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ADULT FICTION

AUTHOR(S)	TITLE	GENRE	DATE
Andrews, Donna	Murder Most Fowl	Cozy Mystery	8/3

A Shakespearean twist on the long-running Meg Langslow mystery series.

When a filmmaker comes to document the production of Meg Langslow's husband's production of *Macbeth*, she is not surprised to find the filmmaker murdered after showing of some of the footage he's taken, managing to embarrass or offend just about everyone in the play's production. All have motives, but who did it?

Baker, Chandler	The Husbands	Domestic Thriller	8/3
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Nora Spangler is a successful attorney but when it comes to domestic life with her husband, she packs the lunches, schedules the doctor appointments, and knows where the extra paper towel rolls are. When she agrees to help with a resident of Dynasty Ranch's wrongful death case, she is pulled into the lives of the women there. As the case unravels, Nora uncovers a plot that may explain the secret to having-it-all. One that's worth killing for.

Barker, Pat	The Women of Troy	Historical	8/24
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Troy has fallen and the victorious Greeks are eager to return home with the spoils of an endless war—including the women of Troy themselves. They await a fair wind for the Aegean. It does not come, because the gods are offended. Old feuds resurface and new suspicions and rivalries begin to fester.

Brown, Sandra	Blind Tiger	Historical Thriller	8/3
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Texas Soldier Thatcher Hutton returns to a country unlike the one he left behind - where Prohibition is the new law of the land. When he is caught up in a crime on his journey home, he must gain the sheriff's trust to clear his name. This spectacular can't-put-it-down novel is part war story, part love letter to small town America and the people who live there.

Burke, James Lee	Another Kind of Eden	Historical	8/17
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James Lee Burke brings readers a captivating tale of justice, love, brutality, and mysticism set in the turbulent 1960s. With this riveting and ambitious work, he dismantles the myths of both the twentieth-century American West and the peace-and-love decade, excavating the beauty and idealism of the era showing the menace and chaos beneath the surface.

Coes, Ben	The Island	Terrorism Thriller	8/17
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America is about to face the deadliest terrorist attack on its soil since 9/11. Iran has been planning a revenge attack for years, with three goals in mind. Bring America to its knees. Assassinate the popular U.S. President J. P. Dellenbaugh. And neutralize their most successful agent, Dewey Andreas.

Coulter, Catherine	Vortex	Mystery Suspense	8/10
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Seven years ago, Serena went to a college frat rave with her best friend when a fire broke out. Everyone was accounted for except Serena, who was never seen nor heard from again. Now an investigative journalist begins to uncover a sinister string of events going all the way back to that disastrous party.

Fielding, Joy	Cul-de-sac	Psychological Thriller	8/10
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Someone on this quiet, unassuming cul-de-sac will be shot dead in the middle of a sultry July night. A diverse group of neighbors. Yet all harbor secrets. All bear scars. And all have access to guns. Not all will survive the night.

