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January 2011
(Books purchased for December 2010)

FEATURED SELECTIONS

THE EMPEROR OF ALL MALADIES  SIDDHARTHA MUKHERJEE
Physician, researcher, and award-winning science writer Mukherjee delves into the biography of cancer with precision and passion, examining the misperceptions and resilience experienced by those affected. Chronicling this disease humans have lived with for over five thousand years, he recounts stories told by both his predecessors and peers. New York Times 10 Best Books of 2010, The New Yorker Reviewers’ Favorites from 2010.

571 p., ill.

THE NEW YORKER STORIES  ANN BEATTIE

514 p.

UNBROKEN  LAURA HILLENBRAND
Seabiscuit author narrates the tale of Louis Zamperini, a WWII airman who suffers from the natural elements as much as the psychological battle while drifting across the ocean after his plane is shot down. Publishers Weekly Best Books of 2010.

473 p., ill.

ART, ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN

THE ARCHITECTURE OF HARRY WEESE  ROBERT BRUEGMANN
His work contained elements of European modernism, incorporation of natural materials, and surprising quirks. Famous for designing the Washington D. C. Metro system and many buildings in Chicago, his work spanned from the 1930s through 1980s.

239 p., ill.

A GENIUS FOR PLACE  ROBIN KARSON
Whether you prefer plush, sculpted, wild or minimal gardens, this book will envelope you in daydream-worthy landscapes.*DOES NOT CIRCULATE BY MAIL

428 p., ill.

GUASTAVINO VAULTING  JOHN OCHSENDORF
You’ve seen Guastavino Vaulting whether you know it or not. Boston Public Library, Grand Central Station, Carnegie Hall, and over 600 properties feature the masterpieces by the Spanish father-son contractors.

255 p., ill.

MAKESHIFT METROPOLIS  WITOLD RYBCZYNSKI
Rybczynski is at his best when exploring the details for the way we live. He puts urban planning under the scope this time around, examining the new challengers for developers in the 21st century.

240 p., ill.
SANDERSON: THE ESSENCE OF ENGLISH DECORATION
MARY SCHOESER
Travel through the pages of beautifully illustrated Sanderson interior design as art historian Schoeser details the story behind this top-notch company. Learn the important influence the Sanderson style has had on modern design in Britain.
200 p., ill.

BIOGRAPHY

AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF MARK TWAIN VOL. 1
MARK TWAIN
The world has been waiting for one hundred years. Finally, as instructed by Twain’s will, the first of three volumes of his uncensored life has been released.
736 p., ill.

CLEOPATRA
STACY SCHIFF
368 p., ill.

DECISION POINTS
GEORGE W. BUSH+
George W. Bush’s look back on major decision points of his life, covering his years as governor, president, and post-presidency, including his relationships with his daughters, wife, and parents.
497 p., ill.

HERO
MICHAEL KORDA
Hero tells of the epic life of T. E. Lawrence, an Oxford scholar and archaeologist, who vanished into the desert in 1917 only to emerge later as one of the most colorful figures of World War I.
762 p., ill.

MUST YOU GO?
ANTONIA FRASER
Fraser’s memoir of her marriage to playwright Harold Pinter utilizes 30 years worth of her diary entries as well as personal photographs of the famous couple, resulting in an intimate, tender, and often funny memoir.
328 p., ill.

ROBERT MORRIS: FINANCIER OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
CHARLES RAPPLEYE
A biography of the forgotten founder of the American Republic, who was key to financing the American Revolution and government in the 1790s.
625 p., ill.

A VOICE FROM OLD NEW YORK
LOUIS AUCHINCLOSS+
A memoir by Auchincloss, detailing his youth and the entertaining character he was. His long-avoided analysis of himself sheds light on the truly lively spirit he embodied and the intimate interactions he had with other members of society over a lifetime.
203 p.

HISTORY & POLITICS

MY THOUGHTS BE BLOODY
NORA TITONE
The events of Lincoln’s assassination are well known. Escaping the spotlight has been the motivation for John Wilkes Booth’s actions on April 14, 1865. Titone presents a robust view of Booth’s upbringing and intense sibling rivalry contributing to his future actions.
479 p., ill.

SCORPIONS
NOAH FELDMAN
Get wrapped into the triumphant, landmark cooperation as well as the intense personal rivalries of Black, Douglas, Frankfurter and Jackson: Supreme Court justices appointed by Franklin Delano Roosevelt.
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ATLANTIC
Simon Winchester
The Atlantic Ocean has always fascinated explorers, scientists, warriors, fishermen, and poets, all of whom fabricate a relationship of intrigue and danger with this great body of water. Winchester recounts his personal years of research and travel all over the Atlantic. 495 p., ill.

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IN MOTION
Tony Hiss
The Experience of Place author introduces us to the concept of Deep Travel, a vivid awareness conceptualized from his own experiences and exemplified from travel accounts throughout history. Hiss shares his methodology for tapping into elements that supersede the present context. 339 p.

THE MIND’S EYE
Oliver Sacks
In his eleventh work, award winning author and noted doctor Sacks examines the amazingly adaptive nature of the human brain for individuals facing a sensory system impairment. 240 p.

MY NEST ISN’T EMPTY, IT JUST HAS MORE CLOSET SPACE
Lisa Scottoline & Francesca Serritella+
Full of wit and wisdom, this book spills family secrets, advises on blind dates, and shares love and laughter. Told by the Philadelphia Inquirer columnist Lisa Scottoline and daughter Francesca. 245 p., ill.

FICTION

THE ACCIDENT
Ismail Kadare
Man Booker International Prize-winner Kadare brings us a swirling, doomed love affair set in Vienna. 265 p.

BETWEEN SUMMER’S LONGING AND WINTER’S END
Leif G. W. Persson
The first installment in a trilogy that provides a fictional account for the assassination of Sweden’s Prime Minister in 1986. One seemingly unsuspicious suicide balloons into an engrossing labyrinth of espionage and politics. 551 p.

CITY OF TRANQUIL LIGHT
Bo Caldwell
A pair of young missionaries fall in love while working together in Northern China during its Civil War. The trials of love, spirituality, and life during political turmoil are juxtaposed against the beauty of the landscape and the couple’s kind determination, 287 p.
DEAD LIKE YOU  
**PETER JAMES**

After a New Year’s Eve ball, two women are brutally attacked…and their shoes are removed. Detective Grace finds the oddities of this case rather similar to an unsolved case from 1997, and now he must delve into the past to find answers and save the next unfortunate victim.  

553 p.

THE DISTANT HOURS  
**KATE MORTON**

Edie Burchill is a London editor who leads a seemingly dull life, until she receive a letter postmarked 50 years ago to her mother. Now she must search for answers at Milderhurst Castle, where her mother’s past begins to unravel and nothing will be the same again.  

562 p.

EDGE  
**JEFFERY DEAVER**

Henry Loving is a man infamous for torturing his victims in order to obtain information, alongside kidnapping their families as leverage. When a Washington D. C. police detective becomes the target, federal protection agent Corte is assigned to keep the family out of Loving’s reach.  

397 p.

THE EMPEROR’S TOMB  
**STEVE BERRY**

Former Justice Department operative Cotton Malone receives an anonymous note and suddenly becomes aware of a horrifying situation: an acquaintance of his, Cassiopeia Vitt, is being tortured by a strange man. This man wants the artifact he believes is in Malone’s possession, but in order to save her life, Malone must travel across the globe, face an ancient brotherhood, and put his own life in danger.  

436 p.

GOD ON THE ROCKS  
**JANE GARDAM**

Stuck in the middle of her religious father, nostalgic mother, and lewd nanny, Margaret Marsh escapes by roaming the countryside of England. However, she meets her mother’s childhood friends, who introduce her to another side of Mrs. Marsh.  

224 p.

HELL’S CORNER  
**DAVID BALDACCI**

By the beckoning of the President, Oliver Stone is on an ever-morphing covert mission in D.C.’s Lafayette Park, with the assistance of the Camel Club and MI-6 agent Mary Chapman.  

438 p., ill.

