

WHO DONE IT?

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19TH CENTURY SERIES (AT YLPL)

What's Next

August 27
A Bit of the 19th Century

September 24
Ausma Zehanat Khan or
Vassem Khan

October 22
New topic being planned

November 26
Awards winners of Books
published in 2017

December 17 (3rd week)
Japan as topic (maybe)

Vital Details

Meeting Time
2 PM except for special
events,

Meeting Day
4th Mon. except on holidays

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Library

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Alexander, Tasha

Wife of Andrew Grant

Tasha Alexander is the New York Times bestselling author of the Lady Emily series and the novel *Elizabeth: The Golden Age*. She attended the University of Notre Dame, where she studied English and Medieval History. Her work has been translated into more than a dozen languages. She and her husband divide their time between Chicago and the UK.



Lady Emily

1. [And Only to Deceive \(2005\)](#)
2. [A Poisoned Season \(2007\)](#)
3. [A Fatal Waltz \(2008\)](#)
4. [Tears of Pearl \(2009\)](#)
5. [Dangerous to Know \(2010\)](#)
6. [A Crimson Warning \(2011\)](#)
7. [Death in the Floating City \(2012\)](#)
8. [Behind the Shattered Glass \(2012\)](#)
9. [The Counterfeit Heiress \(2012\)](#)
10. [The Adventuress \(2015\)](#)
11. [A Terrible Beauty \(2016\)](#)
12. [Death in St. Petersburg \(2017\)](#)
13. [Uneasy Lies the Crown \(2018\)](#)
14. [The Bridal Strain \(2018\)](#)

Others

- [Star of the East \(2014\)](#)
[That Silent Night \(2015\)](#)
[Amid the Winter's Snow \(2018\)](#)

Grecian, Alex

After leaving a career in advertising, working on accounts that included Harley-Davidson and The Great American Smokeout, Alex returned to his first love: writing fiction. He created the long-running and critically acclaimed graphic novel series *Proof*, which NPR named one of the best books of 2009. The series stars John "Proof" Prufock, a special-agent-sasquatch. Alex has also designed over 80 typefaces. He currently lives in the Midwest with his wife



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and son. And a cat. And a tarantula.

Series

Scotland Yard's Murder Squad

1. [The Yard \(2012\)](#)
2. [The Black Country \(2013\)](#)
3. [The Devil's Workshop \(2014\)](#)
4. [The Harvest Man \(2015\)](#)
5. [Lost and Gone Forever \(2016\)](#)

Hambly, Barbara

Hambly was born in San Diego, California and grew up in Montclair, California. Her parents, Edward Everett Hambly Jr. and Florence Moraski Hambly, are from a coal-mining town in eastern Pennsylvania. She has an older sister, Mary Ann Sanders, and a younger brother, Edward Everett Hambly III.



Hambly has a Masters in Medieval History from the University of California at Riverside, completing her degree in 1975 and spending a year in Bordeaux as part of her studies. Her first novel to be published was *Time of the Dark* in 1982 by *Del Rey*. Hambly was married for some years to fellow science fiction writer George Alec Effinger before his death in 2002. She now lives in Los Angeles. Hambly speaks freely of suffering from seasonal affective disorder, which was undiagnosed for years

Benjamin January

1. [A Free Man of Color \(1997\)](#)
 2. [Fever Season \(1998\)](#)
 3. [Graveyard Dust \(1999\)](#)
 4. [Sold Down the River \(2000\)](#)
 5. [Die upon a Kiss \(2001\)](#)
 6. [Wet Grave \(2002\)](#)
 7. [Days of the Dead \(2003\)](#)
 8. [Dead Water \(2004\)](#)
 9. [Dead and Buried \(2010\)](#)
 10. [The Shirt on His Back \(2011\)](#)
 11. [Ran Away \(2011\)](#)
 12. [Good Man Friday \(2013\)](#)
 13. [Crimson Angel \(2014\)](#)
 14. [Drinking Gourd \(2016\)](#)
- [Haqar \(2015\)](#)
[Libre \(2015\)](#)
[There Shall Your Heart Be Also \(2015\)](#)
[A Time For Every Purpose Under Heaven \(2015\)](#)
[Death on the Moon \(2016\)](#)
[Murder in July](#)

Muller, Marcia and Bill Pronzini -

wife and husband pair writing a historical fiction series set in 1890s San Francisco.

