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Happy Halloween! Happy Thanksgiving!

Please note that Murder By the Book will be closed from Thursday, October 4 through Sunday, October 7 for Bouchercon! If you would like to order something during that time please leave a message and your call will be returned on Monday.

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Read It - Liked It

This section was very well received so I am bringing it back. I also plan to feature some reviews and suggestions from other faithful mystery readers, which you will find in this section. You are welcome to submit your own as well, please see details at the end of the newsletter!

On the cozy side, I really enjoyed Barbara Cleverly's new mystery set in 1930's England, *Not My Blood*. Although it has been out for a while, I just read and enjoyed Katherine Hall Page's latest book, *The Body in the Boudoir*, a prequel to her Faith Fairchild series. I was very impressed with M.L. Longworth's book, *Murder in the Rue Dumas*(Oct.), the 2nd in this series set in France. For something a little darker, I can strongly recommend T. Frank Muir's debut mystery, *Hand For a Hand*, (Nov.) which is set in St. Andrews, Scotland. Those of you who like a thriller element to your police investigations might enjoy Peter James book, *Dead Man's Grip* which was fast paced and suspenseful, as was his book *Not Dead Yet*(late November) both of which are set in England.

Jennifer has provided a review of *Mr. Churchill's Secretary* by Susan Elia MacNeal, in which she calls this cozy thriller one of the most enjoyable reads she has had in a while. The full text of the review is at the end of the newsletter.

PEARL STREET FARMERS MARKET

The Farmer's Market on Old South Pearl Street continues every Sunday through November 5, 2012 from 9:00 - 1:00. The best fall produce is coming in now.

Oktoberfest on October 6, 2012

The Pearl Street Merchant's Association is hosting its first Oktoberfest on Saturday, October 6, 2012 from 11:00 - 1:00. Come on out and enjoy a beer, food and music.

ARRIVALS

OCTOBER HARDCOVERS - MANY HAVE ARRIVED

- Alexander, Tasha** *Death in the Floating City* \$24.99 (St. Martin)
Lady Emily & her husband go to Venice to help an acquaintance whose father-in-law is dead and husband is missing.
- Black, Benjamin** *Vengeance* \$26.00 (Holt)
Actually released in August.
A bizarre suicide leads to a scandal and murder and Quirke must unravel the complex lies underneath it all.
- Bruce, Allison** *The Silence* \$25.00 (Soho)
DC Gary Goodhew searches for a link between a terminal illness, a brutal murder and a series of suicides in Cambridge.
- Carl, Joanna** *The Chocolate Moose Motive* \$22.95 (Obsidian)
Lee investigates when her new employee, once suspected of the murder of her husband, is suspected in another killing.
