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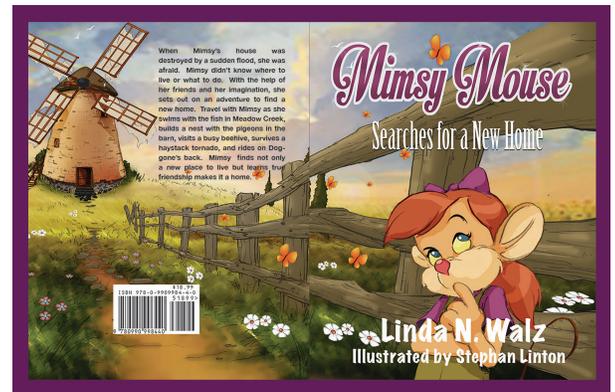
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Our Newest Release

Mimsy Mouse Searches for a New Home By Linda N. Walz

Book Synopsis:

When a sudden flood from Farmer Brown's water trough destroyed Mimsy's house, she was afraid. Mimsy didn't know where to live or what to do. With the help of her animal friends and a little imagination, she sets off on an adventure to find a new home. Travel with Mimsy as she swims with the fish in Meadow Creek, builds a nest with the pigeons in the barn, visits a busy beehive, survives a haystack tornado, and rides on Doggone's back around the farm. Mimsy discovers not only a new place to live, but learns true friendships makes it a home.



Target Audience: Preschool – 2nd Grade
40 Beautifully Illustrated Pages

ISBN 978-0-9909984-4-0 Hardback, \$18.99
ISBN 978-0-9909984-5-7 Paperback, \$9.99
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Never Too Old To Begin...

5 Famous Authors Who Began Writing Later in Life.

There is no age for authors to begin a career as Linda N. Walz proved when she joined an elite list of older first time authors with her new release of Mimsy Mouse this year. Here are five other famous late bloomers of the literary world. Each author not only won numerous awards, but their works are known worldwide.

1. Alex Haley, age 44, *The Autobiography of Malcom X*. He wrote *Roots* eleven years later.
2. Laura Ingles Wilder, age 65, *Little House on the Prairie Series*.
3. Frank McCourt, age 66, released *Angela's Ashes*.
4. Bram Stoker, age 50, *Dracula*.
5. Harriet Doerr, age 74, *Stones for Ibarra*.

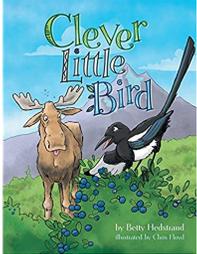


“Home of the Alaska Bookworm”

Alaskan Authors

(Books listed below may not be published by Relevant Publishers LLC but are Alaskan authors)

Children & Youth Books



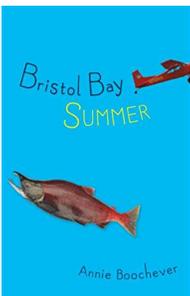
Title: *Clever Little Bird*
By: Betty Hedstrand
ISBN: 978-09977377-0-7
Price: \$17.99

Synopsis: *Clever Little Bird* is a beautifully illustrated children's picture book that will appeal to adults and children, but especially to ages 3 to 8 years old. The story begins at Kincaid Park in Anchorage, Alaska where Auggie, a bored bull moose lives. He meets a noisy magpie named Maggie who offers to eat his pesky mosquitos and the two become friends. Maggie learns that Auggie feels lonely and thinks he looks weird. He misses his brother who ventured off to the Chugach Mountains. Maggie suggests a visit and her clever behavior convinces Auggie to invite her to be his "eyes above." As lookout, Maggie leads him along city trails and finds ways to solve problems they encounter. Through their friendship Auggie discovers that Maggie is not the annoying birdbrain that her reputation suggests, but that she is actually quite clever. By the end of the story Auggie learns a valuable lesson about friendship. Maggie proves she is not a birdbrain!



