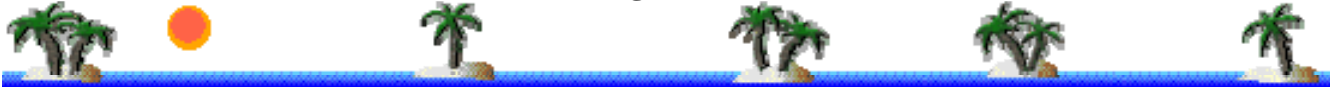


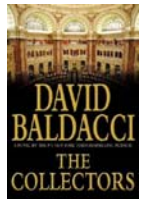
## Beach Books Summer Reading 2007



***For One More Day*** (F Albom) – Mitch Albom is back with another great story. After years of drinking, being rejected by his wife and daughter and a suicide attempt, ex-baseball star Charley Benetto returns to his childhood home where he encounters the ghost of his mother, who tells him family secrets and guide him in make his life better.

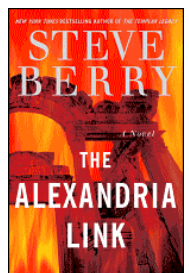
***Ines of My Soul*** (F Allende) – All of Allende's books have made the best sellers list and this book is no exception. A fact-based novel that recounts the life of a national heroine, Inés Suarez, a daring Spanish conquistadora who toiled to build the nation of Chile.

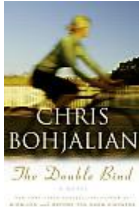
***The Collectors*** (F Baldacci) – Another suspenseful novel by David Baldacci. The Camel Club, a quartet of eccentrics dedicated to finding out what's really going on in America's government, becomes embroiled in an intriguing and dangerous mystery when the assassination of the U.S. Speaker of the House is linked to the death of the director of the Library of Congress's rare books room. You might also want to read Baldacci's latest book . Read Baldacci's latest suspense novel, ***Simple Genius*** - With former Secret Service agent Michelle Maxwell in a psychiatric institution (following Hour Game), partner Sean King consoles himself by agreeing to investigate a murder at an exclusive scientific retreat--where a lot of suspect characters have ties to the institution tending Maxwell. Will the two team up to figure out what's happening?



***We Are All Welcome Here*** (F Berg) – If you were a fan of Open House, Say When and Never Change, you'll enjoy this new novel by Elizabeth Berg. Three women struggle against overwhelming odds to find freedom in the summer of 1964, and all three find their own path to independence, understanding, and peace, despite the obstacles fate throws at them.

***The Romanov Prophecy*** (F Berry) – If you enjoyed ***The Templar Legacy***, try this new adventure by Steve Berry. With Russia on the brink of bringing back the monarchy, Atlanta lawyer Miles Lord travels to Moscow to perform a background check on the tsarist candidate favored by a powerful group of Western businessmen, but he becomes caught up in the mystery of what really happened to the family of Russia's last tsar after gunmen make an attempt on his life. **Berry also has a new novel called *The Alexander Link*, which is a Da Vinci type thriller.** Cotton Malone, of *Templar Legacy* fame, can't stay away from trouble. He has retired and is now a bookseller in Copenhagen. But his son has been kidnapped and his shop is torched. The kidnapers have only a single demand they want "the Alexandria link," the key to the whereabouts of the ancient lost library of Alexandria. Malone holds the key, but something prevents him from relinquishing it.





**The Double Bind** (F Bohjalian) - After surviving an attack while biking, Vermont college student Laurel Estabrook decides to volunteer at a homeless shelter where she meets Bobbie Cocker, a mentally ill man who claims to have been an established photographer and whose life she becomes infatuated with.

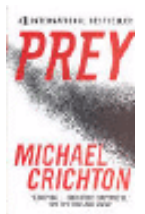
**March** (F Brooks) - Follows the experiences of Mr. March, the father in Louisa May Alcott's "Little Women," as he witnesses the cruelty and racism of both Northern and Southern soldiers and the harsh realities of Civil War.

**One Shot** (F Child) - Ex-army cop Jack Reacher is called upon by Jack Barr, an ex-military specialist arrested for the gunning down five innocent people from thirty yards away, but Barr's claims of innocence reveal a complex and difficult case.

