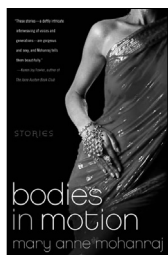


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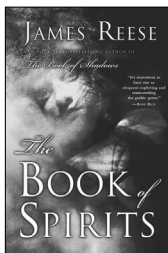
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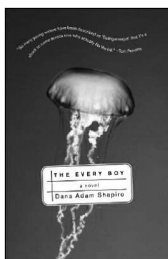
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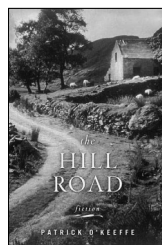
**BODIES IN MOTION: Stories**, by **Mary Anne Mohanraj** (HarperCollins, \$22.95, 0060781181) "The linked stories in *Bodies in Motion* flow through generations and continents, from Sri Lanka to America and back again, and every character Mohanraj depicts could easily command rapt attention through an entire novel. Mohanraj has crafted a poignant, luminous, and sensual family chronicle."—**Rachel Otto, The King's English, Salt Lake City, UT**



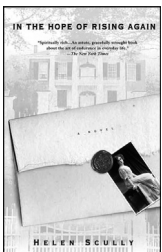
**THE BOOK OF SPIRITS**, by **James Reese** (Morrow, \$24.95, 006056105X) "This is an unusually vivid ghost story more reminiscent of Henry James and Edgar Allen Poe (who is one of the peripheral characters) than contemporary ghost stories. The ghosts and witches are capricious and devious, while the main storyteller, a hermaphrodite witch, who doesn't know whether to be male or female, tells the tales."—**Judy Mathys, Family Book Shop, Deland, FL**



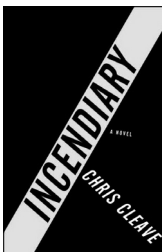
**THE EVERY BOY**, by **Dana Adam Shapiro** (Houghton, \$19.95, 0618478000) "I devoured this debut novel in a day, unable to put aside the story of 15-year-old Henry Every, revealed in his secret ledger of darkly comic confessions. The book manages to be a mystery, love story, and coming-of-age novel, without a mawkish moment."—**Leslie Reiner, Inkwood Books, Tampa, FL**



**THE HILL ROAD**, by **Patrick O'Keefe** (Viking, \$23.95, 0670033987) "*The Hill Road*, Patrick O'Keefe's depiction of rural Ireland invites comparison with Faulkner's American South. These linked novellas are written in a sad, wry voice, which haunts with its ability to endure."—**Aaron Rosenberg, Nicola's Books, Ann Arbor, MI**



**IN THE HOPE OF RISING AGAIN**, by **Helen Scully** (Riverhead, \$14 paper, 1594481032) "The South has never been so true to life as in this family drama filled with missed opportunities, unspoken secrets, and more. The effect of a family's religious beliefs shape their lives in the genteel streets of Mobile, Alabama."—**Valerie Koehler, Blue Willow Bookshop, Houston, TX**



**INCENDIARY**, by **Chris Cleave** (Knopf, \$22.95, 0307262820) "A working-class woman writes a letter to Osama bin Laden after her husband and four-year-old son are killed as a result of a terrorist bombing at a London football stadium. Her letter painfully describes one woman's, as well as all of London's, behavior after this hideous catastrophe.

Although there are passages that are painful to read, this haunting novel is a must for anyone with a social conscience."—**Nancy Randall, The Book Stall at Chestnut Court, Winnetka, IL**

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**IT'S ALL RIGHT NOW**, by **Charles Chadwick** (HarperCollins, \$25.95, 0060742860) "The voice of Chadwick's central character, Tom Ripple, is excruciatingly honest. *It's All Right Now* is one of the best novels I've read in a very, very long time."—**Kimberly Fox, Schuler Books Alpine, Walker, MI**



**LOVE @ FIRST SITE**, by **Jane Moore** (Broadway, \$19.95, 0767916905) "This story of what happens when Jessica Monroe's friends secretly place a personal ad on a hot singles website should have you laughing at your own dating disasters while hoping that things for her turn out as well as they did for you (or a lot better)."—**Tara O'Donnell, Paperbacks Plus, Bronx, NY**

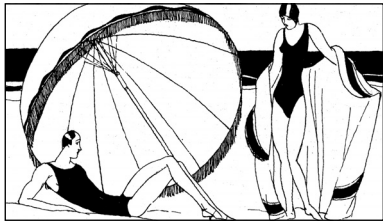


**MAGIC STREET**, by **Orson Scott Card** (Del Rey, \$24.95, 0345416899) "At a point when many are marking time rehashing old characters and embroidering old stories, Orson Scott Card is branching out and exploring new ground. *Magic Street* is a high-spirited, fast-paced wonderland that makes us look twice at the suburban sprawl that surrounds us and wonder."—**Rich Rennicks, Malaprop's Bookstore/Cafe, Asheville, NC**



**TART**, by **Jody Gehrman** (Red Dress Ink, \$12.95 paper, 0373895267) "Here is a suggestion for a summer read: *Tart* by Jody Gehrman. Filled with wry humor and warmth, this is great for a sunny day at the beach."—**Terry Lucas, The Open Book, Westhampton Beach, NY**

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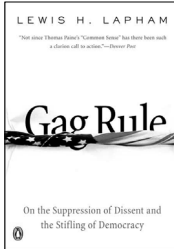


