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New Stories from Favorite Authors

Caleb's Crossing

Pulitzer Prize winner Geraldine Brooks takes a remarkable shard of history – Caleb Cheeshahteaumauk becoming the first Native American to graduate from Harvard College in 1665 – and brings it to vivid life. *Caleb's Crossing* (\$26.95, Viking, 978-0-670-02104-8) is set in Martha's Vineyard, where 12-year-old Bethia Mayfield, a minister's daughter, encounters Caleb, the young son of a chieftain, and the two forge a tentative secret friendship that draws each into the alien world of the other. Bethia's father takes on a project to educate Caleb, and a year later, Caleb is in Cambridge, studying among the colonial elite. There, Bethia, who yearns for an education closed to her by gender, finds herself reluctantly indentured as a professor's housekeeper, and closely observes Caleb's crossing of cultures from his world into hers. This thoroughly researched and beautifully written story further establishes Brooks as one of our most acclaimed novelists.



Dreams of Joy

Lisa See has brilliantly written of the potent bonds of mother love, romantic love, and love of country. Now, in *Dreams of Joy* (\$26, Random House, 978-1-400-06712-1), she continues the story of sisters Pearl and May from *Shanghai Girls*, and Pearl's strong-willed nineteen-year-old daughter, Joy. Reeling from newly uncovered family secrets, Joy runs away to Shanghai in early 1957 to find her birth father – with whom both May and Pearl were once in love. Devastated by Joy's flight and terrified for her safety, Pearl is determined to save her daughter, no matter the personal cost. Yet even as their separate journeys converge, a tragic episode in China's history threatens their very lives. With richly drawn

characters and vivid storytelling, Lisa See once again renders a family challenged by tragedy and time, yet ultimately united by the resilience of love.

State of Wonder

Ann Patchett brings us a provocative and ambitious novel set deep in the Amazon jungle. In *State of Wonder* (\$26.99, Harper, 978-0-062-04980-3),

Dr. Marina Singh, a research scientist with a Minnesota pharmaceutical company, is sent to Brazil to track down her former mentor, Dr. Annick Swenson, who seems to have all but disappeared while working on what is destined to be an extremely valuable new drug. Once found, Dr. Swenson, now in her seventies, is ruthless and uncompromising; she dominates her research team and the natives she is studying with the force of an imperial ruler. Sacrifices must be made and Marina may be unable to live up to her teacher's expectations. Replete with poison arrows, devouring snakes, and a neighboring tribe of cannibals, *State of Wonder* is a tale that leads us into the very heart of darkness, then reveals what lies on the other side.

What's Shakin' at McLean & Eakin?

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Dear Booklover,

What will you read this summer? As we review publisher catalogs and talk with our sales reps, it's clear that this will be a stellar season for new releases. It's been a long wait for a new book by **Ann Patchett** and we're always ready for something new from **Geraldine Brooks** and **Lisa See**. There are so many novels you'll enjoy reading individually, and will want to present to members of your book group. If losing yourself in a page-turning thriller is what you're in the mood for, **Pete Hamill** has a new book, and we think you'll enjoy meeting **Jo Nesbø**, a bestselling Norwegian writer with a bone-chilling story of a serial killer.

Father's Day is June 19th and you'll find lots of great gift ideas throughout this issue. **Erik Larson** (*Devil in the White City*) returns with *In the Garden of Beasts*, a remarkable story set during Hitler's rise to power. **Mitchell Zuckoff** traces the fascinating story of a plane crash in the jungles of Dutch New Guinea in *Lost in Shangra-La*. This year also marks the 150th anniversary of the Civil War, and we have new titles to mark the occasion.

Is there a new graduate in your life? Celebrate by picking up a book of inspiration for life transitions. For those going off to college, choose a book of coupons that may come in handy when a feeling of being homesick strikes.

How about trying some easy recipes for homemade popsicles? Or you might recall your own childhood by reading about **E.B. White's** in *The Story of Charlotte's Web*. For the kids, there are new releases in popular series and charming picture books, like *Me...Jane*, the story of young **Jane Goodall** and her special toy chimpanzee. You'll have just plain fun reading these with a child – try *Hide and Sheep* and *Meow Said the Cow*. And we have more!

When you find some worthy reads in this newsletter or when browsing the store, we thank you for buying from us. When you do, you affirm the value of indie bookstores in our community, help support the local economy and sustain the vibrancy of our writing and publishing communities. Here's to summer! Happy reading!

The Staff at McLean & Eakin, Booksellers

“I DON'T WANT TO GO OFF ON A RANT HERE, BUT...”

by Bess Bleyaert

If you've seen my staff page on the McLean and Eakin website (please note super-cool photo), you'll know that I'm proud to say that in addition to my inability to live anywhere other than Petoskey, I also have the inability to live without books. Could I live without them? Maybe. Would I want to? No. In joining the staff at McLean and Eakin, I've found a home. *McLean and Eakin* is “...about people who love books, people who write about them and people who read them.”

