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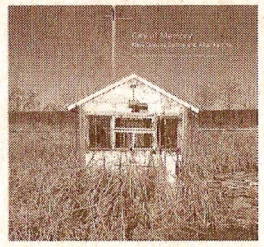
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Sunday,
August 1, 2010

HOT READS

Books of local
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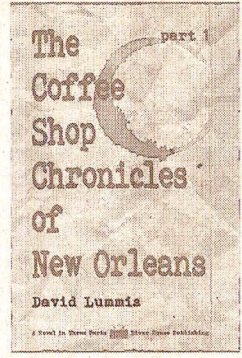
HARDBACKS



City of Memory: New Orleans, Before and After Katrina
By John Woodin
University of Georgia Press,
\$39.95

► A year before Hurricane Katrina, New Orleans-born photographer Woodin visited the neighborhoods of his youth to capture “the architecture of the working poor, documenting the conflict between order and chaos, the effects of poverty and neglect, and the incongruous beauty of decay.” The day after the search for the storm’s victims ended, he returned to find the same places, including his old home, barely recognizable, and fodder for striking pictures of then and now.

PAPERBACKS



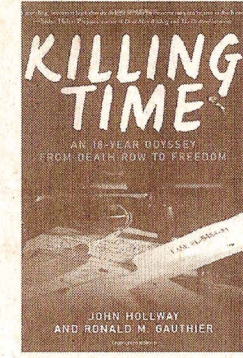
The Coffee Shop Chronicles of New Orleans
By David Lummis
River House Publishing, \$15

► Percolating with satire, mystery and affection for the city, and exploring the sacred rite of coffee drinking as well as New Orleans’ civil rights history, the novel is narrated by B. Sammy Singleton, the agnostic, 10-years-sober son of a Baptist minister who now is writing a guidebook to downtown coffee shops. Lummis will sign the book at Faubourg Marigny Art and Books during the Satchmo Club Strut on Friday from 7 to 9 p.m.



New Orleans Mysteries
By O’Neil DeNoux
CreateSpace, \$8.95

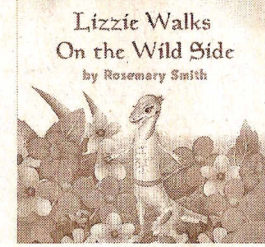
► Cases focusing on former New Orleans police detective DeNoux’s trusty cast of characters — 1940s private dick Lucien Caye, 1890s police detective Jacques Dugas, and his modern-day counterparts John Raven Beau and Dino LaStanza — are stars of a book that also includes tales of maniacs, Jean Lafitte and uniquely New Orleanian ghosts.



Killing Time: An 18-Year Odyssey From Death Row to Freedom
By John Hollway and Ronald M. Gauthier
Skyhorse Publishing, \$22.95

► John Thompson, convicted and sentenced to death in 1984 for the murder of New Orleanian Ray Liuzza, proclaimed his innocence throughout 18 years on Angola’s death row. When new findings showed that evidence that could have proved his innocence was withheld, he was freed in 2003. In April, Thompson won a \$14 million civil suit against the Orleans Parish district attorney’s office, which has appealed the verdict.

CHILDREN



Lizard Tales: Lizzie Walks on the Wild Side
By Rosemary Smith
Strategic Book Publishing,
\$12.50

► In Lafayette author Smith’s sweet, simple tale, the very curious little lizard Lizzie slithers up to trouble when the excitement of springtime overtakes her good sense, leading her to break her mama and papa’s rule to stay close to her Louisiana home. Smith will sign copies at Maple Street Book Shop on Saturday at 11:30 a.m.

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during the roundup of Jews in Paris in 1942.

11 THE ALCHEMIST, by Paulo Coelho (HarperOne, \$14.99) A Spanish shepherd boy goes to Egypt search of treasure.

12 WATER FOR ELEPHANTS, by Sa Gruen (Algonquin, \$13.95) A man — and an elephant — survive Depression-era circus.

13 A RELIABLE WIFE, by Robert Goolrick (Algonquin, \$14.95) Complications ensue when a wealthy Wisconsin widower in 1907 advertises for a spouse.

14 HER FEARFUL SYMMETRY, by A Niffenegger (Scribner, \$15) A woman haunts the flat she’s to her twin nieces near Highgate Cemetery in London.

15 SOUTH OF BROAD, by Pat Conroy (Dial, \$16) An unlikely group’s friendship from the ‘60s to the ‘80s.

16 OLIVE KITTERIDGE, by Elizabeth Strout. (Random House, \$14) seventh-grade math teacher the link in 13 stories set on the Maine coast.

17 THE GUERNSEY LITERARY AND POTATO PEEL PIE SOCIETY, by Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows (Dial, \$14) A journalist meets island’s old Nazi-resisters.

18 THIS IS WHERE I LEAVE YOU, by Jonathan Tropper (Plume, \$14) A quirky family gathers for the

— Suzanne Stouse