- Charbonneau, Joelle** *Skating on the Edge* \$25.99 (St. Martin)
When her last minute replacement for the dunk tank is killed, Rebecca must figure out who the intended victim was.
- Childs, Laura** *Postcards from the Dead* \$25.95 (Berkley)
After a local TV personality is murdered, someone begins to leave strange cards at Carmela Bertrand's shop.
- Connolly, John** *Books To Die For* \$29.99 (Atria)
The world's greatest mystery writers write about their choices for the world's greatest mysteries.
- Cornwell, Patricia** *Bone Bed* \$27.95 (Putnam)
A Canadian paleontologist disappears from a dig site & Kay Scarpetta find links from this to other unsolved cases.
- Dekker, Ted** *The Sanctuary* \$24.99 (Center Street)
A vigilante priest serving a long prison term must find a way to save the woman he loves from a mysterious enemy.
- DeMille, Nelson** *The Panther* \$27.99 (Grand Central)
Agents John Corey & Kate Mayfield are sent to Yemen to track down a notorious terrorist known as the Panther.
- Doss, James D.** *The Old Gray Wolf* \$25.99 (St. Martin)
Charlie Moon & Scott Parris find themselves in deep trouble when they accidentally kill a man with close ties to the mob.
- Duncan, Elizabeth** *A Small Hill to Die On* \$24.99 (St. Martin)
Penny Brannigan stumbles across the body of a woman in the woods, daughter of the woman who bought Ty Brith Hall.
- Fforde, Jasper** *The Man Who Died A lot* \$26.95 (Viking)
Thursday Next finds herself dragged back to Bookworld to hunt down Pagerunners who have jumped into the real world.
- Fletcher, Jessica** *Murder She Wrote: Domestic Malice* \$23.95 (Obsidian)
Jessica joins the Board of the local woman's shelter & ends up investigating a murder involving a respected family.
- Francis, Felix** *Dick Francis's Bloodline* \$26.95 (Putnam)
After race caller Mark Shillingford accuses his sister of throwing a race, his sister dies in a suspicious manner.
- Gavin, Rick** *Beluga* \$24.99 (St. Martin)
Nick Reid is talked into helping his ex-brother-in-law with a shaky criminal scheme, leading to all sorts of deadly trouble.
- Handler, David** *The Snow White Christmas Cookie* \$24.99 (St. Martin)
A Christmas blizzard has buried Dorset, making it more difficult for Des & Mitch to catch a gang of dealers & murderers.
- Harris, Charlaïne** *Last Scene Alive* \$25.95 (Berkley)
A hardcover reissue of the seventh book in Charlaïne Harris' Aurora Teagarden mystery series.
- Harrod-Eagles, Cynthia** *Blood Never Dies* \$28.95 (Severn House)
Bill Slider & his team investigate when an unidentified man seems to have committed suicide but signs point to murder.
- Hart, Carolyn** *What the Cat Saw* \$25.95 (Berkley)
When a cat witnesses a woman's murder, Nela Farley must use her unwanted talent for understanding the thoughts of cats.