I'm the first person to admit that books have changed as we progress through this increasingly digital age. I'm a gadget girl. I love my iPhone and iPad as much as the next person, perhaps a little too much. What I've tried to keep in mind, however, is that convenience comes at a cost, and I shop locally as much as I possibly can. Did you know that for every \$100 a consumer spends, local businesses give back \$68 to their community while chain stores give back only \$43 (in the form of staff, taxes, charitable giving, etc.)? Additionally, the state and local community lose valuable tax dollars when you shop online and out-of-state. Tax dollars make a difference to the State of Michigan, now more than ever. It is estimated that in 2009, the State of Michigan lost \$93.2 million to out-of-state e-commerce. *How can you make a difference? Save gas. Save jobs. Shop local.*

Have you made the transition to using an eReader? I challenge you to take the McLean and Eakin eBook challenge. *No matter which device you use, you can purchase your eBooks through the M&E website for the same price as other eBook sellers.* Have questions? Give us a call, we're more than happy to help get you set-up. (Note: See article on this page about Matt's Tech Seminars.) *You also may have noticed that a strange looking “bar code thing” now appears on the front page of our newsletter. That QR code is a direct link to our website and you'll be seeing them more and more. Scan it with your smartphone and be taken directly to the M&E website and shop to your heart's content.* By purchasing your books from McLean and Eakin, either by spending time in the store or shopping on our website, you also keep plugged into the amazing talent we bring to the community, a connection lost when you shop elsewhere for your books.

In reading a recent article in *Shelf Awareness*, I came across a note from an owner of a bookstore in Connecticut which read: “Just had another fabulous in-store luncheon with Michael White and his novel *Beautiful Assassin*. And a customer who came made our day by sharing, ‘I was an Amazon.com girl, but no more. I am now a real book person thanks to your lunches.’” So, visit the store. Visit our website. In either location you'll hear what we're raving about. The best part, if you order a printed book on our website in the middle of the night, it ships direct to the store... no shipping cost! *Take note of what's happening at the liveliest bookstore in Northern Michigan.*



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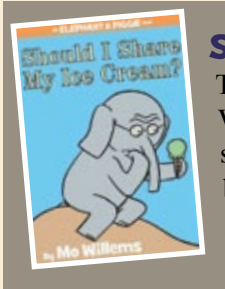
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Wednesday,
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BOOKS Making a BIG SPLASH



Should I Share My Ice Cream?

Three-time Caldecott Honor winner Mo Willems treats us to a fun new book for summer. Gerald and Piggie are best friends, but they are really quite different animals. In *Should I Share My Ice Cream?* (\$8.99, Disney, 978-1-423-14343-7), Gerald has a big decision to make, but will he make it in time? Come find out! Ages 4-8. Avail. 6/14



Me...Jane

The *New York Times* bestselling author Patrick McDonnell (*The Gift of Nothing*) has written an inspiring story of the young Jane Goodall and her special childhood toy chimpanzee. With anecdotes taken directly from Goodall's autobiography, McDonnell makes the true story of *Me...Jane* (\$15.99, Little Brown, 978-0-316-0-4546-9) accessible and enjoyable for the very young. Ages 4-6

Pig Kahuna

Fergus and his little brother, Dink, love collecting things that wash up on the beach, because it means that Fergus doesn't actually have to go in the water. Then one day, they spy the greatest treasure of all — an abandoned surfboard. When no one comes to claim it, they make it the star of their collection and name it "Dave." But when Dave accidentally (on purpose?) gets cast back into the ocean, can Fergus find the courage to rescue him? Jennifer Gordon Sattler's *Pig Kahuna* (\$14.99, Bloomsbury, 978-1-599-90635-5) is a wonderful story about overcoming your fears. Ages 3-6

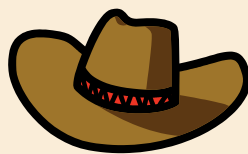
Meow Said the Cow

It's a noisy morning in the barnyard: roosters crowing, cows mooing, mice squeaking! And the farmer's cat has had enough. With a flick of his tail, the cat casts a spell and the barnyard is turned upside-down. Emma Dodd brings her hilarious rhyming text to life with bright, bold illustrations in *Meow Said the Cow* (\$16.99, Arthur A. Levine, 978-0-545-31861-7). Ages 4-8



Hide and Sheep

In this rollicking, rhyming read-aloud by Andrea Beaty, Farmer McFitt must round up his escaped sheep — which are hiding everywhere from the circus to the library. The illustrations by Bill Mayer are filled with adventure and plenty of jokes to make *Hide and Sheep* (\$15.99, Margaret K. McElderry, 978-1-416-92544-6) an entertaining read for kids and adults alike. This is one you'll be reading again and again! Ages 4-8



Charlie the Ranch Dog

Ree Drummond, known for her Pioneer Woman blog and books, makes her picture book debut with *h* (\$16.99, HarperCollins, 978-0-061-99655-9). Meet Charlie, the perpetually hungry, self-deluded, always lovable Basset Hound who loves living in the country. You'll love his understated humor and enjoy meeting Suzie, the younger, more energetic dog in the family. Ages 4-7

Blackout

One hot summer night in the city, all the power goes out. The TV shuts off and a boy wails, "Mommm!" His sister can no longer use the phone, Mom can't work on her computer, and Dad can't finish cooking dinner. What's a family to do? John Rocco's *Blackout* (\$16.99, Hyperion, 978-1-423-12190-9) is a reminder of how time together is what's most important of all (not to mention how an over-reliance on technology could have far-reaching consequences). Ages 4-8

