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The Non-Fiction Novel

In 1965 Truman Capote delivered to Random House Publishers a work which he described as a "nonfiction novel" – his most acclaimed book "In Cold Blood." The story of the murder of a Kansas farm family by two alienated drifters, the writing was largely factual but the style hugely artistic. Capote claimed to have invented a new genre that has become ever more popular over the last fifty years as writers have told true stories with the panache of the very best novelists, capturing a readership who wish to be both informed and entertained.

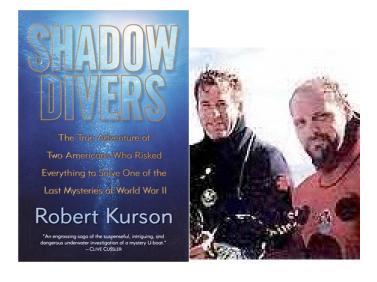
Featured This Month:

Shadow Divers by Robert Kurson

This true story about a little-known incident in WW II would be enjoyed by those who like non-fiction, or WW II history, or fiction, or mystery, or suspense, or deep scuba diving, or life and death drama. Other folks can stop reading this review right now.

This is the first non-fiction book I have ever read which is written like a novel, and knowing it is a true story makes it even more of a suspenseful and compelling read.

The book details the adventures of a professional scuba diving team in their quest to identify the wreck of a German submarine about 100 miles off the New York coastline. The life and death challenges and decision-making of the divers are a great story in itself, but when that is intertwined with actual WW II events, it turns into a very absorbing read, and a book that's difficult to put down. The suspense keeps building as the divers discover more and more about the wrecked submarine, as well as at the same time discovering more and more about themselves and how much it means to them to identify the submarine, what its mission was, and how it ended up off the New York coastline.



If you didn't know this book was non-fiction, you would easily assume it was fiction. It is written for the reader, rather than to show how smart the writer is, which seems to be the goal of many non-fiction authors. It is an easy read, it will add to your knowledge of WW II history, and it will leave you satisfied at the end.

Review by Stan Brodsky

Notes from the Library Board

Maybe you weren't aware that the Library also has a magazine section? The HCL subscribes to New Mexico Magazine, where you can keep up with people and events around the state; Cowboys & Indians, a compendium of all things Southwestern; and Consumer Reports, an essential guide to all your shopping. WebMD Magazine also comes to the Library. Some of our members donate copies of magazines from their personal subscriptions, also, allowing us to offer back issues of Veranda or National Geographic or Science News. These are all available to browse or sit down and read an article while you're at the Library in the Betty Reynolds Reading Room.



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New at the Library

Mystery

3rd Degree by James Patterson
Mary, Mary by James Patterson
Black Ice by Michael Connelly
Concrete Blonde by Michael Connelly
Last Coyote by Michael Connelly
White Road by John Connolly
Murder Plays House by Ayelet Waldman
Stud Rites by Susan Conant
Clouds of Witness by Dorothy Sayers
Find Me by Carol O'Connell
206 Bones by Kathy Reichs
Below Zero by C. J. Box

Non-fiction

Shadow Divers by Robert Kurson
A Magnificent Catastrophe, The Tumultuous
Election of 1800, America's First Presidential
Campaign by E. J Larson
Honor Killing, How the Infamous "Massie Affair"
transformed Hawai'i by David Stannard
Growing Up Again by Mary Tyler Moore
Georgia O'Keeffe by Georgia O'Keeffe
Telling New Mexico-A New History edited by
Marta Weigle

Classics

Paso por aqui by Eugene Manlove Rhodes

Bookmobile: Wednesday, August 18 Hillsboro:1:00 –2:00pm Kingston: 2:30-3:30pm

Fiction

An Indecent Obsession by Colleen McCullough The Bingo Palace by Louise Erdrich War and Music by Max Evans The Gate House by Nelson DeMille

Films on DVD

The Ex The Omega Code

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