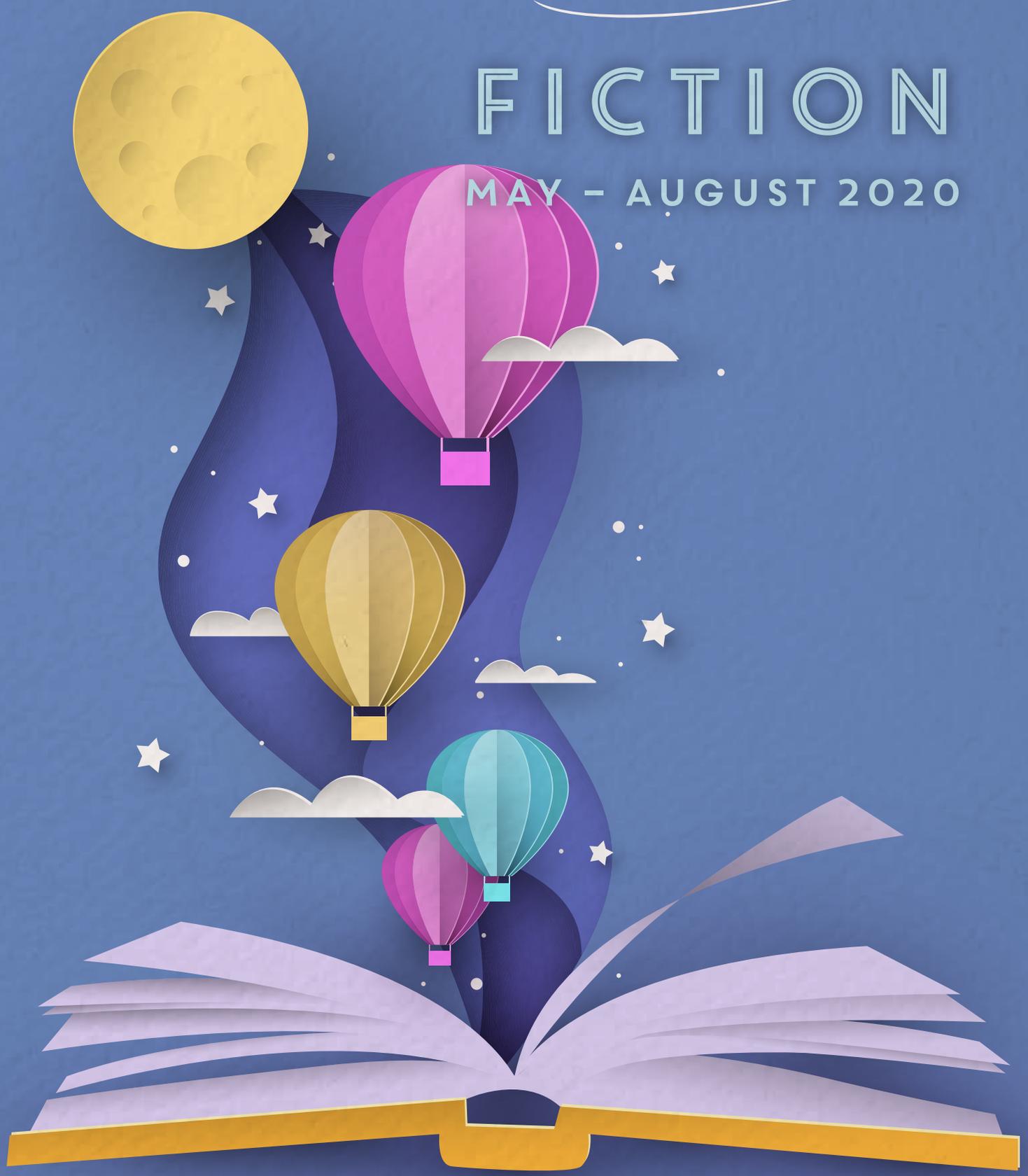


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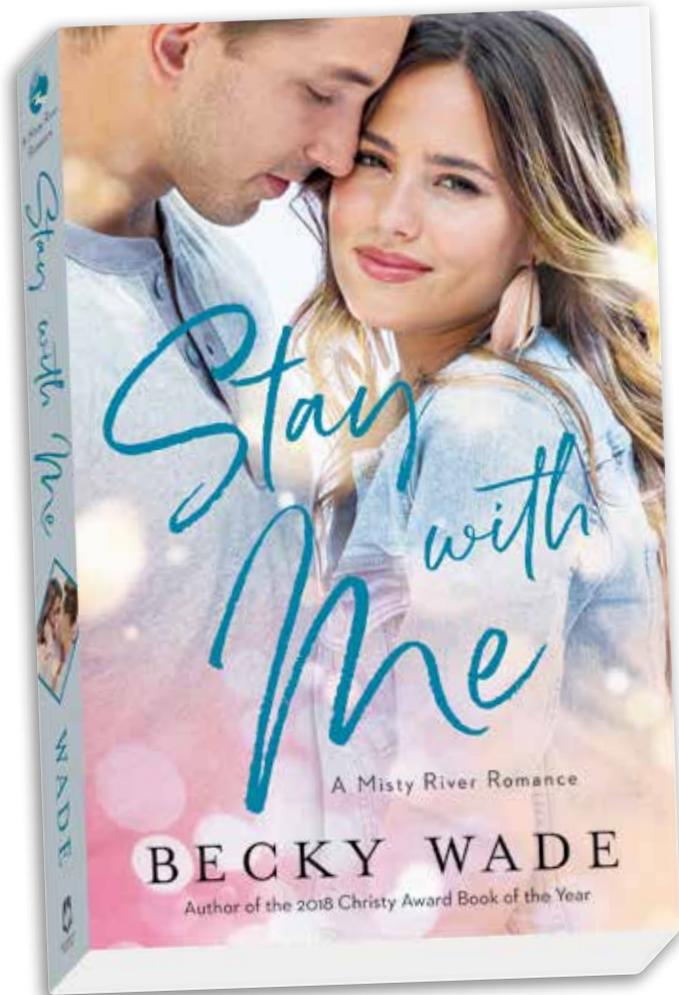
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EXCERPT

The lawyer continued, "If your daughter has a legal claim to the estate, that would also render her responsible in the eyes of the court—your daughter and the other heir."

"Other heir?" Her adoptive father shook his head.

"The sister—Grace Bennett."

Lillian gasped audibly. *Grace? Oh sweet little Gracie. No, she had died too.*

Father's voice softened. "Forgive me, but you're misinformed, Mr. Dorn. Lillian had a younger sister, but she died from tuberculosis."

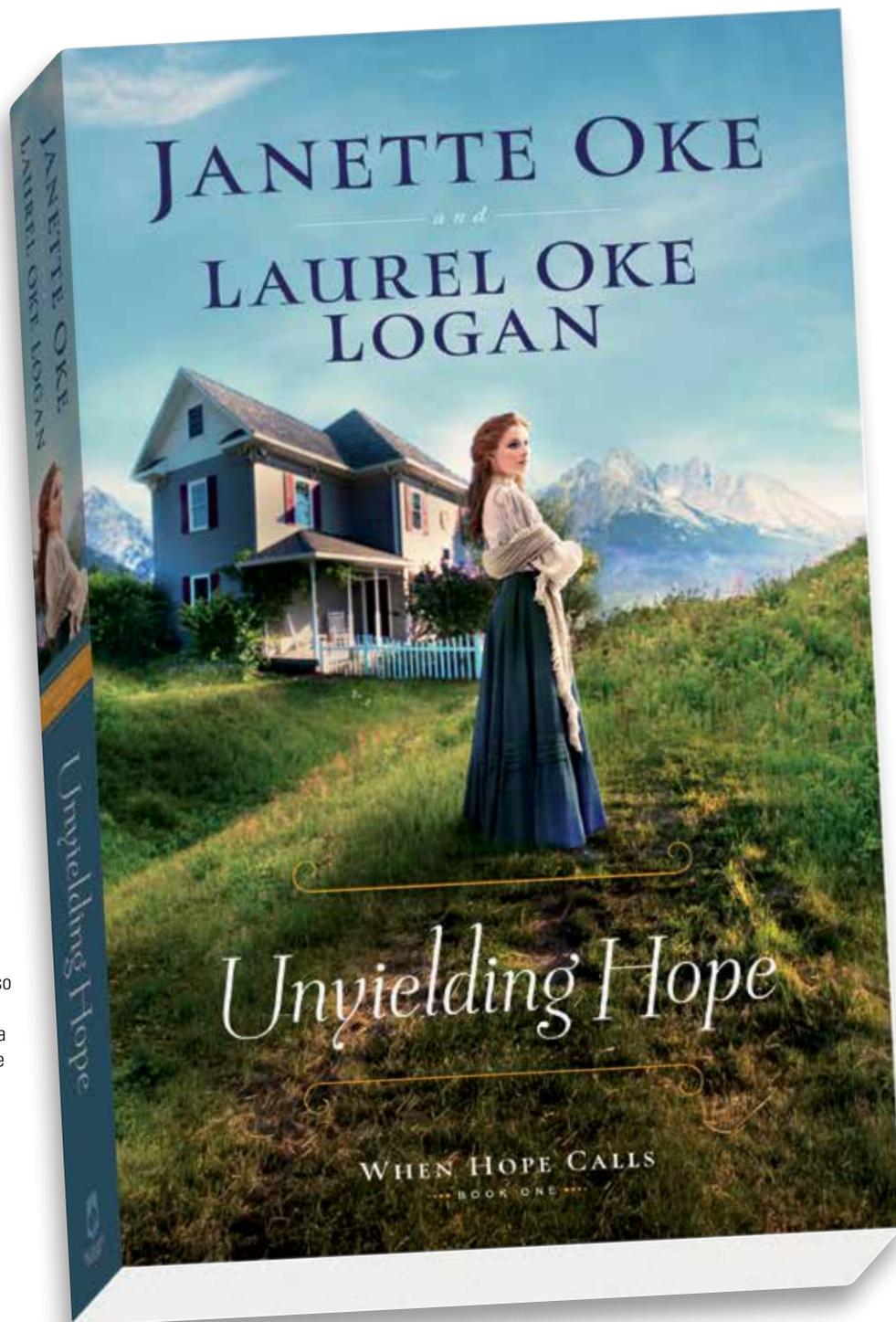
The man's head tilted in surprise. "No, I don't believe that's correct." More shuffling through papers.

Lillian held her breath. *What was he saying? No, that was settled long ago.*

Mr. Dorn held out a new paper, then pushed it across toward Lillian, explaining solemnly, "We have a record from the hospital where your parents were treated. They *suspected* Grace Bennett contracted tuberculosis, but there was never a death report. Which led me to check with various sanitariums where she might have been *treated* instead. And I found one where Miss Bennett was, in fact, registered."

Lillian's words were scarcely audible. "Gracie? My sister? She was so small at the time."

Setting his pen on the table, he paused for Lillian to recover from the shock before proceeding gently. "I'm so afraid we haven't found her though. I'm so sorry. All I can tell you is that she didn't die alongside your parents. She went to a sanitarium, but we don't know where she went afterward."



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When she discovers that her sister, Grace, is living in a city not far away, Lillian rushes to a reunion, fearful that the years of separation will make it hard to reconnect.

When the two sisters meet, Grace is not at all what Lillian expected to find. Though her circumstances have been difficult, Grace has big dreams. Can Lillian set aside her own plans to join her sister in an adventure that will surely change them both?

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Laurel Oke Logan, daughter of Edward and Janette Oke, is the author of *Janette Oke: A Heart for the Prairie*, as well as *Dana's Valley* and the RETURN TO THE CANADIAN WEST series, cowritten with her mom. Laurel and her husband have six children and live near Indianapolis, Indiana.

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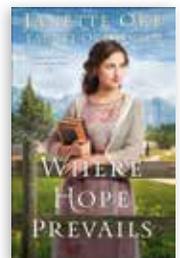
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EXCERPT

"Let's make a deal," Lucius said in a low voice. Too low for her mother to hear. "I won't say another word about you going to my sister's if you are awarded the scholarship. You can continue living here and attend school."

Nora narrowed her eyes. "But if I don't get it, you want me to go to Long Island, is that it?"

"Without complaint."

Nora looked around Lucius at her mother, who watched them with fearful eyes, then back at her stepfather. Her heart thumped against her chest. Could she put it all on the line? "Okay. On one condition. When I graduate with my master's, you turn the journal over to me."

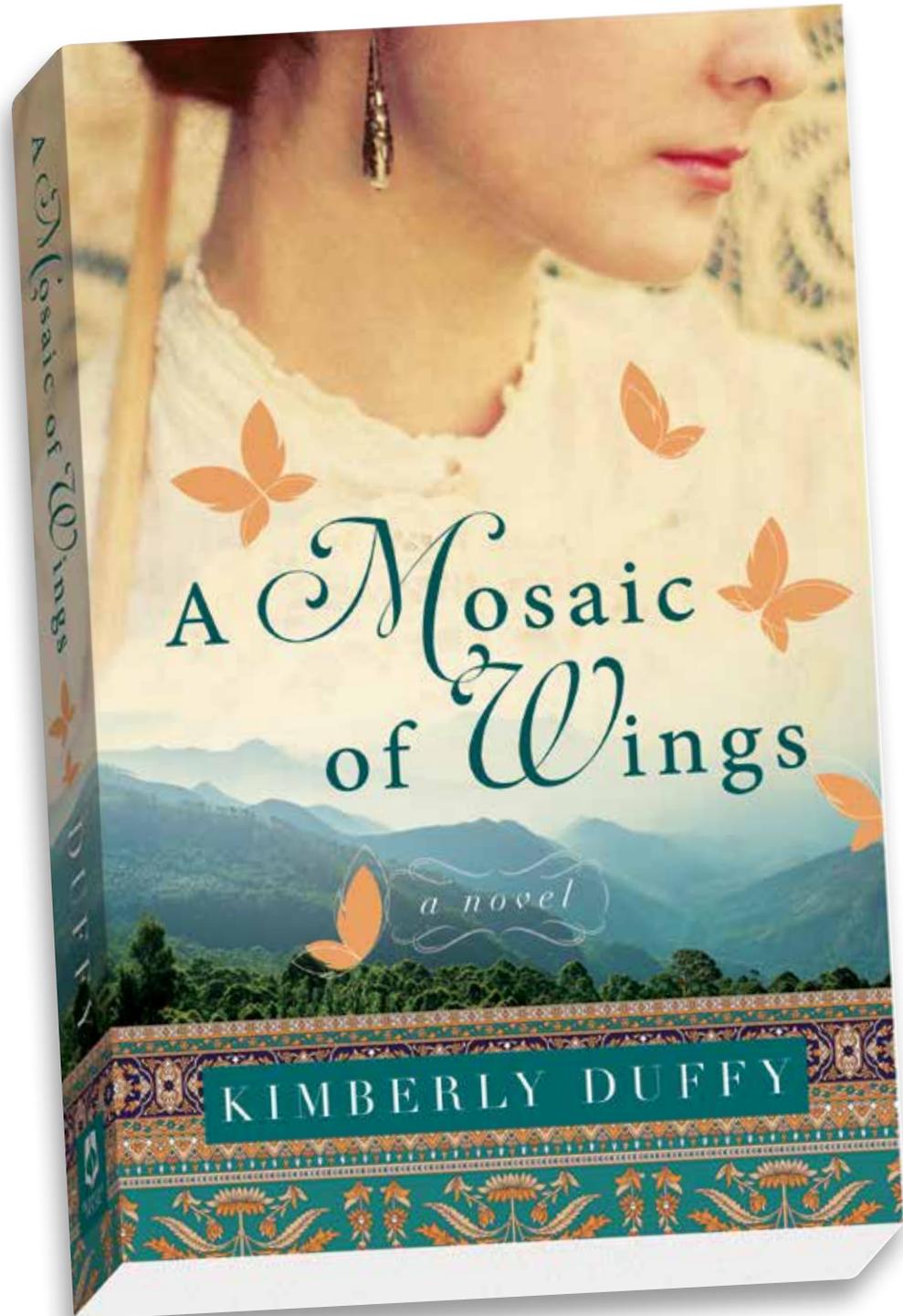
He gave a brittle laugh. "Why would I do that?"