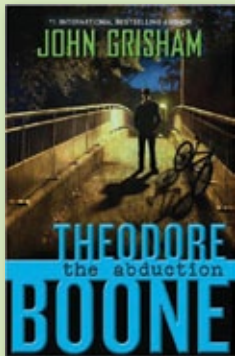


Poindexter Makes a Friend

New Yorker cartoonist Mike Twohy presents *Poindexter Makes a Friend* (\$15.99, S&S, 978-1-442-40965-1), his very first book for children. Poindexter, is a shy, friendly, and perfectly happy pig. There's just one thing. How is a shy, nice, well balanced pig going to make friends? His love of reading leads him to a special surprise — the start of a wonderful friendship. Ages 5-8



Plunge into a GOOD READ



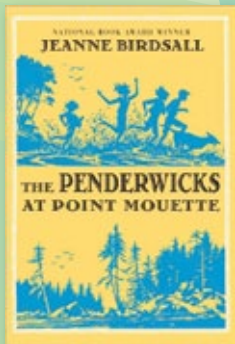
Theodore Boone: The ABduction

The follow-up to John Grisham's #1 *New York Times* bestseller *Theodore Boone: Kid Lawyer*. Just when it seems like life for Theo is back to the status quo, a new legal mystery comes to town — and Theo is the only one who can crack the case. *Theodore Boone: The Abduction* (\$16.99, Dutton, 978-0-525-42557-1) is the perfect companion for a lazy summer afternoon. Ages 8-12



Aliens on Vacation

Scrub isn't happy about leaving his friends to summer with his crazy grandmother in the "Middle-of-Nowhere." It turns out that her Intergalactic Bed & Breakfast, where each room in the inn is an off-earth portal and his grandma the gate-keeper, allows aliens to vacation on Earth. Scrub soon learns that Grandma desperately needs his help when the sheriff grows suspicious. Cleto Smith's *Aliens on Vacation* (\$16.99, Hyperion, 978-1-423-13363-6) is so much fun, you won't want to stop reading! Ages 9-12



The Penderwicks at Point Mouette

When summer comes around, it's off to the beach for Rosalind . . . and off to Maine with Aunt Claire for the rest of the Penderwick girls, as well as their old friend, Jeffrey. That leaves Skye as OAP (oldest available Penderwick) — a terrifying notion for all, but for Skye especially. The summer is filled with adventures in *The Penderwicks at Point Mouette* (\$16.99, Knopf, 978-0-375-85851-2), a story by Jeanne Birdsall filled with laughs and joyful tears. Ages 8-12



A Tale of Two Castles

Newbery Honor author Gail Carson Levine (*Ella Enchanted*) weaves a spellbinding tale about a clever heroine, a dragon detective, and a shape-shifting ogre in *A Tale of Two Castles* (\$16.99, HarperCollins, 978-0-061-22965-7). Newly arrived in the town of Two Castles, Elodie unexpectedly becomes the assistant to a brilliant dragon named Meenore, and together they solve mysteries. Their most important case involves a cast of characters that includes a greedy king, a giddy princess, and a handsome cat trainer — and is a reminder that you can find friendship where you least expect it. Ages 9-12

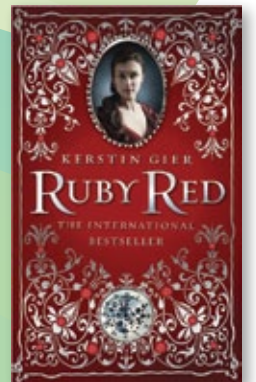
Throne of Fire, #2

What a perfect beginning to summer . . . the second installment of Rick Riordan's three-book series. In Book 2, *Throne of Fire* (\$18.99, Hyperion, 978-1-423-14056-6), Carter and Sadie, offspring of the brilliant Egyptologist Dr. Julius Kane, embark on a world-wide search for the Book of Ra, but the House of Life and the gods of chaos are determined to stop them. Ages 10-13



Ruby Red

Sixteen-year-old Gwyneth lives with her extended — and eccentric — family in London. The time-traveling gene that runs through the female half of her family supposedly has skipped over her. So it comes as a surprise when Gwen starts taking sudden leaps into the past. Travel back to the 18th century in *Ruby Red* (\$16.99, Holt, 978-0-805-09252-3), an amazing adventure first written in German by Kerstin Gier and now translated by Anthea Bell. Ages 12+



The Warlock

In the fifth installment of the *Secrets of the Immortal Nicholas Flamel* series by Michael Scott, the twins of prophecy have been divided, and the end is finally beginning. With Scatty, Joan of Arc, Saint Germain, Palamedes, and Shakespeare all in Danu Talis, Sophie is on her own with the ever-weakening Nicholas and Perenelle Flamel. She must depend on Niten to help her find an immortal to teach her Earth Magic. The surprise in *The Warlock* (\$18.99, Delacorte, 978-0-385-73533-9) is that she will find her teacher in the most ordinary of places. Ages 11-15

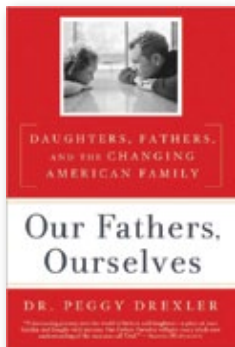


The Midnight Palace

When a mysterious threat reenters the lives of twins Ben and Sheere, separated as babies and reunited as teenagers in 1930s Calcutta, the siblings must confront an unspeakable terror, with the help of their secret society of fellow orphans. *The Midnight Palace* (\$17.99, Little Brown, 978-0-316-04473-8) by Carlos Ruiz Zafon offers moments of genuine horror and expert plot twists!