**The Alchemist** (F Coelho) – This novel has been on the best seller list for two years and tells the story of Santiago, an Andalusian shepherd boy, who sets out from his home in Spain to the Egyptian desert in search of buried treasure, but through his encounters with a Gypsy woman, a man who calls himself a king, and an Alchemist, he learns the value of the treasures found within himself.

**Echo Park** (F Connelly) - Los Angeles detective Harry Bosch begins to question his entire career when, while taking a killer's confession, he learns that he missed a vital clue while investigating a still-unsolved 1993 murder that would not only have closed that case, but would have prevented several other killings

**Next** (F Crichton) - Interweaves the stories of various human and animal characters with genetic abnormalities, including a boy who has chimpanzee chromosomes, a parrot that was injected with human genes and can figure out mathematical equations, and an orangutan that can talk, and the complications that are associated with their existence. If you like this, you might also want to read **Prey** - A cloud of nanoparticles programmed as a predator and capable of self-reproduction escapes from a Nevada laboratory and makes the human population its target.



**Predator** (F Cornwell) - Dr. Kay Scarpetta, working for the National Forensic Academy, joins her colleagues in a bizarre case that leads them on a trail of horrific crimes from Florida to Boston.

**Wild Fire** (F DeMille) - Ex-NYPD detective John Corey, working with the Federal Anti-Terrorist Task Force in 2002, teams up with his wife, FBI agent Kate Mayfield, in an attempt to stop a madman who hopes to provoke an all-out nuclear war by detonating bombs in two U.S. cities.



**Burning Bright** (F Chevalier) - The Kellaway family, newly arrived in London in 1792 where father Thomas has been offered work by circus entrepreneur Philip Astley, discovers they are neighbors to famous printer, poet, and political radical William Blake, who is inspired by the coming-of-

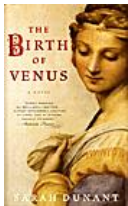
age adventures of young Jem Kellaway and his sister Maisie to writer one of his most famous works. Chevalier also wrote *The Girl with the Pearl Earring*, *The Lady and the Unicorn* and *Falling Angels*.

***Echo Burning*** (F Child) - Freelance lawman Jack Reacher, hitchhiking through West Texas, is picked up by Carmen Greer who asks him to kill her husband, Sloop, who is about to be released from prison; and though Jack declines, he does offer Carmen his protection and finds himself embroiled in a messy domestic dispute that quickly turns to murder.

***Deep Storm*** (F Child) – Ex-naval doctor Peter Crane is summoned to investigate an illness plaguing workers on a remote oil platform in the North Atlantic, and arrives to find the problem really exists at a top-secret laboratory miles beneath the sea where scientists and government agents are excavating what could be the lost continent of Atlantis. Lincoln Child is the co-author of ***Brimstone***, ***Relic***, ***Dance of the Dead***, ***Day of the Dead***.

***The Good Sister*** (F Diamond) - Sisters Jennifer and Catherine have always been competitive with one another, but when they each inherit equal shares of the family's fortune, one **sister** hires a hit man to kill the other, but it soon becomes clear neither **sister** knows which is the hunter or the hunted.

***The Stolen Child*** (F Donohue) - Henry Day, a boy **stolen** by changelings at the age of seven, and the look-alike hobgoblin sent to replace him, both grow up feeling out of place in their respective worlds--and their search for answers about their pasts puts them on a collision course decades later.



***The Birth of Venus*** (F Dunant) - Alessandra Cecchi becomes enchanted with a young painter her father has brought back from northern Europe to decorate the chapel walls in the family's Florentine palazzo, but their relationship is interrupted when Alessandra's parents arrange her marriage to a wealthy older man. You might also want to read Dunant's other book *In the Company of the Courtesan*.

***The Memory Keeper's Daughter*** (F Edwards) - Dr. David Henry, forced to deliver his own twins during a snowstorm in 1964 with only a nurse to help him, makes a decision that has far-reaching effects on his life, and the lives of his wife and son, when his infant daughter is born with Down Syndrome, and in a vain attempt to protect his wife, he orders the nurse to take the baby to an institution.

***The Painted Drum*** (F Erdrich) - Faye Travers, a middle-aged divorcee and specialist in Native American antiquities, discovers a rare ceremonial **drum** while assessing the estate of a New Hampshire man descended from an Indian agent, and, when she hears the sound of the **drum** without even touching the instrument, she feels compelled to steal it and return it to a North Dakota reservation where its remarkable history is revealed.

