his first rock band was a top-five hit. Most people believed that he was referring to the year 1969; this was partially because of the apostrophe in the song's title, and partially because Adams was a cleancut Canadian boy: if it had been a Prince song, there would have been less-wholesome assumptions. But for anyone who did the math, the timeline was inescapable: Bryan Adams was only nine years old in the summer 1969. This would have made him a tad young for the song's "Jimmy quit, Jody got married" narrative-he was the world's most precious third-grader. Years later, Adams finally confirmed your dirtyminded suspicions: "That song always surprised me. From its inception it was always exciting, so I'm glad everyone else got it. One thing people never got, though, was the song isn't about the actual year 1969 it's about making love á la sixty-nine!"

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On the White Stripes album White Blood Cells, there's a song called "Hotel Yorba"—is that a real hotel?

Yes, but even if you're the world's biggest White Stripes fan, you may not want to spend the night there. It's a dilapidated building on 4020 Lafayette Boulevard in southwest Detroit, just a few blocks away from the Greyhound bus station. You can't rent rooms by the night at the Hotel Yorba, but one week will set you back \$65; to be blunt, it's a flophouse. In the song, Jack White contrasts the desolation of the Hotel Yorba with dreams of a home in the country. "There was a great rumor when I was a kid that the Beatles had stayed there," White said. "They never did, but I loved that rumor." As rock 'n' roll lodgings go, you'd probably rather stay in Leonard Cohen's Chelsea Hotel or Bono's Million Dollar Hotel. (We recommend, however, not spending the night at Elvis's fictional Heartbreak Hotel or Wilco's enigmatic Neutral Milk Hotel.)

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Does Led Zeppelin's "Ramble On" refer to *The Lord of the Rings*, or am I crazy?

You're not crazy. "Twas in the darkest depths of Mordor / I met a girl so fair / But Gollum, the evil one, crept up / And slipped away with her," Robert Plant sang in "Ramble On." This doesn't actually make much sense in terms of the book-Mordor's the last place you'd expect to pick up a girl so fair, and Gollum didn't care for anything except his Precious—but Plant was freely adapting the trilogy for his own use. He dropped other Tolkien references into his lyrics: the title of "Misty Mountain Hop" refers to Middle-Earth geography, while "The Battle of Evermore" mentions "ringwraiths." That doesn't mean that every Zeppelin song with Celtic or Druidic overtones was a Tolkien pastiche; Plant was a devotee of British mythology and history. Or as Zeppelin bassist John Paul Jones put it, "Robert was into all that fairy stuff."

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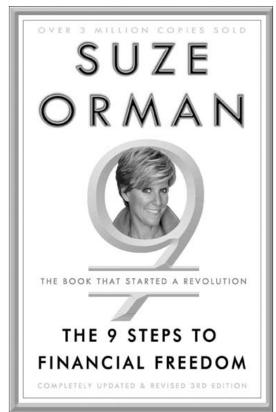
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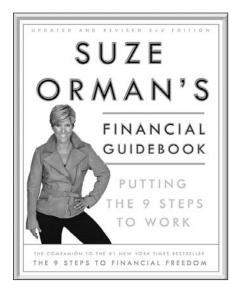
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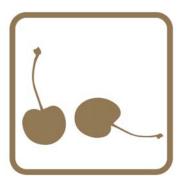
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See page 67 for answer.

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Notes on the Next American Revolution

By Kevin Powell



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et's be honest—no child was harmed by eating Oreos for dessert or playing with Barbie dolls all day.

Many parents, however, are driven crazy by worrying instead of just winging it. In *Momfidence!*, longtime parenting-magazine columnist and mother of four Paula Spencer reveals that we know more about raising our kids than the so-called experts want us to believe.

Having coauthored five parenting books and written hundreds of child-rearing articles for national publications, Spencer is an expert herself. But over the years she's come to the conclusion that making it up as you go along is a perfectly swell (and vastly underrated) parenting strategy. Shh! Don't tell the kids!

In *Momfidence!*, based on her popular *Woman's Day* and *Parenting* columns, Spencer explains how relying on your own expertise can keep you sane—and your kids healthy and happy.

"Smart, sassy and...right on target! Momfidence! is momderful!" —Harvey Karp, M.D., pediatrician & author of The Happiest Baby on the Block

**PAULA SPENCER** writes the monthly "Momfidence!" column in *Woman's Day*, America's ninth-largest circulation magazine. She lives in Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

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## Momfidence!

An Oreo Never Killed Anybody and Other Secrets of Happier Parenting

by

## Paula Spencer

You can call me crazy.

Call me a traitor.

Call me barking mad. (Four kids ages 10 and under and a dachshund puppy will do that to a woman.)

Certain preschoolers have been known to call me a party-pooping Mrs. Tomato Head, while certain bigger kids prefer "so old-fashioned." And you can call me those things, too.

But I just don't dog-pile onto this notion that motherhood has to be so *hard*.

This, from someone who makes a living by perpetuating the popular wisdom about how to raise healthy, happy kids.

I've studied the art of parenting at the feet of the masters—both the tall and the small. As a longtime magazine writer, I've interviewed scores of experts for hundreds of articles. I've read all their books. I've even authored a few myself. And did I mention giving birth four times in seven years? That's ten years—an entire decade of my life—of continuous diaper changing. If there were a frequent-changer club, I'd be lounging on a tropical beach right now, courtesy of my

accumulated diaper points.

And I've come to the conclusion that moms are being sorely misled about the whole business.

I'll be the first to agree that we do lots of things that aren't fun—like having to mop up assorted bodily fluids, cork whines, and answer such questions at midnight as, "Why do you get to sleep with Dad but I have to sleep alone?" Pesky, perhaps, but not hard.

We do perform a lot of hard labor. Hoisting the dead weight of a sleeping child from sofa to bed comes to mind. As does scaling mountains of laundry. And running marathons of errands (with miles to go before you sleep). All physical jobs, but not exactly grueling.

Momming is surely not as hard as other work I've tried—less monotonous than telephone soliciting, easier on the eyes than proofreading, and, well, not too different from my stints as a cafeteria dishwasher or a resident assistant in the wildest freshman dorm on campus. And I certainly had fun applying for parenthood.

