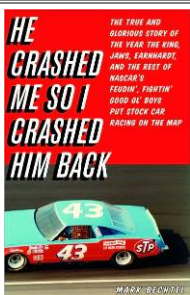




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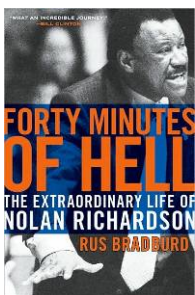
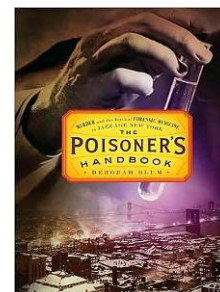


Mark Bechtel, **HE CRASHED ME SO I CRASHED HIM BACK** (320 pgs) 2/08

While NASCAR was actually founded in 1947-48, it was not until 1979 that it became a major sport with the first 500-mile race to be broadcast live on national TV from Daytona, Fla. This is the story of the emerging sport and how Bobby and Donny Allison, Cale Yarborough, Richard and Kyle Petty, Dale Earnhardt, Darrell Waltrip, and A.J. Foyt came together to give birth to what is now the second-biggest sport in America.

Deborah Blum, **POISONER'S HANDBOOK: MURDER AND THE BIRTH OF FORENSIC MEDICINE IN JAZZ AGE NEW YORK** (336 pgs) 2/18

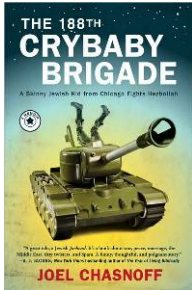
There was a time that untraceable poisons offered an easy path to the perfect crime. That is, until a pair of forensic scientists began their chemical detective work. Chief medical examiner Charles Norris and toxicologist Alexander Gettler investigated cases like: Barnum and Bailey's famous Blue Man; factory workers with crumbling bones, and others. It traces how they triumphed over seemingly unbeatable odds to become pioneers of forensic chemistry.



Rus Bradburd, **FORTY MINUTES OF HELL: THE EXTRAORDINARY LIFE OF NOLAN RICHARDSON** (336 pgs) 2/09

Nolan Richardson coached the 1994 University of Arkansas basketball team to an NCAA championship and then lost his job after an outburst with his boss. But Richardson's dismissal was not because of the heated exchange. It was the culmination of a lifetime marked by racism from his childhood in the segregated border town of El Paso to this event. It also illuminates the plight of black

coaches before Richardson and their legacy and explores the human cost of racism in sports. "He manages to transform the prickly coach into a complex figure worthy of reexamination. Establishes Richardson as one of college basketball's most compelling figures, both because of and in spite of his race." *Kirkus Reviews*

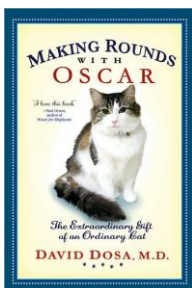
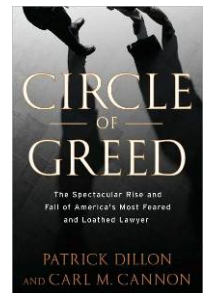


Joel Chasnoff, **188TH CRYBABY BRIGADE: A SKINNY JEWISH KID FROM CHICAGO FIGHTS HEZBOLLAH** (288 pgs) 2/09

Chasnoff, 24, a Jewish-American stand-up comedian, explains why he signed up with the Israeli army. It's a hilarious, poignant, and eye-opening account of his two years in the Israeli Defense Force that takes readers into the barracks, across international borders, over, under, and through political fences, and face-to-face with the absurd reality of life in the Israeli Army. "What's a nice, liberal Jewish boy from Chicago doing in a Merkava tank along Israel's border as Lebanon sets up ambushes against Hezbollah guerillas? ... The author often writes humorously--the physical examinations at the hands of very different authority figures that bookend the main narrative are horrifyingly hilarious." *Kirkus Reviews*

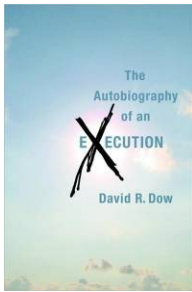
Carl Cannon & Patrick Dillon, **CIRCLE OF GREED: THE SPECTACULAR RISE AND FALL OF THE LAWYER WHO BROUGHT CORPORATE AMERICA TO ITS KNEES** (544 pgs) 3/02

Lerach was once a leading class action lawyer in America. Today he is a convicted felon. Set against the backdrop of the biggest financial boom in our country's history, Dillon and Cannon tell the story of political intrigue at the highest levels of government and the rise and fall of America's most feared and loathed lawyer.



