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Salvation on Sand Mountain Chronicle Books
 St. Simons Island, Georgia, has never been hit by a Category 5 hurricane. Until now. No one predicted the storm's sudden force. A crippled Air Force recon plane, trapped in the eye of a violent hurricane. An outspoken tropical weather forecaster, fired from his network TV job before he can issue a warning: the storm is changing course and intensifying. A desperate family searching for a runaway daughter on Georgia's posh St. Simons Island, cut off from escape as the hurricane roars toward them. A marriage on the rocks; an unrequited sexual attraction; a May-December romance. All will be swept up by the monster storm. Get ready for a white-knuckle adventure. "You can't put it down." -- Jack Williams, science author and founding weather editor at USA Today "Riveting. Intrigue, power struggles [and] frightening reality from several perspectives. Eyewall will keep you more than interested."-- Marshall Seese, retired anchorman and meteorologist, The Weather Channel.

A Snake Falls to Earth Redwood Valley Publishing LLC

The cottonmouth is the only poisonous semi-aquatic snake in the world. Learn all about this snazzy swimmer, from its habits to its habitats. Includes maps, sidebars, and color photographs.
Green Tree Python Farrar, Straus and Giroux (BYR)
 "Take a bite into fresh, fun vampire comedy...read Lynsay Sands." —Carly Phillips Nobody does vampire romance quite like Lynsay Sands! Tall, Dark & Hungry is the fourth book in her insanely popular Argeneau vampire series—and she brilliantly blends laughter with steamy passion in this story about a British lass who falls hard for a tasty immortal in-law she meets when she crosses the ocean to attend a cousin's New York wedding. Paranormal romance is hot, hot, hot! And Lynsay Sands is not only one of the pioneer authors of this subgenre...she's one of the very best!

Cottonmouth Harper Collins

Describes the physical characteristics, habitat, and behavior of the poisonous snakes known as water moccasins or cottonmouths.

Cottonmouths Chronicle Books

A Los Angeles Review Best Book of 2017 From a compelling new voice in LGBTQ and Southern fiction, a gripping tale of crime and desire amid small-town America's meth epidemic. This was Drear's Bluff. Nothing bad happened here. People didn't disappear. College was supposed to be an escape for Emily Skinner. But after failing out of school, she's left with no choice but to return to her small Arkansas hometown, a place run on

gossip and good Christian values. She's not alone. Emily's former best friend—and childhood crush—Jody Monroe is back with a baby. Emily can't resist the opportunity to reconnect, despite the uncomfortable way things ended between them and her mom's disapproval of their friendship. When Emily stumbles upon a meth lab on Jody's property, she realizes just how far they've both fallen. Emily intends to keep her distance from Jody, but when she's kicked out of her house with no money and nowhere to go, a paying job as Jody's live-in babysitter is hard to pass up. As they grow closer, Emily glimpses a future for the first time since coming home. She dismisses her worries; after all, Jody is a single mom. The meth lab is a means to an end. And besides, for Emily, Jody is the real drug. But when Jody's business partner goes missing, and the lies begin to pile up, Emily will learn just how far Jody is willing to go to save her own skin—and how much Emily herself has risked for the love of someone who may never truly love her back. Echoing the work of authors like Daniel Woodrell and Sarah Waters, *Cottonmouths* is an unflinching story about the ways in which the past pulls us back . . . despite our best efforts to leave it behind.

Cottonmouths Teacher Created Materials

Edgy and ironic, Clint Catalyst exposes the underside of all his many subjects - gay relationships, backwater adolescence, and spiraling addiction. Whether he's writing about a chance sexual encounter at a Goth club called Lilith ("Some New Kind of Kick") or revealing the inner thoughts of young hustlers in Hollywood ("Metaphor, and Remorse"), Catalyst reveals his characters' innermost longings.

She's Gotta Be Mine Bearport Publishing

For Dennis Covington, what began as a journalistic assignment - covering the trial of an Alabama preacher convicted of attempting to murder his wife with poisonous snakes - would evolve into a headlong plunge into a bizarre, mysterious, and ultimately irresistible world of unshakable faith: the world of holiness snake handling, where people drink strychnine, speak in tongues, lay hands on the sick, and, some claim, raise the dead. Set in the heart of Appalachia, *Salvation on Sand Mountain* is Covington's unsurpassed and chillingly captivating exploration of the nature, power, and extremity of faith - an exploration that gradually turns inward, until Covington finds himself taking up the snakes. University.

