

# ATHENÆUM BOOKSHELF

August 2010  
(Books purchased for July 2010)

## FEATURED SELECTIONS

### HELLUVA TOWN

World War II turned glitzy Manhattan into an important Navy Yard. New York City was as robust as always when her streets played host to three million servicemen, Broadway productions promoting wartime optimism, European artists escaping the atrocities abroad, and Mafia men enlisted by the Navy as additional watchdogs of the ports. 321 p., ill.

**RICHARD GOLDSTEIN**

### THE LOST CYCLIST

Pittsburgh's Frank Lenz set out on a round-the-world bicycle trip in 1887, disappearing in Turkey. William Sachtleben peddles the same route, illuminating the dangers and glories of the trip and eventually discovering Lenz's fate. 326 p., ill.

**DAVID V. HERLIHY**

## ART, ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN

### LEO AND HIS CIRCLE

Leo Castelli transformed the business side of the art world when he opened his New York gallery shortly after WWII. The author examines his Jewish-Italian roots, and his famous medley of business partners and friends, from Lichtenstein, to Warhol, to Shafrazi. 540 p., ill.

**ANNIE COHEN-SOLAL**

### LOCKWOOD DEFOREST

The New York decorative artist of the Gilded Age whose work was richly intertwined with Indian craftwork. 238 p., ill.

**ROBERTA A. MAYER**

### LOUIS I. KAHN'S JEWISH ARCHITECTURE

The architectural transformation of American synagogues between the 1950s and 1970s. Khan's unrealized plans for Philadelphia's Sephardic Orthodox congregation Mikveh Israel were the highlight of innovation. 215 p., ill.

**SUSAN G. SOLOMON**

### PEABODY & STEARNS

A display of 80 of the Boston architectural firm's public and private masterpieces. 247 p., ill.

**ANNIE ROBINSON**

## BIOGRAPHY

### THE SECRET LIVES OF SOMERSET MAUGHAM

The biography of the popular 20th century writer whose works were influenced by the many roles he played in life: society man, Broadway playwright, secret intelligence officer, and many more. 626 p., ill.

**SELINA HASTINGS**

### A TICKET TO THE CIRCUS

As Norman Mailer's fifth wife, the length of their marriage was unpredictable. Her memoir chronicles their thirty year relationship which lasted until his death in 2007. 414 p., ill.

**NORRIS CHURCH MAILER+**

## TRAVEL

### EYEWITNESS TRAVEL: SEVILLE AND ANDALUSIA

288 p., ill.

## BUSINESS

### THE GREATEST TRADE EVER

GREGORY ZUCKERMAN♦

The true story of John Paulson's investment against the real estate market that paid off in more than 15 billion dollars. Through keen intelligence and the bravery to oppose Wall Street, Paulson ended up with "the greatest trade in financial history".

295 p.

## HISTORY & POLITICS

### ELSIE AND MAIRI GO TO WAR

DIANE ATKINSON

As the only women to serve on WWI's western front, Elsie Knocker and Mairi Chisholm were celebrities. Atkinson retraces their footprints on the field and as they acclimated back into British society after the war.

280 p., ill.

### THE GREAT SILENCE

JULIET NICOLSON

Daily life in Britain during the two years immediately following Armistice, as the country seeks hope and prosperity after years of despair.

302 p., ill.

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### HITLER'S HOLY RELICS

SIDNEY D. KIRKPATRICK

The never-before-told story of Lieutenant Walter Horn, an art history professor at U.C. Berkeley, who was summoned by General Eisenhower to recover the Crown Jewels of the Holy Roman Empire that were plundered by Hitler.

316 p., ill.

### HOPES AND PROSPECTS

NOAM CHOMSKY

Chomsky highlights the positive movements and potential dangers of current world affairs.

327 p.

### THE LOST CYCLIST

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### MRS. ADAMS IN WINTER

MICHAEL O'BRIEN

A chronicle of Mrs. John Quincy Adams' 1815 snowy carriage ride from Russia to France to meet her husband, the future president at the tumultuous time of Napoleon's return from Elba.

364 p., ill.