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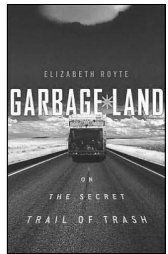
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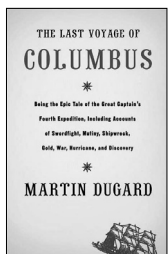
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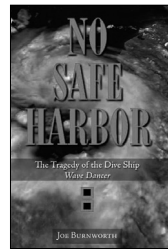
**GAG RULE: *On the Suppression of Dissent and the Stifling of Democracy*, by Lewis Lapham** (Penguin, \$13 paper, 0143035029) "In *Gag Rule*, Lewis Lapham uses impeccable logic and common sense to get to the bottom of such issues as the Patriot Act, media bias, and education reform. I never tire of reading Lapham, and I always put his work down with a clearer view of the world."—**Jess Morrison, Brookline Booksmith, Brookline, MA**



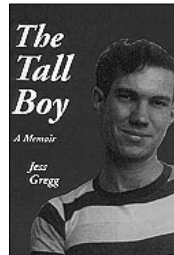
**GARBAGE LAND: *On the Secret Trail of Trash*, by Elizabeth Royte** (Little, Brown, \$24.95, 0316738263) "Ever wonder what happens to everything you toss out? Elizabeth Royte did, and she actually went through all of her trash and recycling for a year, and attempted to follow it to its final resting place, whether a landfill in Pennsylvania, a waste incinerator in New Jersey, or a sewage treatment plant. This is a very important and eminently readable book."—**Mitch Gaslin, Food For Thought Books, Amherst, MA**



**THE LAST VOYAGE OF COLUMBUS: *Being the Epic Tale of the Great Captain's Fourth Expedition, Including Accounts of Swordfight, Mutiny, Shipwreck, Gold, War, Hurricane, and Discovery*, by Martin Dugard** (Little, Brown, \$24.95, 0316828831) "The fourth voyage of Columbus, usually a footnote in history, is a riveting tale of adventure, courage, and bravado. I couldn't put down this fascinating historical account."—**Margaret Ogle, Allegory Books and Music, Gleneden Beach, OR**

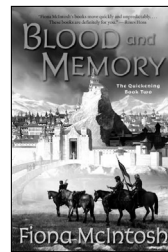


**NO SAFE HARBOR: *The Tragedy Of The Dive Ship Wave Dancer*, by Joe Burnworth** (Emmis, \$19.99, 157860219X) "This is the astounding story of a live-aboard dive yacht, a stubborn captain, and the tragic loss of lives of those caught in the path of Hurricane Iris. It is a mesmerizing tale told by a survivor of this tragedy."—**Susan Danner, Danner's Books, Muncie, IN**



**THE TALL BOY, by Jess Gregg** (Permanent Press, \$18 paper, 1579621198) "This heartfelt memoir opens when Jess Gregg is arrested on Hollywood Boulevard for 'being gay,' an event that has lasting effects on his life. His long career in the theater brings him into contact with famous and not-so-famous people, and I laughed at his witty tales and cried at the injustices of those times. This is an excellent book, full of truth and compassion."—**Andra Tracy, Out Word Bound, Indianapolis, IN**

## Science Fiction/ Fantasy



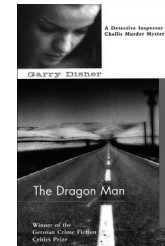
**BLOOD AND MEMORY: *The Quickenin' Book Two*, by Fiona McIntosh** (Eos, \$14.95 paper, 0060747587) "Fiona McIntosh's first book, *Myrrin's Gift*, was engrossing, and *Blood and Memory* takes that great start and kicks it into overdrive. Fantasy fans looking for a great series will love McIntosh's novels."—**Jonathan Asay, Chapter 11, Norcross, GA**

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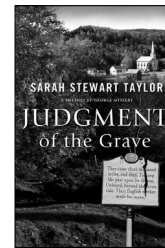


**THE HIDDEN FAMILY: *Book Two of the Merchant Princes*, by Charles Stross** (Tor, \$24.95, 0765313472) "Charles Stross has turned the world of fantasy on its ear, and I love him for it. In his feudal fantasy world, the knights carry submachine guns and the palace messengers run kilos of coke through their world, and back to ours. Fantasy fans and science fiction readers alike will enjoy this cleverly inventive, sometimes cynical, reinvention of the alternate-world fantasy."—**Eric Schultheis, Cody's Books, Berkeley, CA**

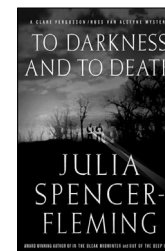
## Mystery/ Suspense



**THE DRAGON MAN, by Garry Disher** (Soho, \$12 paper, 1569473951) "Garry Disher has created an excellent police procedural series, featuring Australian Detective Inspector Hal Challis."—**Karen Spengler, I Love A Mystery, Mission, KS**



**JUDGMENT OF THE GRAVE, by Sarah Stewart Taylor** (St. Martin's Minotaur, \$24.95, 0312337396) "This latest installment in the Sweeney St. George mystery series gives us yet another reason to sing the praises of Sarah Stewart Taylor. Here, she gives Sweeney the opportunity to develop a touching friendship with a terminally ill child, a chance to continue a relationship with a Cambridge policeman, and reasons to learn quite a bit about early American history, all as she attempts to solve a series of murders."—**Lisa Christie, Norwich Bookstore, Norwich, VT**



**TO DARKNESS AND TO DEATH: *A Clare Fergusson/Russ Van Alstyne Mystery*, by Julia Spencer-Fleming** (St. Martin's Minotaur, \$23.95, 0312334850) "Julia Spencer-Fleming's series set in an upstate New York town, featuring Chief of Police Russ Van Alstyne and the Reverend Clare Fergusson, just keeps getting better and better."—**Tammy R. Lynn, The Book Basket, Wetumpka, AL**