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**Smokey O**, by Celia Cohen. Naiad, 1994; \$9.95. Lively addition to the lesbian sports genre with spunky characters and girl's baseball.

**Sparks Might Fly**, by Cris Newport. New Victoria, 1994; \$9.95. An inspiring novel about a musician who confuses her passions in love and

Villanueva's stories are now available in *Jessie's Song* from Masquerade Books.

**Thin Fire**, by Nanci Little. Madwoman Press, 1993; \$12.95. This dyke can write! A military first novel.

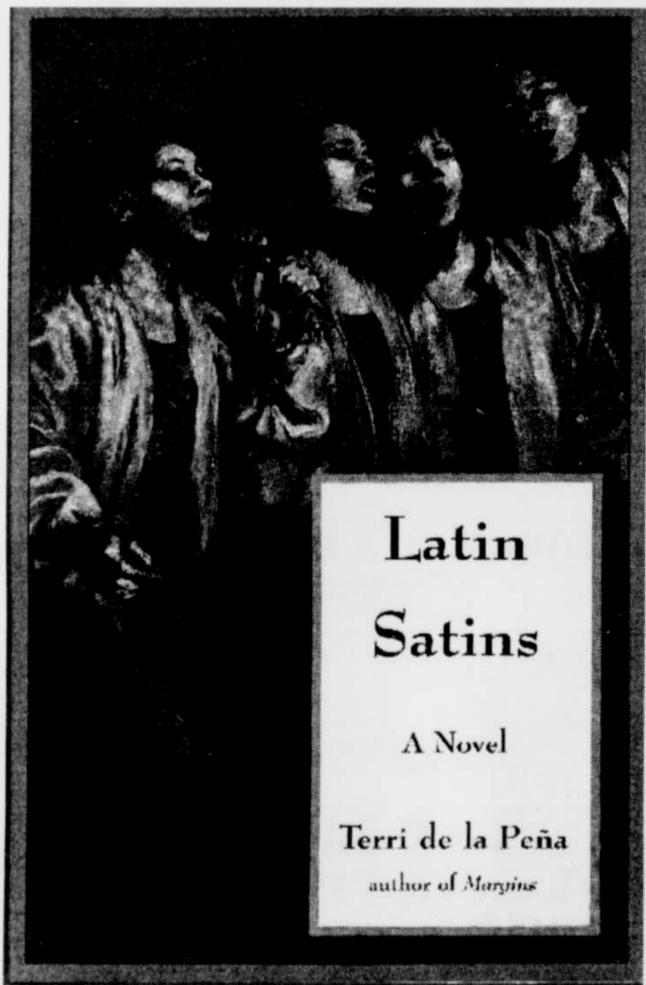
**Every Woman's Dream**, by Lesléa Newman. New Victoria, 1994; \$9.95. Welcome stories and humor in this year of dreary messages about us from the straight presses. What is it that makes Newman feel lesbian right down to her semicolons?

**The Amazon Chronicles**, by Jane E.M. Robinson. Clothespin Fever, 1994; \$15.95. Penthesilea is a tomboy dyke from 1240 B.C. Enormous research went into this big, engrossing historical romance.

**Up, Up and Away**, by Catherine Ennis. Naiad, 1994; \$9.95. A light romance with a lot of charm. Tasty background of hot-air ballooning, videography, and New Orleans.

**We Came All the Way from Cuba So You Could Dress Like This?** by Achy Obejas. Cleis, 1994; \$10.95. Smart, contemporary, bright slashes of short stories, full of humor and brutal truths.

**A Ship in the Harbor**, by Mary Heron Dyer. Paradigm, 1994; \$8.95. Novel about a married mother who comes out, in her 30s, fighting Oregon's anti-queer, anti-choice radicals.



art, loses both, and must find her way again.

**Staying the Distance**, by Franci McMahon. Firebrand, 1994; \$9.95. A gentle modern western romance between a horse lover and a veterinarian.

**Lesbian Adventure Stories**, edited by Mara Wild and Mikaya Heart. Tough Dove, 1994; \$11.95. Fresh, compelling stories from veteran writers like Jane Fitcher to newer yarn-spinners like Woody Blue.

**Trouble and Her Friends**, by Melissa Scott. Tor, 1994; \$22.95. For anyone interested in computers, sci fi and romance. Less violent than most in the genre.

