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The Rougon-Macquart: Complete 20 Book Collection Émile Zola 2017-11-15 Les Rougon-Macquart is the collective title given to a cycle of twenty novels by French writer Émile Zola. Subtitled "Natural and social history of a family under the Second Empire", it follows the life of one family during the Second French Empire (1852–1870). In this tremendous work Zola first and foremost examines the impact of social environment on men and women, by varying the social, economic, political and professional milieu in which each novel takes place. It provides us with a close look at everyday life, gives us a deep insight into important social changes and it shows us the true people's history of the Second Empire. Table of Contents: The Fortune of the Rougons (La Fortune des Rougon) The Kill (La Curée) The Belly of Paris (Le Ventre de Paris) The Conquest of Plassans (La Conquête de Plassans) The Sin of Father Mouret (La Faute de l'Abbé Mouret) His Excellency Eugène Rougon (Son Excellence Eugène Rougon) The Drinking Den (L'Assommoir) One Page of Love (Une Page d'amour) Nana Piping Hot (Pot-Bouille) The Ladies' Paradise (Au Bonheur des Dames) The Joy of Life (La Joie de vivre) Germinal The Masterpiece (L'Œuvre) The Earth (La Terre) The Dream (Le Rêve) The Beast in Man (La Bête humaine) Money (L'Argent) The Downfall (La Débâcle) Doctor Pascal (Le Docteur Pascal) Émile Zola (1840-1902), French novelist, critic, and political activist who was the most prominent French novelist of the late 19th century. He was noted for his theories of naturalism, which underlie his monumental 20-novel series Les Rougon-Macquart, and for his intervention in the Dreyfus Affair through his famous open letter, "J'accuse."

Consuming Passions Michael Lee West 2000-04-05 Consuming Passions is Michael Lee West's delightfully quirky memoir of an adventurous life centered around food and family—the story of how she went from non-cook to gourmet of words and victuals by watching a multitude of relatives squabble, prepare sumptuous repasts, and carry on honored traditions. Laced with delicious secret recipes passed from generation to generation, West's irresistible chronicle recalls good times and wild times—mothers swinging from chandeliers, elderly aunts brewing up love potions, a South American nymphomaniac stirring up trouble at a Louisiana barbeque joint, and the spooky hauntings of a cabbage-eating ghost—all in the pursuit of good dining. Thoroughly entertaining, alive with West's distinctive humor and sharp, irrepressible insight, here are incomparable American kitchen tales as warm and tasty as freshly baked bread.

The Collected Novels Volume Two Mary McCarthy 2018-09-18 Sharply observed literary fiction from the #1 New York Times—bestselling author of The

Group and a “delightfully polished writer” (The Atlantic Monthly). New York Times–bestselling author Mary McCarthy wrote with “an icily honest eye and a glacial wit that make her portraits stingingly memorable” (The New York Times). From a trenchant portrait of marriage to an academic satire to an unconventional thriller, the three novels in this collection show the range of an author possessed of “an uncanny flair for fastening on detail that has an electric impact on the reader” (The Atlantic Monthly). *A Charmed Life*: In this New York Times bestseller, former actress and budding playwright Martha Sinnott longs to recapture the “charmed life” she abandoned when she divorced her first husband. So she returns to her beloved New England artists’ colony with her second spouse. But her arrogant ex, Miles, lives dangerously close by with his new wife. And in a pervasive atmosphere of falsehoods and self-delusions, the biggest lie of all is Martha’s belief that her reunion with Miles won’t somehow wreak terrible havoc on all she holds dear. “A glittering tragedy.” —The New York Times *The Groves of Academe*: College instructor Henry Mulcahy embarks on a fanatical quest to save his job—and enact righteous revenge—in this “brilliantly stinging” satire of university politics during the early Cold War years (The New York Times). “Brilliant . . . Bitterly tongue-in-cheek.” —The New Yorker *Cannibals and Missionaries*: En route to Iran, a plane is hijacked by Middle Eastern terrorists intent on holding hostage the politicians, religious leaders, and activists on a mission to investigate charges of human rights violations by the Shah. Soon the kidnappers discover a greater treasure onboard: prominent art collectors with access to some of the world’s most valuable paintings—which could fund global terrorism. As both captors and captives confront bitter truths about their conflicting values and ideologies, the clock races toward an explosive endgame. “Tense, intelligent entertainment.” —Chicago Tribune