KEEPING TIME  
**STACEY McGLYNN**

Daisy Phillips needs an adventure, though her children and community in Liverpool think she needs a retirement home. She flies to New York on a whim to reunite with cousins, and most magically, to search for her long-lost love.  

272 p.

LUKA AND THE FIRE OF LIFE  
**SALMAN RUSHDIE**

Luka’s father has just fallen into a deep sleep and to prevent him from slipping away completely, Luka sets off on a journey to find the Fire of Life. Thus begins a quest filled with creatures, alliances, and challenges where in the end finding the Fire of Life will decide not only his father’s but Luka’s fate as well.  

218 p.

MOONLIGHT MILE  
**DENNIS LEHANE**

Boston PIs Kenzie and Gennaro must revisit the morally complex case of Amanda McCready, a girl they rescued from kidnappers years ago. Amanda, now 16, is missing again and Kenzie is determined to retrieve her from both her kidnappers and her broken home life.  

336 p.

MR. ROSENBLUM DREAMS IN ENGLISH  
**NATASHA SOLOMONS**

Jack and Sadie Rosenblum leave post-WWII Germany to take up the English lifestyle in London. They have the customs down pat, but the last name will forever give away the origin Jack is eager to hide while Sadie suffers her nostalgia. When Jack is refused entry to golf clubs, he becomes determined to build his own. 355 p.
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<td><strong>AN OBJECT OF BEAUTY</strong></td>
<td><strong>STEVE MARTIN</strong></td>
<td>Follow the charismatic Lacey Yeager as she captivates the New York art scene around her, climbing social and career ladders while causing people to wonder “Is it the art or Lacey that is the object of beauty?” From award-winning writer and actor Steve Martin, enter the world of fine art’s parties and collectors.</td>
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<td><strong>THE PASSAGES OF H.M.</strong></td>
<td><strong>JAY PARINI</strong></td>
<td>Parini narrates Herman Melville’s stormy days: long after his springtime of literary success and well before readers and critics embraced the meaty Moby Dick.</td>
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<td><strong>PIRATES OF THE LEVANT</strong></td>
<td><strong>ARTURO PÉREZ-REVERTE</strong></td>
<td>Captain Alatriste and his protégé Íñigo climb aboard a Spanish galleon, sailing to the remote outposts of Morocco, Algeria, and Malta. A bloody battle on the seas is to ensue, forcing both men to reconsider their individual fates, and making Íñigo consider returning home to his love and finding his own fortune.</td>
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<td><strong>PORT MORTUARY</strong></td>
<td><strong>PATRICIA CORNWELL</strong></td>
<td>Cornwell’s 18&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt; Scarpetta novel. Scarpetta finds herself drawn to Dover Air Force Base and eventually confronted with a case that could ruin her career and shut down her brand new Forensic Center in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Could this victim in the case truly have been zipped in a bag alive, insider her center, or is this a terrible conspiracy that could lead to more deaths?</td>
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<td><strong>RED STATION</strong></td>
<td><strong>ADRIAN MAGSON</strong></td>
<td>Harry Tate has been condemned to “Red Station”, a remote outpost for officers who need to keep a low profile. Determined to change his fate and shine a spotlight on the dirty secrets of MI5, Harry is poised for a showdown.</td>
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<td><strong>RESCUE</strong></td>
<td><strong>ANITA SHREVE</strong></td>
<td>An intense love connection begins instantaneously after Peter Webster, a rookie paramedic, pulls the young Sheila Arsenault from her totaled car, and marriage and a daughter come soon after. Almost two decades later, Sheila leaves Peter to raise their daughter on his own, but her eventual return may end up causing more heartbreak than this torn family can handle.</td>
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<td><strong>SUNSET PARK</strong></td>
<td><strong>PAUL AUSTER</strong></td>
<td>Masterfully weaving together anecdotes from characters whose similarities lie just below the surface, Auster recreates experiences of 2008’s murkiness.</td>
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<td><strong>NICHOLAS KILMER</strong></td>
<td>Fred Taylor, employee of eccentric art dealer Clayton Reed, is sent to Stillton Academy to investigate the disappearance of an art instructor and the daughter of the college’s major donor.</td>
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THE CROCODILE’S LAST EMBRACE  SUZANNE ARRUDA
When Jade receives a strange letter seemingly from her long-dead fiancé asking her why she let him die, she finds herself suddenly preoccupied by multiple deaths of a sinister nature.  379 p.

DEAD MAN’S CHEST  KERRY GREENWOOD
Phryne Fisher is trying to enjoy peace and quiet at Queenscliff with her favorite companions, but murder is never far from her.  259 p.

AN IMPARTIAL WITNESS  CHARLES TODD
Bess Crawford, an English WWI nurse, becomes fixated on the murder of the wife of one of her patients. 344 p.

NEGATIVE IMAGE  VICKI DELANY
Constable Molly Smith of Trafalgar, British Columbia, has a slew of family and relationship troubles including dealing with her boss, whose ex-model wife is being fingered for the murder of a former lover.  261 p.

OUTWITTING TROLLS  WILLIAM G. TAPPLY
Boston Attorney Brady Coyne finds his otherwise blasé life getting rattled when a murder involving a long time friend occurs.  273 p.

THE PERICLES COMISSION  GARY CORBY
Nicolaos is commissioned to search for the killer of an important politician of 461 B.C. Athens. Kid brother Socrates gives unsolicited earfuls of advice.  330 p.

THE SHERLOCKIAN  GRAHAM MOORE
In January 2010, Harold White is inducted into the Baker Street Irregulars (the preeminent Sherlock Holmes Society) and finds himself embarking on the search for Arthur Conan Doyle’s missing diary. After Conan Doyle’s leading scholar turns up dead, White must delve into the present-day murder, along with secrets from 1893.  350 p.

A SPIDER ON THE STAIRS  CASSANDRA CHAN
Detective Sergeant Jack Gibbons is called to investigate two murders at a supposed time of joy: Christmas. His best friend Phillip Bethancourt eagerly escapes his familial festivities to join in the search for two killers. 310 p.

A STRANGER IN MAYFAIR  CHARLES FINCH
Charles Lenox should be immersed in his new position in Parliament, but he cannot resist a murder case that involves his new colleagues.  308 p.

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AMERICAN GLAMOUR
Alice T. Friedman
Mid-century architecture reflected the glitziness of society at the time, from airport terminals to glass houses. Note the high influence of consumer culture on all areas of design.
262 p., ill.

KEYWORDS IN AMERICAN LANDSCAPE DESIGN
Therese O’Malley
The evolution of landscape design from the 17th to the 19th centuries is traceable through the shifting vocabulary. This lexicon provides usages, famous examples and mentions, and images for terms foreign and familiar. (This book does not circulate by mail.)
724 p., ill.

THE REJECTION COLLECTION
Edited by Matthew Diffee
Cartoons you never saw, and never will see, in The New Yorker. Cartoonists’ favorites that were rejected by the magazine.
262 p., ill.

TRIUMVIRATE: McKIM, MEAD & WHITE
Moisette Broderick
The triumphs and scandals of one of the most celebrated architectural firms of the Gilded Age.
81 p., ill.

BIOGRAPHY

AMERICA’S MEDICIS
Suzanne Loebl
The Rockefellers and their astonishing cultural legacy.
429, ill.

COCO CHANEL
Justine Picardie
There is no woman in couture history as revered as Gabrielle Chanel. Her friends and employees, in addition to photographs and sketches, make accessible this intriguing woman.
343 p., ill.

COLONEL ROOSEVELT
Edmund Morris
Award-winning author Morris completes the impressive trilogy he began with The Rise of Theodore Roosevelt and Theodore Rex.
766 p., ill.

THE MAN WHO INVENTED THE COMPUTER
Jane Smiley
The story of how Iowa State College professor John Atanasoff invented the idea of the modern computer in the 1930’s and the consequences of his fateful idea.
246 p., ill.
READING JACKIE
A look at the book editing career of Jaqueline Kennedy Onassis, and how the titles she championed reflected her own interests. 350 p., ill.

