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3. *Parting with Illusions* by Vladimir Pozner, reviewed by Philip Santamaria
4. *Head First*, reviewed by Tom Frantz
5. *The Politics of Rich and Poor: Wealth and the American Electorate in the Reagan Aftermath* by Kevin Philips, reviewed by Bruce Fisher
6. *You Just Don't Understand: Women and Men in Conversation* by Deborah Tannen, reviewed by Joseph Kolasny
7. *The World Is Burning: Murder in the Rain Forest* by Alex Shoumatoff, reviewed by R. Warren Flint
8. *The Last Fine Time* by Verlyn Klinkenborg*
9. *Man's Search for Meaning* by Viktor E. Frankl, reviewed by Robert Rossberg
10. *Book of Joshua*, reviewed by Father Anthony Rigoli
11. *Miracle in Buffalo: How the Dream of Baseball Revived a City* by Anthony Violanti*
12. *The Next Century* by David Halberstam, reviewed by Marilyn Hoskin
13. *Fire in the Belly: On Being a Man* by Sam Keen, reviewed by Donald Sabo, Ph.D.
14. *Endangered Minds: Why Children Don't Think—And What We Can Do about It* by Jane M. Healy, reviewed by Samuel Alessi, Jr.
15. *All-Bright Court* by Connie Porter*
16. *Backlash: The Undeclared War against American Women* by Susan Faludi, reviewed by Dolores Denman
17. *Parliament of Whores: A Lone Humorist Attempts to Explain the Entire U.S. Government* by P. J. O'Rourke, reviewed by Sal Martoche
18. *America: What Went Wrong?* by Donald L. Barlett & James B. Steele, reviewed by David Elias
19. *Race*, reviewed by James Pitts
20. *The Fragile Species* by Lewis Thomas, reviewed by Robert Horvath
21. *Revolution from Within: A Book of Self-Esteem* by Gloria Steinem, reviewed by Rose Ciotta
22. *Who Will Tell the People: The Betrayal of American Democracy* by William Greider, reviewed by Agnes Palazetti
23. *Disorderly Conduct* by Bruce Jackson*
24. *Earth in the Balance: Ecology and the Human Spirit* by Al Gore, reviewed by Alexandra Cukan
25. *Making the Mummies Dance: Inside the Metropolitan Museum of Art* by Thomas Hoving, reviewed by Elizabeth Licata
26. *Truman* by David McCullough, reviewed by Doug Turner



27. *First and Ten* by Douglas Anderson*
28. *See, I Told You So* by Rush Limbaugh, reviewed by Emanuel Fried
29. *The Fifties* by David Halberstam, reviewed by Joseph Grande
30. *Tyranny of Kindness: Dismantling the Welfare System to End Poverty in America* by Theresa Funicello, reviewed by Ellen Kennedy
31. *Common Sense* by Thomas Paine, reviewed by Michael Mahaney
32. *Certain Trumpets: The Nature of Leadership* by Garry Wills, reviewed by Steve Banko
33. *Boots of Leather, Slippers of Gold: The History of a Lesbian Community* by Elizabeth Lapovsky Kennedy & Madeline D. Davis*
34. *The Agenda* by Bob Woodward, reviewed by Joseph Crangle
35. *Don't Stand Too Close to a Naked Man* by Tim Allen, reviewed by Kevin O'Connell
36. *A Nation Under Lawyers: How the Crisis in the Legal Profession Is Transforming American Society* by Mary Ann Glendon, reviewed by Les Foschio
37. *Some Days You Get the Bear* by Lawrence Block*
38. *In Retrospect: The Tragedy and Lessons of Vietnam* by Robert S. McNamara, reviewed by James Mang
39. *Crazy Bosses* by Stanley Bing, reviewed by The B.L.O.O.M. Group
40. *Betrayal*, reviewed by Joseph Wolfinger
41. *Spontaneous Healing: How to Discover and Enhance Your Body's Natural Ability to Maintain and Heal Itself* by Andrew Weil, M.D., reviewed by Sanford Levy, M.D.