David Dosa, **MAKING THE ROUNDS WITH OSCAR: THE EXTRAORDINARY GIFT OF AN ORDINARY CAT** (256 pgs) 2/02

Dr. David Dosa was at Steere House, a nursing and rehabilitation center in Rhode Island, when he first met Oscar the cat, adopted by the staff when he was a kitten. Now three, the cat has a special skill--the ability to predict when people are about to die. This book offers a physician's perspective on death and dying and also a glimpse into the animal mystique. "This touching and engaging book is a must-read for more than just cat lovers; anyone who enjoys a well-written and compelling story will find much to admire in its unlikely hero." *Publishers Weekly*

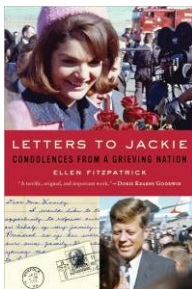
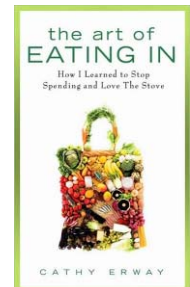


David R. Dow, **AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF AN EXECUTION** (273 pgs) 2/03

Dow, a professor of law at the University of Houston Law Center, who describes himself as a 'judgmental and not very forgiving guy,' explains why he works so hard to prevent death row inmates from being executed. In this true-crime narrative he takes readers inside prisons, into the minds of judges, and into the lives of death row inmates in an effort to explain why the death penalty should be abolished. "He spells out the maze of legal mumbo-jumbo to get his clients stays or released from confinement in the cases of a hapless Vietnam vet who shot a child, another man who beat his pregnant wife to death and another who killed his wife and children. In the end, Dow's book is a sobering, gripping and candid look into the death penalty." *Publishers Weekly* "In this deft page-turner, Dow brings the reader into the legal world, as he and his colleagues tried nearly every legal gambit to have {a client} spared, in the days, hours and minutes before his time of execution. The author is equally skilled at evoking the personal toll created by the trial-the sleepless nights, the endless work, the neglect of a lovingly portrayed wife and son, who nevertheless sustained and inspired him. A book of uncompromising honesty and moral beauty." *Kirkus Reviews*

Cathy Erway, **ART OF EATING IN: HOW I LEARNED TO STOP SPENDING AND LOVE THE STOVE** (336 pgs) 2/18

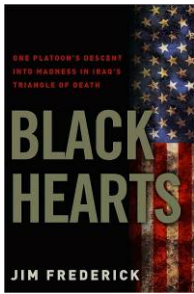
What would happen if your family stopped eating out for an entire year? Would you lose weight? Rediscover the joys of home cooked meals around the family table? Save money? The answer could be all of the above. Erway, an underpaid, 20-something executive assistant living in New York City, was struggling to make ends meet when she decided to stop eating out for two years to save money. This book is a result of what she learned. "A New York City food blogger chronicles her time as a culinary shut-in...All of this is presented in a light, girl-next-door manner; the author gleefully mixes and sautés through life, making you want to grab a spoon and help. Like a great dinner party, Erway's memoir is full of fabulous food and engaging conversation." *Kirkus Reviews*



Ellen Fitzpatrick, **LETTERS TO JACKIE: CONDOLENCES FROM A GRIEVING NATION** (384 pgs) 2/03

Within the first seven weeks after the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, his widow Jacqueline received 800,000 condolence letters. Two years afterward, the volume exceeded a million and a half. Fitzpatrick shares a sampling of those letters that bring together the hope, idealism, and sense of possibility JFK embodied, and how his death inspired a sense of purpose

and sadness as expressed by 'ordinary' Americans.

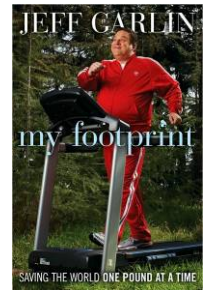


Jim Frederick, **BLACK HEARTS: ONE PLATOON'S DESCENT INTO MADNESS IN IRAQ'S TRIANGLE OF DEATH** (240 pgs) 1/12

It is understandable that being in a war zone can cause depression and stress. But the 502nd Infantry Regiment (known as The Black Hearts), took it one step further, crossing the line of morality. This is the story of how breakdown of discipline led to drinking, depression, and one of the most heinous war crimes committed by U.S. forces in the Iraq war. "Harrowing account of the atmospheric, commission and aftermath of a war crime...A riveting picture of life outside the wire in Iraq, where '[y]ou tell a guy to go across a bridge, and within five minutes he's dead.'" *Kirkus Reviews*

Jeff Garlin, **MY FOOTPRINT** (256 pgs) 2/23

Comedian and actor Jeff Garlin, a member of the cast of the Emmy-nominated TV show 'Curb Your Enthusiasm,' documents his quest to reduce both his physical and carbon footprint. Readers will laugh out loud as the self-proclaimed couch potato shares his highs and lows, struggles and triumphs in losing 75 pounds by using a personal trainer, working with a Pilates instructor, and using his Wii Fit. In addition, he gets green coaching from actor/environmentalist Ed Begley Jr.