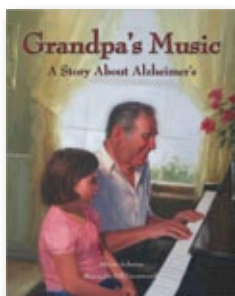


Being Family



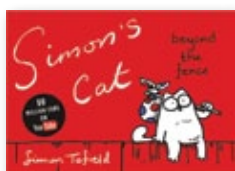
Our Fathers, Ourselves

There's no denying that a woman's relationship with her father is one of the most important in her life. Whether the relationship is good, bad, or something else, it affects daughters in profound ways. In *Our Fathers, Ourselves* (\$24.99, Rodale, 978-1-605-29360-8), Dr. Peggy Drexler looks at ways the father-daughter bond impacts women and offers helpful advice for creating a better, strong, and more rewarding relationship. An important work on understanding our fathers and finding ways that lead to a closer connection.



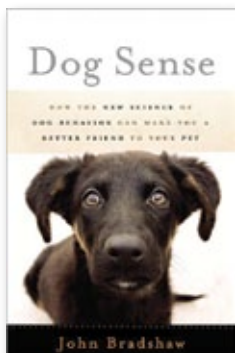
Grandpa's Music

Understanding dementia and Alzheimer's disease is difficult for all of us who see a loved one affected. In *Grandpa's Music* (\$16.99, Albert Whitman, 978-0-807-53052-8), Alison Acheson's thoughtful storytelling and Bill Farnsworth's touching paintings portray a family that learns to adapt with the challenges. Callie's grandfather has difficulty remembering things, so Callie takes on a special task to help him enjoy playing the piano and singing favorite songs. Ages 6-9 Avail. 4/5



Simon's Cat: Beyond the Fence

Simon Tofield's hilarious animations have taken YouTube by storm and we've come to love the relationship between the demanding feline and his exasperated, but doting human. With a copy of *Simon's Cat: Beyond the Fence* (\$13.99, Grand Central, 978-0-446-56007-8), you'll have the funny illustrations at your fingertips — reminding you of all the ways our cats entertain us with their various antics. Avail. 6/2



Dog Sense

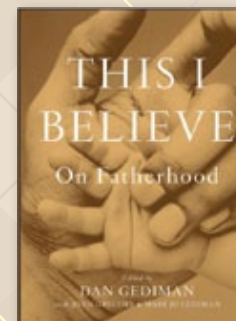
Renowned anthrozoologist Dr. John Bradshaw believes that although dogs have been mankind's faithful companions for years, they often are either treated as pack-following animals or furry humans — but they are neither. In *Dog Sense* (\$25.99, Basic, 978-0-465-01944-1), Dr. Bradshaw draws on the latest research for insights on how we can live in harmony with — not just dominion over — our dogs. You'll learn about guiding behavior to understanding your dog's personality in this thoughtful and wise book.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

SUNDAY, JUNE 19

This I Believe: On Fatherhood

We love this series from the popular NPR radio show. In *This I Believe: On Fatherhood* (\$19.95, Jossey-Bass, 978-0-470-87647-3), you'll read thought-provoking reflections and sentiments on one of the most fundamental of human relationships — fatherhood. It is a relationship filled with joy and heartbreak, love and anger, lessons learned, and opportunities missed. Some stories are reverential and loving; some are sad and clouded by yearning, loss, and regret. All are engaging and meaningful.



A Father's Day Thank You

Harvey doesn't know what to get his father for Father's Day. It's especially hard when his older sisters and brother seem so sure that their presents are his favorites. The night before Father's Day, Harvey remembers all of the nice things his dad helped him with that week. He picks up a crayon and starts to draw and decides that thanking his dad is the best gift of all. We think *A Father's Day Thank You* (\$6.99, Albert Whitman, 978-0-807-52292-9) by Janet Nolan and illustrated by Kathi Ember might just be the most treasured present this Father's Day!



Familyhood

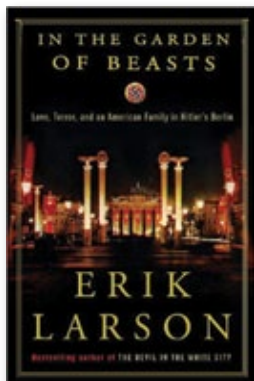
In keeping with the theme of his two previous *New York Times* bestsellers, *Couplehood* and *Babyhood*, actor and stand-up comedian Paul Reiser brings his trademark warmth and razor-sharp wit to bear on observations about parenting, marriage, and midlife in his latest work, *Familyhood* (\$25.99, Hyperion, 978-1-401-32432-2). Highly recommended as a gift for Father's Day.



