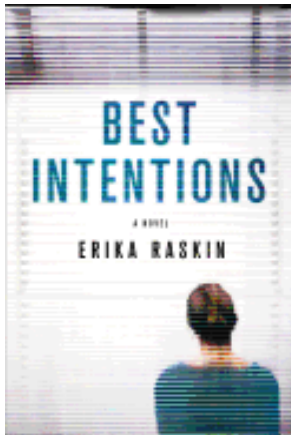




FICTION SET IN RVA



Best Intentions

by Erika Raskin

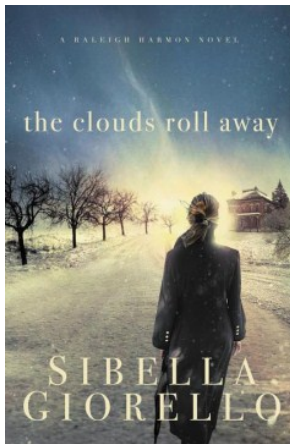
Marti Traylor -- social worker on hold, mother of three, wife of a successful obstetrician, daughter of a Congressman -- is ready to go back to work. She's thrilled when the perfect opportunity falls in her lap. The catch? The job is at her husband's hospital and he seems not to share her enthusiasm.



Brotherhood

by Anne Westrick

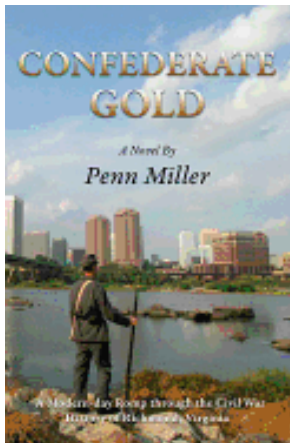
In 1867, two years after Lee's surrender, a conflict is just beginning within 14-year-old Shad, a poor white boy living in burnt-out Richmond. On the one hand, he longs to learn how to read and grasps at his only chance, secretly taking lessons with freed slave children. On the other, he follows his older brother's lead and joins the Klan.



The Clouds Roll Away

by Sibella Giorello

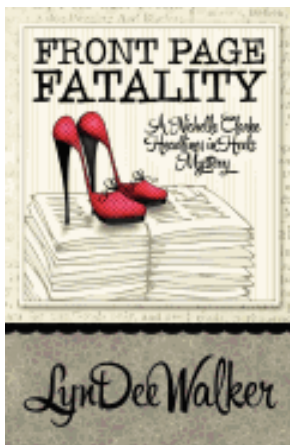
After returning to her home FBI field office in Richmond, Virginia, forensic geologist Raleigh Harmon is forced to go undercover in a drug trafficking case, relying on her sharpest skills -- and the faith that is slowly returning to her -- to unravel mysteries in her hometown.



Confederate Gold : A Modern-day Romp Through the Civil War History of Richmond, Virginia

by Penn Miller

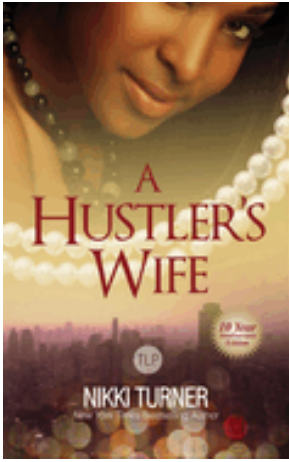
In June 2011, a 150 years after the beginning of the American Civil War, reenactors find long-lost Confederate gold and a madcap chase ensues.



Front Page Fatality

by Lyndee Walker

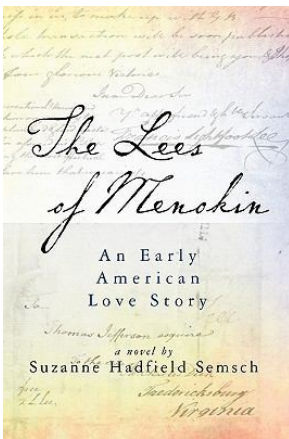
For crime reporter Nichelle Clarke, an ordinary accident story turns extraordinary when evidence goes missing, a prosecutor vanishes, and a sexy Mafia boss shows up with the headline tip of a lifetime.



