

Publishers Newswire announces latest 'Books to Bookmark' List of 21 Interesting New Book Titles from 2013

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Jan. 28, 2014 (SEND2PRESS NEWSWIRE) – Publishers Newswire (PNW), an online resource established in 2004 for small publishers, as well as lesser known and first-time book authors, today announced its latest semi-annual “Books to Bookmark” round-up. This list of 21 new books is from the second half of 2013 which may have been missed due to not originating from major New York book publishers, or “big name” authors.

“Again this year we found a wealth of fascinating books, and almost universally each book added a Kindle edition which was still a 50/50 proposition previously. This shows the growth of the Kindle e-reader and apps,” said PNW editor Christopher Simmons.

PNW’s Simmons has been a working journalist for over 30 years, and has written widely on the topic of publishing, marketing, and e-books. He is also the author of a self-published book on digital artwork and numerous small press editions of fiction (out of print). He added, “Further, the popularity of audio book editions for self-publishing is ramping up, where it was only a tiny fraction of the publishing scene in years past.”

The following list of 21 books (in alphabetical order) are provided as “worth a look” for media and booksellers, as well as avid readers of new and unique literary content.

* A Childhood Without Amenities: The Will To Survive

Found in the motivational and inspirational self-help category, a new book, “A Childhood Without Amenities: The Will To Survive” (ISBN: 978-1478710127; 140 pages; paperback; Outskirts Press), by Myrna Lovett, is a heartbreaking, but inspiring memoir of survival and determination. This is the story of a girl who had nothing in life to cherish except the very fact that she was alive. At the age of six, her mother invited her to commit suicide. Despite this shocking psychological and emotional abuse, Myrna learned how to dig deep into the very core of her being to find the will to survive. This extraordinary personal story offers hope and the possibility of healing to those who have survived or are in the process of dealing with similar circumstances, or with the stress and trauma of any type of abuse. Myrna shows readers that even in the darkest hour, one can be a hero to oneself, and one can make a difference in one’s own life by making choices that are good and right.

* A Deeper Love Inside: The Porsche Santiago Story

In the new novel, “A Deeper Love Inside: The Porsche Santiago Story” (ISBN: 978-1439165317; 432 pages; Atria/Emily Bestler Books), mega-bestselling

author Sister Souljah delivers the stunning sequel to “The Coldest Winter Ever.” Fierce, raw, and filled with adventure and emotional intensity, “A Deeper Love Inside” is an unforgettable coming-of-age story in the words of Porsche Santiago, Winter’s younger sister. Sister Souljah is best known for her work as a political activist and educator of underclass urban youth. A graduate of Rutgers University, she is a beloved personality in her own community. She lives in New York with her husband and son. Available in hardcover, paperback, and Kindle editions.

* Aloha Wanderwell: Call to Adventure

“Aloha Wanderwell: Call to Adventure” (ISBN: 978-1484118801; 288 pages) is a new book published by the Nile Baker Estate and Boyd Production Group that journals the adventures of Aloha Wanderwell Baker who, at age 16, became the first woman to travel around the globe in an automobile. In her own words, Aloha Wanderwell Baker recounts the true story of a fantastic seven-year journey around the world that took place in the 1920s in a Model-T Ford while traveling with the Wanderwell Expedition. The book contains Aloha’s 1939 memoir, “Call to Adventure,” in addition to exclusive essays, photos and supplemental materials from the author’s estate. Available in paperback and Kindle editions. Aloha Baker (Author), Alan Boyd (Author), Tracy Landecker (Author), Richard Diamond (Editor), Jesse Bowers (Introduction).

* Black Caesar: The Rise and Disappearance of Frank Matthews, Kingpin

Award-winning crime author Ron Chepesiuk goes into depth to investigate the unsolved disappearance of the legendary drug kingpin Frank Matthews with his new book, “Black Caesar: The Rise and Disappearance of Frank Matthews, Kingpin” (ISBN: 978-0985244019; 210 pages; Strategic Media Books). It was July 2, 1973, when Frank Matthews, history’s first African American drug kingpin, jumped bail in New York City with \$15 to \$20 million – the equivalent of \$80 million to \$90 million in today’s money. It is believed he took his beautiful mistress, Cheryl Brown with him. Chepesiuk follows the trail left cold, retracing Matthew’s criminal path with the nose of a bloodhound. His interviews with DEA agents, Federal Marshals, aging ex-drug kingpins, friends, families and associates are perhaps the most in-depth gathering of details about this nefariously historic figure ever compiled. The book explores a host of nagging questions. Chepesiuk is an award-winning author of more than 33 books, is a Fulbright Scholar, the radio host of the Crime Beat radio show, and a consultant to the History Channel’s “Gangland” TV series. Available in paperback and Kindle editions.

