

My Wife Has Joined The Pink Bubble

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Discover what it means when your wife has joined the "pink bubble," often a euphemism for multi-level marketing (MLM) or direct sales schemes. This article explores the common signs, potential financial impacts, and how spouses can navigate the challenges when their partner gets deeply involved in network marketing, offering guidance for understanding and communicating through this unique journey.

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This book is intended to help families that have decided to pursue an independent beauty business with the Mary Kay opportunity. Although it is directed at husbands, it is recommended that couples read and discuss this book together.

Inside the Soap Bubble

This volume of twelve stories is a collection of short fiction written and rewritten at various times over the past 20 years. They reflect in a fictionalized form the authors life experiences from childhood to the present day. The stories also show his experimentation with styles and demonstrate the insightful process of his maturation as a writer.

The Woman at Home

Annie S. Swan's magazine.

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Against the background of the so-called 'obesity epidemic', Media and the Rhetoric of Body Perfection critically examines the discourses of physical perfection that pervade Western societies, shedding new light on the rhetorical forces behind body anxieties and extreme methods of weight loss and beautification. Drawing on rich interview material with cosmetic surgery patients and offering fresh analyses of various texts from popular culture, including internationally-screened reality-television shows including The Biggest Loser, Extreme Makeover and The Swan as well as entertainment programs and documentaries, this book examines the ways in which Western media capitalize on

body anxiety by presenting physical perfection as a moral imperative, while advertising quick and effective transformation methods to erase physical imperfections. With attention to contemporary lines of resistance to standards of thinness and attempts to redefine conceptions of beauty, *Media and the Rhetoric of Body Perfection* will appeal to scholars and students of popular culture, television, media and cultural studies, as well as the sociology of the body, feminist thought, body transformation and cosmetic surgery.

Customs Bulletin

"It's a slippery slide from hormones to homicide!" Meet Debbi Dickerson: mousy, codependent housewife who, at age forty-seven, feels her life is over. Her dreams of being an artist have long been discarded in the wake of her failing marriage, and her kids think she's invisible. She's stuck on the hamster wheel, going nowhere. That is, until menopause blindsides her. Derailed by one symptom after another, Debbi struggles to find a way to quell the hot flashes, night sweats, sudden panic attacks, and unbridled rage. The gals in her scrapbooking club give her advice on how to survive menopause, but nothing seems to help ... except killing. Meet Jerry Dickerson, Debbi's husband: arrogant, insensitive, all-around jerk, whose greatest dream as a homicide detective is to catch a serial killer and be admired, for once. So when a series of strange deaths break out in Tacoma, Washington, Jerry is elated, but the pressure is on to catch the killer. Jerry's boss, Sergeant Myra Manners, is also going through menopause and makes his life hell. And then there's his teenage daughter dishing out hormones like Girl Scout cookies. Seriously, what's a misogynist to do? Have an affair with some bubblehead, of course. As the bodies pile up, more than dishes are going to fly. Yet, there is light at the end of the tunnel of menopause and Debbi can see it. But is it a bright future or the headlights of an incoming train with Jerry's name on it? Don't miss this hilarious dark comedy caper! Your sides will hurt from laughing. *The Menopause Murders*, through poignant comedy, explores deep themes of sexism, ageism, and self-image issues that millions of women (and men!)—particularly those of the baby boomer generation—are facing daily and struggling with, in order to find sense, meaning, and sanity amid the insanity that is our current political and cultural state. Praise for this dark comedy women's fiction! "The Menopause Murders is a fabulous book that is not only well written but the characters will make you identify and scream with laughter. As an age activist, I found the stories are right on about ageism and all the pressing issues women today face. Not one to miss!" —Barbara Rose Brooker, author, *The Viagra Diaries*, and founder of the Age Equality Movement "If you like your comedy dark and dotty, check out *THE MENOPAUSE MURDERS* by Mary Maloney and Ed Markel. Times are changing for Debbi Dickerson, dutiful housewife, loving mother, and ... serial killer? Turn down the thermostat before you turn the first page, because *THE MENOPAUSE MURDERS* is a hot (flash) romp through the world of female friendships, mendacious men, and hormonal horrors." —Melissa DeCarlo, author of *The Art of Crash Landing* "This book was everything!! Dark comedy galore. I know that it sounds odd. But I was entranced by this book. I couldn't put it down it was so good." —Lori C. "Loved this book, it was very descriptive of menopause, a quiet woman who literally loses the plot with a cheating husband, who just happens to be the detective on the job, loved it. Excited to read more books from this author." —Debbie D.