North American Watersnakes Simon and Schuster

From the author of *Real Bad Things* and *Cottonmouths*, a Los Angeles Review Best Book of 2017, comes the darkly suspenseful tale of a small-town Easter tradition and its murderous secrets. For seventeen years, a serial murderer has used the Presley, Arkansas, Annual Hunt for the Golden Egg to find prey. Or at least that's what some people believe. Others, like the town's devoted

"Eggheads," relish the tradition and think the deaths are just unfortunate accidents. But for Nell Holcomb, the town's annual Hunt dredges up a particularly painful memory: her brother's death, long believed to be "the Hunter's" first kill. Nell has been caring for her nephew since then, trying to keep him safe and trying to conceal the role she played in his father's death. Most importantly, she's been trying to avoid the Hunt—despite the clashes that erupt in town over the event and her best friend's obsession with winning the big prize. As Easter draws near and the town's frenzy escalates, Nell must face her past and the Hunt as the danger once again veers close to home.

Return to Love: The Complete Series BelleBooks

There's something very special about the house Maggie grew up in. It's sort of...alive. With a mind of its own. And it has plans for the people living there now. All Maggie Halliday has left after the divorce is the family dog and the home her grandmother left to her when she passed away two months ago. Maggie's got no other choice but to run back to her hometown of Cottonmouth, California, only to discover her high school sweetheart, Cooper Trubek, is living in the house, along with four other boarders for whom Maggie is now responsible. And according to Nana's will, Maggie can't kick any of them out. Unless one of them commits murder. Still grieving for her grandmother and trying fix up the house that seems to be falling down around her, Maggie's got more trouble than she can handle. Things go from bad to worse when Samson the dog starts digging in the basement and uncovers long-buried secrets. But they go from worse to downright dreadful when Maggie starts falling for Cooper all over again. From NY Times and USA Today bestselling author, "Can't Forget You" is a standalone sexy contemporary second chance romantic comedy/mystery. PRAISE FOR JENNIFER SKULLY NOVELS "Skully's novel is a triumph. It's fabulously funny, with top-notch dialogue, terrific pacing and witty compelling characters." Romantic Times Huntress Reviews: "A witty novel that will keep you engrossed until the very end!" Huntress Reviews "An absolute delight." Road to Romance Reviews "Jennifer Skully combines humor, mystery, hot sex, fascinating characters, and annoying relatives into one winning book." Romance Reviews Today:

Joe Thomas & Mercer

The capstone of Ken Wells's acclaimed Catahoula Bayou trilogy, *Logan's Storm* tracks the epic journey of Logan LaBauve as he flees corrupt cops while trying to lead Chilly Cox—the teenager whose "crime" was rescuing Logan's son, Meely, from a racist bully—to safety. But dodging two-footed predators deep in the Cajun backwaters turns out to be the easy part. As Logan, accompanied by a newfound love interest, heads to Florida to lie low, a killer hurricane springs from the Gulf—and lives are

suddenly on the line. Wells writes with Twain's flair for adventure and Welty's sense of place, making Logan's Storm a trip through the heart and soul of a singular American character.

The Cottonmouth Club Harper Collins

A deadly pandemic has resulted in hundreds of thousands of deaths worldwide. Dr. Alton McGuire, a brilliant, but retired molecular biologist has done everything possible to keep he and his beloved wife, Marine, safe. A brilliant, but retired educator in her own right she has remained out of the public, in an effort to shelter in place. An unfortunate mishap threatens them all, and brings Dr. Lillian Manning into the picture. Dr. Manning, a senior pediatrics resident resides in their guest quarters and must play an integral role in the effort to thwart a danger that rivals the pandemic. Dr. Manning is extremely careful in all of her comings and goings in order to protect her aged friends from any contact with the virus. With no parents of her own she has largely adopted the McGuires as her parents. Suffering total exhaustion most days from the front-line fight against the virus, she continues to try to be a part of their family life. In one volume the narrative highlights the ills of an underserved medical community as well as many of the day to day challenges faced by groups of individuals that face unequal treatment. In addition, it outlines the terrible nature of infectious diseases and highlights the loneliness that may be a part of these types of infectious diseases. Cottonmouth will leave you with a new appreciation for those that fight on the front lines, and for the family members of those that have lost their lives when uncontrollable diseases strike.