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Global Perspective

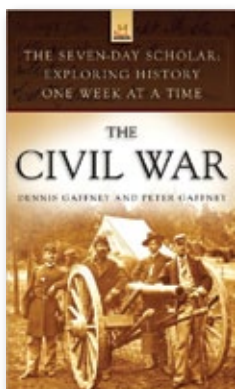
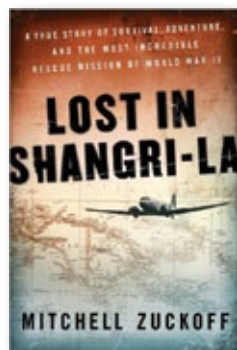


In the Garden of Beasts

Bestselling non-fiction writer Erik Larson (*Devil in the White City*) turns his hand to a remarkable story set during Hitler's rise to power. Suffused with the tense atmosphere of the period, and with unforgettable portraits of bizarre leaders, *In the Garden of Beasts* (\$26, Crown, 978-0-307-40884-6) lends an eyewitness perspective to events as they unfold in real time, revealing why the world did not recognize the grave threat posed by Hitler until Berlin – and much of Europe – was awash in blood and terror.

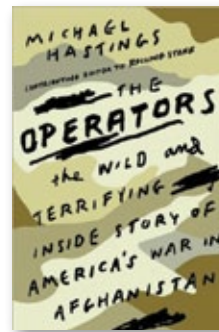
Lost in Shangri-La

On May 13, 1945, an American transport plane carrying 24 servicemen and women crashed into a mountain in the jungles of Dutch New Guinea (now Papua), leaving three survivors. Emotionally devastated, badly injured, and vulnerable to the hidden dangers of the jungle, the trio faced man-eating headhunters and enemy Japanese. Mitchell Zuckoff captures the unforgettable battle for survival in *Lost in Shangri-La* (\$26.99, Harper, 978-0-061-98834-9).



The Civil War

In partnership with the History Channel, Hyperion's Seven-Day Scholar series brings to life the significant moments in our nation's history. Marking the 150th anniversary of the Civil War, Dennis Gaffney offers forty-five chapters consisting of seven one-page narrative entries that cover the fascinating episodes of the tragedy. *The Civil War: Exploring History One Week at a Time* (\$24.99, Hyperion, 978-1-401-32374-5) reads like historical fiction, covering the crucial political decisions, unforgettable people, key battlefield moments and more.

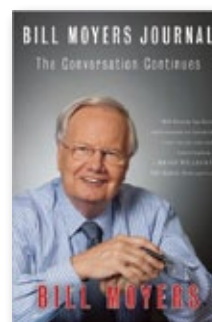
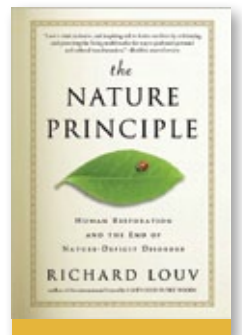


The Operators

In June 2010, Michael Hastings's extraordinary, uncensored *Rolling Stone* article shocked the world and led to the resignation of General Stanley McChrystal. Now, *The Operators: The Wild and Terrifying Inside Story of America's War in Afghanistan* (\$17.99, Little Brown, 978-0-316-17625-5) reveals a sobering analysis of the war, its politics, its major players, and the United States involvement in Afghanistan in vivid, unforgettable detail.

The Nature Principle

Richard Louv makes a convincing case that through a nature-balanced existence — driven by sound economic, social, and environmental solutions — the human race can and will thrive. In *The Nature Principle* (\$24.95, Algonquin, 978-1-565-12581-0), Louv brings us down to earth, stating that we have developed an out-sized faith in technology, but can still tap into the restorative powers of the natural world to build smarter and more sustainable businesses, communities, and economies. This timely, inspiring, and important work challenges us to discover the power for personal and cultural transformation.



Bill Moyers Journal

Over the years, Bill Moyers has hosted conversations on PBS with luminaries ranging from “The Wire” creator David Simon, anthropologist Jane Goodall, food journalist Michael Pollan, and many others. Now, you can delve into the best of the debates, the intellectual and cultural currents, and above all the fascinating people that have so powerfully shaped our times in *Bill Moyers Journal: The Conversation Continues* (\$29.95, New Press, 978-1-595-58624-7).

The Next Convergence

With the British Industrial Revolution, part of the world's population started to experience extraordinary economic growth, yet this pattern of divergence reversed after World War II. Today the developing world is experiencing accelerated growth, posing new challenges that are set to reshape the world. Michael Spence, winner of the Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences, explains the dramatic shift in the prospects of the five billion people who live in developing countries in *The Next Convergence: The Future of Economic Growth in a Multispeed World* (\$27, FSG, 978-0-374-15975-7). An important look at the unprecedented challenges in governance, international coordination, and ecological sustainability that are now unfolding.



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A Good Life

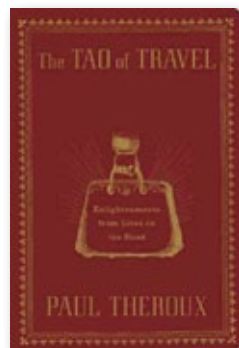
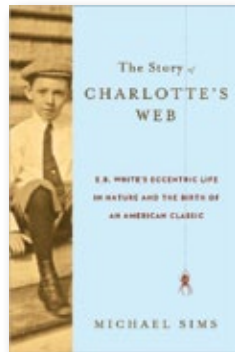


Unfinished Business

After losing his job, Lee Kravitz — a man who had always worked too hard and too much — took stock of his life and decided to spend an entire year making amends and reconnecting with the people and parts of himself he had neglected. In *Unfinished Business* (\$16, Bloomsbury, 978-1-608-19463-6), Kravitz shares his journeys and what he learned along the way: the things we let slip are exactly those that have the power to transform, enrich, enlarge, and complete us.