Carpenter and Quincannon Mystery

1. [The Bughouse Affair \(2013\)](#)
2. [The Spook Lights Affair \(2013\)](#)
3. [The Body Snatchers Affair \(2015\)](#)
4. [The Plague of Thieves Affair \(2016\)](#)
5. [The Dangerous Ladies Affair \(2017\)](#)

Perry, Anne

is an English author of historical detective fiction, best known for her Thomas Pitt and William Monk series.

Series

Charlotte and Thomas Pitt

1. [The Cater Street Hangman \(1979\)](#)
2. [Callander Square \(1980\)](#)
3. [Paragon Walk \(1981\)](#)
4. [Resurrection Row \(1981\)](#)
5. [Rutland Place \(1983\)](#)
6. [Bluegate Fields \(1984\)](#)
7. [Death in the Devil's Acre \(1985\)](#)
8. [Cardington Crescent \(1987\)](#)
9. [Silence in Hanover Close \(1988\)](#)
10. [Bethlehem Road \(1990\)](#)
11. [Highgate Rise \(1991\)](#)
12. [Belgrave Square \(1992\)](#)
13. [Farriers' Lane \(1993\)](#)
14. [The Hyde Park Headsman \(1994\)](#)
15. [Traitors' Gate \(1995\)](#)
16. [Pentecost Alley \(1996\)](#)
17. [Ashworth Hall \(1997\)](#)
18. [Brunswick Gardens \(1998\)](#)
19. [Bedford Square \(1999\)](#)
20. [Half Moon Street \(1998\)](#)
21. [The Whitechapel Conspiracy \(2001\)](#)
22. [Southampton Row \(2002\)](#)
23. [Seven Dials \(2003\)](#)
24. [Long Spoon Lane \(2005\)](#)
25. [Buckingham Palace Gardens \(2008\)](#)
26. [Treason at Lisson Grove](#)
27. [Dorchester Terrace \(2011\)](#)
28. [Midnight at Marble Arch \(2012\)](#)
29. [Death on Blackheath \(2012\)](#)
30. [The Angel Court Affair \(2014\)](#)
31. [Treachery at Lancaster Gate \(2015\)](#)
32. [Murder on the Serpentine \(2016\)](#)

William Monk

1. [The Face of a Stranger \(1990\)](#)
2. [A Dangerous Mourning \(1991\)](#)
3. [Defend and Betray \(1992\)](#)



4. A Sudden, Fearful Death (1993)
5. The Sins of the Wolf (1994)
6. [Cain His Brother \(1995\)](#)
7. Weighed in the Balance (1996)
8. The Silent Cry (1997)
9. The Whited Sepulchres (1997) aka *A Breach of Promise*
10. [The Twisted Root \(1999\)](#)
11. [Slaves of Obsession \(2000\)](#)
12. [Funeral in Blue \(2001\)](#)
13. [Death of a Stranger \(2002\)](#)
14. [The Shifting Tide \(2004\)](#)
15. [Dark Assassin \(2006\)](#)
16. [Execution Dock \(2009\)](#)
17. [Acceptable Loss \(2011\)](#)
18. [A Sunless Sea \(2012\)](#)
19. [Blind Justice \(2013\)](#)
20. [Blood on the Water \(2014\)](#)
21. [Corridors of the Night \(2015\)](#)
22. [Revenge in a Cold River \(2016\)](#)
23. [An Echo of Murder \(2017\)](#)
24. [Dark Tide Rising \(2018\)](#)

Raybourn, Deanna (b.1968)

Deanna Raybourn graduated from the University of Texas at San Antonio in English and History and an emphasis on Shakespearean Studies. She taught high school English for three years in San Antonio before leaving education to pursue a career as a novelist.



Fourteen years later, she signed a three-book deal with MIRA Books. "Sex, lies and awesome clothing descriptions" is how one reader has described Deanna's debut novel, *Silent in the Grave*, published in December 2007. The first in the Silent series, the book follows Lady Julia Grey as she investigates the mysterious death of her husband with the help of enigmatic private inquiry agent Nicholas Brisbane. From the drawing rooms of the aristocracy to a Gypsy camp on Hampstead Heath, *Silent in the Grave* deftly captures the lush ambience of Victorian London.