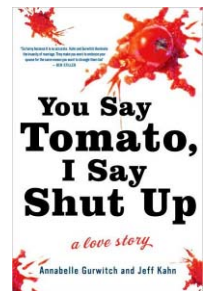


Robert Graysmith, **GIRL IN ALFRED HITCHCOCK'S SHOWER** (320 pgs) 2/02

Actress Marli Renfro's only claim to fame was that she was Janet Leigh's nude body double in Alfred Hitchcock's movie, 'Psycho.' She faded into obscurity until 1988 when she was raped and murdered by a serial killer with a fetish for Hitchcock's classic shocker. Graysmith ponders the questions: What if Marli was still alive? What if another woman had been murdered in her place?

Annabelle Gurwitch & Jeff Kahn, **YOU SAY TOMATO, I SAY SHUT UP: A LOVE STORY** (272 pgs) 2/23

Told in a he-said-she-said format, this hilarious and moving memoir centers on one couple's reliance on complaining, co-dependence, and a healthy supply of Pinot Noir to keep their marriage and sanity intact. It also has its serious side as the authors' share their experiences dealing with a son born with life-threatening birth defects. "Married for 13 years, Gurwitch and Kahn look back with laughter at the highs, the lows, and their 'different marital needs.'" Writer-actor Kahn (*Curb Your Enthusiasm*) & actress Gurwitch



(*Seinfeld*)... write in a lighthearted fashion about dating, cats, living together, marriage, the honeymoon, and lots of sex. Readers will hope they stay together to write more heartfelt, funny books like this one." ***Publishers Weekly***

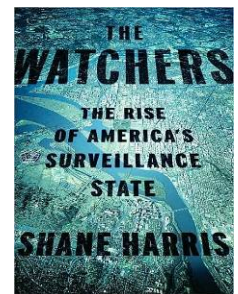


Ian Halperin, **BRANGELINA: BRAD PITT AND ANGELINA JOLIE** (271 pgs) 12/01

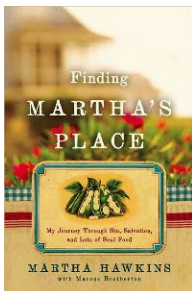
'Brangelina' explores the relationship of the world's most famous celebrity couple with exclusive revelations and personal anecdotes. This Supercouple, unlike any other, consistently turns heads, rolls cameras, and delivers action. Find out the truth behind Angelina's notorious French kiss with her brother James at the 2000 Oscars --Learn about her childhood and estrangement from her father Jon Voight --Discover the truth of Brad's marriage to everybody's friend, Jennifer Aniston, and of her readiness to have children --Read about the true circumstances of the affair between Brad and Angelina along with their stormy & unstable relationship --Find out about Angelina's ongoing lesbian relationship with her former Foxfire co-star Jenny Shimizu.

Shane Harris, **THE WATCHERS: THE RISE OF AMERICA'S SURVEILLANCE STATE** (320 pgs) 2/18

When Huston Smith, Ram Dass, Andrew Weil and Timothy Leary came together at Harvard in the tumultuous 1960s for a psychedelic drug research project, little did they know they would be setting the stage for the social, spiritual, sexual and psychological revolution and launching the Mind/Body/Spirit movement that is important today. This is that story of the teacher, the seeker, the healer, and the trickster who ushered in a New Age in America. "Harris, a reporter for National Journal, details the rise of a "band of mavericks" in national security and intelligence organizations that has erected "an American surveillance state... Harris carefully examines how the nexus between terrorism and technology has complicated the age-old "conflict between security and liberty" and calls for a national debate on the issue. This informative and dramatic narrative is an excellent place to start."