My memories of the day I finally got the job

are fond, too. Giving birth is a great way to get flowers, and there's nothing like that first sip of Diet Coke after nine months of deprivation (though labor, I grant you, does qualify as excruciatingly hard).

It's the prevailing expectations about motherhood that wear a body out. Today's diligent mom can't just do the weekly marketing and drop food down hungry gullets. She must buy fresh and whole and often, scanning labels for lethal transfats and the many disguises of "white poison" (the staple formerly known as sugar) in order to prevent diabetes and heart attacks in her children forty years down the road. She must maintain 24/7 vigilance against random toxins and schools with lousy test scores. She can't holler or swat an errant bottom for fear of bruising a tender psyche (or of being arrested). She certainly shouldn't be letting Jimmy Neutron and Master Chief in the front door.

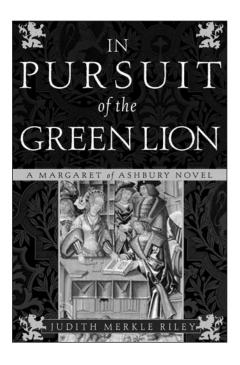
And lucky are the 98.9 percent of moms who have a child gifted in music, sports, dance, acting, mathematics, robotics, chess, emotional intelligence, and/or cancer research—or who just want their kid to get into Harvard. Those good moms also get to arrange car pools to practices six nights a week and take out third or fourth home mortgages to pay for the requisite specialty camps and international competitions. All while staying supermodel fit, thin, stylin', and "balanced" herself, of course, in order to be a positive role model.

The very verbs of modern motherhood—scheduling, stimulating, supporting, enriching, enrolling, enhancing, empowering, expanding, coaching, advocating—make me want to call everyone together for a big family nap.

# In Pursuit of the Green Lion

A Margaret of Ashbury Novel

By Judith Merkle Riley



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Complete with a steady stream of drunken noblemen, corrupt priests, scheming ladies, truculent ghosts, and nonstop adventure, *In Pursuit of the Green Lion* is a rollicking good read.

**JUDITH MERKLE RILEY** is a professor of political science. She lives in Claremont, California.





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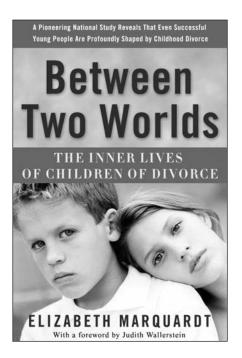
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**ELIZABETH MARQUARDT** is an affiliate scholar at the Institute for American Values, a nonpartisan think tank focused on children, families, and civil society. She lives in Chicago with her husband and two children.



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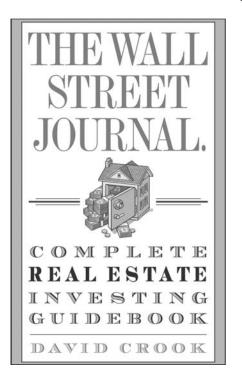
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**DAVID CROOK** is the editor of the *Wall Street Journal Sunday*, which appears in more than 80 newspapers around the country.



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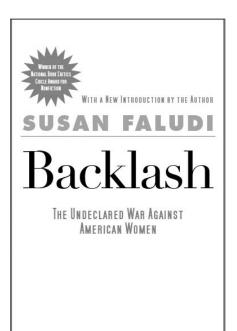
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# Backlash

## The Undeclared War Against American Women

By Susan Faludi



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n 1991, Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Susan Faludi published Backlash, a stirring manifesto that dismantled the reigning myth that feminist gains were bringing women more misery than happiness and success. With meticulous research and watertight reasoning, Faludi thoroughly debunked the much-touted media claims about feminism—that liberation had yielded women little more than "man shortages," "infertility epidemics," and "career-woman burnout." Backlash was a call to arms to women and received as such; the book played an essential part in the revival of feminism in the early Nineties, and it remained on the New York Times bestseller list for nine months.

Fifteen years have passed since Backlash was released and, while much has changed, sadly much has stayed the same. Faludi's analysis—part sharp-eyed sociology, part stiletto dissection of pop culture and the media, and a wholly rousing and revelatory read—is as powerful and relevant as ever. With its new introduction, this new edition of Backlash serves as a timely and crucial reminder of what we are fighting for, who our enemies are in the struggle, and why feminism isn't a dirty word.

SUSAN FALUDI won the Pulitzer Prize for explanatory journalism and the National Book Critics Circle award for nonfiction. She resides in California.



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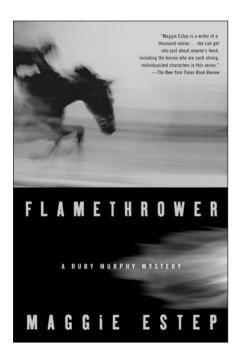
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# **Flamethrower**

By Maggie Estep



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Flamethrower is MAGGIE ESTEP's sixth book. She lives in Brooklyn, New York.



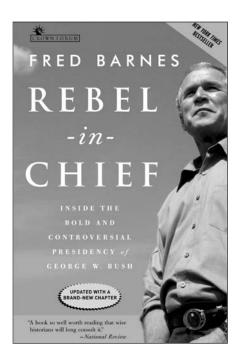
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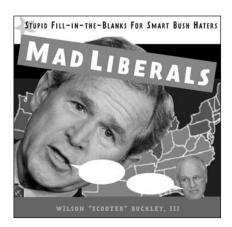
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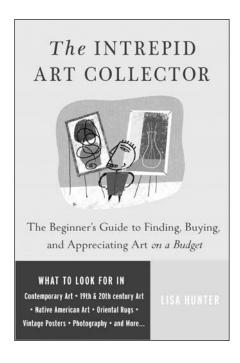
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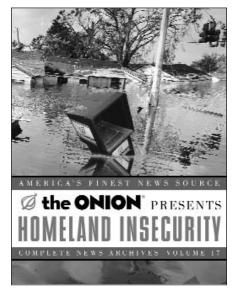
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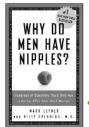
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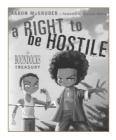
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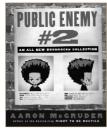




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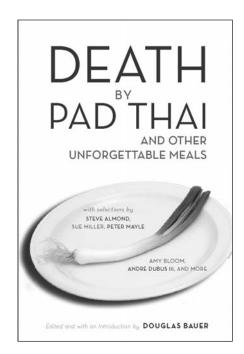
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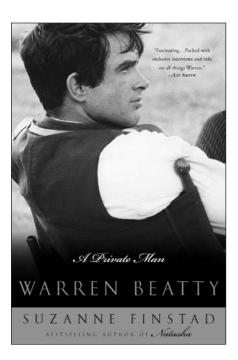
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**SUZANNE FINSTAD** is the award-winning author of the *New York Times* bestseller *Natasha: The Biography of Natalie Wood*, named the best film book of 2001 by the *San Francisco Chronicle*. Several of her books, including the bestseller *Sleeping with the Devil*, have been adapted into movies.