Inheritance of Stone. Book 1 Gloria T. August 2017-03-16 First of two part history and travel book on Ludlow Massacre and the life of the Italian immigrants in Southeastern Colorado in the early 20th c. Story is filled with joy and terrible tragedy related to the life of the miners in Ludlow, Colorado. The author compares American immigration with that of South Africa. Biography of two friends of the author whose aunt lost all of her children in the Ludlow Massacre. The importance of immigrants in the history of the United States is the central theme of the the two books. How an immigrant becomes an American, the angst and redemption of immigration, is the story told in these two volumes. Having survived the Ludlow massacre, miners had to go back into the mines where over a 127 miners died three years later having survived the massacre. Many unanswered questions still linger over the Ludlow Massacre. The author tours the battlefield and the world of the miners of which all remnants of their lives have now disappeared.

Big Chickens Leslie Helakoski 2008-02-01 Brimming with silliness and the kind of slapstick humor small children love, this hilarious read-aloud tells the story of what happens when four chickens run away from a wolf whos sneaking into their coop. Full color.

Gone with a Handsomer Man Michael Lee West 2011-04-12 "Gone with a Handsomer Man is fun, funny, and fabulous!"---Janet Evanovich Take one out-of-work pastry chef . . . Teeny Templeton believes that her life is finally on track. She's getting married, she's baking her own wedding cake, and she's leaving her troubled past behind. And then? She finds her fiancé playing naked badminton with a couple of gorgeous, skanky chicks. Add a whole lot of trouble . . . Needless to say, the wedding is off. Adding insult to injury, her fiancé slaps a restraining order on her. When he's found dead a few days later, all fingers point to Teeny. And stir like crazy! Her only hope is through an old boyfriend-turned-lawyer, the guy who broke her heart a decade ago. But dredging up the past brings more than skeletons out of the closet, and Teeny doesn't know who she can trust. With evidence mounting and the heat turning up, Teeny must also figure out where to live, how to support herself, how to clear her name, and how to protect her heart.

Twenty-first-century American Novelists Lisa Abney 2004 Authors at the dawn of the twenty-first century focus, predictably on topics that influence their society. Recurring with notable frequency in the writing of contemporary American authors are issues such as the environment, gender roles, terrorism and ecoterrorism, domestic abuse, religion and spirituality, technology, sexual and racial identities, the economy, the family and its construction, drug use and its social ramifications, and a resurgence in regionalism.

Crazy Ladies Michael Lee West 2000-03-01 From the author of *Mad Girls in Love* comes this lively multigenerational tale of six charming, unforgettable Southern women -- a novel of love and laughter, pain and redemption. Though she was born in Tennessee, Miss Gussie is no country fool. A woman who can handle any situation, she has her hands full with two headstrong daughters who happen to be complete opposites -- dour Dorothy and sweet Clancy

Jane. Hoping money will heal childhood wounds, Dorothy marries the owner of a five-and-dime, while Clancy Jane gets into a mess of trouble, running off with a randy tomcat who pumps gas at the Esso stand. And then there are Gussie's granddaughters, the smart but plain Violet and fancy-talking Bitsy -- a new generation whose lives will reflect a nation's tumultuous times. From Tennessee to New Orleans, from psychedelic San Francisco to a remote Southwestern desert ranch, this funny, poignant novel spans more than four decades as it vividly recounts the universal loves, sorrows, and joys of women's lives.