Title: *Secondhand Summer*
By: Dan Walker
ISBN: 978-1-9433284-2-0
Price: \$12.99

Synopsis: *Secondhand Summer* begins in Ninilchik, a tiny Alaskan community where the Barger family fishes for salmon. The father's death forces a move from their homestead to an apartment in a poor section of Anchorage. Written in the first person and based on the author's own experiences, the tale is about Sam, a fourteen-year-old boy who loved the homestead fishing life he left behind. Like most kids his age, his physical abilities and his imagination exceed his judgment and knowledge. The story focuses on the boy's adventuresome adjustments to the big city, the loss of his father, and becoming a teenager. Sam's new friends lead him on forays into vandalism, petty theft, and trespassing. An abandoned nightclub, which Sam and his friends take over as their "fort," absorbs Sam's attention and energy as an escape from an adult controlled world, but his time runs out when the teenagers take over. By the end of the summer, Sam loses his club, one of his new friends, and his idealism, leaving him feeling forever changed as he enters seventh grade, both wilder and wiser.



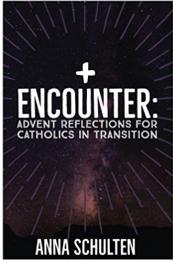
Title: *Bristol Bay Summer*
By: Annie Boochever
ISBN: 978-0-8824099-4-8
Price: \$12.99

Synopsis: Against the backdrop of the great Bristol Bay salmon fishery, thirteen-year-old Zoey Morley struggles with her parents' divorce, her mom's bush-pilot boyfriend, and the pangs of growing up during her summer in the "real" Alaska. Author Annie Boochever tells a compelling tale of a divided family living a remote lifestyle where getting along as a team is a matter of survival. Zoey learns to trust the artist inside her and finds she and her new friend, Thomas, have something in common. Readers will live the lessons learned and taught by this young girl who finds that hard work, compassion, and the ability to see things in her own special way lead her toward happiness in a place that at first seems just too far away.

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Religion and Faith



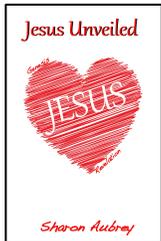
Title: Encounter: Advent Reflections for Catholics in Transition

By: Anna Schulten

ISBN: 978-1-9781504-9-2

Price: \$9.95

Synopsis: Everyone goes through transitions. Finding God amidst change is what makes life beautiful. Experience stories of hope, faith, joy, and peace as you prepare for Christ's coming. Journey from small-town Indiana to the beauty of the Alaskan wilderness, from adventures in Catholic Youth Ministry to life as the wife of a U.S. Army Infantryman. Each story tells the same truth: God is with us. This Advent season, encounter Jesus through this faith journal. Browse daily and weekly content, reflection questions, guided scripture meditations, and bonus material at your own pace. Spend a few minutes each day preparing your heart and opening your mind to the relationship Christ desires with us. God is speaking to you this Advent. How will you respond?



Title: Jesus Unveiled

By: Sharon Aubrey

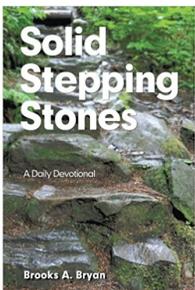
ISBN: 978-0-9909984-0-2

Price: \$21.99

Synopsis: Christian nonfiction exploring the biblical details of God's prophetic calendar, Passover, Easter, the Mosaic Law vs. the Covenant of Grace, events surrounding the Crucifixion, the Veil was violently ripped apart by God to allow everyone access into the Holy of Holies through the Resurrection of Jesus. As Jesus exhaled His last breath, the Temple gave up Christ's blood. After three days in a cold, dark grave, Jesus resurrected triumphantly over death. Most Christians are aware of the basics, but did you know all of these events were meticulously detailed in O.T. analogies, including the exact dates of Jesus' death and resurrection? Jesus Unveiled reveals

- Why creation's calendar predicted Adam's fall and had to be reset before Christ's incarnation
- What Noah's Ark landing on Mt. Ararat has to do with the resurrection
- How Judas's betrayal was foreshadowed in the Book of Esther to the exact day
- Why Pharaoh's army drowned at sunrise
- How the first and last Passover breads reveal the covenants of Law and Grace, and much more...

Like a beautiful Monet, appreciate the finer portrait of Jesus by drawing nearer to explore the tiny brushstrokes of our Father's love painted over centuries that finally reveal Jesus Unveiled.