42. *Inside Talk Radio: America's Voice or Just Hot Air?* by Peter Laufer, reviewed by Gary McNamara
43. *The Right to Privacy* by Caroline Kennedy & Ellen Alderman, reviewed by Penny Wolfgang
44. *The Buying of the President* by Charles Lewis, reviewed by James Griffin
45. *A Better Place to Live: Reshaping the American Suburb* by Philip Langdon, reviewed by Bruno Freschi
46. *Undaunted Courage: Meriwether Lewis, Thomas Jefferson, and the Opening of the American West* by Stephen E. Ambrose, reviewed by Daniel Walters
47. *Events Leading Up to My Death: The Life of a Twentieth-Century Reporter* by Howard K. Smith, reviewed by Kathleen Rizzo Young
48. *Americans No More* by Georgie Anne Geyer, reviewed by Marcheta Birch, Ph.D.
49. *Mad as Hell*, reviewed by John Murphy
50. *Gilda's Disease: Personal Experiences and Authoritative Medical Advice on Ovarian Cancer* by M. Steven Piver, M.D.*
51. *All-American Monster: The Unauthorized Biography of Timothy McVeigh* by Brandon M. Stickney*
52. *Angela's Ashes: A Memoir* by Frank McCourt, reviewed by Vincent O'Neill
53. *Home from Nowhere: Remaking Our Everyday World for the 21st Century* by James Howard Kunstler, reviewed by Henry Louis Taylor
54. *Into Thin Air: A Personal Account of the Mt. Everest Disaster* by Jon Krakauer, reviewed by Robert Gurn
55. *The Gift of Fear: And Other Survival Signals That Protect Us from Violence* by Gavin de Becker, reviewed by Gil Kerlikowske



56. *Profits of Death: An Insider Exposes the Death Care Industries* by Darryl J. Roberts, reviewed by Ralph Klicker
57. *Conquering Your Financial Stress: The Five-Point Plan for Generating True Wealth* by Bruce Eaton*
58. *Spin Cycle: How the White House and the Media Manipulate the News* by Howard Kurtz, reviewed by Lee Coppola
59. *Flesh Wounds* by Mick Cochrane*
60. *From the Mississippi Delta: A Memoir* by Endesha Ida Mae Holland, Ph.D., reviewed by Lorna Hill
61. *Drug Crazy: How We Got into This Mess and How We Can Get Out* by Mike Gray, reviewed by Ed Powell
62. *Tuesdays with Morrie* by Mitch Albom, reviewed by Robert Milch, M.D.
63. *John D. Larkin: A Business Pioneer* by Daniel Irving Larkin, reviewed by Jack Quinan
64. *Down The Tube: An Inside Account of the Failure of American Television* by William Baker, reviewed by Donald Boswell
65. *The Millennium Bug: How to Survive the Coming Chaos* by Michael S. Hyatt, reviewed by Diane Dillon
66. *The Old Neighborhood* by Avery Corman, reviewed by Kevin Collison
67. *The Corrosion of Character: The Personal Consequences of Work in the New Capitalism* by Richard Sennett, reviewed by Gerry Murak
68. *Nail 'Em!: Confronting High-Profile Attacks on Celebrities and Businesses* by Eric Dezenhall, reviewed by Brian Meyer
69. *A Clearing in the Distance: Frederick Law Olmsted and America in the 19th Century* by Witold Rybczynski, reviewed by Gretchen Toles
70. *High Tech Heretic: Why Computers Don't Belong in the Classroom and Other Reflections by a Computer Contrarian* by Clifford Stoll, reviewed by Angelo Conorozzo
71. *City of Light* by Lauren Belfer*
72. *Outlaw Machine: Harley Davidson and the Search for the American Soul* by Brock Yates*
73. *The Tipping Point: How Little Things Can Make a Big Difference* by Malcolm Gladwell, reviewed by Kevin Gaughan
74. *Castro's Curveball* by Tim Wendel*
75. *Change in the Weather: Life After Stroke* by Mark McEwen, reviewed by Eric Wilson
76. *Newjack: Guarding Sing Sing* by Ted Conover, reviewed by Charles Culhane
77. *Nothing Like It In the World: The Men Who Built the Transcontinental Railroad 1863-1869* by Stephen E. Ambrose, reviewed by Father Edward Dunn
78. *Persian Mirrors: The Elusive Face of Iran* by Elaine Sciolino*
79. *Fast Food Nation: The Dark Side of the All-American Meal* by Eric Schlosser, reviewed by Don Spasiano
80. *"I Watched a Wild Hog Eat My Baby!": A Colorful History of Tabloids and Their Cultural Impact* by Bill Sloan, reviewed by Jamie Moses
81. *Nickel and Dimed: On (Not) Getting By in America* by Barbara Ehrenreich, reviewed by Michael Niman



82. *Aging with Grace: What the Nun Study Teaches Us about Leading Longer, Healthier, and More Meaningful Lives* by David Snowden, reviewed by Bruce Naughton, M.D.