"Because I love it, and you don't."

Lucius studied her, his dark eyes partially hidden beneath heavy lids. Nora clutched her hands into fists around her sketch pad. "I'll think about it," he said.

"I want your answer before graduation." Nora stepped away from the window. "No more talk about me going to Long Island, and the journal will be mine once I receive my master's."

"If you get the scholarship, Nora. If you graduate with a master's." The look in his eyes told her he didn't think she would. "And if I agree to your terms."



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India isn't what she expects, though, and neither is the rival classmate who accompanies her, Owen Epps. As her preconceptions of India—and of Owen—fall away, she finds both far more captivating than she expected. Forced by the expedition leader to stay at camp and illustrate exotic butterflies the men of the team find without her, Nora befriends Sita, a young Indian girl who has been dedicated to a goddess against her will.

In this spellbinding new land, Nora is soon faced with impossible choices—between saving Sita and saving her career, and between what she's always thought she wanted and the man she's come to love.

A Mosaic of Wings

Kimberly Duffy



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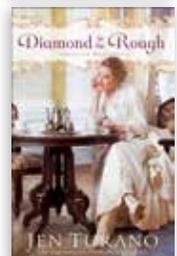
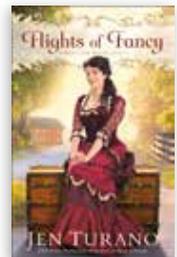
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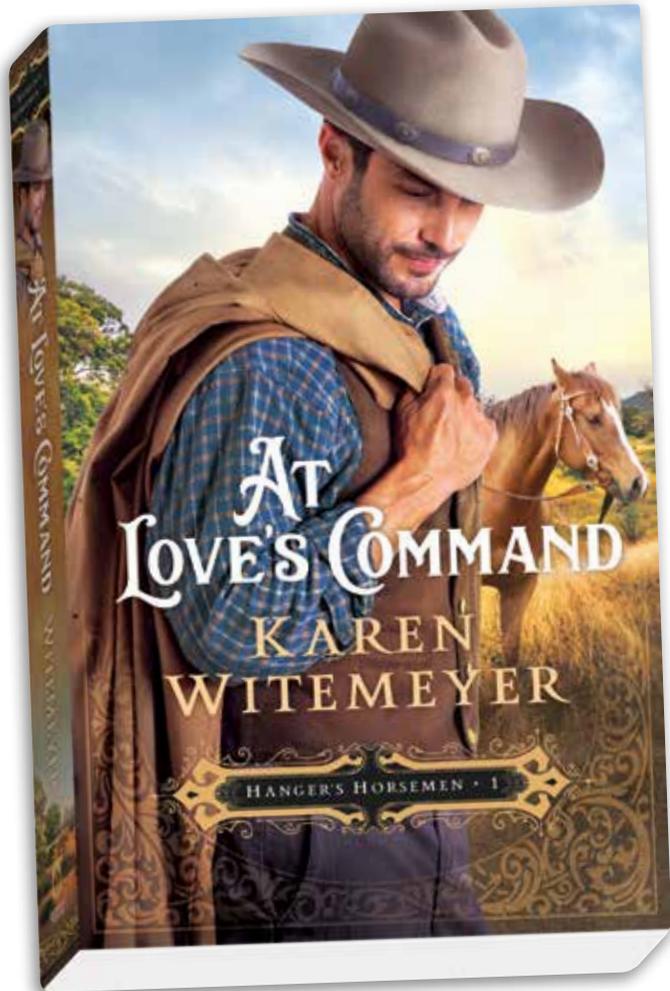
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Matt has stared down ruthless outlaws, betrayal, and injury, but when a bossy lady doctor crawls under his skin, his heart is tempted to surrender. And when she is caught in the crossfire, he may have to sacrifice everything—even his team—to save her.

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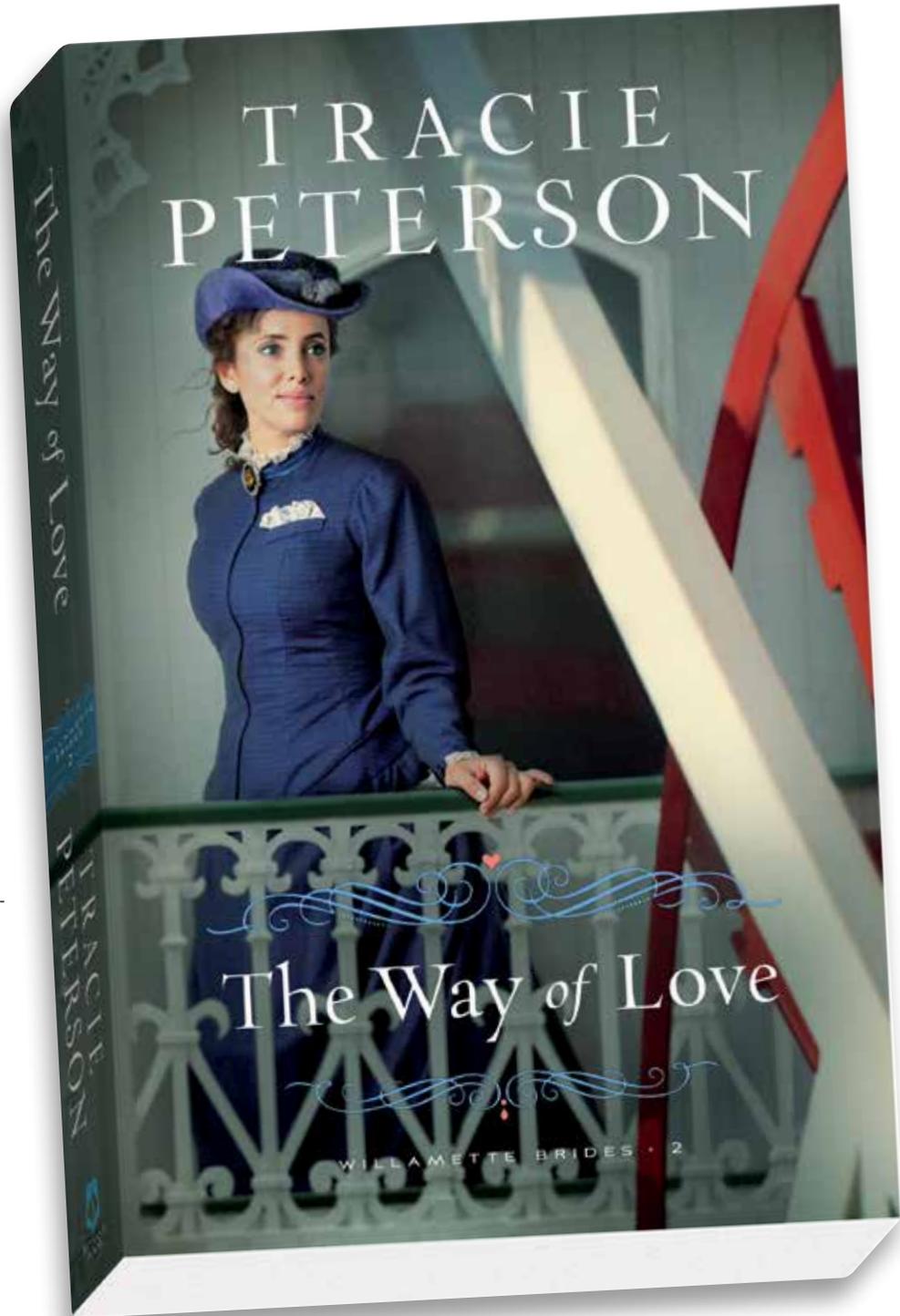
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When her fellow students put together lectures to speak out against Oregon’s racist laws and policies, Faith is eager to participate. But some powerful men have other plans for their state, and soon Faith is caught in the middle of a plot to push the local Indian tribes to rebel. As she and Andrew fight for the rights of others, their love for each other grows. Can they trust that God has a way toward love for them, or will her secret stand in the way of their one chance for true happiness?

The Way of Love

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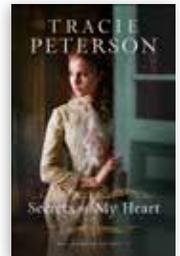
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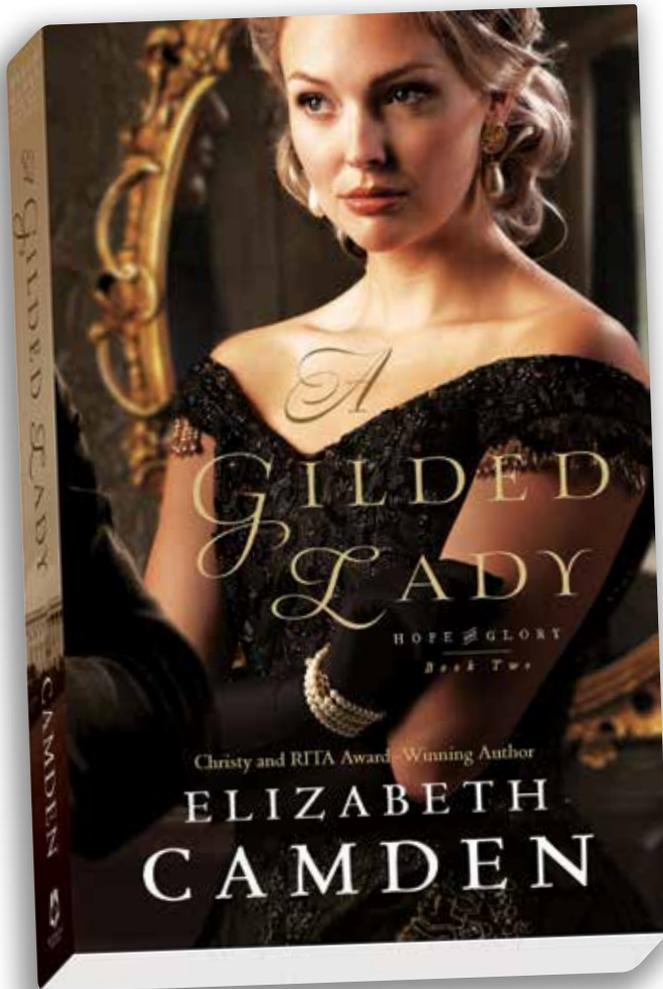
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A Gilded Lady

HOPE AND GLORY #2 OF 3

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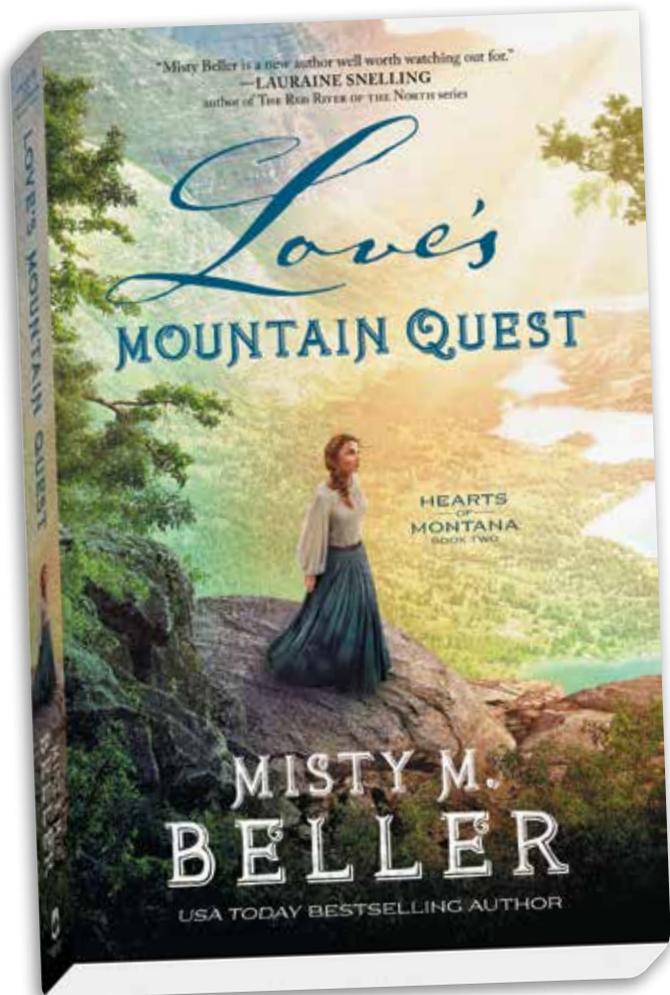


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Isaac Bowen wants nothing more than a quiet, invisible life in these mountains, far away from the bad decisions of his past. But he has a strong suspicion of who's behind the kidnapping, and if he's right, he knows all too well the evil they're chasing.

As they press on against the elements, Joanna fights to hold on to hope, while Isaac knows a reckoning is coming. They find encouragement in the tentative trust that grows between them, but whether it can withstand the danger and coming confrontation is far from certain in this wild, unpredictable land.

