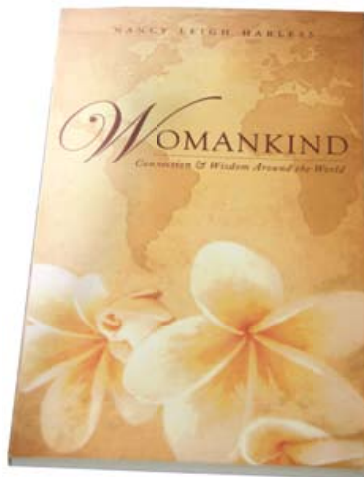


Sights and Sounds



Womankind: Connection & Wisdom Around the World

By **Nancy Leigh Harless** ('85 BS nursing) Tate Publishing & Enterprises

Crouch over an open fire near the Guatemalan border while Cecelia teaches the significance of making the small tortilla. Sit under a cashew tree in Belize on a quiet rainforest afternoon and answer the young Mayan mother's question: "How can we make no more babies come?" Hold Ermine in your arms in a courtyard amid the children and the chickens and weep with her as she shares her poignant story of war.

In a colorful tapestry woven with culture and experience, author Nancy Leigh Harless invites readers along on her real-life journey in *Womankind*. In her collection of inspiring, sometimes heart-wrenching experiences, readers will encounter and learn from the many different women of her travels. Live, laugh and love with women around the world as you join the sisterhood of *Womankind*.

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Heroes Often Fail

By **Frank Zafiro (Scalise)** ('98 BA history) Aisling Press

Six-year-old Amy Dugger is the victim of a daylight kidnapping. The men and women of the River City Police Department scramble to locate her before it is too late, but everything seems to be working against them – the media, frantic parents, their own errors, even fate, but especially time. But as heroes always do, the patrol officers and detectives struggle to the bitter end, never giving up hope.

Heroes Often Fail is the second River City novel set in a fictional Spokane. The first is *Under a Raging Moon* and the third, *Beneath a Weeping Sky*, will be released in fall 2008. These novels show the human side of cops and involve a gritty, realistic telling of events.

Frank Zafiro is the pen name of Frank Scalise. He has been in law enforcement since 1993 and draws on his own experiences to create the stories in River City novels and short stories.

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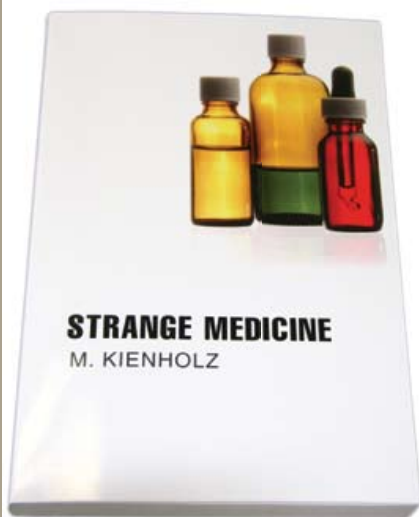
Strange Medicine

By **M. (Mary L.) Kienholz** ('88 BA business administration) iUniverse, Inc.

Strange Medicine provides a believe-it-or-not journey around the world, exploring the use and misuse of medicinal plants, heavy metals, dyes and chemicals. The author describes how physicians made their own pills, casts and elixirs, and cared for their own leeches.

Chapters are devoted to cultic use of plant drugs, fraud and the struggle against syphilis. The book is an exposé of failed experiments, but recognizes the contributions primitive medicine men made to modern medicine.

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