Deanna makes her home in Virginia, where she lives with her husband and daughter.

Series

Lady Julia Grey

1. [Silent in the Grave \(2006\)](#)
2. [Silent in the Sanctuary \(2007\)](#)
3. [Silent on the Moor \(2009\)](#)
4. [Dark Road to Darjeeling \(2010\)](#)
5. [The Dark Enquiry \(2011\)](#)

- 5.5. [Silent Night \(2014\)](#)
- 5.6. [Twelfth Night \(2014\)](#)
- 5.7. [Bonfire Night \(2014\)](#)

Veronica Speedwell Mystery

1. [A Curious Beginning \(2015\)](#)
2. [A Perilous Undertaking \(2017\)](#)
3. [A Treacherous Curse \(2018\)](#)
4. [A Dangerous Collaboration \(2019\)](#)

Rowland, Laura Joh

Laura Joh Rowland is the bestselling author of the samurai detective Sano Ichiro mystery series set in 17th century Japan, as well as a historical suspense series starring Charlotte Bronte. Her work has been published in 21 countries; nominated for the Anthony Award, the Hammett Prize, and the Barnes & Noble Discover Great New Writers Award; won *RT Magazine's* Reader's Choice Award; and been included in the *Wall Street Journal's* list of the five best historical mystery novels. Laura holds a Bachelor of Science and a Master of Public Health degree from the University of Michigan. She is a former aerospace scientist, a painter, and a cartoonist. She lives in New York City with her husband Marty.



Victorian Mystery

1. [The Ripper's Shadow \(2017\)](#)
2. [A Mortal Likeness \(2018\)](#)
3. [The Hangman's Secret \(2019\)](#)

Tallman, Shirley aka Erin Ross

In 1880's San Francisco, intelligent, outspoken Sarah Woolson is a young woman with a goal and the fortitude to achieve it. She has always dreamed of becoming a lawyer. The trouble is, everyone believes women belong in the home--that it is not only unnatural, but against God's will for them to seek a career. When Sarah finagles an interview with one of the city's most prestigious law firms, no one thinks she has a prayer of being hired. Except Sarah. So begins Shirley Tallman's delightful historical mystery series which includes the novels *Murder on Nob Hill*, *The Russian Hill Murders*, *The Cliff House Strangler*, and more.



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Sarah Woolson Mysteries

1. [Murder on Nob Hill \(2004\)](#)
2. [The Russian Hill Murders \(2005\)](#)
3. [The Cliff House Strangler \(2007\)](#)
4. [Scandal on Rincon Hill \(2010\)](#)
5. [Death on Telegraph Hill \(2012\)](#)

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Thompson, Victoria

Edgar Nominated author Victoria Thompson writes the Gaslight Mystery Series, set in turn-of-the-century New York City and featuring midwife Sarah Brandt. Her latest is MURDER ON ST. NICHOLAS AVENUE. She also contributed to the award winning writing textbook MANY GENRES/ONE CRAFT. A popular speaker, Victoria teaches in the Seton Hill University master's program in writing popular fiction. She lives in Central PA with her husband and a very spoiled little dog.

Gaslight Mysteries

1. [Murder on Astor Place \(1999\)](#)
 2. [Murder on St. Mark's Place \(2000\)](#)
 3. [Murder on Gramercy Park \(2001\)](#)
 4. [Murder on Washington Square \(2002\)](#)
 5. [Murder on Mulberry Bend \(2003\)](#)
 6. [Murder on Marble Row \(2004\)](#)
 7. [Murder on Lenox Hill \(2005\)](#)
 8. [Murder in Little Italy \(2006\)](#)
 9. [Murder In Chinatown \(2007\)](#)
 10. [Murder on Bank Street \(2008\)](#)
 11. [Murder on Waverly Place \(2009\)](#)
 12. [Murder on Lexington Avenue \(2010\)](#)
 13. [Murder on Sisters' Row \(2011\)](#)
 14. [Murder on Fifth Avenue \(2012\)](#)
 15. [Murder in Chelsea \(2013\)](#)
 16. [Murder in Murray Hill \(2014\)](#)
 17. [Murder on Amsterdam Avenue \(2015\)](#)
 18. [Murder on St. Nicholas Avenue \(2015\)](#)
 19. [Murder in Morningside Heights \(2016\)](#)
 20. [Murder in the Bowery \(2017\)](#)
 21. [Murder on Union Square \(2018\)](#)
- Counterfeit Lady**
1. [City of Lies \(2017\)](#)
 2. [City of Secrets \(2018\)](#)

White, Jenny

Jenny White is a writer and a social anthropologist. Her first novel, *The Sultan's Seal*, was published in 2006. It was translated into fourteen languages and is available as a paperback and audiobook. Booklist has named it one of the top ten first novels of 2006 and one of the top ten historical novels of 2006.