Love's Mountain Quest

HEARTS OF MONTANA #2 OF 3

Misty M. Beller



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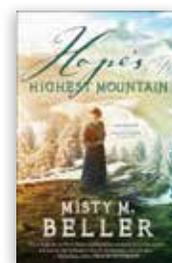
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USA Today bestselling author Misty M. Beller writes romantic mountain stories set on the 1800s frontier and woven with the truth of God's love. Her Southern roots run deep, and she lives in South Carolina with her husband and children. Learn more and see Misty's other books at www.mistymbeller.com.

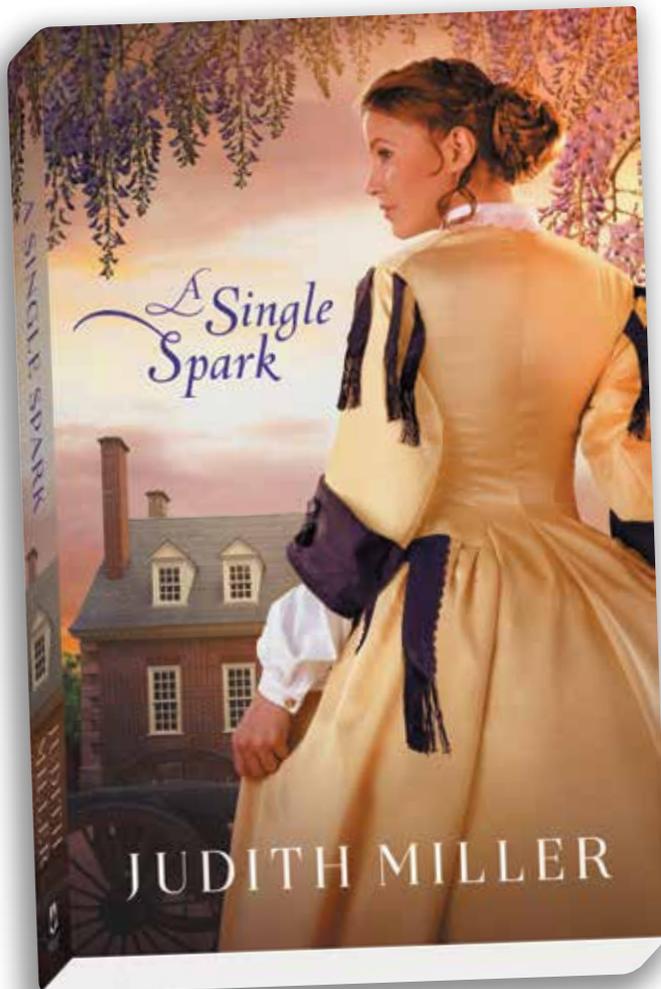


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Wanting to do her part in the war effort, Clara McBride goes to work in the cartridge room at the Washington Arsenal, the city's main site for production and storing of munitions. She's given the opportunity to train new employees and forms a friendship with two of them. All seems to be going well, especially when one of the supervisors shows interest in her.

Lieutenant Joseph Brady is an injured army officer who, no longer able to lead troops into battle, has been assigned to a supervisory position at the Washington Arsenal. While Clara has caught his eye, he also makes it his mission to fight for increased measures to prevent explosions in the factory.

But when suspicions rise after multiple shipments of Washington Arsenal cartridges fail to fire and everyone is suspect for sabotage, can the spark of love between Joseph and Clara survive?

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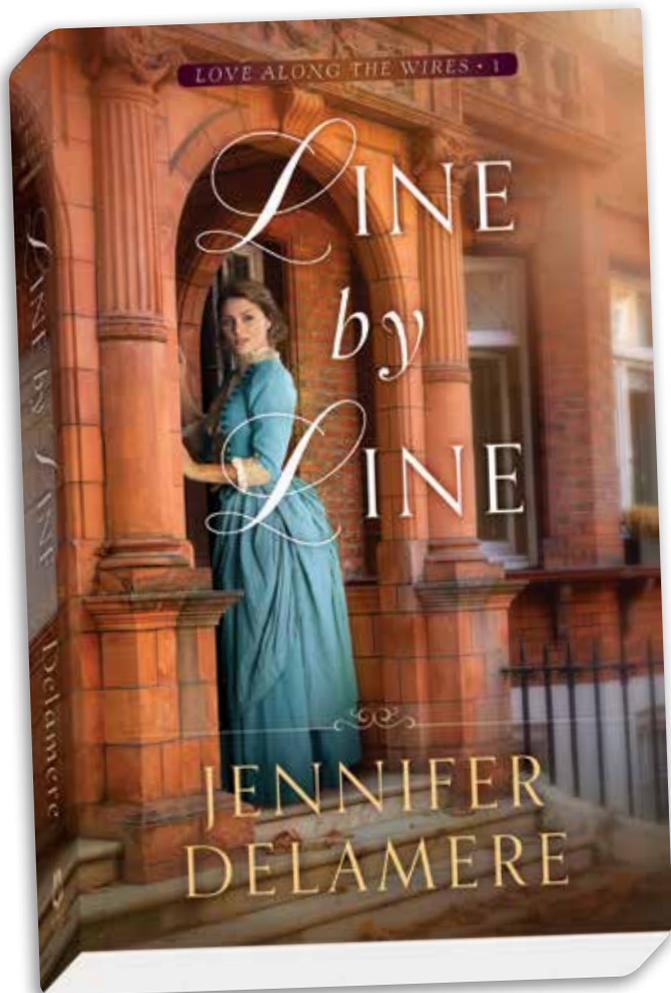
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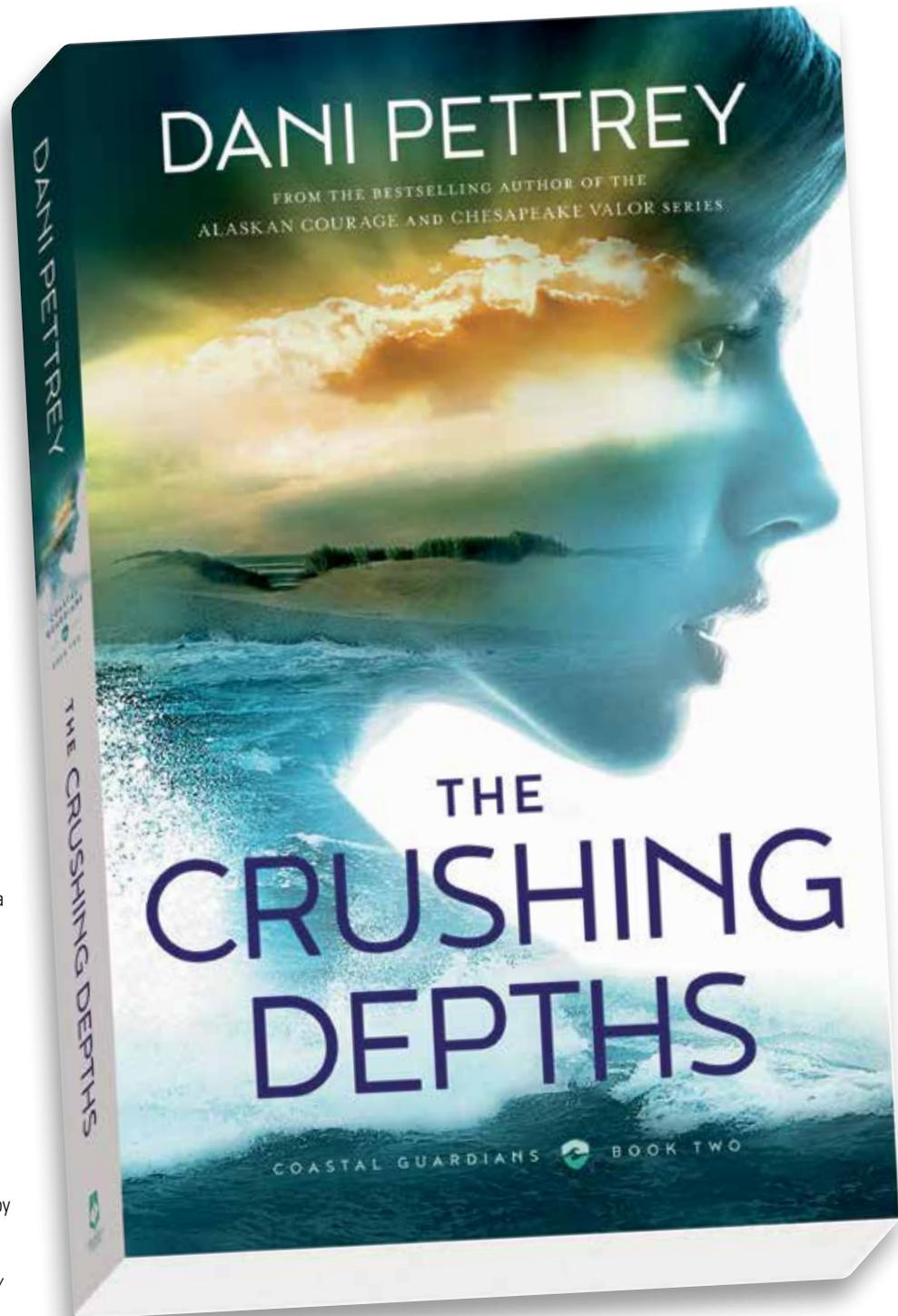
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The Crushing Depths

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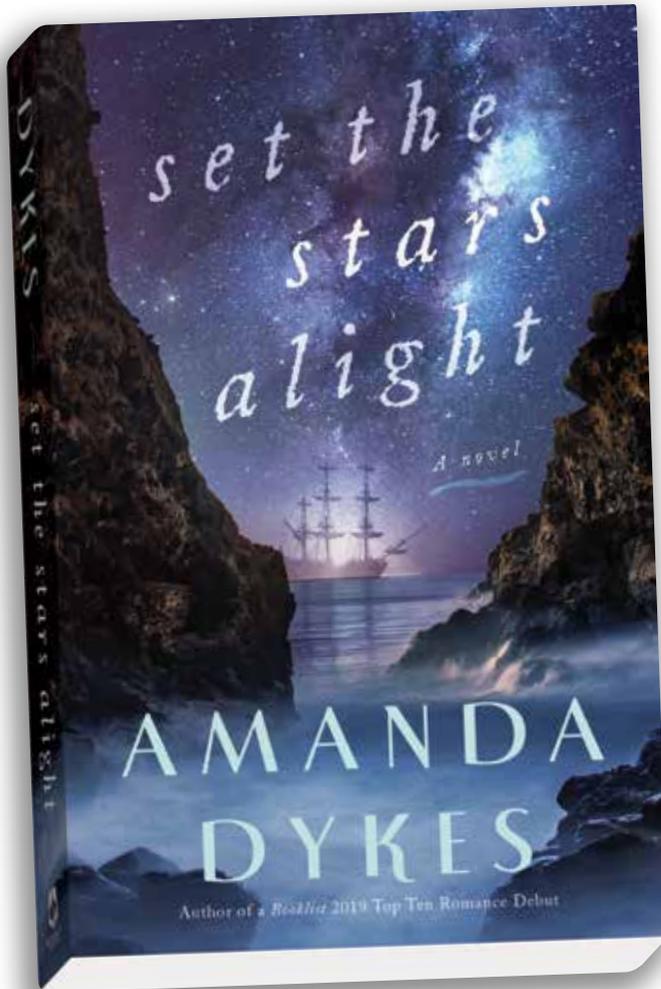
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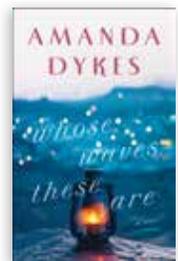
ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Amanda Dykes is a drinker of tea, dweller of redemption, and spinner of hope-filled tales who spends most days chasing wonder and words with her family. She’s a former English teacher and the author of *Whose Waves These Are* as well as of three novellas. Find her online at www.amandadykes.com.