Biography—Entertainment & Performing Arts (BIO005000) 61/8 x 91/4; 608 pages

16-page black-and-white insert;10 black-and-white photos 0-307-34529-7. \$15.95 paper (Canada: \$21.00)

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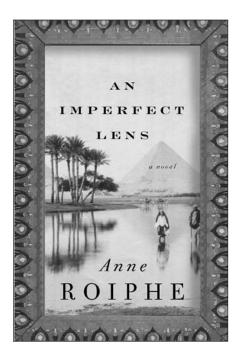
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## An Imperfect Lens

#### A Novel

By Anne Roiphe



#### **National Publicity**

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Featured on NovelThoughts.com

Also by Anne Roiphe
Secrets of the City
1-4000-5430-3
\$13.00 paper (Canada: \$18.00)

Rich with the sights and sounds of 1880s Alexandria, acclaimed author Anne Roiphe's An Imperfect Lens weaves together a medical mystery, a race against time, and a great love story, all against the backdrop of the deadly Egyptian cholera epidemic.

"A striking novel examining the intersection of faith and science...Utterly compelling. This novel's archetypal struggle of man versus nature is played out eloquently and credibly."

—Los Angeles Times

"Far from sensationalistic...calm, compassionate."

---Entertainment Weekly

"Set in the borderlands between science and religion, East and West, enlightenment and ignorance, An Imperfect Lens is a wonderfully written story reminding us that medical research was not always an industry, but rather a sacred calling and a holy quest. Poetic, fascinating, and a damn good read."

—Mary Doria Russell, author of The Sparrow

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"This authentically detailed blend of fact and fiction wraps the history of an astonishing medical and scientific breakthrough inside an irresistible love story, providing a little something for everyone across a wide spectrum of readers."

—Booklist

**ANNE ROIPHE** is the author of eight novels, including *Secrets of the City*, and nonfiction work, including the National Book Award nominee *Fruitful*. She lives in New York City.



Fiction—Literary (FIC019000) 5³/16 x 8; 304 pages 1-4000-8212-9. \$14.00 paper (Canada: \$18.95) EAN Code 9781400082124

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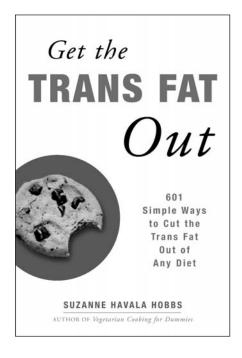
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## Get the Trans Fat Out

601 Simple Ways to Cut the Trans Fat Out of Any Diet

By Suzanne Havala Hobbs



**National Publicity** 

National Radio Campaign

Author Interviews out of New York

**Online Promotion** 

Cross-promotion with author website OnTheTable.net

Get the Trans Fat Out gives readers 601 ways to cut dangerous trans fat from their diets and offers a handy fatgram counter that shows the bad fat content of many common food products and fast foods.

rans fat is in everything from french fries to cakes and cookies and much more. Many consumers want to avoid these dangerous fats but don't know where they're found or how to cut them out of their diets. *Get the Trans Fat Out* is the definitive guide to understanding the health risks and making better, healthier choices without sacrificing taste or convenience. Combined with a quick reference fat-gram counter that puts the most accurate up-to-date trans-fat content of popular packaged and fast foods at consumers's fingertips, *Get the Trans Fat Out* provides:

- · 601 tricks for choosing trans fat-free foods
- Tips on grocery shopping, preparing meals at home, and dining out safely
- Key health and nutrition information on the risks associated with trans fat
- Simple, accurate advice that readers can really use
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  the presence of trans fat in their diets, Get the Trans Fat
  Out is an essential resource. Handy, practical, and full of
  reliable information, this book is the key to a trans
  fat—free life.

**SUZANNE HAVALA HOBBS** is a nationally recognized expert on food, nutrition, and health policy. She lives in Chapel Hill, North Carolina.



Heath & Fitness—Diets (HEA006000) 5³/16 x 8; 256 pages 0-307-34198-4. \$13.95 paper (Canada: \$18.95) EAN Code 9780307341983 On Sale 10/3/06

British: The Creative Culture, Inc Translation: The Creative Culture, Inc

Audio: Crown First Serial: Crown

## Hey, Cowgirl, Need a Ride?

By Baxter Black



#### **National Publicity**

#### **Online Promotion**

- Feature on CrownReads.com
- Promotions with the Book Report Network

Also Available as a Random House AudioBook Abridged, 4CDs 0-7393-2416-0

\$27.50 (Canada: \$39.95)

Also by Baxter Black
Horseshoes, Cowsocks & Duckfeet
1-4000-4943-1
\$14.00 paper (Canada: \$21.00)

From bestselling author, NPR commentator, and cowboy poet Baxter Black comes a rollicking sequel to Hey, Cowboy, Wanna Get Lucky? starring a bad girl gone good, missing money, endangered-animal hunting, and a cowboy who finds the meaning of life in and out of the rodeo ring.

ick is down on his luck, working on a ranch in the remote Nevada desert with Al Bean, an ornery old cowboy. Then into their lives crashes a foxy woman of mystery who crawls out of the wreckage of her plane with a \$5,000,000 secret.

Soon Lick and Al find themselves trying to outrun the bad guys and protect a damsel in distress. Can true love triumph over shoot-outs at the not-so-okay corral and close encounters with endangered white tigers? Hey, this is Baxter Black—what do you think?