THE COMPLETE ROUGON-MACQUART SERIES (All 20 Books in One Edition) Émile Zola 2017-10-06 Les Rougon-Macquart is the collective title given to a cycle of twenty novels by French writer Émile Zola. Subtitled "Natural and social history of a family under the Second Empire", it follows the life of one family during the Second French Empire (1852–1870). In this tremendous work Zola first and foremost examines the impact of social environment on men and women, by varying the social, economic, political and professional milieu in which each novel takes place. It provides us with a close look at everyday life, gives us a deep insight into important social changes and it shows us the true people's history of the Second Empire. Table of Contents: The Fortune of the Rougons (La Fortune des Rougon) The Kill (La Curée) The Belly of Paris (Le Ventre de Paris) The Conquest of Plassans (La Conquête de Plassans) The Sin of Father Mouret (La Faute de l'Abbé Mouret) His Excellency Eugène Rougon (Son Excellence Eugène Rougon) The Drinking Den (L'Assommoir) One Page of Love (Une Page d'amour) Nana Piping Hot (Pot-Bouille) The Ladies' Paradise (Au Bonheur des Dames) The Joy of Life (La Joie de vivre) Germinal The Masterpiece (L'Œuvre) The Earth (La Terre) The Dream (Le Rêve) The Beast in Man (La Bête humaine) Money (L'Argent) The Downfall (La Débâcle) Doctor Pascal (Le Docteur Pascal) Émile Zola (1840-1902), French novelist, critic, and political activist who was the most prominent French novelist of the late 19th century. He was noted for his theories of naturalism, which underlie his monumental 20-novel series Les Rougon-Macquart, and for his intervention in the Dreyfus Affair through his famous open letter, "J'accuse."

Cassette Books Library of Congress. National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped 1997

Talking Book Topics 1997 Includes audio versions, and annual title-author index.

A Teeny Bit of Trouble Michael Lee West 2012-04-10 In this hilarious follow-up to GONE WITH A HANDSOMER MAN, Charleston pastry chef Teeny Templeton witnesses a murder and discovers that her lawyer-boyfriend, Coop O'Malley, has been keeping secrets. It's not every day that I bake a dozen Red Velvet cakes, learn my boyfriend may have a love child, and I witness a murder. After Charleston pastry chef, Teeny Templeton, witnesses a murder, she discovers that her lawyer-boyfriend, Coop O'Malley, has been keeping secrets: the victim's ten-year-old daughter may be his child. As more lies explode, Teeny finds herself trapped in Bonaventure, Georgia, a zany "little Savannah," where she must deal with her commitment phobia, gather DNA from a ten-year old child genius, outwit a stalker, decode an encrypted diary, and fend off advances of an ex-beau, a handsome plastic surgeon who's crazy-in-love with her. Teeny's life gets maddeningly complicated by a series of not-so-teeny troubles: an uneasy love triangle, a gossip-mongering tarantula breeder, an wise-cracking Southern Belle with early Alzheimer's, Coop's loveable Chihuahua-toting granny, and clues that point to the illegal trafficking of human organs. But when a suspect is arrested, the bodies keep piling up and Teeny doesn't know who to trust. As the murderers close in, Teeny unearths a revelation that becomes a game-changer and flips her world upside-down.

The New York Times Book Review 1994-07

Animal Crackers Fly the Coop Kevin O'Malley 2010-04-13 Kevin O'Malley is going for joke with a tongue-and-chicken barn yarn that's sure to appeal to fans of his New York Times bestseller, Gimme Cracked Corn and I Will Share. Turning the Grimm's fairy tale The Brementown Musicians on its funny bone, O'Malley has revised the classic story of four animals who part ways with their respective farmers to explore their artistic sides, this time sending them in search of belly laughs . . . and a great location for a comedy club. When they foil a band of robbers using their joke-telling talents, the animals? including one determined comedi-hen?finally prove they can kill the crowd with laughter.

Contemporary Authors Julie Mellors 2005-09 A biographical and bibliographical guide to current writers in all fields including poetry, fiction and nonfiction, journalism, drama, television and movies. Information is provided by the authors themselves or drawn from published interviews, feature stories, book

reviews and other materials provided by the authors/publishers.