A Hustler's Wife

by Nikki Turner

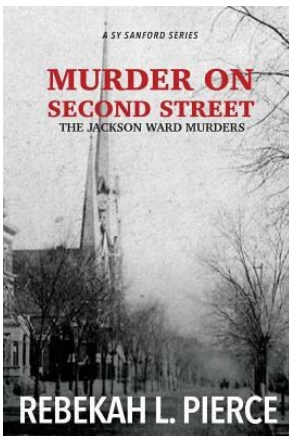
Coming from a well-to-do family, Yarni knows life with her new love--Richmond, Virginia's notorious drug kingpin Des--will be quite a change, but the innocent girl can't imagine what is in store for her when Des is sentenced to life in prison.



The Lees of Menokin : An Early American Love Story

by Suzanne Hadfield Semsch

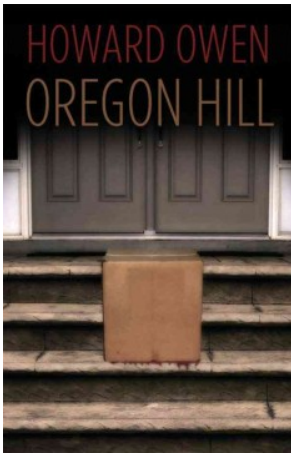
Francis Lightfoot Lee is known in the annals of Virginia history as one of the colony's signers of the Declaration of Independence. Yet little is known of Lee's personal life, a void which novelist and long-time Virginian Suzanne Hadfield Semsch set out to fill with extensive research and a healthy dose of creativity without distorting historical fact.



Murder on Second Street : The Jackson Ward Murders

by Rebekah L. Pierce

The Ward is a very tight community - strangers cannot move freely about in this segregated town. Haunted World War I veteran and alcoholic Sy Sanford is hired to catch a cold-blooded murderer targeting poor working class women, but murder is not the only thing threatening to destroy "The Black Wall Street of America."



Oregon Hill

by Howard Owen

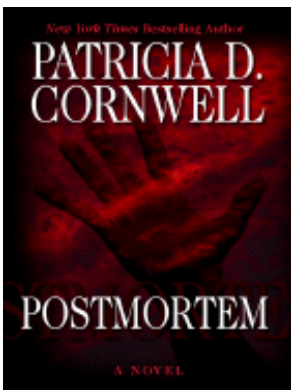
Willie Black is a mixed-race man from the white working-class neighborhood of Oregon Hill in Richmond, and at 49 - with three divorces behind him - a low tolerance for authority, and an inability to kick alcohol and nicotine habits.



Makeda

by Randall Robinson

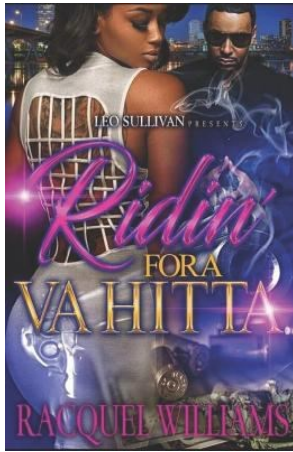
Gray March's blind grandmother sees things no one else does: scenes from a fourteenth-century Ethiopian royal procession, religious ceremonies with Moors in Spain, frightened migrations through the Civil War-torn Virginia countryside, even the placement of stars that astrologers are just now beginning to identify.



Postmortem

by Patricia Daniels Cornwell

Another victim of a serial killer has been tortured and strangled, and chief medical examiner Kay Scarpetta is called on the case. Using her painstakingly thorough medical skill, and the help of a police detective, Scarpetta digs deep into the investigation to find the killer's most private secrets.



Ridin' for a Va Hitta

by Racquel Williams

Akila Jones is a young woman who had a rough childhood growing up in one of Richmond, VA's grimeiest projects. She learns early on that she has to boss up, go in savage mode, and take care of herself by any means necessary.