***Me & Emma*** (F Flock) - Carrie Parker, an imaginative eight-year-old, struggles to make the best of things for herself and her sister Emma after their father is murdered, and their mother marries an abusive drunk, but one particular act of cruelty pushes Carrie beyond what she can endure.



***Whiteout*** (F Follett) - As a Christmas Eve blizzard blows through Scotland, several people from a medical research firm converge on a remote family house, where they learn that a canister containing a deadly virus has disappeared from the lab, and that someone among them will risk anything to keep the crime a secret. Many teachers highly recommend Follett's ***Pillars of the Earth***.

***Thirteen Moons*** (F Frazier) - At the age of twelve, orphan Will Cooper is sent to work a trading post on the edge of the Cherokee Nation's land, where he spends his life learning about and defending the lives of the Native Americans and desiring the love of Claire Featherstone, the wife of a successful Cherokee landowner and patriarch.

***The Saving Graces*** (F Gaffney) - At the age of twelve, orphan Will Cooper is sent to work a trading post on the edge of the Cherokee Nation's land, where he spends his life learning about and defending the lives of the Native Americans and desiring the love of Claire Featherstone, the wife of a successful Cherokee landowner and patriarch.

***As Simple as Snow*** (F Galloway) - Emma, Rudy, Lee, and Isabel, four aging yuppie women who share a ten-year bond of friendship, find their love and loyalty to one another tested by a crisis of astounding proportions.

***Intuition*** (F Goodman) - Doctor Sandy Glass and scientist Marion Mendelssohn desperately work for a grant to fund their cancer research, and pin their hopes on the experiments of Cliff Bannaker, but when Cliff's girlfriend reveals that Cliff's results are fraudulent, Sandy and Marion must choose between their dreams and the truth.

***A Spot of Bother*** (F Haddon) - George Hall is ready to settle down to a comfortable retirement, until his tempestuous daughter, Katie, announces she is marrying someone George disapproves of, and George is diagnosed with a devastating illness. This is the second novel by Haddon. His first novel ***The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time*** was a best seller.



***The Traveler*** (F Hawks) - Three secret societies, the Travelers, the Harlequins, and the Tabula, head for a showdown when the mercenary Tabula who want to control the world, target Gabriel and Michael Corrigan who may have inherited their Traveler father's gifts as a prophet of wisdom, forcing Maya, a reluctant Harlequin, to take up her duties as sworn protector to the brothers.  
*Rich Flemming enjoyed this novel*

***Sick Puppy*** (F Hiaasen) - Short-tempered environmentalist Twilly Spree, having sought retaliation against litterer Palmer Stoat by loading Stoat's Range Rover with a horde of

hungry dung beetles, realizes he has hit the jackpot when he discovers Stoa is one of the movers and shakers in a plan to build a mall on a pristine Gulf Coast island.

***Emperor: The Gates of Rome*** (F Iggulden) - Two boys grow into manhood as a new empire takes shape around the city of Rome, and as the pair are trained in the art of combat, they find themselves caught between two rival generals who are driving the empire to the brink of civil war.

***On the Run*** (F Johansen) - Horse handler and former CIA agent Grace Archer turns to the father of her child for help for the first time in eight years when the Middle Eastern magnate who wants her dead finds her at the Alabama horse farm where she has been hiding.

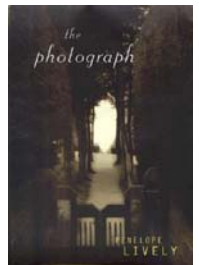
***The Last Templar*** (F Khoury) - Archaeologist Tess Chaykin and FBI agent Sean Reilly investigate the theft, by four horsemen dressed as Knights Templar, of a coding device that could reveal the order's secrets about early Christian history. If you are looking for something similar to *Angels and Demons* and the *Da Vinci Code*, you'll enjoy this book.

***The Cell*** (F King) - Maine artist Clayton Riddell, elated after closing the deal for his first comic book, comes down to Earth quickly when a brain-zapping energy burst--*The Pulse*--strikes, reducing cell phone users to zombie-like creatures, and leaving Clayton desperate to find a way home from Boston to see if his wife and son have survived. ***Lisey's Story*** is another new Stephen King novel.