Jack Frost's Little Prisoners

This remarkable collection of stories offers a portrait of the fascinating and complex world of Samoa. There is Salepa, down on his luck but determined to use his one talent on the reluctant inhabitants of a nearby town; Fiasola, who feels that the Miracle Man is being born inside him; the young man who disgraces his family by stabbing a European nun; and Gabriel who, on the death of his father, relives his family's tragic past. A gifted and original writer, Albert Wendt has created a world rich in imagination and dreams, reflecting the common experience of people everywhere.

Life in a Bubble

How do you lose the magic of your childhood? By growing up and discovering that rent, food, and health insurance take the place of pixie dust, fairytales and imagination. Just when she's resigned herself to the boring fate of being an adult, imagine Katie Gaber's surprise when she finds herself thrust into a parallel dimension to our own, a Land where she is an all powerful Oracle. In the Land, Katie embarks on an historic quest to save the Prince of the Land and restore him to the throne before Evil manages to upset the delicate balance between good and evil in an effort to overtake the dimension. Along the way she rediscovers magic and herself, and comes to rely on both to reach the fulfillment of her journey.

The first in a series, Oracle Quest introduces you to a world where the ordinary become extraordinary, and where one person can, indeed, make a difference.

Media and the Rhetoric of Body Perfection

Mermazing action-packed underwater adventures for young readers. Beautifully illustrated throughout and with a glittery cover! From the authors and illustrator of the bestselling Unicorn Academy series. Hidden deep beneath the waves is Mermaid Academy, a magical school where mermaids are paired with their very own dolphin and must discover their unique mermaid magic, with plenty of adventure along the way! Impulsive Isla isn't afraid of breaking a few rules to win the school treasure hunt and her dolphin, Bubble, is always up for a dare. But the seas surrounding the academy are swirling with magic, and soon Isla and Bubble find themselves in very deep water... Mermaid Academy is the perfect series for 7+ readers who love magic and adventure. Look out for more titles! Cora and Sparkle and Maya and Rainbow

The Menopause Murders

A compilation of current biographical information of general interest.

The Birth and Death of the Miracle Man and Other Stories

The exclusive King's Club resort casino is a glittering playground for gamblers with everything to gain and the hunting ground for a killer with nothing to lose. Until casino owner Jay King hires P.I. Kasey Atwood. Kasey's attraction to King is immediate. As their love affair heats up, she becomes a pawn in a dangerously seductive game of passion and revenge.

Oracle Quest

This honest book addresses the muddled adventure that we call "working out our salvation" and will comfort anyone who has had a less-than-straight path to belief, as well as those who continue to struggle.

Ensayos de Análisis Del Discurso en Lengua Inglesa

What to do when food is NOT your best friend. According to a recent Self Magazine, 65% of all women have an unhealthy relationship with food. Often they use food to numb feelings and become binge eaters or overeaters. Food becomes their primary means for coping with everyday stress, anxiety, and other difficult feelings. Drawing on her experience of working with compulsive overeaters and binge eaters for over twenty years, Meryl Beck has developed a revolutionary approach for rewiring your brain that incorporates spiritual, physical and emotional tools for getting healthy. This 21 day plan brings together tools from psychotherapy, the 12 Steps, personal growth, work, and energy healing. Stop Eating Your Heart Out offers a way to rewire the brain to respond differently to the impulses and feelings that create bingeing. Beck, a therapist, and former binge takes an approach to recovery from emotional eating that incorporates spiritual, emotional, and energy work.

Mermaid Academy: Isla and Bubble

An Ozarks rancher takes a desperate gamble in this searing novel from "one of the truly great American writers of the 20th century" (The Guardian). Bob Blanchard spent his entire inheritance on a cattle ranch in the Missouri Ozarks—but it hasn't turned out the way he'd hoped, and he's now being threatened with foreclosure. The cattle are sick, and the herd can't survive, so Blanchard agrees to a reckless scheme to sell the cattle before their illness is widely known. But when a faked cattle rustling and an insurance scam goes wrong, the plan begins to crumble from the inside out. "A commanding writer of unusual delicacy and power." —The New Yorker "A born storyteller." —St. Louis Post-Dispatch

The New York Times Biographical Service

It hit me, the reality of it, in a way it hadn't before like a sledgehammer straight to the chest. Laura was gone. She was never coming back. I'd never see her again; she'd never hum in the kitchen, she'd never pull Ruby onto her lap and tickle her tummy as she buried her face in the sweet curve of our daughter's shoulder. Nathan West loved his wife Laura with all his heart. But now she's gone, taken from him in a seemingly random act of violence. Laura was the glue that held their family together.