Title: Solid Stepping Stones

By: Brooks A. Bryan

ISBN: 978-1-5462070-3-0

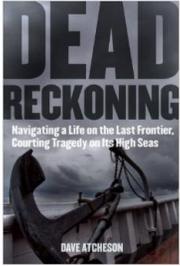
Price: \$28.99

Synopsis: This book is intended as a spiritual growth tool and should be used in conjunction with time in the Word, regular fellowship with other believers, and council with spiritual mentors. We Christians are all on our way toward becoming like Jesus. This means that each day our Heavenly Father carves a little more of his Son's image into our character. I pray this book will be a tool the Holy Spirit can use to guide you through each day's challenges. The scriptures in these meditations are verses that contain imperative mode verbs in the Greek New Testament epistles and letters. An imperative mode verb is a strong indicator of an author's purpose in a passage, so I give them special attention when I study the Word. Each passage has been chosen for its poignant application to our individual daily lives. The translation is my own and has been translated in a style that I hope will emphasize certain nuances of the Greek language pertinent to each day's meditation. It is not intended to be a new translation but rather a means to emphasize selected thoughts.

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Non-Fiction



Title: Dead Reckoning: Navigating a Life on the Last Frontier Courting Tragedy on Its High Seas

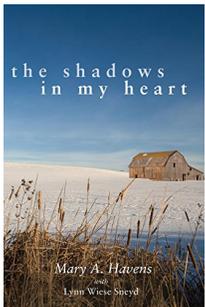
By: Dave Atcheson

ISBN: 978-1-5107207-3-2

Price: \$17.99

Synopsis: This is the true story of a journey to a seaside town and the always unpredictable torrent of dark escapades that accompany a life at sea. It's a story of a world peopled by those who often live on the frayed edges of society, who shun the world in which most people thrive. It's a story in which college students and "fish hippies" work in canneries alongside survivalists, rednecks, religious freaks, and deckhands with damning secrets in dangerous waters, driven by the need to feed an insatiable appetite for adventure. This is the heart of the world Atcheson found himself in at the age of eighteen. Having never even seen the ocean, he took his first job on the fishing boat *Lancer* with Darwin Wood, a man so confounding, so complex, and so frightening that it's hard to believe Atcheson walked away from that job unscathed. Forced to buddy up with a murderer in order to cope, Atcheson began to question his deeply ingrained ideas of success and status. The resulting conflict would finally resolve itself fifteen years later, in the least likely of places: on the Bering Sea, aboard a boat in peril, during a night of terror that would reshape the lives of everyone involved.

Reminiscent of *The Perfect Storm* and *Into the Wild*, *Dead Reckoning* is not only an intimate look at life at sea but also an insider's view into one of Alaska's small communities and the myriad of upstarts, dropouts, and rogues that color its landscape.



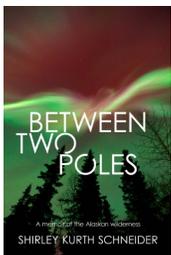
Title: The Shadows in My Heart

By: Mary A. Havens

ISBN: 978-0-6929475-4-8

Price: \$ 17.95

Synopsis: Big families cultivate chaos. Mary Havens knows this all too well. One of twelve children, she grew up on a picturesque Wisconsin dairy farm. Holidays, graduations, marriages, and newborns filled the farmhouse with the light of laughter and hugs. But for Mary, the unspoken eclipsed that light. Unresolved grief, abuse, religious dogma, and secrets left her in the shadows, lost and alone. Her profound story is one of determination, survival, and the ability to rise above the fray. It is a story that will be too familiar to some and unfamiliar to others, but will pull at the heartstrings of everyone.



Title: Between Two Poles

By: Shirley Kurth Schneider

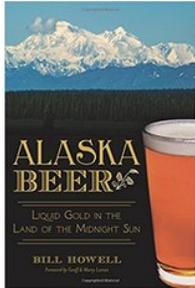
ISBN: 978-0991391103

Price: \$ 15.00

Synopsis: A Memoir of the Alaskan Wilderness... It was the 1960s. Johnny Horton's "North to Alaska" had made the hit parade and John Wayne was thrilling theatergoers in a movie of the same title when Shirley committed herself to a life of unusual circumstance near Fairbanks, Alaska as the wife of a frontierholic. Despite a preference for a comfortable suburban lifestyle, she found herself living in a 25-foot by 25-foot log enclosure, caring for an adopted son. Their antiquated way of life became more than simply inconvenient when she delivered three little girls by cesarean within a twelve-month period. Although the situation was untenable, she carved out a life for herself within the confines of their log home. Over time, she rediscovered her independent spirit, eventually coming to terms with the love triangle that defined her, caught between a stubborn Pollack and the unyielding landscape they called home.