Hart, Ellen	<i>Rest for the Wicked</i>	\$25.99	(St. Martin)
Jane races to find a killer after receiving a message on her phone left by a man who died before Jane got the message.			
Higshino, Keigo	<i>Salvation of a Saint</i>	\$24.99	(St. Martin)
Physics professor Manabu Yukawas investigates when the prime suspect in a murder has a perfect, but unbelievable alibi.			
Hunt, Andrew	<i>City of Saints</i>	\$24.99	(St. Martin)
Winner of the 2011 Hillerman Prize			
1930, Salt Lake: Rookie lawman Art Oveson is thrust into the investigation of a wealthy socialite's murder.			
Jones, Solomon	<i>The Dead Man's Wife</i>	\$24.99	(St. Martin)
Det. Mike Coletti goes to the aid of a friend who is the main suspect in her husband's gruesome death.			
Kaaberbol & Friis	<i>Invisible Murder</i>	\$25.00	(Soho)
Nurse Nina Borg puts her own life in danger while treating a group of Hungarian gypsies living illegally in Copenhagen.			
Malliet, G.M.	<i>A Fatal Winter</i>	\$24.99	(St Martin)
Priest and village heartthrob Max Tudor investigates two deaths at the local Castle.			
Mark, David	<i>The Dark Winter</i>	\$25.95	(Blue Rider Press)
Hull, England's DS Aector McAvoy notices that murder victims were all sole survivors of tragedies, large and small.			
Mayor, Archer	<i>Paradise City</i>	\$25.99	(St. Martin)
Joe Gunther get involved in a series of burglaries - and learn that someone is purchasing the goods in MA.			
Morton, Kate	<i>The Secret Keeper</i>	\$26.99	(Simon & Schuster)
A woman who witnessed a crime as a teenager goes home to find answers & uncover her mother's secrets.			
O'Mara, Tim	<i>Sacrifice Fly</i>	\$24.99	(St. Martin) DEBUT MYSTERY
Ex-cop, now a teacher, goes back to policing when a student, a baseball star, goes missing.			
Patterson, James	<i>Free Alex Cross</i>	\$28.99	(Little, Brown)
Alex Cross is investigating three murder cases when he realizes that someone wants to kill him.			
Robertson, Imogen	<i>Island of Bones</i>	\$26.95	(Pamela Dorman Books)
1783: Gabriel Crowther is drawn home for the first time in years when an ancient tomb is found near his family estate.			
Robotham, Michael	<i>Say You're Sorry</i>	\$24.99	(Mulholland)
Although there is a custody suspect in Joe O'Loughlin believes that the killer of a couple in London is still at large.			
Rock, Judith	<i>A Plague of Lies</i>	\$15.00	(Berkley)
The Jesuit school sends a reliquary to Louis XIV's wife, but a member of the delegation is killed & others grow ill...			
Sandford, John	<i>Mad River</i>	\$27.95	(Putnam)
Virgil Flowers is part of an army of law enforcement personnel trying to stop a crime spree by a group of teenagers.			
Simon, Clea	<i>True Grey</i>	\$28.95	(Severn House)
Things look bleak for Dulcie Schwartz when she finds the body of an academic rival she threatened to kill days earlier.			
Sullivan, Mark	<i>Rogue</i>	\$24.99	(St. Martin)
Ex- CIA agent, now thief, Robin Monarch forced him to complete an assignment he walked away from years before.			
Tallman, Shirley	<i>Death on Telegraph Hill</i>	\$24.99	(St. Martin)
1882, San Francisco: Sarah Woolson searches for the person that shot her brother, Samuel.			
Turnbull, Peter	<i>The Garden Party</i>	\$28.95	(Severn House)
A note that found hidden in the wall cavity of a London hotel leads DI Harry Vicary and his team to a burial site.			
Webb, Peggy	<i>Elvis and the Blue Christmas Corpse</i>	\$23.00	(Kensington)
Someone begins decking the mall with Christmas corpses and Callie and Elvis the basset hound search for the culprit.			
Westerson, Jeri	<i>Blood Lance</i>	\$25.99	(St. Martin)
Crispin Guest sees a body fall from London Bridge & gets involved in a mystery involving a famous historical spear.			