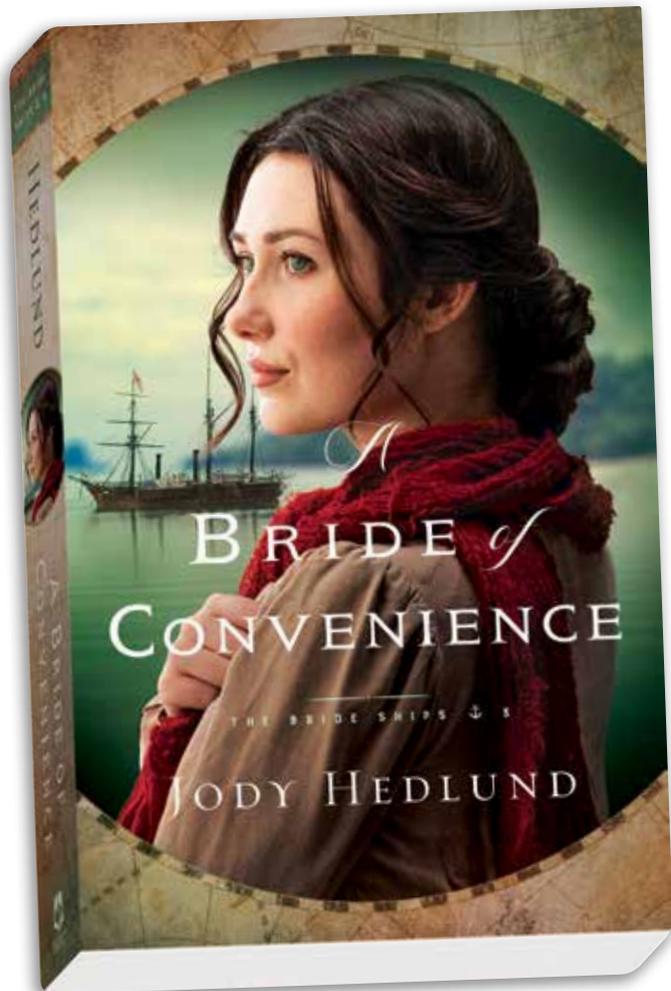


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A Bride of Convenience

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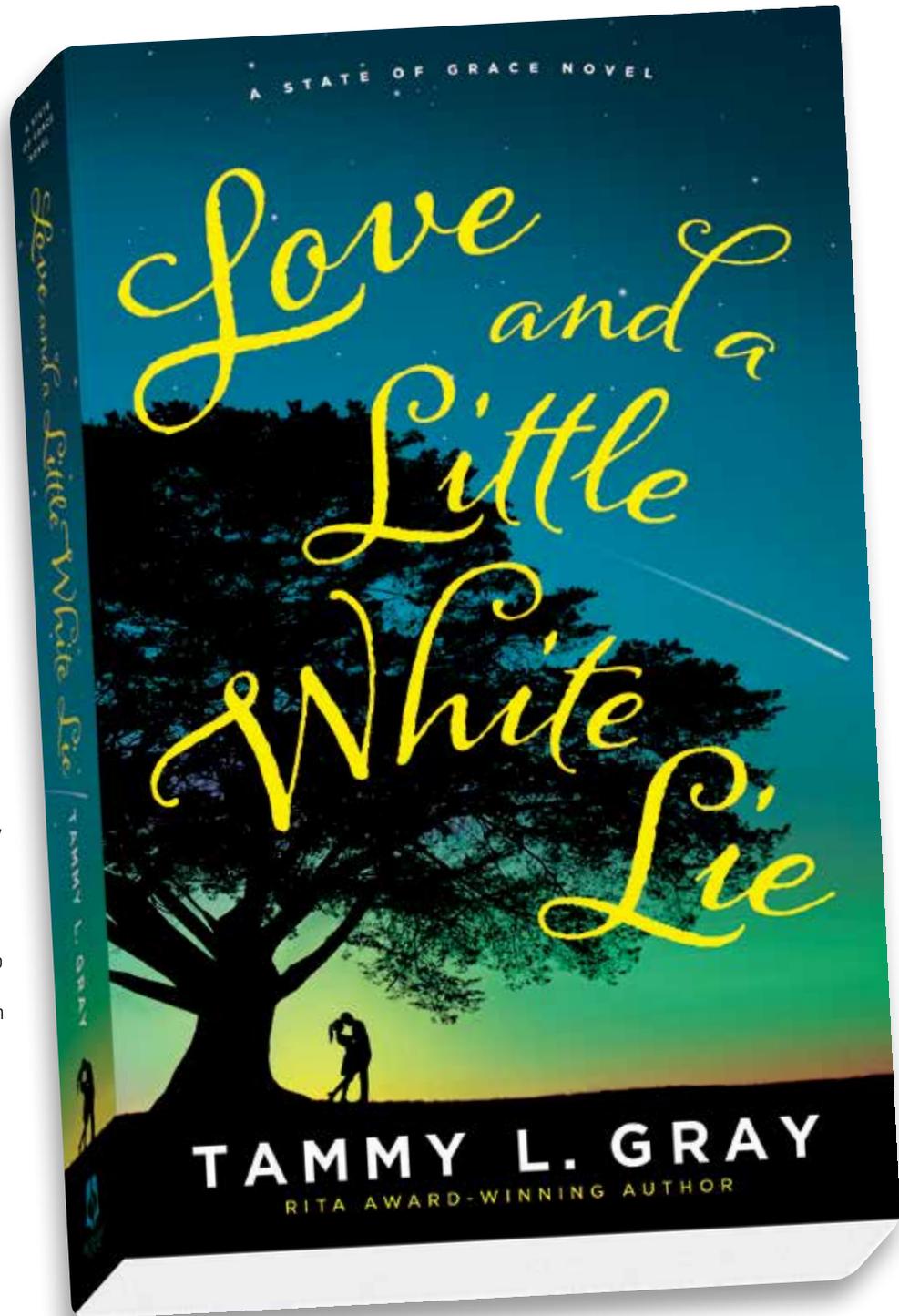
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EXCERPT

I’m flirting with a man outside of a pastor’s office, and so blatantly that a teenage boy felt the need to excuse himself. This is a new measure of low, even for me.

There’s a glimmer in Cameron’s eyes that I don’t miss this time. Probably because I know it’s very likely plastered all over my face, too. The attraction is mutual but needs to stay stuffed down and buried under the huge oak tree in my aunt’s backyard.

Getting involved with anyone while in my current state of vulnerability is a bad idea. Getting involved with a guy who spends his time singing about a God who I doubt exists, well, that’s just reckless. And my days of leaping into the unknown are over.



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What she doesn't count on is meeting the church's handsome and charming guitarist, who not only is a strong believer, but has also dedicated his life to Christian music. It's a match set for disaster, and yet January has no ability to stay away, even if it means pretending to have faith in a God she doesn't believe in.

Only this time, keeping secrets isn't as easy as she thought it would be. Especially when she's constantly running into her aunt's landscape architect, who seems to know everything about her past and present sins and makes no apologies about pushing her to deal with feelings she'd rather keep buried.

Torn between two worlds incapable of coexisting, can January find the healing that's eluded her or will her resistance to the truth ruin any chance of happiness?

Love and a Little White Lie

STATE OF GRACE
Tammy L. Gray



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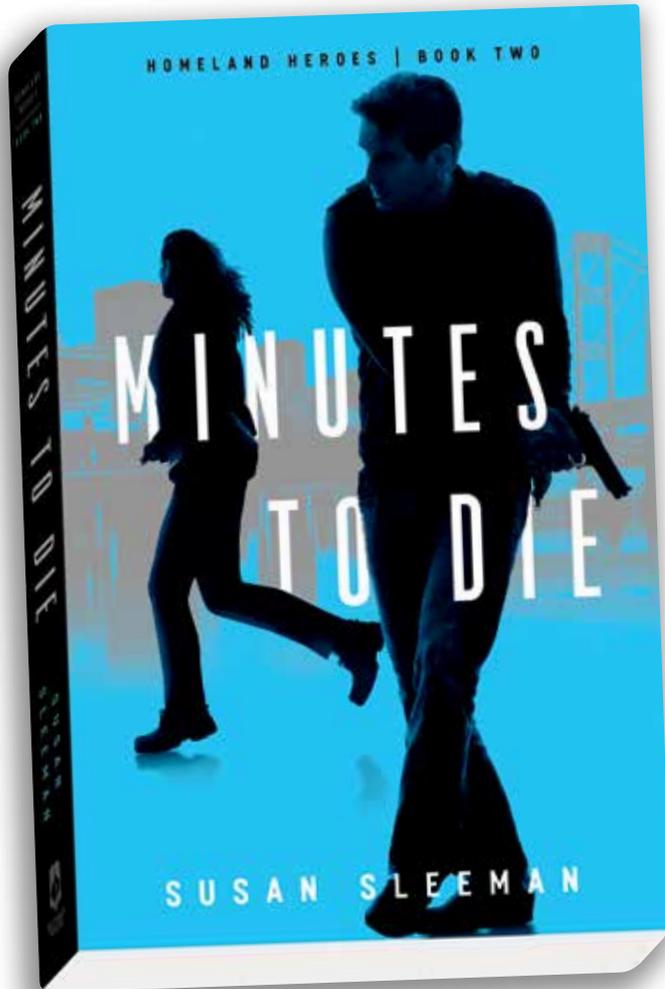
ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Tammy L. Gray lives in the Dallas area with her family, and they love all things Texas, even the erratic weather patterns. Her nine modern and true-to-life contemporary romances include the 2017 RITA Award-winning *My Hope Next Door* and show her unending quest to write high-quality, culturally relevant stories with relatable and flawed characters. When not taxiing her three kids to various school and sporting events, Tammy can be spotted crunching numbers as the financial administrator at her hometown church. Writing has given her a platform to combine her passion with her ministry all while sharing the messy yet remarkable journey that is a faith-filled life. Find her online at www.tammylgray.com.



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Minutes to Die

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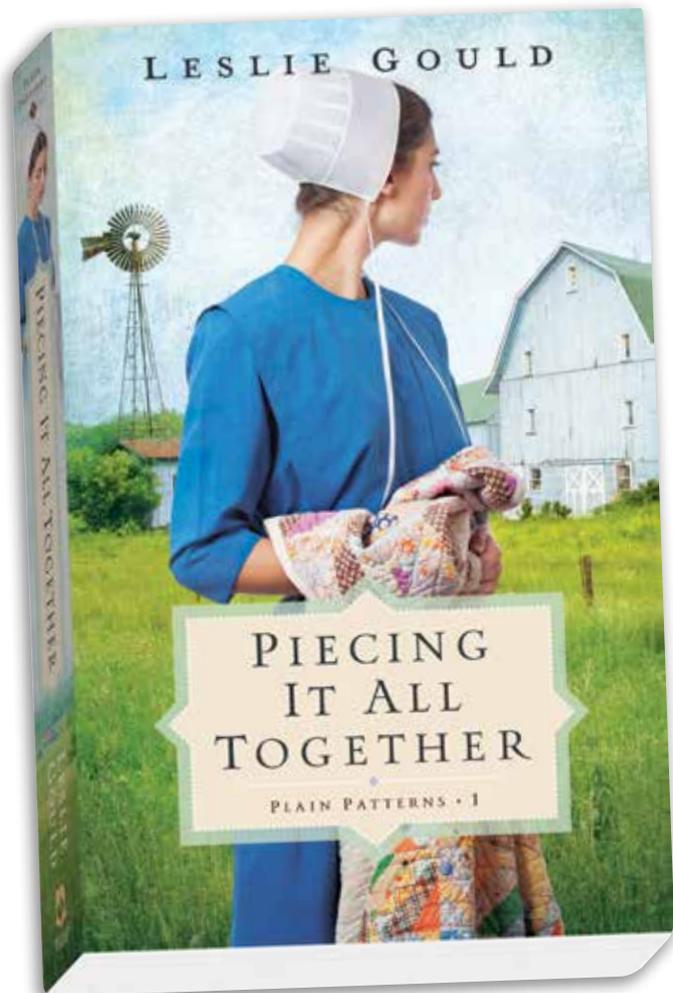


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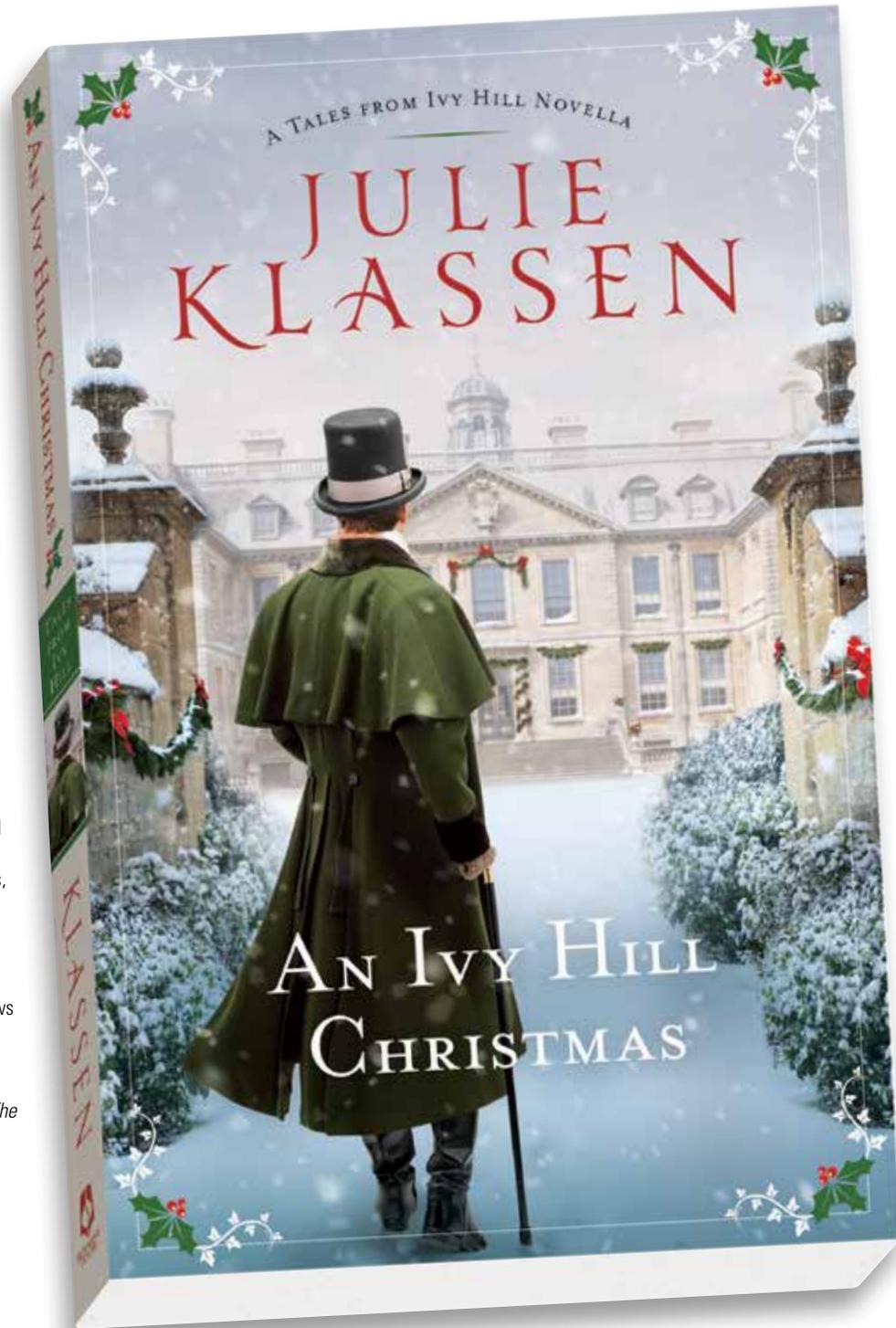
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But Christmas in the country presents unforeseen surprises, including encounters with an orphaned apprentice, the first love he disappointed years ago, and Arabella Awdry, a young lady who is far more appealing than he recalled . . . and determined to have nothing to do with him.

Will Christmastime in Ivy Hill, with its village charm, kissing boughs, joyous songs, and divine hope, work its magic in his heart . . . and hers as well?