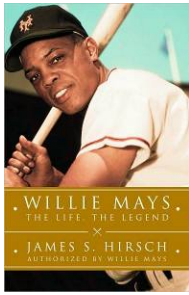
Publishers Weekly



Martha Hawkins with Marcus Brotherton, **FINDING MARTHA'S PLACE: MY JOURNEY THROUGH SIN, SALVATION, AND LOTS OF SOUL FOOD** (256 pgs) 1/12

Martha Hawkins led a bleak life. She was uneducated, black, an unmarried mother on welfare, and came from a disadvantaged background. In spite of all these obstacles, she never lost sight of her dream: to own a restaurant. Inspired by a favorite Bible verse, Martha turned her life around, earning a GED and

attending college. After meeting an attorney who believed in her, and with the help of a \$5,000 loan and faith in God, she realized her dream.

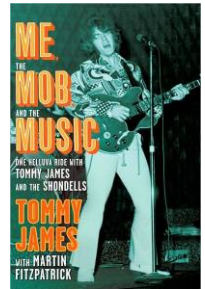


James S Hirsch, **WILLIE MAYS: THE LIFE, THE LEGEND** (640 pgs) 2/09

Willie Mays, nicknamed the 'Say Hey Kid', is considered by many to be one of the greatest baseball players of all time. Hirsch offers the definitive, authorized biography of Mays, featuring exclusive first-time interviews with friends, family members, and teammates. He describes the toll the mental and physical demands the game put on the Hall of Fame player and the part he played in ushering in the new era of baseball. *Publishers Weekly* "The author attends well to those most celebrated Willie moments: "The Throw," "The Catch," the four-homer day, the bare-handed catches, the daring base running, the dramatic hits, the peacemaking during base-brawls. But he also portrays a man who had difficulty with personal relationships and with intimacy—a failed first marriage, a need for pampering managers." *Kirkus Reviews*

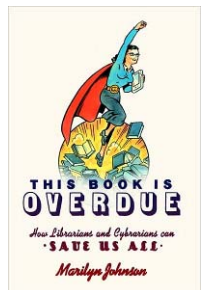
Tommy James & Martin Fitzpatrick, **ME, THE MOB, AND THE MUSIC: ONE HELLUVA RIDE WITH TOMMY JAMES AND THE SHONDELLS** (240 pgs) 2/16

Thomas Gregory Jackson formed his first band when he was 11, but it was his second band, formed one year later, that would eventually bring him fame. That band, first named 'Tom and the Tornadoes' eventually became 'Tommy James and the Shondells.' James tells the story of an era of rock 'n' roll when payola and the strong arm tactics of the mob were the norm, and hits like 'Hanky Panky; Mony Mony,' and 'Crimson and Clover,' became part of music history.



Marilyn Johnson, **THIS BOOK IS OVERDUE: HOW LIBRARIANS AND CYBRARIANS CAN SAVE US ALL** (256 pgs) 2/02

Johnson celebrates libraries and librarians and poses the question: What will the libraries of the future look like? Will we even need them? As she traces the history of libraries from Dewey to digital, she explores the next wave--what cybrarians call Library 2.0--and how this new paradigm will affect the archiving of our culture. "A spirited exploration of libraries' evolution from fusty brick-and-mortar institutions to fluid virtual environments...In a time of unprecedented challenges, librarians will be delighted that someone values, even celebrates, their continued relevancy" *Kirkus Reviews*





Shoshana Johnson with M. L. Doyle, **I'M STILL STANDING: FROM CAPTIVE U.S. SOLDIER TO FREE CITIZEN - MY JOURNEY HOME** (288 pgs) 2/02

Johnson, the first female POW of Operation Iraqi Freedom and the first black female POW in U.S. history, shares her story of capture and subsequent release in 2003. She was part of a convoy ambushed in an-Nasiriyah on March 23, 2003. While several of her fellow soldiers were killed, Shoshana and four others were taken prisoner, including Jessica Lynch. Johnson writes of her captivity, her emotions, and frustrations that are both personal and political, sharing things she could never before reveal. "Johnson gained national attention as America's first black female prisoner of war...Johnson endured her captivity with courage and emerged with honor. With the help of former army reservist Doyle, she vividly, simply, and unpretentiously tells her tale." *Publishers Weekly*

Matt Labash, **FLY FISHING WITH DARTH VADER: AND OTHER ADVENTURES WITH EVANGELICAL WRESTLERS, POLITICAL HITMEN, AND JEWISH COWBOYS** (336 pgs) 2/09

This collection of tales from one of the best magazine writers in the country chronicles the characters that populate America's murky periphery; shedding light on everything from ruined cities, such as New Orleans and Detroit, to Al Sharpton's eating habits and Dick Cheney's favorite fishing hole. It's filled with wit, insight, and a trenchant grasp of the American scoundrel.