Hamilton, Laurell K.	A Terrible Fall of Angels	Paranormal Mystery	8/17
Detective Zaniel Havelock, a man with the special ability to communicate directly with angels. There's no question that there's evil at work when he's called in to examine the murder scene of a college student-but is it just the evil that one human being can do to another, or is it something more? When demonic possession is a possibility, even angelic protection can only go so far. The race is on to stop a killer before he finds his next victim.			
Hawkins, Paula	A Slow Fire Burning	Suspense Thriller	8/31
When a young man is found gruesomely murdered in a London houseboat, it triggers questions about three women who knew him. Laura is the troubled one-night-stand last seen in the victim's home. Carla is his grief-stricken aunt. And Miriam Three women who are, whether they know it or not, burning to right the wrongs done to them. How far might any one of them go to find peace?			
Jones, Stephen Graham	My Heart Is a Chainsaw	Supernatural Thriller	8/31
Jade Daniels is an angry, half-Indian outcast with an abusive father, an absent mother, and an entire town that wants nothing to do with her. She lives in her own world, a world in which protection comes from an unusual source: horror movies. When blood actually starts to spill into the waters of Indian Lake, she pulls us into her dizzying mind. A girl whose feelings are too big for her body. <i>My Heart Is a Chainsaw</i> is her story, her homage to horror and revenge and triumph.			
King, Stephen	Billy Summers	Military Thriller	8/3
Billy Summers is a man in a room with a gun. He's a killer for hire and the best in the business. But he'll do the job only if the target is a truly bad guy. And now Billy wants out. But first there is one last hit. Billy is among the best snipers in the world, a decorated Iraq war vet, a Houdini when it comes to vanishing after the job is done. So, what could possibly go wrong? (?)			
Krueger, William Kent	Lightning Strike	Detective Mystery	8/24
Aurora is a small town nestled in the ancient forest alongside the shores of Minnesota's Iron Lake. In the summer of 1963, it is the whole world to twelve-year-old Cork O'Connor, its rhythms as familiar as his own heartbeat. But when Cork stumbles upon the body of a man he revered hanging from a tree in an abandoned logging camp, it is the first in a series of events that will cause him to question everything he took for granted about his hometown, his family, and himself.			
Michaels, Fern	19 Yellow Moon Road	Thriller	8/31
The Sisterhood: a group of women from all walks of life bound by friendship and years of adventure. Armed with vast resources, top-notch expertise, and a loyal network of allies around the globe, the Sisterhood will not rest until every wrong is made right.			
Moreno-Garcia, Silvia	Velvet Was the Night	Hispanic & Latino Thriller	8/17
In 1970s Mexico City, Maite, a secretary with a penchant for romance novels, searches for her missing neighbor, Leonora, a beautiful art student, which leads her to an eccentric gangster who longs to escape his own life, and together, they set out to discover the dangerous truth.			
Moyes, Jojo	Night Music	Contemporary Romance	8/17
After her husband dies, leaving her with a mountain of debt, classical violinist Isabel Delancey and her children are forced to move to a now-dilapidated manor she inherited in the English countryside where she fights to make her house a home as passions and lives collide.			
Oates, Joyce Carol	Breathe	Family Life	8/3
Amid a starkly beautiful but uncanny landscape in New Mexico, a married couple from Cambridge, MA takes residency at a distinguished academic institute. When the husband is stricken with a mysterious illness, misdiagnosed at first, their lives are uprooted and husband and wife each embarks upon a nightmare journey.			

Patterson, James Barker, J. D.	The Noise	Psychological Thriller	8/16
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If you hear it, it's too late. Can two sisters save us all?

In the shadow of Mount Hood, sixteen-year-old Tennant is checking rabbit traps with her eight-year-old sister Sophie when the girls are suddenly overcome by a strange vibration rising out of the forest, building in intensity until it sounds like a deafening crescendo of screams. From out of nowhere, their father sweeps them up and drops them through a trapdoor into a storm cellar. But the sound only gets worse . . .

Penny, Louise	The Madness of Crowds	Detective Mystery	8/24
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The Chief Inspector of the Québec village of Three Pines, Armand Gamache, is asked to provide security for what promises to be a non-event. A visiting Professor of Statistics will be giving a lecture at the nearby university. Disturbed by the Professor's agenda Armand begs the university to cancel the lecture. They refuse, and before long the Professor's views start infecting conversations. Discussions become debates, debates become arguments, which turn into fights. As sides are declared, a madness takes hold.

Preston, Douglas Child, Lincoln	Bloodless	Mystery Thriller	8/17
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A fabulous heist. A brutal crime steeped in legend and malevolence. A case like no other.

Agent Pendergast faces his most unexpected challenge yet when bloodless bodies begin to appear in Savannah, GA

Steel, Danielle	Complications	Womens Fiction	8/17
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Scandal and tragedy erupt against the backdrop of an exclusive Paris hotel. Known for its luxurious accommodations and bespoke service, the Hotel Louis XVI has been the most lauded boutique hotel in all of Paris for decades, attracting an international clientele of the rich and famous. Danielle Steel tells an unforgettable story about a famed hotel, where a few complications quickly escalate into a matter of life and death, changing the lives of everyone who passes through its doors.