Fans of *Hey, Cowboy, Wanna Get Lucky?* will relish their reunion with Lick and Cody, and new readers will delight in Baxter's rip-roaring humor and inventive language.

"Who's America's favorite cowboy poet? Has to be Baxter Black thanks to books like *Hey, Cowgirl, Need a Ride?*"

-Kansas City Star

"Kinky Friedman meets Carl Hiassen." —Kirkus Reviews

"Black's loving, sophisticated sendup of western romances, as if Larry McMurtry were writing Blazing Saddles II." —Publishers Weekly

**BAXTER BLACK** is an irregular commentator on National Public Radio. He writes a weekly column, which currently appears in more than 100 publications. He lives in Arizona.



Fiction (FIC000000) 5<sup>3</sup>/<sub>16</sub> x 8; 320 pages 0-307-33854-1. \$13.95 paper (Canada: \$18.95) EAN Code 9780307338549 On Sale 10/24/06

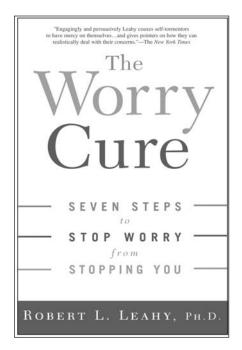
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## The Worry Cure

Seven Steps to Stop Worry from Stopping You

By Robert L. Leahy, Ph.D.



**National Publicity** 

A powerful new approach to freeing yourself from worry, selected by Self magazine as one of their Top Eight Selfhelp Books.

"[A] lucid, practical...manual for the psyche."

—New York Times

or more than 25 years, Dr. Robert L. Leahy has successfully helped thousands of people defeat the worry that is holding them back. *The Worry Cure* is his new, comprehensive approach based on the latest groundbreaking research to help you identify and overcome all types of worry. This empowering seven-step program will help you:

- Identify productive and unproductive worry
- Take control of time and eliminate the sense of urgency that keeps you anxious
- Focus on new opportunities—not on your fear of failure
- Embrace uncertainty instead of searching for perfect solutions

The Worry Cure is for everyone, from the chronic worrier to the occasional ruminator. It's time to stop thinking you can't change and start using the innovative methods in *The Worry Cure* to achieve the healthier, more successful life you deserve.

"Offers practical and powerful tools to reverse your worry and transform the quality of your life." —Anthony Robbins

"A systematic, highly accessible self-help guide to gaining control over debilitating anxiety. Leahy is an expert at changing thought processes." —Publishers Weekly

ROBERT L. LEAHY, PH.D., is the president of the International Association of Cognitive Psychotherapy and the director of the American Institute for Cognitive Therapy in New York City.



Self-Help—Stress Management (SEL024000) 5<sup>3</sup>/<sub>16</sub> x 8; 336 pages; 10 line drawings 1-4000-9766-5. \$14.95 paper (Canada: \$21.00) EAN Code 9781400097661

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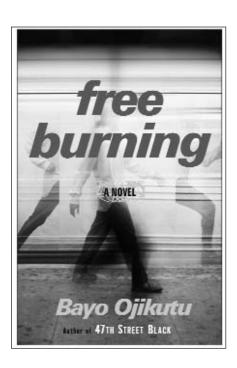
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## **TRP**RIGINAL

## Free Burning

#### A Novel

By Bayo Ojikutu



#### **National Publicity**

Author Events out of Chicago

#### **Online Promotion**

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Also by Bayo Ojikutu 47th Street Black 0-609-80847-8 \$12.95 paper (Canada: \$19.95) Free Burning tells the story of Tommie Simms, a young man who loses his corporate job and ends up caught in Chicago's treacherous underworld—the last fate anyone ever intended for him.

ommie Simms's mother ensured that her son was protected and educated, no matter the tumult of the surrounding streets. He attended college, got married, and took a job with a large insurance firm. From his 33rd floor office, he ignored his anxiety over walking a path toward middle-class contentment, and his worries about what might lie at the journey's end. But when the company runs into hard times and Tommie is laid off, he realizes that many who "make it" are but a few paychecks away from the desperation and disillusionment of the street corners.

With no new job prospects, Tommie starts peddling weed with his cousins to pay the bills and soon finds himself on the bad side of a corrupt cop. Dragged deeper into Chicago's underworld, Tommie is forced to confront the fear and violence he's avoided throughout life.

A probing study of an Everyman trying to keep his head above water as the surrounding world threatens to drown him, *Free Burning* brings the struggle of the black urban middle class to life in a way that no other contemporary American novel has managed.

Praise for Bayo Ojikutu's 47th Street Black:

"An exceptionally written and powerful literary achievement."

—USA Today

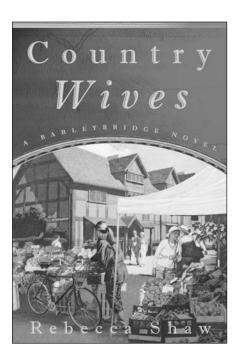
**BAYO OJIKUTU** is the author of 47th Street Black. He lives in Chicago.



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5³/16 x 8; 320 pages
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## **Country Wives**

By Rebecca Shaw



#### **National Publicity**

#### Online Promotion

- E-card promoting book to contact list at accounts
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#### Also by Rebecca Shaw

A Country Affair 1-4000-9820-3 \$12.95 paper (NCR) Filled with sweet and eccentric characters, Country Wives brings readers back to the vets' office in the charming town of Barleybridge, where a new vet is ruffling feathers—and stealing hearts—with his big-city ways.

Affair out of town, Kate is settling into a comfortable routine at her job as a receptionist at the local vets' office. In fact, things are running smoothly in both her personal and professional lives until Dan, a brusque, big-city vet, joins the practice. But the demanding no-nonsense approach Dan favors hasn't made him popular with the others at the vets' office—especially the wives. When the practice loses an important client, they decide that something has to be done about the handsome new doctor. Then Kate is faced with a devastating tragedy at home, one that Dan helps her through by revealing pain in his own past. The two become friends with Kate playing the role of Dan's protector. But what do the others in town think of her new relationship?

Tender, funny, and full of the warmth that has made Rebecca Shaw's Barleybridge novels bestsellers in her native England, *Country Wives* is sure to find many fans on this side of the pond.