**Chinagirls**, by Chea Villanueva. Lezzies on the Move Productions, 1991; \$6.00. This tale of working-class dykes in epistolary form is ethnically diverse; done in street vernacular.

\$14.95. Another major collection: oral histories, essays, poems, short stories and art work by 47 women from 10 countries. Some in Spanish, some in English.

**The Me in the Mirror**, by Connie Panzarino. Seal, 1994; \$12.95. The autobiography of a dynamic lesbian and disability activist.

**The Perennial Political Palate, The Third Feminist Vegetarian Cookbook**, by the Bloodroot Collective. Sanguinaria Publishing, 1993; \$16.95. I've long been a fan of these restaurant-tested cookbooks. Recipes from knaidel soup to risotto. Generously illustrated and liberally sprinkled with quotations from women.

**Lesbians at Midlife: The Creative Transition**, edited by Barbara Sang, Joyce Washow and Adrienne J. Smith. Spinsters, 1991; \$12.95. There's little out there for lesbians retiring from

## Nonfiction

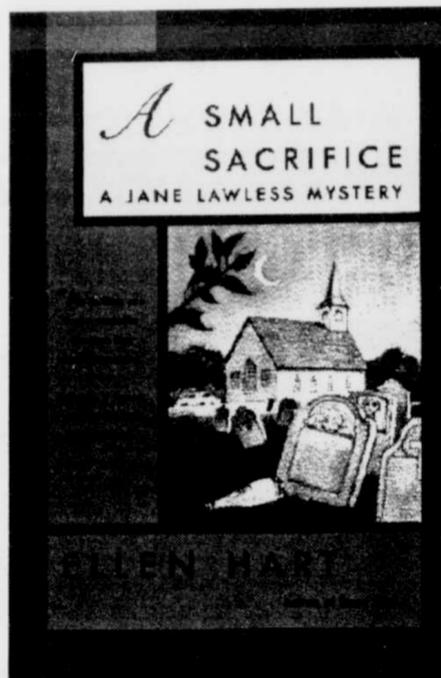
**Desert Years**, by Cynthia Rich. Spinsters, 1989; \$7.95. I was late discovering this lovely, relaxed patchwork of the daily life of a lesbian couple living in a trailer in the desert. Now I recommend it to everyone I know, dyke or not.

**Just Lucky I Guess**, by Elaine Mikels. Desert Crone Press, 1993; \$12.95. A self-published autobiography of an old lesbian who has been an activist all her life. Very open and positive.

**Out of the Class Closet: Lesbians Speak**, edited by Julia Penelope. Crossing Press, 1994; \$16.95. A major work: essays from real life. Very readable; pioneering, diverse.

**Word Gaymes**, by Kathleen DeBold. Alyson, 1993; \$8.95. Finally a puzzle book for cultural outsiders! For crossword, other word-game, and queer-trivia fans.

**Campañeras, Latina Lesbians**, edited by Juanita Ramos. Routledge, 1994;



being young and hip. This book is a great service.

**The Straight Woman's Guide to Lesbianism**, by Mikaya Heart. Tough Dove, 1994; \$5.95. We recommended this one to our questioning friend. Contains some real basic cultural information.

**Out for Office**, edited by Kathleen DeBold. Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund, 1994; \$12.95. How to get queers into elected office by those who've succeeded. Includes resources.

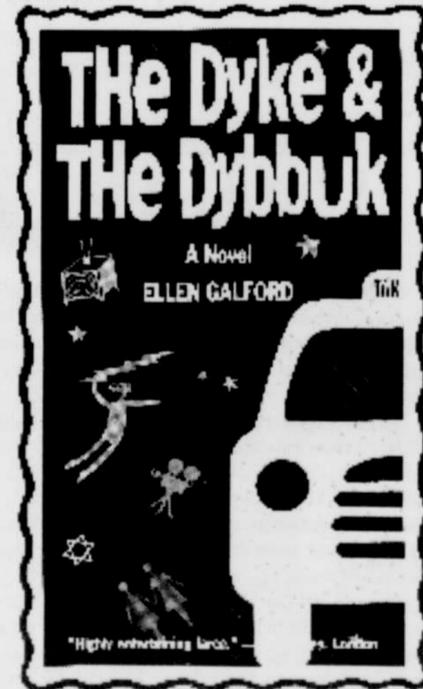
**Two Teenagers in Twenty, Writings by Gay and Lesbian Youth**, edited by Ann Heron. Alyson, 1994; \$17.95. Revised to include a new wave of young voices.