### PARISIANS

GRAHAM ROBB

The author of recent bestseller *The Discovery of France* turns his deft hand to Paris. The collection of narratives of the city's famous and forgotten individuals will give a robust view of Parisian life throughout history.

475 p., ill.

**PRICELESS**

**ROBERT K. WITTMAN WITH JOHN SHIFFMAN**

As founder of the FBI's Art Crime Team, Wittman was dubbed "the most famous art detective in the world". With the assistance of *Inquirer* writer Shiffman, he shares tales of his priceless recoveries all over the world.

324 p., ill.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**LIFE IN YEAR ONE**

**SCOTT KORB**

First-century Palestine through a sociological lens. Prepare to abandon your notions of daily life, politics, death and taxes during the advent of Christianity.

241 p.

**FICTION**

**AS HUSBANDS GO**

**SUSAN ISAACS+**

When a Manhattan plastic surgeon's body is found in a hooker's apartment, his wife enlists her zany grandmother to help her fill in the gaps that the investigators overlooked.

352 p.

**BEAUTIFUL MARIA OF MY SOUL**

**OSCAR HIJUELOS**

The follow-up to the Pulitzer Prize winner *The Mambo Kings Play Songs of Love* tells Nestor Castillo's heartbreaking romance from the vantage of the infamous Maria.

340 p.

**BLOOD HARVEST**

**S.J. BOLTON**

Here is another modern gothic thriller by the author of *Awakening*. When a young family moves to a small English village, the peaceful paradise they were expecting turns out to be unwelcoming and dangerously mysterious.

424 p.

**THE BOOK OF SPIES**

**GAYLE LYNDS**

Rare books curator Eva Blake is enlisted by the CIA after a tome from Ivan the Terrible's Library of Gold appears. Despite a death threat, she races across the globe to find the lost library, and the powerful secret club of terrorists adamant on keeping it hidden.

390 p.

**THE BRADSHAW VARIATIONS**

**RACHEL CUSK**

Enter a year in the life of Tonie and Thomas Bradshaw. Intellectual Tonie is the breadwinner while Thomas is a stay-at-home father to their 8 year old daughter. The critiques of their extended families bring confrontation of how the life we build echoes our childhoods.

234 p.

**CONSPIRATA**

**ROBERT HARRIS**

From the vantage point of Cicero's private secretary comes the second of the Roman trilogy that illuminates the political unrest and danger of ancient Rome.

340 p., ill.

**ELYSIANA**

**CHRIS KNOPF**

The author of the popular Sam Acquilla Hamptons mystery series departs from the usual episodes and pens a novel full of wily characters along a New Jersey barrier island.

304 p.

**ICE COLD**

**TESS GERRITSEN+**

Boston detective Jane Rizzoli investigates the death of a friend in the eerie Wyoming mountain town, Kingdom Come.

322 p.

**IN THE NAME OF HONOR****RICHARD NORTH PATTERSON**

From Vietnam to current Middle East, the McCarran and Gallagher families have been intertwined on the front lines and on home turf. An affair, a murder, and a high-profile court battle will test the strength of their bonds. 401 p.

**THE INHERITANCE****SIMON TOLKIEN+**

When an Oxford man is fingered for his father's murder, a retired police inspector travels to a quaint French village seeking a WWII artifact that may be key to solving the case. 325 p.

**INSIDE OUT****BARRY EISLER+**

A stray CIA agent blackmails the government with stolen torture tapes, putting Blackwater, the CIA, and everyone in the White House's shadow scrambling to find him. Our protagonist seems to be the only innocent detective in the malicious bunch. 345 p.

**INTELLIGENCE****SUSAN HASLER+**

Hasler puts her twenty-plus years of CIA experience to good use in this brazen take of the war on terror. She presents a novel about terrorism, an election year, and what gets swept under the rug. 310 p.

**THE LOST BOOKS OF THE ODYSSEY****ZACHARY MASON**

The events of Homer's classic tome are re-imagined with witty and hypnotic prose. 228 p.

**NEVER BREATH A WORD****CAROLINE BLACKWOOD**

A collection of fiction and autobiographical stories by the artfully haunting Caroline Blackwood. Includes three previously unpublished pieces. 366 p.