**REBECCA SHAW** is a bestselling novelist. She lives in Dorchester, England.



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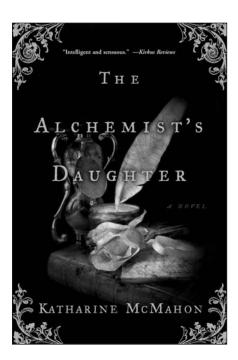
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## The Alchemist's Daughter

#### A Novel

By Katharine McMahon



#### **National Publicity**

Discussion Group Guide Printed in Book

#### Advertising

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An unforgettable historical novel about a young woman's coming of age in 18th-century England, a world of secrets and science, passion and betrayal, innocence and experience.

n 1727, young Emilie Selden is that rarest of creatures—a female scientist. Emilie's father, a gruff, secretive man, is a renowned chemist and a true eccentric who has molded her in his image so that she can carry on his legacy, including the mysterious and heretical art of alchemy.

For all her scientific knowledge, Emilie knows little of the world beyond the gates of the crumbling country estate where she was raised. Then, an unexpected brush with the outside world awakens Emilie's long-denied passions and lures her away from her home, her work, and her beloved father. In 18th-century London society the brilliant Emilie causes a sensation. But she quickly comes to despise this superficial world and returns home, where a tragic turn of events blows open the long-hidden secrets of her father's past—including the truth about how Emilie came to be the alchemist's daughter.

"McMahon doesn't shy away from the Enlightenment's darker sides, giving this popular historical a satisfying gravity."

—Publishers Weekly

**KATHARINE McMAHON** is the author of four novels published in the U.K. She lives in Watford, England.



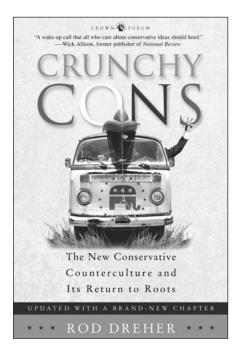
Fiction—Historical (FIC014000) 5³/₁6 x 8; 352 pages 0-307-33585-2. \$13.95 paper (Canada: \$18.95) EAN Code 9780307335852 On Sale 10/24/06

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## **Crunchy Cons**

## The New Conservative Counterculture and Its Return to Roots By Rod Dreher



#### **National Publicity**

Online Promotion Random House Academic e-newsletter to college professors In a book reminiscent of David Brooks's Bobos in Paradise, Rod Dreher identifies the large but unheralded group of right-of-center Americans who reject much of Republican orthodoxy and embrace a lifestyle that—until now—has been largely associated with the left.

"An idealistic manifesto from and for the right wing, insistent on goodness, before it's too late."

-Kirkus Reviews

everal years ago, Rod Dreher wrote an article in National Review about being a "crunchy con," a person who holds conservative beliefs but lives a lifestyle that looks awfully, well, liberal. Hundreds of people, from a pro-life vegetarian Buddhist Republican to an NRA staffer with a passion for organic gardening, responded, saying, "Hey, me too," and thanking him for spotlighting the crunchy con phenomenon.

Now, with *Crunchy Cons*, Dreher fully illuminates this "third way" in which so many Americans are choosing to define themselves. Doubly countercultural, these people affirm the value of the free market but recognize that the point of life is not to become a more satisfied shopper. They usually vote Republican but put the preservation of human communities and natural habitats above the drive for corporate profits.

Crunchy Cons blows away the simplistic red state/blue state divide and says something true about the way we live and see ourselves today.

**ROD DREHER** is a writer and editor at the *Dallas Morning News*.



Political Science (POL000000) 5½ x 8¼; 256 pages 1-4000-5065-0. \$13.95 paper (Canada: \$18.95) EAN Code 9781400050659

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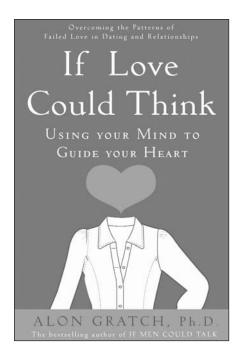
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## If Love Could Think

Using Your Mind to Guide Your Heart

By Alon Gratch, Ph.D.



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A revolutionary book on how to break the patterns of failed love and find a lasting, fulfilling relationship.

Why does love go wrong, and what can we do to make it right?

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"Follows in the tradition of John Gray's Mars and Venus series and Deborah Tannen's You Just Don't Understand."

—Publishers Weekly

ALON GRATCH, PH.D., is the bestselling author of *If Men Could Talk: Translating the Secret Language of Men*, which has been published in more than 20 countries. A New York–based clinical psychologist and lecturer, Dr. Gratch has presented his work in many academic settings, including the medical schools at Harvard and Columbia.



Self-Help (SEL000000) 5³/16 x 8; 256 pages 1-4000-9816-5. \$12.95 paper (Canada: \$16.95) EAN Code 9781400098163

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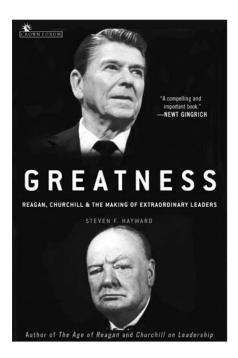
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## Greatness

#### Reagan, Churchill, and the Making of Extraordinary Leaders

By Steven F. Hayward



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STEVEN F. HAYWARD is a recognized authority on both Ronald Reagan and Winston Churchill, having written *The Age of Reagan: The Fall of the Old Liberal Order, 1964-1980*, and *Churchill on Leadership: Executive Success in the Face of Adversity*. Hayward is currently at work on *The Age of Reagan: Lion at the Gate, 1980-1989*, to be published by Crown Forum in 2007. He divides his time between Washington, D.C., and California.



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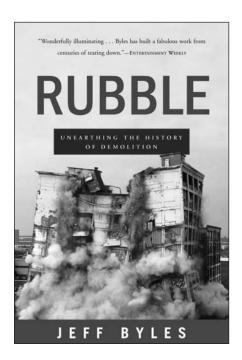
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## Rubble

#### Unearthing the History of Demolition

By Jeff Byles



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- Feature on LostMag.com

The first-ever biography of the wrecking trade is a riveting, character-filled narrative of how the black art of destruction grew to become a multibillion-dollar business, an extreme spectator sport, and a touchstone for what we value, what we disdain, who we were, and what we wish to become.