STIEG LARSSON: OUR DAYS IN STOCKHOLM

WAIT FOR ME!
The personal memoirs of the Duchess of Devonshire. Includes photos and recollections of famous family members, friends, politicians and artists, amidst whom she mingled. 345 p., ill.

MISCELLANEOUS

OBJECTS OF OUR AFFECTION
Lisa Tracy chronicles an engaging portrait of her family’s life through their possessions and the connections to the past they create. After her mother’s death, Lisa and her sister sift through decades of furniture and memorabilia, sending them on a whirlwind journey from New Jersey to the Philippines and finally back to her hometown roots. 233p., ill.

HISTORY & POLITICS

AND THE SHOW WENT ON
Account of cultural life and creativity in Paris during the Nazi occupation, which also attempts to answer the question of whether such creators were collaborators or resistors. 399 p., ill.

BOARDWALK EMPIRE
The birth, high times, and corruption of Atlantic City. 284 p., ill.

HUNTING EVIL
Exhaustively researched book that details how many notorious Nazis managed to escape justice after WWII, while debunking some of the myths about Nazi-hunters and escape networks. Non-fiction, but reads like a thriller. 412 p., ill.

PROFILES IN LEADERSHIP
Thirteen essays about American leaders, from warriors to politicians to a baseball manager, all written by noted historians. The book attempts to explain the unique accomplishments of each person profiled. 331 p., ill.

SNOW HILL
Snow Hill Cloister was formed in 1762 as a monastic community of German immigrants in Pennsylvania. Seachrist, an expert on German-American history and culture, examines the spirituality, architecture, and craft traditions of the cloister. 167 p., ill.

VENICE
Ackroyd does for Venice what he did for London. He shines a light in the dark corners of her history, embraces the romance of the fountains and artists, and invites the reader to feast upon Venice’s mythic past. 403 p.,
WHEN LONDON WAS CAPITAL OF AMERICA

Eighteenth-century London and its reign as center the empire of North America and the West Indies is discussed. Flavell goes in depth on the complexities of America's British heritage in the Colonial Era., 305 p., ill.

WICKED RIVER

The Mississippi River is as incomparable in social history as it is in geological wonder. Sandlin utilizes news articles, lithographic sketches, and first hand accounts to immortalize the pirates, presidents, priests and catastrophes of the mighty river throughout the 19th century.

THE WRECK OF THE RED ARROW

One of the worst train wrecks in history was along the Pennsylvania Railroad on February 18, 1947. Chilling photos and survivors' tales from the performers, physicians, and families traveling between New York City and Detroit on that fateful night.

AUDIOBOOKS

THE MESSENGER (1 MP3-CD)

Gabriel Allon, art restorer and spy, comes face to face with his biggest challenge yet when hints of the most horrific al-Qaeda plot surface, targeting the Vatican. Allon finds himself immersed in the manhunt, assisting security in Rome while the enemy walks secretly among them … just waiting to strike.

THE WAY HOME (8 CDs)

Thomas Flynn and his son Chris do not always see eye-to-eye, and when Chris and a friend find a hidden bag of money the father-son relationship may be strained to the breaking point.

FICTION

CABEL’S IMAGE

Determined not to end up like his dead-beat parents, Nevin Cable joins the military and changes the course of his life. Written by a local author.

THE CHAPEL AT THE EDGE OF THE WORLD

Two young Italian lovers face separation during World War II. Rosa’s experiences at home alternate with those of Emilio, an artist who, as a prisoner of war in Scotland, helps to build a Catholic chapel along with fellow POWs. The Italian Chapel inspiring this tale still stands in the Orkney Islands.

COLLUSION

The sequel to The Ghosts of Belfast finds Detective Inspector Jack Lennon’s daughter and former lover caught in the web of a far reaching conspiracy, while an assassin targets the city.

CROSS FIRE

Alex Cross is about to be married, but investigating an assassination gets in the way.

DEAD OR ALIVE

Intelligence expert Jack Ryan, Jr. and others are on the trail of a particularly evil terrorist and are determined to catch him, dead or alive.
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<td>Bernhard Schlink</td>
<td>Georg Polger is struggling to make ends meet as a translator in France. However his luck seems to turn when he gets a steady job and the love of the secretary working for him. As his life meets perfection Georg is thrown into a deadly conspiracy that takes him to pre-9/11 New York after his love disappears, who was caught covertly photographing untranslated documents.</td>
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<td>THE IDENTITY MAN</td>
<td>Andrew Klavan</td>
<td>John Shannon is by no means an innocent man. He is always caught with hands sticky from some petty crime, but now he is being framed for murder. He gets a bizarre shot at a second chance that seems to be panning out famously, until corruption seeps into his new life.</td>
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<td>THE LAKE OF DREAMS</td>
<td>Kim Edwards+</td>
<td>Lucy Jarrett discovers a new family narrative after returning home to upstate New York: she stumbles upon a collection of curious items that will reveal dramatic insights about her lineage. Edwards presents us with a captivating story of family, loss, and love, as we follow Lucy on a path to living the rest of her life to the fullest.</td>
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<td>Solomon Jones+</td>
<td>Philadelphia Detective Coletti has spent thirty-one years in homicide, and has been haunted by nightmares of gunshots and screams. In his final case, on the eve of his retirement, Coletti has a vision of truth and embarks on a mission to save the life of an innocent man and catch the true killer.</td>
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<td>THE LAST EMBER</td>
<td>Daniel Levin ♦</td>
<td>In this fast-paced thriller an American lawyer and a UN preservationist are caught up in intrigue surrounding an ancient religious artifact in Jerusalem and those who seek to destroy it.</td>
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<td>J. Michael Orenduff</td>
<td>Hubert Schuze attempts to recover priceless pottery stolen from a New Mexico pueblo. However, his good intentions get him in trouble when he is framed for murder in the process.</td>
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<td>Tami Hoag</td>
<td>When a woman with a secret-filled past is murdered and her young daughter is the only witness, it is up to a child advocate, an FBI profiler and the sheriff's deputy to work together to unravel the truth and protect the child.</td>
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<td>Daniel Jacobus investigates the aftermath of a horrific event that takes place when the egos of two well-known musical rivals collide.</td>
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GIVE ME YOUR HEART
Tales of mystery and suspense from the award-winning author.

JOYCE CAROL OATES+ 260 p.

KIND OF BLUE
Ash Levine has left the force after his witness in a homicide case was killed. He is asked to return to investigate an ex-cop’s murder but danger lurks close and his risky, obsessive nature with his work may just get him killed.

MILES CORWIN 323 p.

THE LONGMAN ANTHOLOGY OF DETECTIVE FICTION
Classic authors and current masters are brought together in a volume that also includes critical essays and biographies.

482 p.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH
Betsy Treading, wrongfully convicted of the murder of a neighbor, has just been released to her old community after being locked up for 12 years. She is determined to uncover what really happened on that tragic day.

Cammie McGOVERN 274 p.

NO GOING BACK
Daniel Whelan and his dog are vigilantly searching for two missing girls. It is a heroic pursuit, but he didn’t consider what they might be running from.

LYNDON STACEY 216 p.

THE SHOOTING IN THE SHOP
A body turns up in an English shop after a fire at Christmas time, and it appears to be no accident.

SIMON BRET 301 p.

THE SIREN
In this sequel to Cambridge Blue, Det. Constable Goodhew smells a fire and rushes to the scene only to find the flames too intense for anyone to enter the house where Kimberly Guyver’s 2 year old son, Riley, and friend, Rachel Golinski, are trapped inside. When only Rachel’s charred remains are found the only question is: where’s Riley?

ALISON BRUCE 292 p.

WHAT ALICE KNEW
The famous James siblings were Henry, the author; William, the psychologist; and Alice, intelligent but invalid. In this story told from Alice’s perspective, she enlists the help of her brothers to chase Jack the Ripper.

PAULA MARANTZ COHEN 341 p.