***Velocity*** (F Koontz) - Bartender Billy Wiles thinks the note on his windshield threatening the murder of a schoolteacher if he ignores it or the murder of an elderly woman if he goes to the police is a hoax; but when a young teacher is killed and he receives other warnings, his life becomes a nightmare. You might also like, ***Odd Thomas, Brother Odd, Forever, Life Expectancy and The Watchers***.

***What the Dead Know*** (F Lippman) - Baltimore detective Kevin Infante becomes caught up in investigating a long-ago crime when police arrest a woman involved in a rush-hour accident only to have her tell them she is the younger of the two Bethany sisters who went missing from a local mall thirty years earlier.

***The Photograph*** (F Lively) - After the recent death of his wife, Glyn Peters chances upon a photograph he has never seen before. Taken in a summer many years earlier, it shows his wife, Kath, holding hands with another man, leading Glyn to search for answers about his wife and their marriage. Lively won the Booker Prize for ***Moon Tiger*** which tells the story of Claudia, a best-selling writer, recalls her life of adventure as a newspaper correspondent, novelist, lover, and mother, while the people close to her file past her hospital bed.



***A Good Year*** (F Mayle) - After his supervisor steals his biggest client, Max Skinner decides it is time to take a break from the corporate world and inspect the vineyard he has

inherited, and when he arrives, he finds the land, and the wine it produces, sub-standard, and vows to turn his new enterprise around and make a profit.

***The Number 1 Detective Agency Series*** (F McCall Smith) - The cunning and engaging Precious Ramotswe sets up shop in a small storefront in Gaborone, hoping to become a private detective, and she soon has more business than she expected, including a disturbing case involving a missing child. This author also has another called ***The Sunday Philosophy Club***.

***Saturday*** (McEwan) - Henry Perowne, a London neurosurgeon, goes through his normal Saturday activities, including a weekly squash game, but his unease grows as he makes his way through the throngs of anti-war protesters clogging London's streets, until a minor car accident with the petulant Baxter begins a series of events that erupts into violence. Another book by McEwan is ***Atonement*** – the ending will surprise you.

***McKetrick's Choice*** (F Miller) - Holt, the eldest McKetrick son, returns to his family home in Texas to make peace with his past and save the man who raised him, but his involvement with Lorelei Fellows complicates Holt's efforts to keep his trip short and remain unattached to his family home.

***The Road*** (Cormac McCarthy) - Traces the journey of a father and his son as they walk alone after a great fire has consumed the nation and left everything in ashes. Highly recommended by Ann Hill even if it is an Oprah pick.

***Telegraph Days*** (F McMurtry) - Nellie Courtright and her brother Jackson arrive in Rita Blanca in the Oklahoma Panhandle in 1876 after their father's death, where Jackson becomes a deputy sheriff and Nellie runs the town telegraph.

***How Elizabeth Barrett Browning Saved My Life*** (F Medwed) - Boston antiques dealer Abby Randolph, betrayed by an old friend, dumped by her lover, and grieving the death of her mom, makes the surprising discovery that an old chamber pot she inherited from her mother once belonged to poet Elizabeth Barrett Browning and is worth nearly one hundred thousand dollars--a fact that brings a lot of people from her past calling.

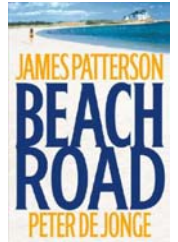
***A Periodic Table Mystery*** (F Minichino) - ***The Nitrogen Murder*** and ***The Oxygen Murder*** – The Periodic Table Mysteries also involve Gloria Lamerino and her husband, homicide detective Gennaro and murder and one of the elements of the periodic table.

***Labyrinth*** (F Mosse) - Two women, separated by eight centuries, become caught up in the same mystery when volunteer archaeologist Alice Tanner, working in a cave near Carcassonne, stumbles upon two skeletons, and a stone ring engraved with a **labyrinth** which had been entrusted to Alais, the daughter of one of the appointed guardians of the Holy Grail, in 1209 on the eve of the invasion by French Crusaders.

***The Time Traveler's Wife*** (F Niffenegger) - Clare and Henry, deeply in love, try desperately to maintain normal lives even though he has been diagnosed with Chrono-

Displacement Disorder, a condition in which his genetic clock periodically resets, pulling him through time to the past or future

***The Futurist*** (F Othmer) - As the American Empire begins to crumble, Yates finds his own carefully scripted existence suffering and manages to commit career suicide in a speech at Futureworld that changes his life.