"A wonderfully illuminating account. Byles has built a fabulous work from centuries of tearing down."

-Entertainment Weekly, Editor's Choice

"A wry history of modernity's infatuation with 'unbuilding.' Colorful." —Kirkus Reviews

"With brio, Byles ably and pungently excavates the shadowy crannies of this underappreciated art."

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—Village Voice

Rubble rides the wrecking ball through the world of demolition, stretching over more than 500 years of razing and toppling.

JEFF BYLES has written feature articles and critical reviews about architecture, urbanism, and culture for the New York Times, Village Voice, Metropolis, NY Arts, and other publications. He lives in New York City.



Architecture—History (ARC005000)
5³/16 x 8; 368 pages
25 black-and-white photographs
0-307-34528-9. \$13.95 paper (Canada: \$18.95)
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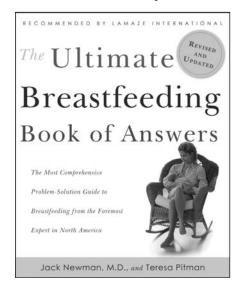
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## **TRP** RIGINAL

## The Ultimate Breastfeeding Book of Answers, Revised and Updated

The Most Comprehensive Problem-Solving Guide to Breastfeeding from the Foremost Expert in North America

By Jack Newman, M.D., and Teresa Pitman



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Recommended by Lamaze International, The Ultimate Breastfeeding Book of Answers, Revised and Updated is the most comprehensive guide to every aspect of breastfeeding.

Ithough breastfeeding is the natural and healthy way to nourish your baby, it's not always easy. Many new mothers are scared away from this important bonding experience because of difficulty getting started and lack of information about what to do when things don't go as planned. In *Ultimate Breastfeeding Book of Answers, Revised and Updated* two of today's foremost lactation experts help new mothers overcome their fears, doubts, and practical concerns about breast feeding.

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- · Achieving a good latch and avoiding common mistakes
- · What to do if your baby refuses the breast
- Avoiding sore nipples and breasts
- Ensuring your baby gets enough milk
- · And much more

**DR. JACK NEWMAN** is the leading researcher in the field of breastfeeding. A father of three, he lives in Toronto.

TERESA PITMAN has been a La Leche League leader for more than 25 years. She is the mother of four children and lives in Ontario.



Family—Breastfeeding (FAM009000) 73/8 x 91/6; 352 pages 65 black-and-white photos 0-307-34558-0. \$19.95 paper (Canada: \$26.95) EAN Code 9780307345585

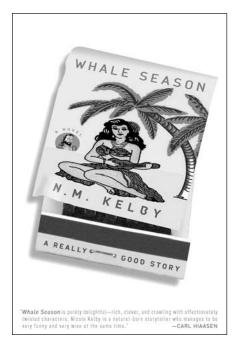
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## Whale Season

#### A Novel

By N. M. Kelby





n Christmas Eve in Whale Harbor, Florida—a town that has no whales—a drifter in a loin cloth pulls up in a Winnebago, claiming to be Him. Murder and mayhem ensues, but in the steamy climes of southern Florida, you take your miracles where you can get them.

"Like Hiaasen's breakthrough work, *Tourist Season*, Kelby's seriocomic Florida novel is populated by broadly sketched wacky characters including a charming mass murderer, and delightfully stretches reality beyond even the supple bounds of our nation's subtropical fantasyland...A terrific addition to the genus of comic swamp opera."

—*Philadelphia Inquirer* 

"Purely delightful—rich, clever, and crawling with affectionately twisted characters. N. M. Kelby is a natural-born storyteller who manages to be very funny and very wise at the same time."

—Carl Hiaasen

"A fast piece of pop-lit that fans of Tom Robbins will enjoy...An engrossing story of deliverance told like a parable about second chances."

—People

"Zany characters in this trip to and beyond Hiaasen country." —New York Post

"Kelby manages to make the Florida shtick seem fresh and overlays it with a patina of spiritual yearning in a cross between the work of Carl Hiaasen and Christopher Moore."

—Library Journal

"Black humor that sizzles...Terrific mock-archetypal characters...and there's enough mad plot to hook most anyone."

—Kirkus Reviews

"This is mighty good fun." —Publishers Weekly

N. M. KELBY spent 20 years as a print and television journalist before she began writing novels. She lives in Sarasota, Florida. Visit her at NMKelby.com.



Fiction (FIC000000) 5³/16 x 8; 320 pages 0-307-33678-6. \$13.00 paper (Canada: \$17.00)

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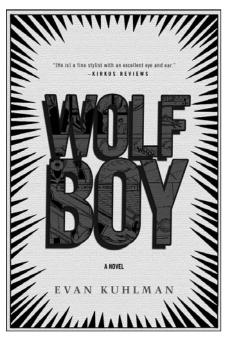
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## Wolf Boy

#### A Novel

By Evan Kuhlman



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Advertising Comics Journal

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Featured on NovelThoughts.com

"I couldn't put [this] down. Interspersed throughout the pages of this imaginative and compelling novel is a unique graphic novel...making Wolf Boy a rare treat."—Stan Lee

old with all the humanity and intimacy that have made *Ordinary People* and *Bee Season* perennial favorites, *Wolf Boy* builds on a classic narrative archetype to follow a young family coping with staggering loss.

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**EVAN KUHLMAN's** stories have appeared in *Glimmer Train, Salt Hill, The Madison Review,* and *The Vincent Brothers Review.* **BRENDON** and **BRIAN FRAIM** are best known for their clean line style in *Knights of the Dinner Table: Illustrated.* Their illustrations are featured in *Wolf Boy.* 



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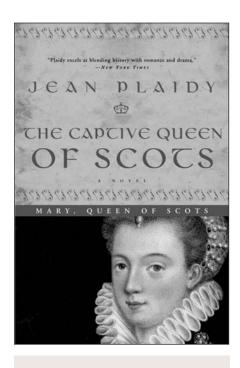
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## The Captive Queen of Scots

#### A Novel

By Jean Plaidy



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**JEAN PLAIDY** is the pen name of prolific author Eleanor Hibbert. More than 14 million of her books have been sold worldwide.