An Ivy Hill Christmas

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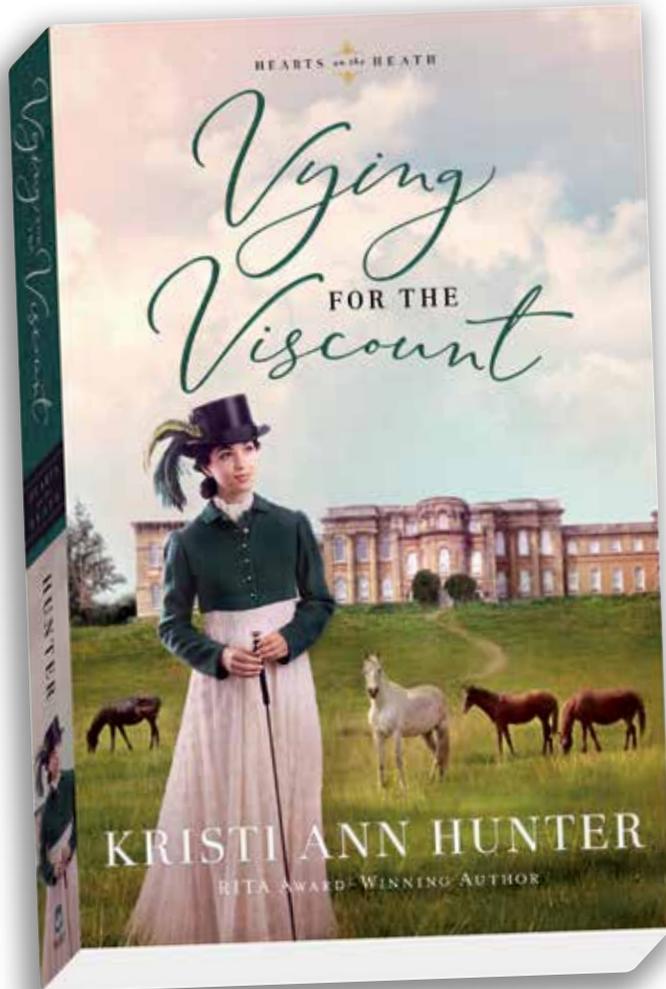
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The stable at the neighboring estate has been Miss Bianca Snowley’s refuge for years, and when a strange man appears to be stealing the horses, she jumps to their protection without a second thought. Upon learning Hudson is actually the new owner, she can’t help but be intrigued by the area’s newest eligible bachelor.

Any thought of romance is quickly set aside, however, when Hudson proposes they work together to secure suitable spouses for each other. As their friendship grows, Hudson and Bianca begin to reconsider what they truly want in life. But will societal expectations and the weight of their responsibilities keep them from pursuing their true desires?

Vying for the Viscount

HEARTS ON THE HEATH
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EXCERPT

Maddie took out a blank note pad, a periwinkle blue Flair pen, applied fresh lipstick, straightened her skirt, said a little prayer, and waited for her clients to arrive.

Outside the open casement window, she heard a commotion of excited shouts and footsteps pound down the street. Curious, she left her office and went to the street to see what was causing the fuss. She stood at the top of Main Street and shielded her eyes from the bright morning sun. Behind her came the tap-tap of Tillie's high heels and then the sound stopped abruptly as she stood right beside Maddie. "Oh my word," she said. "He said he was going to parachute in today, but I didn't think he meant literally."

There, floating down from the sky, right in front of Boon Dock, was a brightly colored parachute with a man dangling underneath. "Tillie, is that our new pastor?"

"Indeed it is."

"What's his name again?"

"Richard O'Shea."

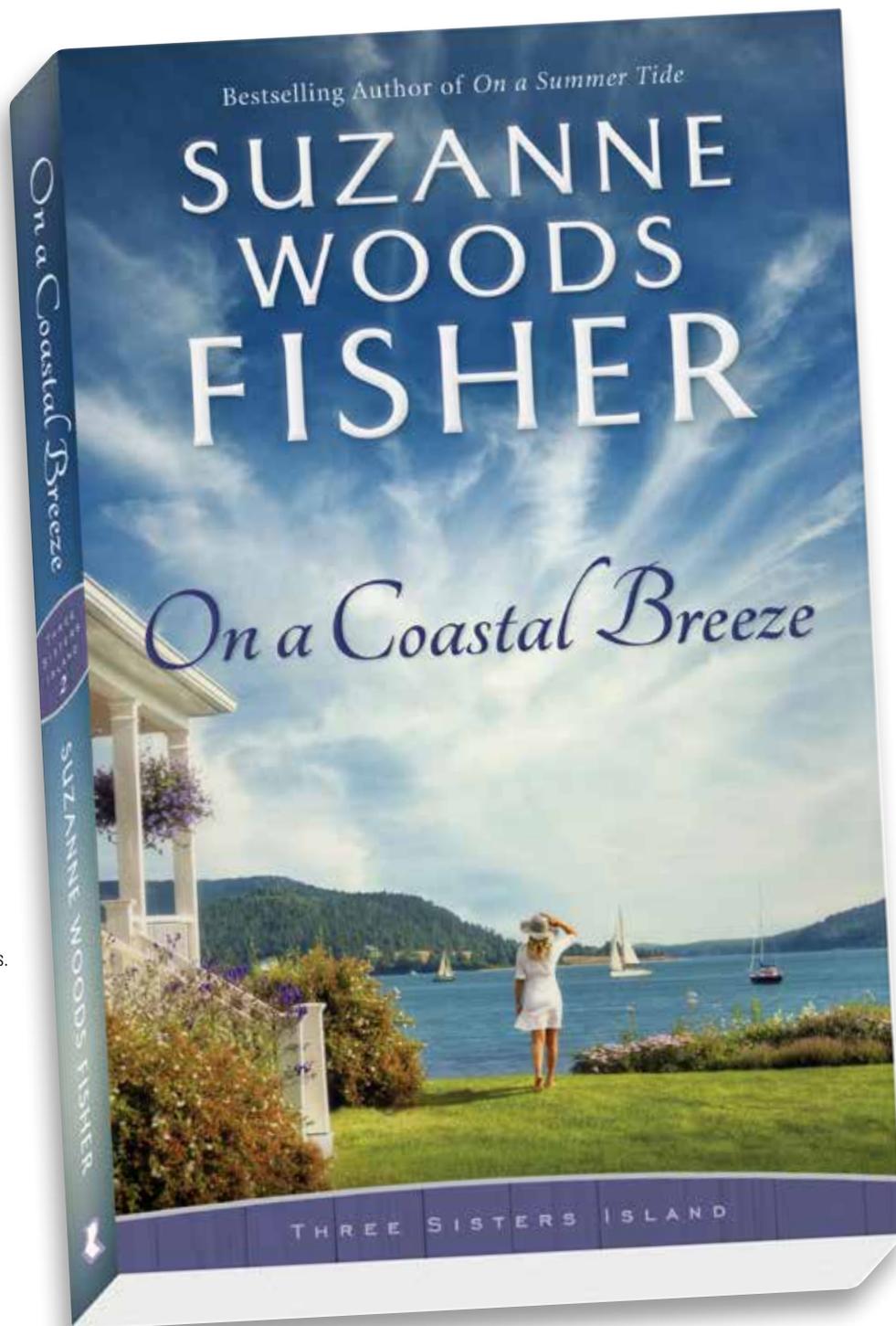
"That's right." Wait. Hold it. *Oh no.* She jerked her head down. "Not . . . no, it couldn't be . . ." Her heart started to pound. "Does he happen to go by the name of Ricky?"

"No."

Maddie blew out a puff of air. *Phew.* It couldn't be the same guy. No way. It couldn't possibly be the same Ricky with whom she grew up. A million in one odds. Not a chance.

"Rick, he calls himself."

A queasy roll started up in Maddie's stomach. *No, no, no, no, no.* How could this world be so big and yet so small?



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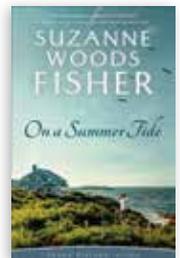


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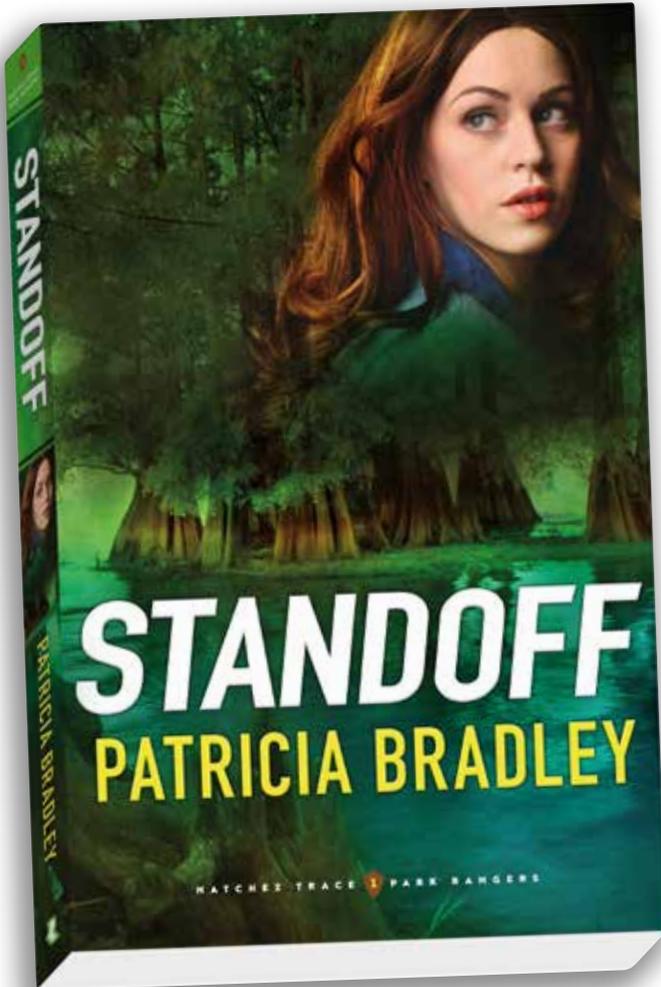
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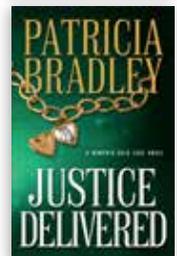
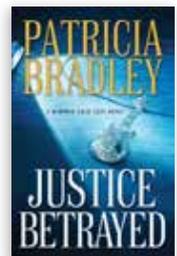
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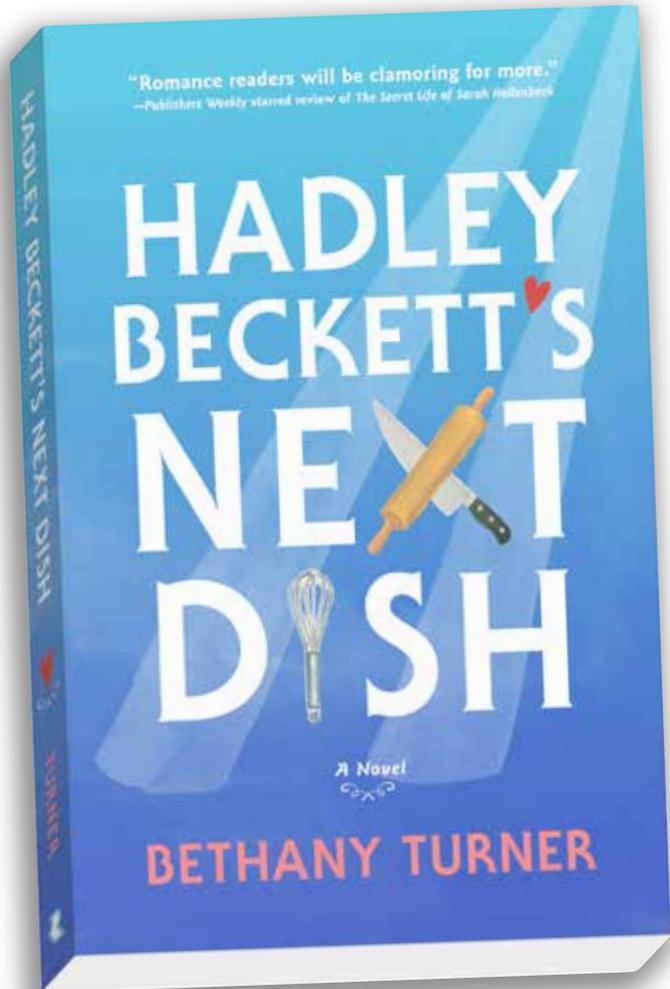


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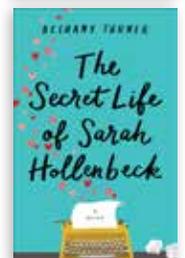
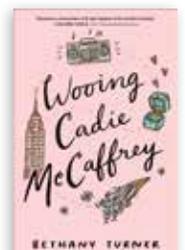
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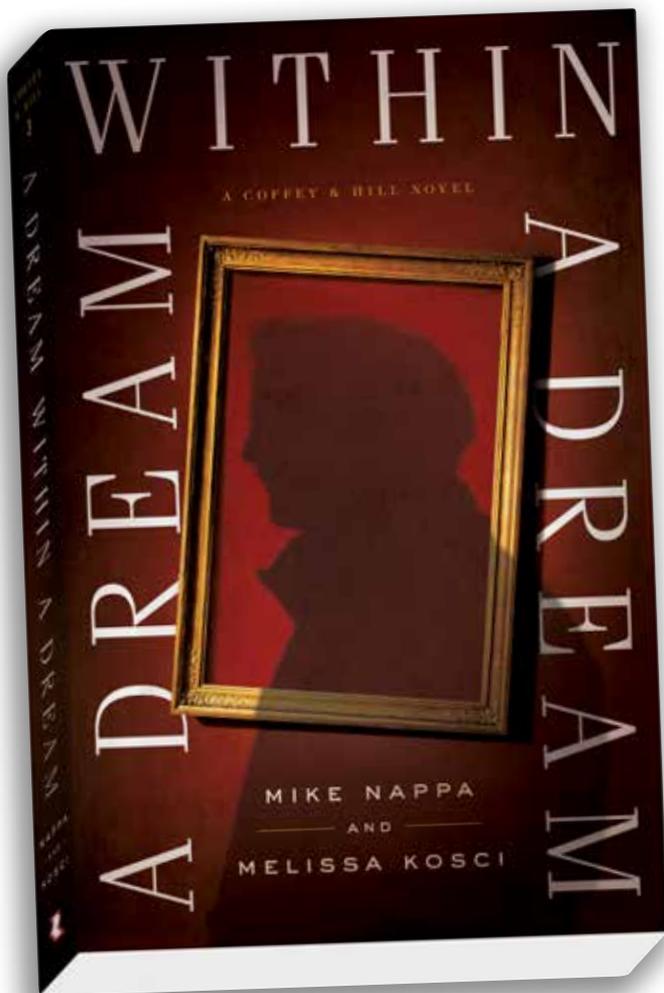
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A Dream within a Dream

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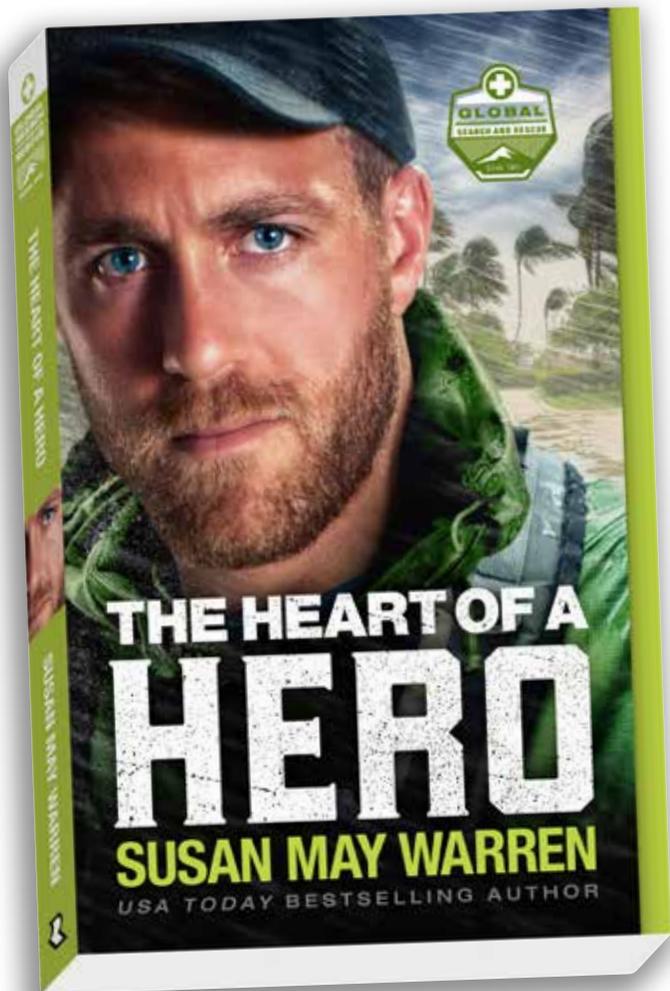
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Melissa Kosci is a fourth-degree black belt in and certified instructor of Songahm Taekwondo. In her day job as a commercial property manager, she secretly notes personal quirks and funny situations, ready to tweak them into colorful additions for her books. She and Corey, her husband of twenty years, live in Florida, where they do their best not to melt in the sun.