83. *Living a Life that Matters* by Harold S. Kushner, reviewed by Rabbi Harry Rosenfeld
84. *Vulgarians at the Gate: Trash TV and Raunch Radio: Raising Standards of Popular Culture* by Steve Allen, reviewed by Drew Kahn
85. *John Adams* by David McCullough, reviewed by James Keane
86. *Family Estrangements: How They Begin, How to Mend Them, How to Cope with Them* by Barbara LeBey, reviewed by Father Robert Perelli
87. *The Right Words at the Right Time* by Marlo Thomas, reviewed by Reverend Geri Lyon
88. *No Free Lunch: One Man's Journey from Welfare to the American Dream* by Rodney Carroll with Gary Karton*
89. *WITSEC: Inside the Federal Witness Protection Program* by Pete Earley, reviewed by Sal Martoche
90. *Snobbery: The American Version* by Joseph Epstein, reviewed by Ron Stewart
91. *Leadership*, reviewed by Arlene Kaukas
92. *Bush at War* by Bob Woodward, reviewed by John LaFalce
93. *As Sick as It Gets: The Shocking Reality of America's Healthcare* by Rudolph J. Mueller, M.D.*
94. *Beginner's Luck* by Laura Pederson*
95. *The Luck Factor* by Richard Wiseman, reviewed by Joseph Kelly
96. *Braving Home: Dispatches from the Underwater Town, the Lava-Side Inn, and Other Extreme Locales* by Jake Halpern
97. *Frankenstein; or, The Modern Prometheus* by Mary Shelley, reviewed by Gary Nickard & Patty Wallace
98. *Murdering McKinley: The Making of Theodore Roosevelt's America* by Eric Rauchway, reviewed by David Franczyk
99. *Shameless Exploitation in Pursuit of the Common Good: The Madcap Business Adventure by the Truly Oddest Couple* by Paul Newman & A. E. Hotchner, reviewed by Susan McCartney
100. *From Butler to Buffett: The Story Behind the Buffalo News* by Murray B. Light*
101. *The Two-Income Trap: Why Middle-Class Mothers and Fathers Are Going Broke* by Elizabeth Warren & Amelia Warren Tyagi, reviewed by Jeffrey M. Freedman
102. *Moyers on America: A Journalist and His Times* by Bill Moyer, reviewed by Dr. Muriel A. Howard
103. *Marv Levy: Where Else Would You Rather Be?* by Marv Levy, reviewed by Ed Kilgore
104. *Bad News: The Decline of Reporting, the Business of News, and the Danger to Us All* by Tom Fenton, reviewed by Susan Banks
105. *Gods of Aberdeen* by Micah Nathan*
106. *Blink: The Power of Thinking without Thinking* by Malcolm Gladwell, reviewed by John Hurley
107. *Wedding of the Waters: The Erie Canal and the Making of a Great Nation* by Peter L. Bernstein, reviewed by Tim Tielman
108. *The First Desire* by Nancy Reisman*
109. *The Year of Magical Thinking* by Joan Didion, reviewed by Janet Kaye



110. *Healthy Aging: A Lifelong Guide to Your Well-Being* by Andrew Weil, M.D., reviewed by Sanford Levy, M.D.