**PRIVATE****JAMES PATTERSON & MAXINE PAETRO+**

Jack Morgan, a renowned investigator, drops his high-profile cases to solve the murder of his former lover. This is an intricate novel of revenge, and intelligence as Morgan investigates this deeply personal crime. 385 p.

**THE SCENT OF RAIN AND LIGHTNING****NANCY PICKARD+**

Judy and Collin have avoided eye-contact for twenty years - no small task in their tiny Kansas town. Collin is a lawyer who has spent much of his career trying to acquit his father from charges of murdering Jody's parents. As layers of pain peel back, they realize the similarities of their experiences. 319 p.

**SHADOW PRINCESS****INDU SUNDARESAN**

The sequel to *The Twentieth Wife* returns to 17th century India to find the emperor's daughters pitting against each other to be heir to the throne. 332 p.

**SPIES OF THE BALKANS****ALAN FURST+**

Costa Zannis, a senior police official in Northern Greece deals with spies arriving daily from around the world as a Nazi invasion becomes inevitable. 268 p.

**WALKS WITH MEN****ANN BEATTIE**

Two writers shack up together in a Chelsea brownstone in 1980. Here begins the education of a fresh Harvard graduate whose lover is 20 years her senior. 102 p.

## DETECTIVES

### THE AMATEUR HISTORIAN

**JULIAN COLE+**

Two brothers, one a private eye and the other a chief inspector, feel the friction of sibling rivalry as they become engrossed in a 100-year-old murder mystery.

262 p.

### THE CITY OF LOST GIRLS

**DECLAN HUGHES**

In the fifth Ed Loy mystery, the Dublin investigator goes to L.A. to look into a series of murders that have all taken place where his film-director friend shot his movies.

304 p.

### A CURTAIN FALLS

**STEFANIE PINTOFF**

The second murder on Broadway has Captain Mulhaney looking for a serial killer during criminology's infancy at the turn of the 20th century.

390 p.

### DEATH WATCH

**JIM KELLY**

On the 18th anniversary of his sister's disappearance, Bryan Judd's body is found in the hospital incinerator. Detective Shaw enlists the help of his father's ex-partner, Detective Sergeant Valentine.

455 p.

### THE GRAVE GOURMET

**ALEXANDER CAMPION+**

Dine at the chicest Parisian cafes while Capucine investigates a corporate murder. This Capucine Culinary mystery is as indulgent in gastronomy as it is in suspense.

296 p.

### MEMORY

**DONALD E. WESTLAKE**

A "noir masterpiece" by award-winning Westlake that explores the uncertainty and pain of recovery. After a violent accident, Paul Cole is hospitalized with a damaged memory, struggling to retain his liberty, volition, and even identity.

366 p.

### THE MILLS OF GOD

**DERYN LAKE**

Twenty-eight year old Reverend Nick Lawrence is the fresh appointee in the Sussex village of Lakehurst. Soon after his arrival, the local police inspector enlists his help as the body count rises.

200 p.

### REVELATION

**C.J. SANSOM\***

King Henry VIII is working on wife number six while Matthew Shardlake searches Bedlam hospital and the book of Revelation for leads on a murder.

549 p., ill.

### SIZZLING SIXTEEN

**JANET EVANOVICH+**

As a bounty hunter in Trenton, New Jersey, Stephanie Plum doesn't mind an occasional feisty moment. When Uncle Pip wills her a lucky bottle, life heats up.

320 p.

### SOVEREIGN

**C.J.SANSOM\***

Matthew Shardlake and his assistant Jack Barak must transport a dangerous prisoner from York to London during the time of King Henry VIII.

583 p., ill.

### THE TULIP VIRUS

**DANIËLLE HERMANS**

An engaging, historically-savvy mystery based on the tulip trade of 17th century Holland and its present day consequences. When his uncle is murdered, Alec traces the tulip references found on his uncle's body to a controversy that has lasted for centuries.

278 p.

## AUDIOBOOKS

### GETTING THINGS DONE FAST (CDs)

DAVID ALLEN

An 8-CD guide to help you clear your mind and unleash your highest productivity and creative potential.

### HALSEY'S TYPHOON (CDs)

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