It was shortlisted for the 2006 Ellis Peters Historical Crime Award. The sequel, *The Abyssinian Proof*, was published in February 2008 (W. W. Norton) and a third Kamil Pasha novel, *The Winter Thief*, in 2010.

Jenny White was born in southern Germany and emigrated to the United States at the age of seven. She lived in New Rochelle, NY, where she learned English and attended grammar and high school. She studied at Lehman College in the Bronx, part of the City University of New York that had been set up for immigrant children. Working her way through school, she has held a variety of jobs. At various times, she has been a telephone operator, bookkeeper, librarian, file clerk, language teacher, receptionist, patient associate in a clinic, copyeditor, research assistant, teaching assistant, tour coordinator, professor, and now novelist. While at Lehman College, she studied abroad in Germany, where she first met people from Turkey, from which sprang a lifelong interest. After finishing college, she traveled to Turkey and stayed for three years, eventually earning a Master's degree in psychology from Hacettepe University in Ankara. After working for a couple of years in Montana, she moved to Texas to begin graduate work in anthropology, specializing in Turkey. She received her Ph.D. in anthropology from the University of Texas at Austin



Kamil Pasha

1. [The Sultan's Seal \(2006\)](#)

It is the year 'Rumi', year 1302 or 1886 by the Christian calendar. The setting is Istanbul where the naked body of a white woman had been found floating in the Bosphorus. Around her neck is a pendant that contains the tughra, the Sultan's seal - a signature that is only found on special possessions of the imperial household. For Kamil Pasha, the city's magistrate, there are echoes of a similar murder - of an English governess - that took place eight years before. There are also links to a woman called Jaanan, a member of Ottoman high society who has fallen into disgrace. The body of the first victim was discovered, drowned, on the estate, where she lived with her mother and uncle. Jaanan was a privileged child who grew up amongst the 'veiled ladies' of the court, but her life changed when she fell in love with a man who was involved in a plot to overturn the Sultan. Sybil is the daughter of the English Ambassador and as such, has unique access to the most prominent circles in the Court. She uses her connections to help Kamil Pasha infiltrate the secret world of the harem, and gradually falls in love with him. As they work to untangle the threads of both murders, they make powerful enemies in a dramatic tale of court intrigue and revenge.

2. [The Abyssinian Proof \(2008\)](#)

3. [The Winter Thief \(2010\)](#)

OUR READING REMARKS

Four of us read GALE FORCE by Owen Laukkanen this month and we rated it either a 4+ or 5. Bobbi, Karen, Pam and Penny agree "one not to be missed." And none of us knew anything about salvage ships. I will skip the remarks and encourage all to read it. Two new mystery readers joined us, Vel and Thone. Vel recent reading included Elizabeth George and Thone spoke of HOUSE OF SPIES.

Anne

Marston, Edward - THE EXCURSION TRAIN - 3.5
Set in Victorian England with a train detective -interesting for historical details

Burke, Jan - FLIGHT - 4.0

The story opens with an extended prologue in which Las Piernas homicide investigator Phil Lefebvre, responding to an anonymous phone call, stumbles across the corpses of wealthy industrialist Trent Randolph and his teenage daughter, Amanda. He also discovers Randolph's badly wounded young son, Seth, and saves the boy's life. Lefebvre then mounts an investigation that successfully implicates local crime lord Whitey Dane.

Bobbi

Laukkanen, Owen - GALE FORCE - 5.0

Harris, Gregory - THE ARNIFOUR AFFAIR - 2014 - 4.0
Reminiscent of Sherlock Holmes and Watson, except this duo is gay. When a carriage bearing the Arnifour family crest - a vulture devouring a slaughtered lamb - arrives at the Kensington home of Colin Pendragon, it is an ominous beginning to a perplexing new case. Lady Arnifour's husband has been beaten to death and her niece, Elsbeth, left in a coma.