The Collected Novels Carolyn Wells 2022-05-17 DigiCat Publishing presents to you this meticulously edited collection of the greatest works by Carolyn Wells. Carolyn Wells (1862-1942) was an American writer and poet. At the beginning of the career she concentrated on poetry, humor and children's books, but later devoted herself to the mystery genre. Among the most famous of her mystery novels were the Fleming Stone Detective Stories, and Pennington Wise series. She is also known for her Patty Fairfield series of novels for young girls. x000D_ Table of Contents: x000D_ Fleming Stone Mysteries_x000D_ The Clue_x000D_ The Gold Bag_x000D_ A Chain of Evidence_x000D_ The Maxwell Mystery_x000D_ Anybody But Anne_x000D_ The White Alley_x000D_ The Curved Blades_x000D_ The Mark of Cain_x000D_ Vicky Van_x000D_ The Diamond Pin_x000D_ Raspberry Jam_x000D_ The Mystery of the Sycamore_x000D_ The Mystery Girl_x000D_ Spooky Hollow_x000D_ Prillilgirl_x000D_ The Bronze Hand_x000D_ Where's Emily_x000D_ Pennington Wise Mysteries_x000D_ The Room with the Tassels_x000D_ The Man Who Fell Through the Earth_x000D_ In the Onyx Lobby_x000D_ The Come-Back_x000D_ The Luminous Face_x000D_ The Vanishing of Betty Varian_x000D_ Other Mysteries_x000D_ The Deep-Lake Mystery_x000D_ Face Cards_x000D_ The Adventure of the Mona Lisa_x000D_ The Adventure of the Clothes-Line_x000D_ Patty Fairfield Series_x000D_ Patty Fairfield_x000D_ Patty at Home_x000D_ Patty's Summer Days_x000D_ Patty in Paris_x000D_ Patty's Friends_x000D_ Patty's Success_x000D_ Patty's Motor Car_x000D_ Patty's Butterfly Days_x000D_ Patty's Social Season_x000D_ Patty's Suitors_x000D_ Patty's Fortune_x000D_ Patty Blossom_x000D_ Patty-Bride_x000D_ Patty and Azalea_x000D_ Marjorie Maynard Series_x000D_ Marjorie's Vacation_x000D_ Marjorie's Busy Days_x000D_ Marjorie's New Friend_x000D_ Marjorie's Maytime_x000D_ Marjorie at Seacote_x000D_ Two Little Women Trilogy_x000D_ Two Little Women_x000D_ Two Little Women and Treasure House_x000D_ Two Little Women on a Holiday_x000D_ Other Novels_x000D_ The Dorrance Domain_x000D_ Betty's Happy Year_x000D_ Dick and Dolly_x000D_ The Staying Guest_x000D_ Ptomaine Street: A Tale of Warble Petticoat_x000D_ The Emily Emmins Papers_x000D_ The Lover's Baedeker and Guide to Arcady

American Pie Michael Lee West 1997-08-22 The lives of the three McBroom sisters of Tallulah, Tennessee, were tangled before the eldest, Eleanor, discovered their mother hanging from the Venetian blinds—and the years have done little to comb out the knots. Now a drunken encounter with the midnight train has left brash, much-married Jo-Nell near death, compelling agoraphobic Eleanor to summon marine biologist Freddie home from California—where she fled after being expelled from med school following a daring gall bladder heist. At last the McBroom sisters are together again, to face old fears and new catastrophes as they cheerfully deflect every flaming arrow that outrageous fortune fires their way. With wit and loving compassion, Michael Lee West introduces us to an indomitable family of eccentric survivors in an unforgettable novel of cruel fate, bad luck, and unassailable resiliency. Songs of the New South Suzanne Disheroon Green 2001 Provides a critical introduction to Louisiana literature and focuses on how Louisiana literature and culture converge with and depart from the rest of the South.

Essay and General Literature Index Minnie Earl Sears 2001 Includes "List of books indexed" (published also separately).

The Freedom Race Lucinda Roy 2021-07-13 The Freedom Race, Lucinda Roy's explosive first foray into speculative fiction, is a poignant blend of subjugation, resistance, and hope. In the aftermath of a cataclysmic civil war known as the Sequel, ideological divisions among the states have hardened. In the Homestead Territories, an alliance of plantation-inspired holdings, Black labor is imported from the Cradle, and Biracial "Muleseeds" are bred. Raised in captivity on Planting 437, kitchen-seed Jellybean "Ji-ji" Lottermule knows there is only one way to escape. She must enter the annual Freedom Race as a runner. Ji-ji and her friends must exhume a survival story rooted in the collective memory of a kidnapped people and conjure the voices of the dead to light their way home. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