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STEPHEN FRIED
After emigrating here from England in the mid-19th-century, Harvey swung and missed at various jobs until business instincts and ambitions merged with the Santa Fe Railroad where he established a restaurant chain known as Harvey House. Fried takes us through Harvey’s life and business from the battle of the Little Bighorn to the Manhattan Project. 2010 Athenaeum Literary Award Winner

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ROBIN BLACK
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AMERICAN PAINTINGS AND WORKS ON PAPER IN THE BARNES FOUNDATION
RICHARD J. WATTENMAKER
Featuring 400 color illustrations, this book covers the impressive Barnes Foundation known for its collection of Impressionist, Post-Impressionist, and Early Modern paintings. (Does Not Circulate By Mail) 381 p., ill.

RESTORING A HOUSE IN THE CITY
INGRID ABRAMOVITCH
This architecture book shows us renovations of vintage houses brought to newfound glory as well as tips and advice on how to renovate a home. 280 p., ill.

RICHARD NORMAN SHAW
ANDREW SAINT
This illustrated book looks back on Richard Norman Shaw’s life and works as one of the most influential British domestic architects of his time. 498 p., ill.

STEALING THE MYSTIC LAMB
NOAH CHARNEY
Art historian Noah Charney delves into the stories behind the most frequently stolen piece of art of all time; Jan van Eyck’s Ghent Altarpiece of 1432. Peeling away each crime layer by layer Charney enlightens readers on psychological, religious, and political motivations that span six centuries, including Napoleon’s and Hitler’s fascinations with the piece. 318 p., ill.

BIOGRAPHY
FRANKLIN AND ELEANOR: AN EXTRAORDINARY MARRIAGE
Rowley explains the very modern partnership undertaken by the heavily examined couple.
HAZEL ROWLEY
345 p., ill.

THE GOOD DAUGHTER: A MEMOIR OF MY MOTHER’S HIDDEN LIFE
Growing up in California, Darznik never imagined her mother would have had another life in Iran, until she finds a picture of her mother’s first wedding. Telling her mother Lilli’s story, Darznik delves into her mother’s first marriage to an abusive husband and how she had to leave her first daughter behind. After school in Germany she went back to Iran to earn money for her brother’s schooling after the death of her father.
JASMIN DARZNIK
324 p.

J.D. SALINGER
American literary master J.D. Salinger has been undoubtedly one of the most mysterious of our culture. Slawenski pieces together for us a thoroughly researched, revealing look at Salinger’s life, from his long obscured youth to his hellish WWII service to his dazzling writing successes.
KENNETH SLAWENSKI
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KINGDOM UNDER GLASS: A TALE OF OBSESSION, ADVENTURE, AND ONE MAN’S QUEST TO PRESERVE THE WORLD’S GREATEST ANIMALS
This gripping biography tells the story of Carl Akeley, the man who revolutionized taxidermy by way of his life consuming passion for safaris across the African plains.
JAY KIRK
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HISTORY & POLITICS
A book filled with intrigue, scandal and sadness, this is the fascinating story of Katherine Parr’s life. From her marriage to King Henry VIII to the realization of a relationship forming between her second husband and her step-daughter, travel through the ups and downs of Katherine’s life, to her closing years.
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420 p., ill.

MANIFEST DESTINIES
America experienced explosive growth in the 1840’s, adding West coast territories to her roster. The decade marks the transition from exuberant optimism and a long stretch of peace to red hot politics simmering just below the surface.
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RUSSIA AGAINST NAPOLEON
DOMINIC LIEVEN
Recently declassified Russian documents serve as the background as Lieven provides us with a seminal interpretation of Napoleon’s defeat in 1812-1814. 618 p., ill.

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BIRD CLOUD: A MEMOIR  ANNIE PROULX+
On the North Platte River in Wyoming is where Annie Proulx, author of Brokeback Mountain, decided to build her dream house. Recounting her experience of its making with her hero, the contractor James Gang, we also delve into the history of the area. 234 p., ill.

BRILLIANT: THE EVOLUTION OF ARTIFICIAL LIGHT  JANE BROX
Daily life has evolved alongside the parade of light sources. Brox takes us through all of the transformative stages of artificial light, from basic necessity to showy LED’s. 360 p.

I REMEMBER NOTHING AND OTHER REFLECTIONS  NORA EphRON+
Nora Ephron returns with her first book since I Feel Bad About My Neck and takes a hilarious look at the past, the present, and future recalling with signature clarity everything she hasn’t yet forgotten. 137 p.

THE RETURN TO JUDAISM  SANDRA CUMINGS MALAMED
The Conversos, or the Jews who were forcibly converted to Catholicism in Spain and Portugal, were required to give up their religion, traditions, and sometimes their name. Historian Sandra Malamed conducted a series of interviews of descendants who considered themselves Christian, and explained that many of their current traditions stem from Judaism. Many were surprised to learn that they may have Jewish roots. 321 p., ill.

FICTION

13 RUE THÉRÈSE  ELENA MAULI SHAPIRO+
Trevor Stratton, a young American scholar, is working at a university in Paris when he comes across a box filled with objects dating back to WWI that belonged to a Louise Brunet. His fascination with the box’s contents sends his imagination soaring. What he doesn’t realize, however, is that the box was a plant by Josianne, a secretary at the university, to test his romantic worthiness. 278 p., ill.

CLARA AND MR. TIFFANY  SUSAN VREELAND
Set in the 1890’s, Clara Driscoll is the artist who designed Tiffany’s iconic leaded glass lamps but not the one receiving artistic recognition. While she struggles to be noticed, she is simultaneously looking for love thus waging a war in her head of what is more important: her career or lifelong companionship? 405 p.

CROSSING THE LINE  LYNN MILLER♦
Forced to take a look back at his own life after helping his teenage grandson come to terms with his sexuality, Owen Gilroy begins a personal journey that reveals much about his ancestry and his life currently. The things discovered will indeed impact the lives of both Owen and his grandson Sam, all-the-while giving readers insight on the constantly changing gay life in both Philadelphia and America. 338 p.

DAMAGE  JOHN LESCROART
In the 16th novel featuring Glitsky and lawyer Dismas, San Francisco homicide chief Abe Glitsky takes on Ro Curtlee, a man who served ten years in prison for the rape and murder of one of the family's housekeepers. After an appeal and having his bail posted, Curtlee eliminates one of the witnesses and threatens Glitsky's family as Glitsky and his colleagues race against the clock to nail Curtlee. 399 p.
THE EMPTY FAMILY  
COLM TÓIBÍN
Tóibín presents us with a striking collection of stories set in various locations and time periods, but somehow all linked thematically through loneliness and desire. His characters range from an Irish set designer with repressed emotions to two Pakistani workers in the midst of a taboo affair, with each figure reminding us of the importance and fragility of human love.  
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A GEOGRAPHY OF SECRETS  
FREDERICK REUSS
Defense Intelligence Analyst Noel Leonard maps coordinates for military actions, and upon learning of a mistake of his that led to a Pakistani school being bombed, he feels utterly alone and in the wrong. Leonard suddenly yearns for a life free from secrecy, as his story is told by an unnamed narrator who faces the very same struggle.  
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THE GIRL IN THE GREEN RAINCOAT  
LAURA LIPPMAN+
Tucked in on her porch, and unable to move due to a pregnancy bed rest, Tess Monaghan summons her forces to probe the disappearance of the dog walker who passed by her window everyday. Until her reappearance, Tess decides to take in the greyhound that the woman walked and whose terroristic attempts on her home offer comic relief.  
158 p.

HOLLYWOOD HILLS  
JOSEPH WAMBAUGH
When asked to watch the estate of Rudy Ressler, a B-list director, LAPD veteran “Hollywood Nate” Weiss takes on the job. However it may be more then he counted on with the “Bling Ring” running loose and with a friend of Russler plotting on making off with two paintings in the mansion that would make him rich beyond his wildest dreams.  
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THE INNER CIRCLE  
BRAD MELTZER+
Beecher White spends his days archiving important documents belonging to the U.S. government. When his childhood friend, Clementine, asks him for help they stumble upon a dictionary of Washington’s and find themselves thrown into web of deception and murder. LARGE PRINT  
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THE MISTRESS OF NOTHING  
KATE PULLINGER+
Based on the real lives of Lady Duff Gordon and her maid, this novel follows the two through the hot climate of Egypt where the two discover freedom from the strict confines of London society and where romance finds Lady Gordon.  
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THE RED GARDEN  
ALICE HOFFMAN
Full of secrets, loyalty, and deception, the small town of Blackwell, Massachusetts offers a pool of haunting tales surrounding figures who are living in a fateful web. The town’s founder, the young runaway, the poet, and the newly arrived mystery traveler are all connected to one another…and all connected to the mysterious red garden growing in the town.  
270 p.