The Story of Charlotte's Web

Helpless pigs, silly geese, clever spiders, greedy rats — E.B. White knew all of these characters in the barns and stables where he spent his favorite hours. Painfully shy his entire life, White once wrote of himself, “This boy felt for animals a kinship he never felt for people.” With meticulous research, Michael Sims brings to life the life of a writer who was able to translate his own passions and contradictions, delights and fears, into an all-time classic that has touched the hearts of generations of readers in *The Story of Charlotte's Web* (\$25, Walker, 978-0-802-77754-6).

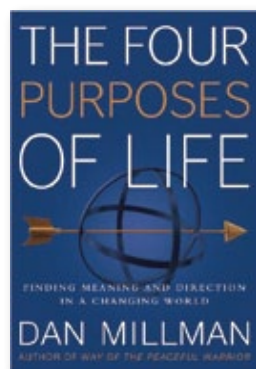


The Tao of Travel

Prolific travel writer Paul Theroux celebrates 50 years of wandering the globe by collecting the best writing on travel from the books that shaped him — as a reader and a traveler — in *The Tao of Travel: Enlightenment from Lives on the Road* (\$25, HMH, 978-0-547-33691-6). In one volume, you'll find excerpts from the best of Theroux's work interspersed with selections from travelers both familiar and unexpected: Vladimir Nabokov, J.R.R. Tolkien, Samuel Johnson, Eudora Welty, Evelyn Waugh, Mark Twain, and others.

The Four Purposes of Life

Summer is such a perfect time to sit with a glass of lemonade, take a deep breath, and stop the busyness of daily life. Bestselling author Dan Millman (*The Life You Were Born to Live*) distills years of his research and work to help provide a map for anyone seeking deeper insight into themselves and their lives, but especially for those at a crossroads, facing a challenge or change, when past approaches no longer work in *The Four Purposes of Life* (\$17, H.J. Kramer, 978-1-932-07349-2).

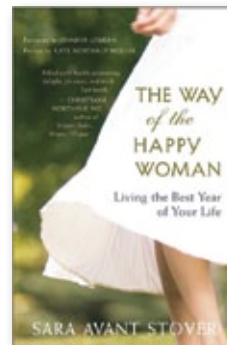
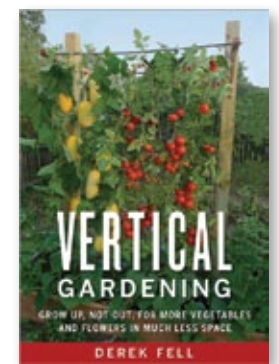


Perfect Pops

Just looking at this cover gets us all talking about our favorite popsicle flavors! Whether you're looking for things to do with kids or interested in concocting a spiked pop for your next dinner party, Charity Ferreira serves up plenty of fun and flavorful recipes in *Perfect Pops* (\$16.95, Chronicle, 978-1-452-10192-7). Striped, swirled, layered or creamy — you'll find the recipes easy and the results delicious!

Vertical Gardening

If the gardener in you wants to find a way to keep up with your garden throughout the season, look to Derek Fell's *Vertical Gardening* (\$23.99, Rodale, 978-1-605-29083-6) with simple advice: keep things on a small scale and think “up”. With trellises, topsy-turvy planters, raised beds, and string supports, the vertical garden system will reduce the amount of work, increase yields, and can be used in the smallest of spaces.



The Way of the Happy Woman

When we honor spring's seedlings, summer's vibrancy, fall's harvest, and winter's quietude, we harmonize our inner and outer worlds. Sara Avant Stover believes that modern life has moved us away from living in accordance with nature and the rhythms of life, but we can reconnect with a few simple practices. *The Way of the Happy Woman: Living the Best Year of Your Life* (\$15.95, New World Library, 978-1-577-31982-5) is a lovely reminder to stop, question, and be mindful in our lives. A wonderful gift for anyone who is stressed and wants to be happier, healthier, and more balanced in life.

Lies That Chelsea Handler Told Me

It's no lie: Chelsea Handler loves to smoke out “dumbassness,” the condition people suffer from that allows them to fall prey to her brand of complete and utter nonsense. In *Lies That Chelsea Handler Told Me* (\$24.99, Grand Central, 978-0-446-58471-5), you'll laugh through the stories of friends, family, and co-workers who've all been tricked by Chelsea into believing stories of total foolishness.



17TH ANNUAL SHORT STORY CONTEST WINNERS

Over 200 participated in the 17th Short Story Contest. Entries were to incorporate what writers observed based on a painting by Michael Morris. First place in each division received a \$50 gift certificate, second, \$25 gift certificate and third, \$15 gift certificate. Grand Prize winner received \$100 in gold coins. McLean & Eakin wishes to congratulate all the winners as well as their teachers and parents for encouraging their students to participate in this contest. The stories were terrific!