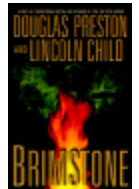


**Beach Road** (F Patterson) - Montauk lawyer Tom Dunleavy is hired to represent a high-profile triple-murder suspect, local star athlete Dante Halleyville; but the case becomes complicated by his client's popularity and a dangerous secret being protected by members of East Hampton's elite class. **Patterson's latest book is *Cross*** - Forensic psychologist and single father Alex Cross is drawn back into a dangerous investigation when his old friend Detective John Sampson asks for his help in tracking a serial rapist and murderer who may be linked to Alex's wife's death thirteen years earlier. If you are a fan of Patterson, you might enjoy ***Judge and Jury***.

***The Poe Shadow*** (F Pearl) - Baltimore lawyer Quentin Clark investigates the puzzling circumstances of Edgar Allan Poe's death, finding inspiration and hidden clues in the stories Poe left behind.

***Nineteen Minutes*** (F Picoult) - The people of Sterling, New Hampshire, are forever changed after a shooting at the high school leaves ten people dead, and the judge presiding over the trial tries to remain unbiased, even though her daughter witnessed the events and was friends with the assailant. Kathy McNally recommends Picoult's ***Plain Truth***.

***The Cabinet of Curiosities*** (F Preston) - New York archaeologist Nora Kelly and FBI Special Agent Pendergast try to solve a 130-year-old serial murder case after the dismembered remains of thirty-six people are found on the site of a nineteenth-century moneymaking spectacle called a "cabinet of curiosities." Sounds gory, but this is an excellent series. If you want to follow the continuing adventures, read ***Brimstone***, ***Dance of Death*** and ***Book of the Dead***. *This author is highly recommend by Steve Wisniewski and Ron Pollack.* Some other books by Preston are ***Relic***, ***Still Life with Crows***, ***Tyrannosaur Canyon*** and ***The Codex***.



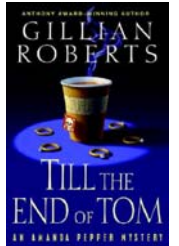
***Second Sight*** (F Quick) - Venetia Milton learns that Gabriel Jones, whose priceless artifacts and relics she has been photographing, has been reported dead; however, she receives quite a surprise when Jones winds up on her doorstep very much alive and afraid for his life.

***Rise and Shine*** (F Quindlen) - Meghan Fitzmaurice, host of a top-rated morning television show, finds her perfect life threatened when she makes an on-air comment that has a devastating impact on Meghan, her husband, and Bridget, Meghan's social worker sister. Other books by Quindlen are ***Black and Blue*** and ***One True Thing***.

***Bare Bones*** (F Reichs) - Forensic anthropologist Tempe Brennan's plans for a long-overdue vacation with her boyfriend are delayed by some mysterious bones, a plane crash, and her daughter's new relationship.

***The Intruders*** (F Richardson) - When soon-to-be stepbrothers, Joel and Tim, start having the same nightmare after moving into a old house, they decide to investigate its source and the many other strange occurrences in their new home.

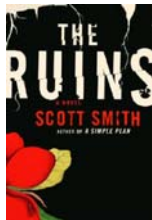
**The Amanda Pepper Mysteries** (F Roberts) – Amanda Pepper, A Philadelphia English teacher, is involved in solving crimes and helping people. Titles in this series are *I'd Rather Be in Philadelphia*, *The Bluest Blood*, *A Hole in Juan*, and *Till the End of Tom*.



***Gilead*** (F Robinson) - In 1956, toward the end of his life, Reverend John Ames begins a letter to his young son, sharing the story of his life and explaining how his faith influenced his choices and actions.

***The Thirteenth Tale*** (F Setterfield) - Aging, reclusive author Vida Winter, having given out multiple versions of her life story over the years, decides to finally set the record straight and engages Margaret Lea, a London bookseller's daughter, to write her biography, drawing the young woman into a tale of a governess, a ghost, a willful woman, feral twins, and a gothic mansion.