THE STILL POINT  
AMY SACKVILLE
When Edward Mackley sets off to find “The Still Point” he leaves his young wife Emily behind with a promise to return, a promise he never fulfilled. Fast forward to a hundred years later where Julia, Edward’s great-grand-niece, is going through items left to her in a family home. In these items she makes a discovery that shatters her beliefs of Emily and Edward and makes her question her own marriage as well.  
307 p.

THREE SECONDS  
ROSLUND AND HELLSTROM
Piet Hoffman is not just a devoted father of two; he is an ex-con who has been working undercover for the Stockholm police. Code named “Paula”; Piet has risen through the ranks of the Polish mafia and is chosen to control the supply of amphetamines in Sweden’s prisons. To pull this off he has to get arrested and sent to a maximum security prison all the while making sure he stays alive and doesn’t get betrayed by a morally compromised police force.  
489 p.
THE WEIRD SISTERS  
ELEANOR BROWN+
Three weird sisters, Cordy, the “baby”, Bean, the attention hog, and Rose, the responsible eldest, were brought up in a home where their father spoke in Shakespearean verse and instead of checking the T.V. lineup, they lined up their books. Buried in books, the sisters have always loved each other, but never really liked each other. When the news of their mother having cancer reaches them it’s a homecoming fraught with hilarity and the failures of living in the outside world. 320 p.

WHILE MORTALS SLEEP  
KURT VONNEGUT
Previously unpublished, these are the captivating short stories of curious characters whose lives endure odd twists of fate. From the widow of a hog farmer meeting a mystery man to a road builder engulfed in a fantasy world, Vonnegut once again combines acute observation and fantastic imagination in short fiction. 253 p.

DETECTIVES

BLUE LIGHTNING  
ANNE CLEEVES
Detective Jimmy Perez has misgivings coming home to Fair Isles to introduce his fiancée, Fran, to his parents. It's a community where everyone knows each others and strangers are mistrusted. With the autumn storms raging, cutting off the island from the rest of the world, tensions are high...high enough for a killer to strike. With the islanders reacting with fear and anger, Perez has to solve the case with only help from Fran and old fashioned investigating. With no way off the island until the storms die down, a killer is stuck on the island waiting to strike again. 356 p.

CAPER: A STANLEY HASTINGS MYSTERY  
PARNELL HALL
An incompetent New York City PI by the name of Stanley Hastings is hired by a Jennifer Weldon, who suspects her daughter may be working as a call girl. The investigation links the girl to Congressman Jason Blake, and when the PI tries to intervene on the girl's behalf he finds himself under the scrutiny of the NYPD as he makes one bad judgment call after another. 250 p.

COMING BACK  
MARcia MULLER
After her close run in with death, PI Sharon McConE is left in total paralysis but with an alert, conscious mind. Now as she struggles to take control over her body and as her relationships, personal and professional, begin to go up in flames she wishes her life could just go back to normal. However, she has bigger things to worry about. Her friend from physical therapy has disappeared and the investigation soon becomes the most dangerous case for Sharon and her colleagues. 292 p.

DEVOREd  
D.E. MEREDITH
In 1856, Insp. George Adams of Scotland Yard enlists the help of Professor Adolphus Hatton to help him solve the vicious murder of Lady Bessingham, a controversial figure in society due to her patronage of men of science who defied the Bible. 291 p.

FEVER OF THE BONE  
Val MCdermid
A killer leaves no trail after a murder-mutilation of a young teenage girl, and it seems this is only the beginning of a horrific trend that has been set in motion through a social networking site, targeting even more young people. Dr. Tony Hill realizes the urgency of finding the killer: the longer it takes, the more youths could fall victim. 500 p.

HEARTSTONE  
C.J. Sansom
Set in 1545, English attorney Matthew Shardlake is dispatched by the queen Katherine Parr to look into the suicide of a servant’s son, shortly after he submitted a protest about the wardship of a boy he tutored. After...
accepting the case he is soon assaulted by thugs but probes further leading him to another case which results in him having to solve several murders as well. 633 p.

A LONELY DEATH: AN INSPECTOR IAN RUTLEDGE MYSTERY  CHARLES TODD+
When a murderer strikes a Sussex village killing soldiers from World War I, Scotland Yard’s Ian Rutledge is on the case. But even Scotland Yard’s presence doesn’t deter the killer and with few clues to go off of Rutledge finds the pressure building as he gambles his job, reputation, and even his life. 343 p.

THE SENTRY: A JOE PIKE NOVEL  ROBERT CRAIS+
When Joe Pike witnesses the savage beating of Dru Rayne’s uncle by a neighborhood gang, Pike offers them protection to which surprisingly neither of them seem to want, a sentiment that the federal agents who are watching them share. When that doesn’t deter Pike he finds himself swept into danger when Dru Rayne and her uncle are not what they seem. 306 p.

THOUGH NOT DEAD: A KATE SHUGAK NOVEL  DANA STABENOW+
When Kate’s beloved Uncle Sam dies he bequeaths her an assortment of belongings along with a cryptic message: “Find my Father.” The five foot Aleut and her wolf-dog companion begin to indulge their curiosity about Sam and learn of his connection to a vanished Russian icon and his association with writer Dashiell Hammett. However, the one clear thing is that someone else is interested in Sam’s past and they seem to have no qualms about putting Kate permanently out of the picture to ensure their success. 446 p.

AUDIOBOOKS

ARTISTS IN CRIME: DEAD LETTER MYSTERIES (8 CDS)  NGAI MARSH
Scotland Yard’s Inspector Roderick Alleyn finds his passions unexpectedly brought to the surface when he investigates the murder of Sonia Gluck, a model who died during her last pose. To break the case he must break the feisty artist Agatha Troy, suspected murderess and heartbreaker.

UNBROKEN (11 CDS)  LAURA HILLENBRAND
The author of Seabiscuit brings us the tale of Louis Zamperini, a WWII airman who suffers from the natural elements as much as the psychological battle while drifting across the ocean after his plane is shot down. Publishers Weekly Best Books of 2010

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MICHAELA MAHADY

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Sackville was born into riches and The Jazz Age, and is remembered for her love affairs, morphine addiction, and new life in Kenya.
FRANCES OSBORNE

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A memoir of life with Dwight D. Eisenhower in his later years, written by Eisenhower’s grandson and his wife, a daughter of President Nixon.
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LION OF LIBERTY
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HARLOW GILES UNGER
THE TALENTED MISS HIGHSCHMITH

This biography delves into the life of Patricia Highsmith, one of the greatest writers of twentieth century American fiction and the author of The Talented Mr. Ripley. 559 p., ill.

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Brinkley discusses America’s most beautiful resources and the heroic fight waged by the U.S. Federal Government from 1879-1960 to save wild Alaska. 383 p., ill.
MISCELLANEOUS

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An anthology of key writings of the most prolific architects in U.S. history, this book offers sixteen selections that reveal Olmsted’s life, his thinking on cities, and his ideas on landscape architecture in general. 344 p.

PRACTICAL WISDOM  BARRY SCHWARTZ AND KENNETH SHARPE
A concept identified by Aristotle a long time ago, practical wisdom is a quality that combines our experiences with empathy and intellect. The authors discuss extensively the importance of this quality in everyday life, and explain how to use our wisdom to “do the right thing” in any particular circumstance we encounter. 324 p.

TOO BIG TO FAIL  ANDREW ROSS SORKIN*
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BREACH OF TRUST  DAVID ELLIS+
A year ago attorney Jason Kolarich lost his wife and daughter on the same night that an informant was murdered. In the search for a killer, his unconventional methods land him in the middle of a FBI probe. 420 p.