Grand Prize Winner: Andrew Benzing,
grade 8, *Pellston*



(L to R) Reilly Philliben, grade 10, *Petoskey*;
Kat Crowley, grade 10, *Petoskey*;
not pictured Kyle Roberts



(L to R) Kati Gunnell, grade 4, *Petoskey*;
Emma Johnson, grade 5, *Petoskey*;
Gillian Gagnon, grade 4, *Petoskey*



(L to R) Larissa Fisher, grade 8, *Ellsworth*;
Bryan Vi, grade 6, *Cheboygan*;
not pictured, Hero Parker-Drost



(L to R) Molly Anderson, grade 2, *Petoskey*;
Jack Johnson, grade 1, *Petoskey*;
Ben Harmeling, kindergarten, *Boyne City*



TEA WITH GLORIA WHELAN AT TWISTED OLIVE CAFÉ

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National Book Award-winning author Gloria Whelan will be talking about and signing her latest title, *See What I See* at Twisted Olive Café (located just across the street from our back door).

Whelan is known for her historic fiction for children and young adults. *See What I See* follows the early life of Kate Tapert who lives in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. She dreams of an artist's life, and when she receives a scholarship to art school in Detroit, she cannot pass up the opportunity. Having no money for housing, her plan is to reconnect with her father, Dalton Quinn, a famous and reclusive artist. Of course, big dreams are not always reality. Kate must make crucial decisions about her future. Through Kate's eyes, Whelan's unerring descriptions of art and nature bring this bittersweet story about family and the world around us to a thoughtful conclusion.

In addition to her new book, she will sign many of her other titles which include the National Book Award winner, *Homeless Bird*. Some of her other titles are *The Listeners*, *Burying the Sun*, *Listening for Lions*, *Once on This Island*, *The Impossible Journey* and many more. Gloria Whelan, one of the most prolific writers in the State of Michigan, has been a frequent visitor to McLean & Eakin and we welcome her back!

CAMP MCLEAN & EAKIN MEETS AGAIN!

With "Camp Director" Amy Kitscher leading the way, *Camp McLean & Eakin* begins a six week session for children ages 8 and up. Every Tuesday from 10-11 am, beginning July 5 through August 9, children will enjoy games, activities, crafts and snacks. \$5/week/per child. Space limited. To sign up, call (231) 347-1180.

WHAT'S SHAKIN' AT MCLEAN & EAKIN

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| 6/1 | Cottage Book Club reviews <i>Hunting Unicorns</i> by Bella Pollen. 10 am | 7/5 | Illustrator Nick van Frankenhuyzen signing <i>The Legend of the Petoskey Stone</i> and others. 1-3 pm. Free Event |
| 6/2 | **Rheumatologist Dr. Charles J. Huebner discussing the book, <i>Prevent and Reverse Heart Disease</i> by Caldwell B. Esselstyne, Jr. M.D. 5-6:30 pm | 7/6 | Cottage Book Club reviews <i>Crescent</i> by Abu-Jaber. 10 am |
| 6/7 | ** <i>Yellow Chair Series #3</i> author Thomas C. Foster discussing <i>25 Books that Shaped America</i> . 5-6:30 pm | 7/6 | Local author Donna Heeres signing <i>Footprints in the Sand</i> . 1-3 pm. Free Event |
| 6/9 | Preschool Days , stories & activities for children ages 3-6 accompanied by an adult. 10-11 am. Call to sign up. | 7/7 | **Author Kristina Riggle reading and signing <i>Things We Didn't Say</i> . 5-6:30 pm |
| 6/9 | * Booked for Lunch with Mary Doria Russell speaking & signing <i>Doc: A Novel</i> at Stafford's Perry Hotel. Noon-2 pm. \$25/ | 7/8 | Author Jack Dempsey signing <i>Michigan and the Civil War: A Bloody Sacrifice</i> . 1-3 pm. Free Event |
| 6/11 | Michigan author Rebecca Cook signs <i>Breeze's Big Day</i> . 1-3 pm. Free Event | 7/10 | **Local author Mary Agria reading & signing <i>Time in a Garden</i> . 1-3 pm |
| 6/14 | ** Journal Extravaganza with Mary Backlund , author of <i>Knowing More</i> . For ages 15 & up. 10 am-Noon | 7/13 | ** <i>Yellow Chair Series #5</i> author Scott Sparling discussing <i>Wire to Wire</i> . 5-6:30 pm |
| 6/15 | Cottage Book Club reviews <i>Amaryllis in Blueberry</i> by Christina Meldrum. 10 am | 7/14 | Preschool Days , stories & activities for children ages 3-6 accompanied by an adult. 10-11 am. Call to sign up. |
| 6/16 | ** <i>Yellow Chair Series #4</i> author Ellen Airgood discussing <i>South of Superior</i> . 5-6:30 pm. | 7/18 | ** Caldecott Winners Philip C. Stead & illustrator Erin Stead present & sign <i>A Sick Day for Amos McGee</i> . 10 am-12 pm. Free Children's Event |
| 6/18 | * Tea with author Gloria Whelan at Twisted Olive Cafe, speaking & signing <i>See What I See</i> . 3-4:30 pm. \$10 | 7/19 | <i>Tea @ Lavender Hill Farm</i> plus book reviews by M & E staff. 3-5 pm |
| 6/20 | * Booked for Lunch with author Ann Patchett speaking & signing <i>State of Wonder</i> at Stafford's Pier. Noon-2 pm. \$25 | 7/19 | Evening Book Club reviews <i>Caught</i> by Harlan Coben. 7 pm |
| 6/21 | Author Danielle Sosin signing <i>Long Shining Waters</i> . 1-3 pm. Free Event | 7/20 | Cottage Book Club reviews <i>The Summer Book</i> by Tove Jansson. 10 am |
| 6/21 | Evening Book Club reviews <i>Parallel Play</i> by Tim Page. 7 pm | 7/20 | Author Steve Hamilton speaking & signing <i>Misery Bay</i> , a new Alex McKnight novel. 5-6:30 pm. Free Event |
| 6/22 | Author Therese Fowler signing <i>Exposure</i> . 1-3 pm. Free Event | 7/21 | Local author Chris Weston signing <i>Hawgeye</i> . 1-3 pm. Free Event |
| 6/22 | **Author Karen L. Dionne reading and signing <i>Boiling Point</i> . 5-6:30 pm | 7/27 | Michigan author Aaron Stander signing <i>Medieval Murders</i> . 1-3 pm. Free Event |
| 6/23 | Preschool Days , stories & activities for children ages 3-6 accompanied by an adult. 10-11 am. Call to sign up. | 7/28 | Preschool Days , stories & activities for children ages 3-6 accompanied by an adult. 10-11 am. Call to sign up. |
| 6/25 | Michigan author Marie Cook signing <i>Surviving Abuse</i> . 1-3 pm. Free Event | 7/28 | ** <i>Yellow Chair Series #6</i> author Gail Griffin discussing <i>The Events of October: Murder-Suicide on a Small Campus</i> . 5-6:30 pm |
| 6/28 | * Booked for Lunch with author Linda Greenlaw speaking & signing <i>Seaworthy</i> at the Bay View Inn. Noon-2 pm. \$25 | 8/3 | Author Elizabeth Buzzelli signing <i>Dead Sleeping Shaman</i> . 1-3 pm. Free Event |
| 6/29 | Author Jim Voltz signing, including prepared recipes from <i>Hors d'oeuvres on the Porch</i> . 1-3 pm. Free Event | | |