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Baldacci, David	<i>Untitled</i>	\$27.99	(Grand Central)
John Puller is called in when his Aunt is found dead in her pool, and John heads south to prove that this was no accident.			
Bowen, Rhys	<i>The Twelve Clues of Christmas</i>	\$24.95	(Berkley)
Georgie is in Scotland working as assistant to the hostess of a Christmas house party - but dead bodies start turning up...			
Carnoy, David	<i>The Two Sinatras</i>	\$25.95	(Overlook)
Ex-con Richie Forman, a Sinatra impersonator in San Francisco, is the chief suspect when his ex-best friend is murdered.			
Christer, Sam	<i>The Venice Conspiracy</i>	\$25.95	(Overlook)
Ex-priest Tom Shaman is in Venice and ends up in the midst of ritualistic killings unlike anything Venice has ever seen.			

Church, James	<i>A Drop of Chinese Blood</i>	\$24.99	(St. Martin)
Ins. O & his nephew are working together when Bing's job of bringing an agent over the border intersects with O's case.			
Connolly, Michael	<i>The Black Box</i>	\$27.99	(Little, Brown)
Harry Bosch links the bullet from recent crime to the decades old killing of photographer during the L.A. riots.			
Dahl, K.O.	<i>Lethal Investments</i>	\$26.99	(St. Martin)
Ins. Gunnarstranda is investigating the murder of a woman at a software company when more murders occur...			
Disilverio, Laura	<i>Swift Run</i>	\$24.99	(St. Martin)
When her ex-husband's new girlfriend is murdered, PI Gigi Goldman suspected, so she begins a hunt for the real killer.			
Doetsch, Richard	<i>The Thieves of Legend</i>	\$25.00	(Atria)
Michael St. Peirre & his girlfriend are blackmailed into going to China to steal pieces of an 500 year old secret.			
Finch, Charles	<i>A Death in the Small Hours</i>	\$24.99	(St. Martin)
Charles Venox travels to his uncle's estate for some peace only to be greeted by a series of strange crimes.			
Flynn, Vince	<i>The Last Man</i>	\$27.99	(Atria)
Agent Mitch Rapp heads to Afghanistan to search for the missing man who ran the CIA's clandestine ops there.			
Haas, Derek	<i>The Right Hand</i>	\$25.99	(mulholland)
Secret agent Austin Clay is sent to track down an American operative who disappeared in the Russian countryside.			
Hammett, Dashiell	<i>Return of the Thin Man</i>	\$25.00	(Grove)
Two never before published novellas featuring Nick and Nora Charles.			
Hechtman, Betty	<i>If Hooks Could Kill</i>	\$24.95	(Berkley)
When the newest member of the Tarzana Hooker's crochet club is killed Molly decides to investigate.			
Hill, Susan	<i>A Question of Identity</i>	\$25.95	(Overlook)
Serrailleur must find a killer who murders his victims and leaves a distinctive sign on the body.			
Hinger, Charlotte	<i>Hidden Heritage</i>	\$22.95	(Penguin)
The KBI enlists undersheriff Lottie Albright to work undercover after a murder that may be connected to immigration.			
James, David	<i>A Not So Model Home</i>	\$23.00	(Kensington)
Realtor Amanda Thorne is marketing a mansion being used in a reality show until one of the contestants is killed there.			
James, Peter	<i>Not Dead Yet</i>	\$25.99	(St. Martin)
DS Roy Grace is charged with protecting a movie star who is coming to Brighton to film a movie and is being stalked.			
Leon, Donna	<i>The Jewels of Paradise</i>	\$25.00	(Atlanta Monthly)
Leon's first stand alone..			
Maron, Margaret	<i>The Buzzard Table</i>	\$25.99	(Grand Central)
When a murderer strikes, Judge Knott & Sigrid Herald set out to unravel the truth about the Herald family secrets.			
McCullough, Colleen	<i>The Prodigal Son</i>	\$26.00	(Simon & Schuster)
1969: a toxin is stolen from a lab & Capt. Carmine Delmonico must find a brilliant criminal hiding in the academic world.			
McGrath, M.J.	<i>The Boy in the Snow</i>	\$25.95	(Viking)
Edie Kiglatuk is in Alaska for the Iditarod when she finds a body in the woods - and she sets out to find a killer.			
Muir, Frank	<i>Hand for a Han</i>	\$25.00	(Soho) NEW SERIES
St. Andrews, Scotland. A killer is directly targeting DCI Andy Gilcrest, who must solve the crime to save his family.			
Muller, Marcia	<i>Looking for Yesterday</i>	\$19.99	(Morrow)
Even after Caro Warrick was acquitted for the murder of her best friend, now Sharon McCone will prove her innocence.			
Murphy, Shirley Rousseau	<i>Cat Bearing Gifts</i>	\$25.99	(St. Martin)
Feline PI Joe Grey and his pals stumble upon a murder almost before it happens.			
Pattison, Eliot	<i>Mandarin Gate</i>	\$25.99	(St Martin)
Shan realizes that a crime scene he has found is an attempt by the Chinese government to cover up other political matters.			
Truman, Margaret by Bain, Donald	<i>Experiment in Murder</i>	\$24.99	(Forge)
MacKenzie is called in to defend a patient who has been accused in the murder of a Washington psychiatrist.			
Wodehouse, P.G.	<i>Company for Henry</i>	\$19.95	(Overlook)
New Edition			
Wodehouse, P.G.	<i>The Head of Kays</i>	\$19.95	(Overlook)
New Edition			