***The Terror*** (F Simmons) - The confidence of crew members aboard the HMS "Terror" in 1845 begins to erode when the ship is trapped for a second summer in the ice at the Arctic Circle, and the dwindling food and coal supplies, as well as unrelenting cold, become the least of their worries when it becomes clear they are being stalked by an unknown and monstrous predator.

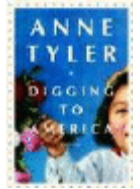


***The Ruins*** (F Smith) - Two American couples, newly graduated from college, are enjoying the final week of a Cancun vacation when they are persuaded by a new friend to accompany him into the jungle to find his brother who has gone off with an archaeological team in search of ruins, and they do not realize until it is too late that they are trapped by an unspeakable horror.

***Dear John*** (F Sparks) - After he is released from the Army, John Tyree plans to spend the rest of his life with University of North Carolina student Savannah Lynn Curtis, but the events of September 11 change everything.

***The Language of Threads*** (F Tsukiyama) - When war and the Japanese occupation of Hong Kong tears Pei's adopted family apart, she is forced to make it on her own while struggling to keep herself and her extended family alive. Another book by this author is *Women of the Silk*.

***Digging to America*** (F Tyler) - A chance encounter between two families--the Donaldsons, and the Iranian-born Yasdans--at the Baltimore airport prompts an examination about what it means to be an American. **Staff Book Club selection.**



***Terrorist*** (F Updike) - Eighteen-year-old Ahmad Ashmawy Mulloy, son of a pale, freckled Irish-American mother and dark-skinned Egyptian father, feels alienated from his New Jersey classmates by his dun-colored skin and his Muslim faith, making him an easy target for the unscrupulous iman of the local mosque who steers Ahmad in the direction of a terrorist cell planning an attack on the Holland Tunnel.

***You're Not You*** (F Wildgen) - Bec, a Wisconsin college student who is beginning to question her future, applies for a summer job as caretaker for Kate Norris, a mid-thirties woman paralyzed by ALS, and her friendship with Kate soon comes to transcend everything else in her life.



### Non Fiction

***The 100 Simple Secrets of Happy People*** (158.21 NIV) - Briefly explains one hundred ways to improve one's daily satisfaction with life, presenting simplified information learned in scientific studies on happiness.

***Sex, Drugs and Cocoa Puffs*** (306 KLO) - Chuck Klosterman explores the people, shows, products, and events that shaped American popular culture over the last thirty years.

***Culture Warrior*** (306.09 ORE) - Bill O'Reilly argues that America is in the midst of a fierce cultural war between those who embrace traditional values and those who want America to become a self-progressive country and explores how this conflict is redefining American culture in the twenty-first century.

***My Friend Leonard*** (362.29 Frey) - Hilarious and heartbreaking story of James Frey's friendship with the mobster who adopted him as his "son" at the end of *A Million Little Pieces*. It is the story about the responsibility that comes with loving someone and going out on any number of limbs to care for him.

***An Inconvenient Truth*** (363.73 GOR) - Former Vice President Al Gore examines the climate crisis that is threatening the future of the planet, describes what the world's governments are doing to correct the problem, and explains why the problem should be taken more seriously.

***Thunderstruck*** (364.15 LAR) - Tells the parallel stories of the skepticism and incredulity that accompanied Guglielmo Marconi's invention of wireless communication in the late nineteenth century, and the investigation of the murder of an inconvenient wife by her

love-starved husband, Dr. H.H. Crippen, who would likely have pulled off the perfect crime had it not been for the ability to send wireless transatlantic transmissions. Erik Larson also wrote *Devil in the White City*.

***Manhunt: The Twelve Day Chase for Lincoln's Killer*** (364.152 SWA) - Offers an hour-by-hour account of the search for John Wilkes Booth in the days following his assassination of President Abraham Lincoln.

***The Miracle of St. Anthony: A Season with Coach Bob Hurley*** (796.323 WOJ) - Chronicles the 2003-2004 basketball season at St. Anthony High School in Jersey City, profiling the team's coach and players and describing how the team rose to the top of their league.

***The Lion in Autumn: A Season with Joe Paterno and Penn State Football*** (796.33 FIT) - Traces the career of college football coach Joe Paterno, discussing how he has created a winning team at Penn State that excels on the field and in the classroom, his efforts to raise money for the school, the principles that shape his coaching style, and other related topics.