And for Nathan, life without her feels almost meaningless. As he tries to find hope in the darkness, his three young daughters express their grief in different and challenging ways—with one set on a path of self-destruction that could devastate their family all over again. Desperate to understand his own heartbreak better, he reaches out to others who had known Laura. Including her new friend Maria, whose light and warmth are exactly what their grieving family needs, and who is soon helping out and providing emotional support for them all. But the picture Maria paints of Laura is unfamiliar to Nathan—of a wife who felt ignored, a mother who felt she couldn't do enough—and he struggles to reconcile it with his own memories of the woman he loved. Is it possible he didn't know his wife after all? And can he trust Maria? He can't escape the feeling that she's keeping something from him. Maria is hiding a secret with the power to rock Nathan's family to its core. Because it is about what happened the day that Laura died... An insightful and powerful novel guaranteed to break your heart, about how the unthinkable can sometimes help us see the world in a powerful new way. Perfect for fans of Jodi Picoult, Diane Chamberlain, and Susan Lewis. Readers are loving *No Time To Say Goodbye*: "All the feels... A beautiful story—a heartbreaking, breathless read that will leave you running for more tissues time and again... My reaction to the ending was visceral; it was both vivid and shocking. Absolutely brilliant. Powerful story that will haunt you. A must read. 5+ stars." NetGalley reviewer, 5 stars "A book has never had me cry so much through heartbreak and devastation. This author nailed it without a doubt." NetGalley reviewer, 5 stars "If ever there was a story that reminds you how life can change in an instant, this is it... heart breaking and tender, it also offers up hope... A story that touched my heart and soul and makes me want to hug my loved ones that little bit tighter." By the Letter Book Reviews, 5 stars "Heartbreakingly sad... It's a story of death, war and crime. However, this is also a story of family, love, and hope. The emotions ran the gamut with this one... sadness, grief, anger and hope. It's a story that will stay with you." Goodreads reviewer "The storytelling was exquisite, full of understanding and empathy... This is women's literature at its very best." NetGalley reviewer, 5 stars "A heart rendering journey... I read the book armed with a box of tissues... Left me shell-shocked... Kate Hewitt is an amazing storyteller." Book Reviews by Shalini, 5 stars "Oh wow! This book just hit me and took me on this incredible journey of love, hate, passion, fear and more. You must read this book." Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars "An incredible read, so much emotion... Broke my heart and had me tearing up so frequently and yet smiling at the hope through the darkness... Beautiful yet painful." Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars "Beautifully written... So moving I was in tears...I loved every single character... Wonderful... Written with great compassion and sensitivity. It will stay in my thoughts for a long time." NetGalley reviewer, 5 stars

Night Game

Would-Be Wife by Kasi Blake released on Jul 25, 2002 is available now for purchase.

Chatterbox

Embarking on a life-altering decision on his wedding day, Andrew's journey is shadowed by a turbulent childhood due to his father's abandonment. Despite painful rejection, his mother and grandmother's unwavering love become his anchor. As life unfolds, he grapples with the fear of resembling his estranged father. Rejection's sting is just the beginning, leading to questions of whether Andrew deserves his fate. This authentic tale invites you to judge and offers a harrowing glimpse into a smiling façade masking profound pain – a story where clues abound, waiting to be discovered.

Messy Faith

A simple dinner invitation leads a middle aged woman to have blackmail on her mind. Still grieving from the loss of her best friend, Clarissa soon discovers money is actually the least of her concerns. Old friends, new acquaintances, painful memories and fading mental acuity collide to make this a singular week – with far reaching consequences. Clarissa is inwardly simmering at the way her husband, Edward, is managing their future. Existing in a dual disharmony of crumbling house and marriage, the desire to be transported away from the mundane leads to family betrayals, unearths secrets and puts Clarissa on an irreversible path to vengeance.

Stop Eating Your Heart Out

Hannah Mattox longs to be a mother. However, her heart disease, pulmonary hypertension, prevents her from safely bearing children. Karla Valez is a homeless prostitute who despises the "thing" growing inside her and hopes to kill it in utero with the drugs that have buried her painful past for nearly five years.