Flying the Coop Lucinda Roy 2022-07-05 Lucinda Roy continues the Dreambird Chronicles, her explosive first foray into speculative fiction, with Flying the Coop, the thought-provoking sequel to The Freedom Race Dreams are promises your imagination makes to itself. In the disunited states, no person of color—especially not a girl whose body reimagines flight—is safe. A quest for Freedom has brought former Muleseed Jellybean "Ji-ji" Silapu to D.C., aka Dream City, the site of monuments and memorials—where, long ago, the most famous Dreamer of all time marched for the same cause. As Ji-ji struggles

to come to terms with her shocking metamorphosis and her friends, Tiro and Afarra, battle formidable ghosts of their own, the former U.S. capital decides whose dreams it wants to invest in and whose dreams it will defer. The journeys the three friends take to liberate themselves and others will not simply defy the status quo, they will challenge the nature of reality itself. Book Two of the Dreambird Chronicles The Dreambird Chronicles The Freedom Race Flying the Coop At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

A Teeny Taste of Scandal Michael Lee West 2015-01-01 In this deliciously hilarious follow-up to A Teeny Bit of Trouble, Michael Lee West proves why she's quickly becoming a must-read, favorite author "I'd just put a praline cheesecake into the oven when my long-lost mama showed up on my doorstep with a bottle of merlot, a sack of whole wheat flour, and a dead hooker named Sugar." The night before Teeny's wedding, her mother, Ruby, shows up in Charleston, South Carolina with a body in the trunk of her car--a hooker named Sugar. Teeny hasn't seen her mother in decades, and she refuses when her mother asks her to help her dispose of the body. Ruby, not taking no for an answer, decides to kidnap Teeny and force her to bury Sugar . . . only Sugar isn't quite dead. And it's no wonder Ruby wants her gone: she knows a lot of dirt. Ruby was mixed up in the death of a South Carolina Senator and is accused of stealing an antique diamond necklace. Now the Senator's son wants vengeance--and the family jewels. Sugar's the only one who knows the truth.

Temptation on His Terms Robyn Grady 2013-07 "This edition published by arrangement with Harlequin Books S.A."--T.p. verso.

She Flew the Coop Michael Lee West 1994 Vangie Nepper and her husband search for love outside the home and gossip about their neighbors in a sharp, humorous portrayal of life in a friendly but straitlaced Louisiana town in the fifties.

The Pulpwood Queen's Tiara-Wearing, Book-Sharing Guide to Life Kathy Patrick 2008-01-02 When licensed cosmetologist turned publisher's rep Kathy Patrick lost her job due to industry cutbacks, she wasn't deterred. One year later, she opened Beauty and the Book, the world's only combination beauty salon/bookstore. Soon after, she founded The Pulpwood Queens of East Texas -- a reading group that dared to ask the question, "Does a book club have to be snobby to be serious?" The idea spread like wildfire. Now there are about 70 chapters nationwide. The overriding rule -- aside from wearing the club's official tiara, hot pink, and leopard print outfits -- is that the groups must have fun. The club's mission: To get America reading. THE PULPWOOD QUEENS' TIARA-WEARING, BOOK- SHARING GUIDE TO LIFE celebrates female friendship, sisterhood, and the transformative power of reading. It includes life principles and motivational anecdotes, hilarious and heart-warming stories of friendships among the Queens, and stories from Kathy about the books that have inspired her throughout her life, complete with personalized suggested book lists.

On Dulcimer Strings Angela Lebakken 2008-06-02 ON DULCIMER STRINGS by Angela Lebakken Some say your past will come back to haunt you. But what if that past took place more than 150 years ago? What if its a past you dont remember and cant be sure even happened? When Molly Carpenter accompanies her preacher husband to Appalachia, she encounters just such a past. Unable to reconcile her mixed emotions toward this man shed chosen to trust, she seeks solace at an abandoned cabin in the woods where bizarre events shatter her concept of time and space. Hearing eerie dulcimer music, she witnesses the abuse of a child, Sophia. When Sophias mother passes through her like breath through her body, she realizes the scene is not in her known reality. Often, with heart pounding and mind racing, she is drawn into the forest and transported to Sophias life in the 1850s. Whether locked in a dark shed, or crossing a rickety bridge, Sophias experiences trigger Mollys claustrophobia and fear of heights. Sophias struggles with a traveling preacher offer Molly insights about her relationship with her own preacher her husband. Who is this victimized little girl? Who is the old codger offering her a dulcimer? And why are they appearing to Molly? Could they be ghosts from the past? Could she, herself, be someone whod lived long ago? Dulcimer music haunts her waking and sleeping as she struggles to maintain her marriage to Jake, who has become increasingly controlling and deceitful. In desperation and drawing from an inner courage, Molly journeys into the unknown. Apparitions, unexplained music, a mysterious cat, and curses from a faraway land play havoc with Mollys life and those who have befriended her. Richard, her tenderhearted counselor, feisty Ellen the waitress and innocent Beth, experience life changes as they offer help and companionship. Support and encouragement come from the handsome bookseller, Royce, as they fall in love and struggle with romantic entanglement. Still, Molly often finds herself alone in the wilderness, wide-eyed in the dark. Compelled to heal Sophias