Cottonmouth Kisses ReadHowYouWant.com

If you're a fan of contemporary romantic comedy sprinkled with a heavy dose of mystery, then step into the world of NY Times and USA Today bestselling author Jennifer Skully! If you missed it the first time around, KOD Daphne winner "Sex and the Serial Killer" is back with a new title, "She's Gotta Be Mine", and a slight text revamp. It's still laugh-out-loud funny, peopled with hilarious characters in the small town of Cottonmouth, California. Not to mention an alleged serial killer who's too devilishly handsome to ignore. A new woman with a new attitude. And an ax to grind...Dumped? For her husband's high school sweetheart he hasn't seen in twenty years? Roberta Jones Spivey isn't going to lay down for that. Instead, she reinvents herself and the new and improved Bobbie Jones—new haircut, new name, new attitude—follows her soon-to-be ex to the small Northern California town of Cottonmouth. What better way to show him—and his sweetheart—what he's missing in the brand new Bobbie Jones than taking up with the town's local bad boy—who's also reputed to be a serial killer. Nick Angel is devilishly handsome and sexy as all get-out. In a word, perfect. It's all going exactly according to plan...until a real murder rocks the little town of Cottonmouth. Of course, Nick didn't do it...did he? "She's Gotta Be Mine", previously published in 2005 as "Sex and the Serial Killer", is a contemporary romance of approximately 100,000 words. **REVIEWS** Romantic Times, 4 1/2 Stars, Top Pick! "Skully's novel is a triumph. It's fabulously funny, with top-notch dialogue, terrific pacing and witty compelling characters." **Huntress Reviews:** "A witty novel that will keep you engrossed until the very end!" **Road to Romance Reviews:** "An absolute delight."

She's Gotta Be Mine Algonquin Books

"Brilliant . . . Larry Brown has slapped his own fresh tattoo on the big right arm of Southern Lit." —The Washington Post Book World Now a major motion picture starring Nicolas Cage, directed by David Gordon Green. Joe Ransom is a hard-drinking ex-con pushing fifty who just won't slow down—not in his pickup, not with a gun, and certainly not with women. Gary Jones estimates his

own age to be about fifteen. Born luckless, he is the son of a hopeless, homeless wandering family, and he's desperate for a way out. When their paths cross, Joe offers him a chance just as his own chances have dwindled to almost nothing. Together they follow a twisting map to redemption—or ruin.

The Hunt Algonquin Books

Fifteen-year-old Meely LaBauve is growing up on Catahoula Bayou and living by his wits. His father is an alligator hunter, still unable to cope with the death of his wife eight years earlier. He finds comfort in bottles of hooch and with companionable women and disappears for days at a time. School, for Meely, is a long, dusty walk away in a place where truancy isn't a top priority. "Up at Catahoula School, we've got all the grades. I'm in ninth when I'm in anything," says Meely. But the law has it out for Meely's dad; and Junior Guidry, nephew of a rogue cop and a bully himself, considers badgering Meely his favorite sport. When the LaBauves find themselves in the law's sights, it takes baseball bats, fire ants, flying alligators, an unidentified body, and a lot of fast thinking to set things right. Not since Huck Finn rafted down the Mississippi has there been a coming-of-age story like this, told in such an utterly authentic, unlettered American voice. From a charming encounter with first love in the Canciennes' corn patch to an adventurous paddle through wild and timeless places little explored, Ken Wells has cooked up a zesty gumbo of a book—rich, poignant, and often hilarious.

Meely LaBauve Swamp Things: Animal Life in a

Forced to spend his summer vacation with relatives in Louisiana, twelve-year-old Mitch Valentine finds himself a candidate for the Cottonmouth Club when he and a group of local boys become involved in secretive outdoor activities.

Cottonmouths Capstone

It's early dawn in a swamp. A large snake has spent the night hunting for fish and frogs in the ponds and streams. The snake is a cottonmouth—the only venomous water snake in the United States! It swims to the shore and slithers onto the land. When daylight breaks, the snake basks on a log, soaking up the sun's warmth to heat its body. Filled with information perfectly suited to the abilities and interests of its primary-grade audience, this colorful, fact-filled book gives readers a chance not only to learn all about cottonmouth snakes and their swamp habitat, but also to develop their powers of observation and critical thinking. Built-in activities, such as guessing how the snake got its name and comparing the physical characteristics of adult and young snakes, give readers a chance to gain insights beyond the facts and figures.