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- Warren has won numerous awards including a RITA, Christy, Carol, and Holt Medallion

Jake Silver may not be able to put the memories of his time as a sniper and Navy SEAL behind him, but at least he can put his skills to use as a part of the Jones Inc. rescue team. Saving the life of pediatric heart surgeon Dr. Aria Sinclair on Denali helped too. Now he can't get her out of his head, and when he hears she is in the path of a hurricane down in Key West he can't help but jump on a plane to rescue her.

Aria has dedicated her life to helping children born with defective hearts. After all, she was one of those children. Now driven to succeed, she lives a lonely, stressful life. One she would have lost on Denali if it hadn't been for Jake. Jake is exciting and handsome, but he's also dangerous, and she's already lost one person she loves. She can't bear it again.

It's not until she finds herself trapped in the middle of a category 4 hurricane that she can admit she needs Jake desperately. With their very survival in the balance, can they hope for a second chance at life . . . and love?

The Heart of a Hero

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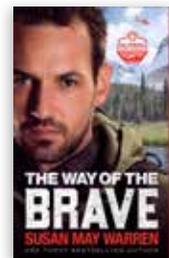
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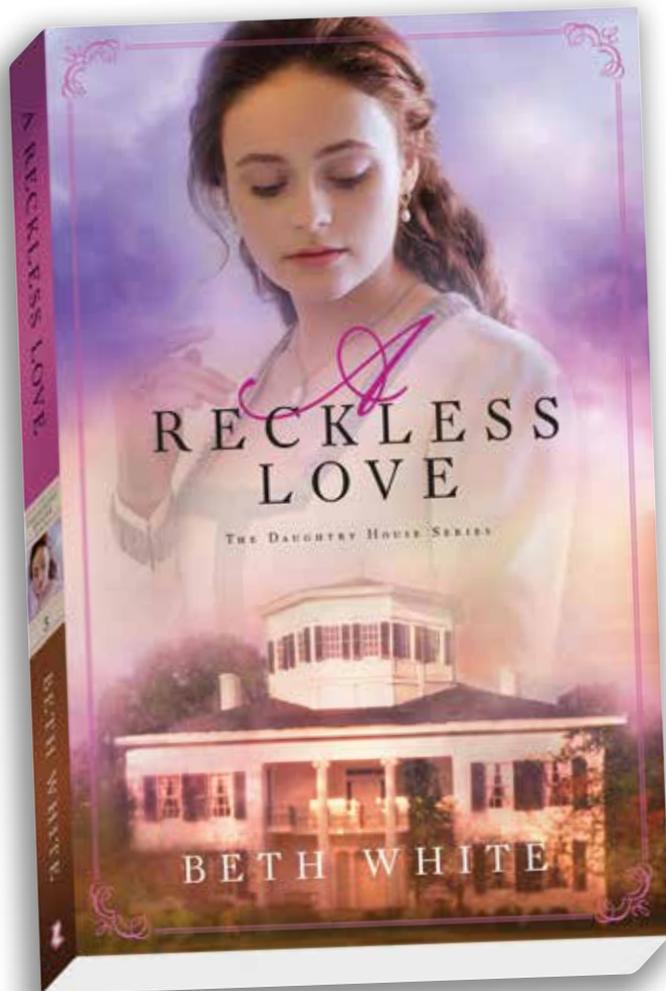


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- White is the winner of the Carol Award, the RT Book Club Reviewers' Choice Award, and the Inspirational Reader's Choice Award

In the fine tradition established by her Southern grandmama, Aurora Daughtry has recently orchestrated the marriage of her eldest sister and facilitated her middle sister's engagement. She also rejoices in her part in transforming the family's dilapidated plantation manor into a luxurious and lucrative resort hotel. Just when it seems there is nothing left to absorb her considerable talent for managing people, in walks federal deputy marshal Zane Sager.

But Zane is not at Daughtry House for a vacation. He's tracking a killer and collecting two key witnesses to a federal judge's murder.

Aurora takes it upon herself to disabuse the cynical lawman of his conviction that the world—and God in particular—is out to get him. But just as she's on the verge of cracking Zane's defenses, the man he is after reminds him that no one he loves is safe. Ever.

Award-winning author Beth White closes out her Daughtry House series with this exciting and emotional tale of two strong-willed people who may have met their match.

A Reckless Love

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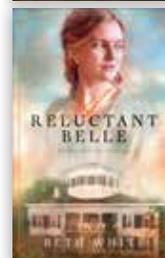
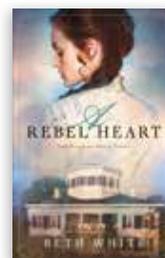
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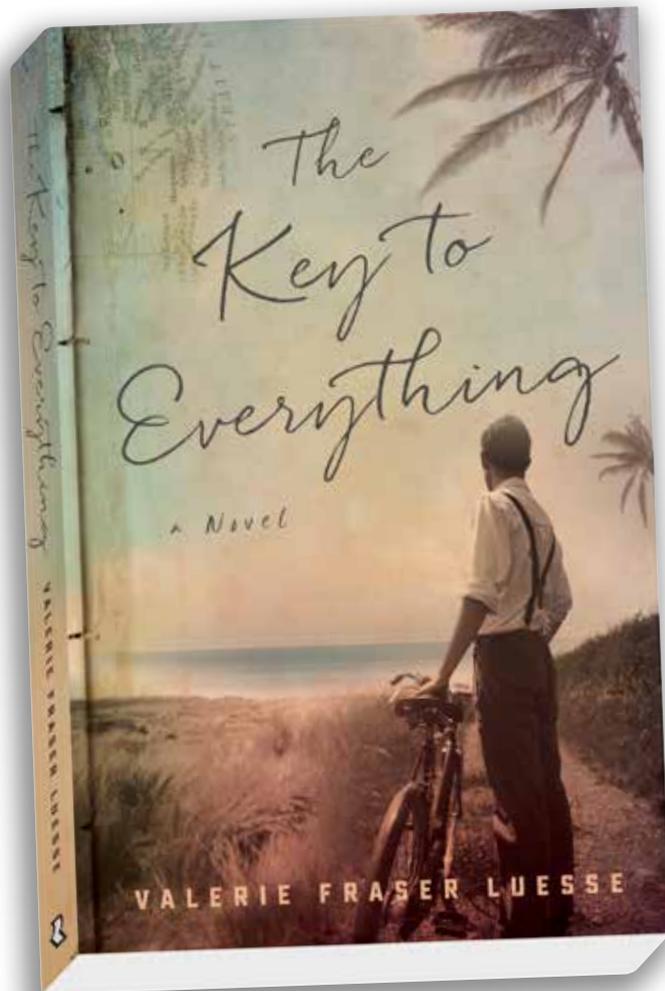
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“Luesse creates an engrossing ensemble cast in this historical romance.”

—*Publishers Weekly* on *Almost Home*



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Peyton Cabot’s fifteenth year will be a painful and transformative one. His father, the heroic but reluctant head of a moneyed Savannah family, has come home from WWII a troubled vet, drowning his demons in bourbon and distancing himself from his son. A tragic accident shows Peyton the depths of his parents’ devotion to each other but interrupts his own budding romance with the girl of his dreams, Lisa Wallace.

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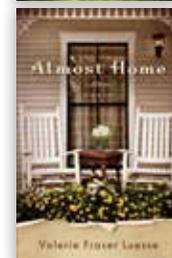
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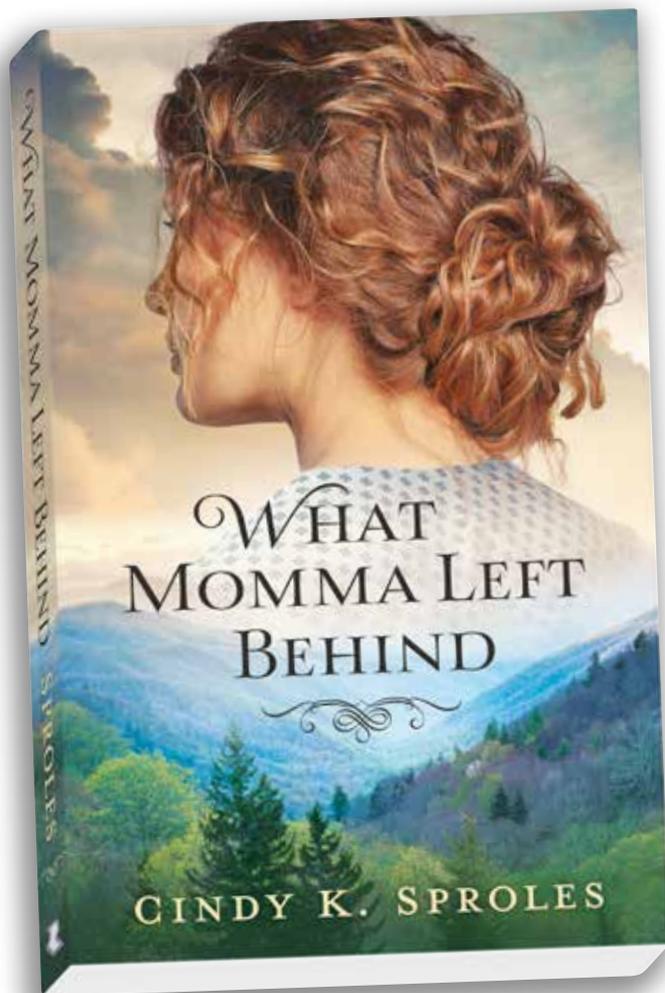
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Powerful Historical Fiction Set in the Mountains of Appalachia



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- Popular teacher and sought-after speaker at writers conferences across the country

Worie Dressar is 19 years old when influenza and dysentery ravage her Appalachian Mountain community in 1898, leaving behind a growing number of orphaned children with no way to care for themselves. Worie’s mother has been secretly feeding a number of these little ones on Sourwood Mountain. But when she dies suddenly, Worie is left to figure out why and how she was caring for them.

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What Momma Left Behind

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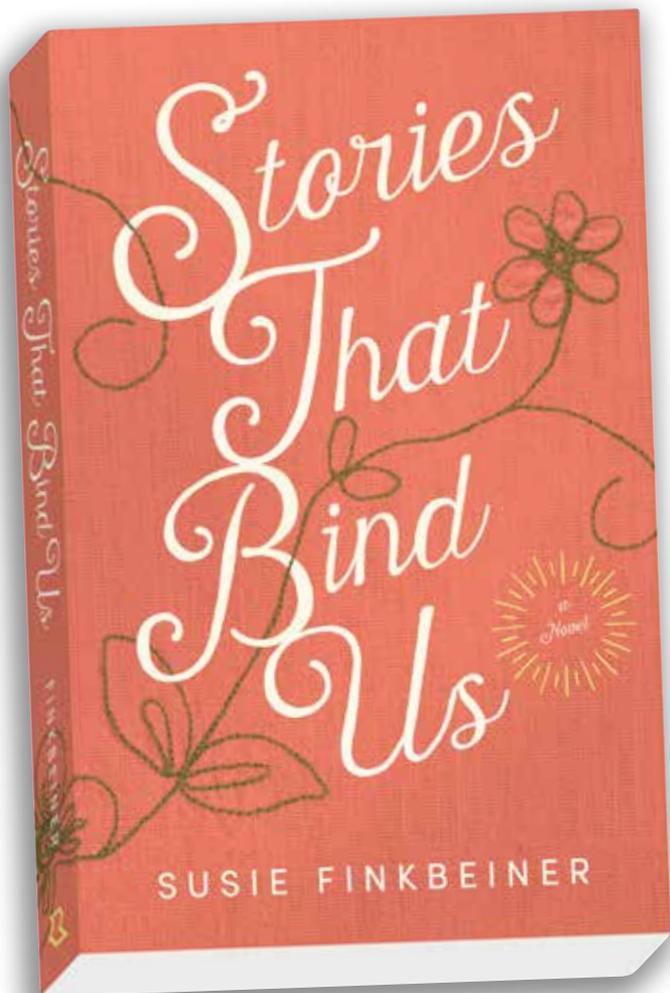
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Matt Cohen

“This is a must-have for historical fiction fans and book clubs.”

—*Library Journal*, starred review on *All Manner of Things*



- “This stirring tale will appeal to fans of Jody Hedlund.”—*Publishers Weekly* on *All Manner of Things*
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Betty Sweet never expected to be a widow at 40. With so much life still in front of her, she tries to figure out what’s next. She couldn’t have imagined what God had in mind. When her estranged sister is committed to a sanitarium, Betty finds herself taking on the care of a 5-year-old nephew she never knew she had.