OCTOBER TRADE PAPERBACKS - MANY HAVE ARRIVED

Adamson, Lydia	<i>A Cat Tells Two Tales</i>	\$15.00	(Obsidian)
The 1st two of the "Alice" cat mysteries- The Cat in the Manger & A Cat of a Different Color- in one volume.			
Baldacci, David	<i>The Innocent</i>	\$14.99	(Grand Central)
1TPB			
Bell, David	<i>The Hiding Place</i>	\$15.00	(NAL)
On the 25th anniversary of her brother's murder, Janet Manning sets out to find the truth about that event.			
Boneham, Sheila W.	<i>Drop Dead on Recall</i>	\$14.99	(Midnight ink)
Animal photographer Janet MacPhail investigates when disliked dog handler dies in the obedience ring at a dog show.			
Enger, Thomas	<i>Pierced</i>	\$15.00	(Simon & Schuster)
A convicted felon asks Henning Juul to find the person who set him up in return for info about a fire that killed Juul's son.			
Ernst, Kathleen	<i>The Light Keeper's Legacy</i>	\$14.99	(Midnight ink)
Museum curator Chloe Ellefson goes to a remote island park to restore a lighthouse, & ends up trapped there with a killer.			
Fluke, Joanne	<i>Lake Eden Cookbook</i>	\$15.00	(Kensington)
A collection of the finest recipes from the 1st ten of Joanne Fluke's Lake Eden series. The first person to order will also receive measuring cups and spoons with the author logo.			
Goldberg, Tod	<i>Living Dead Girl</i>	\$14.95	(Soho)
Paul Luden returns to the remote lake house where his daughter died in order to locate his missing wife.			
Horowitz, Anthony	<i>The House of Silk</i>	\$14.99	(Mulholland)
Holmes and Watson are hired by an art dealer to find a man who has followed him from America to stalk him.			
Joyce, G.B.	<i>The Code</i>	\$16.00	(Pintail Publishing)
Hockey scout Brad Shade turns from scouting new talent around the world to finding the killer of a legendary coach.			
Kenneth, Maxine	<i>Spy in a Little Black Dress</i>	\$14.99	(Grand Central)
1TPB			
LaPlante, Lynda	<i>Blood Line</i>	\$14.99	(Harper)
DCI Anna Travis is searching for a friend's missing son, when a pool of blood with no victim sends her on a frantic hunt.			
Loan-Wilsey, Anna	<i>A Lack of Temperence</i>	\$15.00	(Kensington) NEW SERIES
1892, Arkansas: Hattie Davish arrives in a resort town to learn that her employer is missing & a crime wave is going on.			
Longworth, M.L.	<i>Murder in the Rue Dumas</i>	\$14.00	(Penguin)
Judge Antoine Verlaque must find a killer when the head of theology at the University is murdered.			
Lourey, Jess	<i>December Dread</i>	\$14.99	(Midnight ink)
Mira James hunts a Christmas-time killer in rural Minnesota when someone begins killing women who look a lot like her!			
Marklund, Liza	<i>Last Will</i>	\$15.00	(Simon & Schuster)
Annika Bengtson investigates why an American assassin ordered a hit on a member of the Nobel Prize committee.			
McCarry, Charles	<i>The Secret Lovers</i>	\$15.95	(Overlook)
Paul Christopher gets involved in Cold War intrigue after getting a delivery from a courier who dies shortly after delivery.			
Mullen, Thomas	<i>The Revisionists</i>	\$15.99	(Mulholland)
1 TPB This book was nominated one of the best books of 2011 by People Magazine.			
Pollero, Rhonda	<i>Bargain Hunting</i>	\$15.00	(Simon & Schuster)
Finlay sets out to clear an ex-policeman friend's name, after he is accused in the shooting of a teenager during a drug bust. This book sounds like mystery/romantic suspense.			
Sherman, Scott	<i>Third You Die</i>	\$14.00	(Kensington)
Hustler Kevin Connor is producing his mom's TV talk show - then their guest, a movie star, is found dead in the river.			
Wiprud, Brian	<i>The Clause</i>	\$14.99	(Midnight ink)
Jewel thief Gill Underwood is holding millions in hot diamonds & trying to outwit crime syndicates who want the jewels.			