pain and hence her own, and guided by a Cherokee shaman, Molly's journey takes her full circle as she learns the importance of confronting one's past in the present to bring peace in the future. Product reviews: "The narrative voice is engaging from the first paragraph, and there's some really beautiful descriptive prose early on that reveals to the reader that he is in the hands of a fine writer . . . The dialogue is excellent, has the ring of real speech. The author skillfully evokes dialects . . ." --Judge, Writer's Digest International Self-Published Book Awards. I am just 75 pages into *On Dulcimer Strings* and it is simply lovely. You got me into the story and I'm re-reading sentences because of their power. And uniqueness. What a voice! I'm surprised at every turn. Gail Morellen, author, *No Broken Bones*.

A Bad Boy For Winter Sierra Rose 2016-11-22 Riley has never had a one-night stand before. But when she meets a bad boy from her past, she can't fight the undeniable chemistry. A bet is made. If she wins, he'll walk out of her life forever. If she loses, she is promised a wild, scorching night of passion. She's screwed one way or the other. Come meet the sexy men of Blue Ridge! This is an eight book series. Each bad boy has his own book.

Fatal Last Words (Bob Skinner series, Book 19) Quintin Jardine 2009-06-11 Death reads between the lines... It's no ordinary summer for DCC Bob Skinner, as murder and mystery leap from the page of *Fatal Last Words*, the nineteenth volume of Quintin Jardine's outstanding crime series. Perfect for fans of Ian Rankin and Peter May. 'Very engaging as well as ingenious, and the unravelling of the mystery is excellently done...Very enjoyable. *Fatal Last Words* will accompany many on their holidays and quite right too' - Allan Massie, *Scotsman* August in Edinburgh: As Skinner stands on the edge of a career-defining moment and his fiancée, Scotland's First Minister Aileen de Marco faces a political crisis, a famous figure from another field is found dead. As the mystery deepens, Skinner finds himself crossing swords with an old enemy from the past, while his investigating detectives are faced with the unwelcome complication of a duke's junkie daughter. Meanwhile a second Scottish celebrity dies violently in Australia. It seems impossible, but could the two be connected? As DCS Mario McGuire heads to Melbourne to investigate, back in Scotland his boss's big moment is compromised in the most dramatic and unexpected manner, as a famous friendship is shattered for ever. What readers are saying about *Fatal Last Words*: 'Gripping, from page one to the twist at the end' 'Very exciting and very hard to put down' 'Five stars'

The Hen Who Dreamed She Could Fly Sun-mi Hwang 2013-11-26 *The Korean Charlotte's Web* More than 2 million copies sold This is the story of a hen named Sprout. No longer content to lay eggs on command, only to have them carted off to the market, she glimpses her future every morning through the barn doors, where the other animals roam free, and comes up with a plan to escape into the wild—and to hatch an egg of her own. An anthem for freedom, individuality and motherhood featuring a plucky, spirited heroine who rebels against the tradition-bound world of the barnyard, *The Hen Who Dreamed She Could Fly* is a novel of universal resonance that also opens a window on Korea, where it has captivated millions of readers. And with its array of animal characters—the hen, the duck, the rooster, the dog, the weasel—it calls to mind such classics in English as *Animal Farm* and *Charlotte's Web*. Featuring specially-commissioned illustrations, this first English-language edition of Sun-mi Hwang's fable for our times beautifully captures the journey of an unforgettable character in world literature.

Contemporary Southern Writers Roger Matuz 1999 Profiles of writers from the American South, including lists of their works.

Mermaids in the Basement Michael Lee West 2008-01-08 Struggling with the loss of her mother, a case of writer's block, and her boyfriend's affair, Renata DeChavannes travels to her Gulf Coast family home, where she struggles to become the empowered woman her formidable grandmother believes her to be.