Stevens, Chevy	Dark Roads	Murder Thriller	8/3
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British Columbia's rugged wilderness is isolated and vast, it has become a prime hunting ground for predators. For decades, young women traveling the road have gone missing and no killer or abductor who has stalked the highway has ever been brought to justice. Beth Chevalier arrives in Cold Creek, where her sister Amber lived—and where she was murdered. Estranged from her parents and seeking closure, Beth's search for answers puts a target on her back.

Woods, Stuart	Class Act	Suspense Thriller	8/3
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After a rocky jaunt in Maine, Stone Barrington is settling back in New York City when an old client reaches out for help with a delicate matter. A feud they thought was put to rest long ago has reemerged with a vengeance, and reputations—and money—are now on the line.

ADULT NON-FICTION

AUTHOR(S)	TITLE	GENRE	DATE
Bickerdike, Jennifer Otter	You Are Beautiful and You Are Alone	Music Biography	8/10

A new biography of Nico, the mysterious singer best known for her work with the *Velvet Underground* and her solo album *Chelsea Girl*. Her life is tangled in myth—much of it of her own invention. Rock and roll cultural historian Jennifer Bickerdike delivers a definitive book that unravels the story while making a convincing case for Nico's enduring importance.

King, Billie Jean Howard, Johnette	All In: An Autobiography	Personal Memoirs	8/17
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Billie Jean King was only seven years old when she told her mother, "I'm going to do something great with my life someday." In this spirited account, King details her life's journey to find her true self. She recounts her groundbreaking tennis successes that came at a breathtaking pace. King describes the myriad challenges she hurdled, including entrenched sexism, an eating disorder, near financial ruin after being outed, and accepting her sexual identity.

Trump, Mary L.	The Reckoning	Politics	8/17
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An examination of America's national trauma, rooted in our history but dramatically exacerbated by the impact of current events and the Trump administration's corrupt and immoral policies. Our failure to acknowledge this trauma, let alone root it out, has allowed it to metastasize. America is suffering from PTSD—a new leader alone cannot fix us.

DVD's

TITLE	GENRE	RATING	DATE
Here Today	Comedy-Drama	PG-13	8/3

When veteran comedy writer Charlie Burnz meets New York singer Emma Payge, they form an unlikely yet hilarious and touching friendship. Before long, each finds in the other a sort of soulmate, forging a deep bond that kicks the generation gap aside and redefines the meaning of friendship, love and trust.

In the Heights	Musical	PG-13	8/31
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In Washington Heights, N.Y., the scent of warm coffee hangs in the air just outside of the 181st St. subway stop, where a kaleidoscope of dreams rallies a vibrant and tight-knit community. At the intersection of it all is a likable and magnetic bodega owner who hopes, imagines and sings about a better life.

Queen Bees	Romantic Comedy	PG-13	8/10
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While her house undergoes repairs, fiercely independent senior Helen temporarily moves into a nearby retirement community, where she encounters lusty widows, cutthroat bridge tournaments and a hotbed of bullying "mean girls."

AUDIOBOOKS

AUTHOR(S)	TITLE	GENRE	DATE
Garcia, Eric	We're Not Broken: Changing the Autism Conv.	Neurodiversity	8/3

"This book is a message from autistic people to their parents, friends, teachers, coworkers and doctors showing what life is like on the spectrum. It's also my love letter to autistic people. For too long, we have been forced to navigate a world where all the road signs are written in another language." - Eric Garcia

With a reporter's eye and an insider's perspective, Eric shows what it's like to be autistic across America.

Pacheco, Rebecca	Still Life: The Myths and Magic of Mindful Living	Spiritual Meditation	8/3
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For years Rebecca Pacheco has taught readers and students alike how to embrace the wisdom of the yoga sutras and reap the mental, emotional, and spiritual benefits of these traditions. Turning her focus to mindfulness she demystifies a seemingly esoteric practice and giving readers practical, real-life tools to implement mindfulness in their own lives.