Gabriella Greene, founder of the Sanford Crisis Pregnancy Center, finds herself the bridge between these two women. A time when questions far outweigh answers, there is one most pressing: why would God allow this? Weaving together the lives of three very different women, *Loving* will take readers on an emotional journey that reveals one common thread: they each need to surrender to a God of love.

Black Angus

The future has always been an uncertainty since time began. Mr. Clacy has fashioned a future that has one generation passing into the hands of the next generation. As the founder of the C.W. Gooden Corporation finds out he has an heir to his company, so, to, does the next generation learn lessons of life. The next generation learns that no one lives forever, but when they die, they leave behind a legacy. The next generation is taught such lessons as respect, courtesy and the value of being human. In the future of the C.W. Gooden Corporation, the young Gooden junior discovers that his bio-medical sciences staff is on the verge of the most important breakthrough in technology of the 21st century. A ray of hope for those whose spines have been severed, the Gooden Corporation's technology makes the impossible possible. To all those people confined to a wheelchair, the Gooden Corporation offers the chance of a lifetime; the ability to walk again and be free of the wheelchair. Mr. Clacy has written a book based off of an experience with his paraplegic neighbor when he was growing up. This is Mr. Clacy's vision of the future for paraplegics.

No Time to Say Goodbye

Falling for her chemistry professor was not part of the plan. Neglected by parents who care more about their music career and reputation, Nicole Ashford breaks free from their demands and heads to college in Texas. Ready for a fresh start in life, she runs into Professor Cooper, and her world tilts off its axis. There's something about the sexy professor that pulls her in like gravity. A teacher-student affair is the last thing on Nicole's mind. She tries to keep Cooper out of her head, but his hypnotic blue eyes follow her every move, and she can't shake the feeling that she knows him. Cooper keeps his distance, until one night when he drives her home, and she's suddenly hurtled to a place she never thought possible—1984. From USA TODAY bestselling author L.G. Castillo comes a fun 1980s teacher-student romance with a time travel twist. Topics: Campus romance, campus lit, college campus romance, campus love story, romantic comedy, fun summer read, light summer read, captivating love story, contemporary romance, tantalizing tale, coming of age, new adult, contemporary women, new adult, teacher student romance, professor student romance, romance ebook, romance book, romance novel, forbidden romance, time travel romance, 1980s romance, 80s romance.

Would-be Wife

INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLER A fresh, hilarious, and relatable collection of essays about everything from motherhood and marriage to sobriety and work-life balance (or imbalance) from the nationally bestselling author of the “honest, complicated” (*SheKnows*) *Idiot*. **TRIGGER WARNING: TORN EVERYTHING!** In her first book, *Idiot*, bestselling author Laura Clery gave us mind-blowingly personal life stories about addiction, toxic relationships, and recovery—establishing herself as the preeminent voice of infinite conviction meets zero impulse control. Here she is two kids later asking, “How did we get here?” Sex. Sex is how we got here. Laura's life has changed a great deal since she wrote *Idiot*, but her hilarious candor has only increased with motherhood—plus she tells some of the stories she was too scared to tell in her first book (which is really saying something). In *Idiots*, Laura shares more than anyone ever asked for about: -Mucus plugs, vacuum extraction, and adult diapers -Dousing doulas, VagTime, and pelvic organ prolapse -Vaginismus, laxative overdose, and accidental lactivism -Placenta pills, mom brain, and vibrator manifestation -Nipple-twisting orgies and flinging a butt burrito in your doctor's face -ADHD, autism, postpartum depression, and the wisdom of a ninety-eight-year-old sage named Anne -Unsolicited dick, sexual assault, and sister-drugging -Stephen's cheating, Laura's cheating, fights, and forgiveness -Choosing love over fear and healing the world Laura does not hold back when it comes to sharing stories of screw-ups, triumphs, and learning from her mistakes. Whether she's crying into a diaper in a Whole Foods parking lot or desperately soliciting advice from a random elderly stranger (who has most certainly considered a restraining order), Laura is able to laugh at herself even during her worst moments—more important, she makes us laugh, cry, and feel less alone in the world.