111. *Cheating Our Kids: How Politics and Greed Ruin Education* by Joe Williams, reviewed by James A. Williams
112. *The World Is Flat: A Brief History of the Twenty-First Century* by Thomas L. Friedman, reviewed by Kathryn Byrk Friedman
113. *Teacher Man* by Frank McCourt, reviewed by Vincent O'Neill
114. *Power Failure: Politics, Patronage, and the Economic Future of Buffalo, New York* by Diana Dillaway, reviewed by Stephen Bell
115. *The Great Lakes Water Wars* by Peter Annin, reviewed by Reg Gilbert
116. *The Innocent Man: Murder and Injustice in a Small Town* by John Grisham, reviewed by Paul J. Cambria, Jr.
117. *Scatter My Ashes over Havana* by Olga Karman, Ph.D.*
118. *Born on a Blue Day: Inside the Extraordinary Mind of an Autistic Savant* by Daniel Tammet, reviewed by Anthony Graziano, Ph.D.
119. *The Real Toy Story: Inside the Ruthless Battle for America's Youngest Consumers* by Eric Clark, reviewed by Mary Travers Murphy
120. *Team of Rivals: The Political Genius of Abraham Lincoln* by Doris Kearns Goodwin, reviewed by Joseph A. Grande, Ph.D.
121. *City on the Edge: Buffalo, New York* by Mark Goldman*
122. *How Doctors Think* by Jerome Groopman, reviewed by Andrew Symons MD, MS
123. *Come on, People: On the Path from Victims to Victors* by Bill Cosby, reviewed by Reverend Daris Dixon-Clark
124. *The Zookeeper's Wife* by Diane Ackerman, reviewed by Dr. Ruth Kelly
125. *The Nine: Inside the Secret World of the Supreme Court* by Jeffrey Toobin, reviewed by Judge E. Jeannette Ogden
126. *The Ten-Cent Plague: The Great Comic-Book Scare and How It Changed America* by David Hajdu, reviewed by Emil Nova
127. *Our Daily Meds: How the Pharmaceutical Companies Transformed Themselves into Slick Marketing Machines and Hooked the Nation on Prescription Drugs* by Melody Petersen, reviewed by Dennis C. Galluzzo, R.Ph.
128. *The Last Lecture* by Randy Pausch, reviewed by Rabbi Ilana Schwartzman
129. *The World Is Curved: Hidden Dangers to the Global Economy* by David M. Smick, reviewed by William T. Ganley, Ph.D.
130. *Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Mission to Promote Peace ... One School at a Time* by Greg Mortenson & David Oliver Relin, reviewed by Faisan Haq
131. *Founding Brothers: The Revolutionary Generation* by Joseph J. Ellis, reviewed by Dr. Terriane K. Schulte
132. *Outliers: The Story of Success* by Malcolm Gladwell, reviewed by Clotilde Perez-Bode Dedecker



133. *Buffalo Gal: A Memoir* by Laura Pedersen
134. *Fugitive Denim: A Moving Story of People and Pants in the Borderless World of Global Trade* by Rachel Louise Snyder, reviewed by Patrick J. Whalen
135. *In Defense of Food: An Eater's Manifesto* by Michael Pollan
136. *The Survivors Club* by Lisa Gardner, reviewed by Michael Bornstein
137. *Still Alice* by Lisa Genova, reviewed by Leilani Joven Pelletier
138. *Googled: The End of the World As We Know It* by Ken Auletta
139. *The Poisoner's Handbook: Murder and the Birth of Forensic Medicine in Jazz Age New York* by Deborah Blum
140. *Last Call: The Rise and Fall of Prohibition* by Daniel Okrent
141. *Marriage on the Street Corners of Tehran: A Novel Based on the True Stories of Temporary Marriage* by Nadia Shahram
142. *Empire of the Summer Moon: Quanah Parker and the Rise and Fall of the Comanches, the Most Powerful Indian Tribe in American History* by S. C. Gwynne
143. *Broke, USA: From Pawnshops to Poverty, Inc.: How the Working Poor Became Big Business* by Gary Rivlin
144. *Decision Points* by George W. Bush, reviewed by Jack Quinn
145. *The Emperor of All Maladies: A Biography of Cancer* by Siddhartha Mukherjee
146. *How We Decide* by Jonah Lehrer
147. *Wild Bill Donovan: The Spymaster Who Created the OSS and Modern American Espionage* by Douglas Waller
148. *The Longevity Project: Surprising Discoveries for Health and Long Life from the Landmark Eight-Decade Study* by Howard S. Friedman & Leslie R. Martin
149. *The Greater Journey: Americans in Paris* by David McCullough
150. *Counterstrike: The Untold Story of America's Secret Campaign against Al Qaeda* by Eric Schmitt & Thom Shanker, reviewed by William J. Hochul, Jr.