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Linda Greenlaw: Tuesday, June 28, Noon-2, Stafford's Bay View Inn, \$25

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When it comes to bestselling books, it's pretty hard to find three more superior authors than **Mary Doria Russell**, **Ann Patchett** and **Linda Greenlaw**. All three are *Booked for Lunch* bringing the world of good literature and riveting stories to Northern Michigan. We can count ourselves fortunate to be able to meet them up close and personal right here in our own backyard.



Mary Doria Russell is the award-winning author of four previous bestsellers: *The Sparrow*, *Children of God*, *A Thread of Grace* and *Dreamers of the Day*. Her fifth novel, *Doc*, brings to life and redefines two mythical figures of the American West – Dr. John Henry Holliday (better known as *Doc*) and Dodge City lawman Wyatt Earp. Her fictional biography includes Holliday's early years, his tragic ill health (tuberculosis), afflicting him at the age of twenty-two. With humor and wit, *Doc, the Novel*, reveals Holliday's loyalty to his friends, his love of music, his fragile health-bringing to life an extraordinary cast of historical characters. As in all

her novels, Mary Doria Russell proves, that she is one of our best contemporary storytellers.

A favorite visitor to McLean & Eakin, award-winning author **Ann Patchett** returns to celebrate the release of her ninth book, *State of Wonder*. The story begins when Dr. Marina Singh is sent to Brazil to locate her former mentor, Dr. Annick Swenson who has disappeared. The last person sent to find her, Marina's research partner, Anders Eckman, died before he could complete his mission. In the jungle atmosphere of poison arrows, enormous snakes and a tribe of cannibals *State of Wonder* is a tale of "unlikely beauty and unimaginable loss."



Ann Patchett has a vast array of honors, fellowships and awards to her name for her novels and non-fiction titles which include *Bel Canto*, *Run*, *Patron Saint of Liars*, *Taft*, *The Magician's Assistant* and *Truth & Beauty: A Friendship*. She has written for numerous publications including *The New York Times Magazine*, *Harper's*, *The Atlantic*, *The Washington Post*, *Gourmet* and *Vogue*.



Linda Greenlaw is the bestselling author of *The Hungry Ocean*, *The Lobster Chronicles*, *All Fishermen are Liars*, and *Recipes from a Very Small Island*, *Seaworthy* (newly released in paperback), and her latest - *The Maine Summers Cookbook: Recipes for Delicious Sun-Filled Days*.

Sebastian Junger, author of *The Perfect Storm* calls Greenlaw "... one of the best fishing boat captainson the entire east coast." In *Seaworthy*, Greenlaw returns to her former occupation on a boat where everything that could go wrong-did. Among the difficulties faced, none was more challenging than when the boat's fishing lines inadvertently drifted into Canadian waters, and she was thrown in jail.

Teaming up with her mother, Martha, Greenlaw, has written another mouth-watering recipe book-*The Maine Summers Cookbook*, containing summertime foods from their island in Maine. At this event, luncheon-guests will be sampling some of those very delectable recipes. Greenlaw has been featured on *Good Morning America*, *Today*, *CBS Sunday Morning*, *the Martha Stewart Show* and *NPR*.