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Britton, Vickie	<i>Unmarked Grave</i>	\$14.95	(Rowe Publishing)
Ardis Cole is in Scotland to do reconstruction on an skull with an ancient ax buried in it – but it turn out to be a recent death.			
Gage, Leighton	<i>A Vine in the Blood</i>	\$14.95	(Soho)
Ins. Mario Silva must find the mother of Brazil's biggest soccer star, kidnapped weeks before the World Cup.			
Groundwater, Beth	<i>To Hell In a Handbasket</i>	\$14.99	(Midnight ink)
1TPB			
Guinn, Jeff	<i>Santa's North Pole Cookbook</i>	\$12.00	(Penguin)
Just for Fun - includes all kinds of classic American holiday dishes & well as recipes from all over the world.			
Hill, Susan	<i>The Betrayal of Trust</i>	\$15.95	(Overlook)
1 TPB			
Huber, Anna Lee	<i>The Anatomist's Wife</i>	\$15.00	(Berkley)
Lady Kiera Darby is asked to use her knowledge of anatomy to aid in the investigation of a murder.			
Ifkovic, Ed.	<i>Make Believe</i>	\$14.95	(Poisoned Pen)*
1951: Edna Ferber goes to Hollywood to support a blacklisted friend, but when the friend is killed she hunts a murderer.			
Kingsbury, Kate	<i>The Clue is in the Pudding</i>	\$15.00	(Berkley)
Cecily Baxter gets a horrible temporary housekeeper during Christmas, who is the main suspect when a man is killed.			
Kornetsky, L.A.	<i>Collared: a Gin and Tonic Mystery</i>	\$15.00	(Gallery Books) DEBUT MYSTERY
Personal concierge Ginny Mallard & bartender, Teddy Tonica, are hired to find a man's missing uncle.			
Lewis, Mitchell Scott	<i>Death In the 12th House</i>	\$14.95	(Poisoned Pen)*
Three aging rock stars have been murdered Det. David Lowell is brought in to find the killer.			
McKinty, Adrian	<i>The Cold, Cold Ground</i>	\$15.95	(Seventh Street)
Belfast Det. Sean Duffy is hunting a serial killer in the midst of the chaos as Belfast teeters on the brink of civil war.			
McRae, Cricket	<i>Deadly Row to Hoe</i>	\$14.99	(Midnight ink)
Farmer Sophie Mae finds the body of an ornithologist in a compost heap and sets out to find out what happened.			
Mortimer, Jim	<i>Forever Rumpole</i>	\$18.00	(Penguin)
A collection of Rumpole stories from Penguin books.			
Pearce, Michael	<i>Mamur Zapt and the Return of the Carpet</i>	\$14.95	(Poisoned Pen)
The Mamur Zapt, head of the CID in Cairo, focuses on political crimes & matters with lots of memorable characters.			
Pearce, Michael	<i>Night of the Dog</i>	\$14.95	(Poisoned Pen)
The Mamur Zapt investigates sinister events aimed at destabilizing the country such as a discovery made in a Coptic tomb.			
Penzler, Otto & Crais, Robert	<i>The Best American Mystery Stories of 2012</i>	\$14.95	(MRNB)
A collection of the best mystery writing published in 2011 culled from a variety of sources.			
Rankin, Ian	<i>The Impossible Dead</i>	\$14.99	(Back Bay Books)
1 TPB.			
Rawls, Randy	<i>Hot Rocks</i>	\$14.99	(Midnight ink)
When PI Beth Bowman wakes up in a Florida hotelroom, she is amazed to find herself wanted for murder.			
Rylen, Joan	<i>Getaway Girls</i>	\$14.99	(5 th Corner)
When Vivian is suspected in the death of a Canadian soap star, she and her friends set out on a journey to prove her innocence.			
Scott, A.D.	<i>Beneath the Abbey Wall</i>	\$15.00	(Atria)
Late 1950's: When the office manager of the Highland Gazette is murdered, reporter Joanne Ross searches for the killer.			
Stanford, Agata	<i>A Moveable Feast of Murder</i>	\$19.95	(Jenevacris Press)
Dorothy Parker is crossing the Atlantic in 1928 with Hemingway & Robert Benchley – but someone is trying to kill Benchley.			
Todd, Charles	<i>The Walnut Tree: A Holiday Tale</i>	\$16.99	(Morrow)
Ok, it's not a mystery, but it is by Charles Todd...			
This is a bittersweet love story set at Christmas during the dangerous opening days of World War I.			
Washburn, Livia J.	<i>Wedding Cake Killer</i>	\$14.00	(Obsidian)
Right after the wedding of Phyllis' best friend, Eve, the groom is found dead and Eve is the main suspect.			
Winslow, Don	<i>The Gentlemen's Hour</i>	\$15.00	(Simon & Schuster)
PI Boone Daniels agrees to help the defense when a young man is accused of murdering a beloved surfer and local legend.			