151. *The Death and Life of the Great American School System: How Testing and Choice Are Undermining Education* by Diane Ravitch
152. *The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America's Great Migration* by Isabel Wilkerson
153. *Capitol Punishment: The Hard Truth about Washington Corruption from America's Most Notorious Lobbyist* by Jack Abramoff
154. *America Walks into a Bar: A Spirited History of Taverns and Saloons, Speakeasies and Grog Shops* by Christine Sismondo
155. *Quiet: The Power of Introverts in a World That Can't Stop Talking* by Susan Cain
156. *We're with Nobody: Two Insiders Reveal the Dark Side of American Politics* by Alan Huffman & Michael Rejebian
157. *Fooling Houdini: Magicians, Mentalists, Math Geeks, and the Hidden Powers of the Mind* by Alex Stone
158. *In the Garden of Beasts: Love, Terror, and an American Family in Hitler's Berlin* by Erik Larson, reviewed by Rabbi Gary Pokras



159. *How Children Succeed: Grit, Curiosity, and the Hidden Power of Character* by Paul Tough
160. *The Great Inversion and the Future of the American City* by Alan Ehrenhalt
161. *Scribblin' for a Livin': Mark Twain's Pivotal Period in Buffalo* by Thomas J. Reigstad
162. *Mafia Summit: J. Edgar Hoover, the Kennedy Brothers, and the Meeting That Unmasked the Mob* by Gil Reavill
163. *Pound Foolish: Exposing the Dark Side of the Personal Finance Industry* by Helaine Olen
164. *Against the Grain*
165. *Thank You for Your Service* by David Finkel
166. *The Best Planned City in the World: Olmsted, Vaux, and the Buffalo Park System* by Francis R. Kowsky
167. *Brothers* by George Howe Colt
168. *The Everything Store: Jeff Bezos and the Age of Amazon* by Brad Stone
169. *Duty: Memoirs of a Secretary at War* by Robert M. Gates, reviewed by Congressman Brian Higgins
170. *The Most Dangerous Man in America: The Making of Douglas MacArthur* by Mark Perry
171. *Going Clear: Scientology, Hollywood, and the Prison of Belief* by Lawrence Wright, reviewed by Kimberly Blessing, Ph.D.
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173. *My Two Italies* by Joseph Luzzi, reviewed by Paola (Giacobbe) Kersch, Ph.D.
174. *The News Sorority: Diane Sawyer, Katie Couric, Christiane Amanpour—and the (Ongoing, Imperfect, Complicated) Triumph of Women in TV News* by Sheila Weller, reviewed by Maryalice Demler
175. *When Books Went to War: The Stories That Helped Us Win World War II* by Molly Guptill Manning, reviewed by Buffalo & Erie County Public Library Director Mary Jean Jakubowski
176. *The Thing with Feathers*
177. *Heretic: Why Islam Needs a Reformation Now* by Ayaan Hirsi Ali, reviewed by Faizan Haq, Ph.D.
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181. *Jack Kemp: The Bleeding-Heart Conservative Who Changed America* by Morton Kondracke & Fred Barnes
182. *Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End* by Atul Gawande, reviewed by Robert Stall, M.D.
183. *Consider the Fork: A History of How We Cook and Eat* by Bee Wilson
184. *League of Denial: The NFL, Concussions, and the Battle for Truth* by Mark Fainaru-Wada & Steve Fainaru, reviewed by John J. Leddy, M.D.
185. *Republic of Spin: An Inside History of the American Presidency* by David Greenberg, reviewed by Randolph Hohle, Ph.D.