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COMES A TIME FOR BURNING  STEVEN F. HAVILL
In spring of 1892 in the village of Port McKinney a girl is diagnosed with Asian cholera. While Dr. Thomas Parks is both afraid for the community and curious about the contagion’s origins, he suspects one of his nurses may be responsible. 289 p.

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Single father, Noel, along with his network of friends and babysitters, are all helping to raise his daughter, Frankie. When a nosy social worker, Moira, is convinced Frankie belongs in a foster home, Noel has to persuade her otherwise. 381 p.

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Roman physician Arcturus and his wife arrive at the spa town of Aquae Sulis on holiday, but he is soon tapped to assist in the investigation of the murder of a curse-maker.  300 p.

DEATH OF A CHIMNEY SWEEP  M.C. BEATON+
Scottish Police Constable Hamish Macbeth must discover who’s behind a series of murders involving a body stuffed inside a villager’s chimney, and then the village chimney sweep, before it’s too late.  247 p.

FADEAWAY GIRL  MARTHA GRIMES+
In the sequel to the bestselling Belle Ruin, twelve-year-old Emma is still seeking the truth behind three old intertwined crimes.  323 p.

LISTEN TO THE DEAD  RANDALL PEFFER♦
Based on a real life serial murder case, Harbormaster Corby Church finds the bones of a human body that he at first believes dates back to a local legend about the original lighthouse keeper’s wife. Police however, learn that they are much more recent, but may still be tied to legend.  353 p.

MURDER IN PASSY  CARA BLACK+
Private Investigator Aimée Leduc’s godfather, the police Commissaire, asks her to check on his girlfriend, but when and she does the favor, things don’t go as planned. The girlfriend is found strangled, and her boyfriend quickly becomes the prime suspect.  273 p.

THE NIGHT SEASON  CHELSEA CAIN+
Detective Archie Sheridan has a new crisis on his hands, the Willamette River in Portland is flooding and causing people to drown…or so it appears until evidence shows that some of the victims were dead before going in the river. Sheridan must solve the case to apprehend his latest serial killer.  322 p.

RED WOLF  LIZA MARKLUND
As murders surround a northern Swedish town, reporter Annika Bengtazon begins to investigate. Fighting loneliness in her own life with her secretive husband, Annika seeks the truth about the Red Wolf, a viscous killer.  386 p.

WHERE SHADOWS DANCE  C.S. HARRIS+
An employee of the Foreign Office who it appeared had died of natural causes is found to have a stiletto wound at the base of his skull. As his past is uncovered, a second body is found with the same wound and Sebastian St. Cyr must search for the killer.  342 p.
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**ATHENÆUM BOOKSHELF**

April 2011

(Books purchased for March 2011)
FEATURED SELECTIONS

THE TIGER’S WIFE
TÉA OBREHT
The youngest author on *The New Yorker’s* best fiction writers under forty, Obreht weaves a tale of family, loss, and love. Natalia, a young doctor inoculating children at an orphanage in a Balkan country, tries to uncover the mysterious circumstance of her grandfather’s death by turning to the stories he used to tell when she was a child. 338 p.

ART, ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN

AMERICAN ART MUSEUM ARCHITECTURE: DOCUMENTS AND DESIGN
ERIC M. WOLF
This book explores all architectural aspects of American museums, such as the practical, aesthetic, innovative, and functional. 251 p., ill.

HISTORICAL BUILDING CONSTRUCTION
DONALD FRIEDMAN
Now in its second edition, *Historical Building Construction* provides illustrations and photographs. It is considered to be the established guide to building construction from the 1840s to the present. 319 p., ill.

ROMANTIC GARDENS
ELIZABETH BARLOW ROGERS, ELIZABETH S. EUSTIS, JOHN BIDWELL
Offering a detailed look at texts, works of art and cultural ideals from the past, *Romantic Gardens* is a compilation exploring the eloquent designs of gardens from the Romantic Movement, spanning parks and estates in England, France, Germany, and America. With a touch of imagination and a free spirit, the Romantics fashioned a new kind of garden, one that emphasized a sense of awe and inherent beauty found in nature. *(Does not circulate by mail)* 197 p., ill.

BIOGRAPHY

DIAGHILEV: A LIFE
SJENG SCHEIJEN+
The biography of a flamboyant art patron who founded the Ballets Russes, thus revolutionizing ballet, and whose tenuous liaisons gave his life a dramatic quality. 552 p., ill.

AN EXTRAVAGANT HUNGER
ANNE ZIMMERMAN
A telling of M.F.K. Fisher’s life depicting her travels, her love of men, and her passionate writings. 261 p., ill.

JUST KIDS
PATTI SMITH+
Smith shares her love with the photographer Robert Mapplethorpe set to the backdrop of the late 60’s when rock and roll and sexual politics were at their height. 279 p., ill.
THE MEMORY PALACE  
MIRA BARTÓK  
In her memoir, Bartók tells of her mother’s deterioration from a brilliant pianist to a schizophrenic whose illness caused Bartók and her sister to sever ties with their mother completely. Only Bartók’s debilitating car accident brings her back to her mother’s death bed and here the capacity to forgive within a family is discovered.  
305 p., ill.

NO REGrets: THE LIFE OF EDITH PIAF  
CAROLYN BURKE  
Spanning from her childhood of being raised in a brothel to her adult years battling alcohol, drugs, and illness, this biography showcases Edith Piaf’s rise to international fame and how she became “the little sparrow”.  
282 p., ill.

HISTORY & POLITICS

ARMY AT HOME  
JUDITH GIESBERG  
Giesberg delves into the determination, dignity, instability, and heartbreak that surrounded Northern women during the Civil War. From working in factories to managing farms, these women became activists, for politics and women’s rights, on a front that was in many ways just like a battlefield.  
232 p., ill.

THE BOOK IN THE RENAISSANCE  
ANDREW PETTEGREE  
The story of the beginnings of print is much more complicated than most have come to believe. Recounting the first 150 years of the printing world, this detailed book explores aspects of religion, economics, and culture revolving around the dawn of printing.  
421 p., ill.

CULTURES OF WAR  
JOHN W. DOWER  
A Pulitzer Prize and National Book Award winner, noted historian Dower examines the culture of war revealed by four events: Pearl Harbor, Hiroshima, 9-11, and the recent invasion of Iraq.  
596 p., ill.

FROM SPLENDOR TO REVOLUTION  
JULIA P. GELARDI  
Covering the years 1850 to 1920, Gelardi explores the lives of Marie Alexandrovna, Olga Constantinovna, Marie Feodorovna, and Marie Pavlovna; four Romanov women who were at the center of the chaotic revolution.  
482 p., ill.

MOHAMED’S GHOSTS  
STEPHAN SALISBURY  
Philadelphia Inquirer cultural reporter Salisbury examines the aftermath of an FBI investigation into a local mosque and the hysteria of post 9/11 that ruined Philadelphia’s Muslim community.  
312 p.

REMEMBERING SOUTH CAPE MAY  
JOSEPH G. BURCHER WITH ROBERT KENSELAAR  
Burcher, one of the town’s last residents, chronicles the picturesque town’s Victorian homes, its events during WWII, and its watery death at the hands of the Atlantic Ocean.  
126 p., ill.

TASTING FREEDOM  
DANIEL R. BIDDLE AND MURRAY DUBIN  
Two Philadelphia Inquirer reporters/editors, examine the life of Octavius Catto. Although not as well known today, Catto was a prominent African-American educator, orator, athlete, and civil rights activist in 19th-century Philadelphia. A fascinating look at a true renaissance man.  
486 p., ill.

UNFAMILIAR FISHES  
SARAH VOWELL  
Vowell tells the history of the Americanization of Hawaii starting with the Christian missionaries up to the country’s first Hawaiian born president.  
238 p., ill.
MISCELLANEOUS

ONE HUNDRED NAMES FOR LOVE
Diane Ackerman+
Ackerman describes the trials and the miracles in the aftermath of her husband's stroke, a stroke that severed his use of the language he loved but ended up bringing both of them on a journey of healing, vulnerability, and love. 322 p.