Dolan, Harry - BAD THINGS HAPPEN --2009 - 5.0++
"From the astringent first sentence - 'The shovel has to meet certain requirements' - *Bad Things Happen* by Harry Dolan builds like a Midwestern thunderhead into an atmosphere of darkness, dread, and impending doom. It is a hypnotically readable novel, with richly wrought characters, a corkscrew plot, and dialog worthy of Elmore Leonard. What a breathtaking debut." - Douglas Preston

McCafferty, Keith - THE GRAY GHOST MURDERS - 2013 - 4.5

Montana painter, fisherman sometimes detective Sean Stranahan is hired by a group of eccentric fishermen to find the missing gray ghost fly.

Mayor, Archer - TAGMAN - 2013 - 5.0++

Joe Gunther, Vermont VBI, must find the person breaking into wealthy homes, eating their food and leaving a note by their bed saying "tag"

Dolan, Harry -VERY BAD MEN - 2011 - 5.0++

David Loogan returns! Loogan is living in Ann Arbor with Detective Elizabeth Waishkey and her daughter, Sarah. He's settled into a quiet routine as editor of the mystery magazine Gray Streets -- until one day he finds a manuscript outside his door. It begins: "I killed Henry Kormoran."

See, Lisa - THE TEA GIRL OF HUMMINGBIRD LANE - 2017 - 5.0

A powerful story about circumstances, culture, and distance, *The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane* paints an unforgettable portrait of a little known region and its people and celebrates the bond of family.

Chitra

Johnson, Craig: SPIRIT OF STEAMBOAT [2013]: [2.50]
A Christmas novella with the ghost of Christmas past - a young woman from a flight in a plane named after a race-horse called "Steamboat Willie"

Krueger, William Kent: HEAVEN'S KEEP [2009]: Cork O'Connor faces the most harrowing mission of his life when a charter plane carrying his wife, Jo, goes missing in a snow-storm over the Wyoming Rockies. Months after the tragedy, two women show up on Cork's doorstep with evidence that the pilot of Jo's plane was not the man he claimed to be. It may not be definitive proof, but it's a ray of light in the darkness. [3.75]

Ohlsson, Kristina: HOSTAGE [2014]: Shortly after a crowded New York-bound flight takes off from Stockholm, a bomb threat is found on board. Anonymous hijackers demand that the Swedish government revoke its decision to deport a Moroccan man. If their demands are not met, the plane will explode if it attempts to land.. [4.50]

George, Elizabeth THE PUNISHMENT SHE DESERVES 2018 Inspector Lynley Mystery 3.50

Kulin, Ayse WITHOUT A COUNTRY 2016 3.75

Grisham, John CAMINO ISLAND 2017 3.75

Ishikawa, Masaji A RIVER IN DARKNESS: One Man's Escape from North Korea 2017 4.25

Benjamin, Melanie THE GIRLS IN THE PICTURE 2018 3.75

Molloy, Aimee THE PERFECT MOTHER 2018 3.50

Castillo, Linda AFTER THE STORM 2015 Amish - 3.25

Lutz, Lisa THE PASSENGER 2016 3.75

Clark, Mary Higgins AS TIME GOES BY 2016 4.00

Castillo, Linda DOWN A DARK ROAD 2017 Amish - 4.25

Greathead, Kate LAURA & EMMA 2018 3.00

Kubica, Mary DON'T YOU CRY 2016 2.75

Willig, Lauren THE ENGLISH WIFE 2017 4.00

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MORE WHAT WE READ

Castillo, Linda
Benedict, Marie

GONE MISSING 2012 3.50
CARNEGIE'S MAID 2018 4.00

Gale

HALL OF MIRRORS by Chris Fowler - 4.0
A prequel of Bryant and May series that takes place in 1969 and is a takeoff of the county house mysteries. Lots of fun
NOTHING STAYS BURIED by P.J. Tracy - 3.0
Ok but the series seems to have lost its punch. Liked the lion - also MONKEEWENCH
WHERE THE DEAD LIE and WHY KILL THE INNOCENT - both 3.0 by C.S. Harris Both take place in Regency England and are very good history
METZGER'S DOG by Thomas Perry - a reread favorite
.I'LL BE GONE IN THE DARK by Michelle McNamara and Gillian Flynn One woman's obsessive search for the Golden State killer - gripping.