186. *The Garden of Unfortunate Souls* by Eddie Mark*
187. *Hillbilly Elegy: A Memoir of a Family and Culture in Crisis* by J. D. Vance



188. *His Final Battle: The Last Months of Franklin Roosevelt* by Joseph Lelyveld
189. *Fail U.: The False Promise of Higher Education* by Charles J. Sykes, reviewed by Jay Tokasz
190. *The Boys in the Boat: Nine Americans and Their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics* by Daniel James Brown
191. *Bellevue: Three Centuries of Medicine and Mayhem at America's Most Storied Hospital* by David Oshinsky, reviewed by Michael Rembis, Ph.D.
192. *Rise of the Rocket Girls: The Women Who Propelled Us, from Missiles to the Moon to Mars* by Nathalia Holt
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199. *A Cold Day in Hell* by Lissa Marie Redmond*
200. *Unleashing Human Energy through Culture Change: From a Toxic Culture to a High Energy, High Performance Organization* by Donald L. Rust* & Alan G. Weinstein*
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209. *A Mind's Eye Witness* by Rosanne L. Higgins*
210. *The Mosquito: A Human History of Our Deadliest Predator* by Timothy C. Winegard, reviewed by Wayne Gall, Ph.D.



211. *Talking to Strangers: What We Should Know about the People We Don't Know* by Malcolm Gladwell, reviewed by Linda Drajem & Marian Deutschman, Ph.D.
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218. *Exploring Science and Art: Discovering Connections* by Mary Kirsch Boehm*
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223. *Chasing History: A Kid in the Newsroom* by Carl Bernstein, reviewed by Jim Heany
224. *Scatter My Ashes over Havana* by Olga Karman, Ph.D.*
225. *Under a White Sky: The Nature of the Future* by Elizabeth Kolbert, reviewed by Katie Campos
226. *The Woman They Could Not Silence: One Woman, Her Incredible Fight for Freedom, and the Men Who Tried to Make Her Disappear* by Kate Moore, reviewed by Carol Ann Saraceno-Sackett
227. *When Breath Becomes Air* by Paul Kalanithi, reviewed by Robert Poczik
228. *America's First Vaccination: The Controversy of 1721–22* by Barbara Heiffron
229. *The Covenant of Water* by Abraham Verghese, reviewed by Robert Poczik
230. *111 Places in Buffalo That You Must Not Miss* by Brian Hayden*
231. *The Anatomy of a Pummeled Life* by Peter M. Talty*
232. *The Illustrated Mark Twain and the Buffalo Express: 10 Stories and over a Century of Sketches* by Thomas J. Reigstad*
233. *Cold Heart: The Great Unsolved Mystery of Turn of the Century Buffalo* by Kimberly Tilley, reviewed by Lissa Redmond
234. *The Wisdom of Morrie: Living and Aging Creatively and Joyfully* by Morrie Schwartz, reviewed by Robert Poczik
235. *The Death and Life of the Great Lakes* by Dan Egan, reviewed by John Montague
236. *The Demon of Unrest: A Saga of Hubris, Heartbreak, and Heroism at the Dawn of the Civil War* by Erik Larson, reviewed by Carol Ann Sackett
237. *Emerald Thread: The Irish in Buffalo* by Timothy Bohen*
238. *Holotrial* by Alan M. Wishnoff*



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- 240. *All the Beauty in the World: The Metropolitan Museum of Art and Me* by Patrick Bringley, reviewed by Robert Poczik
- 241. *The Phantom of Forest Lawn: Romance and Redemption in the City of the Dead* by Robert Brighton, reviewed by Jennifer Kovach
- 242. *I Heard There Was a Secret Chord: Music as Medicine* by Daniel J. Levitin, reviewed by Kailea Lalka, MS (Education Program Manager, Alzheimer's Association WNY Chapter)
- 243. *Cyrenius Chapin: Buffalo's First Physician and War of 1812 Hero* by Thomas C. Rosenthal*
- 244. Double feature: *The Soul of an Octopus: A Surprising Exploration into the Wonder of Consciousness* by Sy Montgomery and *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt, reviewed by Carol Ann Sackett
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- 246. *How Medicine Works and When It Doesn't: Learning Who to Trust to Get and Stay Healthy* by F. Perry Wilson, MD, reviewed by Alice O'Donnell