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Serial “Killers”

Sherlock Holmes was such a popular success and so loomed over his author’s creative life that Sir Arthur Conan Doyle at last decided that the only way to get out of Holmes’s shadow was to commit a kind of murder himself. And so, in “The Adventure of the Final Problem,” Sir Arthur threw his famous fictional detective off the Reichenbach Falls in the arms of his nemesis, Dr. Moriarty. Ah, but the fans would have none of it, and eventually Sherlock was “resurrected” to the joy of mystery lovers and the envy of all future mystery serialists who strive for creations as long-lived and well-loved as Holmes and Watson.

Featured This Month:

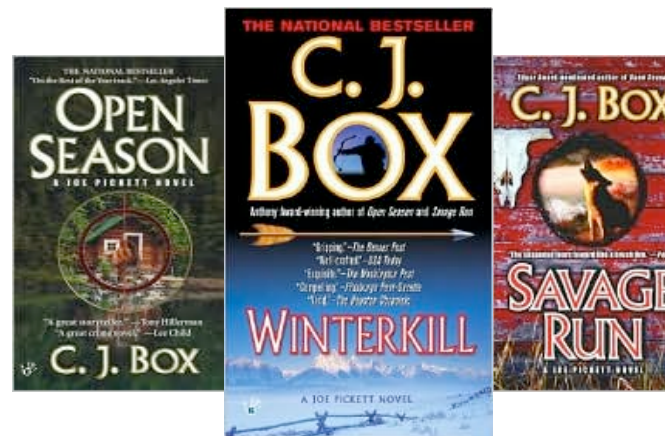
Winterkill by C. J. Box

Overzealous Federal employees, white supremacists, and a corrupt judge are some of the challenges facing Wyoming Game Warden, Joe Pickett, in the third installment of this C. J. Box series. When you add blinding snow conditions, Joe’s search for sanity and justice when the odds are stacked against him is almost more than Joe can overcome in *Winterkill*.

As in Box’s first two books, **Open Season** and **Savage Run**, the story centers on the daily struggles of Joe Pickett and his family. If not for the bureaucracy, low pay, under-appreciation and danger Joe faces in every aspect of his State job, it would be everyman’s dream life. Who wouldn’t want to live and work in the spectacular setting of the rugged Wyoming Rockies, overseeing game herds, outfitters and sportsmen alike?

But Joe is one of 55 game wardens overseeing 97,000 square miles of Wyoming wilderness, and invariably his job involves murder. As C. J. Box writes it, even the corrupt county sheriff is puzzled and a little exasperated when he asks why Joe is always involved “every time someone gets murdered in my county.”

Being an outdoorsman and sportsman, and having a background in Forest Management, I find Box’s



books riveting, suspenseful, enlightening, and entertaining. They are easy to read, although at times intense with fairly graphic and accurate violence to both wildlife and humans, but always hard to put down. I recommend C. J. Box’s series highly to anyone interested in a good mystery with an authentic feel of the West. Read them in order if you can, since it is a series that builds one upon another.

Reviewed by John Cornell

Reviewer’s Note:

C. J. Box is a Wyoming native who has worked as a ranch hand, a surveyor, fishing guide and small town newspaper reporter and editor. He currently resides in Cheyenne, Wyoming, with his wife and three daughters. Check out other C. J. Box mysteries that we have in the library: *Open Season*, *Savage Run*, *Trophy Hunt*, *Out of Range*, and *In Plain Sight*. He also has two other books in the series: *Free Fire* and his newest, *Blue Heaven*.

Special Events:

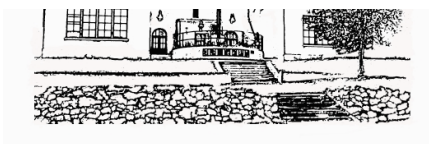
Saturday, April 5-- Bake Sale –10:30am -12:30pm

Saturday, May 17, 2008

Hillsboro Historic Home & Garden Tour

In conjunction with

Hillsboro Heritage Days



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New At the Library

Audio Books

Sacred Clowns by Tony Hillerman
The Fly on the Wall by Tony Hillerman

Fiction

The Odessa File by Frederick Forsythe
All He Ever Wanted by Anita Shreve
Wedding in December by Anita Shreve
Billy Bathgate By E.L. Doctorow
Light from Heaven by Jan Karon
I'll Take Manhattan by Judith Krantz
Chesapeake Blue by Nora Roberts

Mysteries

Justice Denied, by Judith A. Jance
High Profile by Robert B. Parker
Now and Then by Robert B. Parker
Walking Shadow by Robert B. Parker
Hundred-dollar Baby by Robert B. Parker
Balloons Can Be Murder by Connie Shelton
Eleven on Top by Janet Evanovich

Classics

The Executioner's Song by Norman Mailer

Films

Homeward Bound II - Lost in San Francisco

For a complete listing of Library materials,
visit our website:

<http://www.zianet.com/hbolib>

Bookmobile:

Hillsboro, Wed. March 19 - 9:00am-1:15pm
Kingston, Mon. March 17 - 9:45am-11:00am

Notes from the Boards:

It's getting on toward spring. Have you re-upped your Library membership yet? If not, contact Sandy Ficklin: ficklin53@zianet.com or mail your dues to the Library (address below).

We are still collecting Bullocks receipts for a 2% rebate donation to the Library. Deposit your receipts at the Library or the Post Office Bulletin Board.

The Friends of the Library will again be sponsoring a Home and Garden Tour this May in conjunction with the Second Annual Heritage Music Festival. You can help this major fundraising event for the Library and join in the springtime celebration:

- (1) Volunteer as a House and Garden Tour guide: you'll be chaperoning one of the great houses or gardens on display. Contact Cindy Cornell: cindycornell@hotmail.com.
- (2) Donate an item to the Silent Auction for the benefit of the Library. Proceeds from your item will be dedicated to the Library fund. Contact Patty Woodruff: patita@zianet.com.

Library Hours:

Sunday & Monday: CLOSED
Tuesday: 6:30pm – 8:30pm
Wednesday: 1:00pm – 4:00pm
Thursday: 6:30pm–8:30pm
Friday: 10:00am – 1:00pm
Saturday 10:00am–2:00pm

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