Karen

Bickford, Susan - A SHORT TIME TO DIE - 2017 - 4.0 - up-state NY and California Bay Area - Kindle
Mary is chased by her step father and his cohort... and she overcomes their attempt to kill her and they end up dead. Two/three timelines are well defined. I'll watch for more.
Bond, Larry - ARTIC BOND - #6 - 2.5 - Submarines
Should have been a thriller, but was really only a boring back and forth sinking of a sub and the investigation of its loss and activities of the Russians who are building a super missile and launch site.
Brandman, Michael - MISSING PERSONS - 2018 - #1 - 4.0 - California I read this in Nov 2017 and gave it the same rating and comment. HELP
Butler, Dave - FULL CURL - #1 - 4.5 -
Carbo, Christine - A SHARP SOLITUDE - #4 _2018 -
Adler-Olsen, Jussi - THE MARCO EFFECT - #5 - 2014 - 4.0
Marco, a young teen runs from his "family" and spends the night in the grave of a man killed by his leader. Department Q is investigating the missing man
Clinton and Patterson - THE PRESIDENT IS MISSING - 2018 - 3.75 - Washington D.C.
Cyberwarfare and a President who in an attempt to stop a disaster has spoken to a major terrorist. Not too awful.. but longer than necessary. Typical inner circle villain.
Gordon, Alexia - KILLING IN C SHARP -- #3 - 3.75 - Ireland
Sissy (she hates the nickname) and the ghost Eamon confront an evil ghost (Maja curse). who kills first born sons when her music (opera) is played
Harvey, Michael - THE FIFTH FLOOR - #2 -2008 - 4.0 - CD

Michael Kelly; is approached by an ex-friend who is being beaten by her husband who is part of the city political circle. Involves some rewrite of the history of the Chicago Fire.

Harvey, Michael - THE THIRD RAIL -#3 2009 -3.5 - Chicago
Michael Kelly is involved in finding a shooter targeting people near/on the third rail (a train track),

Harvey, Michael - WE ALL FALL DONE - #4 - 1- 3.5 - Chicago
Michael Kelly is after the answers about the release of a level 4 pathogen that gets the West side quarantined-

Horowitz, Anthony - THE WORD IS MURDER --#2- 2018 - 3.0 -
Anthony follows a detective while writing his next book... A lot of "writing" information.. I don't care for the set-up and pretty much gave up by page 200.

Howe, K.J. - SKYJACK -- #2 -2018 - 5.0 Africa, Turkey, etc.
International kidnap expert Thea Paris is escorting two former child soldiers when the Boeing Business Jet is hijacked.. Behind the skyjacking is a former nemesis, a sophisticated Sicilian mobster who wants something, or someone, on that plane.
Thea, Rif, and the rest of the Quantum team race against the clock to discover his motives. Action doesn't slow down until the last 3 pages/

Kava, Alex - LOST CREED - #4 - 2018 - 4.5 - FL and NB
Ryder Creed and Grace meet up with Maggie Odell when she finds a photograph of Ryder and his sister on the wall of child trafficker

Ricciardi, David - WARNING LIGHT - - #1 --2018 - 5.0 - Iran, France, England, etc.
American Businessman is sent to investigate Iran's secret military facility. Is captured when plane is forced to make an emergency landing. Is tortured, escapes and is set up as a murderer. Action rarely pauses.

Pam Schweppe

Hart, Erin - HAUNTED GROUND - 5.0 - set in Ireland

Gaus, P.L. - BLOOD OF THE PRODIGAL -4.0 Set in Ohio Amish country. A professor investigates the murder of an estranged Amish man who was on his way to reconcile with his family

Casey, Donis - FORTY DEAD MEN - 5.0
G. Dubbs comes home after the War

Kirchner, Bharti - GODDES OF FIRE - 4.0
Historical fiction of the English Trading Company in India and what becomes the town of Calcutta

Connelly, Michael - THE LATE SHOW 5.0 - features author's new character - a female police officer

Carbo, Christine - A SHARP SOLITUDE 5.0++

A journalist has been murdered. Anne Marie Johnson was last seen with Reeve Landon, whose chocolate Labrador was part of an article she had been writing about a scientific canine research program. Now Landon is the prime suspect. FBI agent , Ali Paige ,looks into case as Landon is the father of her child

Butler, Dave - FULL CURL- 4.0

Set in Baniff national parks and features Jenny Wilson, w\park warden after poachers who are killing animals on park land

Blood, Jen - DARKEST THREAD - 4.5

Jamie Flint heads to Vermont with her search and rescue dog, Phantom, to help look for two missing sisters.