Mary McCarthy: Novels & Stories 1942-1963 (LOA #290) Mary McCarthy 2017-03-21 This first volume of the definitive edition of her fiction includes four novels and eight classic stories by the witty and provocative writer who defined a generation In 1942, Mary McCarthy provoked a scandal with her electrifying debut novel, *The Company She Keeps*, announcing the arrival of a major new voice in American literature. A candid, thinly-veiled portrait of the late-1930s New York intellectual scene, its penetrating gaze and creative fusion of life and literature—"mutual plagiarism," she called it—became the hallmark of McCarthy's fiction, which the Library of America now presents in full for the first time in deluxe collector's edition. *The Oasis* (1949), a wicked satire about a failed utopian community, and *The Groves of Academe* (1952), a pioneering campus novel depicting the insular and often absurd world of

academia, burnished her reputation as an acerbic truth-teller, but it was with *A Charmed Life* (1955), a searing story of small-town infidelity, that McCarthy fully embraced the frank and avant-garde treatment of gender and sexuality that would inspire generations of readers and writers. Also included are all eight of McCarthy's short stories, four from her collection *Cast a Cold Eye* (1950), and four collected here for the first time. LIBRARY OF AMERICA is an independent nonprofit cultural organization founded in 1979 to preserve our nation's literary heritage by publishing, and keeping permanently in print, America's best and most significant writing. The Library of America series includes more than 300 volumes to date, authoritative editions that average 1,000 pages in length, feature cloth covers, sewn bindings, and ribbon markers, and are printed on premium acid-free paper that will last for centuries.

She Flew the Coop Michael Lee West 1995-03-31 The two main occupations in Limoges, Louisiana (population: 905), seem to be spreading juicy gossip and consoling the unfortunate with casseroles. And in this early spring of 1952, there is ample opportunity for both—with sixteen-year-old and pregnant (by the Baptist minister) Olive Nepper, currently languishing in a coma after drinking pop laced with rose poison. But the plight of Olive and her family is hardly the only story spicing up the rumor mill in this small Southern community of unpredictable eccentrics, wandering husbands, and unsatisfied wives—and few local sins will be put right by home cooking. From Michael Lee West comes a beautifully rendered portrait of small-town Southern life, filled with humanity that brilliantly weaves comedy with dark calamity.

Adventures in Amethyst Series Anthology (Books 1-4) Karen Wiesner 2014 Amethyst, WI is a small, peaceful town on a pristine lake with an active tourist season in summer. When the air turns chill, the area is transformed into a ghost town with only a handful of lifers who stay. Amethyst is bursting with mystery, romance, and jealousy all-year-round. ADVENTURES IN AMETHYST SERIES is a collection of the first 4 novellas in the series, including *A Rose for Romeo* (Book 1), *Revenge in Amethyst* (Book 2), *Reckless Rose* (Book 3), *Christmas in Amethyst* (Book 4). Book 1: *A Rose for Romeo* What happens when a nationally renowned sex therapist and author begins to abhor every aspect of her successful occupation? She falls in love, of course. Dr. Melina Rose is sick of sex and has spent her life avoiding intimacy in her personal life. After abandoning everything she's worked all her life for, she returns to her hometown only to discover that everything has changed--except her crush on her sister's old boyfriend Scott "Romeo" Romero. Book 2: *Revenge in Amethyst* After abandoning her career as a renowned sex therapist, Melina Rose has returned to her hometown and fallen in love with Scott Romero. Scott and Melina are ecstatically expecting a baby and planning their wedding. But someone driven by jealousy wants to see Melina's dream-life crash down. A former patient who'd revealed his disturbing fantasies only to Melina is prepared to do anything in order to keep his secrets safe. Book 3: *Reckless Rose* Even bad girls need love... When Reece Childs rolls back into Amethyst to stay, Lona Rose realizes her reckless crush on the older brother of a former beau is still waging hot and heavy. But how to prevent the rumors and mistakes of her past from ruining the start of something wonderful? Reece has just the plan to head off the rumor mill...and make this reckless rose his own forever. Book 4: *Christmas in Amethyst* Eager to make it up to her son's many disappointments in the past year, single mom Sheila Mason takes a shift at the restaurant she works on Christmas Day in order to buy Dev a puppy. When a creepy customer follows her on the deserted road from the restaurant to her home in Amethyst, her holidays go from bad to worse.