In 1960s LaFontaine, Michigan, they make an odd pair. Betty with her pink button nose and bouffant hair. Hugo with his light brown skin and large brown eyes. But more powerful than what makes them different is what they share: the heartache of an empty space in their lives. Slowly, they will learn to trust one another as they discover common ground and healing through the magic of storytelling.

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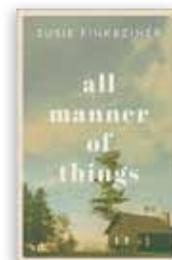
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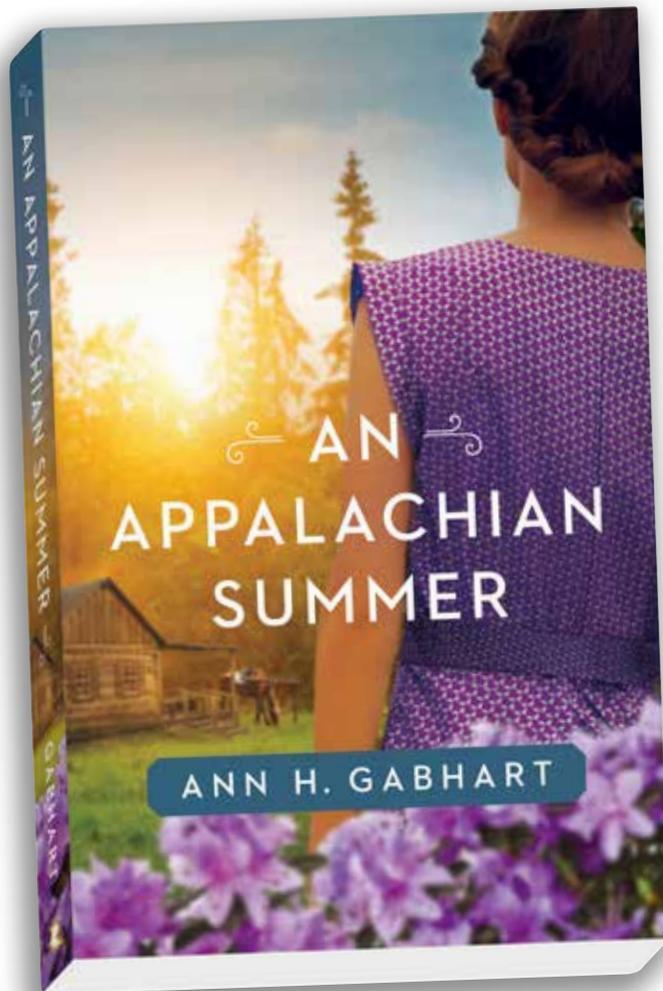
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In 1933 Louisville, Kentucky, even the ongoing economic depression cannot keep Piper Danson’s parents from insisting on a debut party. After all, their fortune came through the market crash intact, and they’ve picked out the perfect suitor for their daughter. Braxton Crandall can give her the kind of life she’s used to. The only problem? This is not the man—or the life—she really wants.

When Piper gets the opportunity to volunteer as a horseback Frontier Nursing courier in the Appalachian Mountains for the summer, she jumps at the chance to be something other than a dutiful daughter or a kept wife in a loveless marriage. The work is taxing, the scenery jaw-droppingly gorgeous, and the people she meets along the way open up a whole new world to her. The longer she stays, the more an advantageous marriage slips from her grasp. But something much more precious—true love—is drawing ever closer.

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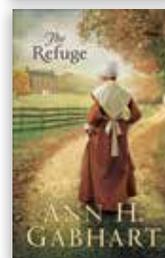
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Before Dan opened his door to find a wounded woman who had escaped from the tormentors in the mountain, his life had become rather quiet. He and the eight other people in the mostly abandoned town had become friends. They spent peaceful evenings around the campfire and even made vague plans to journey east one day and leave the ominous mountain behind.

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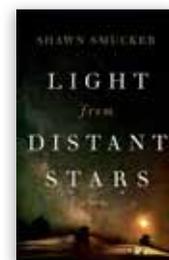
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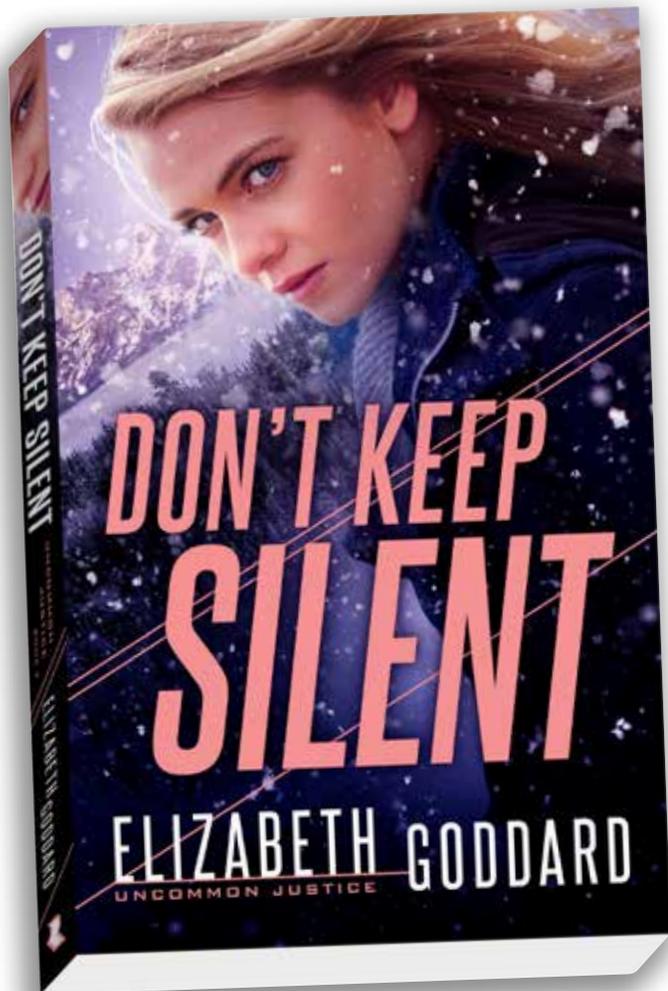
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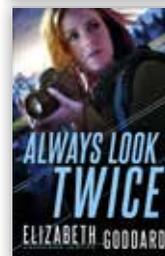
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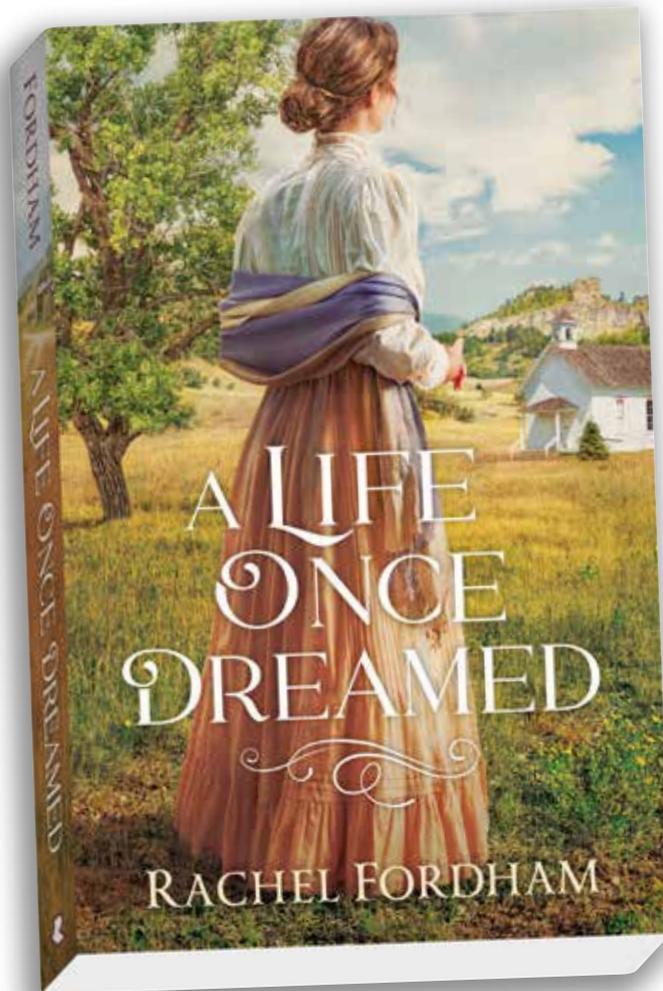
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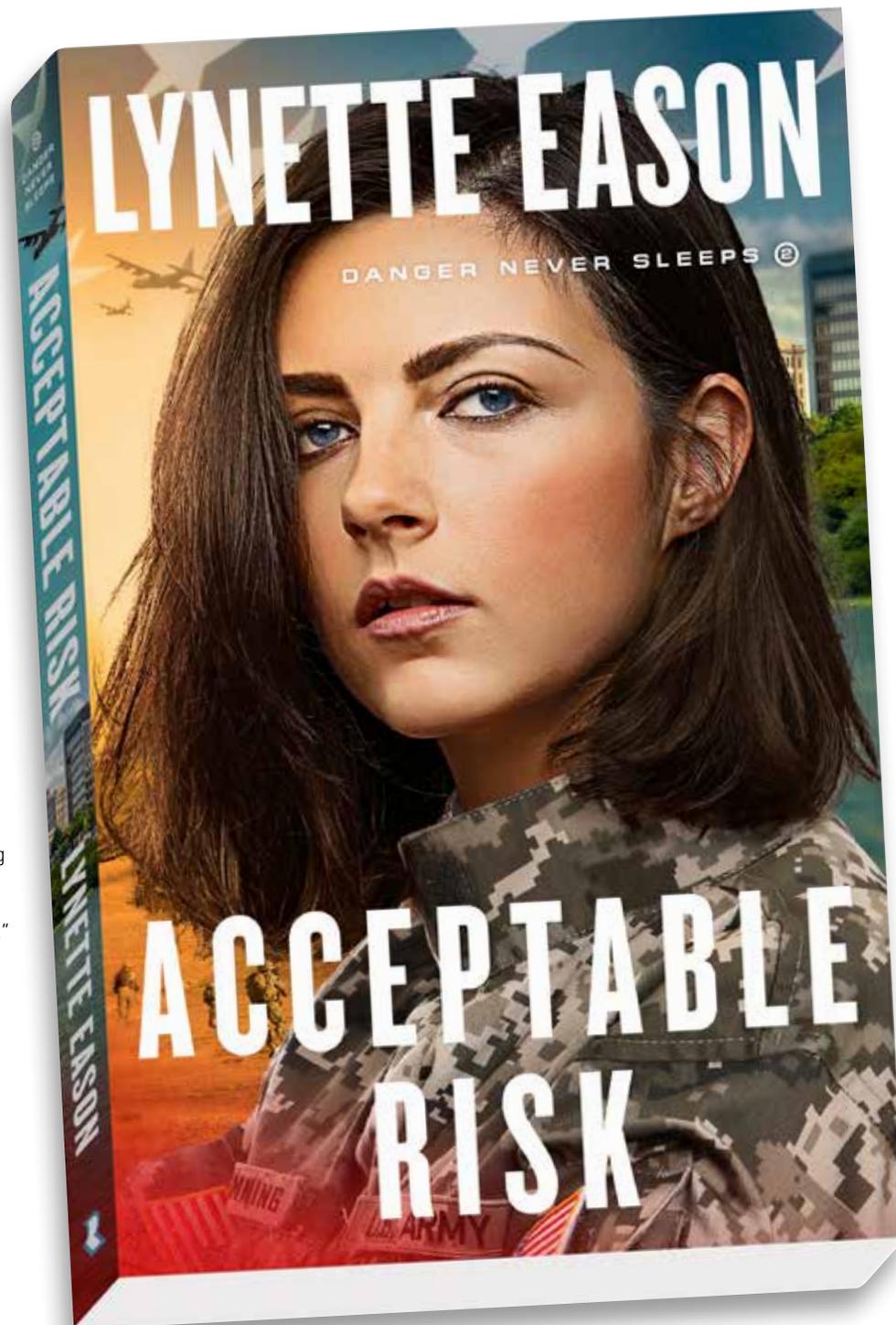
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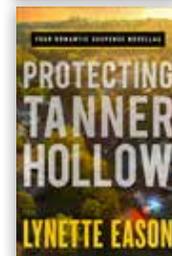


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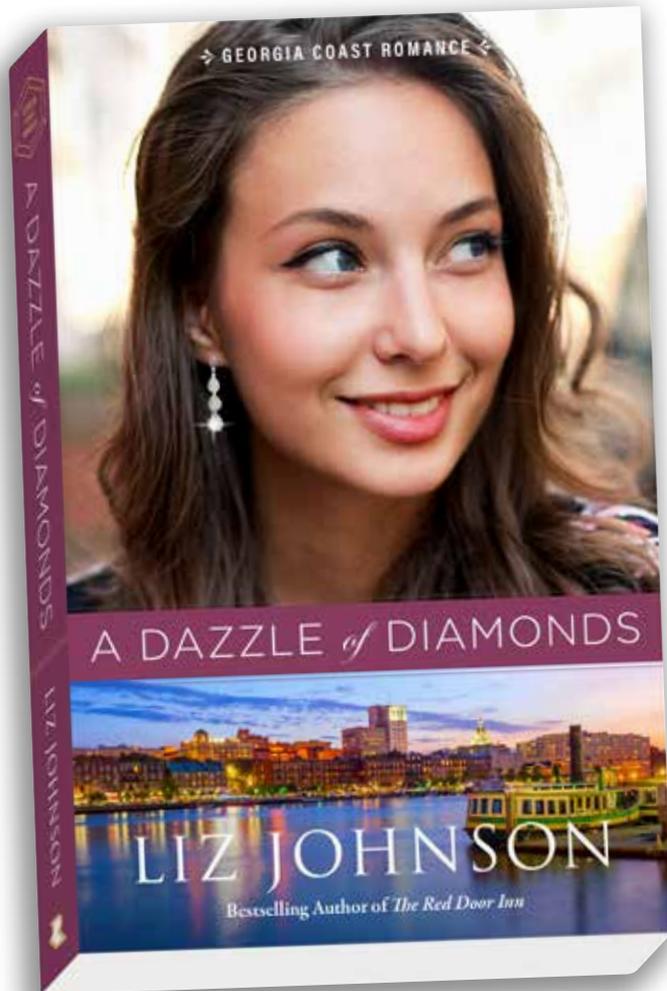
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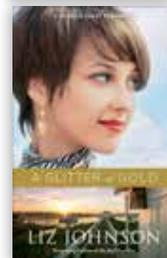
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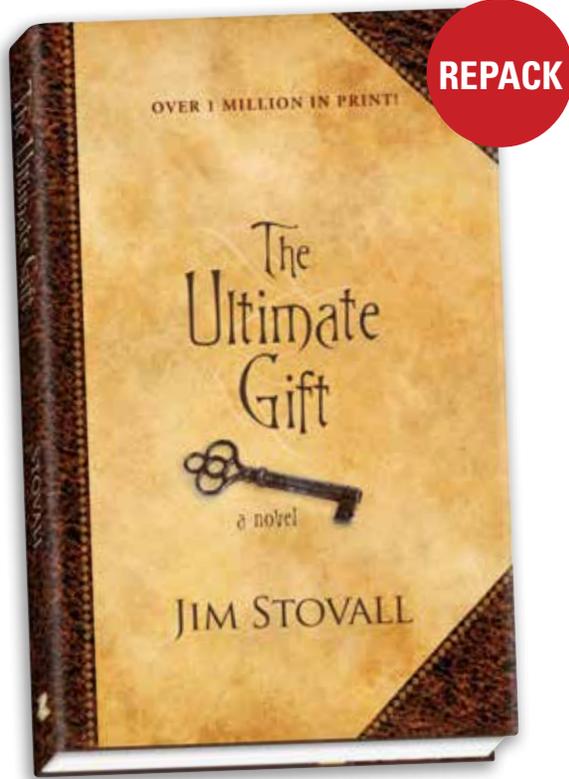