The Pink Princess Pencil

Legends of the Forbidden City Winter-Age Chronicles Crystal Rose Trilogy Book Three Crystal Rose

You've never heard of the Bergrof Islands. The islands, which its people refer to as the Three Sisters, are located east of Boston. It's not on maps, it's not in encyclopedias. Independent of the United States, these three islands are one of the largest oil sources of the United States. These Islands, which could be reached by ferries and seaplanes, had a prestigious College, and Beatrice Hallburn was the most popular girl of this College. She had a rich family, a good education, a handsome and popular boyfriend. Everyone liked her, loved her, wanted to be like her. Miss Hallburn was safe and at peace. But everything was changing; people were going crazy, brutally attacking each other. Airports were closing, the United States Army was conducting operations somewhere every day, and government officials and insightful people were beginning to get nervous. These were, in fact, portents of a great storm, but almost no one, like Beatrice, cared about those. Almost none of them were prepared for what could happen to them. Bergrof was far enough from those events. Beatrice believed that nothing would change and that her carefree, beautiful life would always go like this. But over time, everything will change, she will realize that nothing is as it seems. It happens to all of us, usually with small events, we start to notice it. Someone's death, accidents, stormy love affairs... Beatrice, unfortunately, was not so lucky. The threshold for change that came to her was a nuclear bomb that exploded in New York. Their communications with the World have been cut off. All they could learn was that after this attack, infected people attacked their victims in droves and tore them apart... As Beatrice tried to survive in the reformed world, she would also rediscover herself and her feelings. The Crystal Rose Trilogy novels are a part of the Legends of the Forbidden City cosmos and the events in the books happen in the Winter-Age era. The story in this trilogy is in line with the other books of the same cosmos and era.

Life in a Week

The official autobiography of Season BubbleGirl, the writer who hasn't left her home since 1997. A chemical accident left her with Multiple Chemical Sensitivity (MCS), changing her life forever. Romance, challenges, medical battles, near-death experiences, achievements, and relationships: she explains in detail with nothing hidden. Learn how she turned a debilitating experience into a daily journey of hope. Find how she lives with MCS comfortably, while still achieving her goals. Read about the soul behind her harsh truth.

Harper's Young People

"... aspirations to perfection awaken us to our actual imperfection." It is in the space between these aspirations and our inability to achieve them that Grant reflects upon imperfection. Grant argues that an awareness of imperfection, defined as both suffering and the need for justice, drive us to an unrelenting search for perfection, freedom, and self-determination. The twenty-one brief chapters of *Imperfection* develop this governing idea as it relates to the present situation of the God debate, modern ethnic conflicts, and the pursuit of freedom in relation to the uncertainties of personal identity and the quest for self-determination. Known for his exploration of the relationship between Buddhism and violent ethnic conflict in modern Sri Lanka, as well as his contribution to the study of Northern Ireland and the complex relationships among religion, literature, and ethnicity, Grant provides the reader with an analysis of the widespread rise of religious extremism across the globe. Referencing Plato, Van Gogh, Jesus, and the Buddha, he enlightens the reader with both succinct and original insights into human society. *Imperfection* is the result of an important Canadian public intellectual at work. A mature scholar and established literary critic, Patrick Grant is professor emeritus of English at the University of Victoria. He is the author of several books, including *Buddhism and Ethnic Conflict in Sri Lanka*; *Literature, Rhetoric, and Violence in Northern Ireland*; and *Personalism and the Politics of Culture*.

What She Left Behind

In the center of earth lies a beautiful place called LaHappyville. King and Queen LaHappy hold the golden diamond ball of happiness in the castle chambers. This magical precious diamond see to it that everyone in the world is happy. Meanwhile, Drusilla who was once the royal scientist of LaHappyville tries to steal the golden diamond ball of happiness. King and Queen LaHappy give birth to a beautiful baby girl and somehow magically, Drusilla can't get To The golden diamond ball of happiness. Drusilla is bitter and even hates happy girls even more due to Princess Pink 's powers. King and Queen LaHappy fear that Drusilla will try to return so, they call on Princess Pink's godfather Nigel to train her to be the best all around princess.

Loving

Manager of a fashion boutique in Denver, the newly-engaged Diana happily wears her diamond ring from her prince charming, Mr. Joey Rancher. Even though they are engaged, how much does Diana really know about her fiancée? Does she know that Joey Rancher is actually FBI Agent Frank Yarrow? Does she know that he is investigating a money-laundering scheme that is believed to run out of Belle's Broadway Boutique—the very boutique that Diana manages? When Frank Yarrow was assigned to the little shop, little did he know that he would fall in love with his cover! After Diana is kidnapped, Frank must rescue and convince her that he didn't lie about everything in his life—especially his love for her. To break the case, Frank seeks the help of his large and in charge partner, Bits, as well as Diana's over-involved best friends from college. Cautious Connie, Funny Persnickety Patty, and Adventurous Jessica (You may remember them from, Fiddlesticks & Cornpaste with Pirates and Pistachios!) are back in action! In this fast-paced, heart pumping, comedic adventure, there is only one question that must be answered... Will Diana and Frank stand the tests they face in their love, as well as their faith, to be married amongst, Bubbles & Bullfrogs?"