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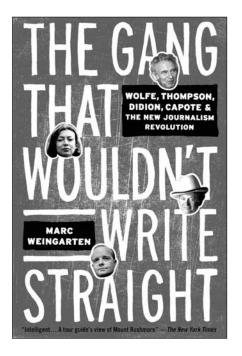
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By Marc Weingarten



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MARC WEINGARTEN's work has appeared in the New York Times, Los Angeles Times, Entertainment Weekly, San Francisco Chronicle, and Slate. He lives in Los Angeles.



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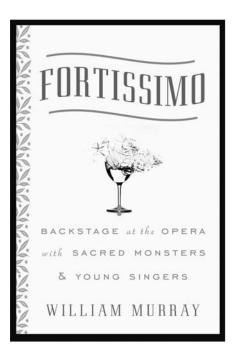
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## **Fortissimo**

Backstage at the Opera with Sacred Monsters and Young Singers

By William Murray



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**WILLIAM MURRAY** wrote more than 20 novels and works of nonfiction. He passed away in 2005.



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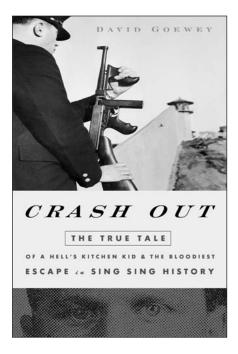
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The True Tale of a Hell's Kitchen Kid and the Bloodiest Escape in Sing Sing History

By David Goewey



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**DAVID GOEWEY** was born and raised in Ossining, New York, the grandson, son, and brother of Sing Sing officers. He lives in New York City.



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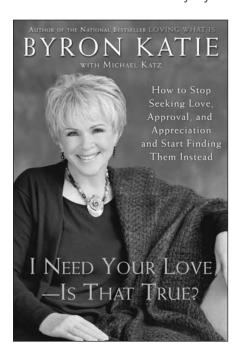
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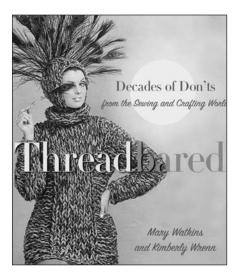
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## **Threadbared**

Decades of Don'ts from the Sewing and Crafting World

By Kimberly Wrenn and Mary Watkins



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Threadbared is a collection of hilarious, sharp-edged commentary on vintage crafting patterns in the spirit of Interior Desecrations, perfect for the catty crafter.

s they watched the latest crafting craze take over, and more and more of their friends started ridiculing them for their inability to sew so much as a doily, Mary and Kimberly (the hilarious ladies of ThreadBared.com) decided to strike back at this growing crafting community the only way they knew how—by making fun of it! The results are hysterical, because what the authors lack in craftsmanship, they more than make up for in cattiness.

The patterns Kimberly and Mary comment on are funny by themselves—they're kitschy and warmly nostalgic reminders of a time when girls wore shirtwaists and girdles to high school, men left the office for home at 5:01, and darning socks just made sense. They're then paired with commentary from Mary and Kimberly, who rip them apart with their brand of devilish, take-no-prisoners wit.

Threadbared redefines the current craft craze as a movement ripe for needling—and not the knit-and-purl variety.

KIMBERLY WRENN and MARY WATKINS live outside Atlanta with their respective husbands. Neither of them has any idea how to sew, knit, or crochet.



Humor (HUM000000)

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## The Swinging 70's

"What do you mean you're uncomfortable? It's just Susan and Tom. They're our *friends* and they invited us over for dinner. Try to be polite. Look how excited they are to have us here.

"What? I told you already. They thought it would be fun if we all wore our robes. Like a pajama party. They thought it would help us all loosen up a bit...you know, have a good time.

They throw these parties all the time. They're supposed to be a real blast. I heard Susan is the best hostess in town.

Why aren't they wearing pajamas under their robes? How should I know? What are you so worried about? Oh, and Tom says that we're having dinner in the bedroom so that we can eat while we recline like the ancient Romans did.

Sounds fun, huh?

Tom? Looking at you? What do you mean looking at you? Listen, honey, everything's fine. What you need is to have a few drinks and relax. It's gonna be a great evening. They mentioned something about dancing after dinner—swinging, I think. I didn't know they were into that but, boy, I haven't done the Lindy Hop in ages!"



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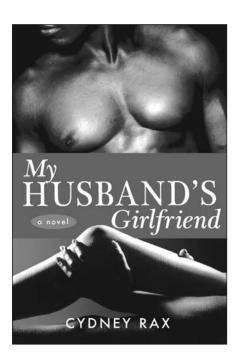
You may never knit again!

## **TRP** RIGINAL

## My Husband's Girlfriend

A Novel

By Cydney Rax



#### **National Publicity**

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Also by Cydney Rax My Daughter's Boyfriend 1-4000-8313-3 \$12.95 paper (Canada: \$17.95) In My Husband's Girlfriend, Cydney Rax gives us a provocative, sexy novel about modern sexual and relationship mores among the black middle class.

nya and Neil Meadows are stuck in a sexless marriage. Anya suffers from a hormonal disorder that leaves her with no sex drive at all, while Neil is voracious and experimental in bed. After one unfulfilling encounter too many, they make a deal, Neil can have a mistress, but he is forbidden to have anything other than oral sex, they can only meet twice a month, and he can't fall in love with her.

Needless to say, the deal falls through. Neil's mistress, Danielle, becomes pregnant with his child. Rather than break up their home, Neil and Anya decide to include Dani and her son—creating a strange blended family. As the three try to work together and raise the child (along with Neil and Anya's daughter), the stress becomes unbearable. The stakes are raised as each of the key characters—who take turns narrating the story—is forced to make difficult choices.

My Husband's Girlfriend begins with a tantalizing, sexy premise but provides a deeper, nuanced, and engaging look at sex, monogamy, and marriage.