PHILADELPHIA ICONS
Karen Ivory
This book provides 50 illustrations of some of the city's classic symbols. 100 p., ill.

PRESENT AT THE CREATION
Amir D. Aczel
Aczel takes us behind the scenes of the Large Hadron Collider, a CERN (The European Organization for Nuclear Research) experiment that hopes to mimic the conditions that existed after the making of our universe. 271 p., ill.

FICTION

ALL THE TIME IN THE WORLD
E.L. Doctorow+
A collection of new and selected stories ranging from a man who fears his city has changed to a graduate student who gets tangled in a criminal enterprise. 277 p.

BUTTERFLY'S CHILD
Angela Davis-Gardner
A sequel to the opera Madame Butterfly, Butterfly's Child tells the story of Butterfly's child, Benji. Plucked from the safety of Nagasaki, Benji is brought to Illinois to be raised by Pinkerton and his wife Kate. As Pinkerton mourns for Butterfly and Kate begins to feel resentment, Benji is trying to grasp his identity which leads him to uncover the truth behind his mother's death. 332 p.

CRESCENT DAWN
Clive and Dirk Cussler
Ozden and Maria Celik are intent on resurrecting the Ottoman Empire, claiming they are the last surviving heirs, by starting a fundamentalist uprising in Turkey and the Middle East. They will succeed too, unless Dirk Pitt and his NUMA team find what is in the galley of a Roman cargo ship. 548 p.

CROWN OF DUST
Mary Volmer
It is the time of the Gold Rush, and a young girl by the name of Alex disguises herself as a boy while she attempts to run away from her troubled past. Eventually becoming the first to strike gold in the settlement of Motherlode, Alex must now fight for not only her discovery but for her secret and her life. 274 p.

FOUND WANTING
Robert Goddard
When Richard Eusden is enlisted by his ex-wife to carry an attaché case to an old friend, he had no idea that he would come face to face with a killer demanding the case in exchange for his friend's life. Now in an effort to save his friend he must travel across Western Europe where the contents of the case tug at a larger mystery: the fate of the Grand Duchess Anastasia. 357 p.

THE KING OF DIAMONDS
Simon Tolkien+
Inspector Trave is head of the manhunt for David Swain, a convicted felon whose ex-girlfriend, Katya, was murdered the night he escaped from prison. However, Trave's suspicions lead him to Katya's uncle, a diamond dealer, and the brother-in-law who has ties to the Nazis. When Trave's motives for pursuing her uncle are considered suspect, he must put everything on the line to pursue his belief. 324 p.
LIVE WIRE  HARLAN COBEN+
When Myron Bolitar is asked by a former tennis star to save her marriage, he doesn’t expect that it will turn into a search for his missing brother. While their father clings to life, Myron must face the lies, including his, which led to the estrangement.

375 p.

LORD OF MISRULE  JAIMY GORDON
This novel is set in the low end of horse racing and follows Tommy Hansel and his questionable plan to save his failing stable. 2010 National Book Award Winner

294 p.

THE SCHOOL OF NIGHT  LOUIS BAYARD+
Thomas Harriot is considered to be England’s Galileo and is a member of a group of five scholars that discuss God and the black arts under the cover of darkness. Fast forward to present day Washington, D.C., Henry Cavendish’s dearest friend, Alonzo Wax, has just committed suicide and antique dealer Bernard Styles offers him large sums of money to track down a letter Styles is convinced Wax stole. As Henry searches for the letter he is caught up in a world of primeval risks and a story of a forgotten scholar and the woman he loved.

338 p.

SILENT MERCY  LINDA FAIRSTEIN+
Prosecutor Alexandra Cooper’s fears of a serial killer are confirmed when not one but two dead women have been decapitated and left to burn on church steps. In order to prevent other women from falling victim, Alex researches into Manhattan’s many houses of worship to find a connection between the victims and unwittingly uncovers a truth that puts her square in the face of danger.

387 p.

SPIRAL  PAUL McEUEIN+
When Nobel Laureate Liam Connor is found dead and a store of his nanorobots have disappeared from his laboratory, Jake Sterling knows that this was not suicide. As Jake, Connor’s granddaughter Maggie, and her son Dylan look for answers they find a secret that Connor has been carrying for sixty years; a secret that intersects at biological warfare and nanoscience as the keeper will literally hold the fate of the world in its hands.

310 p.

STARTED EARLY, TOOK MY DOG  KATE ATKINSON+
Tracy Waterhouse’s life gets turned upside down when she makes a purchase she hadn’t counted on. As two witnesses to the exchange are thrown into the madness, the three learn that the past is right behind you.

371 p.

SWAMPLANDIA!  KAREN RUSSELL+
A novel about a 13 year old who has to try to save her family’s home and alligator wrestling theme park, which is being threatened by their competitor, after the death of her mother.

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THE TRINITY SIX  CHARLES CUMMINGS+
Sam Gaddis is a divorced academic in need of money and when a journalist friend tells him that she has discovered the sixth member to the Cambridge Spy Ring, he sees his fortune turning. But when his few connections to the case start dying unexpectedly, he puts his life on the line to discover a secret that threatens the security of modern Europe.

356 p.

THE ATTENBURY EMERALDS  JILL PATON WALSH+
A new Dorothy Sayers mystery featuring Lord Peter Wimsey revisiting his 1921 case of the Attenbury emeralds. Thirty years later, the grandson of Lord Attenbury seeks the detective’s help to prove who owns the magnificent gem.

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CRIMINAL INNOCENCE  
JEFFREY ASHFORD

After Steven Drury is attacked by a robber fleeing the scene, a momentary light on the attacker’s face makes Drury able to identify Daniel Fitch as his attacker in a police line up. But unfortunately for Drury, Fitch isn’t going to take this lying down and now Drury must decide: perjury or death?  
187 p.

DRAWING CONCLUSIONS  
DONNA LEON

In the twentieth installment of the Commissario Guido Brunetti mystery series, Brunetti is called late one night to investigate the death of a widow in her apartment. When the medical examiner says she died of a heart attack, Brunetti can’t shake the feeling that something just isn’t right; that maybe unnatural causes set off the woman’s heart attack.  
260 p.

EYES OF THE INNOCENT  
BRAD PARKS

The investigative reporter Carter Ross is back with sidekicks Tommy Hernandez, Tee Jamison, and on and off girlfriend Tina Thompson as he investigates the disappearance of Newark councilman Windy Byers and a house fire that killed two children.  
294 p.

THE FIRES OF THE GODS  
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In eleventh century Japan, as the capital is plagued by unexplained fires, Sugawara Akitada has just lost his job to a political appointee. When he confronts the nobleman who enacted this change, Akitada is now the prime suspect of his murder. Aided by his faithful servant, Akitada investigates the case putting not only his life in danger, but the lives of his wife and unborn child.  
247 p.

A LESSON IN SECRETS  
JACQUELINE WINSPEAR

Set in the summer of 1932, Maisie Dobbs is sent to Cambridge by Scotland Yard to monitor anything that is not in the interest of the government. When the college’s pacifist founder is found murdered, Maisie realizes that the murder is linked to those she had under her surveillance. In order to solve the case, Maisie must discover secrets about the Great War, overcome Secret Service Agents, and face off against the rising Nazi Party.  
321 p.

MYSTERY  
JONATHAN KELLERMAN

LAPD psychologist Alex Delaware is once again enlisted to help solve the murder of a woman he once briefly saw in passing. As the case leads him from one dead end to another a clue from a tipster helps to break the case open, but the secrets that come out may just make this case not only impossible to solve but fatal.  
320 p.

THE PENGUIN BOOK OF VICTORIAN WOMEN IN CRIME  
EDITED BY MICHAEL SIMS

A collection of stories of great female sleuths from the late Victorian Era.  
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THE POT THIEF WHO STUDIED EINSTEIN  
J. MICHAEL ORENDUFF

Blindfolded and chauffeured to a secret location, Hubie Schuze is offered 2,500 dollars for a private appraisal of Anasazi pots. However, things take a turn for the worse when not only is his money missing, but the man who set up the appraisal is found murdered and the more Hubie searches for his missing appraisal fee, the deeper rooted he becomes in the murder investigation.  
211 p.