**Growing up Gay/Growing up Lesbian, A Literary Anthology**, edited by Bennett L. Singer. The New Press, 1994; \$9.95. Fiction and nonfiction work by Kitty Tsui, Pat Parker, Radclyffe Hall, many more.

**Putting Out**, edited by Edisol W. Dotson. Cleis, 1994; \$12.95. Third edition of a book that has helped me stay in print.

**One Million Strong** by Cece Cox, Lisa Means and Lisa Pope. Alyson, 1993; \$17.95. The 1993 March on Washington coffee table book. Black and white photos.

**Long Road to Freedom, The Advocate History of the Gay and Lesbian Movement**, edited by Mark Thompson. St. Martin's, 1994; \$40. Our history in photojournalism and *Advocate* articles since 1967.



**Another Wilderness, New Outdoor Writing by Women**, edited by Susan Fox Rogers. Seal, 1994; \$14.95. For women who love the outdoors—or love reading about women adventurers.

**Gay and Lesbian States, A Pocket Guide of Facts and Figures**, edited by Bennett L. Singer and David Deschamps. New Press, 1994; \$5.95. Useful and quirky data about us as a people.

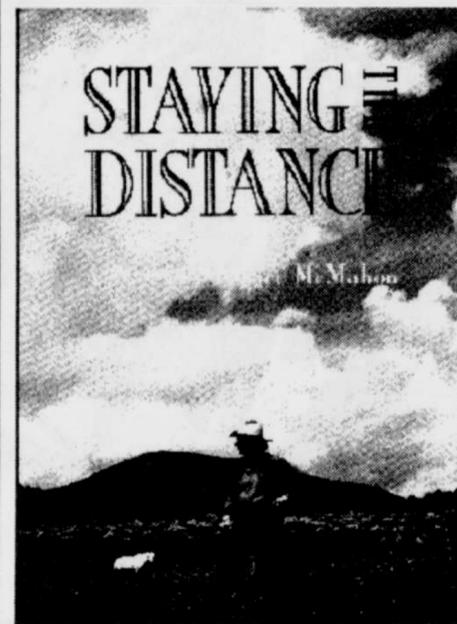
## Humor

**Happily Ever After**, by Stacy Chandler. Speculators Inc., 1993; \$10. A wonderfully silly how-to book which will guide you and your S.O. to contented coupledom—laughing all the way. If you ever feel down, pick this up. Chandler's better than a therapist.

**Stay Tooned**, by Rhonda Dickson. Naiad, 1993; \$9.95. More cartoons from the very tooned-in author of *The Lesbian Survival Manual*.

**Rubyfruit Mountain** by Andrea Natalie. Cleis, 1993; \$9.95. Another riot from the Stonewall riots cartoonist.

**Hey Mom, Guess What!** by Shelly Roberts and Melissa K. Sweeney. Paradigm, 1993; \$8.95. As my partner said, "This book is more than funny. It's important." How to come out to your folks.



## Mysteries

**A Small Sacrifice**, by Ellen Hart. Seal, 1994; \$20.95. This year's Jane Lawless mystery—and welcome!

**Nun in the Closet**, by Joanna Michaels. New Victoria, 1994; \$9.95. A solid first mystery about nuns, closets, sinister religious figures, a million dollars, and passion.

**Keeping Secrets**, by Penny Mickelbury. Naiad, 1994; \$9.95. Darned good police procedural. Black reporter, white cop, gay murders.

**The Lessons**, by Melanie McAllester. Spinsters Ink, 1994; \$9.95. She's got the rhythm of a cop book down and fills it with suspense.

**Second Guess**, by Rose Beecham. Naiad, 1994; \$9.95. Set in intriguing Wellington, New Zealand, this rudimentary, entertaining mystery is peopled with deftly portrayed suspects and investigators.

## Self Help

**Alternatives for Women with Endometriosis, A Guide for Women by Women**, by Ruth Carol. Third Side Press, 1994; \$12.95.

**Chronic Fatigue and Tiredness**, by Susan M. Lark, M.D. Westchester Publishing Co., 1993; \$12.95.

**Verbal Abuse Survivors Speak Out on Relationship and Recovery**, by Patricia Evans. Bob Adams Inc., 1993; \$9.95.

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