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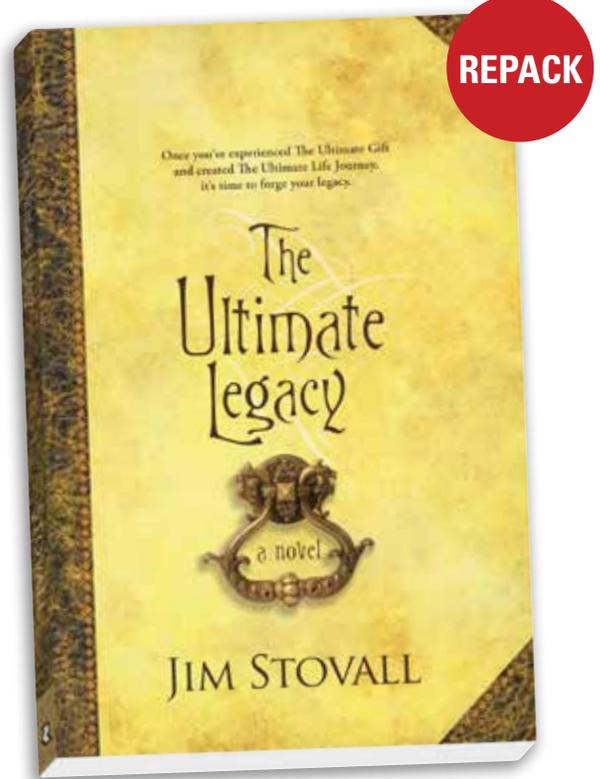
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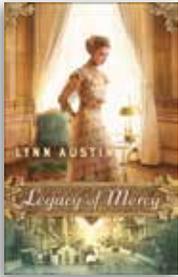
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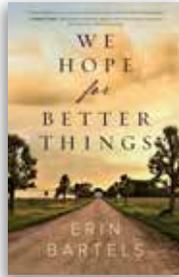
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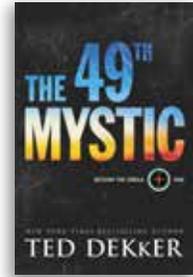
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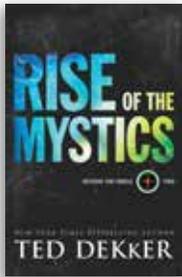
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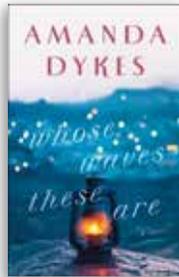
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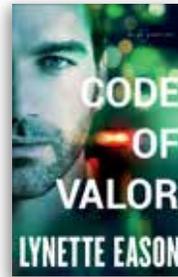
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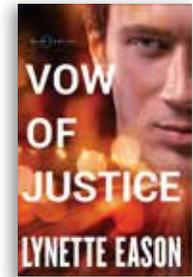
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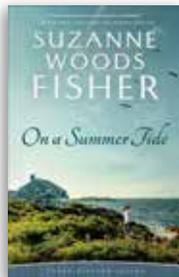
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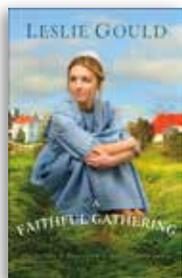
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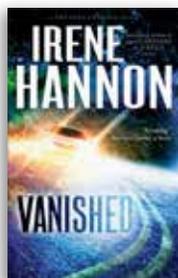
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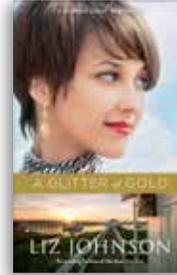
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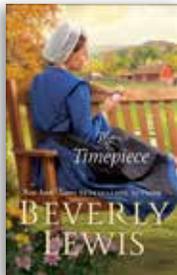
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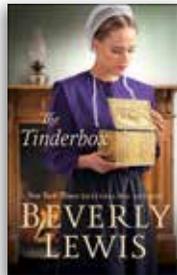
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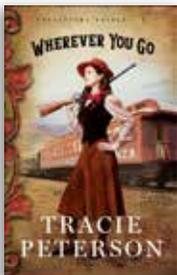
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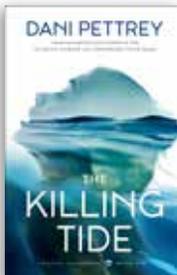
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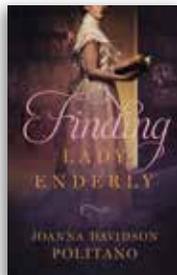
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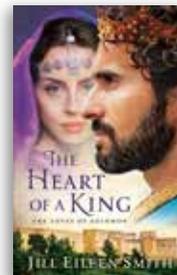
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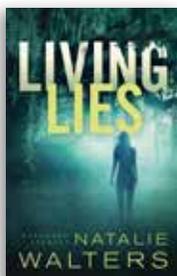
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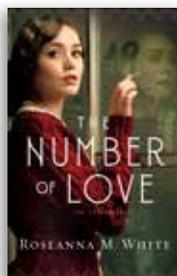
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The year before, in 1869, he'd taken over printing his famous brother-in-law's *Everybody's Paper*, intended for use in the many Sunday schools around the country. Dwight Lyman Moody, by then a well-known evangelist, had married Revell's sister Emma in 1862. Moody was eager to reach as many as possible with God's Word and knew just the man to help him.

Revell set up offices in the Arcade Court Building on Chicago's Madison Avenue, then known as Bookseller's Row, at a time when business was booming in the 33-year-old city. The meat industry was going strong, rail lines crisscrossed the city, and steel mills flourished. Industry was fed by the thousands of refugees from the post-Civil War South and immigrants from around the world. These were the days of Armour, Swift, McCormick, and Marshall Field.

Tragedy struck hard on October 8, 1871. The Great Chicago Fire—its origins are officially unknown but legend has it that Mrs. O'Leary's cow kicked over a lantern in her barn—destroyed more than 17,000 structures including the Arcade Court Building. Revell's business was in ashes.

Not even two years old, Revell Publishing faced a turning point, but Fleming Revell wasn't to be beaten. He decided to begin publishing books along with Moody's Sunday school papers, a decision that continues to reverberate 150 years later. . . .

D.L. Moody had long thought that more people would read quality Christian books if they were less costly. Toward that end, he and Revell collaborated on the Colportage Library series of mass market paperbacks that retailed for 10 to 20 cents each. Colporteurs—those who peddled books,

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In the prosperous years before and after the turn of the century, Revell moved into publishing more general market titles such as *The Bondage of Ballenger* by Roswell Field, as well as contemplated an even bigger move.

Revell had long had an office in New York City, considered to be the center of American publishing. It was managed by S. Edgar Briggs and maintained its own editorial, business, and production departments.

Revell's vice president George H. Doran advocated both the move into the general market and consolidating offices. Fleming Revell resisted such efforts at first, but he liked the idea of operating more economically and he wanted to live in New York anyway. Soon the move was made, with the publishing company taking up residence at 158 Fifth Avenue, the Presbyterian Building, from 1905 to 1950. . . .

The 1940s were tumultuous as World War II raged, even as Revell continued its ascent as a publisher of Christian books. . . .

One of the biggest surprises of that era was the success of *Mr. Jones, Meet the Master*. Catherine Marshall had compiled sermons her husband, the late Rev. Peter Marshall, had preached at New York Presbyterian Church in Washington DC and prayers he'd offered as Senate chaplain, with Revell publishing the book in 1949.

This book of sermons written in language the common reader understood took off, selling well in religious and general market bookstores. The Revell staff asked themselves why.

"We asked ourselves, 'Why did this happen—and how can we make it happen again?'" William Barbour said. Before 1949, Revell "served

primarily ministers, Sunday school teachers and active church laymen." As the success of *Mr. Jones* mounted, Revell "started keying in on the layman more than on the religious worker . . . In trying to meet the rising interest of the layperson in spiritual matters, we found that other laypeople could possibly reach them more effectively."

Revell's interest in trade books was born. Instead of publishing only theological books for pastors, professors, and church leaders, Revell began targeting the people sitting in the pews every Sunday. . . .

Revell Publishing has kept its focus on readers through 150 years of publishing. Beginning with Sunday school papers at the request of Fleming Revell's famous brother-in-law, moving into theological titles and sermon compilations, and on to trade titles and fiction, Revell has always turned its heart to the readers.

What do readers want? What do readers need? Who speaks best to those readers? These are questions asked daily at Revell.

"The more we think about what the reader is looking for, the better the bottom line," said Jennifer Leep, EVP of Trade Publishing.

Personal growth and practical help continue to be the hallmark of the house. "We focus much of our publishing on practical hope and help—ideas and concepts readers can carry with them throughout their day," says editorial director Andrea Doering. . . .

"Revell is part of the heart of Baker Publishing Group," said president Dwight Baker. "We were honored to purchase it and are honored to help in its success. My father, Richard Baker, was smart to buy it; my grandfather, Herman Baker, would have loved to be part of it. I pray that we can continue to help uphold the long legacy of Revell." ■

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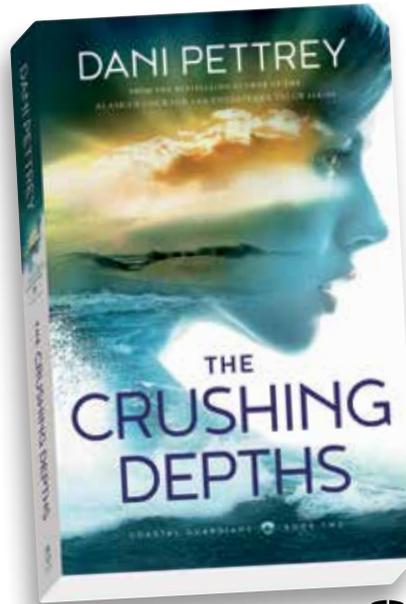
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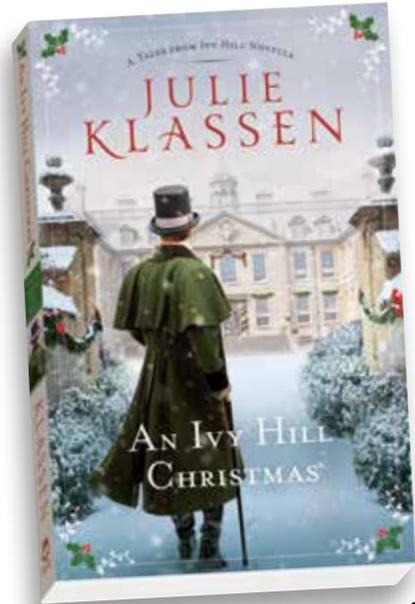
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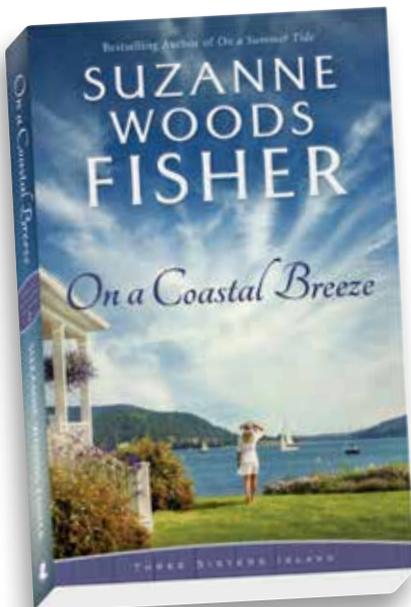
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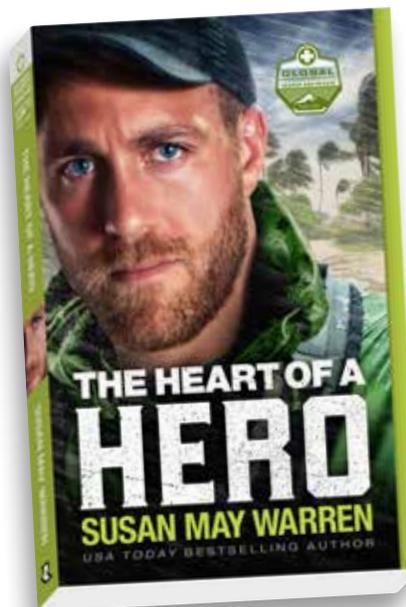
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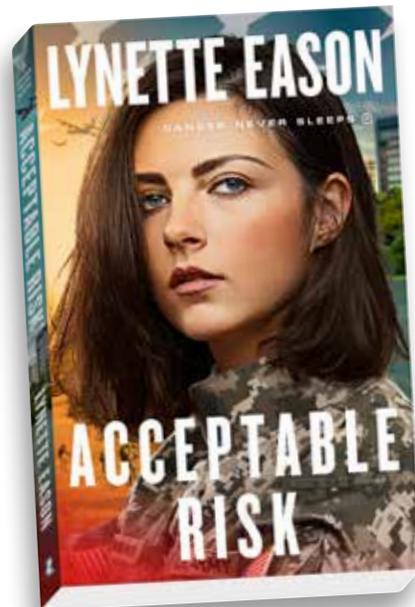
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