* Celestial Inferno: Poems of Another Realm

Originally published in hardcover, and now available in all popular e-book formats, as well as an audio book (narrated by John Grunewald), “Celestial Inferno: Poems of Another Realm” by Aaron Ozee is described as so: “Enter a world where Heaven and Hell are combined with love and greed into works of art.” Published by Lulu Press Inc. and Smashwords Inc., “Celestial Inferno” is a from a teenage author who wrote the collection at age 15 and was first published at age 16.

* Don't Go Broke Paying the Nursing Home!: How Californians Can Protect Their Homes, Cash and Retirement Accounts

According to retirement crisis expert and author Karl Kim, CFP, CLTC, each year thousands of people are thrust into a "care crisis" when a family member or loved one needs long-term care. The challenge is not only finding the right nursing home; what can be even more challenging is figuring out how to pay for the care – and how to minimize possible damage to the rest of the family. California's regulations covering the aging population can be difficult to keep up with. That becomes apparent in a care crisis – when what a family has "done wrong" can come back to bite them – financially and logistically. Kim's book, "Don't Go Broke Paying the Nursing Home" (ISBN: 978-0988902619; 60 pages; Retirement Planning Advisors, Inc.) explains Medi-Cal Recovery procedures and is an easy-to-read quick reference guide, and is available in paperback and Kindle editions.

* Insightful Knowledge: An Enlightened View of Social Media Strategy & Marketing

"Insightful Knowledge: An Enlightened View of Social Media Strategy & Marketing" (ISBN: 978-1937829636; 196 pages; Total Publishing and Media), written by digital marketing pioneer Stephen Monaco, provides marketers and executives with the practical information they need on social initiatives required for companies long term survival. Monaco has a clear understanding of how businesses are challenged by consumers' rapid adoption of social media. So many people claim to be social experts, but very few offer wisdom based on their success to help put companies on the right track. Monaco's book is an invaluable guide for those who want to understand how social media evolved to where it is today, and how to utilize the medium for maximum effectiveness. Available in hardback, ebook format, and Kindle edition.

* Kale: The Complete Guide to the World's Most Powerful Superfood

In "Kale: The Complete Guide to the World's Most Powerful Superfood" (ISBN: 978-1454906254; 192 pages; Sterling), author and rising star "holistic health personality" Stephanie Pedersen shares dozens of tips for making kale delicious and desirable to even the most finicky eater. According to the author, kale is the veggie everyone's gone mad for – from farmers and foodies to celebrity chefs. For those eager to get in on this healthy, tasty trend, here is a fun-to-read, one-stop resource for all things kale, including more than 75 recipes to entice, satisfy, and boost your well-being. The dishes include meltingly tender stews, flash-sauteed side dishes, salads and slaws, sandwiches, smoothies, and even muffins and chips.

* Lion Taming: How Busy Professional Women Avoid the Seven Most Disappointing Suitors and Date Higher

Described as the first-ever next generation dating book, "Lion Taming: How Busy Professional Women Avoid the Seven Most Disappointing Suitors and Date Higher" (67 pages; Hypothesis Publishing Company) by Corey Weiner, is a must-read for women mid-thirties and beyond who exercise great judgment in their personal and professional lives – except when it comes to meeting and dating

higher quality people. Part Freudian psychology, part human behavior observation and part socio-economic commentary, "Lion Taming" promises to level the playing field for women looking to date better. Available in Kindle edition.

* Memoir of an Unlikely Savior

In a new novel, "Memoir of an Unlikely Savior" (ISBN: 978-1490939179; 418 pages; CreateSpace), author Peter VanDenBeemt tells the story of a man who fights to overcome his autistic childhood – and succeeds. Frank would like to be successful with women and with writing, but his autistic childhood, visual impairment, dismissive parents, and narcissistic brother are too much to overcome. Then on vacation in Hawaii, Frank has what feels like a paranormal experience on the Arizona Memorial that starts him down a path of psychological and spiritual self-discovery. In making the transitions from weird to respected, his relationships with women shift from fearful to erotic, and through them doors open to unexpected opportunities. Lifting himself from the purgatory to which his past had banished him, he inadvertently helps free those he connects with from their own shadowed depths, making his story the "Memoir of an Unlikely Savior."