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- ALBERT, SUSAN WITTIG – THE TALE OF CASTLE COTTAGE** 7.99 1PB (BERKLEY)
BEASON, PAMELA – BEAR BAIT 7.99 PBO (BERKLEY)
 Member Westin is a park service biologist who discovers the body of a park trail crew member in the ashes after an explosion.
BOURBON, MELISSA – DEADLY PATTERNS 7.99 PBO (OBSIDIAN)
 Harlow is planning a holiday fashion show for the Bliss, Texas Winter Wonderland festival but gets sidetracked by a murder.
BROWN, DUFFY – ICED CHIFFON 7.99 PBO (BERKLEY) NEW SERIES
 Consignment shop owner Reagan Summerside investigates when the body of her ex-husband's new girlfriend is found dead.
BROWN, RITA MAE – MURDER UNLEASHED 7.99 1PB (BALLANTINE)
CARL, JOANNA – THE CHOCOLATE CASTLE CLUE 7.99 1PB (OBSIDIAN)
CHILDS, LAURA – SKELETON LETTERS 7.99 1PB (BERKLEY)
HAMILTON, BARBARA – A MARKED MAN 7.99 1PB (BERKLEY)
HILTON, MATT – SLEEPWALKER 9.99 1PB (HARPER) PREMIUM PAPERBACK
HOLT, HAZEL – MRS. MALORY AND A NECESSARY END 7.99 PBO (OBSIDIAN)
 Sheila Malory is filling in at a charity shop when the horrible man who was her supervisor is murdered & she hunts for a killer.
HYATT, ELISE – A FATAL STAIN 7.99 PBO (BERKLEY)
 Furniture refinisher Dyce Dare finds a stain that looks like blood on a table she is sanding & is drawn into a missing person case.
KELLERMAN, JONATHAN – VICTIMS 9.99 1PB (BALLENTINE) PREMIUM PAPERBACK
LAUKKANEN, OWNE – THE PROFESSIONALS 9.99 1PB (BERKLEY) PREMIUM PAPERBACK
MAYES, CASEY – A GRID FOR MURDER 7.99 PBO (BERKLEY)
 Puzzle maker Savannah Stone and her ex-police chief husband, Zach, investigate when a novice puzzle maker is killed.
MULLER, MARCIA – CITY OF WHISPERS 7.99 1PB (HACHETTE) PREMIUM PAPERBACK
PARKER, ROBERT B. – KILLING THE BLUES 9.99 1PB (BERKLEY) PREMIUM PAPERBACK
PRESTON, DOUG & CHILD, LINCOLN – GIDEON'S CORPSE 9.99 1PB (HACHETTE) PREMIUM PAPERBACK
SANDFORD, JOHN – SHOCK WAVE 9.99 1PB (BERKLEY) PREMIUM PAPERBACK
SHELTON, PAIGE – IF MASHED POTATOES COULD DANCE 7.99 PBO (BERKLEY)
 Betts & Gram help the ax-wielding ghost of Sally Swarthmore, a famous killer, prove Sally's innocence & wind up with a current murder.
STAUB, WENDY CORSI – SLEEPWALKER 7.99 PBO (HARPER)
 In the 2nd installment of this series it is ten years later and Allison finds herself once again the target of a desperate killer.
WOODS, STUART – DC DEAD 9.99 1PB (SIGNET) PREMIUM PAPERBACK

NOVEMBER

- ADAMS, ELLERY – WRITTEN IN STONE** 7.99 PBO (BERKLEY)
 An old woman predicts her own death, and leaves behind a jug of keepsakes that Olivia Limoges is sure will point to her killer.
BRADY, JACKLYN – ARSENIC AND OLD CAKE 7.99 PBO (BERKLEY)
 An old musician hires Rita to find out the truth when a man who is claiming to be his brother may also be a murderer.
BRANDON, ALI – A NOVEL WAY TO DIE 7.99 PBO (BERKLEY) NEW SERIES
 Darla Pettistone inherits her aunt's bookstore &, of course, the cat – who Darla now finds may be a witness to murder.
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