***I Feel Bad About my Neck*** (814 EPH) - A collection of essays in which Nora Ephron shares her thoughts on middle-age and being a woman.

***High Tide in Tucson*** (814 KIN) - A collection of essays that focus on family, community, the natural world, and travel.

***Dave Barry is Not Making This Up*** (814.54 BAR) - Presents a collection of articles by humorist Dave Barry, originally published in the "Miami Herald."

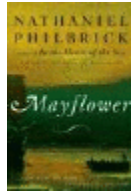
***The Goomba Diet: Living Large and Loving It*** (818.,602 SCH) - The *Goomba Diet* is the personal lifestyle guide from Steven R. Schirripa-Bobby "Bacala" Baccalieri from HBO's hit series *The Sopranos* and author of the bestseller *A Goomba's Guide to Life*. Developed over decades of dreaming about and then living the high life, it's a how-to guide for happy living-how to duke a maître d', how to order a good meal, how to be a good father, a good husband and a good friend, and how to behave at a wedding, a funeral, and on the job.

***Shadow Divers*** (940.54 KUR) - Tells the story of the discovery in 1991 of a World War II German U-boat, sunk sixty miles off the coast of New Jersey, by deep sea divers John Chatterton and Richie Kohler, and their six year obsession with identifying the submarine which sank with its crew onboard.

***In Harm's Way: The Sinking of the USS Indianapolis and the Extraordinary Story of its Survivors*** (940.54 STA) - Tells the story of the "USS Indianapolis," a battle cruiser torpedoed in the South Pacific by a Japanese submarine shortly after delivering parts of the atom bomb that would be dropped on Hiroshima; and discusses the struggles of

sailors who survived the blast to stay alive in the sea for nearly five days before help arrived.

***Mayflower: A Story of Courage, Community and War*** (973.2 PHI) - A history of the Pilgrim settlement of New England that discusses such topics as the diseases of European origin suffered by the Wampanoag tribe, the relationship between the Pilgrims and the Wampanoags, and the impact of the King Philip's War. You might also want to read his earlier book, ***In the Heart of the Sea: The Tragedy of the Whale Ship Essex***.



***Through a Howling Wilderness: Benedict Arnold's March to Quebec*** (973.3 DES) - Recounts the events surrounding a secret mission in 1775 during which eleven hundred American colonists marched nearly two hundred miles under the direction of Benedict Arnold to seize the fortress city of Quebec, the last British stronghold in Canada.

***Mr. Lincoln's T-mails: The Untold Story of How Abraham Lincoln Used the Telegraph to Win the Civil War*** ((973.7 WHE) - Examines the critical advantage the newly developed telegraph system gave the North and Abraham Lincoln during the Civil War.

***State of Denial*** (973.931 WOO) - Reveals how the Bush administration avoided telling the truth about the war in Iraq to the public, to Congress, and often to themselves, exploring how Bush's statements about the future of American troops in Iraq conflicted with what Pentagon assessments said about the War on Terror.

***The Brother Bulger: How They Terrorized and Corrupted Boston*** (B BULGER) - A portrait of Boston's infamous Bulger brothers, Whitey and Billy--one a the city's most feared mobster, the other as a power in the Massachusetts State Senate.

***Fat Stupid Ugly: One Woman's Courage to Survive*** (B CONSTANCE) - The author, labeled a "fat, unattractive baby" by her mother, describes her troubled life, her struggles to overcome abuse, addiction, cancer, and catastrophe, and her experiences as founder of A Place Called Home, a refuge for gang members and troubled youth in South-Central Los Angeles.

***The Pursuit of Happyness*** (B GARDNER) - Chris Gardner shares the story of his life, focusing on the time he spent as a homeless single father, trying to care for his young son while at the same time building a career as a stockbroker, and discusses some of the many people who helped him on the road to his enormous success.

***What I Know For Sure*** (B Smiley) - Talk show host Tavis Smiley describes his childhood and young adulthood in an all-white community in rural Indiana, discussing his poverty, his feelings that he was an outsider because of his race and religion, his placement in foster care and difficult relationship with his parents, and the ways his early years shaped his later life.

***The Glass Castle: A Memoir*** (B WALLS) - The author recalls her life growing up in a dysfunctional family with an alcohol father and distant mother and describes how she and her siblings had to fend for themselves until they finally found the resources and will to leave home.



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