Sleeper Mike Nicol 2018-09-01 First there is the killing of the minister of energy. Then the cop investigating the murder commits suicide. Fearing a conspiracy, the minister's lover hires pi Fish Pescado to find the killer. Then she goes missing. And Fish is being stonewalled by the cops because in the dark shadows of Cape Town there's another game being played out. A complex one involving Iranian agents, the theft of highly enriched uranium, and the kidnapping of a top scientist. Ex-spy Vicki Kahn is bribed by her former handler to track the terrorists. The hunt is deadly and nothing is what it seems. A sleeper has been awoken. Isis is involved. So is the CIA. There is chatter of a dirty bomb headed for Europe. And Vicki is so lost in those constantly changing shadows that even her surfer-boy Fish can't find her.

Mad Girls In Love Michael Lee West 2009-10-13 Michael Lee West's indomitable G.R.I.T.S. (Girls Raised in the South) are back -- enduring rough times with all the grace and outrageous flair expected of true Southern heroines. Bitsy Wentworth -- fleeing yet another relationship nightmare in a "borrowed" red Corvette, with her baby daughter and a recently acquired "demon child" -- has an APB out on her for attempted murder (she broke her ex-husband's nose with a frozen slab of ribs that she purchased at the Piggly Wiggly). Her mama, Dorothy, is writing letters to First Ladies from inside the Central State

Asylum, while Aunt Clancy Jane has completed her inevitable progression from hippie to local Crazy Cat Lady. Three generations of unforgettable Crystal Falls, Tennessee, women -- and the men they attract, enrage, and confound -- are courageously plowing through tumultuous lives of compound disaster . . . and hoping the chaos the next wrong step leads to won't be insurmountable.

Mermaids in the Basement Michael Lee West 2009-10-13 Reeling from the loss of her mother, plagued with a bad case of writer's block (and don't even talk about those extra twenty pounds), Renata DeChavannes feels as though everything is just plain wrong. And that was before the tabloids caught her sweetheart, filmmaker Ferg Lauderdale, sharing an intimate squeeze with Hollywood's hottest young tamale. But the granddaughter of the formidable Honora DeChavannes possesses more hell than belle in her backbone—and she's about to reclaim it. Heading south to Honora's home on the Gulf Coast, Renata is determined to stop feeling like a wilted gardenia and emerge as the unstoppable kudzu her beloved grandmother proudly proclaimed she would be. But for that to happen Renata's got to face some not-so-genteel ghosts from her past, discover the truth about the mother she desperately misses, and make peace with the first man who abandoned her and broke her heart: her handsome and distant father.

American Historical Fiction Lynda G. Adamson 1999 An annotated bibliography of American historical fiction

Swim the Fly Don Calame 2010-08-10 Three adolescent boys with a single goal: see a real live naked girl. The result? Razor-sharp, rapid-fire, and raunchy, of course. And beyond hilarious. Fifteen-year-old Matt Gratton and his two best friends, Coop and Sean, always set themselves a summertime goal. This year's? To see a real-live naked girl for the first time -- quite a challenge, given that none of the guys has the nerve to even ask a girl out on a date. But catching a girl in the buff starts to look easy compared to Matt's other summertime aspiration: to swim the 100-yard butterfly (the hardest stroke known to God or man) as a way to impress Kelly West, the sizzling new star of the swim team. In the spirit of Hollywood's blockbuster comedies, screenwriter-turned-YA-novelist Don Calame unleashes a true ode to the adolescent male: characters who are side-splittingly funny, sometimes crude, yet always full of heart.

Big Chickens Fly the Coop Leslie Helakoski 2008-01-24 The four big chickens who were afraid of everything in their wellreceived debut, Big Chickens, are now feeling all cooped up, so they set off to find the farmhouse. But where, the hapless hens wonder, is it? First they find a doghouse (loud barking!); then they run into a tractor (ewww, dirty!); and then they stomp into the barn (wild horses!). Who knew the farmhouse was right under their beaks the whole time? Sidesplitting silliness abounds in this second riotously funny read-aloud by Leslie Helakoski, once again illustrated with Henry Cole's boisterous art.