The Romantic Comedians

by Ellen Anderson Gholson Glasgow

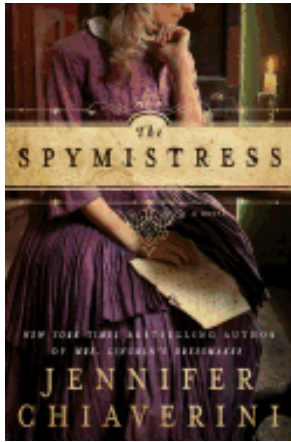
The recently widowed Judge Gamaliel Honeywell, falls in love with and marries an impulsive twenty-three-year-old woman, emblem of the 1920s



Shadows in the Fire

by Gray Basnight

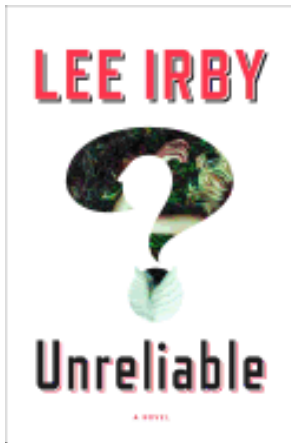
As the only "inside" slave in the Pegram household ... Francine is treated almost like a daughter by the childless mistress of the house when no one else is about. As the Civil War progresses, we see the gradual slide into privation and finally the evacuation of the city, (where) Francine is left behind by her mistress.



The Spymistress

by Jennifer Chiaverini

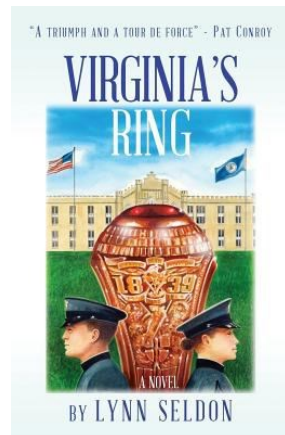
Quaker-educated aristocrat Elizabeth Van Lew uses her innate skills for gathering military intelligence to help construct the Richmond underground and orchestrate escapes from the infamous Confederate Libby Prison.



Unreliable

by Lee Irby

Late on the evening of July 1, professor Edwin Stith sets out from Ithaca, NY, in his aging Honda, bound for Richmond to attend his mother's wedding. Edwin has hit a personal low: the author of two unpublishable novels, he is divorced, impotent, and embroiled in an affair with an undergraduate that promises to end his career. Also, he may have just murdered his ex-wife.



Virginia's Ring

by Lynn Seldon

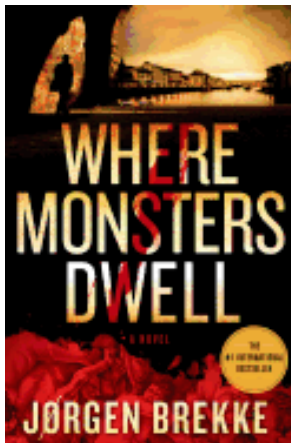
Set in the pretty Shenandoah Valley town of Lexington and Virginia's capital city of Richmond, the two main characters ...share their experiences at the Virginia Military Institute and beyond with poignancy and grace, serving as a reminder of how precious people, places, and life can be.



Walking Into the Unknown : October 1867 - October 1868

by Ginny Dye

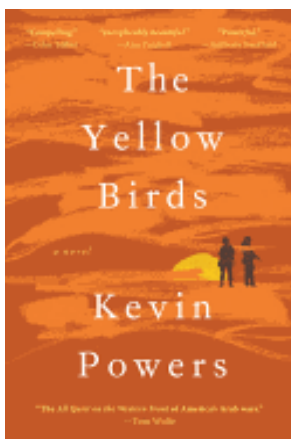
Carrie, Janie and Matthew, Moses and Rose, Jeremy and Marietta, and Abby continue to rebuild their lives and fulfill their dreams in Richmond, Virginia and elsewhere, all as they adjust to life during the American Reconstruction.



Where Monsters Dwell

by Jørgen Brekke

A museum curator's murder that eerily resembles a killing in Norway prompts Richmond homicide detective Felicia Stone and Trondheim police inspector Odd Singsaker to investigate from their respective locations before discovering a common link in a 16th-century palimpsest book.



The Yellow Birds

by Kevin Powers

Two friends, both U.S. soldiers in Iraq, cling to life and each other as a bloody fight to take control of the city of Al Tifar rages around them and they stave off fatigue, mental stress and insurgents.