Pam Tancordo

Hawkins, Paula - THE GIRL ON THE TRAIN -2.0The characters are desperate people addicted to thrills, highs, alcohol and drugs because they are bored.

Christie, Agatha - MURDER ON THE ORIENT EXPRESS - 5.0

Laukkanen, Owen - GALE FORCE -4.0

Nance, John J. - TURBULANCE - 5.0

A flight from Chicago to Europe was delayed and mistreated personnel are pushed to the edge When forced to land in Nigeria violence erupts and passengers attempt to mutiny

Easley, Warren C. - NEVER LOOK DOWN - 3.0

New Portland lawyer has a case involving a teenage tagger.

Finn, A. J. - THE WOMAN IN THE WINDOW - 2.0

Predicable take-off of movie REAR WINDOW

Grisham, John - THE ROOSTER BAR - 3.0

A return to a courtroom drama and two paralegals sleuthing, but not fully trained.

Petrie, Nicholas - THE DRIFTER - 3.0

Vet with claustrophobic PTSD helps widow of his best friend.and discovers a suitcase of money under her house.

Penny

Dunn, Carola - TO DAVY JONES BELOW - 5.0

Daisy Dalmymple on a honeymoon cruise encounters 4 deaths to solve

Laukkanen, Owen - GALE FORCE - 5.0

Dolan, Harry - THE MAN IN A CROOKED HAT - 4.0

Private investigator Jack Pellum has spent two years searching for the man who he believes murdered his wife--a man he last saw wearing a peacoat and a fedora.

Susan

SKELETON MAN by Tony Hillerman

SPIRIT OF STEAMBOAT by Craig Johnson

WESTERN STAR by Craig Johnson

DEATH ON THE NILE by Agatha Christy

MAN OVERBOARD by JA Jance 3.75 stars

Roger McCreary's death is determined to be accidental by drowning (from a cruise ship). His aunt refuses to believe that and comes to Roger's boyhood friend, Stuart Ramey, for help. Stuart's side kick, Camy Lee, investigates the death on the cruise ship while Stuart along with Ali Reynolds and the others at High Noon Investigations work from the office and via computer. Suicides, heredity, serial killers and other related issues brought to the forefront in this episode. On yeah, Ali must also find a new butler as the one she has had returns to England for his long time friend's approaching death.

Paul Jacobsen murder mysteries by Mike Befeler

These are all light, summer beach reading books. The main character is Paul Jacobson who wakes up every morning not knowing where he is and how he got there. He has short term memory loss. He learns over time to journalize the day's activities before going to sleep, when his memory is erased. This is a good idea since he has a penchant for finding dead bodies, practically at every turn. Fortunately, his friends at the retirement home, Meyer and Henry, and later his family all help to find the murderers and clear his name.

RETIREMENT HOMES ARE MURDER

SENIOR MOMENTS ARE MURDER

CRUISING IN YOUR EIGHTIES IS MURDER

CARE HOMES ARE MURDER

Mystery Awards in July

Thrillers Awards— ITW

Best Novel—FINAL GIRLS by Riley Sager

Best First—THE BROKER by K J Howe

Best Paperback—GRIEVANCE by Christine Bell

Best E-Book Original—SECOND CHANCE by Sean Black

Hammett Prize

AUGUST SNOW by Stephen Mack Jones

Strand Magazine Awards

Best Novel-WONDER VALLEY by Ivy Pochoda

Best First—THE LOST ONES by Shgeena Kamal

BOOKS DUE IN AUGUST

Adler-Olsson, Jussi - THE WASHINGTON DECREE a terrifyingly relevant stand-alone novel about an America in chaos. *"The president has gone way too far. . . . These are practically dictatorial methods we're talking about."*

Andrews, Donna - TOUCAN KEEP A SECRET (Meg Langslowe- #23)

Bartley, D. A. - BLESSED BE THE WICKED (Abish Taylor) In a compelling debut, Detective Abish Taylor returns home to Utah and uncovers dark secrets lurking within the quiet Mormon community.