Legacy

As recounted by the Roman poet Ovid, a young nymph, Salmacis, one day spied Hermaphroditus bathing; consumed with passion, she entered the water and, begging the gods to allow them to stay together, the two became one – part man, part woman. An Eclectic Pagan, for Elizabeth Ovid's fables are more than fiction, and form a framework for exploring identity. Drawing on the rich mythological history associated with the tale of Salmacis and Hermaphroditus, and re-examining the tale through the lens of metaphor, *Salmacis: Becoming Not Quite a Woman* is a stirringly relatable and powerful exploration of gender, love and identity. this is my lake salmacis, and i am the wild nymph with a hollow in her belly and nothing between her legs 'Rich with references... deeply interesting... a beautifully lyrical debut collection with real power in its pages.' Debut Digest

Your Gravity

An award-winning physician-writer exposes how pervasive cracks in the health care system cost us time, energy, and lives—and how we can fix them. There's an unspoken assumption when we go to see a doctor: the doctor knows our medical story and is making decisions based on that story. But reality frequently falls short. Medical records vanish when we switch doctors. Critical details of life-saving treatment plans get lost in muddled electronic charts. The doctors we see change according to specialty, hospital shifts, or an insurer's whims. Physician Ilana Yurkiewicz calls this phenomenon fragmentation, and, she argues, it's the central failure of health care today. In this gripping narrative from medicine's front lines, Yurkiewicz reveals how a system that doesn't talk to itself puts insupportable burdens on physicians, patients, and caregivers, forcing them to heroic lengths to hold the pieces together—barely. The stories she tells are at once harrowing and commonplace. A patient narrowly averts an unnecessary, invasive heart procedure by producing a worn rhythm strip he has carried in his pocket for a decade. A man diagnosed with leukemia while visiting from abroad has thirty-one physicians, but no one he can call "his" doctor, with tragic consequences. When Yurkiewicz's own father falls ill, a culture that incentivizes health care providers to react with quick fixes to the problems immediately before them—often to the neglect of a patient's overall narrative—leads to weeks of additional suffering and a risky hospital transfer. The system is hanging by a thread, and we need better solutions. Yurkiewicz issues a clear-eyed call for change, naming concrete reforms doctors and policymakers can make, and empowering patients and their loved ones to advocate for themselves in the meantime. Urgent, radiantly humane, and ultimately hopeful, *Fragmented* a prescription for what really needs fixing in modern medicine.

Idiots

Alex Duncan is just an ordinary 14 year old boy. His main worries are homework, girls, the school bully... ..and his sister Jenna, who has ovarian cancer, stage B. As his parents retreat into themselves, Alex is desperate to help. While he tries to find a way to make things better for his sister, life still goes on and everything he does just makes him feel more and more awkward and out of place. His search for meaning, or at least some comfort in all the chaos, takes him on a journey of friendship, love, and discovery. What Alex learns helps him to come to terms with not only his sister's mortality, but also how he and his family and friends can cope with the one big question: what lies Beyond? Georgia Springate's debut novel, *Beyond*, is a funny and touchingly compelling coming-of-age story about love,

loss and discovery. Read it and take an emotional journey through one boy's quest to understand that most tricky of questions: what lies beyond?

St. Nicholas

When orchardist, Dan Faraday's sisters buy him a dating subscription for his 37th birthday, Dan is unimpressed. He doesn't need help. He knows exactly the kind of wife he needs – someone sensible and grounded, someone looking to settle, down just like him. Enter Lucy. Hired as a cherry picker for the season, Lucy is everything Dan's not. A free spirit who lives for the moment, it's not long before Dan and Lucy rub each other up the wrong way, and sparks start flying. As the season progresses, inconvenient spark turns to unintended sizzle, and Lucy and Dan find themselves increasingly drawn to each other. But Lucy's not looking for permanent and Dan's not looking for temporary, so as cherry season draws to a close, can these two very different people find common ground before it's too late?

St. Nicholas

CRYSTAL ROSE