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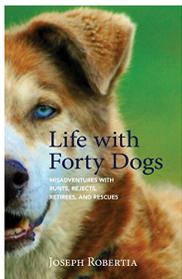
Title: *Alaska Beer: Liquid Gold in the Land of the Midnight Sun*

By: Bill Howell

ISBN: 978-1-6261944-9-6

Price: \$21.99

Synopsis: Alaska's fermented legacy retains the fiercely independent spirit that propelled the state's beer drinkers through the gold rush and sustained them through Prohibition. Today, craft brewers produce outstanding suds in some of the harshest and most remote locations on the planet. And while the beer scene in Alaska has roots that trace back to days when spirits had to have "medicinal, mechanical, and scientific purposes," the contemporary crop of breweries can thank industry pioneers like the Alaskan Brewing Company for staying on the cutting edge of beer-making technology. Join beer columnist and historian Bill Howell on an exploration through this hop-filled history of the Last Frontier.



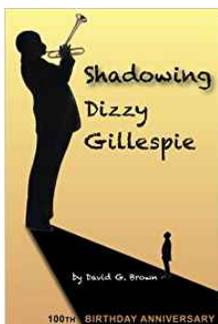
Title: *Life with Forty Dogs*

By: Joseph Robertia

ISBN: 978-1-943328-91-8

Price: \$16.99

Synopsis: This book is an invitation to understand the essence of life with forty dogs in its entirety, and through that comprehension to truly appreciate what Joseph Robertia sees every day, and never takes for granted how special it is. His heartfelt goal is to share in words and photos the intrinsic nature and indispensable quality that determines each dog and defines their unique character and personality. Not everyone can sacrifice their spare time, salaries, and sanity to get to know so many characters—from the well-mannered to the wily—but *Life with Forty Dogs* will reveal the endless adventures and misadventures that come to those, like Robertia and his family, who have made a life-changing canine commitment.



Title: *Shadowing Dizzy Gillespie*

By: David G. Brown

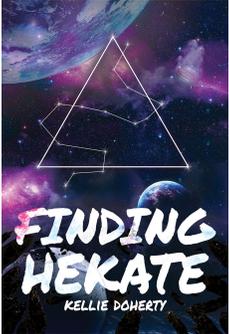
ISBN: 978-0985442934

Price: \$15.00

Synopsis: In celebration of Dizzy Gillespie's 100th birthday, author David G. Brown (*Deacon's Crossbow*) shares his intimate experiences and memoirs of this humanitarian, innovator, and magical musician. After a chance meeting in Georgetown, 1985, Brown had the opportunity to spend countless hours with Dizzy at performances, testimonials, all-night card-playing sessions, hotels, restaurants, and street corners. Mr. Brown said, "Without question, the most remarkable man I have ever met. We shared tears and gut-busting laughs that are etched in my mind forever. God bless John Birks 'Dizzy' Gillespie, who, by the way, wasn't dizzy at all."



Adult Fiction



Title: Finding Hekate
By: Kellie Doherty
ISBN: 978-1-9429760-6-6
Price: \$13.50

Synopsis: Mia Foley is running away from the attack that changed her life. She's captain of a new spaceship when the Acedians find her and try blasting her peaceful crew from the black. She must sever her bonds in order to run, again. But she's grown fond of this crew, particularly Cassidy Gates. Staying with them will jeopardize their safety, and they have much closer fears than the Acedian hunters. Mia's time is running out. She's becoming one of them.



Title: Losing Hold
By: Kellie Doherty
ISBN: 978-1942976363
Price: \$16.50

Synopsis: In the sequel to *Finding Hekate*, after escaping Donavin's grasp, Mia Foley and her crew crash on a prison planet and need to deal with its inhabitants, beast and criminals alike. Mia hears Donavin in her mind once again and knows the transformation into one of his drones isn't far off. Trapped in her own body, lashing against Donavin each chance she gets, and fearful that she'll lose it all, Mia has to rely on her crew - on Cassidy - to save her. But she's not the only one transforming in her little group, and things never go as smoothly as they could out in the black.