Bayard, Tania - IN THE PRESENCE OF EVIL (Christine De Pizan) - A French Medieval mystery

Black, Lisa - SUFFER THE CHILDREN (Gardiner and Renner)

Bowen, Rhys - FOUR FUNERALS AND MAYBE A WEDDING (Royal Spyness -#12)

Brandman, Michael - ONE ON ONE (Michael Steel #2) My memory lapse book of June was his #1 -

Brown, Sandra - TAILSPIN Rye Mallett, a fearless "freight dog" pilot charged with flying cargo to far-flung locations,

Cotterill, Colin - DON'T EAT ME (Dr. Siri Paiboun-#13)

Deutermann, P. T. - THE ICEMAN - An action-packed dramatic military thriller based on true events featuring a daring World War II submarine commander.

DuBois, Brendan - THE NEGOTIATOR The Negotiator has built a good business around his talent for facilitating the sale of valuable merchandise with no questions asked.

Elkins, Aaron - LONG TIME COMING stand alone -art curator on hunt for Renoir sketches

Ellis, Mary - HIDING IN PLAIN SIGHT (Kate Weller - #1) Evanovich, Janet, and Raymond Benson - THE MARK (Fox and Hare -#6 con man and FBI agent at work again)

Garrett, Kellye - HOLLYWOOD ENDING (Detective by Day -#2) author won several awards for first book

Hall, James W. - WHEN YOU CAN'T STOP (Harper McDaniel - #2)

Hannah, Sophie - THE MYSTERY OF THREE QUARTERS (Hercule Poirot #3)

Hart, Elsa - CITY OF INK (Li Du - #3)

Johns, Roger - RIVER OF SECRETS (Wallace Hartman

-#2 - Baton Rouge police series)

Jonasson, Ragnar - BLACKOUT - #3 - Ari Thor Arason and his colleagues on the tiny police force in Siglufjorour, Iceland-struggle with an increasingly perplexing case

Joy, David - THE LINE THAT HELD US novel about the cover-up of an accidental death and the dark consequences that reverberate through the lives of four people who will never be the same again.

Keller, Julia - BONE ON BONE (Bell Elkins- #7)

Kellerman, Faye—WALKING SHADOW—Decker & Lazarus

Kreuger, William Kent - DESOLATION MOUNTAIN (Cork O'Connor-#17) - Favorite series - I will buy

Larsen, Ward - ASSASSIN'S RUN (David Slaton - #5 - spies

MacNeal, Susan Elia - THE PRISONER IN THE CASTLE (Maggie Hope -#8 - author of MR. CHURCHILL'S SECRETARY

Muller, Marcia - THE BREAKERS (Sharon McCone -#34)

Murphy, Shirley Rousseau - CAT CHASE THE MOON (Joe Grey -#21)

Parker, T. Jefferson - SWIFT VENGEANCE - Roland Ford #2 - Returning hero and private investigator Roland Ford is on the trail of a mysterious killer who is beheading CIA drone operators and leaving puzzling clues at each crime scene.

Rader-Day, Lori - UNDER A DARK SKY - "Fans of Agatha Christie's And Then There Were None will be riveted by Rader-Day's latest psychological thriller, which makes you question who you really know and trust and whether you should be afraid of the dark." - Library Journal, Starred Review

Ryan, Hank Phillippi - TRUST ME - *Trust Me* is the chilling standalone novel of psychological suspense and manipulation that award-winning author and renowned investigative reporter Hank Phillippi Ryan was born to write.

Scottoline, Lisa - FEARED (Rosato and DiNunzio -#6 or #17)

Slaughter, Karin - PIECES OF HER

Steinhauer, Olen - THE MIDDLEMAN [NS] Suspense involving domestic terror group

Swain, James - THE KING TIDES - "Lancaster is a terrific new character and Swain's writing is better than ever—together they're smart, tough, suspenseful, and rewarding." - Lee Child

Woods, Stuart and Parnell Hall - THE MONEY SHOT [Teddy Fay #2]