The Underneath Random House

From the author of *Cottonmouths*, a Los Angeles Review Best Book of 2017, comes an evocative suspense about the cost of keeping secrets and the dangers of coming home. Beneath the roiling waters of the Arkansas River lie dead men and buried secrets. When Jane Mooney's violent stepfather, Warren, disappeared, most folks in Maud Bottoms, Arkansas, assumed he got drunk and drowned. After all, the river had claimed its share over the years. When Jane confessed to his murder, she should have gone to jail. That's what she wanted. But without a body, the police didn't charge her with the crime. So Jane left for Boston—and took her secrets with her. Twenty-five years later, the river floods and a body surfaces. Talk of Warren's murder grips the town. Now in her forties, Jane returns to Maud Bottoms to reckon with her past: to do jail time, to face her revenge-bent mother, to make things right. But though Jane's homecoming may enlighten some, it could threaten others. Because in this desolate river valley, some secrets are better left undisturbed.

Cottonmouth and the River Redwood Valley Publishing LLC

Laugh out loud with the complete Return to Love series! SHE'S GOTTA BE MINE, BOOK 1 Dumped by her husband for his former sweetheart, Roberta Jones Spivey reinvents herself. The new Bobbie Jones—new haircut, new attitude—follows her almost ex to Cottonmouth, California. The best way to show him his mistake: take up with the town bad boy, sexy Nick Angel—who's reputed to be a serial killer. It's all going according to plan...until murder rocks Cottonmouth. Of course Nick didn't do it...did he? FOOL'S GOLD, BOOK 2 When his sister puts out a distress call, Sheriff Braxton heads out of Cottonmouth to Goldstone, Nevada, never suspecting he's going to have to offer advice to the lovelorn. A scary enough prospect, but when murder happens, Brax is suddenly hip-deep in small-town secrets. Then there's Simone Chandler. Is she the real thing, or, as with everything else in Goldstone, is she Fool's Gold? CAN'T FORGET YOU, BOOK 3 There's something very special about the house Maggie grew up in. It's sort of...alive. With a mind of its own. And it has plans for the people living there now. Still grieving for her grandmother and trying to fix up a house that seems to be falling down around her, Maggie's got more trouble than she can handle. Then things go from bad to worse when Samson the dog starts digging in the basement... The Return to Love bundle is contemporary romantic comedy / mystery. **PRAISE FOR JENNIFER SKULLY NOVELS** "Skully's novel is a triumph. It's fabulously funny, with top-notch dialogue, terrific pacing and witty compelling characters." **Romantic Times Huntress Reviews:** "A witty novel that will keep you engrossed until the very end!" **Huntress Reviews** "An absolute delight." **Road to Romance Reviews** "Jennifer Skully combines humor, mystery, hot sex, fascinating characters, and annoying relatives into one winning book." **Romance Reviews Today.**

Logan's Storm Redwood Valley Publishing LLC

In this survival story, a girl is bitten by a venomous snake while walking alone in the woods. Can she depend on her dog Hickory, who has never behaved a day in his life, to get help and save the day? Especially appealing to reluctant readers, this short chapter book features full-color illustrations and a fast-paced story to capture the attention of kids who enjoy action and adventure stories!

Cottonmouths Thomas & Mercer

There are certain special—and rare—books that refresh our understanding of how children see the world. This is one of those books. It's the story of a boy growing up in a lost time in an idyllic place—rural Virginia of the late 1940s. Charlie Lewis is the only child of city people who, after the war, choose to live at the foot of the Blue Ridge Mountains on a "gentleman's farm" near Charlottesville. Six years old when his family settles in the renovated corn crib on old Professor Jame's place, Charlie grows up in his personal version of heaven. His innocence is, of course, lost in the process. And so is his version of heaven. But, as the old saying goes, still waters run deep, and Charlie runs deep, with a natural (almost supernatural) affinity for the land and its animals. For knowledge, he instinctively turns to a group of older black men, some of whom work the farm, others who are neighbors. Jim Crow laws and "the curse left on the land by slavery"—as old Professor James puts it—are still very much in evidence. Even so, Charlie's passions endear him to these men. They understand that he is lonely even if he does not. They watch out for him. And more—they love him. *Winter Run* is a story that lets us escape for a moment our own noisy and complicated contemporary lives. Like *The Red Pony*, like Gerald Durrell's *My Family and Other Animals*, it takes us back to the joys of childhood's unrestricted enthusiasm and curiosity.