C. EDWIN (ED) FENDER has always been a wordsmith. After 40 years of technical writing, Ed finally retired and focused his writing skills on adventure novels and memoirs. He and his wife, Maureen, live in Eugene, Oregon and have a cottage in Yachats.



Visit Ed at his website, http://fenderink.com.

Infinite River - Carl Finter, photographer, had a magazine contract to shoot a few hundred shots during a summertime rafting trip down the Rogue River. The long-anticipated earthquake on the Oregon coast was only the beginning of a series of events that would threaten his life, bring true love into it, and propel him into deepening mystery and intrigue that would extend millions of years into the past!

Italy Calls - Lorenzo Costa is content with his life in Oregon. That life is turned upside down when the grandfather he doesn't know calls him to come to Italy to take over his multi-billion Euro company. While en route, he unknowingly smuggles data for arms traffickers. The journey to find his Italian roots and decide whether or not to take over the business leads to romance and an adventure-laced trip through Italy.

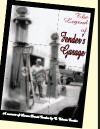




Ed's most recent project, In The Spooky Forest, published in Nov 2014, is a children's book featuring (and written for) three of his grandchildren: Some strange white thing is moving around in the "Spooky forest" in Yachats. The children are very curious and want to know what it is. They convince Grandpa to take them in to find out

what's going on! Be careful, Grandpa!

The Legend of Fender's Garage - After Bob Welch's Beachside Writers retreat in Yachats in 2010, Ed realized he was the only living person who knew the amazing details of the story surrounding his father's Garage in the mountains of Colorado. He wrote the memoir because he knew if he didn't, the story would be lost to history.





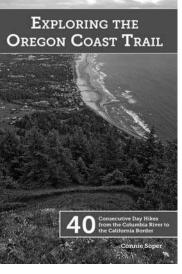
On a cold January evening in 1990, Margot's idyllic life with Geoff, the lead singer of a successful hard rock band from England, changes irrevocably. Then, nine years later, Geoff reenters Margot's life. But instead an innocuous reunion, Margot finds herself finally confronting what really caused her relationship with Geoff to end.

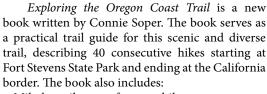
As a child, Lana is content with her life in the small town of Grainy, Kansas. Then, one spring day, shortly after her fifteenth birthday, she chances across a page of newspaper from Portland, Oregon. Fascinated by the paper's mysterious 1,500 mile journey, Lana becomes enchanted by Portland and its quiet guardian, Mt. Hood. When the 1960s unfold tragic and devastating events that forever change Lana and her friends, she must confront her lifelong fear that leaving Grainy means losing herself and everything she knows and realize that's exactly what must happen so she can find where she truly belongs.





HEATHER CURRY SELF is an almost-native of Oregon, currently residing in Portland. She has been a lifelong reader and writer, and has both published and won awards for her poetry. When she's not pounding away on her keyboard, she might be found at one of Portland's many brewpubs enjoying a pint and the atmosphere. Please feel free to stop by her table at the Festival of Books, as well as her website www.smallchangelife.org.





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CONNIE SOPER

Connie Soper first visited Oregon's beaches when living as a child in Coos Bay, and she has loved them ever since. She has twice hiked the Oregon Coast Trail in its entirety with many friends and family members. Connie has written her first book, Exploring the Oregon Coast Trail: 40 Consecutive Day Hikes from the Columbia River to the California Border, published by Dragonfly Press in the summer of 2015. She divides her time between Portland and Manzanita, and regularly visits other parts of the coast. She is also involved in advocacy efforts to complete the trail so future hikers will not have to walk along the highway.

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GARY HARTMAN is a retired Electrical Engineer, and writes "buildit" books for both adults and children. His hope is to get children and adults away from I-Pads and video games they are so dependent on, and instead get them working on real hands-on projects-- toymaking, science and "magic" for the kids, and building Grandmother Clocks, and welding and fabricating a homemade rifle for adults. Gary has five published "How to do it" books.

"KIDS' BOOK OF **ADVENTURE PROJECTS**" (2008)

Building toys, "Magic" and scientific gismos including a Boomerang, Kaleidoscope, Compass, Model WWII airplane like in the 1950"s, a Sextant, wooden Army Tank, Movie Ghost Box, etc. Fifteen projects, about 140 pgs, forty-nine illustrations. 5 1/2" x 8 1/2"

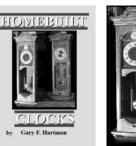
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Shows construction of a five shot .45 caliber rifle made from a manufactured barrel and steel block; the rest is primarily constructed from scrap steel using garage tools, grinders, files, hacksaw, along with a wire welder. 80 photos or illustrations, 148 pages, large format.

"HOMEBUILT .45 ACP CARBINE" (2013)



"HOMEBUILT CLOCKS" (2011) Step-by-step construction of large antique style Grandmother Wall Clocks (and mantle styles) including brass finish weights, pendulum, glass framed door, with Westminster Chime motor. About 70 pgs, with twenty-nine photos and drawings. 6.7" x 9.6" with Glossy Cover



"HOMEBUILT FIREARMS" (2010) Fabrication of a ten shot .22 rifle, constructed from a use .22 barrel and scrap steel using standard garage tools grinders, drill press, files and a wire welder. (No machine tools.)

About 120 pgs, fifty photos and illustrations. 6.7" x 9.6" Glossy Cov

"Homebuilt Toys" is full color with 126 photos and illustrations. The book features a vintage wooden toy train, a Compass made from a block of wood and a tin can lid, an airplane model of coffee stir sticks and a grocery sack, a Rubber Band Rifle, a Pulltov Dog toddler toy, etc. about a dozen projects in all! Described above. 6.7" x 9.6" about 170 pages. 126 COLOR

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