* Necessary Assets

In the new action thriller "Necessary Assets" (ISBN: 978-1490997469; 436 pages; CreateSpace) by James A. Ring, this riveting work of fiction begins with an unusual alliance between a modernized Sicilian Mafia and retired FBI agent Mark Patrick. The Mafia, in an effort to prevent an al-Qaeda terrorist attack on U.S. soil, offers to anonymously furnish information to the FBI, but only through Patrick. Desperate to convince their fundamentalist donors to return to the fold, al-Qaeda has authorized "The Engineer" to operate off the AQ grid leading two cells of radicalized U.S. citizens to attack the nation's economic hub, Manhattan, and its freedom hub, Boston. They are willing to unsheathe an evil not yet dared, transforming both cities into dead zones where no one can commute to work. Ring's extensive FBI background allows him to tell a very realistic tale, where the agents are not super heroes, the Mafia is not all powerful, and the international terrorists are presented as they are – a very dangerous and constant threat to America. Available in paperback and Kindle editions.

* Prosperous Priestess Handbook: A Guide to Unlock the Secret Riches of Your Inner Creation

Now re-released in Kindle edition, the book, "Prosperous Priestess Handbook: A Guide to Unlock the Secret Riches of Your Inner Creation" (ISBN: 978-1490957234; 104 pages; Michaels Hill, Inc.), Lisa Michaels offers the secret of creating a spirit rich, financially thriving divine feminine life and business. She provides an antidote to desperation which accompanies the desire to attract life's wishes without the guidance one needs to make it happen. Michaels includes tips, short assignments or journaling exercises intended to raise one's personal awareness and vibration, and re-connect the reader to her purpose and passion so that she can impact her life, enhance meaning, and influence outcomes consciously and consistently to create

prosperity. Available in paperback and Kindle editions.

* REACH!: Dream Stretch Achieve Influence

Newly published in hardcover and Kindle editions, "REACH!: Dream Stretch Achieve Influence" (ISBN: 978-1491817957; 155 pages; AuthorHouse), written by Stacey Alcorn, Christi Guthrie and Ann Marie Duross, is a book about how to create opportunity to achieve major goals out of nothing and how to foster influence amongst your community and to mobilize your own personal army of peers to help you achieve your Big Hairy Audacious Goals. According to the authors, What is Reach!? As opposed to reach, Reach!, with an exclamation point, portrays emotion. This book is about magic. It is about creating something out of nothing. It is about bravely closing your eyes, pushing through your fear, and reaching for something that is not yet within your grasp. Once armed with the lessons and stories in this book, you will have the essential skills needed to achieve all of your dreams.

* Sir Licksalot & The Arctic Fools

A new Children's Chapter Book, "Sir Licksalot and The Arctic Fools" (ISBN-13: 978-1629076713), by author D.L. Carroll, is a fast-paced epic adventure will melt your heart, make you sweat, and give you goose bumps. This is the third award-winning book in the Sir Licksalot Series for Ages 7-12. Stories for Children Magazine editor Terri Forehand said, "What do you get when you combine great characters, a magic fountain, and a quirky dog? You get a fun filled chapter book to engage readers from page one."

* Surprising Silhouettes 2

Connie Tamaddon, author of 'Surprising Silhouettes' (ISBN: 978-0977801831) has released her follow up book "Surprising Silhouettes 2" for Apple iPad. Tamaddon, a respected photographer, has a repeat performance with her unique use of light properties and shadows to create a clever read-out-loud guessing game that illustrates that not everything is as it first seems. Using unusual materials to fashion seemingly familiar shapes, Tamaddon creates an imaginative way to entertain and enlighten readers young and old, and provides a playful yet serious opportunity for parents and children to discuss the dangers of pre-judging objects and people. As the result of Tamaddon's dedication to inspiring creativity in children and helping individuals whose voices are not always heard, she is donating all profits from "Surprising Silhouettes 2" to College Track, a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping underprivileged students obtain a college degree.

* Surviving Wildfire: Get Prepared, Stay Alive, Rebuild Your Life

Linda Masterson's book, "Surviving Wildfire: Get Prepared, Stay Alive, Rebuild Your Life (A Handbook for Homeowners)" (ISBN: 978-1936555154; 144 pages; PixyJack Press), is a practical prescription for homeowners living with wildfire risk who want to know how to be better prepared, stay alive when wildfire threatens and have what they'll really need to start over if disaster strikes. Masterson uses down-to-earth language to explain the difference between replacement cost and actual cash value, what the various

schedules actually cover, and how to make sure your home is adequately insured, your stuff is properly documented and you have all the information you'll need to start over. If your home is damaged or destroyed, insider tips show how to collect everything due under the terms of your insurance policy. Available in paperback and Kindle editions. A companion pocket guide, "Get Wildfire Smart," is also available.