THE PRIEST  
GERARD O’DONOVAN

When the daughter of a politician suffers a horrific sex attack, drugs specialist Mike Mulcahy is dragged into the case, but when he decides the attack was motivated by religion, he sets up his own investigation with the help of a reporter.  
323 p.
THE SATURDAY BIG TENT WEDDING PARTY
ALEXANDER McCALL SMITH+
Precious Ramotswe, Botswana’s No. 1 Lady Detective, is back to solve the case of some slaughtered cows where surprisingly her client is a suspect. As she sees visions of her beloved white van, Precious must help sort out a wedding, her friend’s run for the Botswana Parliament, and she must find a runaway apprentice.
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THE TROUBLED MAN
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In 2008, Håkan von Enke, a naval officer, disappears during one of his daily walks in Stockholm. Because of jurisdiction Wallander has nothing to do with it, but the fact that von Enke is his daughter's father-in-law changes things. As he investigates with his usual style of disregarding procedure, Wallander finds answers involving Cold War espionage that are as troubling as the personal issues he also must face.
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When Richard Kilmer’s fiancée disappears in a car accident, neither he nor the police can find her and when people deny Jen’s existence all together Richard wonders if he’s going insane or if there is something diabolical at work. 291 p.

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THE GARDENS OF ENGLISH HERITAGE  GILLIAN MAWREY AND LINDEN GROVES
A detailed look at the parks and gardens that are owned by English Heritage covering the centuries of families that owned the estates to the deterioration and restoration of some of the properties that we see today. (Does Not Circulate By Mail) 216 p., ill.

GUSTAV STICKLEY AND THE AMERICAN ARTS AND CRAFTS MOVEMENT  KEVIN W. TUCKER
This book chronicles the Arts and Crafts movement through Gustav Stickley, a businessman who furthered the ideal American life through his periodical The Craftsman and his furniture factory. 271 p., ill.

BIOGRAPHY

AND FURTHERMORE  JUDI DENCH+
A memoir chronicling the life and acting career of Judi Dench. 268 p., ill.

A COVERT AFFAIR  JENNET CONANT+
The story of Paul and Julia Childs’ lives while in the Office of Strategic Services (OSS) during World War II. 395 p., ill.

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THE FORGOTTEN FOUNDING FATHER  JOSHUA KENDALL
This biography of Noah Webster not only explores his achievement of the dictionary but his forgotten role in American history. 355 p., ill.

JOHN BARRY  TIM MCGRATH
A biography of Commodore John Barry, the first commissioned officer in the United States Navy. 621 p., ill.

THE KING’S SPEECH  MARK LOGUE AND PETER CONRADI
A tale based on the diaries of Lionel Logue, a speech therapist who treated the Duke of York’s stammering before he assumed the British throne. 242 p., ill.

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A biography of the life of Amedeo Modigliani, the Bohemian artist whose life was plagued by illness and addiction and who helped to create an artistic revolution. 387 p., ill.

MY FATHER’S FORTUNE  MICHAEL FRAYN
Author of the best seller Headlong, Michael Frayn’s story is about the life of his father and the legacy he gave to his son. 273 p., ill.

READING MY FATHER  ALEXANDRA STYRON+
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TRAVEL

EYEWITNESS TRAVEL: JERUSALEM, ISRAEL, PETRA, AND SINAI 336 p., ill.

HISTORY & POLITICS

BEHIND THE PALACE DOORS MICHAEL FARQUHAR
Spanning over 500 years, *Behind the Palace Doors* chronicles the intrigue, scandal, betrayal, madness, and executions that have made the British monarchy such an interesting subject. 307 p.

POX MICHAEL WILLRICH
This is a book about the smallpox epidemic in America, the anti-vaccinationist movement, and the doctors trying to combat a preventable disease. 422 p.

TOWARD THE SETTING SUN BRIAN HICKS
A historical account of the white educated Cherokee Chief John Ross, who, along with civilizing his tribe, fought against Andrew Jackson and finally led his tribe West on the infamous Trail of Tears. 421 p., ill.

MISCELLANEOUS

THE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF NEW YORK CITY EDITED BY KENNETH T. JACKSON
With over 5000 entries this encyclopedia details all there is to know about the Big Apple. *(Does Not Circulate By Mail)* 1561 p., ill.

TALK SHOW DICK CAVETT
Take a peek into Dick Cavett’s life as a talk show host as he recounts stories of his celebrity guests while taking a few moments to flashback into a time before he was a talk show host. 279 p.

FICTION

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This novel tells the story of two passionate women, one a queen fiercely devoted to her kingdom and the other her cousin and rival, a woman trying to reclaim power and status for her family. 671 p.

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When forensic sculptor Eve Duncan gets a new piece of information in her daughter’s disappearance, she must connect the pieces in order to find her. 378 p.

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Unable to find work as a defense lawyer in Los Angeles, Micky Haller expands his business to foreclosure defense. However, criminal court is back in his sights when one of his clients is accused of murdering the banker she says was trying to take away her home. Now as he tries to exonerate his client, he must battle a mountain of evidence against her and thugs who will do anything to keep him off the right trail. 421 p.

THE FREE WORLD DAVID BEZMOZGIS+
This novel follows the Jewish Krasnansky family and their emigration from Soviet Russia in the late 1970’s, as they immerse themselves in Italy’s freewheeling atmosphere. 356 p.

GHOST LIGHT JOSEPH O’CONNOR+
*Ghost Light* is the story of a young Irish actress, Molly, and her relationship with the much older, talented playwright John Synge, and her experiences traveling abroad. 246 p.

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When Vanessa Munroe is hired to find a Texas billionaire’s daughter in Africa, she must face her own past, a childhood growing up in the African jungles, in order to get out alive. 307 p.

THE LOVE OF MY YOUTH MARY GORDON+
Simply by chance, Miranda and Adam run into each other in Rome, a city where they spent a summer madly in love. The two, who went their separate ways amidst betrayal fifty years ago, are reconnecting and slowly discovering what truly happened to their love so long ago. 302 p.
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ONCE UPON A TIME, THERE WAS YOU  
ELIZABETH BERG+ 
The only thing connecting John and Irene after their divorce is their eighteen year old daughter Sadie. When the family is struck with tragedy, John and Irene will come together to support the child they love as well as remember how they once loved each other.  
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THE ORACLE OF STAMBOL  
MICHAEL DAVID LUKAS+ 
Set in 1877, eight year old Eleonora hides away in one of her father’s trunks when he leaves for Stamboul. When the two arrive at their destination, they find that they are in a city in which people are not what they seem and that the sultan of this wondrous place is the head of a failing empire.  
294 p.

THE SANDALWOOD TREE  
ELLE NEWMARK 
When anthropologist Martin Mitchell wins a Fellowship to study in India, he brings along his wife Evie and their son. However, upon arriving they are forced to live in tiny quarters in a remote village due to tensions resulting from Britain’s planned departure. When Evie finds a cache of letters hidden in the house, she sets of on a mission that will lead her through the bazaars and temples of India and to a shocking secret that could break her family apart.  
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SAVE ME  
LISA SCOTTOLINE+ 
When Rose McKenna volunteers as a lunch mom in her daughter’s elementary school cafeteria, she does so in order to keep an eye on her introverted daughter Melly. However, when a normal day turns catastrophic, Rose must make a decision no mother should ever have to make.  
373 p.

THE SILVER BOAT  
LUANNE RICE+ 
When three very different sisters come back to Martha’s Vineyard to say one last goodbye to the family beach house, memories and old family myths rise to the surface and when a revealing collection of letters are found it is enough to send the three back to their ancestral beginnings.  
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THE SIXTH MAN  
DAVID BALDACCI+ 
When the attorney of the almost convicted serial killer, Edgar Roy, is murdered, Sean King and Michelle Maxwell investigate to seek out the murderer. However, as they delve deeper into their investigation they begin to consider that Roy may be innocent and as threats and lies escalate a deadly confrontation could halt the duo in their tracks...permanently.  
416 p.

SO MUCH PRETTY  
CARA HOFFMAN+ 
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