**CYDNEY RAX** is the creator of Book-Remarks.com. She lives in Houston, Texas.



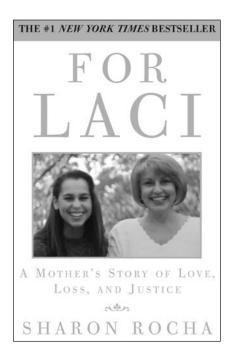
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## For Laci

A Mother's Story of Love, Loss, and Justice By Sharon Rocha



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In this #1 New York Times bestseller, Sharon Rocha, mother of Laci Peterson, tells what it was like to live through her daughter's disappearance and opens our hearts to the Laci she loved.

very mother's worst fear became Sharon Rocha's reality. On Christmas Eve 2002, she received a phone call saying that her daughter, Laci, was missing. From that first moment, Sharon knew with a mother's instinct that something—beyond the alarming news itself—was terribly wrong. As the world now knows, she was right. Nearly two years after that night, a jury in the State of California found Scott Peterson guilty of the murder of his wife and their unborn son, Conner.

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Inspired by a desire to help others who find themselves similarly afflicted, Sharon Rocha has written a powerful and deeply moving memoir of loss and the love that always endures.

**SHARON ROCHA** has campaigned for victim's rights, and helped launch Laci and Conner's Law. She lives in California.



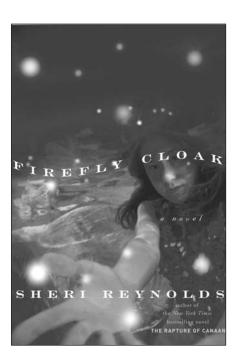
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## Firefly Cloak

#### A Novel

By Sheri Reynolds



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hen eight-year-old Tessa Lee and her brother, Travis, are abandoned in a campground by their desperate mother and her boyfriend of the moment, their mother leaves them only two things: a phone number written in Magic Marker on Travis's back and her favorite housecoat, printed with tiny fireflies, that she places over her sleeping children. The phone number belongs to the children's grandparents, who are notified by the police and come for them. For Tessa Lee, the housecoat becomes totemic, a cloak that provides a connection to the past and to her mother.

When word arrives many years later that Tessa Lee's mother has been spotted working at a pavilion on a seaside boardwalk, the teenager sets off on a dangerous journey to try to recover what it is she has lost.

Steeped in the rich tradition of Southern writers such as Carson McCullers and Sue Monk Kidd, *Firefly Cloak* is a vivid coming-of-age novel about family, loss, and redemption.

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—Publishers Weekly

SHERI REYNOLDS teaches writing and literature at Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia. Her previous novels are *Bitterroot Landing* and *The Rapture of Canaan*. Visit her at SheriReynolds.com



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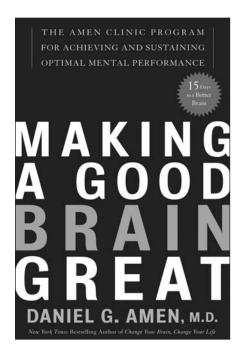
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DANIEL G. AMEN, M.D., is a nationally recognized expert in the field of brain and behavior. His books include the New York Times bestseller Change Your Brain, Change Your Life. He has appeared on CNN, the Today show, The View, the Discovery Channel, and many others and he writes a monthly column for Men's Health called "Head Check."



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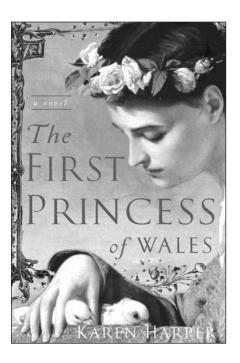
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## The First Princess of Wales

#### A Novel

By Karen Harper



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Also by Karen Harper The Last Boleyn 0-307-23790-7 \$14.95 paper (Canada: \$21.00) Joan of Kent, daughter of a disgraced earl, matches wits with Edward, Prince of Wales, in Karen Harper's compelling The First Princess of Wales.

hen the lovely Joan of Kent is sent into the politically charged court of King Edward III, where chivalry is promoted but treachery prevails, she hopes to redeem her family's disgraced name. Naïve and high-spirited, Joan is unprepared for the devious maneuverings of her fellow courtiers; then she learns it was the royal family who betrayed her father. Joan targets Edward, Prince of Wales, for her revenge, but what begins as strategy soon grows into love. Will Joan allow her real feelings for Edward to take precedence over vengeance? And if she does, what will be the price?

Karen Harper's compelling, fast-paced novel tells the riveting story of an innocent girl who married a prince, gave birth to a king, and defied the powerful Plantagenets to become the first princess of Wales.

**KAREN HARPER** is the author of the bestselling Elizabeth I mysteries. She lives in Columbus, Ohio, and Naples, Florida.



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Any man who has taken a long car trip with a woman knows that women need to pee more than men. As we begrudgingly pull into a rest stop, we wonder whether this is the result of a genetic difference, obsessive water consumption, or just a vicious plan to throw us off schedule.



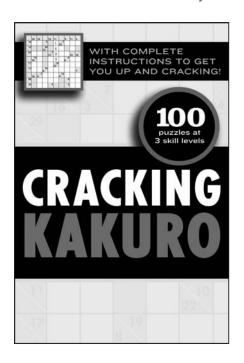
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By the Editors of the Guardian



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# ANSWERS

## Is the red dye in maraschino cherries really bad for you?

In 1960 an amendment called the Delaney Clause was added to the Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act prohibiting the the marketing of any color additive that was found to cause cancer in animals or humans, regardless of amount. Since then, red dyes #1, #2, and #4 have all been banned. The two main red dyes that are still used are Red #3 and Red #40. Both are currently used in

maraschino cherries. But...large amounts of Red #3 were linked to thyroid cancer in rats. The risk is minimal (1 in 100,000 over a 70-year period), but if you're scarfing down several whole jars a day, you might want to consider switching to olives.

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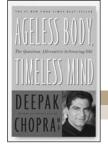
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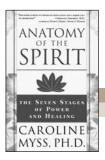
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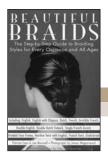
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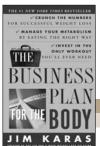
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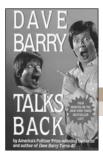
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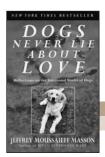
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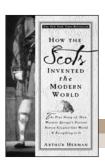
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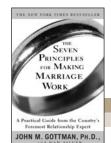
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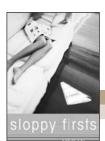
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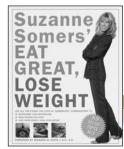
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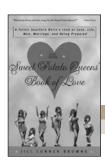
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