* The Adventures of Ford Fairlane (Re-issue)

Marking the 23rd anniversary of "The Adventures of Ford Fairlane," the controversial 1990 motion picture released by 20th Century Fox, directed by Renny Harlin, and starring Andrew Dice Clay, indie e-Book publisher Cultmachine is offering Ford Fairlane fans for the first time the original stories on which the movie was based. "The Adventures of Ford Fairlane" (ISBN: 978-0984032761; 59 pages; Amazon Digital Services, Inc.) by Rex Weiner, unavailable since first publication in 1980 as serialized weekly episodes in the New York Rocker and the LA Weekly, the stories were written by journalist and screenwriter Rex Weiner. In the two gritty tales, private eye Ford Fairlane, the music industry's "rock n roll detective," solves cases involving the punk rock and new wave scenes in New York City and Los Angeles in the late-1970's. The stories are offered in a single e-Book edition for \$4.99 via Amazon Kindle Direct Publishing.

* The Artist's Guide to Success in the Music Business, 2nd Edition

In "The Artist's Guide to Success in the Music Business, 2nd Edition" (ISBN: 978-1608325788, 456 pages; Greenleaf Book Group Press), author Loren Weisman delivers the "who, what, when, where, why, and how" of the steps musicians and bands have to take in order to succeed in music. Music industry Weisman provides a roadmap for the artist's journey from passion to profession. Weisman draws on over two decades of experience as a working musician and music business consultant to provide instruction, enlightenment, and sage counsel on such topics as: creating the best plan for a career; touring; booking gigs; performing; recording – from preproduction to postproduction and everything in between; branding a band; fundraising and working with investors; marketing and promotions; and more. Available in paperback, ebook, Kindle, and audio book editions.

* THE TRUST FREQUENCY: 10 Assumptions for a New Paradigm

In "THE TRUST FREQUENCY: 10 Assumptions for a New Paradigm" (ISBN: 978-0988754713; 358 pages; CameronBaxter Books), co-authors Connie Baxter Marlow, Sally Ranney, Andrew Cameron Bailey, filmmakers and social philosophers who have been sharing their ideas at universities and symposia throughout the country for decades, call their new paradigm "a synthesis of quantum science, Eastern mysticism, indigenous cosmology and intuitive knowing." Coming from divergent life experiences, they have reached similar conclusions: the prevailing paradigm is missing important information about the nature of reality, and this has resulted in a world out of balance. They challenge a number of basic assumptions which have driven humanity's behavior for millennia and offer a new paradigm for consideration. The book "THE TRUST FREQUENCY: Ten Assumptions for a New Paradigm" can be obtained online at

Amazon, Barnes & Noble, Apple iBooks, and all electronic platforms.

* WB & The 10 Good Things (WB Children's Books for Positive Living)

In his illustrated children's book, now available in a Kindle edition, "WB and The 10 Good Things" (ISBN: 978-0985579500), Whilly Bermudez has authored a brilliantly conceived story for children ages 5-8. This is a "feel-good" book that parents will enjoy sharing with their kids. "WB & The 10 Good Things" uses a "sweater" as a mechanism to transform a little boy into a super hero. The young reader can easily relate to the "Grandfather figure" and the "sweater." Our main character, WB, is the stereotypical little fella, oblivious to the moral opportunities that abound all around him. Once he puts on the sweater his grandfather gave him, presto – he is a superhero with the ability to fully understand the good in everyone, and how doing right should be done just for its own sake. Bermudez is the founder of "Ignite Social Help," a global movement set in motion to help heal and inspire others in the world through the broadcast of inspirational posts and updates via social media.

* Who Was E. B. Gallaher?

Author DJV Murphy of Califon, N.J. believes he may have uncovered a long lost mystery about a sizable estate left to the Stevens Institute of Technology in Hoboken, N.J. In doing research for the biography 'Who Was E. B. Gallaher?' (ISBN: 978-1480043770; 152 pages; CreateSpace), Murphy discovered that a bequest left by the Connecticut millionaire to the Institute for the development of a research center was never carried out. The biography follows the early life of Gallaher and highlights the numerous inventions of the late 19th and early 20th Centuries. This period saw the development of electricity, the automobile, airplane, telephone, phonograph, elevator, motion pictures, and a host of other inventions. "Who Was E. B. Gallaher?" is available in paperback and Kindle editions.

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