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## “The High Season: A Novel” by Judy Blundell

What would you do if you had the perfect house but had to give it away each summer? Ruthie Beamish owns her dream home on Long Island. But in order to cover yearly expenses she and her ex-husband have to rent it each summer. This year, Adeline Clay, widow of the famous artist Peter Clay, rents it out for the whole summer. Luxury is in the air! But when Adeline starts spending time with Mike, Ruthie’s ex, and has ideas to buy her house, things start to unravel.

The summer is hard enough with her job as director of The Belfry Museum in jeopardy, her teenage daughter Jem spending time with Adeline’s stepson and a very expensive watch is missing! Blundell’s latest novel is filled with summer memories, new romances, art mysteries and surprising twists. A wonderful summer read. Picture yourself outside in a small beach town in Long Island and engage in the summer lifestyle.

With a few more weeks of summer, enjoy a selection of new books by my favorite authors: “All We Ever Wanted,” by Emily Giffin, “The Husband Hour,” by Jamie Brenner, and “When Life Gives You Lululemons,” by Lauren Weisberger.

Ask your local librarian for more book recommendations for the summer.

## “Still Lives” by Maria Hummel

Artist Kim Lord’s latest

exhibit, “Still Lives,” is about to open at the Rocque Museum in Los Angeles. Lord’s groundbreaking art represents self-portraits depicting herself as famous, murdered women – Black Dahlia, Chandra Levy and more. The museum’s editor, Maggie, has high hopes that the opening of the artist and feminist icon will support the museum’s failing finances. As the gala approaches, she’s been verifying facts, researching female homicides and discovering more about Lord’s life than she ever wanted to know. Especially since Lord is now seeing her ex! When Lord goes missing on the day of the gala, the art scene goes wild. Did she plan her own death? Did the boyfriend have anything to do with her disappearance or possible murder? Maggie and her museum friends turn to each other to help solve the case.

Author Maria Hummel offers a behind-the-scenes look into the art world as she weaves together a mystery with surprising twists. Readers will be eager to finish this page-turner in one sitting – it’s the perfect weekend read. Visit your local library for more page-turner mysteries.



# Players return to girls soccer squad

By Rongi Yost  
Correspondent

The girls soccer team returns 10 players to the varsity squad this year, all with experience and good knowledge of the game — which they hope will take them to the playoffs.

Seniors Lexie Stewart, Sofia Affatati, and Sophia Bianchi all return for their final season as Outlaws.

Stewart heads into her fourth season as a varsity player and will play center-back. She’s a tough player who will bring veteran experience and leadership to the squad. She’s been a captain for three years and is always an encouragement to her teammates.

Affatati and Bianchi also bring three years’ varsity experience and leadership to the team. Affatati’s game is marked by quick play and toughness at forward. Coach Jaron Jacobsen noted that Sofia is the inspirational piece of the team. Bianchi (right-back) brings toughness and hard-nosed defense.

Juniors Gracen Sundstrom,

Hallie Schwartz, Lola Green, Olivia Hougham, Emma Horner, Rheanna Salisbury and Josie Aylor are also back for another season.

Sundstrom brings positive play 100 percent of the time, and this year will be more of a central midfield presence on the field. Schwartz will bring tough play and quick decision-making to the Outlaws’ game, and will help hold down the midfield. Green is also a smart decision-maker in the midfield, and brings leadership and positive attitude to the squad. She will work together with Schwartz to hold down the midfield.

Hougham is a super-tough player and according to Jacobsen, she’s the Outlaws’ workhorse and will anchor the midfield along with Hallie and Lola. Horner is a strong defender, and is not afraid to body-up players. She will anchor the defense, along with Stewart.

Salisbury is the Outlaws’ wall in the goal. Rheanna doesn’t back down from challenges, and has improved greatly at the keeper position.

Aylor will add strong play on the defensive end. She’s strong on the ball, works hard, and isn’t afraid to get into tackles.

New to the team is freshman Hollie Lewis. She will play at attacking wing and at forward. Jacobsen noted he’s super-excited to be adding quickness and speed up front, and stated that Hollie is crafty and will push the upperclassmen to work hard and compete.

There are still a few kids on the bubble as far as playing on the varsity squad. Jacobsen told *The Nugget* that the girls soccer program is low in numbers, but they are trying to make two teams with what they have.

Jacobsen said, “I know these girls want to have a winning season and make playoffs. My goals for the team are for them to work together, respect one another, and to show sportsmanship all the time. I expect them to get better each day, and work towards our goal of making playoffs.”

The girls will compete in the Oregon West League this season.




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